

ROTARY DAY SUPPLEMENT

Rotary

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Rotary International District 3281, Bangladesh
December 3, 2014 Radisson Blu Water Garden



**Message from
ROTARY GOVERNOR**

In 1957, Chelsey R Perry emphasized the role of the clubs to illuminate the Rotary movement. 57 years later, each member is now being asked to do their part to brighten the dark sorrows of life.

I acknowledge the arduous efforts of RC Salim Reza to increase our membership base to strengthen our movement. I thank RRFC PDG Rafiq Ahmed Siddique for inspiring us to contribute generously to TRF. As a result, the Rotary movement in our District is bound to scale new heights. My heartfelt thanks and gratitude to our world leader, RI President Gary C K Huang and his gracious spouse for making time in their busy schedule to be amongst us and encourage us to Light Up Rotary in Bangladesh.

The idea of Rotary Day is simple. We should hold a fun informal meeting in our community for the non-Rotary public and use it as an opportunity to introduce them to Rotary. We have done just that. All the clubs participated in the Thousand Smiles A Day program and shared a meal with more than 10,000 orphan kids on a single day to generate huge media interest. The numerous service projects of the clubs continue to keep our District vibrant. We hosted couple of informal gatherings with female Rotarians of the District. The female Rotarians brought at least one friend with them to showcase Rotary. The result speaks for itself. We will induct more than one hundred female Rotarians today as a result of the earlier events. The success belongs to each and every club for answering the call to observe Rotary day in a befitting manner.

RI President Gary C K Huang's vision to Light Up Rotary will require all of us to serve as a beacon of consciousness and continue to show the way to others to realize our motto - Service Above Self for years to come. Let us come together as a group and become a combined pool of enlightened volunteers enabling Rotary to make a difference in this world

Together, we continue to Light Up Rotary!

Rtn. Safina Rahman
DG 2014-15, D3281



**Message from
ROTARY PRESIDENT**

Dear fellow Rotarians,

I am pleased to welcome you to this Rotary Day being held in Dhaka, Bangladesh. This is a wonderful opportunity for Rotarians and friends of Rotary to come together for fellowship and inspiration.

I was introduced to Rotary as a high school student. Right away, I saw it was something I wanted to be a part of. Rotary was a prestigious organization in Taiwan when I was growing up, and at first, I mostly wanted the status of being a Rotarian. But it didn't take long for me to realize that Rotary was about much more than having lunch with important people. Through Rotary, I have made my community and the world a better place. I have been touched by the stories of those we've helped in countries far from my own.

Rotary is something special and it is something I am proud to be a part of-not for what it gives me, but for what it lets me give to others. By putting Service Above Self, we set an example that cannot help but inspire those around us.

My motto is always "be positive, be active, be a friend," and Rotary embodies these values. In Rotary we set high goals, we work hard, and we care. In Rotary we find solutions, not excuses. Rotary is a light in our communities and a light in our hearts. It creates hope in our world and gives meaning to our lives. It fulfills a basic human desire to reach out a hand to others, to know we have made a difference.

I send my best wishes for a successful year to come, and I look forward to working together as we Light Up Rotary.

Gary C.K. Huang
President
Rotary International
2014-15



**Message from the
ROTARY CO-ORDINATOR**

Congratulations and Celebrations.

The festive start of "Rotary Day" in 3281 marked with the presence of RI President Gary C. K. Huang in the District is a memorable day for Rotary Bangladesh. The first lady Governor of the district arranges Rotary Day Celebration with the first Rotary Leader of the World on 3rd December 2014. This is a day to be remembered by Rotarians and Commoner in and around Rotary Clubs to share the doing good in the World by Rotary. This is a step imitated by President Gray for effective propagation and celebration of Rotary service to mankind.

From "Comfort station" to Eradication of Polio through out last more than one century Rotary accomplished many many programs for betterment of lives of the community globally. And also work for peace and understanding.

Our District Governor Safina Rahman expresses her desire to induct 100 young female Rotarian on 3rd December to commemorate the visit of RI President amongst us. This will be day of jubilation & celebrations. Let us make our horizon of friendship wider and keep it open to all for rendering "service above self" while we share Rotary and serve people during such special day. We welcome new friends in Rotary Day. Please do remember, Rotary, taken at its best, is a spiritualized philosophy, fitted to the everyday requirements of men, said Paul P. Harris in 1914 RI Convention.

December in Rotary calendar is Family month and Rotarians, members of their family and partner of services, such as Early act, Interact, Rotoract, Rotary Community Corps, Youth Exchange Friends and many such program participants from the Rotary family and celebrate Rotary during Rotary designated family month in our efforts to Light up Rotary and make history by Eradicating Polio while we strengthen our clubs and serves our community.

Let us continue together to Light up Rotary as Rotary brings out and develops the best there is men and women.

PDG SALIM Reza, PHF, B, MD
Rotary Coordinator, Zone 6B
Rotary International

ROTARY PROJECTS



Ambulance donated by Trust Bank for Rotary

Rotary Khorshed Ali Moghul Health Complex by Rotary Club of Naopara



Rotary Club Khulna North provides prosthetic limb

Rajshahi Cancer Hospital and Research Center established in 2001 by Rotary Club of Padma Rajshahi

Rotary Siddhirgonj Medical Center



RCC Project of Dhaka Cosmopolitan



**Message from the
RRFC**

This is everyday that we have the rare opportunity to have the honor of having a R. I. President in our District or country. It is an auspicious moment today for us - the Rotarians of Bangladesh. I am sure this visit and Rotary Day will definitely inspire the Rotarians of Bangladesh to bring in more of their younger friends and family members including the younger members of the Family of Rotary, our Alumni.

This has already inspired members to donate the Rotary Foundation more generously to fight Polio and take up other Humanitarian and Educational Projects in future.

I congratulate District Governor Safina Rahman for ardently working to reach the goal of R. I. President in having 1.3 million Rotarians world wide in this Rotary Year and having family members and younger Rotarians in our fold. She is well ahead in this direction. Around 577 new Rotarians have been recruited so far. Thanks to her leadership, today, we are going to open a new chapter in Rotary membership in R. I. District 3281, Bangladesh

In the matter of promoting giving to TRF, also, she is doing very good. She is sure to reach the Goal here too, I am sure. The contribution already crossed \$ 164,000.00. And, again, we will have more contributions today in front of the R. I. President.

I am sure this event - Rotary Day would be a grand success and definitely Light Up Rotary even brighter in Bangladesh.

Rafiq Ahmed Siddique
RRFC.



**Message from
DGN 2016-17**

Warm welcome and heartfelt congratulation RI President Gary C.K. Huang to Bangladesh for observing 'Rotary Day'! It is a great privilege for us to meet our Rotary world leader Gary Huang at our home on 03 December 2014, which will be remarkable and memorable one for the Rotarians of Bangladesh.

RI President Gary Huang is encouraging all clubs to Light Up Rotary in 2014-15 by hosting 'Rotary Day'. As I understand, the concept of the Rotary Day is for holding fun and fellowship, informal event in community for both Rotarians and the general public and use it as an opportunity to introduce non-Rotarians to Rotary and drive interest in membership and other opportunities for engagement. These events are also a great prospect to get Rotary Alumni and New Generations, program participants more involved in their local club.

In fact, Rotary members, as volunteers, conduct projects to address today's humanitarian challenges, including illiteracy, disease, hunger, poverty, lack of clean water, and environmental concerns while encouraging high standards in all vocations. Rotary members strive to build goodwill and peace, in their communities and throughout the world. We the Rotarians of Bangladesh are to joyfully observe and recognize the day as Rotary's "World Understanding and Peace Day."

My spouse Rtn.Hamida joins me to wish all the success of this great event 'Rotary Day' in order to LIGHT UP ROTARY

Yours-in-Rotary.

Rtn. Muhammad Ayub mphf,mc
DGN 2016-2017



**Message from the
DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT**

Rotary Day is a great Day for Rotarians of the world. We are delighted and honored that RI President joining us for celebrating Rotary Day with us on 3rd November 2014. RI President Gary C.K. Huang said "This year, I am urging all Rotarians to Light Up Rotary by participating in Rotary Days. The Rotary Day concept is a simple one: hold a fun, informal event in your community for the non-Rotary public and use it as an opportunity to introduce them to Rotary. It's that easy. Rotary Days can help your club drive up interest in membership, strengthen your club's relationships with local institutions and community members, and improve Rotary's image in your community. Imagine the collective impact we can have if all 34,000 Rotary clubs worldwide make a concerted effort to introduce the public to the fun, rewarding experiences that we all enjoy as Rotary members." Let us follow the direction of RI President and Light Up Rotary and Light Up District 3281. Any club, big or small, can host a Rotary Day. Neighboring clubs can pool their resources and co-host a Rotary Day event, and even entire districts can come together to host a large-scale Rotary Day. Rotary Days can take any form, as long as they are fun and appealing to the non-Rotary public. Here are just a few possibilities:

- Hold an outdoor picnic or barbecue
- Host a sporting event or concert
- Organize a family fun run
- Align the event with a public parade or festival
- Sponsor an event at a museum, art gallery, or cultural center
- Secure an auditorium or arena and plan a ticketed reception or buffet dinner

Tips for Rotary Day Planners

- Feature guests that will appeal to a non-Rotary audience. Consider inspirational speakers, celebrities, musicians, or other public figures.
- If the event will offer food, keep it simple - for example, a barbecue buffet rather than a formal, sit-down meal.
- Keep admission prices low. Approach local businesses to sponsor your event.
- Make your event welcoming to families. Encourage members to bring their spouses, children, and other relatives.
- Avoid using Rotary jargon or referring to internal traditions; present Rotary as an enticing opportunity for prospective members to make new friends, exchange ideas, and take action to improve their local community and the world.
- Highlight the work of ordinary Rotary members doing extraordinary humanitarian work.
- Consider including a hands-on service project as part of the event to give visitors the chance to see firsthand how Rotary benefits the community.
- Recognize non-Rotary community members who embody Rotary's service ideals.
- Seek coverage for the event in local news media.
- Collect participants' contact information and follow up within two weeks to invite them to attend a club meeting or event.

Share your Rotary Day photos on social media using #RotaryDay, or upload them to your Flickr stream and share it with Rotary on our Family of Rotary Flicker group. Tell us who is in each photo and where it was taken, and you just might see it on Rotary media, including in The Rotarian and regional magazines.

We wish a grand successful Rotary Day Celebration in District 3281.

Rtn SAM Showket Hossain MPHF MC
District Governor Elect