



RI President's Monthly Message

Barry Rassin

RI President 2018-19

One year ago, your Rotary International Board of Directors adopted a new vision statement, reflecting our aspirations for our organization and its future. It reads, "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."

That simple sentence distills so much of what is essential about Rotary. We **unite**, because we know that we are far stronger together than we could ever be alone. We **take action**, because we are not dreamers, but doers. We work to **create lasting change** that will endure long after our involvement has ended – **across the globe and in our communities**. And perhaps most important of all, we work to create change **in ourselves** – not just building a better world around us, but becoming better people ourselves.

A quotation attributed to French writer Antoine de Saint-Exupéry goes: "If you want to build a boat, don't begin by collecting wood, cutting boards, or assigning tasks. Begin by awakening in the souls of your workers a longing for the vast and boundless sea." Each of us came to Rotary because we had a longing – to have an impact, to make a difference, to be part of something larger than ourselves. That desire, that vision for a better world and our role in building it, is what drives us in Rotary. It's what made us become members, it's what motivates us to serve, and it's what led me to choose our theme for this Rotary year: *Be the Inspiration*.

I want to see Rotary *Be the Inspiration* for our communities by doing work with a transformational impact. It's time to start moving forward, by removing the barriers that are holding us back. Let's make it easier to make adjustments in our clubs or start new clubs that suit different needs. Let's work to strengthen Rotaract and smooth the transition from Rotaract clubs into Rotary. Let's give all Rotarians the flexibility to serve in the ways that work best for them, so that every Rotarian finds enduring value in Rotary membership.

Truly sustainable service, the kind of service we strive for in Rotary, means looking at everything we do as part of a larger global ecology. This year, I ask all of you to *Be the Inspiration* for sustainable service by addressing the impact of environmental issues on our work. The environment plays a key role in all six of our areas of focus, and that role is only becoming greater as the impact of climate change unfolds. It's time to move past seeing the environment as somehow separate from those six areas. Clean air, water, and land are essential for healthy communities – and essential for the better, healthier future we strive for.

Be the Inspiration – and together we can, and we will, inspire the world.



TRF Trustee Chair's Monthly Message

Ron D. Burton

Trustee Chair 2018-19

About a year and a half after I joined my Rotary club, I terminated my membership because I missed four consecutive meetings. That was the rule at the time. I'll freely admit – I didn't care much for the food or the weekly meetings. I didn't think they were the best use of my time. But the real issue was that I wasn't engaged. I had no role, I had no reason to be a member, and I didn't need to go to a luncheon meeting every week that appeared to offer me absolutely nothing.

But then my incoming club president asked me to chair the club's Rotary Foundation committee for the next Rotary year. That was a turning point for me, and the rest is history. I want you all to think about engaging those members who have their doubts about Rotary. In 2018-19, I need your help. I want you to join me in focusing on our four core goals for the Foundation.

First, the No. 1 priority of our entire organization (and this won't be a surprise) is ending polio. We must fulfill our promise of a polio-free world to every child.

Second, we must increase the sustainability of our service efforts within the six areas of focus. This means conducting thorough needs assessments. It means working with communities to see what they really need and get them to buy in – to own the project and measure it over time.

Our third priority is to encourage districts to use all their District Designated Funds. Whether through district grants, global grants, or PolioPlus, there are many ways to form transformative partnerships and put these funds to work.

Finally, we choose to build our Rotary Foundation Endowment to \$2.025 billion by 2025. Our comprehensive fundraising goal for the year is \$380 million. These funds will allow us to continue the life-changing programs that Rotary members undertake every day. But we each need to think about our Rotary legacy. The Endowment is our future.

So please join me, and let's make this a legacy-building year for Rotary. Your legacy, Rotary's promise.



**Minutes of the 245th Regular Weekly Meeting and Oath Ceremony of Board RY 2018-19 of RC Dhaka MahaNagar
Held on 11th July 2018 at Hotel Long Beach Suites, Gulshan-2**

1. Out Going President Sraboni Sarker welcome all the Rotarians and guest and Shared the purpose of the day at 7:30 pm
2. Rtn Zeba led the invocation.
3. PP Pinak introduced PDG Zainul Abedin, PDG Rafiq Ahmed Siddique, PDH Shamsul Huda and PDG Ishtiak Abeduzzaman. Rtn Sraboni recognize the presence of Assistant Governor PP Regina Kuddus, Spouses of our club members Monir Khan, Khaled Saifullah, Kanita Hossain and Club First Lady SHahnaz Khan.
4. PP Zakir Introduced and shared the life sketch of Incoming President Rtn Engr Abid Hasan Khan. And PP Pinak shared story of his joining PETS in Canada.
5. Outgoing President Rtn Sraboni Request Club Charter Governor PDG Ishtiak to conduct the oath for President first then for the Board members.
6. IPP Sraboni handover the Collar to the Newly Installed President as symbolic to his office.
7. IPP Sraboni Requested the following Board members to come forward to take the Oath together:
 - a. Vice President Sajeda Minhaz Mukul
 - b. President Elect CM fazle Sami,
 - c. Secretary Rtn Rumana Dowla
 - d. Treasurer, Rtn sara Sultana Evana
 - e. Club Trainer PP Zakir Ahmed Zakir
 - f. Director Membership Rtn Shaheda Parvin Trisha
 - g. Director Service project PP MunMun Rahman
 - h. Director The Rotary Foundation Rtn Farzana Chowdhury
 - i. Director Public Relation Rtn Bitopi Das Chowdhury
 - j. Director Administration Rtn Shakila Akhter MiMi
 - k. Joint Secretary Rtn Ahmed Kabir
 - l. Sgt-at-Arms Ena Ahmed Khan
 - m. Joint Sgt-at-Arms Nasrin Begum
 - n. And IPP Sraboni Sarker herself

8. Outgoing President (Handed over the meeting to new President) and hereby declared the new officers and directors installed and give President Abid Hasan khan the gavel as symbolic of the transfer of the club's administration. And congratulate to all of them.
9. President Abid called to 245th RWM in to order.
10. Rtn Rumana Dowla Shared incoming greetings:
 - a. Rtn Sraboni Sarker on 16th July
 - b. R-John Rtd Major Khaled Saifulla (Spouse of Rtn Shanty) on 22nd July
11. President Abid in his welcome speech first congratulate to IPP Sraboni and all the outgoing board for giving an outstanding year with remarkable achievement. Then he shared very summary of New Year goals and plan. He thanked to all the MahaNagrians for having confidence on him to select him as their club leader.
12. President gave the floor to IPP Sraboni for her farewell speech and members Recognition time for their contribution for RY 2017-18.
13. IPP Sraboni mentioned whatever humble achievements we made during last year was due to all the MahaNagarians'generous support in various capacities. Everyone put in their sincere efforts despite the reality of respective limitations imposed by family, work and other priorities. She took the opportunity to thank all the past president of the clubs also the PDGs who always guided MahaNagar in right path and extended their support.
14. During the member's recognition time, she mentioned each of the club members name and specific contribution for the club service and service project. He mentioned our Club Past presidents are our Pillar of the club. She handed over the presidency with a feeling of fulfillment. She doesn't want to be complacent but can't be grateful enough to all of you for all the support. Look forward to continue to enjoy your fellowship and pursue the objective of service above self together in a more meaningful way.
15. Then President Abid open the floor for member's reactions. All the members was very happy for the last year and Rtn Zeba, Rtn Ena, Rtn Zahid gave appreciation remarks on behalf of all. PP Pinak and PP Zakir joined them too.
16. President Abid Request Our Club New AG PP Regina Kuddus to share her reaction. She shared that she is feeling proud to have MahaNagar Club in her portfolio and looking for more visit in near future and she will learn a lot from MahaNagar.
17. Then President Abid requested all the PDGs to share their remarks and guidance for our incoming year. Starting from PDG Ishtiak who is our charter Governor, who always feel special whenever he comes to our club, he emphasized on our club membership profile which are asset for Rotary Bangladesh, PDG Shamshul Huda also joined him and mentioned what is the situation recently in Bangladesh in few club who don't maintain the quality. PDG Rafique talked about the need of assessing member's interest and assigned right people in the right project and club service issues, PDG Zainul abedin wrapped with beautiful deliberation on how Rotary taught us to be good for the community, Rotary moto and guidelines to do more!
18. PP Pinak gave the vote of thanks. He summarized all the four PDGs speech and thanked them for joining our meeting.
19. President Abid requested to Rtn Jefreen, Rtn Mimi, Rtn Evana, Rtn Ena to hand over a token of appreciation to all the PDGs and AG.
20. Rtn Ena Shared the Attendance Statistics and sun shine collection of...Tk.4650/--.
21. Club Secretary Rtn Rumana Dowla announced that the next meeting would be held at The Hotel Long Beach suits on Wednesday, 25th July at 7:00 pm.
22. President Abid adjourned the meeting at 09.30 PM and invited all for Group Picture and Dinner.

Statistics

Total Members -	54
Attendance -	25
Visiting Rotarian -	05
Guest -	04
Rotaractors –	00
Make up -	04
Exempted-	01
Abroad/leave -	12
Attendance -	47%
Sunshine Box Collection:	Tk 4650/-

Up Coming Birthday :

16th July : Rtn Sraboni Sarker

22nd July : R-John Khaled Saifullah(Spouse of Rtn Shanty)

Up Coming Wedding Anniversary: None