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Meet at the Silver Legacy - Silver Baron Rooms

Monday's Program

Dr. Kumud Acharya

Desert Research Institute



Kumud Acharya, Ph.D. serves as ninth President of the Desert Research Institute (DRI), appointed by the Board of Regents of the Nevada System of Higher Education on September 10, 2020.

From two state-of-the-art research campuses in Las Vegas and Reno, Nevada, Dr. Acharya leads over 400 scientists, engineers, and research support staff who rank among the top in the world in their specialties.

As a research professor in ecological engineering, Dr. Acharya has led pioneering work in Nevada to help local and state water managers address aquatic invasive species threatening both Lake Mead and Lake Tahoe. His 20-plus years of environmental study have blended both traditional research on the health of rivers, lakes and wetlands, with applied research to better understand the impact of climate change on aquatic ecosystems across Nevada and throughout the world.

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You can join us with Zoom:

Online Meeting Instructions:

Monday, January 31

12:00 PM

Zoom Meeting Information:

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN MEETING](#)

Sunshine Report Contact Information

If you have any information about yourself or fellow Rotarians that you would like announced at the weekly meeting, please contact **Stefanie Scoppettone** at: scops@unr.edu

Upcoming Events

BOD Meeting

Sunshine Litigation Services

Feb 15, 2022

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Upcoming Speakers

Dr. Muge Akpınar-Elci

Feb 7, 2022

New Dean of College of Public Health at Nevada

Reno Aces Hot Stove Event

Feb 14, 2022

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Dr. Kumud Acharya

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Dr. Acharya began his career at the Desert Research Institute (DRI) in 2006 as an assistant research professor in hydrology. During his tenure at DRI, he has secured over \$18 million in external research grants and contracts and helped spearhead some of DRI's largest international collaborations focused on water quality and management in China, Nepal, Indonesia, the United Arab Emirates and Thailand.

He previously served as the executive director of DRI's Division of Hydrologic Sciences; senior director of the Center for Environmental Remediation and Monitoring, director of the Nevada Water Resources Research Institute; and Chief Technology Advisor for WaterStart (a Nevada Knowledge Fund-supported venture focused on attracting water technology companies to Nevada).

Prior to joining DRI, Dr. Acharya served five years combined as a postdoctoral and endowed research fellow at Arizona State University and the University of Louisville. He has a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering, M.S. in Environmental Engineering, and Ph.D. in Biology and Environmental Sciences.

RYE Host Family Needed

We are in need of a host family for an RYE student next school year. This would be a commitment of 3.5 months. The exchange student will be attending Galena HS, so living in the South Reno area would be preferred. If you are interested or would like further details, please reach out to Bill Creekbaum, william.creekbaum@morganstanley.com

Rotary History

For more than 110 years, Rotary members have been addressing challenges around the world.

Grassroots at the core, Rotary links 1.2 million members to form an organization of international scope. It started with the vision of one man — Paul Harris. The Chicago attorney formed the Rotary Club of Chicago on February 23, 1905, so professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas, form meaningful, lifelong friendships, and give back to their communities.

Rotary's name came from the group's early practice of rotating meetings among the offices of its members.

Our ongoing commitment

Rotary members have not only been present for major events in history — we've also been a part of them. Three key traits have remained strong throughout our history:

We're truly international. Only 16 years after being founded, Rotary had clubs on six continents. Today, members in nearly every country work to solve some of our world's most challenging problems.

We persevere in tough times. During World War II, Rotary clubs in Austria, Germany, Italy, Japan, and Spain were forced to disband. Despite the risks, many continued to meet informally, and after the war, Rotary members came together to rebuild their clubs and their countries.

We're committed to service, and we're not afraid to dream big and set bold goals. We began our fight against polio in 1979 with a project to immunize 6 million children in the Philippines. Today, polio remains endemic in only two countries — down from 125 in 1988.

Last Meeting Volunteers

Thought of the Day:..... Tina Kahn
Pledge: Andrea Cantlon
Greeter Jon Olsen
Scanner Tina Kahn
Online Greeter: Debe Fennell
Sergeant At Arms Gayle Sherman
Zoom Equipment Rich Schreinert

Honor Roll

Eaton Dunkelberger \$100
Charlie Dodson \$100
Mariluz Garcia \$100
Kim Mazeres \$100

A New Record

JoAnn Leonard received her "Blue Badge" at our last meeting. No one can remember any member getting their blue badge that quick. Great job JoAnn!

Northern Nevada Math Club

Sherry Griffin with the Northern Nevada Math Club received a check from President Brian for \$3,500. This was one of four Community Service grants awarded from our Club.

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Notes

the 4 way test

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



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