

## Issue No. 1501

Date: 20 Chaitra 2079 / 3 April 2023

<u>Today's Programme:</u>	<u>Congratulatory Events</u>
Business Meeting (on Zoom)	<b><u>Birthday:</u></b> Rtn. Bijaya L. Shrestha – 4 April <b><u>Wedding Anniversary:</u></b> Nil

## Minutes of Meeting No. 1847

Date: 13 Chaitra 2079 / 27 March 2023

1. President Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan called the RCP's Meeting No.1847 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace, health, and happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the President: Ms. Sandhya Regmi.
3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
  - Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya – for sharing his Rotary experience in his talk programme today (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang – for a successful health camp with Nepal Orthopaedic Hospital to the Laligurans community hospital supported by the RCP with a global grant project (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Piyush B. Bajracharya – for contributing NRs. 100,000 to the Laligurans community hospital during the health camp visit mentioned above (NRs. 500),
  - Rtn. Lochan Gyawali – for Yuzu, a citrus fruit and plant, coming into blossom in his home garden (NRs. 200).
  - Rtn. Ramesh L. Maskay – for his 'Wedding Anniversary' recognised during his absence (NRs. 1,000), and 'Happy Landing' from Bangalore, India after a successful health care (NRs. 2,000).
  - Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa – for 'Happy Birthday' recognised during her absence (NRs. 1,000), and for the successful surgery of spouse Mr. Kiran Thapa (NRs. 1,000).
  - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty – for the regular publication of Lalitdhara weekly reaching issue no. 1,500 (NRs. 1,500).
  - Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan – for today's talk programme by Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya (NRs. 200).
  - Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa – for two correct answers by the RCP members on the 'Rota Quiz' of today (NRs. 200).
5. Rotary Information:
  - President Elect Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal informed about his forthcoming participation in the President Elects Training Seminar (PETS) being held in Bharatpur during 31 March to 1 April 2023.
  - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht reported on the meeting of the sub-group on Animal Welfare for Human Health of the RCP. For financial reasons, this activity is being postponed and planned to be held in the next Rotary Year around October 2023. In addition to the contributions from Dr. Mukti Narayan Praveena Foundation and the RCP members, additional fund-raising will be done targeting members and possibly in collaboration with other Rotary clubs and local government. At that time, both spaying and vaccination of stray dogs are planned.
  - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang reminded on the plans for a RCP trip combining with the handover of the ambulance to Laligurans community hospital in Mirge tentatively during 12-14 April 2023. Members were requested to confirm their interest soon to him so that arrangements could be made including a micro-bus on a cost-sharing basis. Further details on the planned trip will be shared electronically.
  - President Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan shared information from the District Conference regarding the offer of Siddhartha Bank to issue credit card with ID to Rotarians. He requested interested members to contact him for details. He also informed about his participation at a NRCL meeting hosted by the RC Yala.
6. Main Programme - Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya's sharing of his Rotary experience: Following a long association with

the Jaycees, Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya joined the Rotary Club of Patan in 1993 during the Presidency of Rtn. Bijay B. Bajracharya. He became the president of the RCP for the Rotary Year 2000-2001.

Rtn. Shakya shared key achievements in the RCP during his presidency as well as his experiences in the then Rotary District. He noted that the RCP was a major contributor to the Bhaktapur Cancer Hospital and Nepal Orthopaedic Hospital. As a very active Rotarian in Nepal at that time, Rtn. Shakya gave an insider's account of the major issues faced by the senior management of Rotary in Nepal and how these were dealt with.

7. Salutation: By Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha - Rotary Club of Korat, Thailand; Chartered: 1990; & Members: 24. District: 3340, Clubs: 56, & Members: 1225. He also shared some information about Korat.
8. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, Secretary Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht announced: happy news contributions of NRs. 10,950 (NRs. 8,650 to the Sunshine Fund including for a telephone ring and NRs. 2,300 to the Operational Fund of the RCP), and the meeting attendance of 1 guest, 18 members, and 11 make-ups.

### Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa

- Q.** When was Rotary established? **A.** In 1905
- Q.** Where did the idea for the name 'Rotary' come from?  
Around the offices of members **A.** The first members rotated their meeting places
- Q:** What are the Rotary's core values? **A.** Service, Fellowship, Diversity, Integrity, and Leadership



### May the Laugh Bug Bite You 😊😊😊😊😊

*An old Arab man lived close to New York City for more than 40 years.*

*He would have loved to plant potatoes in his garden, but he is alone, old, and weak.*

*His son is in college in Paris, so the old man sends him an e-mail. He explains the problem: "Beloved son, I am very sad because I can't plant potatoes in my garden. I am sure, if only you were here, you would help and dig up the garden for me. I love you, Your Father."*

*The following day, the old man receives a response e-mail from his son: "Beloved Father, please don't touch the garden. It's there that I have hidden 'the THING'. I love you, too, Ahmed"*

*At 4 pm, the US Army, The Marines, the FBI, the CIA, and the Rangers visit the house of the old man, take the whole garden apart, and search every inch, but can't find anything. Disappointed they leave the house.*

*A day later, the old man receives another e-mail from his son. "Beloved Father, I hope the garden is dug up by now and you can plant your potatoes. That's all I could do for you from here. I love you, Ahmed."*