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Date: 8 Jestha 2080 / 22 May 2023

Today's Programme:

Regular Weekly Meeting with reporting of the RCP family outing combined with the handover of ambulance to Laliguras Community Hospital, Mirge, Dolakha.

Congratulatory Events

Birthday:

Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha – 25 May

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil

Minutes of Meeting No. 1854

Date: 1 Jestha 2080 / 15 May 2023

Joint Meeting with the Rotaract Club of Patan

1. On behalf of the Rotary Club of Patan, President Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan welcomed Rotaract Club of Patan President Rtn. Sandeep Chhetri and all the Rotaract Club of Patan members for this joint meeting and called the RCP's Meeting No.1854 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace, health, and happiness.

These minutes cover the notes of the RCP meeting and common issues with the Rotaract Club of Patan.

2. Guests welcomed by the President: Mr. Mathew from the USA, Mr. Bir Dhoj Tamang, and Mr. Bishnu.
3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News' Contribution pledges:
 - Rtns. Bijaya and Gabriele Mallapaty – for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' in absentia (ha.ba.).
 - Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha – for sponsoring the Graduate Studies Scholarship Award (GSSA) to Mr. Bir Dhoj Tamang with NRs. 42,000 this year (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan – for the joint meeting with the Rotaract Club of Patan (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht – for the grand success of the quiz contest for the students of the RCP's PEEF supported schools organised jointly with the Rotaract Club of Patan, and for 'Happy Landing from Bhutan participating in a conference on transboundary diseases (NRs. 1,000).
 - PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya - for the grand success of the Rota Quiz contest for the students of the RCP's PEEF supported schools organised jointly with the Rotaract Club of Patan (NRs. 500).
 - Lalita C. Thapa – for the above, and for the good wishes from the RCP family on her health (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtns. Preeti and Shiv P. Khemka – for the Rota Quiz mentioned above with the participation of their son (NRs. 1000 each).
 - Rtn. Maheswari Bisht Rawal – for the new experiences in yoga studies following retirement (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi – for the acceptance of his paper on cardiology to be presented to the Asia Pacific Society (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha – for her earlier ha.ba and the quiz success mentioned above (NRs. 1000).
 - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang – for good programmes of the RCP last week including the quiz mentioned above and the participation of guest Mr. Mathew today (NRs. 1,000). He introduced Mr. Mathew, friend of Chris & Sarah O'Brien who came to volunteer in the Mirge school.

Mr. Mathew also spoke a few words of appreciation and also contributed NRs. 1,000.

5. Other Contributions: Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha handed-over a cheque of NRs. 42,000 to Mr. Bir Dhoj Tamang sponsoring him under the RCP's Graduate Studies Scholarship Award (GSSA) for 2023 to complete his special Diploma in Civil Engineering Course.
6. Rotary Information:
 - Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi briefed on the status of the Global Grant Project proposed for the RHD, which is in its last stages of finalisation. He also mentioned that some cardiologist friends were willing to support the project with contributions for heart screening of school children. Pledges have already been made by Dr. Urmila Shakya - NRs. 45000, Dr. Ram Krishna – NRs. 14850, and Dr. Rajesh Shah – NRs. 14,850.
 - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang updated on the plans for the RCP family outing (Jiri/Kalinchowk/Dolakha Bhimsen)

combined with the handover of the ambulance from the RCP's GG Project for Laliguras Community Hospital, Mirge, Dolakha during 19-21 May 2023. So far 19 from the RCP family are joining. President Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan and Secretary Rtn Khadak S. Bisht also added with requests for maximum participation from the RCP family. More details will be communicated electronically.

- PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya pinned the Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) pins honouring Rtns. Keshab B. Mathema and Suraj Pradhan for their respective contributions to The Rotary Foundation (TRF).
- Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka confirmed the RCP's sponsorship of participation of Rtr. Sukhi Aryal from the Rotaract Club of Patan for this year's RYLA, which was advanced from June to May 2023.
- Secretary Rtr. Puja Bhujel provided a comprehensive brief on the Rota Quiz held on 12 May 2023 for four schools (1 host school and 3 RCP adopted PEEF schools). The event was sponsored financially by the RCP and jointly conducted with the Rotaract Club of Patan. From the RCP, President Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan, PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya, Coordinator Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal, Youth Services Director Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka and Quiz Master Rtn. Preeti Khemka together with their son participated in this grandly successful event.

Mahendragram school was the winner of the Rota Quiz with Siddhi Mangal school and Luvu school coming second and third respectively.

PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya, Rtns. Mahendra S. Rawal, Shiv P. Khemka, Preeti Khemka, Khadak S. Bisht, and Sunil Gupta gave their impressions and suggestions for the future. It was suggested to continue this kind of very useful joint programme with the Rotaract Club of Patan in the coming year with increased participation of schools as well as from the RCP members. PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya mentioned about additional possibilities under RNLM/TEACH to improve students' knowledge to make them better citizens and also on eye test/treatment programme for students.

7. Salutation: By Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha - RC Alytus, Lithuania; Chartered: 1998; Members: 42. District: 1460, Clubs: 97, & Members: 3,609.
8. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, Secretary Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht announced: happy news contributions of NRs. 12,750 (NRs. 10,450 to the Sunshine Fund including for non-wearing of Rotary Pins and mobile phone rings, and NRs. 2,300 to the Operational Fund of the RCP), and the meeting attendance of 3 guests, 13 Rotaracts, 21 members and 8 make-ups.

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

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| Q. What does RIBI stands for? | A. Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland. |
| Q. What is the full form of DPFC? | A. District Permanent Fund Chairperson. |
| Q: Give the full form of RCP (In Rotary International)? | A. Rotary Code of Policies. |

Rotary Information: Rotary's Avenues of Service

(Source: rotary.org)

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