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## From Editor's Desk . . .

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SYMA cares for the Society and for the children. Every year we have been conducting Child Fest providing a platform for children to showcase their special talents. Over the years, Child Fest has grown big. This year Gold Winner SYMA Childfest was organized on two days at two different venues and was a grand success. A detailed report on the Child Fest appears inside in page No.3

The educational year is drawing to a close and soon students would be appearing for their examinations. We conducted a Special pooja for +2 students of our SYMA Growth. More details will be published in our next issue.

Down under the struggle of Indian team continues and fissures seem to have developed inside the Team. Some strong measures are needed to be taken –soon IPL 2012 would be on and most of our debacle at England and Australia would tend to be forgotten. The 2012 Summer Olympic would be held in London in July. In the last version at Beijing in 2008, Abhinav Bindra won Gold in 10M air rifle shooting and the Indian contingent won 2 more bronze medals, making it easily the best performance in Olympics. Still it was sad for it was the first time since 1928 that Indian Men's hockey team failed to qualify. The present tournament being held in Delhi is touted as passport to Olympics and we hope that India does well here and then in Olympics.

In the Arabian Sea, closer to Kerala coast, Italian Mariners aboard an Italian flagged tanker Enrica Lexie fired at and killed 2 Indian fishermen which is creating diplomatic tussle. How can there be any diplomatic immunity and would jurisdictional issues get better of just compensation present a murky picture. Bomb blasts are nothing new but the bombing in New Delhi fixed to the car of Israeli defence attaché has a newer perspective of war elsewhere spilling on Indian soil. For long, flying on air, remained an elusive dream for the Indian middle class. The dawn of this century and a decade earlier, things changed much and slowly more were on air as more airlines facilitated low cost flying. Sadly all is not well and everyday there is news of the growing woes of Kingfisher Airlines, which does not augur well.

In promoting hygiene and keeping the environ cleaner, we have been maintaining the Public Convenience opposite to Temple tank at Triplicane. This was started in 2002 under the CM's Welfare scheme instituted by Hon'ble CM Ms J Jayalalithaa. Recently, lot of renovation has taken place and details of all those who have been helping us in maintaining this Public Convenience would be published in our next issue.

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**நன்றி! நன்றி! நன்றி!**

Syma has long term vision and to ensure continuance of good activities, we have instituted a Corpus Fund Scheme. Names of persons who donate Rs.1 lakh & above to our Corpus Fund are being etched in the façade of our premises.



We have 4 of them and this month we have an addition to the list. We thankfully acknowledge the donation of **Sri. A.P. VENUGOPAL** to our Corpus Fund. Thank you So much Sir.

## ஊக்கமும் உணர்வும்

சமீபத்தில் மார்க் இல்லிஸ் என்று நியூஸிலாந்துகாரரின் ஊக்க உரை பெரிதும் கவர்ந்தது.

இவர் சாகர் மாதா எனும் எவரஸ்ட் சிகரத்தின்மீது மே 2006ல் ஏறிய சாதனையாளர். மலை ஏறுதலிலும், வாழ்க்கையில் உள்ள இடர்ப்பாடுகளை சந்தித்தலையும் பற்றி அற்புத உரையாற்றி ஊக்கமளித்தார். இவரது பன்முகங்கள் மலை ஏறுதல், மருத்துவ ஆராய்ச்சி (லுகேமியா சிகிச்சை), ஓயின் தயாரிப்பு, சைக்கிள் ஓட்டுதலில் சாதனை, சமீப காலமாக மன உறுதியளிக்கும் ஊக்க உரையாற்றல் என பல அடங்கும்.

1953ல் துவங்கி இன்றுவரை பலர் இமயமலை உச்சிக்கு சென்றுள்ளபோது இதுவென்ன அதிசயம் என நினைப்பு எழலாம்? 1959ல் பிறந்த இவர் மலையேறுதலில் ஆர்வம் கொண்டு ஆரோகி, மௌண்ட் குக் மலைகளில் பயிற்சி பெற்றார். மலையேறுதல் மிக ஆபத்தானது. 1982ம் வருடம் அங்கே மலையில் பனிப்புயலில் சிக்கிக் கொண்டார். அந்த தேடுதல் மிக பரபரப்பாக அந்நாளில் பேசப்பட்ட ஒன்று. 18 நாட்கள் அவர் கிடைக்கவில்லை. அனைவருக்கும் நம்பிக்கை குறைந்த சமயத்தில் பனிக்குகையில் கண்டெடுக்கப்பட்டு நினைவிழந்த நிலையில் மருத்துவமனையில் சேர்க்கப்பட்டார். பரிதாபமாக அவரது இரண்டு கால்களும் முழங்காலுக்கு கீழ் பனித் தாக்கத்தால் அறுவை சிகிச்சையில் அகற்றப்பட்டன.

கால்கள் போயினும் அவரது மனம் தளரவில்லை. வாழ்க்கை போராட்டத்தில் சாதிக்க அவரது உறுதி அதிகமானது. 2002ம் வருடம் மௌண்ட் குக் மலை சிகரத்தை அடைந்தார். இடையில் மருத்துவ ஆராய்ச்சியிலும், ஓயின் தயாரிப்பிலும் சாதனை பல படைத்தார். சிட்னி 2000 பாரா ஒலிம்பிக் சைக்கிள் பந்தயத்தில் வெள்ளி பதக்கம் பெற்றார். ஊனமுற்றோருக்கு உதவும் நற்பணிக்காக நியூஸிலாந்தின் உயரிய விருதையும் பெற்றார்.

15.5.2006 அன்று எவரஸ்ட் சிகர உச்சியை அடைந்து, இரு கால்களும் அற்ற நிலையில் வெற்றி பெற்ற முதல் சாதனையாளர் ஆனார். இவரது இம் முயற்சி முடிவுகளைத் தாண்டி Beyond the limit என டிஸ்கவரி சானலில் ஒளிப்படமானது.

சிறு சிறு தடைகளினால் கூட முடங்கிவிடும் உலகத்தில் இவரது உறுதி, தன்னம்பிக்கை, உற்சாகம் மிக அபூர்வமானவை. தடைகளைத் தாண்டிச் செல்வோர் மட்டுமே தாங்கள் எவ்வளவு தூரம் செல்ல முடியுமென்பதை உணர முடியும் என்பது இவரது அநுபவபூர்வமாக உணர்த்திய வாக்கு. மனச்சோர்வு இல்லாமல் தனது படிப்பினைகளால் கற்றதை மனித சமுதாயம் மேம்பட உரைக்கும் இவர் போன்றோர் சாலவும் மெச்சத் தகுந்தவர்கள்.

### வாழ்த்துகிறோம்

நமது துணைதலைவர் திரு துரை (எ) ஆர். சேஷாத்திரி அவர்களின் குமாரத்தி எஸ்.பிரியா-திரு.எஸ். தாஸரதி திருமணம் 9.02.2012 அன்று சிங்கப்பெருமாள் கோவிலில் விமர்சையாக நடைபெற்றது. மணமக்கள் எல்லா வளங்களுடன் சிறப்புற வாழ BLISS வாழ்த்துகிறது.

நமது மருத்துவ மையமும் கல்வி மையமும் சிறப்புற நடந்து வருகின்றன. இப்பணிகளில் பல நல்லோர் நன்கொடை அளித்துள்ளனர். நமது சேவை பணிகள் தொய்வு இல்லாமல் தொடர நிதி உதவி மிக்க அவசியம். உங்கள் ஒவ்வொருவரின் பங்களிப்பையும் வரவேற்கிறோம் உறுப்பினர்களாகிய நீவிர் அனைவரும் நிதி வருலித்து தருமாறு அன்புடன் வேண்டுகிறோம்.

We thankfully acknowledge the donation of **Grundfos Pumps India Pvt.Ltd of Rs. 65,000**; We also thank our member Mr. K. Venkatesan (Rajappa) for enabling this collection.

### அங்கீகாரம் எப்போது?

10 கிமீ தூரம் 94 நிமிடங்கள். இது உங்களுக்கு பெரிய செய்தியாக தோன்ற வாய்ப்பில்லை. மாரதான் ஓட்டம் என்பது 21.09.75 கிமீ தூரம். பாதி மாரதான் என்பதும் உண்டு. எரித்ரியா நாட்டை சேர்ந்த ஜெர்சனே தடனி என்பவரது உலக சாதனை 58:23 நிமிடங்கள் இந்த பிப்ரவரி 5ம்தேதி ஃபவுஜாசிங் இந்த தூரத்தை ஹாங்காங் மாரதானில் 94 நிமிடத்தில் ஓடி உலக சாதனை புரிந்த போது அவருக்கு வயது 100 வருடம் 5 மாதங்கள். அவர் ஏப்ரல் 1, 1911ல் பிறந்தார். பிறப்பு சான்றிதழ் இல்லை யென அவரது சாதனையை ஏற்க கின்னஸ் மறுத்து உள்ளது. எலிஸபெத் மகாராணியின் பாராட்டு பாஸ்போர்ட், அவர் பிறந்த சமயம் அவரது மாகாணத்தின் (பஞ்சாப், ஜலந்தார் அருகில்)பிறப்புகள் பதிவு செய்யப் படவில்லை என இந்திய அரசாங்க சான்றிதழ் எல்லாம் வீழ்லே. இந்த இளைஞரது சாதனை இன்னமும் கின்னஸ் புத்தகத்தில் இடம் பெறவில்லை!

**Question : Q :** At Brisbane Onedayer Ashwin running out Hettige Don Rumesah Lahiru Thirimanne, and subsequent withdrawal of appeal by Sehwaag made news ? do you know of this type of dismissal ?

**Ans in Pg : 4**

## SYMA CHILDFEST 2012

### Child Fest Day 1 : 22nd Jan 2012 – Drawing Competitions

We have been conducting Child Fest for more than one and half a decade now. From last year, the venue has been the majestic inspiring red walls of the famous The Hindu Higher Secondary School, 149 Big Street, Triplicane – a great learning centre which has produced eminent scholars and successful personalities, transforming the lives of tens of thousands of people into responsible citizens for the cause of nature.

This year also, the competition was in 6 groups for students ranging from Lkg to 12th standard held at four different time – staggered to ensure that there were no two activities at any given time which helped us in crowd management. We had sent neatly designed invitations containing all details in a folder to 200 schools in the city of Chennai. We had kept flexboards advertising the event and the schedule. Details were available on our Website. Still some schools had not informed correct details to the parents, causing some disappointment to the students.

At 08:45am, the Programme was inaugurated by Dr P Balasubramaniam, present Head Master of Hindu High School and by Mrs Vanmathi, Dy Commissioner, Sri Parthasarathi Swami Devasthanam. The programme started with traditional invocation of Lord and lighting of 'kuthuvilakku' by the HM Balasubramaniam, Mrs Vanmathi, Dy Commnr, Smt Prema Krishnamohan – Soundarya Rathinamala, TJ Ramani – our Treasurer and R Vijaya raghavan, our Ex President. SYMA & Soundarya Rathinamala volunteers and students from Bharat Scouts ensured that everything was according to the plans drawn up earlier. The event was well coordinated by our Secretary R. Sanjeevi. Special thanks to Raghuraman for manning our office room. All the participating children were given prize and a Certificate commending their participation. We had close to 2000 students for dissipation and the cooperation of the Hindu School authorities and staff ensured that we were able to accommodate all the students and provide proper seats to all of them easily. In the end, the children and parents left with happiness writ large in their faces.

The competition for 9, 10, 11 & 12th was held at the hall in the 2nd floor; rest were held in the yellow building. The shamiana covering the play grounds provided good shelter against the sweltering heat of Sun and parents really appreciated the care taken by us. The results of the Drawing competition were immediately put up on our website which attracted thousands of hits. The talent and attitude of today's children is so encouraging and many of the drawings made us realize the innate talent that is present. We are very happy that we are able to provide a good platform for children showcasing their talent.

The action then shifted to the other venue – The Mylapore Fine Arts Club. This was our second successive year of

conducting Childfest outside the precincts of Triplicane. On the day of Competition i.e., 29th Jan 2012, – SYMA volunteers and Soundarya Rathnamala were at the venue much before the inauguration. ferried to the venue in a van arranged. The venue looked colourful and the day started quite early. At around 0900 am, the day's events was inaugurated by Mr M. Balasubramanyam of Mangal Tirth Estates who expressed his happiness to be in the midst of SYMA group.

The First event was Singing of Carnatic songs. The stage at Mylapore Fine Arts had been the podium for great singers and this time, it was young students of various schools who actively participated. It was pleasant music to ears. The next event was Singing of Film songs which had enthusiastic participation. Culminating the event was the performance by the Judge who sung with ease in both male and female voices enthralling all those present. Alongside, the Quiz preliminary which was a written round consisting of 20 Questions was held for Group A (6th to 9th) and Group B [10th to 12th]. Most of the questions were topical and tested the knowledge of the events that captured headlines in newspapers. At 0100 noon – we had the finals of Quiz – first the A group, followed by Group B. The Quiz format was the brainchild of Brahma Associates – thanks to N Rajaram for the full support extended from Oman. The Quiz was conducted by Yours Truly – the Editor S. Sampathkumar.

There was a very popular visitor amongst the audience. It was Mr. P.W.C. Davidar, I.A.S, Principal Secretary and Commissioner, Corporation of Chennai. We had earlier approached him to be our Chief Guest but he could not accede to our request owing to a high level meeting. It was indeed a great gesture on his part to attend the Child Fest and be in our midst for few minutes. It really raised our spirits.

Variety of instruments accompanied by performers started pouring in and at 02.30 pm we had the competition 'Instrument Fusion' which was a team event of 4 students per team. It was indeed a great variety. Then came the most colourful performance of Group Dance – group of 6 forming a team @ 03.30 pm. The crowd was filling in large numbers – everywhere one can see painted children and anxious mothers. There were beautifully decorated animals, Various Lords – Hanumar, Buddha and more, National leaders like Bharathiyar, Gandhiji - science equipments and more – yes all beautiful children dressed and decorated capturing the attention and eyes of all. Unlike competitions elsewhere, at SYMA Fancy dress competition, there would be no dialogues or recitation of verses nor individual parading. Thirumazhisai Kannan ensured that photos of the well dressed children were taken and delivered on the spot. There was a huge contingent of SYMA volunteers readily available to do all chores. The group of Soundarya Rathnamala took care of the registration formalities and ensured distribution of certificates and gifts to all participants. Over all, it was a neatly organized colourful show.

At 0630 pm, we had the Prize Distribution Function. It was a great occasion as our Chief Guest for the evening was Mrs Santha Sheela Nair, IAS (Retd), Vice Chair Person, State Planning Commission, Govt. of Tamilnadu. Special Guests were Mr Ajay Ratnam, Cine Actor and Mr Dinesh Karthick, Cricketer. The function started with a prayer. Secretary, S. Sampathkumar compered the programme, welcoming everyone and introducing the Chief Guests. T.A. Sampathkumar, President spoke on the various activities of SYMA and on the vision of SYMA, on its growth, and the impact that Child Fest had made in city schools was also touched upon.

The State Planning Commission constituted in 1971 is the important advisory body recommending on various matters pertaining to development of the State. Mrs Santha Sheela Nair had held various important posts including – Principal Secretary to Govt., Commissioner of Corporation and Rehabilitation of Tamils in Sri Lanka. She is a person with vision and was instrumental in implementation of rain water harvesting across the State, a noble objective which SYMA also has professed and helped implementation in Triplicane. It was a great moment to have such a person as our distinguished Chief Guest and she spoke on the importance of planting more saplings which would grow to provide benefits to mankind.

Mr Ajay Rathnam is a well known artiste, having acted over 350 films in 5 languages. He endeared himself with his simplicity and friendly behaviour. He has now been in the field for over 25 years; he was too happy to be in the midst of children and spoke nicely to the children. Dinesh Karthick wields the willow better than speaking; he was instrumental in our winning the T20 in 2006 against SA. He has made more than 1000 runs in both Tests and One dayers and known to be a good glovesman. He inspired those children actively drawn to cricket.

SYMA owes its continuance to many good persons and besides the event sponsors Gold Winner and Media Associates CR Sridhar, we have the bounden duty to thank many of those without whose help conducting an event of this magnitude would not be possible. Formal Vote of thanks was rendered by our young Secretary R. Sanjeevi. SYMA heartly thanks Gold Winner and CR Sredhar of Media Associates, Mangal Tirth Estates and its director Mr Balasubramanyam, United India Insurance, Reynolds, Hatsun Food Products & Mr Narasimha Kannan, for the assistance. Special thanks are due to our benevolent patron Dr K Sridhar, KV Srinivasan and Mr RI Palani for arranging our Special Guests. Special thanks are due to the management of Hindu Higher Secondary School and Dr P Balasubramaniam for providing us the venue for our Drawing competition. Similarly, office bearers of Mylapore Fine Arts and Mr Krishnamurthy of Sri Parthasarathiswami sabha for the MFAC. We thank Hindu Downtown for the press coverage. The smooth conduct of the event was due to the members of Soundarya Rathnamala led by Mrs Prema Krishnamohan and our volunteers. The work of our VP R Seshadri @ Durai stands out in arrangement of the prizes. We also thank Mr Chandrasekhar of Creative for the web support and Mr Mani & Mr Narayanan of Swaraj Graphics for the print support. Special thanks are due to Mrs Vasudha Bakthisaran, our voice for answering all calls relating to the Child Fest (@ 28441078). We also place on record the good work of our Committee Member Mr. Prasad.

The Prize Distribution was a mega event as there were close to 200 prizes and our Chief Guests were kind enough to distribute all the prizes individually which provided great happiness to the winners and satisfaction to their parents. Besides individual winners, the overall 'School of the Event' award was bagged by Dr Guruswami Mudaliar Thondaimandala Thuluva Vellalar Melnilai Palli from Kondithope (Dr GMTTV School) by virtue of strong performance of their wards in Drawing competition. The meeting ended with singing of "National Anthem" by all. SYMA thanks you all

**Ans :** Cricket Law 38: describes Run out. Of the many ways, a batsman may be dismissed when backing up too far before the delivery stride. When the batsman leaves the popping crease before delivery, the bowler may attempt to run the non-striker out. This is clearly legal. The earliest of these type of out involved Vinoo Mankad and occurred during India's tour of Australia on 13 December 1947 in the second Test at Sydney. Mankad ran out Bill Brown when, in the act of delivering the ball, he held on to it and whipped the bails off with Brown well out of his crease. After this this type of run out came to be known as 'Mankaded'. There have been 4 instances of such outs in Tests and 3 in One dayers which includes : Briar Luckhurst by Greg Chappell; Grant Flower by Dipak Patel and Peter Kirsten by Kapil Dev. The illustrious Vinoo Mankad took 162 wickets and scored 2109 runs in Tests. At Chennai way back in 1956 against New Zealand he hit 231 in an opening partnership of 413 with Pankaj Roy which stood as a record for 52 years.

அணுக வேண்டிய முகவரி : **சைமா BUSS**  
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