

Forthcoming Programme:
22 Dec – Review/Report of Family Outing; and
Presentation of Project Site Visit to Chepel, Solukhumbu
27 Dec – District TRF Seminar
29 Dec - 5th Monday of the Month Entertainment Programme

Minutes of Meeting No 1437

Date: 22 Mangsir 2071 / 8 December 2014

Birthdays: Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey – 14 Dec Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty – 17 Dec

Wedding Anniversaries: NIL

- 1. President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha called the Meeting No. 1437 to order with 15 seconds of 'silent invocation' for peace and happiness.
- 2. Guests welcomed by President a.i. Kayastha The Awardees and Team for 'KMDEEA', spouse Bijaya Shrestha and the Team of Bikers from RI District 3060, India
- 3. The last meeting's minutes were reviewed and adopted.
- 4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtn. Piyush B. Bajracharya for 'Happy Birthday' for the second time following calendar birthday.
 - Rtn. Lochan Gyawali for 'Happy Landing' from Japan.
 - Rtn. Krishna B. Basnyat for media coverage of his interview in 'Taja Bahas'.
 - Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan for moving house from Dhobighat to Tulsi Home, Samakhusi.
 - Rtns. Matsyendra L. and Chandralekha Kayastha for being the 'First' in the design competition of RBB, Bharatpur (NRs.500).
 - Rtn. Kamal M. Dixit for today's 'KMDEEA' ceremony.
 - Rtn. Lalita Thapa for being able to join the meeting of today.
 - Rtns. Padam Lal and Kamala Maharjan for 'Happy Landing' from Abu Dhabi, UAE.
 - Other Contributions: Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty had requested all the donors who donated through Gabriele and Bijaya Mallapaty to the 'PEEF TF', to add one time contributions to cover shortfalls in the Fund due to decreasing interest rates. Their son Ajaya contributed NRs. 30,000, daughter Smriti contributed NRs. 15,000, and Gabriele's mother Ms. Ilse Hahn contributed NRs. 15,000. A cheque with a total amount of NRs. 60,000 was handed over to President a.i. Kayastha.
- 5. Rotary News/Information Sharing:
 - President a.i. Kayastha informed of the rescheduling of the Business Meeting of today to next week because of two main programmes today.
 - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty informed of the completion of a comprehensive application process for the Global Grant Project of US \$50,000 on the Vocational Training of 100 'Kamlari' girls in Western Nepal.
 - Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha updated on the progress of 'Club Registration' renewal moving ahead positively.
 - Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan presented the RCP Dubai, UAE flag that he and Rtn. Kamala Maharjan received during their recent trip to UAE.
 - Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary informed that the Rotary Board at the Bagmati Bridge, installed during his Presidency of the RCP, has regrettably been removed recently.

- 6. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Keshab B. Mathema Rotary Club of Guntakal, Andhra Pradesh; Club ID 22632; Chartered: 1960; Members 39. District: 3160, Clubs: 57, and Members: 2096.
- 7. Please see below for a brief summary of the Main Programme of Today: KMDEEA ceremony and welcoming of the team of seven Bikers from the RI District 3060, India.
- 8. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President a.i.,the Secretary announced: contributions to Sunshine Fund: NRs.3,100, attendance: members 25, visiting Rotarians/Rotaracts 7, Guests 8, and make-up 7.

<u>Main Programme Summary:</u> 1. <u>Kamal Mani Dixit Educational Excellence Award (KMDEEA), &</u> 2. <u>Welcoming the Team of 7 Bikers from RI District 3060, India</u>

1. *Kamal Mani Dixit Educational Excellence Award (KMDEEA):* President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha welcomed: 1st Awardee Ms. Soni Maharjan together with Headmaster Mr. Surya K. Rai from Balkumari School, Sunakothi; 2nd Awardee Ms. Kajal Shrestha together with her friend Ms. Sangita Ale Magar from Adarsha Kanya Niketan H School, Mangal Bazar; and 3rd Awardee Mr. Pujan Bhandari together with his sister Puja Bhandari from Tri Padma Vidyashram HS School, Pulchowk. In his welcoming remarks, he thanked the selection committee of the RCP with President Elect Piyush B. Bajracharya, Coordinator, and Members Rtn. Lalita Thapa and Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty. He also thanked Rtn. Narayan G. Halwai for the pre-selection of the students.

Rtn. Kamal M. Dixit gave the introductory remarks on the 'KMDEEA' ceremony. He gave a summary brief on the achievements of the Prajapati Education Endowment Fund of the RCP well known as 'PEEF' that started in 1991, while the KMDEEA started since last year with his contribution. Last year, the 'First' student was only awarded whereas with the contributions of Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha and PDG Tirtha M. Sakya the second and third best student are also awarded from this year. He congratulated all the Awardees for being selected from among all the students supported by PEEF in 29 schools of Lalitpur District.

The Awards Certificates together with cash awards of NRs. 10,000, NRs. 5,000 and NRs. 3,000 were handed over to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Awardees by Rtn. Kamal M. Dixit, Spouse Bijaya Shrestha on behalf of Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha and PDG Tirtha M. Sakya respectively. President a.i. Kayastha also presented them Khada and Secretary Gabriele Mallapaty with a copy each of 'Lalitdhara Souvenir' of the RCP.

All the three Awardees spoke for a few minutes each appreciating the 'KMDEEA' Awards they received from the RCP and promised to do even better in their studies.

2. Welcoming the Team of 7 Bikers from RI District 3060, India: The seven member Team of four Rotarians and 3 Rotaracts from RI District 3060, India was welcomed by the President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha. The Team included PP Rtn. Bhavnesh Mehta, President Rtn. Chirag Gandhi, Rtns. Mahesh, Heena and Rotaracts Devendra, Gaurav and Pranavsinh.

PDG Tirtha M. Sakya made an introductory remarks to welcome the Team and briefed them about the Rotary Club of Patan. He welcomed their efforts to spread the message of Literacy in India and during the trip here in Nepal. He also talked about the first Literacy South Asia Seminar held in Kathmandu, Nepal.

PP Rtn. Bhavnesh and President Chirag briefed on the mission of the Team as an 'Expedition for Education' or 'Safar Shiksha Ka' motivated by Past RI President Kalyan Banarjee's 'Literacy Mission' through Rotary. They conveyed the greetings of their District Governor and presented the District 3060 Flag. They also explained that the tour will cover 3060 kms on motorcycles and advocate each student to teach at least one person in all the schools they visit on their route from Darjeeling to Shirdi.

President a.i. concluded the session with the invitation of the RCP to the Team for a Dinner to be participated by PDG Tirtha M. Sakya, and some members of the RCP and the District.



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Why were males created before females? Because one always needs a rough draft before the final copy.