



Bangladesh Association, Houston a non-profit volunteer Organization



Annual Meeting
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Prepared By Board of Directors 2013-2014

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Introduction

We start our report with:

- Remembrance of all who fought for our independence, sacrificed their lives and contributed in other ways
- Condolence for all our community members whom we have lost in past year
- A million of thanks to our members, patrons, donors and volunteers & our spouses who helped us to be where we are now



Brief History of BAH

- BAH is serving the community for more than 30 years preceded by Bangladesh Students' Association at University of Houston for ~ 8 years
- BSA UH was established in **1971** during our great war of liberation, followed by BAH in **1978**
- BAH received IRS 501© status in **1989**
- Established "Zee Memorial Fund" in **1999** for helping needy families
- Bought 3.99 acres of land to build Bangladesh American Centre (BAC) in **2001**
- BAC established 1,150 sq. office in **2003**
- Successfully organized FOBANA in **2009**
- A very successful fund raising event was organized in **2011** to build BAC
- BAC Ground Breaking **March 17, 2012**
- Phase 1 of BAC to be **completed July of 2013** and start on other phases

Current Elected Board (2013 ~ 2014)

The seven member current Board of Directors were elected by a general election on December 16th 2012. Over 1900 people voted in this popular election.





Names of 2013-2014 BoD

Chairperson – Mr. Shah Haleem

Vice Chairperson – Mr. Khaled “Zulfiqur” Khan

Secretary General – Mrs. Nahida Naser (Yasmin)

Dir of Budget and Finance – Mr. SM Azad

Dir of Organizational Affair – Mr. SM Haleem Mitu

Dir of Cultural Affairs – Mrs. Syeda Kusum Kali

Director of Sports and Games – Mr. Maleque Chowdhury



Appointed BAH Extended Officials

Joint Dir of Organizational Affairs – Mr. Tanvir Shah Mohd

Joint Dir of Cultural Affairs – Dr. Rafiq Khan

Joint Dir of Sports and Games – Mr. Ashiqul Talukder

Kids Soccer and Sports Committee Lead – Mr. Monjur Rahman

Zee Memorial Committee Chair – Mr. Mohammed Uddin



BAH BAC Financial Audit Committee Members 2013

Mr. Dewan Aftab Ahmed

Mr. Azmal Khan

Mr. Moin Ahmed

Mrs. Rumana Ahmed



Appointed Committee Chairs

Corporate Fund Raising Chair –Dr. Selina Ahmed

BAC Fund Raising Chair –Mr. Arun Roy

BAC Advisory Chair –Mr. Hasan Rahman

Shoheed Minar Chair -Mr. Oli Mohammed



BAH Drama Group Theater Director (Part of BAH Cultural Team)

Obaidullah Al-Zakir

**Currently producing “Shubochon
Nirbashone” to be shown on June
30th @ Stafford**



BAH Web Master

BAH dedicated Web Master Mr. Nazmul Husain also act as BAH's official Photographer to upload all BAH's photos and maintain BAH Websites



Bangladesh-American Center Committee

Center Director – Dr. Nizam Meah

Assoc Center Director – Dr. Maruf Rahman

Center Secretary – Mr. Syed Dinar

Center Treasurer – Mr. Mohammed Islam (Sohid)

Center Operations Director – Mr. Mohammed Masoom

Center Chief Engineer – Mr. Saddam Ahmad (Leo)



What Matters

What matters

1. Helping someone in trouble in general
2. Helping with burials
3. Helping with immigration problem
4. Helping with medical issues
5. Helping during uncertain financial trouble



Top 5 Tasks of this Administration

1. HELP THE NEEDY FAMILIES AND PERFORM OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES
2. BUILD BANGLADESH-AMERICAN CENTER
3. UPHOLD OF OUR VALUES AND CULTURAL HERITAGE INCLUDING RUNNING BANGLA PATSHALA
5. PROMOTE SPORTS AND GAMES FOR HEALTHY LIFESTYLES
5. ESTABLISH PERMANENT FREE SOCIAL BAC CLINIC FOR UNINSURED



BAH BoD Inauguration

Jan 20 –BAH BoD Inauguration

BoD made history and reached another milestone by taking initiatives to inaugurate the seven new BAH Board of Directors



Inauguration 2013

Incoming BAH BoD gave reception to outgoing Chairperson Mr. Arun roy and Secretary General Mr. Shapnik Khan. Both gave farewell speeches





Events 2013

Jan 27th Pitha Mela @ BAC –Event Coordinator Syeda Kusum Kali





Pitha Mela

BAH Pathshala volunteer selling pitha to raise funds for Bangla Pathshala @ the mela





2013 Events

Feb 10th Morning Walk and Kid Soccer with Coach Monjur Rahman





Kids Soccer @ BAC now on Friday @ 7 pm

Fun Time



Sunday Morning Kid's Soccer & Walking Bangladesh Sports Club Soccer Camp and Exercise



Please bring your kids and sign up

**Coaching and Pre Registration:
Sunday, Feb 3, 2013 10:00 am to 11:00 am
Weekend Soccer Camp starting:
Sunday, Feb 10, 2013 10:00 am to 11:00**

**Location: Bangladesh American Center
13415 Renn Road, Houston, TX77083**

**Please bring soccer cleats/running shoes,
shin guards, and a soccer ball.
Fruits, juice and water will be served during the camp**

**Please contact for more information:
Maleque Choudhury @ 832-878-6877
Coordinator & Coach :
Monjur Rahman @ 713-444-8519**

More information:

**Shah Haleem: 281.748.9880
Khaled Khan (Zulfiqur): 832.352.3329
Nahida Naser (Yasmin): 713.492.0744
S M Haleem (Mitu): 832.866.6949
Syeda Kusum Kali: 281.861.0883**



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2013 Events

Feb 24th –Ekushe Feb and IMLD @ BAC





Ekushe and IMLD

Over 10 Foreign Organizations attended this year IMLD.





Ekushe and IMLD Organizing Committee Meeting



EKUSHE and IMLD

BAH Childrens peformed Geete Natok on the Stage





2013 Events –Tennis Doubles

March 3, BAH Tennis Doubles Finals @ UH –Champions and Runners up





BAH Tennis Doubles @ UH





2013 Events

March 3 –BAC Fundraising Lunch @ Shanai Restaurant
we raised pledged and collected \$37,000



BAC Fundraising in Shanai

BAC Fundraising Director Mr. Arun Roy seeking funds





2013 Events

March 17th Volunteer Appreciation Day and Kite Festivals @ BAC





BAH Volunteer Appreciations





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2013 Events

March 24th – Independence Day Gathering @ BAC

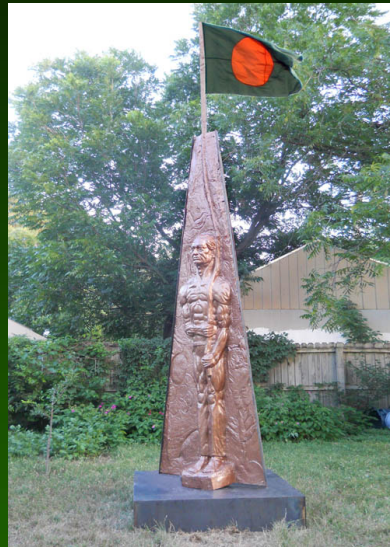


Independence Day Gathering



2013 Events

March 26th Breaking News –“Victory of Bangladesh Sculptor 1971” is coming to Bangladesh-American Center



Victory of Bangladesh Sculptor 1971





Day long BAH BAC Leadership Retreat

March 30th –BAH BAC Leadership training and to discuss current organizational challenges and how to overcome to run the organization and build BAC. Moderator Dr. Maruf Rahman currently he is our Assoc BAC Director





BAH BAC Leadership Retreat





Critical BAC Fund Raising Meeting led by Center Director Dr. Nizam Meah





BAC Fundraising Discussions with volunteers





Dr. Nizam Meah in action to raise money for BAC





BAC Fundraising Meetings





BAC Fundraising Meetings



2013 Events

April 21 –The Independence Day & Boishaki Picnic @ George Bush Park





The Independence Day & Boishaki Picnic @ George Bush Park



2013 Events

April 28th –Boishaki Mela Volunteer Appreciation Day @
BAC





Boishaki Mela Volunteer Appreciation Day @ BAC





2013 Events

May 11 –BAH Spring Bridge Tournament @ BAC
dedicated to late Ex-Chair





BAH Spring Bridge Tournament @ BAC

Appreciation plaque from BAH to Ahmadur Quabili for his dedication to BAH Bridge and Tennis.



2013 Events

May 4th –Boishaki Concert by Rumana Islam Khan





Boishaki Concert

@ Sur Auditorium



2013 Boishaki Concert

Rumama Islam Khan awarded a plaque from Dilora Karim on Behalf of the Masud Karim Foundation





2013 Events

May 26th – Mobile Consular Service @ BAC





Mobile Consular Service @ BAC





Mobile Consular Service @ BAC

Consulate officials and BAH Volunteers @ BAC
approximately 250 entries of services were performed





FOBANA Leadership Team @ BAC

June 9th @ BAC –Pledged \$1000 to BAC over homemade breakfast.





FOBANA Leadership Team @ BAC





2013 Event Continues

June 30th – Graduation Reception

Over 40 graduates have signed up to attend the ceremony



2013 Events Coming soon

June 30 Bangla Natok "Shubochon Nirbashoney"

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Bangla Natok "Shubochon Nirbashoney"

Acttors and actresses group shot @ BAC



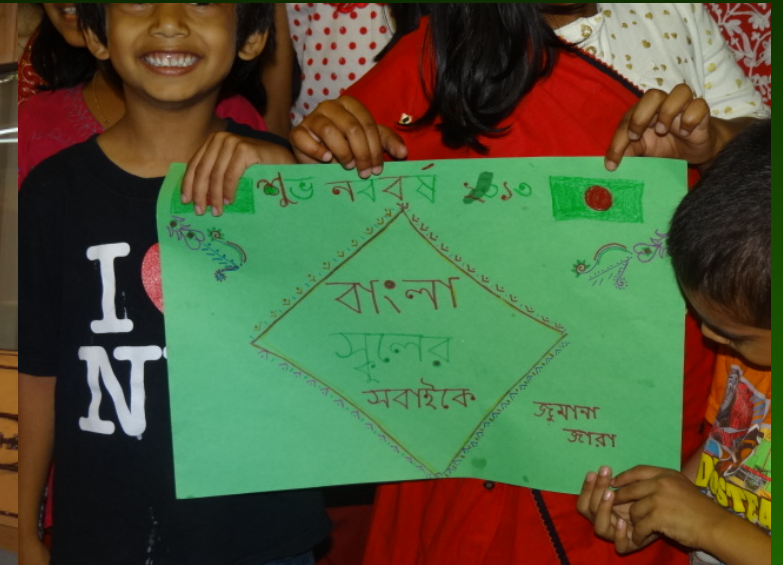
Bangla Pathshala





Bangla Pathshala

BP Teachers and volunteer working hard every Sunday to make sure school runs



Bangla Pathshala





BAC Clinic service provided by Dr. Amirul Islam during following event

1. During Ekushe and IMLD @ BAC
2. During Spring Picnic @ Bush Park
3. During Volunteer Appreciation Day
4. During Independence Day Doa @ BAC
5. June 30th @ Stafford Civic Center



BAC Clinic Volunteers are in Actions





Zee Memorial Fund Update

Year to date donated \$6100

We are grateful to all who helped to raise funds for Zee Memorial Fund. We helped 5 families this year paid \$6100. BAH is focusing more on social welfare of our community members. We formed a ZFM Committee.

1. Mohammed Jahangeer \$500
2. Abdur R. Khan \$500
3. Anonymous \$500
4. Burial \$2300 for Alaya Hossain paid to Forest Lawn
5. Mohammed Jahangeer \$ 2300 paid to Forest Lawn



Our Upcoming Events for Rest of the Year 2011

- **Sunday, June 30 – Graduation Reception**
- **Sunday, June 30 – Balgla Natok Shubochone Nirbashone**
- **Sunday, July 28th – Iftar – Dinner get-together @ BAC**
- **July – Zee Memorial Fund Raising**
- **August – Eid Reunion Event**
- **Sep – FOBANA**
- **Oct -- Fall Picnic and Pitha Utahsob @ Bush Park**
- **Oct -- Bridge Tournament**
- **Nov -- Tennis Tournament – Singles**
- **Nov/DEC – BAC Fund Raising GALA**
- **Victory Day -- Annual BAH Fund-raising - Magazine 'Connection'**



Our Mistakes and Lesson

1. We are sure we made lots of mistakes since we are working and serving. We may not be able to please everyone with our decisions, but we are trying our best to stay objective and focus on our tasks.
2. We have many new volunteers and directors, we are growing through learning curves
3. Please forgive us for our mistakes and let's work together to serve our community
4. We need all of you please come forward



Other Updates

1. Other BAH BOD Updates
2. Bangla Patshala Updates by Bangla Patshala Team and Shumana Salauddin
3. Kids Soccer Clinic Update by Monjur Rahman
4. Zee Memorial Update from Mohammed Uddin
5. Bangladesh-American Center Update –Syed Dinar and others



BAH Membership Update

2012 election year many community members became members and voters.

Dec 31, 2012 -1721 Entries approximately 2700 members including childrens under 21.

BAH memberships expires annual basis except life members

In Jan 1, 2013 we started with 349 entries of life memberships

13 entries will expire in 2013



BAH Memberships Update

2 entries will expire in 2014

17 more entries added

In 2013 revenue from membership is \$1720

Total membership today \$366 entries mean 700 to 850 active members including children's under 21.



HOW DO we build and Sustain BAC

For a member based organization elected exclusively by the members 1.

1. Member donations and fees need to be a major income source for the project and the organization
2. We need to evaluate current fee structure to see the avenues to build and long-term sustainability of BAC.



2013 Financial Update

S. M. Zahidul Azad, Director of Finance and Budget working together with BAC Treasurer Mohammed Islam (Sohid)





BAH Finance

In Dec \$10,000 Chase Charity Grant received (From global Face book Campaign)

Balance Jan 1, 2013 \$11,090.41

(in 2013 BAH paid few election invoices as well from the balance)

Jan 2013 without Chase grant BAH had \$1,090.41 We are trying to preserve \$10,000 Chase grant, but still run the organization.



Event by Event

Inauguration income 2215 expenses \$2897.27 net loss \$682.27

Pitha Mela net revenue \$298

Ekushe Feb total income \$913, expenses \$2163.77 Net loss \$1250.77

Membership revenue \$1720

Volunteer Appreciations Day Expense \$554



BAH Finances

Games and Sports Income 631 expenses \$600 net
income \$31

Spring Picnic Income \$5069.00, expenses \$3555 net
come \$1514

Boishaki Concert Income \$3085 expenses \$4532.34 net
loss \$1447.34

Independence Day Gathering Expenses \$300

Election 2012 invoice \$200



BAH Finances

Misc Expenses \$320.38

Bank Account consolidation \$237.50



BAH Finance Summary

As of May 31, 2013 per Bank Statements

Total Expenses year to date \$20,223.31

Total Income Year to date (not included few June revenue collections) \$19,784.50

Balance end of May 31, 2013 per \$10,814.10

Natok ticket revenues and other expenses are not included yet.



BAH Finance (Zee Memorial)

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BAC Finance Update

We have paid \$87,693.98 (as of May 20th)

$21187.56 + 50228.08 + 1303 + 1344.34 + 13646 - 3 - 3 - 3 - 3 - 3 =$

\$87,693.98



BAC Finance Update

New board has raised close to \$80,000 this year so far.

$27266+6350+14211+10575+20559$

\$78,961 (includes June)



BAC Finance

As of today, we need to raise about **\$5,700** by June 30th to complete Phase 1 and another **\$25,000** will be needed for metal erection right away.



Phase 1

By July 10th we are expecting all the metal delivered to BAC for Phase 1

By end of July we should have the erection done

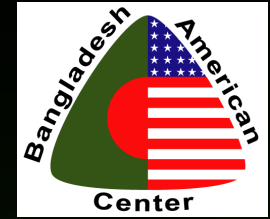
US Steel started charging BAH \$3200 per month for storage

We need your help to complete the Phase 1 can you please donate.



Bangladesh-American Center (BAC)

A Project of Bangladesh Association, Houston



Vision Statement

The vision of BAC is to unite the people of Bangladeshi origin in North America by providing a permanent physical location to display, demonstrate and represent Bangladeshi culture and heritage. BAC will also provide physical facilities where ideas can be shared and exchanged to promote and increase understanding of diversity and peaceful integration; pursue and achieve common goals within the framework of BAH constitution.



Thank You

Board of Directors 2013 - 2014

Bangladesh Association, Houston