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The 1992 Annual Meeting of BMANA
will be held on August, 7&8 in
Sheraton of Pittsburgh, PA.
Station Square

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PROGRAM:

August 7, 1992.

6:00 PM Reception followed by Children's Talent show.
Co-ordinator: Abdul Ghani Khan, M.D.
Executive committee meeting.

August 8, 1992.

9 AM - 12:30 PM, Scientific Session:
Moderator and Co-ordinator Dhiraj Shah, M.D.

8 AM - 5 PM Spouses hospitality.

2:00 PM - 5 PM General Meeting and other business.

6:00 PM Reception.

7:00 PM Dinner*

7:00 - 9 PM Children's Dinner & Entertainment.

8:30 PM - Midnight! Cultural Program.

*Tickets for the Dinner and menu selection will be
available at BMANA registration desk.

Dinner ticket \$35 per person.

\$10 per child age 11 and under.

Pre registration fees: \$75

Onsite registration: \$100

Annual membership dues:

Member: \$50

Associate Member: \$25

Please send your membership and registration fees to
BMANA treasurer Dr. Mujibul Ghani Chowdhury, M.D.
215 Natchaug Drive, Glastonbury, CT. 06033.
(203) 659-1058.

Free registration and Dinner discount will be offered
to Physicians and Dentists in training, preparing for
entry examinations, in research, retired, disabled
or other-wise inactive.

Coordinators of 1992 Annual Meeting:

Quzi Moslehuddin Ahmed, M.D.

& Shamsheer Bakth, M.D.

EDITORIAL

I am pleased to report that the responses from Physicians from all over USA and Canada are overwhelming. We added over 200 more new names to our mailing list and numbers are still increasing. We hope to continue this News letter quarterly and envision a dream in the horizon.

Mere hope however will lead us to nowhere. Active participation only turns our dream to reality. Please participate in BMANA sponsored activities. We need all the help we can get. We desperately need your magic touch. Please help us all realize how important we are to the people in need.

Due to our limited resources we need immediate financial support to launch our projects. Please contribute generously to the fund of BMANA and nurture it to grow, so we can achieve our goal and fulfill our commitment.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL IN FORTH COMING ANNUAL MEETING IN PITTSBURGH!!!!!!



We need updated addresses of the following people as their News letters were returned.

Ahmed, I. Farooque and Rokeya, M.D. Nashville, TN. Murshida Anam, M.D. Hanover, IL. ATM Mohiuddin, M.D. Mem. TN. Haridas Biswas, M.D. FOSTORIA, OH. Iftikar Ahmed, M.D. Okemes, MI. Dilara Rahman, M.D. Metaire, LA. Fakruddin, M.D. Nash. TN. Abdul Kazim, M.D. Brook. N.Y. Belayet and Kuhurani Hussain, M.D. Cheasep. VA. Nath. Wycliffe, M.D. Chica. IL. Ahsanul Karim Khan, M.D. Riverside, CA. Imtiaz H. Choudhury, M.D. Columb. M.D.

IF YOU DID NOT GET YOUR BMANA NEWS LETTER PLEASE CALL US. UPDATE YOUR ADDRESS. VOICE YOUR CONCERNS. HELP US IN MEMBERSHIP AND FUND RAISING DRIVE. SHARE YOUR IDEAS. KEEP US MOVING.

If you are interested to serve in any sub-committee of BMANA, please contact Abdul Hafiz, M.D. President BMANA. 12525 Akron Canfield Road, North Jackson, OH. 44451. (216) 547-7333.

BMANA news letter will be happy to publish any small article, news, message, job ad, etc.

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SPOTLIGHT



REUNION OF Class of '72.

1972 graduates of Dhaka Medical College are holding their reunion on August '7 in Sheraton hotel in Pittsburgh following BMANA's reception and Children's talent show. A beautiful cultural show is organized after the reunion, every body is welcome.

Syed Showkat Hussain, M.D and Abul Fazal Islam, M.D of Michigan are among the coordinators.

APPOINTMENT:

Dr. Dhiraj Shah, M.D who was chief of Vascular Surgery is appointed recently as chief of Surgery of Albany Medical College, Albany, NY.

CORRECTION

Dr. Ali A. Chowdhury, M.D and his whole class offered 11 scholarships to different Medical Colleges in Bangladesh.

Mohammed Anwar Mia, M.D. is recovering from a severe heart attack in Bernart memorial Hospital, Paterson, N.J. Dr. Mia is an OBGYN practitioner in Paterson N.J. He is very active in community activities and Bangladesh affairs. We are praying for his speedy recovery. To cheer him up BMANA had sent flowers to his bed side.



NEW YORK NEWS:



There will be a meeting on August 1, 1992 regarding organizing and structuring NY based activities. All NYC Bangladeshi physicians are requested to attend the meeting.

Please contact:

Dr. Kamal uddin Ahmed, M.D. (718) 464-0833.
Dr. Masum H. Qadeer, M.D. (718) 353-5948.

BANGLADESH DENTAL ASSOCIATION'S NEWS:

The second annual meeting of BDA will be held on August 21 & 22 in Washington DC.

Executive members of BDA 1991-1992:

President: Dr. Moinul Islam Mia

Vice-President: Dr. Wadud Bhuyan.
Dr. Shalil K. Barman.

General Secretary: Dr. Md. A. Mukit.

Treasure: Dr. Ashoke K. Majumder.

Members: Dr. M.A. Hashem.
Dr. Abdullah AL Amin.



BANGLADESH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA

Dr. M. Badruddoja M.D. of Elgin, IL is going to Australia to present a paper in a International Surgery conference.



FMGEMS (ECFMG) EXAMINATION INFORMATION:

Please contact the following persons for informations, suggestions and advices regarding FMGEME (ECFMG) examination, residency training and FLEX exam.

Dr. Nizam Meah, M.D.
Wyne State University. Phone: (313) 561-8506.

Dr. Masum H. Qadeer, M.D. Phone: (718) 353-5948
Long Island Jewish Hospital.

DENTAL LICENSEING EXAMINATION:

Please contact the following persons for informations regarding rules and regulations regarding Dental licensing exams. in USA.

Dr. Moinul I. Mia.
Long Island, NY. Phone. (516) 735-3716.

Dr. Wadud Bhuyan.
Long Island, NY. Phone (516) 358-7464.



ARE YOU PREPARED TO START YOUR RESIDENCY ??

Preparation for residency is not any less important than preparation for the examination. Make sure you prepare yourself far in advance to face ultimate challenge and competition during the residency training. BMANA will be happy to provide materials about how to do proper history and physical examination, write progress notes, and do a presentation. contact: Ziauddin Ahmed.

HELP OUR GRADUATES WITH RECOMMENDATIONS:

Since it is very difficult to evaluate a foreign medical graduate from a unfamiliar system, our graduates very often become victims of unfair evaluation during residency interviews. We encourage the members of BMANA to come forward and help the situation by writing letters of recommendation on behalf of them explaining our system and identifying the strengths of our curriculum.



To loan books to new comer, BMANA will be collecting Books and other reading materials for FMGEMS/USMLE (ECFMG) examinations and FLEX examination. If you are interested to participate in the project please list your recent edition books and other materials and send a copy to us. The borrower will contact you as soon as possible.

Aims and Objectives

- A. To bring together and to improve communication between the physicians who are of Bangladeshi origin or have trained in the various Medical and Dental Colleges of Bangladesh, and are currently residents of the United States or Canada, and other physicians.
- B. The association is organized exclusively for educational, scientific, cultural and charitable purposes.
- C. To aid and assist medical students and physicians in obtaining specialized medical training and in post-training job placement in North America.
- D. To institute and provide specific services to meet the needs of the members of the association and Bangladeshi Physicians community in North America at large.
- E. To conduct seminars and other educational programs which acquaint members in North America and physicians in Bangladesh of newer developments in the field of medicine.
- F. To render medical assistance to the indigent people in North America, and in Bangladesh, whenever possible.
- G. To make contributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or the corresponding provision of any future U.S. or Canadian Law.
- H. To provide mutual assistance and cooperation between this Association and other medical societies in North America.
- I. To maintain a registry of members in the association.

Committees

All committees shall be appointed by the Executive Committee. The standing committees shall be

- (a) Research, Education and Scientific Affairs, and Journals.
- (b) Nominating Committee.
- (c) Fund Raising Committee.
- (d) Medical Relief Committee.
- (e) Advisory Committee for residency training.
- (f) Constitution and By-Laws Committee.
- (g) Any other Committee deemed necessary by the Executive Committee, which shall be called Ad-Hoc Committee.

Membership

- A. **Active Membership:** Licensed physicians and dentists residing in North America are eligible for membership of this Association.
- B. **Associate Membership:** Physicians Dentists in training and research, retired, disabled or otherwise inactive.
- C. **Adjunct Membership:** Members who for personal or physical reasons are not able to maintain active or associate membership status. No membership fee will be levied against them and they will not have the right to vote.
- D. **Honorary Membership:** The Executive Committee may grant Honorary Membership to any member who has made significant and outstanding contributions in preserving the aims and objectives of this organization. Honorary Members will not have the right to vote.
- E. **Life Membership:** Members contributing a minimum sum of \$500.00 shall be admitted as life members and will be exempt from paying annual dues. (amended from \$1000. to \$500. in the annual meeting of 1990). To obtain and retain membership in the association, members must have paid dues, payable on an annual basis. The annual dues are hereby determined to be \$30.00 for active members, and \$25.00 for associate members. Only members who have paid their dues before the end of each fiscal year will have the right to vote in the ensuing meeting of the association. Members who have not paid their current dues may attend the general meetings of the association but shall not have the right to vote.

Contributions to the Bangladesh Medical Association of North America are tax exempt.

Local Chapters

Local chapters may be founded in any state or city. The minimum number of members for any chapter shall be ten. All local chapters shall be bound by Constitution and By-Laws of the B.M.A. of North America. Local chapter members must be members of the parent organization.