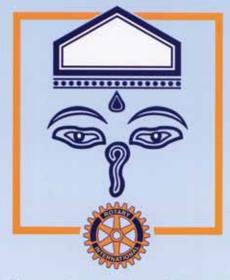
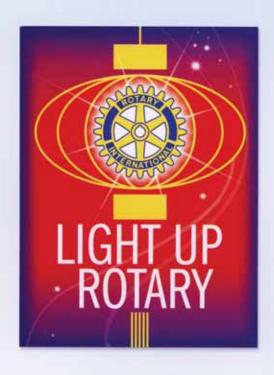
## ROTARY CLUB OF KATHMANDU MID-TOWN



Charter Date: 8 November 1989 Club ID: 26776, RI District 3292 Nepal-Bhutan

# Celebrating 25 Years in Rotary



"It is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness."
-Chinese saying attributed to Confucius

### HIGHLIGHTS OF RECENT PROJECTS

### Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grant -a recently completed multi-year project

Over the past eight years, the Rotary Club of Kathmandu Mid-Town has worked together with the Rotary Club of Mount-Everest and in collaboration with RC Darmstadt-Bergstraße RID-1860 Germany.

This Health, Hunger and Humanity Grant focused on reproductive health by training Auxiliary Nurse Midwives. In all, 52 girls from 10 remote districts of Western and Far Western Nepal were selected and given training in Kathmandu. These young women have now returned to their home districts as full Auxiliary Nurse Midwives (ANMs) and have established clinics in their communities. In addition, they were given skills training and initial start up grants to enable them to operate small micro-credit schemes in conjunction with the clinics.

### The Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen-Italy donated fire brigade equipment to Kathmandu Metropolitan City

RC Kathmandu Mid-Town Initiated and facilitated the signing of an MOU between the Autonomous Province of Bozen/Bolzano (South Tyrol - Italy) and Kathmandu Metropolitan City in 2010, for a 10-year technology transfer project which will help to equip, train, and modernize Kathmandu's existing fire brigade. The firefighting equipment will be used by Basantapur's Juddha Barun Yantra fire brigade.





#### **Vocational Training for Disabled Women**

This multi-year project in collaboration with RC Higashi Osaka-Nishi, Japan provides an annual gift (WCS grant) that is used to provide vocational training for 10 disabled women at the Patan ERC (Early Rehabilitation Center). Beside skills training and skill development, they also learn about socialization, discipline, and compassion for others.



### Gift of Sight Eye Camp



This Camp is an ongoing project that has been conducted every year for the past 10 years with the help of the Rotary Club of Garden City, Singapore in collaboration with the Tilganga Institute of

Ophthalmology in Kathmandu. Each year the project brings a few hundred villagers from remote areas to the eye hospital in Hetauda and gives them cataract surgery and eye care.



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### Schooling project in Tistung Palung

An ongoing project with the help of RC Milano Villoresi, Italy RID 2040, and the Rotary Club of Nevada City 49ers, California, USA RID 5190 provide scholarships and help to schools in Tistung, Palung, Nepal.



First Steps Himalaya Giving children a childhood in the rural Himalaya





In collaboration with RC Oldmeldrum, Scotland RID-1010, this project provides ongoing support for improved teaching and educational standards to several schools in Irku, Kadambas and Sangachok in Sindhupalchok District. The project is implemented through First Steps Himalaya.



### Girls 'Scholarships and Mothers' Awareness in Gorkha and Lamjung

This multi-year project started four years ago as a matching grant with RC Darmstadt Bergenstrasse, Germany. It benefits approximately 300 girls (from 11 schools) and their mothers, annually. RC KTM Mid-Town visits the sites yearly to distribute the scholarships. RC Darmstadt Bergenstrasse has pledged to continue their support to see that the girls graduate.







### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT KUL CHANDRA GAUTAM



2014-15 marks the Silver Jubilee of the Rotary Club of Kathmandu Mid-Town. In its 25 years, it has acquired the reputation of being a highly cosmopolitan club with a high profile, well-known for its diverse membership and many community service projects. Building on its glorious history, we hope to contribute to the Rl's goal to Light Up Rotary in this landmark year of our club. We also hope to inspire the younger generation to engage in community service through our network of Rotaract and Interact members. We will strive to cultivate a stronger sense of solidarity among our members and society at large, to make a modest but meaningful contribution to Nepal's development and global peace.

### **CLUB PROFILE**

The Rotary Club of Kathmandu Mid-Town was chartered on the 8th of November 1989 with 26 members, 3 of whom were women - a landmark accomplishment in the very first year that Rotary International opened up its membership to women. Mid-Town was also the first 'breakfast' Club in Nepal. The Club Charter was presented to Charter President Rtn Dr. Roop Jyoti by the then incoming RI President Paul V. Costa. Everyone in the newly formed Club agreed to support the Rotary Foundation by becoming Paul Harris fellows.

**Actual Club strength:** Currently 50 members, of whom 10 are women. Our Club includes members of many different nationalities, at present from Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Italy, Nepal, New Zealand, Switzerland, United Kingdom, and the United States of America.

**The Rotary Foundation and Paul Harris Fellows:** RC KTM Mid-Town has received Rotary International recognition as a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club. There are 14 Multiple Paul Harris Fellows and 3 Major Donors. Total all time giving to The Rotary Foundation: more than \$140,000 USD.

|   | Official name  | Rotary Club of Kathmandu Mid-Town       |
|---|--|---|
|   | RI Zone and District   | RI Zone:6A, District: 3292 Nepal-Bhutan |
|   | RI Club ID   | 26776                                   |
|   | Charter date   | November 8, 1989                        |
|   | Language   | English                                 |
|   | Weekly meeting   | Friday morning 7:30 AM                  |
|   | Meeting location   | Hotel de l'Annapurna, Durbar Marg       |
|   | Web page (contact us)  | rotarymidtown.org.np                    |
|   | Club Facebook page   | RotaryClubOfKathmanduMidtown            |
| Sponsored Rotary Clubs                    | Rotary Club of New Road City and Rotary Club of Pashupati  |   |
| Sponsored Rotaract Club                   | Rotaract Club of Kathmandu Mid-Town  |   |
| Sponsored Interact Clubs                  | Interact Clubs of Kathmandu Mid-Town at Kirtipur, Panga and Thaiba   |   |
| Sponsored<br>Rotary Community Corps (RCC) | 2008 – RCC Lele in Lele VDC, Laitpur District<br>2013 – Sooryapal Village Improvement Committee in Sooryapal VDC, Lamjung District<br>2013 – Samaj Sudhar Kendra Dhuwakot in Dhuwakot VDC, Gorkha District |   |

Past Presidents: Dr. Roop Jyoti (1989-91), Late Anoop Rana (1991-92), Ambica Shrestha (1992-93), Anand Tuladhar (1993-94), Niranjan Man Pradhan (1994-95), Yogendra Man Pradhan (1995-96), Dr. Chandra Lekha Tuladhar (1996-97), Mani Dhoj Joshi (1997-98), Gopal Sundar Kakshapati (1998-99), Giridhar Lal Manandhar (1999-2000), William Ma (2000-01), Ajaya Ratna Sthapit (2001-02), Hartmut Bauder (2002-03), Jyotsna Shrestha (2003-04), Arun Man Sherchan (2004-05), Komal Chitrakar (2005-06), Chandra Kumar Golchha (2006-07), Walter Dillar (2007-08), RR Shrestha (2008-09), Rtn Subarna Joshi (2009-10), Late Pratap Malla (2010-11), Dr Som P. Pudasaini (2011-12), Devendra N. Gongol (2012-13), Saroj Shrestha (2013-14)

### **ROTARY CLUB OF KATHMNDU MID-TOWN BOARD FOR 2014-15**



KUL CHANDRA GAUTAM President



PARAS SJB RANA President Elect



SAROJ SHRESTHA Immedinte Past President



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Public Relation



RABI KARMACHARYA Service Projects



KOMAL CHITRAKAR The Rotary Foundation



C. LEKHA TULADHAR Youth Service



SHYAM THAPALIYA Sergeant-at-Arms

### WORKING WITH OUR YOUTH FORCE: ROTARACTS AND INTERACTS



The Rotaract Club of Kathmandu Mid-Town, which was chartered on 16 February 1998, today has more than 55 members. They are one of the most active Rotaract clubs in Nepal and over the past 16 years they have been involved in many noteworthy projects. In 2014 they were selected for and successfully hosted the Rotaract District Conference in Kathmandu. They were also awarded the Rotary International Peace Grant for providing a water supply system to a backward Tamang village, Chamkar at Panauti, Kavre District, and presented their work at the breakout session of the RI Convention in Sydney. Follow them on Facebook at:Rotaract club of ktm midtown.



Our Interact Club at Mangal High School, Kirtipur, won the prestigious 2013 Grand Prize of the Rotary International Interact Video Competition for its video "Seeds of Change", and received a personal letter of recognition from the RI President. This video was screened at the RI Convention in Sydney. Our Interact Club at Jana Sewa HS school, Paanga won a 2014 Safe Water Topic Prize with its video "Little Hands Together". The video was also screened for Rotarians from four districts.

