

ABAN Newsletter: Year 20, Volume ECM 9 –10, Issue No. 30, Month: Dec./Jan.2019

## Service to Senior Citizens of Tapasthali Briddhashram



Tapasthali Briddhashram (Old age home) in Chapali, Kathmandu is catering to the needs of senior citizens who are helpless and need support of an organized place to live a community life in the care of some staff members and regular medical support. This Old age home was initially founded by Mrs. Bhargabhi Sharma in a quiet village setting within 5 ropani public land in 2048 BS (1991 AD), now looked after by Ms. Nanu Aryal (Chairperson), Ms. Bharati Adhikari (Treasurer), Ms. Usha Chalise, Ms. Lata Aryal and others under the overall guidance of the founder Ms. Bhargabhi.

ABAN has been associated with this Briddhashram from 2007 when the senior citizens housed there were supported with food, cloths and other items.

Since 2017 ABAN executives are serving the old age home regularly to meet some of their basic needs, mostly food and warm cloths.

This endeavor of ABAN has been supported by Mrigendra Samjhana Medical Trust with an endowment fund of Rs.5 lacs donated on January 30, 2017. In 2018, we supplied requested food stuffs, fresh fruits, water pumps with required pipe fittings to pump up water from a tube well, with the team of Dr. Mrigendra Raj Pandey from the Trust.

This year, ABAN executives and MSMT team will visit the Briddhashram on February 09 and hand over requested warm cloths, food stuffs and steel almirahs for safe keeping of the cloths away from rats. At present there are 13 senior mothers, boys and other staffs.



Association of British Alumni in Nepal (ABAN) is a not-for-profit social organization, registered with District Administration office on February 04, 1998 and is affiliated with the British Council. The Association is actively engaged for the welfare of the Nepalese, who studied in UK and pursue an interest in the socio-economic development of Nepal.

ABAN also works for cultural and educational exchange between Nepal and Britain.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR 2019**  
TO ALL MEMBERS & WELL WISHERS  
OF ABAN



### NOTICE of AGM

#### 21st Annual General Meeting

14th Executive Committee meeting of ABAN held on November 27, 2018 has decided to hold its **21st Annual General Meeting** together with **ABAN DAY** on Saturday February 02, 2019. All members of the Association are requested to attend the AGM.

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Election for 11th ECM will also be held on the occasion.

ABAN Life Members interested to contest for 11<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee can file their Nomination Form to Election Officer IPP Mr. Shanker P Paudel by 4 pm of 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Email: [sppaudel@gmail.com](mailto:sppaudel@gmail.com)

(Nomination Form in page 3)

## CONGRATULATIONS



ABAN Vice President Mr. Tulasi Prasad Uprey has been appointed as Member of Social Science Department of Nepal Pragyta Pratisthan (Nepal Academy) recently.

We wish him all success in his future endeavors.

## Condolence



Mrs. Uma Pandey, wife of ABAN Honorary Member Dr. Mrigendra Raj Pandey and founder of Mrigendra Sanjhana Medical Trust has passed away on Paush 29, 2075 (January 13, 2019) at Norvic Hospital, Kathmandu at the age of 84 years. She was born on Chaitra 20, 1991 BS (April 1943).

We all in ABAN express our heartfelt condolence to the family of Dr. Pandey on this sad occasion and pray the almighty for the eternal peace to the departed soul. May God bless the bereaved family the strength to bear this irreparable loss.



# NEPAL

## Creating Heroines at Nepal Literature Festival



# CREATING HEROINES

WORKSHOP  
PANEL &  
EXHIBITION

Make your heroines come  
alive at #NepalLitFest 2018

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Creating Heroines is travelling to the lake city of Pokhara, this winter, as part of Nepal Literature Festival. The British Council is organizing a networking event, a workshop, a talk programme and an exhibition of works created during a master class that was held earlier this year.

The three-day workshop titled "Graphic Novel Your Life" held in Barahi Hotel, Lakeside, Pokhara, between 19 and 21 December where facilitator Dr. Nicola Streeten worked with participants to introduce them to some key stages in developing a graphic novel. This is the second Creating Heroines workshop being held in Nepal.

**Talk Programme** Dr Streeten will be conversing with Kathmandu-based artist/writer Kanchan Burathoki about her work as a graphic novelist, and the use of the media to tell stories and talk about issues.

The talk was held in Nepal Literature Festival, Pokhara, on **22 December**.

**Creating Heroines Exhibition** The works creating during the regional Creating Heroines Masterclass held in February 2018 is being exhibited between 22 and 25 December, during Nepal Literature Festival, Pokhara. The exhibition will feature works created by illustrators.

## Nepal – UK Diplomatic Relations

Institute Foreign Affairs (Nepal) has recently published a book entitled 'Nepal-UK Diplomatic Relations: Bicentenary Anniversary Celebration', edited by Dr Indra Adhikari. The book is available to purchase from Mandala Books, in Kathmandu (Price: NPRs 500).

### Nepal – UK Relations

Career diplomat since 1979, Nepal's ambassador to Brazil, South America and Diplomatic analyst Mr. Pradhuma Shah is making a brief presentation on Nepal-UK Relations.



Mr Shah also served as the first Consul General in the Nepalese Consulate in Hong Kong in 1997 and in the Nepalese embassy in Pakistan and India.

He did MA and MPA from Tribhuvan University, and Post-graduate in International Relations and Development from the National Autonomous University of Mexico in 1982, followed by Contemporary International Relations from Jawaharlal Nehru University New Delhi in 1990. He has also completed Senior Executive from NESA Defense University, Washington DC in 2002.

He states that British support in education resulted in the opening of Durbar High School, Tri Chandra College, Juddodaya and Padmodaya Schools, Tribhuvan University (also USA and India), Administrative Staff College and the Budhanilkantha School in Kathmandu.

British assistance in education continued through the 1950s when the British Government provided scholarships to the Nepalese to study in England. In recent decades, the most notable British assistance in the field of education is to address Nepal's need for skilled, specialized manpower and develop important links between the two peoples.



### Association of British Alumni in Nepal (ABAN)

Lainchour, Kathmandu, Nepal

#### NOMINATION FORM

Mr. Shanker Prasad Paudel  
 Election Officer ([sppaudel@gmail.com](mailto:sppaudel@gmail.com))  
 ABAN 11<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee Election  
 C/o British Council, Lainchour, Kathmandu

Dear sir,

I hereby would like to contest for the post of . . . . . for the 11<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee Member's election, which is being held at the British Council, Lainchour, Kathmandu on February 2, 2019.

Name of Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_ Life Membership No. \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone no: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile no: \_\_\_\_\_ Email ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Seconder: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### For Withdrawal Purpose Only

I hereby would like to withdraw mu contest for the post of . . . . . for the 11<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee Member Election.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## President Mr. Maheswor Honored

ABAN president Mr. Maheswor Bhakta Shrestha has been honoured by the Rotary Club of Maharajgunj in the presence of Rotary District Governor Mr. Chintamani Bhattarai on January 06, 2019.

Mr. Shrestha had helped establish and charter the new Rotary club on May 8, 2018 with Rotary International as GSR (Governor's Special Representative).

Rotary club of Maharajgunj is one of the 117 clubs in Nepal and Bhutan under the Rotary District 3292.





## A Review of 9th & 10th Executive Committee of ABAN

The Association of British Alumni in Nepal, which began on 4th February 1998 (2054 Magh 22), has completed two decades of glorious existence and is now embarking upon a third decade of development with bright future prospects. The ninth and tenth Executive team under the leadership of Mr. Maheswor Bhakta Shrestha, as president for two terms, has achieved some remarkable milestones in the history of ABAN:

- Induction of 40 Life Members, including Ordinary members converted to Life,
- Two Honorary members, namely Dr. Mrigendra Raj Pandey and Dr. Mahodadhi Pradhan Shrestha.

- Publication of Annual Magazines in 2015, 2017, 2018 and monthly Newsletters to highlight the relations between Nepal-Britain in its glorious two centuries, record activities of the British Council and ABAN, and serve as the communication link between its 350 Life members,
- Strengthened the Association financially with bank deposits of Rs.1.551 million as of 15th January 2019,
- Service to senior citizens of Tapasthali Bridhashram, Chapali and Nishahaye Sewa Sadan, Baneshwor on annual basis, and regular talk shows, family picnic etc. to further the stated objectives of ABAN.



## Life Members Joining ABAN from August 2015

1. Dr. Nastu Prasad Sharma (ID 491) on 22.9.2015
2. Miss Sanjivani Shrestha (ID 492) “
3. Mr. Punya Prasad Paudel (ID116 Ord. to Life)
4. Mr. Govinda Neupane (ID 493) on 17.12.2015
5. Mr. Janak Sharma Paudel (ID 494) “
6. Mr. Shakti Kumar Golyan (ID 495) “
7. Dr. Dhruva Pd. Acharya (ID143 Ord. to Life) “
8. Mr. Ushik Shrestha (ID 496) “
9. Miss. Pratigya Thapa (ID 497) on 21.6.2016
10. Mr. Laba Prasad Tripathi (ID 498)
11. Mr. Subin Man Pradhan (ID 499) 23.10.2016
12. **Dr. Mrigendra Raj Pandey (ID 500) Honorary**
13. Mr. Prateek Man Singh (ID 501) 15.11.2016
14. Mr. Rabindra Mananda Bajracharya (ID 502) “
15. Mr. Ramesh Maskey (ID 503) 16.12.2016
16. Mr. Tirtha Bahadur Joshi (ID 504) “
17. Mr. Moti Prasad Thapa (ID 505) “
18. Dr. Prem Singh Basnyat (ID 506) “
19. Mrs. Rama Dahal (ID 507) 21.2.2017
20. Mr. Eureka Ranjit (ID 508) “
21. Mr. Saraju Baidya (ID 509) “
22. Mr. Prafulla Man S. Pradhan (ID 510) 2.9.2017
23. Dr. Durga Bahadur Subedi (ID 511) “
24. **Dr. Mahodadhi Pradhan Shrestha (ID512) Hon**
25. Mr. Suman Kumar Wagle (ID 513) 27.10.2017
26. Mr. Ram Thapa (ID 514) “
27. Mrs. Reshma Rajthala (Associate ID 515) “
28. Mr. Bijendra Bade Shrestha (ID 516) 17.12.2017
29. Dr. Badri Prasad Bastakoti (ID 517) 25.3.2018
30. Mr. Hari Ram Koirala (ID 447 Ordinary to Life) “
31. Mr. Naresh Man Shakya (ID 518) on 10.6.2018
32. Mr. Bijaya Jaishi (ID 519) “
33. Mr. Riway Bhanju (ID 520) “
34. Mr. Narayan Raj Pandey (ID 521) “
35. Mr. Iswor Man Shrestha (ID 522) on 01.8.2018
36. Mr. Bijaya Lal Mallapaty (ID 523) on 11.9.2018
37. Ms. Meena Shrestha Hada (ID 524) 11.1.2019
38. Mr. Prem Raj Khanal (ID no. 525) on “
39. Dr. Jagan Nath Shrestha (ID 526) “
40. Mr. Hemanta Raj Baral (ID 527) “

### Membership Sub-Committee Chair:

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## ABAN Activity Report 2017-2018

Month of 2017	Main Activities
August 11 / 12	Met with the British Council Director. ABAN Newsletter no.18 published
August 26	Service to Senior Citizens of Nishahaye Sewa Sadan, Shantinagar
August 31	ABAN Newsletter no.19 published
September 08	4th Executive Committee Meeting held
October 27	5th Executive Committee Meeting held. ABAN Newsletter no.20 published
November 12	Talk program on “Development priorities of Nepal” by Dr. Prabhu Bhudhthoki, Member, National Planning Commission
December 13	Meeting with the British Ambassador HE Mr. Richard Morris
December 17/26	5th Executive Committee Meeting held. ABAN Newsletter no.21 published
2018 January 7	7th Executive committee meeting of the 10th ECM.
January 08	Nepali student's Winter Camp in UK (52 students to Oxford/Cambridge college)
January 30	8th Executive meeting held. 22nd issue of ABAN Newsletter issued
February 03	Support the Senior Citizens of Tapasthali Briddhashram, Chapali
February 04	20th AGM of ABAN at the British Council hall, Lazimpat, ABAN Magazine 2018
February 20	23rd Issue of ABAN Newsletter February 2018 published
March 25/ 28	9th Executive meeting of 10th ECM held ABAN Newsletter 24th Issue launched
April/ May	10th Executive meeting held on May 5, 2018
May 05	ABAN Family Picnic at Tiger Lily Sirutar, Bhaktapur
May 12	25th Issue of ABAN Newsletter (April-May) launched
June 03-13	Nepali students educational & cultural Summer Camp in UK
June 10	Talk Program on Nepal-UK Relations, and 11th Executive committee meeting
June 18	26th Issue of ABAN Newsletter June 2018 launched
July 06	Poem Recital by ABAN Executives: Bishma Upreti and Tulasi Prasad Upreti
August 01	12th Executive meeting / 27th Issue of ABAN Newsletter published
September	13th Executive meeting/ 28th Issue of Newsletter issued
September 22	Service to Senior citizens of Nishahaye Sewa Sadan, Tinkune, Kathmandu
November 27	14th Executive Committee meeting of 10th ECM held
January 11,	15th Executive Committee meeting of 10th ECM, 30th issue of Newsletter
January 26	Publication of ABAN Membership Directory 2019 and 30th issue of Newsletter
February 02	21st Annual General Meeting and Election of 11th Executive Committee
February 09	Service to Sr. citizens of Tapasthali Briddhashram, Chapali, Kathmandu

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