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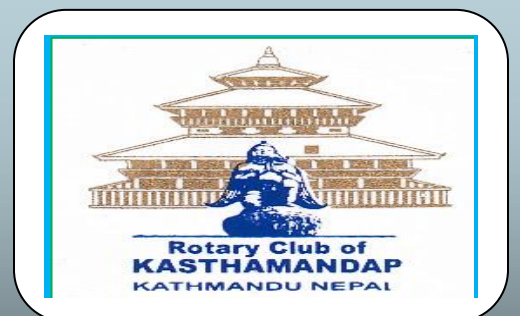
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Rotary Club of Kasthamandap visit by Rtn. HE Frank Meyke German Ambassador



Editorial



Rtn. Yadab Pradhan

Dear Readers,

We have been honored by the visit of His Excellency Rtn. Frank Meyke, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany who highlighted good relations between Nepal and Germany over last 60 years. He thinks that Nepal could learn good lesson from his country in its development in various areas. This month has been very interesting month due to felicitation of the several deserving women activist of Nepal on the Women's day celebration in Rotary Club of Kasthmandap. Congratulations to all those who were appreciated for their good work for the society and receiving the certificate of appreciations from Rotary club of Kasthmandap.

Happy Landings

- PP Rtn. Gyanendra Lal Shrestha(India)
- Rtn. Binod Singh (India)
- Rtn Yadab Pradhan (New Delhi, East Timor, Kaula Laumpur, Bali-Indonesia)

Happy Birthdays

- Rtn. Bhim March 10th
- PP Rtn. Pradeep March 15th
- Rtn. Umed March 15th
- Rtn Rajju March 18th
- Rtn. Sajjan March 22nd

Wedding Anniversaries

- IPP Rtn. Milan March 2nd, PP Rtn. Rajan, 5th March, Rtn Santosh March 5th, Rtn Sushma, March 5th, Rtn. Dr. Manohar Falgun 28th, Rtn. Meenu March 10th, Rtn. Raju Babu March 10th, Rtn Sanjay March 11th, Rtn. Shankar March 11th, PP Rtn. PB Limbu Falgun 27th, Rtn. B.K. Shrestha March 28th

You all deserve Congratulations!!!



Rotary Information:

From Rotary.org

SOUTHEAST ASIA DECLEARED POLIO FREE

The World Health Organization certified on 27 March its 11-country Southeast Asia region has eradicated polio, a long-awaited declaration given that five years ago India represented nearly half of all polio cases worldwide

The region's last wild polio case was reported in West Bengal, India, on 13 January 2011.

"This achievement is an important milestone for the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative \[GPEI\]](#)," said Rotary Foundation Trustee chair Dong Kurn Lee at the WHO's [South-East Asia Regional Certification Commission for Polio Eradication](#) meeting in New Delhi, India, on 27 March. "We have beaten polio in Southeast Asia, and now we must do the same in the rest of Asia and Africa." The region includes Bangladesh, Bhutan, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, India, Indonesia, Maldives, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Timor-Leste. Its more than 1.8 billion people represent over 25 percent of the world's population. Southeast Asia joins WHO's Region of the Americas (1994), Western Pacific Region (2000), and European Region (2002) in eradicating polio, marking another vital step toward a [polio-free world](#) by 2018.

Densely crowded cities, migrant populations, and poor sanitation posed daunting challenges to eliminating the disease from Southeast Asia. India Polio plus Committee Chair Deepak Kapur called eradicating polio in his country "a monumental task, demanding an extraordinary effort by all levels of government and partners involved. Backed by more than 100,000 Rotarians across the country, we helped to ensure maximum support for everything from National Immunization Days (NIDs) to mop-up immunization rounds."

Also crucial were "the extensive efforts we made to build goodwill and acceptance of polio immunization in the Muslim community and among religious leaders," said former Rotary Foundation Trustee Ashok Maharjan. Rotary clubs created additional support by conducting free health camps to meet basic needs such as measles immunization, free checkups, medicines, vitamin A supplements, and eyeglasses.

In Sri Lanka, ceasefires during the country's civil war were pivotal to carrying out NIDs in the 1990s. As a first step, Rotary leaders and UNICEF established contact with the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam.

"Our war is not with the children," replied the group's leader, stating that if Rotary and UNICEF could persuade the government to stop the war for two days, they would be willing to lay down their arms too. Subsequent NIDs became known as Days of Tranquility.

In Bangladesh, Rotary, WHO, and UNICEF boosted public awareness of the need to eradicate polio, motivating parents to have their children vaccinated during NIDs. In [Nepal](#), Rotary, the national government, WHO, and UNICEF worked hand in hand to make the country polio free. Nepal held its first NIDs in 1996 and recorded its last indigenous wild polio case just four years later.



Rotary Awareness Quiz

1. How many people attended the first Rotary meeting on Thursday evening, February 23, 1905?
2. What was the first Rotary Club community project?

- [Answers on the last page.](#)

Club Activities

#GM 565:

1. President Rtn. Upendra wished all the ladies of Rotary club on occasion of Women Day celebrations on 8th March 2014.
2. CP, President and PP that were present felicitated Ms. Vidya, Mrs. Sunita, Mrs. Debu and Mrs. Bhawani with an appreciation certificate and thanked them for the wonderful job that they were involved.
3. Rtn. Rajju introduced the key note speaker Ms. Chari Maya Tamang. The key note speaker talked about women trafficking where she was a victim. She stated how she was duped and sold in India as a sex slave at age of 16 and was freed at 21. With the help of other survivors of trafficking she opened an organization “Shakti Samuha” to prevent other innocent women from suffering the same faith as she did. President thanked Ms. Chari Maya for the wonderful work and was felicitated with an appreciation certificate
4. Rtn. Prabha and Rtn. Anjali handed over surprise gifts to the wonderful women.
5. PP Rtn. Jayendra Rimal of RC Dillibazar read out the invitation letter of the ICM on Heart Diseases, Diabetes and Cancer which was held on Saturday, 22nd March in Amritbhog and requested everyone to attend.
6. It was decided unanimously that World Community Service Project would be jointly executed by Rotarct club and they would do the survey and planning for the project.

#566:

1. Pithouli visit finalized for April 24, 25 and 26 where Rtn Dr. Manohar suggested do minor surgery, free diabetic check and free ECG during the health camp.
2. PP Rtn Rajan briefed about the visit of Rotarians from Rose Foundation from USA and said that they would be showing movies to the blind.



3. PP Rtn. Niranjhan read out the thank you letters sent by the school from Dhankuta, Dharan and Mathathirtha for felicitating the teachers on Women's day.
4. Rtn. Binod Singh suggested carrying out a film show for collection of the fund required for the club.

#567:

1. President welcomed the key note speaker Rtn. HE Frank Meyke, Ambassador of the FR of Germany. He talked about the 6 decade long relation between Germany and Nepal. He also presented all the things Nepal could learn from Germany in terms of Democracy, Human Rights, political stability, and electricity plants development as well building new constitution and how Germany could help in development of Nepal.
2. PP Rtn. Rohini requested those members that are interested to be a member of German Nepal Chamber to contact him.

#568:

1. PP Rtn. Gyanendra briefed about the upcoming Pithouli health camp which was scheduled for April 24-26 and also handed the signed contract document of Canadian funded service project to help the village people of Pithouli for alternative energy source.
2. President Rtn. Upendra Poudyal introduced the key note speaker Mr. Kailash Sirohiya from Kantipur Publications and said that their relation dates back to 1980's and welcomed him to the club. Mr. Kailash talked about his three decades of business journey; how he struggled and how and what he has achieved to become number one media house today. He said that he believed on journalism and media are for the people and it is the right of the people. He ended his speech by thanking the club.
3. IPP Rtn Robert Rose briefed about his work with the blind. He informed that Nepal Ability Dev Foundation was formed under the chair of Ms. Nirmalla Gyawali.
4. Rtn. Rose Stevens briefed on her visit to the blind school in Dhankuta and congratulated RCK for the great job.



Rotaract Club of Kasthamandap Eventful Month: March

Banglamukhi cleaning campaign

For the second time, together with RAC Yala, RAC Jawlakhel and RAC Baneshwor, Banglamukhi cleaning campaign was carried out March 1st. Around 45 Rotractors of the three Clubs combined participated in the cleaning campaign from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. It was also a joint project among the club. On the one hand, the relation and understanding among the three club members was strengthened on the other hand a common goal of making Nepal a green and clean country was realized.

Inter District Youth Exchange Program (IDYEP) with Rotaract Club Of HR College

In this much awaited project, six members of RAC kashthamandap comprising of President Rtr. Amish Dhungel, Rtr. Ananda Maharjan, Rtr. Mukesh Tamang, Rtr. Biraj Aryal, Rtr. Prakash Koirala and a guest travelled across country to India at March 14. The main purpose of IDYEP was twin club MOU signing and Rotaract Week celebration with the new twin club.

Joint meeting with Rotaract Club of HR was carried out on March 15 and also signing of twin club was done. The objective behind MOU signing was to strengthen relationship between two clubs and the youths of two countries, to strengthen world peace and understanding, to exchange culture and facilitate new projects.

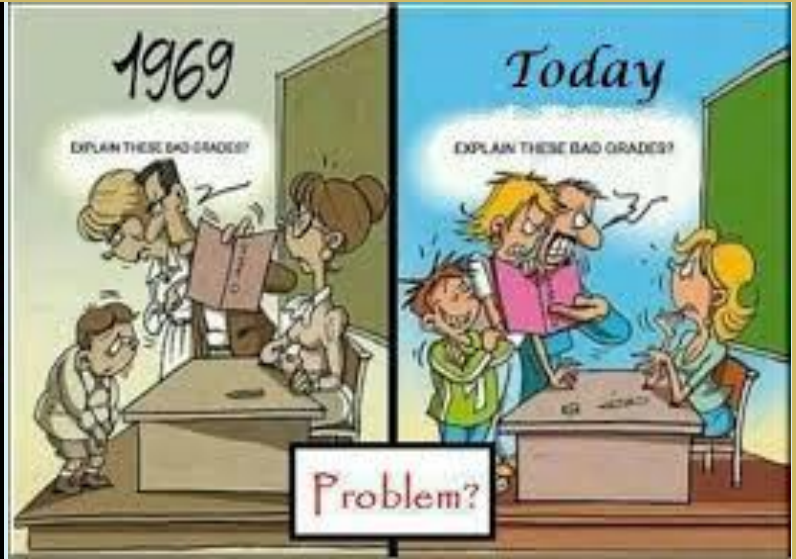
Commitment fees of NPR. 2000 was submitted by each of the participants which would be used in the second phase of IDYEP.



Memories of RC Kasthamandap in March 2014.



Jokes Corner...



Rotary Awareness Quiz - Answers:

Answer#1: Four: Paul Harris, Silvester Schiele and Hiram Shorey met in Gustavus Loehr's office.

Answer#2: A "comfort station" in downtown Chicago. Public restrooms were typically found only in saloons at that time, and unaccompanied women were not permitted to enter saloons.

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* Thank You *