



Breakfast Chatter

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Final club assembly this week

Mid-Town Club Assembly - this 6th Club Assembly will also be the final one for the Rotary year 2008-09. Our District Governor 3292, Rtn. Dr. Tika Many Vaidya, will be paying an official visit to our club and our different Chairs will be giving their annual reports. Please make a special effort to attend as this will be the last Club Assembly of this Rotary year. Note that visitors are not permitted to attend.



The 2008-09 Mid-Town team



Calendar	
Date	Theme
May 29 th	Mid-Town Club Assembly -- please make a special effort to attend as this will be the last Club Assembly of this Rotary year. (please note that visitors are not permitted)
June 5 th	
June 5 th	 <p>Pulitzer-prize winning author Mr. Kai Bird will be talking on "The Problem of Identity: Jews, Israelis and Palestinians". He will be sharing some thoughts from this upcoming book in the making--which is on the Middle East, the Palestinian problem and the question of identity in the 21st century.</p>
June 13 th	 <p>First District Awards and Recognition Ceremony of District 3292 will be celebrated on Saturday, June 13, 2009 at 3:00pm at the Soaltee Hotel Crown Plaza, Tahachal, Kathmandu. The Registration fees is Nrs. 1500/- for Clubs in Kathmandu Valley and Nrs. 1000/- for Rotary Clubs in Outside Kathmandu Valley. The deadline for the Registration is 1st June 2009. After June 1st, the registration fee will be 500Nrs. more.</p>
June 21-24 th	 <p>100th Rotary International Convention, Birmingham, England If you will be attending, please inform our President or Club Secretary as soon as possible as they need to inform the Chair of District RI Convention Promotion Committee.</p>

Rotary International looks to the future

More than half of Rotary districts apply for Future Vision pilot

By Antoinette Tuscano, Rotary International News (adapted)

Maternal and child health is one of six areas of focus for Rotary Foundation Global Grants. Throughout the Rotary world, districts want to be part of The Rotary Foundation Future Vision Plan pilot. By the 15 May deadline, 277 districts had filed an application, more than half the 529 districts that will exist as of 1 July 2010.

The selected districts will help test a new Foundation grant structure. To streamline the grant-making process, the plan will offer only two grant types: Rotary Foundation District Grants and Rotary Foundation Global Grants. It also will promote strategic partnerships and refine the district Rotary Foundation committee structure.

The Future Vision pilot will begin on 1 July 2010 and run through 30 June 2013. The feedback from the pilot districts will be used to refine the plan before it is implemented globally in 2013-14.



District Assembly 2009-2010 in Pokhara

Nepal's Rotarians enjoy a lively meet

Nepal's Rotarians enjoyed a lively District Assembly this year in Pokhara. This is the first time



that they have been able to do so here in Nepal as part of our newly formed District 3292. The meeting was hosted by four Clubs from the Pokhara area – congratulations to all of them for their hard work that went into making this meeting such a good success. The

attendance at the meeting was superb with more than 366 Rotarians from all over Nepal participating (plus more resource persons). The out-of-valley attendance was excellent and the great *esprit de corps* showed that our new District 3292 is well on its way. The warm hospitality extended by the Pokhara Clubs culminated in the meeting dinner where jovial fellowship was shared by all.

RC Damauli, **Damauli** of Tanahun district (just East of Pokhara) topped the list for maximum members attending -- RC Damauli also has a great web page- check it out. **Rtn Basu Dev Golyan** from RC Biratnagar was announced and confirmed as DG for Year 2011-2012, congratulations to him and we all look forward to seeing more of him in the years ahead.



RC Kathmandu Mid-Town was well represented and the 6 members who attended are show below. We look forward to hearing their first-hand account of the Assembly at this week's Club Assembly. 3 Mid-Town Rotaracts also attended (not pictured).



PP Lekha leads in Early Childhood Education Program

On the Monday following the District Assembly there was a talk program in Pokhara for teachers from the various schools attending ECEC (Early childhood Education Center). The



topic of discussion was 'The milestone of VISION in children and the role of teachers in the early detection of visual problems.'

The chief resource person was our very own **PP Dr Chandra Lekha** who was assisted by 3 Rotaracts. The aim was to motivate the participants to participate in the Vision Screening program which will be conducted by RC Kathmandu Mid-Town this coming year.



Rotary District 2392 prepares for the District Awards

The judging is on!

District-level judges were hard at work last week deciding on the District Awards to be presented at the First District Awards and Recognition Ceremony of District 3292 which will take place on Saturday, June 13. Our judges worked out of the Rotary Thapathali headquarters where they labored under the watchful scrutiny (*photo below*) of innumerable past governors and presidents. Thanks to all of them for their hard work – and we all look forward with anxious anticipation to hear what they have decided!



Chiemi's time in America comes to a close

Hello to Kathmandu Mid-Town,

Warm greetings From New Jersey. I am having a really good time here though I was little bit busy with school works. I recently spent a busy weekend in Madison where I met all the in-bound and out-bound students and had a Rotary Great Adventure to Six Flags & District Conference. Going to Six Flags was really a great experience all the cool rides it was lots of fun.



At the District Conference all eight Exchange Students had present a 30 minutes talk. We decided to do PowerPoint presentations about our countries and ourselves; we sang our National Anthems and we cooked our traditional food (finger food) for all 150 people! The conference ran Friday through Sunday and every day was a lot fun. Our presentation went awesome; we all marched in to the stage together carrying our flags followed by the music. Oh, it was really cool! Coming here to the United States of America as an Rotary



Exchange student has been the greatest experience I have ever had. I am attaching some pictures from my Madison weekend, Great Adventure and District Conference. Hope you all will enjoy them.

Now it is almost the end of the year, time is flying by. My school end on 22nd June, but my visa is until 14th of August. I am planning to stay in the States until the last week of July because my host parents are planning to do something together before I leave. I have already received permission by Rotary District 7470. I am having so much fun here that I do not feel like coming back home so soon. I am going to miss all my friends and



family when I come back. It's real hard to say good bye.

I would like to thank everybody for the opportunity to visit and live in the Great United States of America. I will remember it for a lifetime and cherish it in my heart forever. Thank you very much. I will see you all soon.

Your Rotary Exchange Student,

Chiemi Shrestha

Mid-Town Celebrates



Mid-Town enjoyed a great good time on Friday evening at the dinner meeting. The speaker was **H E Verena Gräfin von Roedern**, the ambassador of Germany to Nepal. Her Excellency spoke on the topic of her experience in Nepal and



shared her insights on the present situation. On this occasion of this dinner meeting Mid-Town felicitated the accomplishment of **Rtn. Dilendra Shrestha** who was awarded the Service above Self Award by Rotary International. Rtn. Dilendra is only the second Rotarian in Nepal ever to be bestowed this honor. The photo (above) shows **DG Tika Man Vaidya** handing over Club's Congratulation plaque.

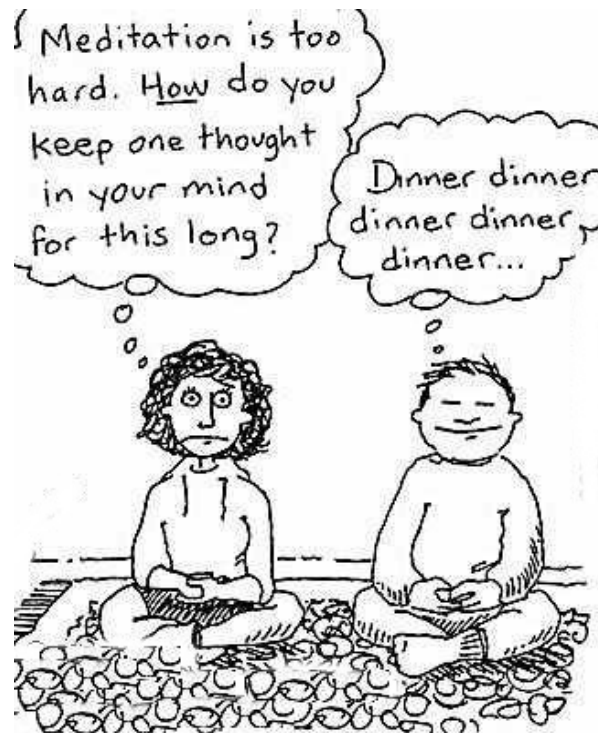
Rtn. Dilendra was delighted and the next day sent this note to Mid-Town:



"Let me thank you and through you, fellow Rotarians and family of Rotary Club of Kathmandu Midtown, for the love and honor you have given to me. Thank you very much.

Regards, Dilendra





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