## Club Rotarians Challenged to Share Their Gifts

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Rotarians have many gifts to build momentum for renewal and change and to make a difference in the world.

Sticking to the 2015-16 Rotary International theme, 2015-16 Club President Bill Reynolds expressed at the club's Installation Dinner on June 27<sup>th</sup> that we all need to think about our individual "Gift to the World" and to take action to turn our gifts into

service to our local community and the world.



Highlighting a number of quotes by 2015-16 Rotary International President, Ravi Raviondran, Bill Reynolds shared that we need to accept his challenge of beginning to build momentum which will bring about renewal and change which will in turn become a part of every Rotary year in the future. Bill pointed out that all Rotarians have gifts which need to be used to make a difference, for our club, for our community and for the world. "All of you have been given so many gifts; and you have now been given this great gift: one year to take all your talents, all your gifts, everything that you are and can become -- and Be a Gift to the World," expressed Ravi in support of this assertion.

According to 2014-15 club President Reynolds, focusing on the goals identified by our RI president which include the eradication of polio, the focus on returning to the fundamentals that build our organization, placing a high emphasis on ethical standards, applying principles and practices that enhance the diversity of our club membership and expertise, attaining higher levels of member participation, repositioning our image in the world, and continued financial support for The Rotary Foundation, all serve as a means to bring about renewal and to make real change. Bill summarized his presentation by stating that we all need to work together, and yes even play together, to be a successful Rotary club. "Our Club is a team....so let's stay focused and committed throughout the whole year;" ....and to this "we need to ensure everyone is engaged and working towards common goals so we get things done in our community and internationally."



You have one year to build monuments that will endure forever, not carved in granite or marble, but in the lives and hearts of generations. This is our time. It will not come again. Let us grasp it" (Ravi Raviondran)." "And that is my challenge to each of you for this year.....Let's build a momentum that will last forever... This is our time..... Let's grasp it!" echoed our own 2014-15 Club President.

Note: RI President Ravi Raviondran's 2015-16 Theme Address can be accessed by opening the site on the "Link to Sites" page on the left hand side of the Home Page.