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## From Editor's Desk . . .

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The IPL extravaganza is over, CSK has won. There were many interesting matches, new talents were unearthed, it provided youngsters to rub their shoulders against International great players. At a time when the Team is to embark on a tour to WI to play 3 tests and 5 onedayers, there is concern with the fitness and attitude of certain players. BCCI through the creation of IPL has forced other Boards to bleed as players preferred the lure of the money rather than the call of the Nation. What will BCCI respond when a similar situation beckons is the Q now. The decision to play is certainly a call of the individual but there are many more larger aspects behind this.

After a month long wait, the results of the TN Assembly elections 2011 and new popular Govt. has been voted to power. The predictions of a possibility of a hung Govt have gone for a toss and We wish the Chief Minister and the panel of Ministers all the best and hope that they provide good governance and lot of welfare schemes. SYMA had its AGM and the newly elected Office bearers have already pledged to continue all the good work that our Organisation has been doing for over 3 decades now.

In this great Country, plenty of spiritual persons have left their marks. Sri Sathya Sai Baba who passed away at the age of 84 will be ever remembered amongst other things, for his charitable activities, medical assistance provided to the poor and the drinking water supply projects for Ananthapur and Tamilnadu.

We have put lot of efforts into running our dream project 'SYMA Growth' for providing quality educational support free to deserving students. This year our students have done exceedingly well. 3 secured more than 1000/1200. In the X Standard – 14 of our 23 students got more than 400 with 5 of them getting more than 450. A great moment indeed and we wish to continue our service in a meaningful way.

The application forms for our tuition centre SYMA Growth are being distributed and students will be admitted after personal interviews. We will be conducting our Educational Aid Function in July 2011 when we will distribute more than 1200 sets of uniforms to students. The brochure detailing our activities is ready and is being circulated to all members. Request you all to collect more funds, which will ensure that all our good work continues unabated in the years to come.

**Regards – S. Sampathkumar**

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*Dear Patrons,*

*We are ever thankful to you for the benevolence and Financial Assistance. For all our activists including Medical Centre, Tuition Centre and Educational Aid Programme will generally collect funds during June. As has been over the years we look forward to your donations which will ensure funding all our activities.*

**A Big THANK YOU to you ALL.**

## கல்விப்பணியில் சைமா

We are interested in the welfare of the society and have been providing uniforms to deserving students for more than 2 decades now. We all know that education is of utmost importance and for various reasons, there are children who do not have access to quality education. We have in our earlier years arranged for tuition closer to examinations to take care of those children who dreaded the examinations but any last minute work is only half good. We have been debating on this and contemplating on providing a secure solution. Thus our idea of a professionally run tuition centre was born.

The primary aim was to assist the select students who we felt were average or on the margin – just wanting to be nurtured and cared for and ensure their success. A couple of years back on 6th July 2008, on a very auspicious day – SYMA Growth was born. It was inaugurated at NKT National Girls Higher Secondary School, Triplicane by Shri R Sekar, IPS, (the then) Commissioner of Police, Greater Chennai.

From that day onwards, lots of SYMA volunteers have strained themselves to ensure success of the project. In the 3rd year of running, we had to overcome many obstacles. This year in the +2 Public Examination, we have enjoyed a moderate success of 88% pass. 40 out of 45 of our candidates passed in the Examination. 3 of them secured more than 1000 marks. The Hindu 'Downtown' [15/5/11] carried an article on SYMA Growth titled "Quality education for the poor" focussing on two students who were toppers of Growth. These students who are from the poor echelons of society have benefitted immensely from our tuition centre. We are thankful to Ms Lalitha Sai and the Hindu for this article and for the support.

The results of the 10th Std. State Board have been more rewarding. All but 1 of our 23 students passed. 14 of them obtained more than 400 marks – with 5 of them securing more than 450.

The success is due to the blessings of Lord Parthasarathi who guides us in all our steps. The great efforts of our teaching staff : - a great team of noble teachers consisting of : Mr S. Venkatadri, Mrs. KN Vijaylakshmi; Mrs. Subashini; Mrs Vijaya Krishnan; Mrs Gandhimathi, Ms Devasena, Mr Shahul Hameed; Mr KS Venkatakrishnan, Mr Kannan; Mrs Lakshmi Arulalan, Mrs Padmavathi; Mr T.S. Sriraman, Mr T Venkatesan, Mr Srinivasan and Mr Senthil Murugan deserve great appreciation and our heart felt thanks to them. We appreciate the good efforts of our coordinator Mrs Thara. We also place on record our thanks to all of you who supported financially and assisted us in many ways.

No words can describe our gratitude to the management of NK Thirumalachariar Educational Trust and NKT Boys Higher School. We thank the NKT Management for providing us the infrastructure and all the support. We thank Smt. Leela Sekhar, Secretary of NKT Trust and the Head master of the School Mr S Venkatadri.

The guidance and professional tuition is being provided free of cost to the students and We seek to uplift those downtrodden by providing quality education. Come and join us in our movement to serve the Society better. In continuation of our long journey, we have started distributing applications for the ensuing year. Students will be enrolled after personal interview. We look forward to financial and other assistance from our donors and continued support by our patrons.

## மருத்துவப் பணியில் சைமா

Our Medical Centre and Diagnostic Lab are functioning very well. Last year we served close to 10000 patients and 2595 benefitted at our Lab.

On 24th April 2011, on the auspicious day of the 'Car festival' of Lord Parthasarathi, we conducted a medical camp at Bharathiyar Illam.

The camp was conducted under the aegis of SYMA and Kanchi Kamakoti Sankara Medical Trust on behalf of "Smt Radha Sri Venkatnarayanan Memorial Trust".

We had made elaborate arrangements for smooth conduct of the camp. 161 persons were screened in the general medical camp. The patients were checked for blood sugar, blood pressure and provided dental and general consultation by Doctors. Medicines were given free to all the patients under medical advice. On behalf of the Trust, food packets were also distributed to all patients and their attendants by Mr V. Murali.

Our thanks are due to Dr Sridhar for the guidance and cooperation in conduct of this camp as also in all our Medical activities. With the assistance and blessings of many noble persons like Dr Sridhar and the managing trustees Kanchi Sankara Medical Trust, we are in a position to continue our services.

We place on record our special thanks to the Team of Doctors consisting of – Dr. Parthasarathi, Dr. Saroja, Dr. Mangala, Dr. Seetharaman, Dr. DK Badrinarayanan, Dr. Vidhya.

The camp could be well conducted with the assistance of the volunteers – Mrs Meenakshi Krishnaswamy, Mrs Uma Ramdoss, Mrs Meena Ramamurthi of Besant Nagar and volunteers of SYMA.

**Q:** Visu – the cine Actor has been running popular talk shows – Makkal Arangam in Jaya TV and Arrattai Arangam in Sun TV earlier. Do you know of the internationally famous talk show that ran for 25 seasons beginning 1986 that went on air for the last time on 25th May 2011 ? **Ans Pg 4**

## SYMA - AGM

1st of May is of importance to many in different ways. For some, it is the May Day synonymous with International Workers' Day, or Labour Day, a day of political demonstrations and celebrations organised by communists, anarchists, socialists, unionists, and other activist groups. SYMA utilized it to be a holiday and organized its Annual General Body after giving due notice to all its members. From a humble beginning to what we are now, we have grown in size and stature without diluting our ideals of a responsible Social Service Organisation.

We were too keen to have all our members present for the annual meeting and has limited success in this endeavour. It was pleasing to have 5 of our past Presidents attending the meeting. They were Mr N Pattabhiraman, Mr N Ganapathi, Mr Vivekanandan, Mr TJ Ramani and Mr R Vijayaraghavan.

The AGM started with a prayer followed by condolence for all those who were affected by the natural disaster in Japan. The AGM was chaired by Mr TA Sampathkumar, our President who welcomed the members. In his lengthy Presidential Address he brought out the good things that have been achieved at the same time, focussing on the areas that required further attention from our side. He dwelt at length on the activities of SYMA in the sphere of Medical (our medical centre); Education (Growth). He detailed the need for expanding and spoke on the space constraint as also the measures taken in this regard. In every meeting, he has been emphasizing on the vision of building a SYMA hospital at some stage and invited suggestions (more detailed hand-written minutes is kept in our file for reference of Office bearers) He impressed on the need for attendance of members in large numbers in all the camp / meeting / function organized by SYMA. He wanted the members to shed their ego and work for the larger interests of the Organisation. He provided details on our vision and proposed plans on civic activities.

Next in the agenda was the presentation of Annual report by the Secretary. Procedurally, the minutes of the last AGM was presented before the House and S. Sampathkumar spoke at length on the various activities undertaken during the last year, everything of which was detailed in the report circulated to members. He stated that the glory of any organization is not only in its existence (Triplicane is a place with so many monuments be it the temple of Sri Parthasarathi or the educational institutions like Presidency College, Hindu High School and the NKT school which was the venue) Expressing happiness on seeing 5 past Presidents, he spoke of the changing face of SYMA and its presence on the web. Now SYMA has a web : [www.syma.in](http://www.syma.in), an e-mail ID :[srinivasyoungmensassociation@yahoo.co.in](mailto:srinivasyoungmensassociation@yahoo.co.in) and a newsletter BLISS. Requested all members to update their mobile numbers and e-mail ids which will ensure flowing communication.

He thanked all the Doctors for their great service at our Medical centre. He detailed the medical activities and the camps conducted as also those who were behind organizing these camps and those who assisted financially. Then he spoke of Educational activities focusing on Growth – thanking all the teachers, the Institution of NKT and its headmaster Mr S Venkatadri for providing the infrastructure provided. He recalled the help and assistance of so many persons.

After this the Statement of Accounts was read out by the treasurer TJ Ramani. The adoption was proposed by Mr Sarathi and seconded by KV Srinivasan. The work of M/s Devan & Co and of Mr Murali, auditor was appreciated. S. Sampathkumar proposed appointing them as auditors for the year 2011-12 which was seconded by R. Vijayaraghavan

It was pleasant to hear many of our members voice their opinion and come with good suggestions. \* Mr S. Vijayaraghavan asked the members to carefully look at the Notice and learn how we have grown as a big organization, pointing out the financial aspects. \* Mr Vivekanandan, our Ex president spoke at length, concentrating mainly on regularizing parking of vehicles and keeping the environment clean. \* Mr KV Srinivasan recalled the assurance of HR&CE commissioner Mr Vasunathan and wanted spoken English classes for the students. \* Mr Thiruvengadam of Pathi Stores suggested that elections can be held once in 3 years and requested for amendment in bye-law if so required. \* Mrs Uthra Sarang spoke of the multi-lingual software for BLISS to ensure that there would be more articles in tamil. \* TA Sampathkumar, appreciated the efforts of Mr SR Parthasarathi who came forward to train the poor in electrical and plumbing, providing a vocational stream. \* Mr Narasimhan spoke of the need for providing potable water to people at the time of scorching sun, by placing pots in some places. \* Mr Lakshmi Narasimhan (Praveen) spoke on the required improvements in the maintenance of temple tank. President TA Sampathkumar thanked all for their presence and for the suggestions made.

**Our former President N pattabhiraman donated Rs.10500/- ; Mrs Uthra Sarang, our committee member has donated a new refrigerator for our medical centre and SYMA thanks them.**

### SYMA Office Bearers 2011 - 12

<b>President</b>	T A Sampathkumar	<b>Committee Members</b>	R Vijayaraghavan
<b>Vice Presidents</b>	R Seshadri @ Durai		Mrs Uthra Sarang
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			Prasad
			Parthasarathi
			Shabbir Ahamad

## Appreciation to Chennai Corporation

A road with holes and craters is common sight – there have been reports of vehicles falling and people getting injured especially in dark hours when the roads are poorly lit. The roads are generally laid of tar/ asphalt concrete – a composite material consisting of asphalt as a binder in layers and compacted do have big holes commonly called pothole. There is a similar sounding name in tamil 'pothal' which would also refer to a gaping hole especially on a surface. Potholes basically are weak spots occurring over a period of time. They are mostly formed due to fatigue which become loose and may eventually be picked out of the surface by continued wheel loads, thus forming a pothole. It is also caused by temperature changes and occur regularly at various places.

There have been instances of road caving in or forming a deep crater. Though of not a big magnitude, residents of Triplicane witnessed a sudden developing crater on the road near the temple pond of Sri Parthasarathi on 18th May 2011. It was amazing to see that earth has caved in suddenly possibly unable to bear some vehicle that passed by and that there was nothing below the gaping hole. It was a strange sight. Triplicane being an area with wealth of bovine population, it certainly posed a hazard to the cattle, elderly road users as also vehicle users.

The Corporation and Police were immediately at hand, covering it temporarily and ensuring that the hole was properly filled in and closed sooner. The efforts of the Asst. Engineer Division 89, Chennai Corporation deserves special appreciation.

## Predict the Winner Contest

Riding on the Cricket WC fever, SYMA launched a competition 'Predict the Winner of the WC 2011". The contest was today formally launched in a function held at Bharathiyar Illam, Triplicane, Chennai 600 005 Mr S Anantharaman, Divl. Railway Manager, Chennai Division, Southern Railway. The first copy was received by Mr K.A. Shankar, Executive Member, TNCA and Asst. Director, TNCA Academy.

We received more than 4000 completed forms and of these more than 2000 are willing blood donors. None could answer all the 13 aright and those who had answer correctly the maximum are being declared as the winners. We have screened the entries and the prizes are to be distributed soon in a function to be held. The function will be held soon upon the conclusion of IPL extravaganza.

India won the WC and SYMA is happy to have more blood donors. We thank all the participants and our volunteers who enthusiastically collected completed forms.

## சைமா GROWTH

### வேற்றி பெற்றவர்களுக்கு நம் வாழ்த்துக்கள்

+2 தேர்வுகளில் அதிக மதிப்பெண் பெற்ற செல்வி எஸ். உமையாள் (1143), ஜி.ராஜேஸ்வரன் (1089), ஆர்.பிரேம் (1029) ஆகியோரை **Bliss** வாழ்த்துகிறது.

பத்தாம் வகுப்புத் தேர்வில் நல்ல மதிப்பெண் பெற்று தேறிய நம் மாணவ மணிகள் பி.சத்யா (468), எம்.கணேஷ் (465), பி.நர்மதா (460), வி.ஷோபா (456), ஆர்.பிரியங்கா (452), வி.தீபா (445), கே.ஓவியா (436), வி.ஜெயகுமார் (435), ஆர்.லதா (431), பி.வீரா (415), ஆர்.பிரதீப் (407), எம். விக்னேஸ்வரன் (402), பி. விக்னேஷ் (402), எஸ். நாகேந்திரன் (401) ஆகியோரை **Bliss** வாழ்த்துகிறது.

**Answer :** Oprah Gail Winfrey [1954] is an actress turned television host. Oprah Winfrey Show is an American syndicated talk show which was hosted and produced by its namesake Oprah Winfrey. The highest rated talk show in American TV history began in 1986 and continued till recently. Besides the issues touched upon the show gained credibility by not trying to profit off the products it endorsed; it had no licensing agreement with retailers when products were promoted, nor did the show make any money from endorsing books for its book club. After 25 seasons and 4561 episodes, the last one was aired on May 25, 2011

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