#### 'LALIT DHARA' Weekly Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Patan (Nepal)









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#### Today's Programme:

Business Meeting, and Joint Meeting with Rotaract Club of Patan

## Forthcoming Programme:

14 March - ICM on Heart Diseases in Nepal

14 March – Blood Donation Camp in Mangal Bazar with Rotaracts

# <u>Congratulatory Events</u> <u>Birthdays</u>:

Rtn. Khruschev Shrestha – 11 Mar. (27 Falgun)

## Wedding Anniversaries:

Rtn. Nirmal Pradhanang – 6 March Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary – 8 March

## Minutes of Meeting No 1449

- 1. President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha called the Meeting No. 1449 to order with 15 seconds of 'silent invocation' for peace and happiness.
- 2. Guests welcomed by President a.i. Kayastha Mr. Ramesh L. Maskey, Mr. Arjun M. Bhattarai from CPCS, Rotaract President Sudeep Shakya, Rotaract Bipin Shakya, and Inner Wheels of the RCP.
- 3. The last meeting's minutes were reviewed and adopted.
- 4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
  - Rtn. Satya Pradhan for 'Happy Birthday' in absentia (ha.ba.).
  - Rtn. Piyush B. Bajracharya for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary'.
  - Rtns. Pushkar M. Shakya, Bijaya Bajracharya, and Shiva Pradhan for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' in absentia (ha.ba).
  - Rtn. Bharat N. Joshi for 'Happy Landing' from the USA. During the long family visit, Rtn. Joshi took several internal flights including a Cruise travel (NRs.1,000).
  - Mr. Ramesh L. Maskey for attending the RCP meeting for the third time.
  - Rtns. Padam L. and Kamala Maharjan for attending the 'Samyak Mahadan Festival' in Lagankhel with about 300 idols of Buddhist deities brought for the ritual performed every 90 years (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary for participation in the District Conference with a presentation.
  - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi for meeting a Rotarian Lady with expressing extreme joy for being able to see and know Sauraha during the District Conference.

# 5. Other Contributions:

President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha handed over NRs. 1,000 being the committed 10% of a new contribution received for the Club Trust Fund.

- 6. Rotary News/Information Sharing:
  - President a.i. Kayastha informed of Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha's accidental fall at home resulting in a fracture of one foot. She has a plaster on the foot and will be unable to move freely for some time.
  - The weekly meeting of 9 March will be a joint meeting with the Rotaracts as it falls during the World Rotaract Week. On 14 March, there will also be the annual 'Blood Donation Programme' at Mangal Bazar. For this programme, Rtn. Lalita Thapa has been contributing NRs. 10,000 through the RCP, which was handed over to the Rotaract President Sudeep Shakya.
  - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty updated on the status and progress of new Global Grants.

- 7. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary Rotary Club of Lumpinee, Thailand; Club ID: 28095; Chartered: 1991; Members: 44. District: 3350, Clubs: 88, and Members: 2427.
- 8. Reporting on the *District Conference in Chitwan*: Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha reported on a very successful District Conference in Chitwan where the RCP was one of the Co-Hosts with the participation of 8 Members and 3 Spouses that included 3 speakers (Rtns. Tirtha M. Sakya, Siba B. Rajbhandary and Dr. Prakash R. Regmi) as well a 'Club Exhibit' of the RCP. The Conference had a registration total of 742. Rtn. Shrestha handed over the 'Memento' to President a.i. Kayastha that was awarded to the RCP for being a Co-Host with a contribution of NRs. 25,000. Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary added with information on the Polio Walk on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the Conference and the nomination process of candidates for District Governor Nominee. The result should be out shortly.

Rtn. Rajbhandary also highlighted the outstanding ceremony to felicitate the first District Governor of District 3292, Rtn. Tika M. Vaidya, together with his spouse, for being awarded the *Rotary International's highest award – 'Service above Self'*.

- 9. Introduction of the *Child Protection Centre and Service (CPCS)*: Mr. Arjun M. Bhattarai, Deputy Country Director of Child Protection Centers and Services (CPCS) presented the NGO, which has been working in Nepal since 2002 for the protection and rehabilitation of street children and children at risk. The Nepal NGO, sponsored by the INGO CPCS based in Bruxelles, has been working in three areas, i.e. Prevention, Risk Reduction, and Social Rehabilitation. It has several centres throughout the country, and rehabilitation centres in Kathmandu and Dolakha.
  - CPSS has confirmation of possible Rotary funding from Bruxelles and other Rotary Clubs in Europe to support a project with a vehicle and other materials with a budget of Euro 37,200 for the CPCS rehabilitation centres and looking for a local Rotary partner to manage a Rotary Global Grant. Rtn. Nirmal Pradhanang, who knows the NGO, was approached for partnership with the RCP. The proposal has been initially reviewed by Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty and being presented to the RCP Board for further review and approval.
- 10. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President a.i., the Secretary announced: contributions to Sunshine Fund NRs. 4,000 (including the top-up of NRs. 200 by President a.i. Kayastha), attendance: guests 2, Rotaracts 2, members 18, and make-up 9.

# **Rotary Information**

# New Rotary Months from 1 July 2015:

July: No special designation

August: Membership and Extension Month September: Basic Education and Literacy Month

October: Economic and Community Development Month

November: Rotary Foundation Month

December: Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

January: Vocational Service Month

February: Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

March: Water and Sanitation Month
April: Maternal and Child Health Month

May: Youth Service Month.

June: Rotary Fellowships Month

# RI Convention Venues and Dates:

6 - 9 June 2015 Sao Paulo, Brazil 28 May - 1 June 2016 Seoul, Korea

10 - 14 June 2017 Atlanta, Georgia, USA 24 - 27 June Toronto, Ontario, Canada

# Rotary Q/A by Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary in preparation for District 'Rota Quiz'

<u>Questions</u> <u>Answers</u>

Recipients of RI's Highest Award – 'Service above Self' in RI District 3292 (Late) Rtn. Gopal Rajbhandary, Rtn. Dilendra R. Shrestha, Rtn. Ambica Shrestha, and Rtn. Tika M. Vaidya.