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Today's Programme:

Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha's talk on 'health benefits of pomegranate and some other fruits'

Forthcoming Programme:

- 22 Aug: Classification Talk by Rtn. Ramesh Maskay during the Rotary's 'Membership and New Club Development' month
29 Aug: Charter Day Celebration
2 Sept: 2nd Board Meeting hosted by Rtn. Lalita Thapa
5 Sept: Business Meeting

Congratulatory Events

Birthdays: NIL

Wedding Anniversaries: NIL

Minutes of Meetings No. 1521

Date: 24 Shrawan 2073 / 8 Aug. 2016

1. President Bijaya Mallapaty called the meeting No. 1521 to order with 15 seconds of 'silent invocation' for Peace and Happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the President: Mr. Amul Thapa – Videographer from SOS Children's Village; Ms. Rashmi Dangol from HelpAge International; Ms. Neena Joshi and Ms. Sumnima Shrestha from Heifer International; and Ms. Sheetal Tuladhar from BRAC.
3. The last meeting minutes were adopted.
4. 'Happy News' Contribution:
 - Rtn. Dr. Shivaji B. Silwal – for 'Happy Birthday' in absentia (ha.ba.).
 - Rtn. Gabriele and Bijaya Mallapaty – for having the interaction programme with film screening (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Lalita Thapa – for facilitating the District Membership Seminar.
 - Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha – for participating in the prize distribution ceremony following a design competition among students of architecture.
 - Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha – for his son's completion of MBBS from Kathmandu Medical College (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Dr. Mukti N. Shrestha – for 'Happy Landing' from Bangkok attending a regional veterinary conference.
 - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi – for a good participation in today's meeting.
 - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha – for good participation with 25 members today.
5. Rotary News/Information:
 - The District Membership Seminar was successfully with a participation of 7 members from the RCP. The venue of the District Stewardship seminar, being held on 13 August, is changed to Annapurna Hotel.
6. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha – Rotary Club of Vientiane, Laos; Chartered: 2006; and Members: 11. District: 3360, Clubs: 62, and Members: 1301.
7. Before the closing of the meeting by the President, the Secretary announced: contribution of NRs. 4,500 (2,500 for attendance & 2,000 for sunshine fund) with the attendance of 5 guests, 25 members and 5 make-ups.

[Interaction Programme with Partners-in-Service](#)

The documentary film '**On Shifting Ground**' (30 minutes) was screened. The film features six international non-governmental organizations working in Nepal - BRAC, Handicap International, Heifer International, HelpAge International, Operation Smile, and SOS Children's Villages. It features their work before, during and after the great earthquake of April 2015 in Nepal, these organizations were also among the first responders who worked in the impacted communities to achieve uniquely localized relief efforts. All six organizations are recipients of the 'Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize', which is the world's largest humanitarian award – amounting to US\$ 2 million- presented since 1996 to international humanitarian organizations judged to have made extraordinary contributions to alleviating human suffering.

The film was of particular interest to the RC Patan members as it also presented the work of our partners-in-service through Rotary's global grants with Heifer International, Nepal; and Kirtipur Hospital Burns and Cleft Centre.

Representing the six organizations were Ms. Rashmi Dangol from HelpAge International; Ms. Neena Joshi and Ms. Sumnima Shrestha from Heifer International, Ms. Sheetal Tuladhar from BRAC; and Mr. Amul Thapa – Videographer from Global Impact. Through the interaction, questions and answers session, the RCP members got a more in-depth understanding of the work of the coalition partners and appreciated the importance of disaster preparedness and presence in the field for disaster relief and sustainable community level work. The RCP's own post-earthquake efforts were also presented that encourages participation and ownership by the communities.

All the participants named above were thanked for their valuable presence and participation by the Rotary Club of Patan.

[SAM OWORI IS SELECTED TO BE 2018-19 ROTARY PRESIDENT](#) (Source: Rotary.org)



Samuel Frobisher Owori, a Ugandan businessman and a member of the Rotary Club of Kampala, will become president-nominee on 1 October.

The 2016-17 Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International has unanimously nominated Samuel Frobisher Owori, of the Rotary Club of Kampala, Uganda, to be the president of Rotary International in 2018-19. He will be declared the president-nominee on 1 October if no challenging candidates have been suggested. Owori says he sees in Rotary "an incredible passion to make a difference." As president, he plans to "harness that enthusiasm and pride so that every project becomes the engine of peace and prosperity."

Owori's chief concerns as a Rotary leader are membership and extension. Since he served as district governor, the number of clubs in Uganda has swelled from nine to 89. He urges past, present, and future leaders to work together to engage more women, youth program participants, alumni, and community members to increase Rotary's membership in the coming years. "There are many places which need Rotary and numerous potential members who have never been invited," he says. "The problem is Rotarians who got in and closed the doors."

Owori is chief executive officer of the Institute of Corporate Governance of Uganda. Before that, he was executive director of the African Development Bank, managing director of Uganda Commercial Bank Ltd., and director of Uganda Development Bank. He has studied law, employment relations, business management, corporate resources management, microfinance, and marketing at institutions in England, Japan, Switzerland, Tanzania, and the United States, including Harvard Business School.

Since becoming a member in 1978, Owori has served Rotary as regional Rotary Foundation coordinator, regional RI membership coordinator, and RI Representative to the United Nations Environment Program and UN-Habitat. He has been a member or chair of several committees, including the International PolioPlus Committee, the Drug Abuse Prevention Task Force, and the Audit Committee. Most recently, Owori served as trustee of The Rotary Foundation, chair of The Rotary Foundation's Finance Committee, and a member of the Investment Committee. Owori is a Benefactor of The Rotary Foundation, and he and his wife, Norah, are Major Donors and Paul Harris Fellows.