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<u>Today's Main Programme</u>: Guest Speaker Dr. Sudan R. Panthi from WHO on 'Seven Flags Approach of Total Sanitation' (7FATS) in Schools

Forthcoming Programme:

20 Nov - Guest Speaker Ms. Jasmine Rajbhandary on Social Protection in Nepal

27 Nov - Guest Speaker Mr. Ishwor R. Balami on Acupuncture

Congratulatory Events

Birthdays:

Rtn. Lochan Gyawali–12 Nov. **Wedding Anniversaries:** Nil

Minutes of Meetings No.1583

Date: 20 Kartik 2074 / 6 November 2017

- President Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha called the meeting no. 1583 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for Peace and Happiness.
- 2. Guests welcomed by the President: Rotaract Peshal Bhattarai.
- 3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
- 4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtns. Preeti Khemka and Santa K. Shrestha for Happy Birthday' (NRs. 500 each).
 - Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan for his 36 years old car passing the roadworthiness test.
 - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha for the establishing and having the first meeting of RCP's Platinum Group. It is an informal group of RCP members reaching 75 years currently 6. (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary for the above and a good board meeting (NRs. 300).
 - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty for getting the very complex tax clearance for 2073-2074 B.S. for RCP.
 - Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha for the above (NRs. 500).
 - Rtns. Matsyendra L. and Chandralekha Kayastha for a TV interview of Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha aired recently (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty for the fellowship entertainment after the last Board Meeting (NRs. 700).
 - Rtns. Mahendra S. Rawal and Gabriele Mallapaty for the progress and success of Chepel GG Project.
 - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha for getting tax clearance for RCP, being the coordinator of the RCP platinum group, and hosting the last Board Meeting & fellowship (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka for Board fellowship and Rtn. Preeti Khemka's birthday (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Yagya B. Shrestha for the wonderful fellowship of the 'Platinum Group of RCP' (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Keshab B. Mathema for 'Happy Landing' from the USA.
 - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi for being the Coordinator of the newly established 'Preventive Cardiology and Rehabilitation Programme' and participating in the Cardiac Society Conference and AGM (NRs. 500).

5. Rotary News/Information:

- Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha requested all interested to confirm participation, as soon as possible, in the next District Conference being held during 16-18 February 2018 in Birgunj, for timely registration and hotel bookings.
- President Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha reminded on several information already shared via e-mails: Rotary District Song, District Rotary Foundation Seminar being held on 10 December 2017, and participation in RC Patan South initiated joint programme with guest speaker Mr. Karna Shakya.
- President Chandralekha Kayastha requested interested members, meeting the established criteria for the Nominating Committee to select the District Governor Nominee, to give their names to her before the next weekly meeting of 13 November 2017.
- Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan briefed on the recently held District Rotary National Literacy Mission (RNLM) TEACH Program Orientation Workshop held on 4 November 2017. President Chandralekha Kayastha and himself as the RCP's TEACH programme coordinator attended the workshop.
- Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty presented the progress of our Global Grant for Micro-Hydro Project for community
 development in Chepel with the help of photos and short video clips taken during the recent monitoring visit
 by our International Partner Primary Contact from Germany Dr. Isabelle Buschulte. During her trip, the project

generated electricity for the first time, which was indeed a great joy for the villagers and all concerned. This is truly an example project for Rotary as a whole in Nepal, wherein we were able to tap a subsidy of NRs. 39 Lacs from the Government of Nepal (AEPC), out of the total project cost of over Rs. 1 crore including community contributions. As this project is indeed an example success of Rotary, it was suggested to produce a quality video spot for further advocacy.

- 6. Salutation: By IPP Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty Rotary Club of Fort St. John, British Columbia; Chartered: 1963; and Members: 38. District: 5370, Clubs: 60, and Members: 2367.
- 7. Before the closure of the meeting by the President, the Secretary announced contribution of NRs. 9,000 (NRs. 2,100 for attendance, and NRs. 6,900 for sunshine funds, including a top-up of NRs. 200 by the President), attendance: 1 Rotaract, 21 members, and 5 make-ups.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka

- Q. First Rotaract Club of Nepal and its charter date A. Rotaract Club of Birguni, Chartered on 13 March 1991
- Q. No of Members in the Council of Governors of District 3292 A. 12
- Q. When was Hiroshima bombed?
 A. 6 August 1945

4th Board Meeting of the RCP held on 4 November 2017

Rtn. Mahendra Thapa presented the following minutes/decisions of the 4th Board Meeting hosted by Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha, which were endorsed/approved by the 'House':

- 1. Decisions of the 3rd Board Meeting of RY 2017-2018 were reviewed.
- 2. A three member nomination committee for the election of 2018-2019 club officers was formed comprising of President Elect Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty (Chair), President Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha and Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha. The election will be held in the weekly general meeting of 11 December 2017.
- 3. Board approved a contribution of NRs. 15,000 for the health camp in Chandibhanjyang during the RCP Team's field visit from 9 to 11 November 2017. (Postponed due to the forthcoming elections).
- 4. Board approved a contribution of NRs.10,000 to the District for co-hosting the 'Rotary Foundation Seminar & the Rotary Foundation Recognition Programme' being held on 10 December 2017 at Hotel Yak & Yeti.
- 5. It was proposed to review the status of Interact Club and the RCC in Chandibhanjyang, and close the inactive RCC in Sunakothi.
- 6. Board accepted the request of Rtn. Dr. Shivaji B. Silwal to move to another club.
- 7. Renewal of Club Registration: Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty briefed on major problems faced with obtaining tax exemption due to a new rule requiring tax exemption status to be renewed every year by all NGOs. With the support of Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha, Treasurer Rtn. Bharat N. Joshi, Office Assistant Basant Ale Magar, the RCP Auditor and himself, last year's status clearance is being processed. Once this is done, other offices' approval for the renewal of club registration will proceed. In addition, a new tax exemption for next year will be applied.
- 8. As per earlier decisions, Board reminded on the deadline of 31 December 2017 for the payment of 2nd half Rotary dues, beyond which late fees will be applicable.
- 9. Board decided to add a position of Joint Treasurer to the RCP Board from Rotary Year 2018-2019. The By-Laws will be revised accordingly.
- 10. Membership chairperson Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha urged all to suggest new members, especially as we are also losing two existing members.
- 11. Treasurer Rtn. Bharat N. Joshi presented the financial status of the RCP as of 31 October 2017. It was also agreed to adjust the RCP's share of contribution to the District Flood Relief Fund from NRs. 25,000 to NRs. 30,000 and members' contribution from NRs. 175,000 to NRs. 170,000 based upon actual receipts. The total of NRs. 200,000 contribution has already been made to the District.
- 12. Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha proposed to change the system of Joint Board Fellowships hosted by the Presidents. Currently joint fellowships are hosted inviting all members and spouses one with the outgoing President at the end of the previous Rotary Year and one with President Elect at end of current Rotary Year. Instead, it was proposed that President Elect host the last fellowship of each Rotary Year instead of two shared hosting.
- 13. On behalf of all present, President Elect Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty gave a 'Vote of Thanks' to Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha and spouse Bijaya Shrestha for hosting the Board Meeting followed by an excellent fellowship with lunch.