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| <p><u>Today's Programme:</u></p> <p>Business Meeting</p> | <p><u>Congratulatory Events</u></p> <p><u>Birthdays:</u></p> <p>Rtn. Sunil Gupta – 1 March</p> <p><u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u></p> <p>Rtn. Kuldeep R. and Meera Tuladhar – 29 Feb. Rtn. Krishna and Kamal Hachhethu – 1 March Rtn. Bijaya and Rajani Bajracharya – 2 March Rtn. Shiva K. and Tika Pradhan – 3 March (19 Falgun) Rtn. Nirmal K. and Bijaya Pradhanang – 5 March Rtn. Ramesh L. and Shova Maskay – 6 March</p> |
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Minutes of Meeting No. 1940

Date: 12 Falgun 2081 / 24 February 2025

1. Past President Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty called the RCP's Meeting No. 1940 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace, health, and happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the President: Mr. Yubesh Kharel (with brother Mr. Yushar Kharel) and Ms. Swastika B.K. studying at Ullens School under sponsorship through the Rotary Club of Patan, and Rotaract Club of Patan President Rtr. Aman B. Shrestha.
3. The last meeting minutes of the RCP were reviewed and adopted.
4. Happy News Contributions:
 - Rtn. Lila B. Baniya – for 'Happy Birthday' in absentia (ha.ba.).
 - Rtn. Bharat N. and Meera Joshi, Rtn. Piyush B. and Ramita Bajracharya, and Rtn. Pushkar M. & Rita Shakya – for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' in absentia (ha.ba.).
 - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty – for chairing today's meeting (Rs. 500).
 - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty – for supporting the successful 4th time nose operation of Kalika Shahi from Jajarkot done at no cost by visiting medical teams at Kirtipur hospital. Kalika's nose was bitten off by a mouse when she was a baby and required several operations (Rs. 500).
 - Rtns. Matsyendra L. and Chandralekha Kayastha - for the 'Happy Bratabhandha' of their grandson with the participation of the RCP family (Rs. 2,000).
 - Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey – for the 'Happy News' shared by Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty above (Rs. 500).
 - Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi – for the trip to rural areas of Mahotari and Sarlahi in Madhes province for RHD prevention of children and for an adult health camp (Rs. 500).
 - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht – for successful studies of the two students mentioned above sponsored by Ullens school through the Rotary Club of Patan (Rs. 500).
 - Rtn. Sunil Gupta – for his trip to Mumbai while collaborating with partners on Development Disorder – CP, and for the life membership of 3 members of the RCP (Rtns. Rabendra R. Pandey, Siba B. Rajbhandary, and Nirmal K. Pradhanang) with Asha Kiran Kendra, Birgunj. Token of Appreciations were shared with a request for any other RCP members to join.
5. Rotary Information:
 - PP Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty reminded about the NRCL hosted talk programme, which is also sponsored by the RCP, on 'Prostate Health' on Friday, 28 February 2025 from 2 to 5 p.m.
 - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht reminded on the Rotary International Presidential Theme for next year 'Unite for Good'.

- Rtn. Sunil Gupta informed about the request from host club RC Birgunj for possible sponsorship of President Elects Training Seminar 'PETS'.
 - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht updated on the excellent progress being made by the two students sponsored by Ullens school through the RCP and requested them to share their experience. Mr. Yubesh Kharel and Ms. Swastika B.K. briefed on their individual experiences since joining the Ullens school. While they both were a bit scared joining the prestigious school, they have been very much welcomed, and they liked the atmosphere of the school. In addition to doing very well in their academic studies, they participate in all the extra-curricular and sports activities at the school. They feel very comfortable and have made many good friends. They expressed their heartfelt thanks to the RCP for allowing them the opportunity to study at grades 11 and 12 at Ullens school.
6. Sharing of experience by Charter Member and Past President Rtn. Kamal B. Nyachhyon on his four decades with Rotary Club of Patan: Charter member Rtn. Nyachhyon coordinated this session to highlight the memorable events/activities of the Rotary Club of Patan. Upon his request, Charter Secretary, Rtn. Matsyendra Kayastha started with a brief on how the Rotary Club of Patan was formed as the first club in Lalitpur with late Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit as the Governor's Special Representative (GSR) and himself as the Charter Secretary. Rtn. Nyachhyon was supported by another charter member present, Rtn. Lochan Gyawali, and several Past Presidents in briefing the highlights. In view of the time constraints, only a few of the key projects were discussed in some detail.
- Among the activities/programmes/projects highlighted were the regular voluntary fellowships of the RCP members; formation of the Prajapati Educational Excellence Fund (PEEF) and its continuity; opening and operation of Nepal Orthopaedic Hospital; support to the Cancer Hospital, Bhaktapur; establishment of the Senior Citizens Home and the later difficulties in its operation leading to its closure; sustainable Micro-Hydro project in Chepel, and many others. It was noted that a summary of key activity of the RCP was printed in the Lalitdhara Souvenir 25th anniversary edition and it would be nice to have it updated for the 40th anniversary edition forthcoming during the next Rotary Year.
7. Salutation: By Rtn. Lochan Gyawali – RC Bandirma, Turkey; Chartered: 1986; & Members: 30. District: 2440, Clubs: 62, & Members: 1704.
8. Before the adjournment of the meeting, Secretary Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam announced: happy news contributions of Rs. 5,000 to the sunshine funds of the RCP, Rs.3,700 for attendance to the operational funds of the RCP, and the meeting attendance of 3 guests, 1 Rotaract, 18 members, & 8 make-ups.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by President Elect Rtn. Yagya B. Shrestha

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| Q. Name the first Service Project that the RCP conducted? | A. Sipadol Multi-Purpose Project, Lalitpur |
| Q. What is the Rotary designated Month of February? | A. Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month |
| Q. Where did the first meeting of the Rotary Club of Patan take place? | A. Narayani Hotel |
| Q. How many charter members did the Rotary Club of Patan have? | A. 27 |