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Today's Programme: Talk Programme by Ms. Indira Shrestha, Founder President of Shtri Shakti on 'Women and Community Development'

Forthcoming Programme:

29 May - 5th Monday Entertainment Programme

5 June - Business Meeting

12 June - Talk Programme by Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang on "How a radar operates and how aircraft surveillance is done"

19 June - First Club Assembly of RY 2017-2018 and Briefing on RI convention in Atlanta, USA.

26 June - Final weekly meeting of 2016-2017 President

30 June (Friday) - Joint Board Meeting followed by Fellowship Dinner

Congratulatory Events

Birthdays:

Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha
25 May

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil

Minutes of Meetings No.1559

Date: 1 Jestha 2074 / 15 May 2017

1. President Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty called the meeting nos. 1558 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for peace and happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the President: Rotaract Peshal Bhattarai and spouses of RCP members.
3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtn. Gabriele and Bijaya Mallapaty – for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Piyush B. Bajracharya – for successful completion of family 'Dewali' feast with 60 participants.
 - Rtn. Kiran Thapa – for receiving the refund of the cancelled District Conference in Bhutan (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha – for voting in local elections, & talk prog. of Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi – for "safe landing" from Dhangadi, and successful completion of health camps with heart screening with a team of 8 in far western districts. Twenty-five schools and 9,500 children were covered over a 4 day period (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty – for RI's approval of the exceptional financial management of the GG with Heifer.
 - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha – for 1.2 million views of granddaughter Shivana's 'you-tube' video (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan – for today's talk programme, and obtaining USA visas (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha & Shiva K. Pradhan – for the 'Rotary Q & A' success of today.
5. Other Contributions:
 - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty handed over NRs. 7,000 to Club Service Fund in the name of Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit. This was the refund of the cancelled Bhutan District Conference paid by late Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit, and his family's wish to contribute it to the RCP.
 - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi handed over the pledged contribution of NRs. 20,000 to the Treasurer of the Fellowship Fund (Maintained outside the official RCP Accounts) Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha.
6. Rotary News/Information:
 - President Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty encouraged all members to pay the dues in time and preferably the full amount for the year, i.e. NRs. 24,000. He also reminded that couple members need to pay for only one magazine subscription, hence a reduction of NRs. 480.00 each.
 - Annual PEEF Distribution/Selection Campaign: Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha, Distribution Manager of PEEF, updated on this year's distribution plan and started to give funds for this to the Coordinators.

- Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty briefed on the meeting with Mr. Keith Mutimer, President of Interplast Australia and New Zealand, and his team who are providing voluntary professional support for the burn patients in Kirtipur Hospital under the leadership of Dr. Shankar M. Rai. They were very impressed with the support the RC Patan had provided to the Kirtipur Hospital. They plan periodic visits to support the Hospital and would like to come to meet the Rotarians of our club in one of their next visits. Interplast Australia is working very closely with Rotarians. Based on their observation this time, they enquired if our club could provide some small support in terms of stackable chairs (1 beside each patient bed) and some special stretchable elastic-material used for the burns patients that are not available. RCP may look into this.
7. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha - Rotary Club of Jessore, Bangladesh; Chartered: 1974; Members: 55. District: 3280, Clubs: 158, & Members: 4415.
8. Before the closure of the meeting by the President, the Joint Secretary announced: contribution of NRs. 7,000 (NRs. 2,700 for attendance and NRs. 4,300 for sunshine funds, including by 2 members for not wearing the Rotary Pin, payment of ha.ba. by a member, and top-up of NRs. 200 by the President); attendance: 1 Rotaract, 23 members, 4 spouses, and 5 make-ups.

[Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan](#)

- Q. Which Club sponsored Rotary Club of Thimpu, Bhutan in 2012, and who was the GSR?
A. Rotary Club of Jawalakhel and DG Rtn. Jaya Shah.
- Q. Which is the widely used Reference Book for the Rotary Leaders?
A. Manual of Procedures.
- Q. Which are the largest and smallest countries in the world?
A. Largest: Russia with 1.7 Crore km² and Smallest: Vatican City with 0.44 km².

[Talk Programme by Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha on: 'Memories of Kathmandu of 60/70 years'](#)

Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha, who is now the eldest member of our club, took us back up to 74 years. He briefed on the situation of the then Kathmandu, highlighting succinctly the lifestyles; people of positions and power and their mentality and behaviour; culture and values; infrastructure; political situation; and his own upbringing during that time. He presented some historical facts intermingled with personal anecdotes of the then personalities and his family's interactions with them in a very interesting way as if these were, at times, stories from a book of fiction.

The period covered could be roughly broken in two – first a portion of the 'Rana' period experienced by him and his family during 2000-2007 B.S. (1943/44 -1950/51 AD), and second the period following the return of the then King Tribhuvan from exile in 2007 B.S. (1951 AD).

Many of the senior members of the RCP could relate to the situation described, and appreciate the memories of the old times. On behalf of the RCP family, Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty thanked Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha for this wonderful sharing as part 1 of his 2 parts talk programme.

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