

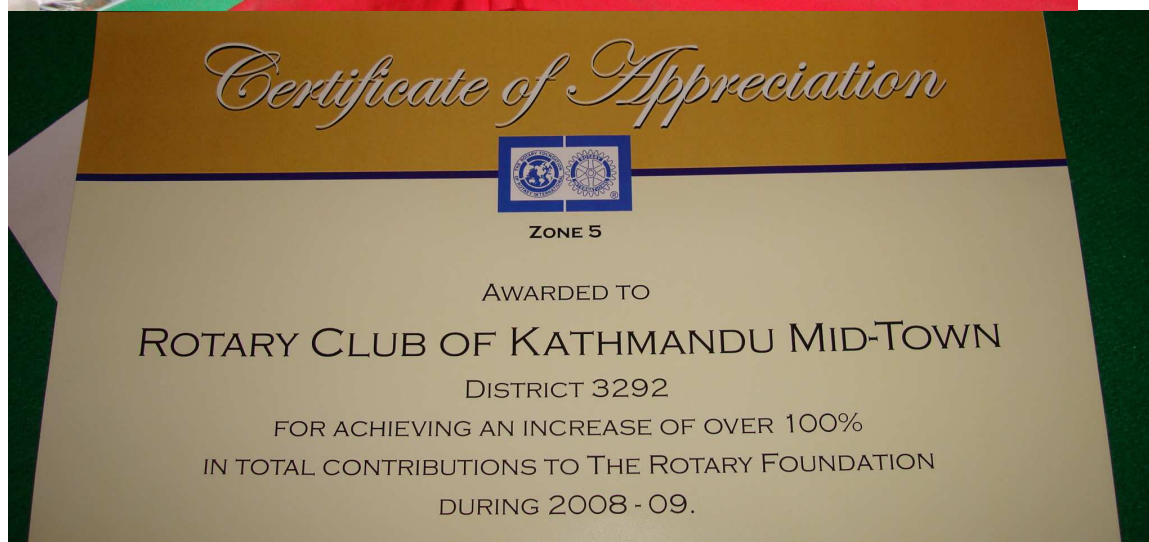


Breakfast Chatter

Rotary Club of Kathmandu Mid-Town
District 3292, Club 26776, Chartered 08 Nov. 1989



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This week's speaker			
Mr. Ian McFarlane			
UNFPA Representative for Nepal			
"Population and Development in Nepal: ICPD Cairo, Experience after 15 years"			
Calendar			
Date	Theme		
December 1 st	World Aids Day		
December 5 th	AWON Christmas Bazaar – "A Great Event for the whole Family"		
December 11 th	TBA		
Visiting Rotarian (RC Patan West),CP Dr Roop and Treasurer Rtn Sharmila			



A new Project (Construction of toilet facilities for Musar community)



President (**Subarna Joshi**), handing over the club's contribution for the construction of toilet facilities to **Rtn Isa** (coordinator of the project).

RI News

Rotarians share their proudest moments

By Arnold R. Grahl

Rotary International News – 11 November 2009

Rotarian Henning Sorknaes has no trouble remembering his proudest Rotary moment. He was taking part in a community service project supported by several Rotary clubs to restore a hospital in the city of Senta, Serbia, that serves a population of about 150,000, mostly Hungarian Serbians. The hospital lacked modern technical equipment and was barely surviving on a mixture of public and private funds.

Sorknaes's club, the Rotary Club of Budapest-City, Hungary, partnered with five other clubs and the host Rotary Club of Zemun to secure a US\$20,000 Rotary Foundation Matching Grant. That grant helped fund a \$1.2 million project to equip and train staff to make the hospital's cardiology department fully operational. The clubs worked with [Assist International](#), which contributed almost \$1 million worth of donated equipment. Shortly after the restored unit was handed over to hospital management in September 2004, Sorknaes was approached by a relative of a heart patient who had been revived and treated by the equipment. "I will never forget the look in his eyes," he recalls.

"I had the honor and privilege to be the project manager and to see the interest from the community, which was overwhelming," notes Sorknaes. "As a side effect, this project led us into participation in another four hospital projects in Hungary and Romania, with the same story there."

The effort also brought in several prospective members for the new Rotary Club of Senta, which had been in planning stages since 2002. The club received its charter in June 2006.

Like Sorknaes, many other Rotarians have experienced their proudest moments because of a Foundation-funded project or program. Donations to the Annual Programs Fund through initiatives like [Every Rotarian, Every Year](#) ensure that these efforts can continue.

Rotarians recently shared several of their proudest accomplishments on [RI's official LinkedIn group](#).

- Patrick Coleman, of the Rotary Club of Luanshya, Zambia, writes of helping to complete 21 wells as part of his club's centennial project. "Our initial goal was five wells, but it grew as we were able to duplicate the project several times. Simply put, Rotarians work without commissions."
- Lora Williams, of the Rotary Club of Metropolitan Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, has worked on several projects, including a successful water project in Africa.
- J. Michael Cavitt, of the Rotary Club of Minneapolis South, Minnesota, USA, says his proudest accomplishment was mentoring a Rotary World Peace Fellow and an [Ambassadorial Scholar](#) sponsored by District 5950. "Both of these women have the focused vision and drive that will effectively use the opportunities and channels RI has created with these programs. I look forward to seeing the impact they will have."

Learn more about how you can [support The Rotary Foundation](#).

Mid-Town Reflection

**The following was presented at Zone 31-32's Montreal Conference:
Bourdeau's 10 Rules for determining if a ROTARPHELIAC
lives in yo home! (*Must be spoken with Cajun accent*)**

#10 If yo spouse done demand dat you attend every Rotary function within a 200 mile radius of yo house...

#9 If yo plates, sucers, chairs, hats, jackets, sweaters, belts, cuff links, neckties, tie pins, vests, shirts, sport coats and underwear all carry the Rotary emblem you got yourself a Rotapheliac...

#8 If yo las Valentine, Christmas and Birthday cards from yo spouse are all signed ROTARILY YOURS

#7 If because of Rotary yo telephone bill is more than yo house note

#6 If yo suggestion that you skip last year's International Convention in Indianapolis landed yo in the doghouse (to yo Yankess that means the livingroom couch)

#5 If yo spouse thinks a Roto-Rooter person is a cheerleader at a Rotary softball games you could be in BIG trouble!

#4 If yo mailman took early retirement because after 3 months he could no longer tote the amount of Rotary mail coming to yo home ...

#3 If yo have the Rotary Wheel painted on yo bedroom ceiling ...

#2 If every evening at sundown yo spouse bows on bended knee facing Evanston, Illinois while reciting the 4-way test

#1 If yo spuse convinces yo to get up before 400+ people and make a damn fool of yoself for the Rotary cause, then yo not only hav got yoself a ROTARPHELIAC but yo are in grave danger of becoming one yoself!!

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