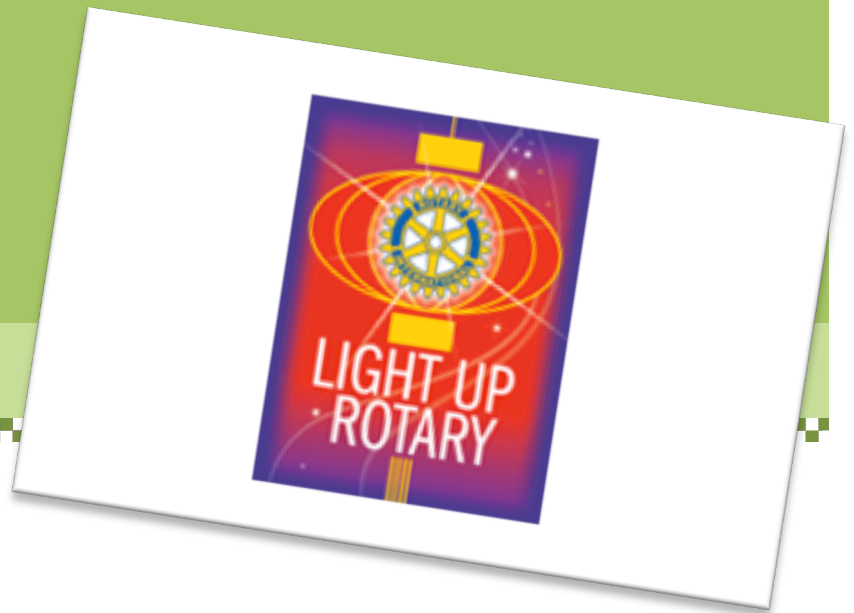


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Light Up Rotary

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President's Message

Fellow Rotarians,

January in Rotary's calendar is recognized as Rotary Awareness Month. There are many things we can do during this month related to this theme for instance share information about the relevance of community service to Rotary's mission; ask our district governor about presentation opportunities at the district assembly or district conference; research the RI projects exhibition at the RI Convention and encourage active clubs to apply for a booth; when the district chair for the upcoming year has been appointed, update him or her on scheduled activities.

In this vein, I have chosen to share with you – Light Up Rotary! You may be asking what's this all about. I am pleased to share in this Buzz issue during Rotary Awareness Month, Light Up Rotary is the theme chosen by RI President-elect Gary C.K. Huang 2014-15. Read on.....

President Julian Wilkins

Rotary Club of Maracas / St. Joseph



RI president-elect Gary C.K. Huang chooses 'Light Up Rotary' as the presidential theme for 2014-15.

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The Rotary Way Is Confucius Way

“It’s better to light a candle than to sit and curse the darkness.”

Chinese Philosopher Confucius

So Close.....End Polio Now.....



So Close.....

By continuing the fight against Polio,
Rotary can shine brighter than ever



Addressing the status of the fight against polio, Huang noted that with the current momentum Rotary is on track to achieve full polio eradication by 2018.

"When we eradicate polio — and we will — we will have proved ourselves an organization capable of great things. And we'll be even better equipped for the next challenge we choose to take on. We'll have given the world a gift that will endure forever," he said.

By continuing to fight against polio, setting an example in local communities, and growing membership, Huang hopes to see Rotary shine brighter than ever.

From RI President-elect Gary C.K. Huang

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Involve Interact
Clubs...



It's about Leadership
involving our
spouses, family
members, friends to
join Rotary

How Can we Light?

After announcing his theme at the opening session of the five-day training meeting, Huang urged club members to *Light Up Rotary* in the coming year by hosting a **Rotary Day in their community and including local Rotaract and Interact members in their service projects.**

"How you *Light Up Rotary* is up to you," Huang said. "**You know where you are strong, you know what your community needs, and you know how you can help.**"

Huang also shared his **membership development goals**, including the **need for more women and young adults and his goal to increase membership to a total of 1.3 million members.** He asked Rotarians to **invite their spouses, family members, and friends to join Rotary.**

"We need to assume leadership for building strong clubs, and that starts with bringing in new members," he said.

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