

Matching Grants

1. MG#58895-Payment of Rs 9,65,250 since received and work on Corneal Transplant and IOL has started. 150 I.O.L./96 Corneal Transplants have been completed. We expect that about 35/40 cases are being handled every month. Jalna and Ahmednagar centers are doing very well and visits to these centers are necessary.

Shirval has done about 100 I.O.L. cases and a valedictory function was organized there on 14th September, 2006. Expected closure date-November, 2006.

2. MG#56594-60 Vagrant Children Project –Considerable progress has been made in completion of this Project under which 60 children are being educated and looked after. Many have got a job. Vocational Training and rehabilitation of children forms the main part of the Project. Expected closure date March, 2007.

3. MG# 60576-Breast Cancer-Payment of Rs 7,94,250 has been received. First patient of breast cancer surgery was operated on 25th September, 2006 by Dr Shekhar Kulkarni at Krishna Hospital and anesthesia was administered by Dr Neha Kulkarni. 2000 posters bearing the name and logo of Rotary Club of Pune Central are being pasted in all the P.M.T. Buses in Pune about this Project.

4. M.G. #60875-\$24,750-INR Rs 11,13,750. Corneal Transplant 250 and IOL 150 will be done under this matching grant for which our application is before the Trustees and is expected to be approved shortly.

5. An application has just been made for a total of \$18,150-INR Rs 8,16,750 for a M.G under which we will do 135 Cleft Lip and Palate Surgery.

Rule 5 –With these five open matching grants we will not be able to apply any more till we close two aforesaid grants in November, 2006 and March, 2007.

DVDs of our film DRISHTI on Corneal Transplant has been screened at Gupte Hospital and Bharat Natya Mandir and was highly appreciated.

Against actual expenses of Rs 28,918 under Matching Grants in the year 2005-06, we had budgeted for Rs 80,000 for 2006-07 (Matching Grants Rs 25,000, outgoing Matching Grants Rs 45,000 i.e \$1000 and for visiting Matching Grants Team Rs 10,000.) Instead of this only a sum of Rs 10,000 has been shown in Trust Account Budget for 2006-07 under this head.

Last Week

It was Diwali Dhamaka at Poona Club Golf course on 14th October with the ground next to the hall being lighted up to provide the festive look. Every year Diwali party is greatly looked forward to by all to have great fellowship and enjoy. All the Rotarians and Anns turned up in their finest and had a gala time listening to the live singing provided by a group of musicians who inspired our own Rotarian singers to come forward and regale the audience with their renditions. All in all it was a great kick off of the festival season!

Last week of 21st October was a rotary holiday on account of Diwali.

This Week

Asst. DG, Mrs. Usha Poonawala will visit our Rotary office and then address our club at the meeting for a short while.

Next Week

Next week is designated as a Ladies Night wherein Innerwheel Club of Pune Central and the Rotary Anns of RCPC will together organize a program to be presented at the club. It is sure to be a blast!!

Questions & Answers

Q. TELL ME, WHICH WERE THE FIRST ANIMALS TO FLY?

A. Insects have been able to fly for far longer than any other animal. Winged insects probably developed from types of worms which lived in the sea. Some insects were huge, like the giant dragonfly meganeura, which lived about 300 million years ago. Its wingspan was more than 60 centimetres.

Q. TELL ME, HOW CAN A CHAMELEON LOOK IN TWO PLACES AT ONCE?

A. A Chameleon can swivel its eyes separately. One may be looking forwards, and the other backwards. The eyes can also work together to focus on the same object.



The R.I. Dist. 3130-Zonal Cultural Meet (Zone A & B)

HOST: ROTARY CLUB OF PUNE EAST
"A CULTURAL EXTRAVAGANZA" - "JHALAK DIKHLAJA"

Dear Rotarians & R/Anns,

Would you like to show your hidden talent in Dancing-Singing-Mimicry-Drama/Skit, Fashion Show, Mr. Rotary/Ms. Rotary Drawing/Painting & 'Rangoli'? Let Rotary give you the Platform. Participate in the program "JHALAK DIKHLAJA", TO BE HELD ON 19TH NOVEMBER, 2006 (Time: 4.00 to 7.30 P.M.) AT S.M. JOSHI HALL, SHASTRI ROAD, NEAR ALKA TALKIES, PUNE. The best selected performers will get an opportunity to prove their talent at the District Conference to be held in January 2007 at Goa. Only limited entries. You can participate in any one of the following events:

1) SONGS; 2) DANCES; 3) SKIT/DRAMA; 4) MIMICRY 5) FASHION SHOW
 6) MR./MS. ROTARY

A) Solo: Participation Fees: Rs.100/- per participant
 B) Duet/Couple: Participation Fees: Rs.150/- for both
 C) Group: Participation Fees: Rs. 200/- for group up to four.
 (If more than four in the group, Rs.50/ per extra participant.)

5) Drawing/Painting/Rangoli: Rs.50/ per item of art.

Free entry to Audience (Rotary family & their friends)

Registration at:

Rtn. P.P. Manohar Bhatia, 1/15, Mira Society, Shankar Seth Rd. Pune-411037. Ph.: 26455164 Mo: 9890948745 or Rtn. Suresh Shah, Ph.: 9822096960 **before 31st October, 2006.**

Pulse Polio

Two camps are expected in 2006-07. Although no letter has been received from the District but we were advised by their representative who visited our club on 7th October, 2006 that first such camp will be held on 12th November, 2006. Necessary arrangements in this regard will be made and all Board members are requested to participate. Although no letter has been received but P.P. S.K. Jain has advised that our club has been asked to organize a District Seminar on Pulse Polio on 26th November, 2006. The necessary arrangements in this regard are being made by him and P.P. Abhay Shah has been requested to act as Convener for the Seminar.

Against actual expenses of Rs 17,763.40 under this head in the year 2005-06, we had budgeted for Rs 20,000 for 2006-07 but Rs 15,000 has been shown for this in Trust Account Budget for 2006-07.

ROTARY FOUNDATION

The Rotary Foundation seminar of our District was organized by R.C. Kothrud on 14th September, 2006 at Symbiosis Hall at Range Hills. Chairman of the Rotary Foundation PRIP Luis Vincent came from USA to address the seminar. Eleven Rotarians from our club registered for the Seminar.

A programme on Rotary Foundation will be organized at our weekly meeting on 11th November, 2006 as November is Rotary Foundation Month. P.P. Raja Kharadkar is organizing a Panel Discussion and has invited PDG Madhav Borate and PP Shrikant Gogte, Director TRF for District for 2006-07.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Rtn Anil Bora, Chairperson, International Relations Committee has got in touch with Rotary Club of Kandy in regard to exchange visits. five families consisting of 10 persons will visit Pune in November/December. 2006. They will be hosted by our members who visited them in 2005-06. They expect 5 families from our club to visit Kandy in January/February, 2007. They have also suggested that under Youth Exchange, 10 Interact members with one teacher and one Rotarian should also plan to visit Kandy. Dahanu Dist 3400 in India has invited 5 couples from our club to visit them for 2 nights/3 days in November/December, 2006. The group has to leave by cars on Friday morning and reach Dahanu after about five hours and leave for Pune on Sunday after Lunch. They will make similar visit to Pune in January/February, 2007.

Shaadi Special!!

"All husbands are alike, but they have different faces so you can tell them apart."

Sign in a marriage counsellor's window:

"Out to lunch - Think it over."

"If you want to read about love and marriage, you've got to buy two separate books."

Shaadi Guru: My wife says if I go fishing one more time she's going to leave me. Gosh, I'm going to miss her.

Little boy: "Daddy, how much does it cost to get married?"

Shaadi Guru: "I don't know son, I'm still paying!"

SG: If you want your wife to listen and pay undivided attention to every word you say, talk when she sleeps.

SG: "I was the best man at the wedding. If I am the best man, why is she marrying him?"

Birthdays

RAAnn Razia Baker	13 Oct
Rtn Bal Datar	13 Oct
Rtn Dr. Moopil Jaipal	14 Oct
Rtn Nalin Shah	14 Oct
Rtn Ebe Chaney	16 Oct
RAAnn Pominder Kaur	16 Oct
RAAnn Uma Choudhary	19 Oct
Rtn Chandra Shekar Naik	20 Oct
Rtn Subhash Devi	22 Oct
RAAnn Lata Agarwal	23 Oct
Rtn Dady Mistry	24 Oct
Rtn Dr. Anand Bhatia	28 Oct
Rtn Subh Sachdeva	28 Oct
RAAnn Kamini Sanghvi	28 Oct

Aniverserys

Rtn Hemant & Anuradha Kanitkar	17 Oct
Rtn Arjun & Aruna Jethwani	21 Oct
Rtn Chandra Shekar & Asha Naik	21 Oct
Rtn Shirish & Gaury Mohile	21 Oct
Rtn Dr Nasir & Noorjahan Kazi	25 Oct

CALENDAR

Today	Vocational Awards
4-Nov.	Ladies Night
11-Nov	Rotary Foundation Day
18-Nov.	District Governor's Visit