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Today's Programme:

President Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan's annual progress report of Rotary Year 2022-2023

Congratulatory Events

Birthday:

Rtn. Bharat N. Joshi – 16 June

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil

Minutes of Meeting No. 1858

Date: 29 Jestha 2080 / 12 June 2023

1. Past President Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha called the RCP's Meeting No.1858 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace, health, and happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the PP Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha – PP, Rtn. Ed Engels from RC Tegernsee, District 1843 in Germany, together with his daughter Rosalie.

Rtn. Angels spoke a few words to introduce himself and his daughter. He is a film/documentary producer and had come first to Nepal thirty years ago. Since then, he has been visiting frequently, and recently been able to register a private company, which means he would be visiting more frequently on business.

3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary – for 'Happy Birthday' already contributed last week.
 - Rtn. Ramesh L. Maskay – for 'Happy Birthday' in absentia (ha.ba.).
 - Rtn. Sharada Prasai - for 'Happy Birthday' in absentia (ha.ba.)
 - Rtn. Lochan Gyawali – for 'Happy Landing' from Japan (NRs. 500), and for meeting visiting Rotarian Ed Engels from Germany with his daughter Rosalie as guests today after meeting them at his tea shop (NRs. 500).
 - Rtns. Preeti and Shiv P. Khemka – for 'Happy Landing from Kerala, India (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtns. Chandralekha and Matsyendra L. Kayastha – for joining the meeting together with Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa's presence today (NRs. 1,000).
5. Rotary Information:
 - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha informed about the District Interact Conference held in Godavari during 9-11 June 2023. This was also sponsored by the RCP.
6. Salutation: By Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha - RC Chihuahua, Mexico; Chartered: 1923; & Members: 21. District: 4110, Clubs: 81, & Members: 1,511. He also shared some key information about the club and the city of Chihuahua.
7. Before the adjournment of the meeting by PP Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha, Secretary Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht announced: happy news contribution of NRs. 6,300 (NRs. 3,300 to the Operational Fund and NRs. 3,000 to the Sunshine Fund of the RCP), and the meeting attendance of 2 guests, 3 Rotaracts, 20 members with 7 make-ups.

1st Club Assembly of Rotary Year 2023-2024 with a presentation by President Elect Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal

President Elect Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal conducted the first club assembly of the Rotary Club of Patan for the Rotary Year 2023-2024 with a power-point presentation reviewing the Rotary's Global and District goals and priorities, and his own vision of club goals and priorities. Members were requested to comment following his presentation, which will be taken into account for a more detailed presentation by himself and the committee chairs during the second club assembly.

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President Elect Rtn. Rawal first presented the new team of the RCP's Board. He explained the basis of the RCP's plans and goals for 2023-2024 and elaborated them under the headings of:

- Strategic Plan of RCP
- RCP's flagship projects
- RI Presidential theme, priorities & citation 2023-2024
- District 3292 goals
- Four strategic priorities of Rotary International

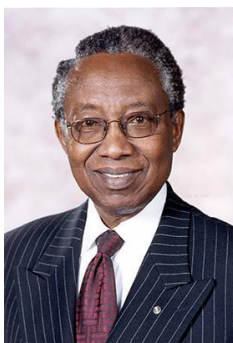
The RCP's priorities were summarised under the strategic priorities of - (1) Increase our impact, (2) Expand our reach, (3) Enhance participant engagement, and (4) Increase our ability to adapt.

Under Service projects and programmes including youth services, he highlighted the continuation of the RCP's flagship programmes and priorities, girls' empowerment, focus on adopted schools and joint activities with Rotaract and Interacts. Enhancement of public image of Rotary will be based upon our work on service projects and activities. On membership, Rtn. Rawal emphasised the focus on retention with no net reduction and addition of female and younger members. For The Rotary Foundation, the target is to increase at least one major donor, make 100% of members as PHF, and raise funds for Polio Plus. PE Rtn. Rawal would like to further increase the frequency and quality of the RCP's fellowship and entertainment and have maximum participation of RCP family in all its programmes.

Several members made comments and suggestions on Rtn. Rawal's presentation. Rtn. Rawal appreciated all the valuable comments and suggestions. He will be elaborating on them in the next club assembly together with the chairs of different committees.

Rotary Informtion:

(Excerpts from rotary.org)



Jonathan B. Majiyagbe, a past Rotary International president who was passionate about growing Rotary everywhere — especially in Africa — and about eradicating polio, has died at age 88.

Majiyagbe, who died 27 May at a hospital in Abuja, Nigeria, served as Rotary International president in 2003-04. He was the first and so far the only RI president from Africa. The continent was declared free of wild polio in August 2020, due in part to his tireless advocacy and efforts.

Under the presidential theme *Lend a Hand*, Majiyagbe called for alleviating poverty to be the top priority for his presidential term. "As Rotarians, we must open our eyes to see those around us who cannot afford shelter, health care, food, and other essentials," he wrote in the July 2003 issue of *The Rotarian*. "We must address these problems with compassion and pragmatism."

To represent this idea in the presidential theme logo, Majiyagbe "clearly wanted the two hands featured in the design to be on the same level so that the person receiving is equal in standing with the person giving the aid," said longtime friend and 2019-20 RI President Mark Daniel Maloney.

A lawyer by profession, Majiyagbe joined Rotary in 1967. He was a member of the Rotary Club of Abuja Metro and a past member of the Rotary Club of Kano. In addition to his term as RI president, he served as a director, Rotary Foundation trustee, and trustee chair. He served on several committees, including the International PolioPlus Committee, the Nigeria PolioPlus Committee, and the Reach Out to Africa Committee.