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**JANUARY IS ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH**

Awareness is an important part of the Rotary work that can be divided into two parts.

It is imperative that members are well aware of Rotary’s goals – that Rotary is an organization that works for peace and better understanding between people.

The other part of Rotary awareness is the sharing of information outside of our organization.

Friday, 18 January:



Guest Speaker, Rtn Prachand M Shrestha, PE, Rotary Club of

Lalitpur Mid-Town, provided a very highly educative talk on the

state of Tourism and its administration in Nepal across the years.

He talked about, in a nutshell, immense opportunities of tourism

business in the country, nature's endowment, a variety of products,

varied constraints, challenges, role of government as well as of

business sector, etc. He expressed his optimism at the private sector

picking up the gauntlet and growing the business for the overall

growth of the country's economy.

In the picture, President Devendra handing over letter of appreciation to Guest Speaker Prachand

 

*Tourism products ?*

# Weekly Meetings and Programs :

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| Date | Program/Speaker | Program/Topics of Presentation |
| 25 Jan 2013 | Radha Poudel, President, Action Works Nepal | Women right ? |
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Friday, 18 January *Cont'd*

*President Elect Saroj Shrestha announces Club's Board for Rotary Year 2013-14.*

***Congratulations to all !***

1. President Saroj Shrestha

2. IPP Devendra N Gongal

3. President Elect : Dr. Kul Chandra Gautam

4. Vice President: Dr. Alexander Spachis

5. Secretary: Paras SJB Rana

6. Joint Secretary: Promod Poudel

7. Treasure: Jo Logghe

8. Club Administration Chair: Govinda Chipalu

9. Membership Chair: Dr. Rabindra Shrestha,

10. Public Relation Chair: Ranjit Acharya

11. Service Project Chair: Rabi Karmacharya

12. The Rotary Foundation Chair: Komal Chitracar

13. New Generation Chair: Dr. Chandra Lekha Tuladhar

14. Sergeant-At-Arms: Shyam Thapalia

*courtesy:* *PE Saroj Shrestha*

Friday, 25 January:

Ms. Radha Poudel will be our Guest Speaker for the day. She is the Founder as well as President of Action Works Nepal. The organization focuses on human right of women, dalit, disabled, conflict-affected, and other forms of marginalization through policy advocacy, capacity building, media mobilization and "Let's Live Together" campaign primarily in Karnali zone, Nepal.

**Congratulations**

**to**

**Interact Club of Kathmandu Mid Town**

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Subject: Congratulations to the Interact Club of Kathmandu Mid Town

Dear Club President Devendra Nath Gongal

As you may be aware, one of the Interact clubs you sponsor, the Interact Club of Kathmandu Mid Town, submitted an entry to this year’s Interact video contest. I am happy to report that their entry, “[Today’s Tomorrow](http://youtu.be/jh20u33uB9k),” has been selected as one of three finalists in this year’s contest!

Our panel of judges chose one grand prize winner and three finalists from a competitive field of entries submitted by Interact clubs in 11 countries on five continents. The winning videos will be featured on Rotary.org and social media, and the winning clubs will receive a signed letter from President Tanaka and an engraved plaque. We also plan to host a Facebook chat with the winning clubs on Tuesday, 22 January from 9:30-10:00AM PST.

I hope you will join us in spreading the word about this accomplishment once the announcement is made Thursday in an RI news story, the New Generations newsletter, and on the [Interact Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/interactofficial). Last year’s winners received positive coverage in local media about their video’s success in this international competition.

Thank you for all you do to support the service of these Interact students. My congratulations to the Interact club, your Rotary club, and your district for on this achievement.

Kind regards,

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*courtesy: PP Dr Lekha Tuladhar, Chair, New Generations*

**RI President's Theme for Rotary Year 2013-14:**

**R**I President-elect Ron Burton will ask Rotarians to *Engage Rotary, Change Lives*in 2013-14.

He unveiled the RI theme during the opening plenary session of the 2013 International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA, the annual training event for incoming district governors.

“If we really want to take Rotary service forward, then we must make sure that every single Rotarian has the same feeling about Rotary that each one of us here has today,” Burton said. “We need to make sure that every Rotarian has a meaningful role to play, that they’re all making a contribution, and that their contribution is valued.”

Burton said the July launch of [The Rotary Foundation’s new grant model](http://www.rotary.org/en/grants), Future Vision, makes it an exciting time to be a Rotarian. He said the new grant model, which has been used by about 100 pilot districts since 2010, represents a new era for the Foundation, and will help Rotarians get excited about Rotary’s ability to change lives.

“It takes everything that is wonderful about Rotary and raises it to a new level — by encouraging bigger, more sustainable projects while providing increased flexibility for local projects, both of which address the needs of the community being served,” he said.

Burton asked the incoming district governors to take the lead in helping their clubs through the transition, with the assistance of their district Rotary Foundation chairs, who also attended the assembly this year. The training sessions are focusing heavily on equipping these leaders to go back to their districts as experts on the new grant model.

Before the assembly, Burton asked each of the incoming governors to make a donation in their name to The Rotary Foundation in order to demonstrate leadership by example. At the assembly, he announced that all 537 governors-elect had complied; along with donations from all RI Board members and Foundation Trustees, the contributions totaled US$675,412.

"Now, I have to believe that some of this is money that The Rotary Foundation probably would not have received had I not asked. And I think that this is an important lesson” he said. “If you want somebody else to do something, you can just sit around and wait for them to get the idea, or you can ask.”

Burton applied that lesson also to membership development, which he insisted is the responsibility of every Rotarian. He told the audience that although he had been an active member of the Key Club, a youth program of Kiwanis International, he went on to join Rotary simply because the Rotary Club of Norman, Oklahoma, invited him to.

"You have to ask,” he said.

But Burton emphasized that the job doesn’t end when a new member joins: “It’s not done until that new member is engaged in Rotary, inspired by Rotary, and uses the power of Rotary service to change lives.”



***Engage Rotary Change Lives***

*courtesy:* *Rtn Rabi Karmacharya,*



… the day I joined the Rotary Club of Yashio was a day when I took my first step down a different path in life – a path of greater connection, greater satisfaction, and a deeper sense

of fulfillment and peace.

**RI President Sakuji Tanaka**

**Committee Chairpersons' Column:**

Video Contest Winners

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**Subject:** Congratulations!! New Generations | Video contest winners

Dear Fellow Rotarians

Sharing the good news of the achievement of the New Generation

 The Rotaracts are also filing for [Rotaract Outstanding Project Award](http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/19271684:21661234398:m:1:1844264220:4143431ED08C761F961F15F5718D6535:r" \t "_blank)

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Dr Chandra Lekha Tuladhar, New Generation Chair

Video Contest Winners

Congratulations to the winners of the 2012 Interact video contest! The **Interact Club of Hugh Boyd Secondary School in District 5040** (British Columbia, Canada) earned the grand prize for its entry, [*Students Making a Difference*](http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/19271676:21661234398:m:1:1844264220:4143431ED08C761F961F15F5718D6535:r). The video will be featured on the RI website and social media pages, and the club will receive an engraved plaque and a letter from RI President Sakuji Tanaka.[Read an interview](http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/19271677:21661234398:m:1:1844264220:4143431ED08C761F961F15F5718D6535:r) with the grand prize winner.

We also congratulate the three clubs selected as finalists: the**Interact Club of Alexandria Sporting**, Egypt, District 2450, for[*Youth for the Future*](http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/19271678:21661234398:m:1:1844264220:4143431ED08C761F961F15F5718D6535:r), which has received over 2,300 views so far; the **Interact Club of Kathmandu Mid-Town**, Nepal, District 3292, for [*Today’s Tomorrow*](http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/19271679:21661234398:m:1:1844264220:4143431ED08C761F961F15F5718D6535:r); and the **Interact Club of Chilliwack**, British Columbia, Canada, District 5050, for [*Interact 2062: How Interact Is Going to Change the World*](http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/19271680:21661234398:m:1:1844264220:4143431ED08C761F961F15F5718D6535:r). We encourage you to share your favorite videos to promote Interact to friends and prospective members, and to show what Interact means to you.

Our thanks to all the clubs, representing 11 countries and 5 continents, that submitted videos for our 2012 contest. Watch all the entries on the [Interact Video Contest channel](http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/19271683:21661234398:m:1:1844264220:4143431ED08C761F961F15F5718D6535:r) on YouTube.

**Deadline near for Rotaract project award nominations**

There’s still time for your Rotaract club to submit an online nomination form for a [Rotaract Outstanding Project Award](http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/19271684:21661234398:m:1:1844264220:4143431ED08C761F961F15F5718D6535:r" \t "_blank) to receive recognition for innovative, sustainable, collaborative service in Rotary’s areas of focus. The deadline for nominations is **1 February**

*courtesy:* *Dr Lekha Tuladhar, Chairperson, New Generations Committee*

**Past Presidents' Column:**

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**Club Members' Corner:**

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A thought for the day:

**One of the basic differences between God and human is :**

**God gives, gives and forgives.**

**But human gets, gets, gets and forgets.**

**Be thankful in life !**

Great quotes:

***Never make a bit of gap between the dear ones,***

***because you will never bear the pain when the gap is filled by someone else !***

Puzzle:

What comes next in the series: 3, 7, 16, 35, …. ?

Last week puzzle solution: If 00 = 8, 01 = 9, 11 = 7, 111 = 4

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