

SECRETARIES' REPORT

With immense pleasure, we are presenting the Annual Report for the year 2008-2009 along with the audited Financial Statement for the year 2008-2009.

HIGHLIGHTS :

- ◆ *Total collection for the year 2008-09 raised to around Rs 7,30,000/-*
- ◆ *Record collection of around Rs.5,00,000/- towards Educational Aid plus Corpus Fund of Rs. 2,00,000/-*

This year, our association made a record in Educational Aid collection as well as general collection. As mentioned in the last year's Secretaries' Report, we have succeeded in the target of distributing uniform to 1200 students. Yes we did it. Thanks to all who made the dream a reality.

- ◆ *Our special thanks to Mr. T.A. Sampath Kumar and Mr. J. Venkatesan for collecting maximum donation towards Educational Aid.*

SPECIAL FEATURES :

- ◆ *Uniform Distribution around 1200 students.*
- ◆ *Financial Assistance to 15 College students.*
- ◆ *Release of Glossy calender 2009.*
- ◆ *Arranging Tuitions for 100 students (10th and 12th standard) through our efforts*

EDUCATION

On 6.7.2008, we have arranged to distribute Free School Uniform to about 1200 deserving students at NKT Girls Higher Secondary School. Our Chief Guests were Sri. V. Iraianbu IAS and Sri. R. Sekar IPS. SYMA SEVA AWARD was presented to Sri. R. Lakshmi Narasimhan who has been helping the society in his humble way. We have also honoured school toppers from 10th and 12th Std from Schools in and around Triplicane and also distributed financial aid to 15 College Students.

On that day 'GROWTH' Syma Tuition centre for 10th and 12th standard students were inaugurated by Sri. R. Sekar IPS. Around 60 students from 10th and 40 students from 12th standard students benefitted by this. We take this opportunity to thank Mr S Venkatadri, HM, NKT National Boys Higher Sec School ; Mrs KN Vijayalakshmi, Retd. HM, NKT National Boys Higher Sec School; Mrs S Vijaya, NKT National Girls Higher Secondary School ; Mr J Senthil Murugan, SIVET College, Gowrivakkam; Mr T Venkatesan, Hindu Senior Sec School; Mrs A Lakshmi, Hindu Senior Sec school, ; Mrs KS Kanthimathi, Corporation of Madras Middle school, Korukkupet who have put in their maximum efforts to guide the students. We thank Mrs. Leela Shekhar, Secretary NKT Boys High School and Mr. Venkatadri, Head Master for providing us the place to conduct the classes. We also thank Mrs D Vijayashree coordinator of this programme for her excellent co-operation.

HEALTH

On 15-8-2008, we conducted EYE CAMP with the help of Sri Sankara Eye Hospital, Pammal. Around 160 patients were screened. And for 30 patients Cataract operation were don on 18-8-2008 at Pammal. Dr. K. Sridhar, Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Sankara Medical Trust, Sri S.R. Parthasarathy, Treasurer, Lions Club of Chennai Venus, Sri Babu, Sankara Eye Hospital, Pammal participated in this function. Through the interest accumulated from the K.E. Raghavan Memorial Fund we have given spectacles to 30 patients. We thank MOP Vaishnav College Students, Muslim Higher Secondary School Students and our volunteers for helping us in the successful conduct of the Eye Camp.

SYMA MEDICAL CENTRE :

Our Medical Centre was run in association with Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Medical Trust / Kanchi Sankara Foundation. Now they have asked us about the possibility of running the Medical Centre / Lab on our own.

The Committee has decided to take up this additional responsibility as a prelude to running the hospital as envisioned by our President.

The estimated cost of running the Centre-cum-Lab per annum is Rs. 3,00,000/- and we are quite confident that with the able support of our members we can mobilise this additional revenue.

We take this opportunity to appeal to you all to donate atleast Rs.1000 per member per annum to tide over this expenditure.

CHILD FEST 2008-2009

The annual inter-school competition i.e., SYMA CHILD FEST 2008-2009 was conducted for two days on 10.1.2009 and 11.1.2009. This programme was done in January 2009 as our experience in conducting our programme in November was very difficult due to rainy season.

Sri. V. Karthikeyan, Station Engineer, Doordarshan Kendra inaugurated and Smt. Lakshmi, Head Mistress, NKT Girls Higher Secondary school lit the Kuthuvilakku. The chief guest were Sri Ganesan of Chutti Vikatan, Sri James Vasanthan, Film Music Director and Sri A.R. Palanisamy of SEEDS. Around 2500 students participated in all the competitions. We thank the Kellet Higher Secondary School students, Sri. R. Kannan and Sri. R. Sanjeevi, Coordinator of this programme, NKT Girls School authorities and Smt. Vasudha Bakthisaran, for the successful conduct of the festival.

INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Nation's 61st Independence Day was celebrated with pomp and gaiety with patriotic fervour. Early in the day our volunteers teamed up near our Centre. The function started with a patriotic song rendered mellifluously by Soundarya Rathnamala Isai Kuzhu. Mrs. Leela Shekhar, Secretary, NKT Boys High School hoisted the flag and addressed the gathering.

REPUBLIC DAY

The Nation's Republic Day was celebrated at our Medical Centre on 26-1-2009. The National Flag was hoisted by our President Mr. T.A. Sampathkumar.

OUR SINCERE THANKS

OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEE :

- ◆ We take this opportunity to thank all the office bearers and committee members for their unstinted co-operation.

AUDIT :

- ◆ Our Auditors of A.V. Devan & Co., has always stood by us and also offered advices wherever necessary. We take this opportunity to thank him.

MEDIA :

- ◆ Our sincere thanks to Mr. K.V. Srinivasan, Mr. S.R. Raghunathan, for extending their help in arranging coverage of our functions in the media.
- ◆ Our sincere thanks to 'The Hindu', Downtown, Dinamalar, Daily Thanthi, Dina mani, News Today, Deccan Chronicle, Chepauk Malar or publishing exclusive coverage on activities of our association.

ADMINISTRATIVE WORK :

- ◆ Our thanks are also due to Mr. K.S. Varadarajan, Mr. D. Sudarshan, Mr. K. Kesavan Swaraj Graphics & Sunsar Printers for helping us in printing, typing and taking copies etc.,
- ◆ A special mention to our Treasurers, Mr. M.A. Sadagopan and Mr. R.V. Narasimhan for their extraordinary work.

VOLUNTEERS :

- ◆ We thank the students of Kellett High School, N.K.T. Boys High School, and all those who assisted us in all our Programmes. We request more and more of your help.
- ◆ We thank all those helping at our Medical Centre / Lab Sri Venkatesh, Sri. D. Saranathan, Smt. Suguna Ramesh, Jincy Vergheese and others.

SPECIAL THANKS :

- ◆ We thank all our sponsors for extending timely assistance to all our projects.
- ◆ Our special thanks to Sri Parthasarathy Swami Temple authorities for giving us an opportunity to maintain the Temple Tank.
- ◆ We also thank Mr. Sridhar of Lucas TVS, Mr. A.V. Kasturirangan, Mr. S.R. Parthasarathy, Mr. D.V. Raghavan for their co-operation.
- ◆ We express our gratitude to Dr. K. Sridhar for motivating us to take up the Medical Centre / Lab and also for offering Financial Assistance to run the Medical Centre/ Lab

BLISS :

- ◆ We place on record our sincere thanks to Sri. S. Sampathkumar, Editor Bliss, Swaraj Graphics, Sunsar Printers for their unstinted cooperation in bringing out the BLISS in a grand manner. We thank Sri. J. Venkatesan, Kumaran Dresses, Sundaram Textiles for their sponsorship for the BLISS.

OBITUARY

With deep regret we inform our members of the death of our following members / well wishers during the year 2008-2009 : 1. Sri. D. Krishnan . 2. Sri. A.K. Vedantham. 3. R. Jagannathachariar. We vividly remember their services to our association.



SYMA-AGM 2008-2009