 **20 Feb 2015** **The Weekly Bulletin of Rotary Club of Kathmandu Mid-Town** **bc-32/2.015**

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**FEBRUARY IS WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH**

World Understanding Month is dedicated for

Rotary’s continued quest for goodwill, peace and understanding

among people of the world.

Club’s Weekly Meeting # 1266 on Friday, 13 February:

Extracts of the Meeting Minutes :

“1. 1st VP HE Peter Bodde called Meeting #1266 to order.

“7. Welcome of our guest speaker Dr Andrew Trotter and introduction by Rtn Dr Buddha. Dr Trotter who is a doctor of

internal medicine at the Tribhuvan University Teaching Hospital in Kathmandu, is also an expert on HIV/AIDS. Dr.

Trotter gave a very personal account of the AIDS patients he has treated in Nepal. He explained that stigma and

discrimination can kill people as much as diseases do. During the Q&A Rtn Peter Bodde commented that he had seen

much the same thing in Mali, Africa. Rtn Shankar Sharma gave the vote of thanks.

”8. Information sharing:

> District Governor Rabindra Kumar Piya invites all Rotarians and guests to attend the 7th District Conference of RI

District 3292 on 27th, 28th Feb and 1st Mar, 2015 at Chitwan. Where the theme will be “Enjoy Rotary".

> Rtn Bhairaja gave a short report on the Rotary Peace Conference in Lumbini He said that Mid-Town was well

represented and that four Mid-Towners were guest speakers and several others attended..

“9. Statistics of the meeting: Members present: ?”.

# Weekly Meetings and Programs :

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| Date | Program/ Speaker | Topic of Presentation |
| 20 February | Gen. Rookmangud Katawal | His experiences in Nepal army |
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Weekly Meeting on Friday, 20 February:

Our guest speaker Gen. Rookmangud Katawal will talk about the experiences



he has had over a long and distinguished career.

Born in Okhaldhunga, mountainous Eastern Region of Nepal, he joined Nepal

Army in 1969 after graduating from the Indian National Defense Academy. He

holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Tribhuwan University, and a Master

Degree in National Defence from the Qaeda Azam University,Pakistan.

Following several key staff appointments, he served as the Nepalese

Government's Liaison Officer to the Brigade of Gurkhas of the British Army

and Government of Hong Kong between 1983 and 1986.

He was promoted to Brigadier General in 1996. In 1999, he was appointed

as Director of Military Intelligence.

Upon promotion to Major General in 2001, he took over as Adjutant General

(AG) of the Nepal Army. He was then appointed as the first co- coordinator of the National Security Council.

He commanded the then Western Division on combat operation in the peak of the counter insurgency effort between December 2003 and August 2004.

He was promoted to General and appointed as Chief of the Army Staff of the Nepalese Army on September 10, 2006.

Athletically inclined and a keen sportsman, Gen. Katawal is particularly fond of basketball, racquet games and golf. A keen social worker in his spare time, among his various projects, he is involved in the development of a high school (currently a campus) in his home village in Okhaldhunga District.

Gen. Katawal is has been awarded a host of decorations and medals in some 40 years of distinguished service.

After retirement in 2009 he has engaged in many public functions and private ceremonies thus keeping himself fully active and lively.

**7th District Conference: Performers in the entertainment program**

If you have any skill in entertaining the audience: whether in singing-folk/modern, unique dancing, playing any musical instrument, mimicry of any known or unknown personalities,

it’s time to come forward and send your name as a performer for inclusion in District Conference entertainment program. You may have hidden talent; don’t keep it hidden all the time;

come forward and present your skill. District Conference delegates will cheer it up.

*Contact: Harsha Shakya**<shakya.harsha@gmail.com>*

**Regional Award for a Polio-Free World**



PDG Ratna Man Sakya, Chairman of Nepal National Polioplus Committee

has  been awarded the

**Regional Service Award for a Polio-Free World for 2014-2015**

by Rotary International

in recognition of his contribution to polio eradication throughout the region.

**Congratulations!**

*Source:**Dr. Badri Raj Pande, Secretary, Nepal National Polioplus Committee*

**Global Polio Update**

Officially Reported Wild Virus Cases on 11 Feb 2015 in Endemic Countries:  7

(Compared with 11 in the same period in 2014)

Afghanistan: 0 (2 in 2014)

Nigeria: 0 (0 in 2014)

Pakistan: 7 cases (9 in 2014)

*Source: Nepal National Polioplus Committee*

## 7th District Conference of RI District 3292

## on 27th, 28th Feb and 1st Mar, 2015 at Chitwan

## Pre-registration date has been extended up to 20th Feb 2015

## “All the Host Clubs and the organizing committee members in the leadership of Conference Chair Uttam Lal Chuke are eager to welcome you all to this 7th District Conference.

## In addition, also enjoy your fellowships in the flavor and beauty of Chitwan and National Parks.”

## Welcome to Chitwan! : DG Rabindra Piya

**Rota Quiz 2014-15**

Rota Quiz Semi Final sessions were conducted on 14 Feb 2015

Altogether 22 Rotary Clubs participated in the Semi Final Quiz in 5 groups

Five Finalist Clubs are :

RC Jawalakhel ⦁ RC Patan Durbar Square ⦁ RC Tripureswor ⦁ RC Itahari ⦁ RC Chitawan

**Rota Quiz Final** is scheduled on 28 Feb 2015 during the District Conference.

The District Conference delegates will be cheering up the final session.

*Source: Dr. Harsha Ratna Shakya*

**Rotary Club of Kathmandu Mid-Town**

Potluck Dinner on Saturday, 28 March 2015

Mark your Calendar!

**A THOUGHT FOR TODAY:**

**[It is not what we do, but also what we do not do,](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/b/baruchspin101666.html" \o "view quote)**

**[for which we are accountable.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/b/baruchspin101666.html" \o "view quote)**

[- Moliere, actor and playwright (15 Jan 1622-1673)](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/b/baruchspin101666.html" \o "view quote)

*Courtesy: Rtn Isabella Khadka*

Travel / Tourism

Travelling is a great fun.





On Lighter Side:

**An expert is someone who takes a subject you understand**

**and**

**makes it sound confusing!**



I've heard stories of how our service changes the lives of others, and how it changes us as

Rotarians. When I hear these stories, I can't help but wonder: How many other lives could

we change for the better by bringing more people into Rotary? And how many more people

could we bring into Rotary simply by sharing our own Rotary stories?

**RI President GARY C.K. HUANG**

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