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Editor's Note: It is time again to have my word as the editor of 'Lalitdhara' at the start of Rotary Year 2016-2017. This year is very special for me as I will also be taking on the role of President of the Rotary Club of Patan (RCP). We are very proud to have a strong and vibrant club excelling in both 'Fellowship' and 'Service', both equally important sides of a coin. Our successes over the years, with everyone's contribution to doing 'as much as we can' and 'as well as we can', has encouraged me to do more and bring our club to new heights!

The invaluable tradition of this weekly bulletin produced by my respected predecessor Rotarian Kamalmani Dixit for 16 years (1996-2012) furthers communication and brings the RCP family closer, while providing a permanent record of our activities. Since last year, the *Lalitdhara* can also be viewed on the RCP Facebook page.

I am thankful to the entire RCP family for their support in this endeavour through regular comments and edits. I especially appreciate the continued support of Rotarian Chandralekha Kayastha as the Assistant Editor of *Lalitdhara* as well as print producer. I hope *Lalitdhara* continues to contribute to the public image of RCP and its service to our community.

Today's Programme:

1st Meeting of Rotary Year 2016-2017 & Installation of Club Officials

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

Rtn. Keshab B. Mathema – 2 July & Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi – 5 July *Wedding Anniversaries*:

Rtns. Matsyendra L. and Chandralekha Kayastha – 7 July

Minutes of Meetings No. 1515

- <u>Date: 13 Asadh 2073 / 27 June 2016</u>
- 1. President Piyush Bajracharya called the meeting No. 1515 to order with 15 seconds of 'silent invocation' for Peace and Happiness.
- 2. Guests welcomed by the President: Spouse Mrs. Mithila Rajbhandary and First Lady Mrs. Ramita Bajracharya.
- 3. The last meeting minutes were adopted.
- 4. 'Happy News' Contribution:
 - Rtn. Dr. Mukti N. Shrestha for 'Happy Birthday'.
 - Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha for 'Happy 25th Wedding Anniversary' (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi for daughter joining the Ganga Lal Heart Hospital as Medical Officer on 27 June 2016 (NRs. 1,000).
 - President Piyush Bajracharya for a very successful 'Health Camp' with over 200 check-ups.
 - Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha for making additional contributions to the PEEF (See below).
 - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang for successful completion of President Piyush Bajracharya's term.
 - Rtn. Ramesh Maskay for completing 1 year as a Rotarian (NRs. 500).
- 5. Other Contributions:
 - Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha contributed NRs. 105,000 to the PEEF one time operational fund in the name of the following: Rtns. Matsyendra L. Kayastha NRs. 45,000, Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha NRs. 15,000, Mr. Manish Kayastha NRs. 15,000, Rtns. Matsyendra L. and Chandralekha Kayastha NRs. 10,000, late Mr. Krishna B. Gongol NRs. 10,000, and late Mrs. Bhumati D. Gongol NRs. 10,000.
- 6. Rotary News/Information:
 - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha briefed on a very successful 'Health Camp' sponsored by Nepal Heart Foundation and the RCP on 25 June 2016 at Samata School/AVS School, Gwarko in collaboration with the 'Didi Bahini Samuha' and 'Tole Sudhar Samiti' of the area. Two hundred persons were screened for heart disease risk factors with medicines for hypertension distributed. Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi took the lead with the support of others including Ashis Kumar Shresthat, Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha's son who is also a Medical Officer. Following the screening, Dr. Regmi talked for one hour and twenty minutes in a very practical and convincing way to make all aware of heart disease risk factors and the necessity of a healthy lifestyle. Photos and video clip of the Camp can be seen in the RCP Facebook page. Rtn. Dr. Regmi was congratulated and it was agreed to have a similar session for the RCP family soon.

- Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang briefed on the successful completion of the Interact District Conference held during 24-25 June 2016 that had the participation of 2 Interacts sponsored by the RCP from the Balkumari School, Sunakothi.
- Reminders were made with requests to participate in the forthcoming District Events District Installation Ceremony on 1 July; District Inner wheel Assembly chaired by District IW Chairperson Bijaya Shrestha on 2 July (Lainchaur Banquet at 10:30 hrs.); information dissemination and interaction programmes on District Earthquake and Literacy programme chaired by PDG Tirtha M. Sakya on 2 July (Kamaladi Party Palace at 10:00; and Rotaract Club of Patan Installation programme on 30 June 2016.
- 7. In continuation of the 'Pinning' of Rotary MPHF/PHF pins, PDG Tirtha M. Sakya pinned Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha with a MPHF+4 Pin.
- 8. President Piyush Bajracharya presented a comprehensive summary of activities of the RCP during his tenure as President of the Club in 2015-2016, and thanked all members for their support in making his Presidency successful. His full report will be published in the Lalitdhara Souvenir.
- 9. Salutation: By PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya Rotary Club of Sousse, Tunisia; Chartered: 1986; and Members: 32. District: 9010, Clubs: 61, and Members: 2496.
- 10.Before closing by the President, the Secretary announced: Contribution of NRs. 5,100 (2,300 from attendance & 2,800 for sunshine fund incl. 200 for four phone rings); attendance: 2 spouses, 21 members and 6 make-ups.

Rotary Q/A by Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary Answers

Questions

Last District Governor of District 3290 (Former District 3292): PDG Rtn. Aniruddha Roy Chowdhury

Abbreviation 'AKS': Arch C. Klumph Society (contributors of US \$250,000 or more to Rotary)

12th Joint Board Meeting of the RCP held on 24 June 2016

Rtn. Lalita Thapa presented the following minutes/decisions of the 12th Joint Board Meeting hosted by President Piyush Bajracharya and President Elect Bijaya Mallapaty, which were endorsed/approved by the 'House':

- 1. The decisions of the 11th Board Meeting were reviewed.
- 2. In the absence of Treasurer Rtn. Bharat N. Joshi on travel, Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty updated the Board on the financial status as of end June 2016, and presented the proposed budget for 2016-2017. It was noted that the final annual statement of income and expenditures will be presented upon return of the Treasurer, and the proposed 2016-2017 budget was approved with some modifications. The total proposed income and expenditure for RY 2016-2017 is NRs. 1,403,500.
- 3. Hosts for the next couple of Board Meetings were confirmed as follows:
 - 1st Board Meeting on Friday, 29 July 2016 hosted by Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty 2nd Board Meeting on Friday, 2 September 2016 hosted by Rtn. Lalita Thapa
- 4. It was agreed to have the 2nd Club Assembly Meeting on Monday, 11 July 2016.
- 5. As per regular practice, it was agreed to propose the names of RCP Representatives to the Nepal Orthopaedic Hospital Board for the Rotary Year 2016-2017. After deliberations, it was agreed to have Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha (continued) and Rtn. Piyush Bajracharya (to replace Rtn. Krishna B. Basnyat) and to inform the NOH accordingly.
- 6. It was noted that the District Governor's official visit in RY 2016-2017 will be separate from the RCP's 'Charter Day' celebrations on 29 August 2016. For the Charter Day, which falls on a Monday, Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha was named the coordinator of an organizing team to be added with other members.
- 7. Rtn. Mahendra Thapa provided an update on the progress of Lalitdhara Souvenir production. Writers were specifically requested to submit drafts by 10 July and plans were reviewed to increase the advertisements to raise funds.
- 8. Based on the experience of the past years, it was agreed to have two 'Birthday Fellowship Groups' for next Rotary Year, for optimal participation.
- 9. Membership Chairperson Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha presented the proposal for two new members Mr. Kiran Thapa (spouse of Rtn. Lalita Thapa) and Mr. Mahendra Singh Rawal from Civil Aviation Department proposed by Rtn. Nirmal Pradhanang. Board endorsed both candidates to be presented to the 'House'.
- 10. Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi reminded everyone to join the Health Camp being held with Nepal Heart Foundation, for which the RCP approved a contribution of NRs. 10,000.
- 11. On behalf of the Board and the invited guests, Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha, welcomed the RI visitors and District officials (including PRID Shekhar Mehta and PDG Aniruddha R. Chowdhury) to the fellowship and thanked President Piyush Bajracharya and President Elect Bijaya Mallapaty for hosting the joint board meeting as well as an excellent fellowship dinner.