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Today's Programme:

5th Monday of the Month Entertainment Programme

Forthcoming Programme:

3 April – Board Meeting

6 April – Business Meeting

Congratulatory Events

Birthdays: Nil

Wedding Anniversaries:

Rtn. Lalita Thapa – 30 Mar.(16 Chaitra)

Minutes of Meeting No 1552

Date: 9 Chaitra 2071 / 23 March 2015

1. President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha called the Meeting No. 1552 to order with 15 seconds of 'silent invocation' for peace and happiness.
2. Guests welcomed: Mr. Matrika Devkota, Mr. Yubraj Chand, Ms. Rakshya Shrestha, and Mr. Keshar Devkota from KOSHISH; Mr. Nirmal Gyawali and Ms. Sunita, TRIF, Bardia; and 12 visiting Rotarians that include: Robert Rose, Rose Stevens, Diane Tebelius, Matt Camrud; John Sonard, Jean, and Michael & Kristine Lynes.
3. The last meeting's minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtn. Piyush B. Bajracharya - for happy sharing of experience of Jomsom airport.
 - Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan – for successful completion of his son's wedding last Friday.
 - Rtn. Kamala Maharjan– for her son's happy wedding and the presence of his in-laws Michael and Kristine.
 - Rtn. Lalita Thapa - for attending as a resource person on Results Based Management for Training of Trainers (TOT) for Primary Prevention of Rheumatic Heart Disease, Nepal Heart Foundation (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha - for his association with Jomsom Airport, which was designed by Kayastha Architects.
 - Rtn. R.R. Pandey – for welcoming visiting Rotarians and guests (NRs. 500).
5. Other Contributions:
 - Rtns. Michael and Kristine (In-laws of Rtns. Padam L. & Kamala Maharjan) announced to support 2 scholarships and handed over the cheque of US\$600 for PEEF and shared their happiness being in Nepal to attend their daughter's wedding.
 - Rtn Kamala Maharjan contributed NRs. 5,000 to the Club Trust Fund.
 - Rtn Jamuna K. Tamarkar contributed NRs. 1,000 for PEEF.
 - Rtn Lalita Thapa contributed NRs. 1,000 for PEEF.
6. Rotary News/Information Sharing:
 - Vice President Chandralekha Kayastha is recovering well and would be able to join the meeting soon. Both Rtns. Bijaya and Gabrielle Mallapaty have left Nepal for Germany on their holiday and to visit their son and daughter-in-law in the USA.
 - President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha reminded the RCP members to attend the joint meeting at Shanker Hotel on 24 March at 5:30 with NRs. 700 for high tea.
 - At the request of President a.i. Kayastha, Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit awarded the Pin for MPH+7 to Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha.

- Welcoming the visiting Rotarians, President a.i. Kayastha gave the floor to Rotarians Robert and Rose to say a few words. They were very pleased to be visiting Nepal with Rotarians of RC Lakewood and to learn about the District Grant Project 'KOSHISH', its activities and the status of beneficiaries. They were also very happy to be associated with the Rotary Club of Patan.
 - A video presentation on 'KOSHISH' and its activities was made. It highlighted the activities related to staff capacity development, training on proposal writing, computer operation, bead necklace and bracelets, knitting, envelop making, screen printing, poultry farming and current engagement in income generating activities of the beneficiaries.
 - On behalf of KOSHISH, Mr. Matrika Devkota thanked its supporters, particularly the RC of Lakewood, and RC of Patan for the valuable assistance provided to the organization and to its beneficiaries. The support provided to them have made transformational changes in their lives. He also introduced one of the beneficiaries present in the meeting (Mr. Keshar Devkota), who used to live in a 'Pati' in Jawalakhel, Lalitpur, for more than 13 years. He also sang a song playing the guitar by himself. It was a heart touching scene. Mr. Matrika Devkota concluded the presentation on KOSHISH and invited all to visit the organization in Khumaltar.
7. Salutation: By PP Jamuna K. Tamrakar – Rotary Club of Lagos, Lagos State, Nigeria; Club ID 17202, Chartered: 1961; Members: 83. District: 9110, Clubs: 83, Members: 2093.
8. Before the closure of the meeting President a.i. Kayastha extended special thanks to the partners of 'KOSHISH' District Grant Project and other visiting Rotarians and guests for their presence, the Joint Secretary announced: contributions to 'Sunshine' Fund: NRs. 3,000, attendance: members 16, make up 10, guests 6, visiting Rotarians 12.



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A father left 17 elephants as an asset for his three sons. When the father passed away, his sons opened up the 'Will'. The 'Will' of the father stated that the eldest son should get half of the 17 elephants. The middle son should be given 1/3rd of the 17 elephants and the youngest son should be given 1/9th of the 17 elephants. As it is not possible to divide 17 into half or 17 by 3 or 17 by 9, the sons started to fight with each other. Finally, they decided to go to a wise man.

The wise man listened patiently about the 'Will'. The wise man, after giving this thought, brought one elephant of his own & added the same to 17. That increased the total to 18 elephants.

Now, he started reading the deceased father's will.

Half of 18 = 9. So he gave 9 elephants to the eldest son.

1/3rd of 18 = 6. So he gave 6 elephants to the middle son.

1/9th of 18 = 2. So he gave 2 elephants to the youngest son.

Now add this up: $9 + 6 + 2 = 17$ & this leaves 1 elephant, which the wise man took back.

MORAL: *The attitude of negotiation & problem solving is to find the 18th elephant i.e. the common ground. Once a person is able to find the common ground, the issue is resolved. It is difficult at times.*