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Today's Programme: Talk by Mr. Matrika Devkota, Founder President of 'KOSHISH' (Mental Health Self-Help Organization & our partner)

Forthcoming Programme:

26 Dec - Regular Weekly Meeting
2 Jan - Business Meeting

Rotary's Disease Prevention & Treatment Month

Congratulatory Events

Birthdays:

Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty – 17 Dec.

Wedding Anniversaries: NIL

Minutes of Meetings No. 1537

Date: 27 Mangsir 2073 / 12 Dec. 2016

1. President Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty acknowledged the 'traditional German cookies and hot wine' offered by Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty and called the meeting no. 1537 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for peace and happiness.
2. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
3. Guest welcomed by the President: Rtn. Rajendra Dhoju, PP of RC Butwal. Rtn. Dhoju also introduced RC Butwal as the grandchild of the RCP through their parent club RC Chitwan. He has been a charter member of the club since 1993 and happy to be visiting the RCP for the third time. He also gave a short briefing on RC Butwal.
4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtn. Piyush Bajracharya – for 'Happy Birthday' in absentia (ha.ba.)
 - Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey – for 'Happy Birthday' in absentia (ha.ba.)
 - Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka – for the 15th 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' (NRs. 500).
 - Rtns. Padam L. Maharjan, Kedar B. Shrestha (NRs. 400 including for the attendance of over 25 members in today's meeting), Bijaya Mallapaty and Gabriele Mallapaty (NRs. 500) – for the successful handover of a container full of medical equipment and supplies provided by our Rotarian and 'Hospital without Borders' friends in Belgium to the Kirtipur Hospital.
 - Rtn. Piyush Bajracharya – for a successful trip of the RCP team to Mirge, Dolakha.
 - Rtns. Kiran Thapa and Lalita Thapa – for 'good health' and joining the regular meeting after a couple of weeks.
 - Rtns. Matsyendra L. Kayastha and Chandralekha Kayastha – for their company getting a new project for Plant Protection Directorate (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Lochan Gyawali – for 'Happy Landing' from Japan.
5. Other Contributions:

Rtn. Lochan Gyawali handed over Japanese Yen 30,803, donated by his contacts 'Issin-niyo Tea' in Kissako, Japan, to the RCP's Earthquake Funds.
6. Rotary News/Information:
 - Rtns. Bijaya Mallapaty and Kedar B. Shrestha provided an update on the health of Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit who is progressing well and is expected to be discharged from the B&B Hospital within a couple of days. We all wish him a quick full recovery.
 - For those who paid membership dues in two instalments, **the second instalment is due by 31 December 2016**, after which date late fees will apply.
 - The President will be on travel out of country from 20 December to 4 January 2017.
 - E-mail on District's plan for having the District Conference in Bangkok instead of Bhutan was circulated.
 - Reminder was made on another e-mail from the DG Elect requesting names of up to 4 interested Past Presidents from all clubs for District level roles.
 - The annual family outing of this year has been fixed for 13-14 January 2017 to 'Patale Ban'. The booking has been closed, but any additional members interested should immediately contact Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha.
 - A total of 8 participants from the RCP family joined the opening and handover ceremony of hospital equipment and supplies provided by friends from Rotary/Hospital without Borders in Belgium to Kirtipur Hospital. Please see more details of this wonderful support in our Facebook page.
 - For the water supply piping support to Khokana village from RCP's earthquake funds, Rtn. Kiran Shrestha has agreed to provide the necessary pipes and accessories at discounted rates from 'Panchakanya'.

- The newly established 'Fellowships Fund' of the RCP has reached a contribution total of NRs. 105,000. All are requested to contribute to this fund. A list of contributors will be shared by Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha/Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha.
7. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Keshab B. Mathema - RC of Graz, Austria; Chartered: 1927; Members: 77. District: 1910, Clubs: 87, and Members: 3960.
 8. Please see below for a summary of Classification Talk by Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal.
 9. Before the closure of the meeting by the President, the Secretary announced: contribution of NRs. 7050 (NRs. 3,800 for attendance and NRs. 3,250 for Sunshine Fund including for 1 phone ring); attendance: 1 visiting Rotarian, 28 members, and 5 make-ups.

Rotary 'Q & A' presented by Rtn. Kamala Maharjan

- Q.** What is the address of the official Rotary website?
A. www.rotary.org
- Q.** Which Past RI President is credited with having begun The Rotary Foundation?
A. Rtn. Arch Klumph in 1917

Summary of Classification Talk by Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal

Rtn. Mahendra Singh Rawal, Classification – Civil Aviation Expert, gave his classification talk starting with personal and family information and moving on to a comprehensive presentation on the 'Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal', where he served as one of its Deputy Director-Generals prior to his retirement in October 2016.

Born in Baitadi of Nepal on 5 October 1958, Rtn. Rawal is married to spouse Ambika, and has one son currently studying in China. They live in Imadole, Lalitpur. His hobby includes several sports, tourism and horticulture. He has visited over 60 districts of Nepal and some 20 foreign countries in the course of his work attending several training seminars, meetings etc. He completed his MBA from Tribhuvan University, and did several training courses in aeronautical subjects abroad and also attended courses at the Administrative Staff College of Nepal.

Rtn. Rawal started his career in 2039 B.S. as Assistant Technical Officer in Simara, and worked in various, progressively responsible positions at the Department of Civil Aviation. In 2055 B.S. an autonomous 'Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal - CAAN' was established where he moved as the Chief Manager and oversaw the work of Radar Division, Communication Division and Airport Security Division. In 2060 B.S. he became a Director and in 2068 a Deputy Director General. During the course of his work at CAAN, he had the opportunity to work in various fields including 'remote control air ground system' and presented a 'concept paper' on the whole aviation community at the national level. He was also the acting Director-General of the CAAN during the recent earthquake in Nepal when for 2 months he was able to provide comprehensive support from the TIA.

Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal also made a power-point presentation giving a comprehensive outline of the history, roles, responsibilities, and achievements of the CAAN, which is available on request.

On behalf of the RCP family, President Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty thanked Rtn. Rawal for the excellent classification talk and mentioned that the RCP is proud to have Rtn. Rawal and family as members of the RCP family.



May the Laugh Bug Bite You 😊😊😊😊😊

What are secrets?

Secrets are what we tell everyone not to tell anyone.