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New Rotary International President 2020 - 2021

Holger Knaack, a member of Lauenburg-Mölln, Germany, president of Rotary The Nominating Committee's last month of President-reasons. Knaack will nominee if no other May.

To build a stronger must focus on increasing the transitioning Rotaractors into Knaack believes that the new public awareness possibilities for Rotary. "This campaign conveys our global image while still respecting differences in regions and cultures," he says.

A Rotary member since 1992, Knaack has served Rotary as treasurer, director, moderator, member and chair of several committees, representative for the Council on Legislation, zone coordinator, training leader, and district governor.

He is an endowment/major gifts adviser and co-chair of the Host Organization Committee for the 2019 Rotary International Convention in Hamburg.

Knaack is the CEO of Knaack KG, a real estate company. He was previously a partner and general manager of Knaack Enterprises, a 125-year-old family business.

He is a founding member of the Civic Foundation of the City of Ratzeburg and served as president of the Golf-Club Gut Grambek. Knaack is also the founder and chair of the Karl Adam Foundation.

Knaack and his wife, Susanne, are Major Donors to The Rotary Foundation and members of the Bequest Society.

Rotary Theme of 2020-21



the Rotary Club of Herzogtum has been selected to serve as International in 2020-21.

decision follows the resignation nominee Sushil Gupta due to health officially become president-candidates challenge him by 31

membership, Knaack says Rotary number of female members and Rotarians.

People of Action campaign offers



Rotary Opens Opportunities



Minutes of the 567th bi- weekly club meeting of Rotary Club of Baridhara of the Rotary year 2019-20 held on 5th January 2020 at 6.30 p.m. at the Westin Hotel, Gulshan, Dhaka.

1. Rtn. President Safwan Khan PHF called the meeting to order.
2. Invocation was led by Rtn. Atif.
3. Minutes of the 566th meeting was discussed and approved.
4. Rtn. Jakaria gave the birthday and anniversary greetings to the members.
5. Rtn. Mobin suggested to include club statistics in bulletin.
6. President explained the background of “Vocational Excellence Award” programme initiated by RCB
7. Rtn. NKA Mobin PHF explained his experience regarding his recent visit to Kolkata to join the 100 years anniversary of Rotary club of Kolkata.
8. PP Rtn. Syed Ershad Ahmed introduced the guest Speaker Dr. Nazneen Ahmed, Senior Research Fellow of BIDS.
9. Three nominee selected this year to receive the “Vocational Excellence Award” from RCB. They are as follows:
 - Md. Abdul Hannan (Teacher)
 - Mrs. Rina Baroi (Senior Nurse)
 - Mrs. Kabita Rani Sarker (Senior Nurse)
10. Rtn. PE Sarwar Morshed PHF, Rtn. Javed Hyder and Rtn. Salahuddin respectively introduced the awardee for their excellence service to the society . Finally Guest speaker handed over the Crest and flower bouquet to all the awardee for their excellent and devoted contribution in their profession.
11. All the awardee gave their speech and express their gratitude to the club for honoring them.
12. Dr. Rowshan Jahan Ann of Rtn. Saiful Huq PHF gave her speech about the details of Service projects initiated in Dhaka Shishu Hospital.
13. President announce the felicitations to PP Syed Ershad Ahmed PHF for being elected as President of AMSHEM and to Rtn. NKA Mobin PHF for being elected as Senior Vice president of DCCI.
14. Guest Speaker Dr. Nazneen Ahmed gave her speech about activities of Rotary, Gender issue, violence with women and equal opportunity of women in the society. She also spoke about country’s economic growth in short.
15. Rtn. Javed gave vote of thanks to the guest speaker for her excellent delivery.
16. Rtn. PP Sheikh Nasim Imam PHF presented flower bouquet to the Chief guest.
17. Rtn. Syed Ershad Ahmed PHF presented a crest to the Chief guest.
18. Club secretary presented club meeting statistics.
19. Club president Rtn. Safwan Khan PHF adjourned the meeting.

Club Statistics: - Total number of club members : 39

-Members present at meeting	: 12
-Advance make up	: 4
-Members on leave	: 3
-Available members	: 36
-Club guest	: 6
-Members guest	: 2
-Attendance percentage	: 38%

Anniversary Wishes

All members of Rotary club of Baridhara extend best wishes to Ann Raiss Tamanna Khan and Rtn Mohibul Hasan Khan on their wedding anniversary on January 11th

Birthday Greetings

Heartiest Birthday Wishes go out to Rtn. Adib Rashid PHF on 27th January



Dr. Nazneen Ahmed presenting her remarks as chief guest at the Excellence Award Ceremony.



Rotary Invocation

We, the Rotarians are dedicated to the ideal of service to maintain a high ethical standard in our business and profession and to dignify our vocation by enhancing International Understanding, Goodwill and Peace through people united in the ideal of service.

Our Congratulations goes out to

Rtm. Salah Uddin for becoming PHF. We share the optimism of President Safwan H Khan that your initiative will inspire rest of us to contribute in RI foundation.



Rotary Club of Baridhara has come up with a generous program to stand by Shishu Hospital of Dhaka. Recently, the Club has decided to donate 10 heater fans in the neo natal Department in response to a request from the hospital authorities.

Let us keep up the good work!

Heartiest Felicitations to Adira Safwan



Adira Safwan, a student of Scholastica School and daughter of our Club President Rtn. Safwan H. Khan, is a young budding writer. She is a fictional writer and has a collection of quite a few self-written short stories to her credit. One of her short stories, "The Door" was published in Young Observer, the children section of the English Vernacular The Observer. Our heartiest Congratulations go to Adira on her achievement and we seek The Almighty's blessings for her as she follows her dream and grows up as a prolific, famous writer and author of several interesting books.

Observer, the children section of The Observer, an English Vernacular published from Dhaka.



Today's Guest Speaker:

*Our guest speaker today is our very own member, **Rtn. Mamunur Rashid**, Senior Vice President and Branch Manager of Dhaka Bank Ltd. He is not only a banker by profession, he is an avid exponent of Tagore's songs and poetry and has made his mark as a monologist by reciting from the poems of Rabindranath Tagore.*

Mr. Rashid, known for being dexterous in financial matters, will give a talk that will cover a wide ranging of issues that among others include, Financial Market, Bank, NBF, Deposit, Lending, fixation of deposit and lending rate and role of pricing for sustainable economic development



From The Editor's Desk

Food for thought!

Our last guest speaker was Dr. Nazneen Ahmed, Senior Research Fellow, Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies. While introducing her, Rtn. Ershad Ahmed, PHF had said that she is an articulate speaker, well versed on a raft of topics of international, regional and domestic issues, a good conversationalist and a beautiful singer. Well, a beautiful singer, she undoubtedly was and she proved it by singing a melodious number without any musical instrument. However, contrary to expectations, when she presented her remarks, she ventured into a social issue that has been a source of constant friction, unrest and cause of depression. She lent her voice against repression and suppression of women in our society despite the great strides we made as a nation. This makes every conscious soul thinking, "are our women truly emancipated". We look deep into our conscience and do some serious soul searching about the status of women in our society. Yes, the Bengali women have greater access to education and employment since the time of Begum Rokeya. Our Honorable President of the country had once remarked that there are many female graduate gold medalists. Women are in leading positions in different fields and professions. And yet, the million dollar question remains, "Are women really free". If we go back to the dawn of civilization, men and women moved in equal strides as they ventured to overcome the daunting challenges in life. Together they combined their might and brain to fend off danger and create a safe and secure environment for their progeny to survive, thrive and multiply. Somewhere, in the early middle ages, this division of inequality cropped up in social evolution and has ever since, kept man and woman divided on this inconceivable difference. A nation can progress and reach the height of power, growth and development only when each and every member of the community, play their due role based on equality and without any discrimination.



Let us all strive together for the betterment of our community.

Javed Hyder Kareem
Editor