

Breakfast Chatter



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

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| This week's speaker | | |

Eileen Heasely,

President of Rotary Club of Troy /Michigan Canada along with spouse Rtn. John 6 years experience of knowing Nepal and its people - especially Rotarians and Rotaracts

| Calendar | | |
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| Date | Theme | |
| November 1-4 | Interact Week, Rotarians invited to support the Interacts | |
| | Charter Day, Rotaract Club of Kathmandu Mid-Town, | |
| November 5 th | 1pm at Sanchetana, Dhobigat | |
| | Robert Piper, UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator, UNDP Resident | |
| November 13th | Representative | |
| November 18th | Charter Night, | |
| November 21st | TRF Seminar | |
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On 28 October 2009, Madhyapur Youth Association (Madhyapur Football Academy) organized press conference for 3rd Inter School Invitational Football Tournament and our club was also recognized as co-sponsored for this program. The 3rd TVS Tyres Cup Inter-School Invitation Football Tournament has already started from 30 October and 23 schools are competing for the coveted cup at the Sanothimi Ground, Bhaktapur.

VP Som, Rtn. Werner and Community Services Chair, Rtn Saroj attended the program and distributed 23 Track Suits during the press conference to encourage them for the development of Football and we printed sponsored by Rotary Club of Kathmandu Mid-Town club along with the Logo of Rotary International on the back side of the Track Suit Jacket for the publicity of Rotary. Nepal TV,Gorakhapatra, Republica and NAGARIC daily National News papers of 29 October 2009 reported about this news and our contribution to Madhyapur Youth Association.

Visiting Rotarian and Speaker, Rtn Vijaya Ram Mathema during his presentation



Rtn Vijaya Ram Mathema during his presentation at the last Breakfast Meeting

RI News

New coats for children

By Ryan Hyland Rotary International News -- 30 October 2009

As another U.S. winter approaches, Rotarian Richard Sanford and his Pennsylvania-based nonprofit organization, Operation Warm, are gearing up to provide low-income children with the proper apparel to survive the bitter cold.

In 1998, Sanford, a member of the Rotary Club of Longwood, read a local newspaper article about children suffering in cold weather while waiting for their school bus because they lacked winter coats.

Angered but also inspired, he decided to take action, launching Operation Warm, which works with manufacturers to provide high-quality unused coats to underprivileged children across the United States.

"I couldn't understand how something like this could happen. It broke my heart to see kids freeze because they didn't have warm-enough coats," recalls Sanford, the organization's CEO and chair. Through funds donated by private and corporate partners, Operation Warm collaborates with manufacturers to develop sizes and styles for boys and girls, then distributes the coats to needy children.

For the organization's first project in 1998, Sanford purchased 58 coats with his own money from a department store. He and members of his Rotary club distributed the coats to children in a low-income Philadelphia neighborhood. Since then, Operation Warm has provided more than 500,000 new coats to children in 26 states.

Rotary continues to play a crucial role in expanding the fundraising for and distribution of coats, says Sanford. About 60 clubs in the United States have worked directly with Operation Warm, providing more than 25,000 new coats to children.

"Rotary has been phenomenal in our success," says Sanford. "This project truly represents what Rotary is all about: assisting the disadvantaged in our communities."

Kim Fremont Fortunato, president of the organization and a member of the Rotary Club of Wilmington, Delaware, says the quality of the coats is a key difference between <u>Operation Warm</u> and many other coat drives.

"Most of the children we help have never owned a new coat," says Fortunato. "We believe it improves their self-esteem. But most important, the coats we distribute will keep kids warm." Sanford says the organization has found many willing partners because people can relate to the children's plight.

"All around us there are poor children in this country who need assistance," he says. "It's our responsibility to help those who can't help themselves. Seeing the kids' smiles and excitement when they put on their new coats is an incredible experience. This is an enormously powerful project."

Mid-Town Reflection

21 Economic Models explained with Cows - 2009 update

SOCIALISM

You have 2 cows. You give one to your neighbour.

COMMUNISM

You have 2 cows. The State takes both and gives you some milk.

FASCISM

You have 2 cows. The State takes both and sells you some milk.

NAZISM

You have 2 cows. The State takes both and shoots you.

BUREAUCRATISM

You have 2 cows.

The State takes both, shoots one, milks the other, and then throws the milk away...

TRADITIONAL CAPITALISM

You have two cows.
You sell one and buy a bull.
Your herd multiplies, and the economy grows.
You sell them and retire on the income.

SURREALISM

You have two giraffes. The government requires you to take harmonica lessons

AN AMERICAN CORPORATION

You have two cows.

You sell one, and force the other to produce the milk of four cows. Later, you hire a consultant to analyse why the cow has dropped dead.

ENRON VENTURE CAPITALISM

You have two cows.

You sell three of them to your publicly listed company, using letters of credit opened by your brother-in-law at the bank, then execute a debt/equity swap with an associated general offer so that you get all four cows back, with a tax exemption for five cows.

The milk rights of the six cows are transferred via an intermediary to a Cayman Island Company secretly owned by the majority shareholder who sells the rights to all seven cows back to your listed company.

The annual report says the company owns eight cows, with an option on one more. You sell one cow to buy a new president of the United States, leaving you with nine cows.

No balance sheet provided with the release.

The public then buys your bull.

A FRENCH CORPORATION

You have two cows.

You go on strike, organise a riot, and block the roads, because you want three cows.

A JAPANESE CORPORATION

You have two cows.

You redesign them so they are one-tenth the size of an ordinary cow and produce twenty times the milk.

You then create a clever cow cartoon image called 'Cowkimon' and market it worldwide.

A GERMAN CORPORATION

You have two cows.

You re-engineer them so they live for 100 years, eat once a month, and milk themselves.

AN ITALIAN CORPORATION

You have two cows, but you don't know where they are.
You decide to have lunch.

A RUSSIAN CORPORATION

You have two cows.

You count them and learn you have five cows.

You count them again and learn you have 42 cows.

You count them again and learn you have 2 cows.

You stop counting cows and open another bottle of vodka.

A SWISS CORPORATION

You have 5000 cows. None of them belong to you. You charge the owners for storing them.

A CHINESE CORPORATION

You have two cows.

You have 300 people milking them.

You claim that you have full employment, and high bovine productivity.

You arrest the newsman who reported the real situation.

AN INDIAN CORPORATION

You have two cows. You worship them.

A BRITISH CORPORATION

You have two cows. Both are mad.

AN IRAQI CORPORATION

Everyone thinks you have lots of cows.

You tell them that you have none.

No-one believes you, so they bomb the **** out of you and invade your country.

You still have no cows, but at least now you are part of Democracy....

AN AUSTRALIAN CORPORATION

You have two cows.

Business seems pretty good.
You close the office and go for a few beers to celebrate.

A NEW ZEALAND CORPORATION

You have two cows. The one on the left looks very attractive.

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