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<u>Today's Programme:</u> 17 November 2014 - Classification Talk by

Rtn. Gautam Shakya

Forthcoming Programme: To be decided

Congratulatory Events

<u>Birthdays</u>: Nil <u>Wedding Anniversaries</u>: Nil

Date: 24 Kartik 2071 / 10 November 2014

Minutes of Meeting No 1433

- President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha called the Meeting No. 1433 to order with 15 seconds of 'silent invocation' for peace and happiness.
- 2. Guests welcomed by President a.i. Kayastha Rtn. Kiran L. Shrestha, PP, RC of Pokhara; and Rotaracts President Sudip Shakya, Sagar Maharjan and Sumin Maharjan.
- 3. The last meeting's minutes were reviewed and adopted.
- 4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtn. Lochan Gyawali for 'Happy Birthday' in absentia (ha.ba.).
 - Rtn. Lalita Thapa for being the 'first' to contribute today.
 - Rtn. Dr. Mukti N. Shrestha for successful completion of the Conference of Veterinary Practitioners during 7-8 November and being the President of Veterinary Practitioners in Nepal.
 - Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan for being the Acting Secretary for today's meeting.
- Other Contributions:
 - President a.i. Kayastha again requested all to consider contributing to the Club Trust Fund to reach the target of NRs. 1 million by 30 June 2015.
- 6. Rotary News/Information Sharing:
 - (i) President a.i. Kayastha gave a summary of the NRCL meeting (with 19 participants including 4 from the RCP) hosted by the RCP held earlier today as follows:
 - Lalitpur Blood Bank & Role of Rotary Clubs of NRCL Noting acute shortage, all Presidents were requested to help find donors. In this regard, Rtn. Lalita Thapa's annual contribution for Blood Camp with the Rotaracts was noted.
 - Heart Hospital NRCL is working to establish a Heart Hospital in Lalitpur for which 1 Ropani 10 Anas of land has been acquired.
 - Literacy Programme with RCP contribution Four VDCs in Lalitpur have been declared 100% literate on 9 Asadh 2071.
 - (ii) Fellowship Coordinator Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha announced the plan for this year's RCP Family Outing to Gorkha Gaun Resort (19-21 December) for a maximum of 22 persons.
 - (iii) Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary briefed on the following:
 - There will be 4 regional TRF seminars this year. The TRF seminar in Kathmandu will be held on 6 December 2014.

- The District has approved US \$3,000 from DDF for a Global Grant for our Community Development Project in Chandibhanjyang.
- Activity of Interact Club of Sunakothi at the Balkumari School during the Interact Week to clean Temple and Bihar premises there.
- (iv) Rtn. Kiran L. Shrestha of RC Pokhara briefed on his club's activities. RCP is the mother club of RC Pokhara, which was chartered in 1997 and has 40 all PHF members. Rtn. Shrestha also briefed about 'Karunadeep Foundation' established by the RC of Pokhara and requested all Rotarians to consider becoming life member of it by contributing NRs. 10,000 each. He left the forms for this with the RCP.
- (v) Rotaract Sagar Maharjan informed about a charity programme (with tickets at NRs. 500 and 1,000) being held with 'Jyapu Samaj' at Bhil Dhoka, Balkumari on Saturday 14 November 2014 to help street children.
- 7. Salutation: By PDG Tirtha M. Sakya Rotary Club of Calgary North, Alberta, Canada; Club ID 952; Chartered: 1961; Members 41. District: 5360, Clubs: 48, and Members 2042.
- 8. Please see below for a summary of the session on 'The Rotary Foundation' coordinated by Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha, TRF Chairperson.
- 9. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President a.i., Jt. Secretary Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan announced: contributions to Sunshine Fund: NRs. 2,000 (including NRs. 50 for mobile ring by PDG Tirtha M. Sakya, and NRs. 250 top-up by President a.i. Kayastha), attendance: members 17, visiting Rotarian 1, Rotaracts 3, spouse 1, and make-up 8.

Summary of 'The Rotary Foundation' session coordinated by Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha, TRF Chairperson

Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha started by presenting other members of the TRF committee, i.e. Rtns. Dr. Bishwa B. Sharma, Dr. Shivaji B. Silwal, Mahendra Thapa and Gautam R. Sakya.

Rtn. Shrestha talked about the programmes of the Rotary Foundation and encouraged everyone to contribute to the Foundation and add to their MPHFs/PHFs. Mentioning Nepal as a Polio Free country, he encouraged contributions to the PolioPlus Fund of the Rotary Foundation. Currently, contributions of US \$1 to this fund is matched by US \$2 by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Many members present announced contributions of NRs. 500 each (US\$ 5) to the PolioPlus Fund, which reached NRs. 7,000 on the same day. As part of the Rotary Foundation contribution to become 'PHF' members, Rtns. Gautam R. Shakya and Nirmal Pradhanang also announced their contributions.

Rtn. Shrestha also updated on the current status of Major Donors, MPHFs and PHFs in the RCP - 4 Major Donors, 1 MPHF+7, 1 MPHF+5, 3 MPHF+4, 4 MPHF+3, 5 MPHF+2, 10 MPHF+1 and 13 PHFs (for the names, please see the Lalitdhara Souvenir).



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