From: **BCS Executive Committee** <executive@bcscle.org>

Date: Thu, Jun 2, 2011 at 1:34 AM

Subject: The 112th Birth Anniversary of Poet Kazi Nazrul Islam

Dear Friends,

We are writing to remind you of our cultural program celebrating the 112<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Kazi Nazrul Islam on Saturday June 4, 2011, at 7: 00 PM. The celebration will be held in the India Community Center building on Cedar Road.

Kazi Nazrul Islam, a powerful poet and writer known as 'Bidrohi Kobi' (Rebel poet) in Bengali Literature, was born on 24<sup>th</sup> May, 1899 in Churulia village of Burdwan District of West Bengal in India. He is known for his writings expressing rebellion against fascism and oppression. His writings were a great inspiration for the freedom movement of India. On the other hand his spiritual realization drove him to compose many songs including devotional songs awakening a unique Socio-divine consciousness. As you may know these songs develop a style of only one of its kind known as Nazrul Geeti.

Please join us in celebrating his  $112^{th}$  Birth Anniversary through a cultural program including songs, music, and recitation.

## Evening Schedule Saturday June 4, 2011:

Snacks (adults) 6:45 PM to 7:20 PM

Dinner (Kids): 6:45 PM to 7:20 PM Cultural Program 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM (Sharp)

Dinner + Dessert (Adults) 9:30 PM
Dessert (Kids) 9:30 PM

If you contributed to the Rabindra Jayanti celebration on May 7, 2011, that will pay for the dinner on June 4, 2011. Otherwise, a contribution (\$10/individual or \$20/family; and for students \$5/individual or \$10/family) is requested from attendees, who are not regular members of the Bengali Cultural Society of Cleveland. A contribution (same as above rate) is also requested from BCS members who are paying only for the individual event.

A friendly reminder, please pay your annual membership at this event if you have not got an opportunity to pay during Saraswati Pujo or Rabindra Jayanti.

We will deeply appreciate your active participation in this celebration and cooperation with us to follow the above schedule.

For any further information, please contact one of the members of the BCS executive committee.

Best regards,

Utpal Datta Secretary,
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