



# OSMANIAN

The Newsletter of the Osmania University Medical Alumni Association of America  
A member organization of AAPI



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## President Ravinder Surakanti

# Greetings to all of you from Crawfordsville!



As we reach this **20th Anniversary** milestone of our Association, I would like to express our gratitude to all the preceding hardworking Presidents and their committee members who devoted innumerable number of hours of service to make OUMA, a respectable large organization and a force to reckon with in our national AAPI. We can all be particularly proud of our achievements as also providing leadership to AAPI from amongst us. **Dr. Jagan Ailinani** is setting up very high

standards and leading AAPI to greater heights and **Dr. Sanku Rao** in putting a tight rein on purse strings of AAPI, goes to show the crucial role OUMA leadership played in our national organization. Congratulations to both of them for a job well done in streamlining and restoring prestige back to AAPI. **Dr. Venkat Ram (95-96)** and **Dr. Kalpalatha Guntupalli (98-99)** as Presidents of AAPI and **Dr. Bhimsen Rao (95-96)**, **Dr. Dharmapuri Vidyasagar (99-00)**, **Dr. Vijayalakshmi Appareddy (02-03)**, **Dr. V. Haranatha Reddy (03-04)** as **Board of Trustees past chairs**, have done a commendable job. **Dr. Sarala Rao** Chair-Elect BOT and **Dr. Shashidhar Reddy**, member BOT are continuing to render excellent service, as do many of our Alumni who served at Regional Directors and on different committees. Kudos to you all! We salute you for your years of service to OUMA and AAPI.

I wish to thank you all for giving me the proud privilege of serving as your President. This has been a hectic, challenging and albeit very successful term so far, since the new Executive Committee was voted into Office at our Annual Meeting on June 25, 2004, at San Diego, for a one year term.

Fortunately, our new team with **Dr. Gopal**, **Dr. Santhosh** and **Dr. Uday** went to work in right earnest and had coordinated a very fruitful **Regional Meeting on July 4, 2004, during the ATA Convention in Chicago**, where over 150 of our Alumni attended. Standing room only bearing testimony to all our enthusiasm to do our part to our Alma Mater. **Gandhi AdHoc** continued their relentless campaign for **Alumni Education Center** and **crossed the magic \$200,000 mark!** Not to be outdone our **Kakatiya Golden Jubilee AdHoc** started off with a bang by announcing **pledges of over \$200,000**, towards an ambitious goal of a million by 2009! Thanks to all the AdHoc members and the very generous donors, the atmosphere was electrifying and infectious. We can all be proud of our commitment to our Alma Mater Osmania, Gandhi and Kakatiya and for answering the clarion call of our dynamic past president, **Dr. Jagan Ailinani** for "payback" time. That day in Chicago was the happiest day of my five years of service.

We are working on above projects and also the next laudable **OMC Main Library Project**. They need your continued commitment, support, time and cooperation in their accomplishment and completion in the forthcoming year., And we are counting on Osmania AdHoc to take up the challenge and beef up the "Main Library" at OMC. Hopefully we are putting a seamless process in place for any of us to do our share of volunteer work providing leadership, philanthropy and service at home and here.

A Grand **Golden Jubilee Celebration of Gandhi Medical College** in the new campus was inaugurated by **Dr. Y. Rajashekhara Reddy**, Honorable Chief Minister of A.P. The 3-day successful event of festivities, International CME, variety entertainment and class reunions were well attended by over 500 Alumni, including over 100 from US,

UK, Australia, Caribbean, and Middle East. Some of our alumni including myself and **Dr. Gopal Gade** were part of the AAPI delegation that attended the **Third Pravasi Bharatiya Divas, 7-9 January, 2005**, in Mumbai, which **Honorable Prime Minister Shri Manmohan Singh inaugurated**. The Plenary session by **Mr. P. Chidambaram**, Honorable Finance Minister and **Mr. Jagdish Tytler**, Honorable Minister of Overseas Indian Affairs a half day Health Care session were of particular interest to us. **Dr. Jagan** and **Dr. Balasubramaniam** were on the panel and members of AAPI had interaction with the panelists including officials for Ministry of Health and Medical Council of India. The AAPI delegation even had a taste of Bollywood hospitality when **Smt. Hema Malini** held a reception on the evening of the 6th. The cultural events were all duly cancelled as the **Tsunami** disaster had affected thousands of our brethren in India and left many families devastated as I witnessed some of the tragedy when I visited Kerala Institute of Medical Sciences in Trivendrum as ACLS faculty we visited a relief camp at Kollam with our ex\_foreign Minister **Sri Jaswanth Singh**. Our alumni, **Dr. Manchikanti Laxmaiah** presented a check for **Rupees Ten Lakhs** (approx. \$24,000) towards **Chief Minister's Relief Fund to Dr. Y. Rajashekhara Reddy**, at our meeting in Hyderabad.

It has been a productive and very rewarding nine months into our

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## Mark Your Calendars

**OUMA ANNUAL MEETING - FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 2005**

*20th Anniversary*

**Hilton Americas-Houston - Houston, Texas**

Executive, Regional Directors, Board of Trustees, Committees,  
All Past Presidents of OUMA Meeting .....10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon  
General Body Meeting OUMA.....1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
(Osmania, Gandhi, Kakatiya)  
Invited Guests include:  
Dr. Nandan Singh, President, OMCOSA  
Prof. R. Sambasiva Rao, Vice Chancellor  
NTR Health Sciences University  
Coffee Break.....3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
Federation of Andhra Pradesh Medical Graduates in USA  
APMG Meeting.....3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
(Osmania, Gandhi, Kakatiya, Andhra, Guntur, Kurnool,  
Rangaraya, SVMS)  
Reception - OUMA & APMG .....5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
AAPI Reception .....6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
AAPI Dinner & Entertainment by:.....7:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.  
Bollywood Artists, Udit Narayan and Shreya Ghoshal  
For information please contact **Dr. Srinivasa Rumalla**, OUMA Local  
Coordinator (H) 281-360-6737, sssrumalla@aol.com or **Dr. Ravinder Surakanti**, (C) 832-236-9484, Pager 713-404-9450,  
rsurakanti@yahoo.com

**Please Register Early with AAPI - (O) 630-530-2270, (800) 622-7499,  
(OF) 630-530-2475 info@aapiusa.net, www.aapiusa.org**

**Please specify 'OSMANIA' for Friday Alumni Dinner & Entertainment  
Hotel Reservations - Call early to get special rate.  
Hilton Americas - Houston, 1-800-739-8000, Group Code 'AAPI',  
Special rate \$95/day before April 29th.**



## WELCOME TO HOUSTON

### Message From the AAPI President



Jagan Ailinani, M.D.

On behalf of AAPI, I extend my warmest greetings to members of the osmania university medical alumni association of america (OUMA) which include Osmania, Gandhi and Kakatiya Medical Graduates .

I would like to invite you all to attend the 23rd Annual AAPI Convention to be held at the Hilton America Hotel in Houston, TX, June 15-19, 2005. I would like to see large number of my fellow alumni at the convention.

As an umbrella organization, AAPI derives its strength from member organizations such as OUMA. Working together, we can achieve our common goals.

At AAPI, we have had to face many challenges, but we have pulled through successfully and grown stronger as a team. Our executive team is working hard to strengthen organizational structure and streamlining the functioning of our office. We are bringing greater fiscal responsibility, improving communications and enhancing member services.

I am proud and humbled by our accomplishments

The following is a brief report of our activities since July, 2004:

- We achieved a **J-1 Visa Victory** when our lobbying efforts were successful in getting the J-1 visa waiver program extended for another two years.
- **Practice Management Seminars** have been conducted with several local chapters across the country.
- A **Clinical Externship Programs** are being established in Texas, Connecticut, and Washington, DC to help newly arrived physicians from India get into residency programs.
- **Ethics and Grievance** help was given to about 25 Indian physicians by the committee headed by Dr. Rakesh Chandra, MD JD, on issues such as contracts, licensure, peer review, removal of medical students and residents from their program, and criminal cases such as sexual harassment.
- The **AAPI Research Project** on diabetes among Indian Americans (DIA) is proceeding well and the final report is due to CDC by September this year. We have applied for additional Congressional funds for research and submitted a CDC grant proposal for money to educate Indian Americans on diabetes.
- In the aftermath of the **Tsunami**, the AAPI Charitable Foundation donated \$55,000 for immediate relief. We also are sending a team of psychiatrists to Tamil Nadu and working to establish Disaster Preparedness Centers in Vellore, TN, and Pune.
- A 4th **AAPI-AIF Hospital** was inaugurated this January in Gujarat.
- **Health Camps and CMEs** were conducted in Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Kerala and Karnataka.
- A **Lawsuit on AAPI Elections** was dismissed by the courts and the appeal was withdrawn by the petitioner. The incident is now well and truly behind us.
- **Embezzlement** of AAPI funds amounting to \$100,000 was discovered and the employee involved was terminated. The funds were recovered and the matter is being investigated thoroughly. Further action will follow after an internal audit.

I look forward to seeing you all in Houston this June.

Jagan Ailinani, MD  
President, AAPI



#### MISSION

To bring together graduates of Osmania University Osmania, Gandhi, and Kakatiya Medical Colleges and to function as a venue for charitable, educational and cultural activities that allow members to share common ideas and discuss concerns.

#### OBJECTIVES

- To provide educational activities for Osmania medical alumni in the USA and in India.
- To develop a network of Osmania medical alumni to provide assistance to young Osmania medical graduates with residency/fellowships research opportunities and job/practice positions.
- To provide charitable work for health care of the needy in India and the USA.
- To help medical schools and hospitals associated with Osmania to improve research libraries, technology and patient care.
- To provide support and assistance for the problems faced by Osmania medical alumni by working with AAPI and organized medicine.

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Bhimsen S. Rao, M.D.  
Dharmapuri Vidyasagar, M.D.

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Sudhaker Rao, M.D.  
Santhosh Cheela, M.D.

##### Visiting Professor Program

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##### Constitution and By Laws

Gopal Reddy Gade, M.D.

##### Nominating Committee

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##### OMC Main Library, AdHoc Committee

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##### Gandhi Medical College AEC

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R. D. Kumar, M.D.  
Sarala Rao, M.D.

##### Kakatiya Medical College

Golden Jubilee AdHoc Committee  
Laxmipathi Garipalli, M.D.  
Streedhar Rao, M.D.

# 2004 Distinguished Alumni Honored in San Diego

## D. Sudhaker Rao, M.B.; B.S., F.A.C.P., F.A.C.E.



Dr. D. Sudhaker Rao received his M.B.;B.S. degree in 1969 from The Gandhi Medical College, Osmania University, Hyderabad, AP. He joined The National Institute of Nutrition, India, where he began his career in vitamin D and calcium metabolism. After a year of research he moved to USA for further studies. He completed his internship and residency in internal medicine and surgery in New York and a fellowship in endocrinology and metabolism at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. He then joined the faculty of Henry Ford Hospital as a research fellow in Bone and Mineral Metabolism under Dr. A. M. Parfitt and late Dr. Boy Frame. He rose through the ranks of the division and is currently: the Section Head, Bone & Mineral Metabolism, Director, Bone & Mineral Research Laboratory, and Program Director, Endocrinology Fellowship Training. He is also a Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine, University of Michigan Medical School, Ann Arbor, MI.

He has contributed extensively to the broad field of bone & mineral metabolism. His main research interests are the role of vitamin D and calcium nutrition in parathyroid disorders and bone health. He has contributed more than 100 peer reviewed original papers, 100 symposium proceedings, abstracts, and letters to the editor, and 10 book chapters. He is the founding member and current Vice President of The Indian Society of Bone & Mineral Research (ISBMR), which he helped launch in 1997.

He is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians and the American College of Endocrinology. He received several awards including Willard O. Thomson Travelling Scholarship by the American College of Physicians, Boy Frame award from the American Society for Bone & Mineral Research, Kentucky Colonel by the Governor of Kentucky, Outstanding Service award from the Michigan Association of Physicians of Indian Origin.

He lives in Rochester, Michigan, a suburb of Detroit, with his wife while their two sons, aged 32 and 28, are pursuing their medical careers. He enjoys listening both classical and popular Indian music, loves photography, and plays tennis regularly. His other passion is to serve the public. He was involved in at least half dozen organizations either as a founding member or an office bearer. He also helped raise funds for Bhopal gas leak tragedy, Maharashtra earthquake, Gujarat earthquake, and the free clinics run by The American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin. He considers himself being drawn imperceptibly towards Gandhian principles. He is a frequent traveler to India, and is currently pursuing what he describes as "Re-discovering India myself through the hearts and minds of my close friends and acquaintances".

## 2001



PS Reddy, MD



Kalpalatha Guntupalli, MD

## Bhimsen S. Rao, M.D.



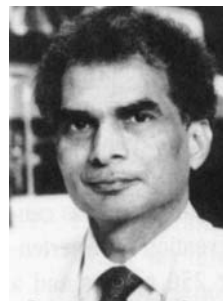
Dr. Bhimsen S. Rao, after graduating from Osmania Medical College in 1966 came to the US in 1968. He completed his residency in pediatrics and clinical fellowship in pediatric pulmonology at the Children's Hospital of Michigan, Detroit, followed by a research fellowship at Yale University, CN. After 2 years of emergency senior staff position at the Children's Hospital of Michigan, he entered private practice, which he continues at present. He has been the Chairman of Pediatrics at Holy Cross and South Macomb Hospitals from 1984-1990 and a Clinical Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at Wayne State University School of Medicine from 1989-1997. He serves as a preceptor for community based pediatric program of the medical school.

He is a member of several professional societies including American Academy of Pediatrics, AMA, American Lung Society and American College of Chest Physicians. More importantly, he was the founding Chair of Foundation of Michigan Association of Physicians from India, the AAPI and the Chair of AAPI Charitable Foundation. He served as the President, India League of America, member, Board of Trustees, America India Foundation under the Honorary Chairmanship of President Bill Clinton, and President, Children's Hospital of Michigan Alumni Association.

He was involved in many charitable and community activities: raising funds for the AAPI Charitable foundation by bringing luminaries of the likes of Smt. Lata Mangeshkar, Smt Asha Bhosle and Padmashree Dr. S.P. Balasubrahmaniam, setting up Children's wing at Dhanvantari Hospital, Gulbarga, India, help raise funds for victims of Bhopal gas leak tragedy, help rebuild hospitals after the Gujarat earthquake, and many others. For his unrelenting community service he was named the "Citizen of the Week" by WWJ Radio Station in Detroit. He received numerous awards from MAPI, AAPI, ILA, and Children's Hospital of Michigan to name a few.

He lives in Bloomfield Hills, MI with his wife Dr. Surekha Rao, an accomplished radiologist and physician leader in her own right. They have two daughters, one of whom a physician, and a son.

## 2002



Janardan K. Reddy, MD

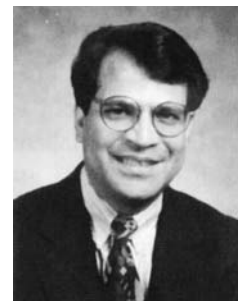


Dharmapuri Vidyasagar, MD

## 2003



Narayan J. Deshmukh, MD



C. Venkata S. Ram, MD

# Selection Criteria - Distinguished Physician Awards

## OUMA Awards:

1. Distinguished Physician-Academic/Research/Teaching category
2. Distinguished Physician-Philanthropy/Service/Leadership category

### Criteria for the Distinguished Physician Award in the Academic/Research/Training Category

1. Must be a graduate of Osmania, Gandhi, or Kakatiya medical colleges( affiliated to Osmania University)
2. Must be a person of good standing in the community.
3. Must have notable records of remarkable scholarly accomplishments in the medical field. Should have a proven track record of major, and substantive, significant contributions to medical science, either as an academician, researcher, teacher, practitioner, or a combination of any of the above.
4. Should have attained national or international recognition in the field of interest and recognition by peers for tangible contributions.

5. At least two persons should propose the potential candidate for the award. The proposing letter should be descriptive and outline the points that highlight the contributions and career of the candidate. One of the two recommendations should be preferably made by a OUMA member of good standing. The recommending proposal(s) should include the candidates CV and biographical sketch.

### Criteria for the Distinguished Service Award in the Philanthropy/Service/Leadership Category

1. Must be a graduate of Osmania, Gandhi, or Kakatiya medical colleges( affiliated to Osmania University)
2. Must be a person of good standing in the community.
3. Should have a notable record of the service to the medical profession, or to the community or to the alumni association. The service rendered need not be limited to medicine, but also to the betterment of the community (or its organizations) or growth and development of the alumni organizations. The service could be on any aspect of day-to-day life, with important implications for the society at large. Work done for and on behalf of organized medicine (local, regional, state, or national) will also be considered; charitable, philanthropic service will also be considered.
4. Should have attained a level of public recognition for the service rendered.
5. At least two persons should propose the potential candidate for the award. The proposing letter should be descriptive and outline the points that highlight the contributions and career of the candidate. One of the two recommendations should be preferably made by a OUMA member of good standing. The recommending proposal(s) should include the candidates CV and biographical sketch. The proposals and names should be submitted along with supportive documents to:

C. Venkata S. Ram, MD  
Texas Blood Pressure Institute  
1420 Viceroy Drive  
Dallas, TX 75235  
Telephone: 214-358-2300 ext. 6012  
Fax: 214-366-6027  
E-mail: ramv@dneph.com

The deadline for submissions is **May 6th, 2005.**

The awards will be presented at the OUMA Annual Meeting to be held in conjunction with the AAPI convention in Houston, Texas, on June 17, 2005

The awardees will be informed no later than May 20th, 2005.

For further information, please contact Dr. C. Venkata S. Ram, Dr. Vidyasagar Dharmapuri or Dr. Narayan Deshmukh..

## Osmania University Medical Alumni Association of America

Invites you to attend the OUMA Midwest Conference.  
There will be a fun-filled evening of live musical entertainment and dinner.

### Topics:

- A New Treatment Option for Depressive Disorder in Primary Care
- Update of OUMA Activities

On Friday, 22nd April 2005  
6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

### Venue:

Viceroy of India Banquets  
19 W 555 Roosevelt Road  
Lombard, Illinois 60148  
(630) 627-4411



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## OUMA Call for Nominations & Elections

Nominations are invited for the following positions for the year 2005-2006. Deadline for submission is May 6th, 2005:

President Elect  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
5 regional directors, NE, MW, SW, S & W  
2 Board of Trustees

The immediate past president will automatically be a member of the Board of Trustee.

Elections will be held during the OUMA general body meeting in Houston on Friday June 17, 2005

You may send your nominations to appareddy@ramtec.com or mail your nominations to P.O. Box 21914 Chattanooga, TN 37424.

**Vijayalakshmi Appareddy, M.D Chair, Nominations committee**

## Life Members

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 Agraharkar, Aruna [2555] TX  
 Agraharkar, Mahendra [2556] TX  
 Ahmed, Khursheed [1636] IL  
 Ahmed, M. Basheer [3303] TX  
 Ahmed, Shakila [2137] TX  
 Ahmed, Sohail [2559] IL  
 Ahmed, Syed [2212] TX  
 Ahmed, Tajuddin [2561] OH  
 Ailinani, Jagan [2541] IL  
 Akkanti, Reddy [2258] TX  
 Akkapeddi, Vijay [2565] NY  
 Akkaraju, Vidyadhar [2566] LA  
 Akula, Ganesh [950] FL  
 Akula, Krishna [2568] NY  
 Akuthota, Pani [1281] OH  
 Alampur, Sudhir [3402] TX  
 Alampur, Uma [490] NY  
 Ali, Asad [996] FL  
 Ali, Meer [140] NJ  
 Alikhan, Mir [978] FL  
 Alugubelli, Venkareddy [3403] FL  
 Amar, Meera [3404] TX  
 Amar, Niranjan [2160] TX  
 Amara, Shobha [207] NJ  
 Amara, Sreenivasrao [3296] NY  
 Amaram, Chandrakanth [914] GA  
 Amaram, Nirmala [915] GA  
 Amaram, Sudhir [2281] TX  
 Amaravadi, Sivakumar [1016] FL  
 Annam, Raghuvveer [222] PA  
 Annam, Vidyasagar [2580] NY  
 Ansari, Nadeem [1914] IL  
 Appareddy, Vijayalakshmi [1088] TN  
 Arastu, Raiqua [2245] TX  
 Asad, Syed [438] NY  
 Atluri, Purna [424] NY  
 Atluri, Subha [425] NY  
 Augustine, Muddamalle [2135] TX  
 Avula, Satyanarayana [3405] NY  
 Ayyagari, Kamalakar [2584] NJ  
 Bader, Ali [714] MD  
 Badrudduja, Syed [2586] KY  
 Baji, Sudhir [2587] OH  
 Baliah, Tadla [529] NY  
 Baseer, Syed [1893] IL  
 Bathini, Ramaswamy [1285] OH  
 Battu, Kishan [480] .NY  
 Bellapravala, Sharad [2316] AZ  
 Benedict, John [3406]  
 Bennuri, Sudha [319] AL  
 Bhandaru, Lakshman [2595] OH  
 Bhatt, Usha [79] NJ  
 Bhole, Sunil [872] GA  
 Bhoosa, Malliah [2600] NJ  
 Bodhey, Mohan [2602] NY  
 Bogavelli, Vijayalaxmi [836] NC  
 Boorgu, Narasimha [2605] AL  
 C'Ganti, Pundari [2421] CA  
 Challa, Kishore [809] WV  
 Challa, Shekhar [2024] KS  
 Chandra, Ravi [1010] FL  
 Chanduri, Swarna [3407] CA  
 Chapa, Sukumar [599] PA  
 Chaparala, Sukumar [2108] OK  
 Charuravarty, Amit [2615] FL  
 Chary, Kandala [2617] NY  
 Cheela, Santhosh [203] NJ  
 Chepuru, Yadagiri [301] NY  
 Chilakamarri, Akhileswari [2624] IL  
 Chilakamarri, Yeshwant [1638] IL  
 Chilumula, Ramchandra [3408] CA  
 Chintala, Kavitha [1690] MI  
 Cholleti, Rajanarender [3291] TX  
 Coca, Jayashree [2627] KS  
 Dacha, Harinatharao [2629] OH  
 Damera, Bhaskar [1929] IL  
 Dandillaya, Ramanand [2453] CA  
 Dasari, Ghanteswara [32] MA  
 Deshmukh, Narayan [628] PA  
 Devalapalli, Vandana [838] NC  
 Devineni, Venkat [1969] MO  
 Devireddy, Lingareddy [2636] MI  
 Dhanda, Anand [2638] MD  
 Dhawlikar, Sripad [2639] NJ  
 Eligeti, Ramulu [1007] FL  
 Eppanapally, Shanti [355] NJ  
 Eyyunni, Ramanujam [2643] FL  
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 Gade, Gopal Reddy [2459] CA  
 Gade, Kantam [2647] CA  
 Gajula, Lakshminarayana [2648] PA  
 Gandra, Vidyadhar [1327] IN  
 Garipalli, Lakshmi [3316] NJ  
 Garipalli, Laxmipathi [220] NJ  
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 Gatla, Narsingam [1958] IL  
 Goli, Veeraindar [843] NC  
 Gourkanti, Rao [160] NJ  
 Gulati, Ramesh [37] RI  
 Gumidyala, Eshwar [1642] IL  
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 Guntupalli, Jayarama [2174] TX  
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 Habib, Asharf [2663] MD  
 Hafeez, Mohammed [1340] IN  
 Haleja, Durgesh [76] NJ  
 Hanumantha, Dharam [2667] IL  
 Haq, M. [2668] TX  
 Haran, Panchapakesan [2088] IN  
 Harish, Seethamraju [384] NY  
 Hippalgaonkar, Rajendra [944] FL  
 Hussain, Azher [703] MD  
 Hussain, Naveed [47] CT  
 Ivaturi, Mruthyamjaya [1318] IN  
 Iyer, Rathi [1116] MS  
 Jafar, Rasheed [428] NY  
 Janaki, Lalitha [2249] TX  
 Jinna, Rajender [394] NY  
 Joshi, Chandra [2675] LA  
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 Zubeda, B. [2987] MI

**NEW LIFE MEMBERS**

- Kavitha Chintapudi MI  
 Tangada P. Rao VA  
 Mohammad Ishaq Rastu PA  
 Bharat Jain PA  
 Vidya Sagar Bobba CA  
 Mohammed Mohiuddin KY  
 Savithri Bonala NJ  
 Ahmed Mohiuddin IL  
 Laxma Marri IN  
 Praveen Kollipara IN  
 Anuradha Kollipara IN  
 Sukumar Puvvala MD  
 Mudhusudan Borde CA  
 Mikhat Sarvari Khan  
 Vijay Yeldandi IL  
 Anjana Yeldandi IL  
 Uday Chintalapudi NE  
 Shashidharan Maniamprarampi NE  
 Laxmi Narayan Veligati MO  
 Padma Veligati MO  
 Vijay Chilakamarri IN  
 Madhuri Dhupati AZ  
 Tahseen Husain IA  
 Rajender Gattu MI

**NEW ANNUAL**

- July 2004 - June 2005**  
 Nafees F. Khuro MA  
 Indaram Jaishree NY  
 Anant Vijay NY  
 Dheerendranath Raikhelkar AZ  
 Rani Reddy Vatti CA  
 Aleem A. Syed CA  
 Kalavathi Shenoy IL  
 Ashish Nimgaonkar MA  
 Syed K. Lateef FL

If your name is not listed, please contact: Dr. Udaya Chintalapudi  
 Phone (402) 614-3735, uchintalapudi@hotmail.com or send in your completed membership application  
 with check for \$300 prior to September 31, 2005 when fees increase.

## President Ravinder Surakanti Greetings

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term and together we can make a difference at our institutions, that made us what we are today.

Get involved in OUMA, become a Life Member and volunteer to serve on any of the committees and make our Osmania, Gandhi and Kakatiya Medical Colleges proud of their Alumni. Our organization has now reached the twenty years milestone, on a sound footing, let us all work together to make it even stronger.

Please take time to send in your Database Correction and Membership Applications, (Preferably Life memberships, all new members) with the required information including **Address, Phone, Fax numbers, E-mail, College and the year passed final M.B.; B.S.**

We have received numerous complaints regarding errors in our OUMA Directory 2003-04, from members and non members. Please help us correct that in our next edition due in 2005-2006, by sending in completed applications by deadline with Membership dues promptly. Due to budgetary constraints we are restricted in our ability to send regular mailings.

All **Life Members** are required to send in their Phone and Fax numbers and more importantly a contact **E-mail address**. Please enclose a **CV if in Academics** and have interest in joining our Faculty when on visits to India and CME programs here.

Looking forward to seeing you all in Houston in June!

### Activities during the year 2004-2005.

#### June 25, 2004 - San Diego

Annual Meeting at AAPI Convention

Dr. Anji Reddy of Reddy Labs,

Dr. Jayaprakash Narayan, Lok Satta/Special Guests

Distinguished Physician awards

Dr. Sudhaker Rao/Dr. Bheemsen Rao

General Body Meeting

New Exec Committee for one year term

#### July 4, 2004 - Chicago

Regional Meeting at ATA Convention

GMC AdHoc \$200,000 reached towards GMC

Alumni Education Center

KMC AdHoc announced pledges of over \$200,000

towards Golden Jubilee Fund - 2009

#### September 18, 2004 - Crawfordsville

Executive Committee & Leadership Retreat

Recommend Life Membership dues to be increased to \$500 in

2005 subject to approval of General Body at Houston

Dr. Shyam Mohan Puppala - In charge of Membership Drive

Annual Meetings to be held every Easter weekend from 2006.

#### Dec. 30-31, 2004 - Jan. 2005

Gandhi Medical College Golden Jubilee Celebration

Hyderabad International CME, OUMA cosponsored with GMC

Alumni Association, GMC AEC construction in progress

#### January 12, 2005

OUMA sponsored CPR, BLS, ACLS Overview Workshop (3 hours)

Owaisi Hospital, Deccan College of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad

#### January 16, 2005

OUMA sponsored CPR, BLS, ACLS Overview Workshop (3 hours)

at IMA Sultan Bazar, Hyderabad

#### February 1, 2005

Interventional Techniques for the Management of Low Back Pain at

NIMS, Dr. Manchikanti Laxmaiah

#### April 22, 2005 - Chicago

Midwest Regional Meeting to be held.

#### June 17, 2005 - Houston

Annual Meeting to be held

#### April 14-16, 2006 - Las Vegas

Easter Weekend Annual Meeting Being planned

## OUMA Marks 20th Anniversary Salutes All Past Presidents

1985-86	Sudershan R. Nagulapalli, MD .....	Oakbrook, IL
1986-87	Sashikanth T. David, MD .....	Bessemer, AL
1987-88	Janardana R. Pingili, MD .....	West Patterson, NJ
1988-89	Sudhaker P. Reddy, MD .....	Pittsburgh, PA
1989-90	Sreedhar P. Rao, MD .....	Staten Island, NY
1990-91	Raghuram Vollala, MD .....	Downers' Grove, IL
1991-92	Pushpamala Reddy, MD .....	Pittsburgh, PA
1992-93	Vasudev R. Garlapaty, MD .....	Bloomfield Hills, MI
1993-94	Rajender K. Reddy, MD .....	Cooper City, FL
1994-95	Pratap C. Reddy, MD .....	Shreveport, LA
1995-96	Raj Narsingh P. Rao, MD .....	Panama City, FL
1996-97	Vijay P. Kumar, MD .....	Oakbrook, IL
1997-98	Babu Ramdev Singh, MD .....	Lee, NH
1998	Prabhaker Rumalla, MD .....	Ocala, FL
1998-00	Sanku Surender Rao, MD .....	Enid, OK
2000-03	Jagan M. Ailinani, MD .....	Carbondale, IL
2003-04	Vijaylakshmi Appareddy, MD .....	Chattanooga, TN
2004-	Ravinder Surakanti, MD .....	Crawfordsville, IN

### Treasurer's Report as of March 18, 2005

1) Previous Balance: .....	\$ 82,148.52
2) Deposits:	
- New Memberships .....	\$ 1,700.00
- 1st installment payment from OMACF, Inc. ....	\$ 2,500.00
- Transfer from First Tennessee .....	\$ 40,691.34
<b>Total Deposits .....</b>	<b>\$ 44,891.34</b>
3) Expenses:	
- Hartford Insurance .....	\$ 500.00
- OLM, LLC (webpage maintenance) .....	\$ 119.40
- Registered Agents Legal Services .....	\$ 99.00
- Distinctive Art (2003 & 2004 Awards) .....	\$ 1,057.18
- APMG membership .....	\$ 1,000.00
- OUMA sponsorship of Gandhi Golden Jubilee Celebrations .....	\$ 1,402.00
<b>Total Expenses .....</b>	<b>\$ 4,177.58</b>
<b>FINAL BALANCE .....</b>	<b>\$122,862.28</b>

**Please Note:** The accounts at First Liberty National Bank (Certificate of Deposit) and First Tennessee Bank, Chattanooga (operating account) have been closed and consolidated at Bank One (Chase) 200 S. Washington St., Crawfordsville, IN 47933 as follows:

1) Operating Account (President & Treasurer) ..... \$ 22,862.28

2) Certificate of Deposit (BOT & Treasurer) ..... \$100,000.00

#### MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:

Prior Life Members:.....471

New Life Members after 2004 Directory:..... 23

**TOTAL LIFE MEMBERS .....**494

New Annual Members (Regular):.....8

New Annual Members (Trainee): ..... 1

**Uday B. Chintalapudi, MD**  
Treasurer, OUMA



# Gandhi Medical College Golden Jubilee Celebrations

## Secretary's Report



Three day event was held at Hyderabad from Dec 30th, 2004-Jan 1st, 2005. Over 500 delegates attended the event. Approximately 125 NRI physicians participated. Delegates from USA, UK, Canada, Australia, Carribean Island and Middle East were in attendance.

On Dec 29th registration, reception & cocktails were held at Taj Krishna hotel for NRI delegates.

On Dec 30th formal inauguration of the event was done by Chief minister Dr. Y.S. Rajashekhar Reddy. He informed that AP govt will contribute 50% of money to any project under taken in the Medical Colleges and Hospitals.

International CME was conducted on 2 days (Dec 30th and 31st). This program was sponsored and accredited by Henry Ford Health System, Detroit USA. for 10.5hrs category I CME credit. Faculty members from USA, India, UK and UAE conducted the course. Wide ranging topics of interest were discussed including a special workshop conducted for future NRI physicians by Dr. Peter Coggin of Henry Ford Health System and Sanjiv Tummala from Boston.

We had pleasure of entertainment by S.P. Bala Subramaniam on the evening of Dec 30th. New Year Celebrations were held at old GMC college campus on Dec 31st evening. Valedictory function was held on Jan 1st at the GMC college auditorium. Ravinder Surakanti was honored for his contribution to GMC. Final event of Entertainment and Dinner was held at Ramoji Film city on Jan 1st. Gandhi Global Alliance was launched on this evening with an intention to bring all Gandhians under one umbrella organization. Further discussions will be held regarding the details of this organization.

Santhosh.



L to R: Dr. Chandrashekhar, Dr. A.Y. Chary, Dr. Raja Reddy, Dr. Geeta Reddy, Dr. Y. Rajashekhar Reddy, Dr. Vijayarama Rao, Dr. Kishore Roy, Dr. Rajendar, Dr. Sudhaker Rao and Dr. Ravinder Surakanti.



Dr. Sarala Rao, Dr. R D Kumbar and Dr D. Raja Reddy, President GMCAA



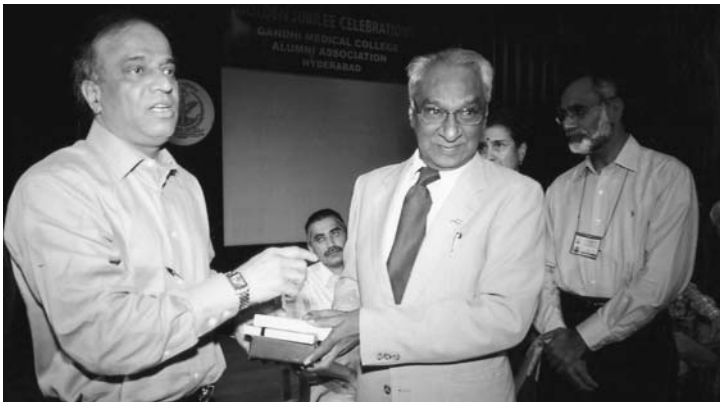
Hon'ble Dr. Y. Rajashekhar Reddy lighting the lamp.

## Inauguration



Dignitaries and International Alumni at the Conference.

# Alumni Education Center



Dr. Sudhaker Rao and Dr. G. Narsingh Rao



Mr. Balasubramaniam at Shilpa Kala Vedika, Shilpa Raman



Dr. Peter Coggin, USA

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# International CME



Dr. Binode Sahay, India



Dr. Varada Raj, USA



Dr. Om Lahoti, UK



**Gastroscope for Gandhi Hospital presented by Dr. Vithal to Dr. Chandrashekhar, organizing Secretary, GMC Golden Jubilee.**

# International and National Honors

## Hind Rattan Award - Dr. C. Govind Rao



**Dr. C. Govind Rao, Hon'ble Sri Jagdish Tytler and Mrs. Jyoti Govind Rao.**

Our chairman of Charitable Foundation received the Hind Rattan Award during 24th International congress of Non Resident Indians in Delhi. Several Central Ministers along with the Vice President of India Sri. Bhairon Singh Shekhawat presided the conference.

Several ministers stated that NRIs spread over different parts of the world are doing wonders. The country is proud of their outstanding services, achievements and contributions for keeping the flag of the country high. "I attribute this award to all members of Osmania Medical alumni Association." Govind Rao MD

## Physician of the Year - Dr. Babu Ramdev



Dr. Babu Ramdev, a physician at the Wentworth-Douglas Hospitals emergency department in Dover, New Hampshire, won the New Hampshire Hospital Association's Medical Staff Award for outstanding services.

The award was presented at the Association's 70th annual meeting at the Balsam's Hotel in Dixville Notch recently.

On the hospital staff since 1976,

Ramdev chaired the Trauma Committee and served as emergency department medical director for many years. He has been involved in community service for long, supporting community projects dedicated to improving health, both locally and internationally. He organized a major fundraising project with the Dover Rotary Club to support its International Polio Plus project to eradicate polio. Through his efforts, the local chapter raised thousands of dollars to help people in Third World countries who could not help themselves, according to the hospital.

He has served as president of the **Indian Medical Association of New England**, and regional director of the **American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin**. He was president of the Dover Medical Society, Stafford County Medical Society and the Dover Rotary Club.

Ramdev is on numerous committees and chairs the hospitals annual golf tournament taskforce that raises funds for Pete's Place, a grief counseling program for children who have lost a loved one.

## Padma Bhushan - Queen Elizabeth Award - Dr. K. Sreenath Reddy



The Royal Society for the Promotion of Health, UK, has selected Prof. K. Srinath Reddy, Head of the Department of Cardiology at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, for the award of its prestigious **Queen Elizabeth Medal in 2005**.

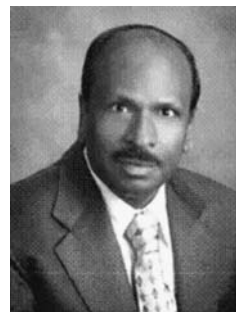
The Chairman of the Royal Society, Andrew Banfield, announced the decision of the Awards Committee, stating that the selection of Prof. Reddy was made from a worldwide field of impressive contributors to the health promotion.

He stated that the Awards Committee was extremely impressed with Prof. Reddy's numerous achievements in the area of health promotion, in India and beyond. In particular, the Committee wished to honor Prof. Reddy for his "innovative work in the areas of cardiovascular disease; prevention and control of non-communicable diseases; tobacco control; school based health education programmes; the establishment of schools for public health and your numerous contributions to international health organizations and research bodies".

The award would be presented to Prof. K. Srinath Reddy at London, on 13th June, 2005. **The Royal Society for the Promotion of Health** was established in 1876 and Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth is its patron.

Prof. K.S. Reddy was also recently selected for the award of **Padma Bhushan, by the President of India**. He is also the first Indian scientist to be selected, in October 2004, as Foreign Associate member of the prestigious **Institute of Medicine** (a division of the National Academies of United States). He was awarded the **WHO Director General's Award** for outstanding contributions to global tobacco control, at the World Health Assembly in Geneva, in 2003.

## Honored Benefactor - Dr. Manchikanti Laxmaiah

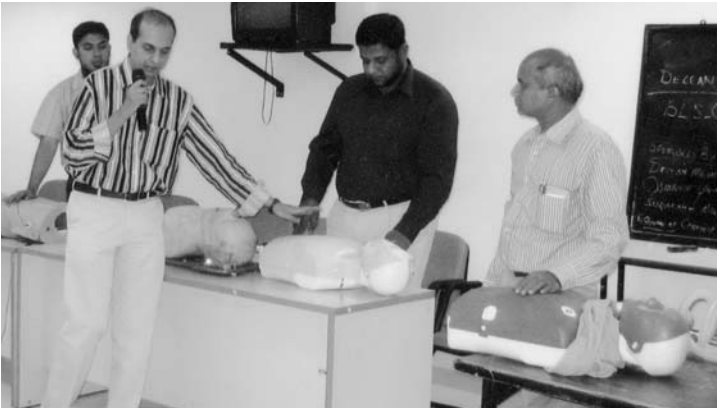


Laxmaiah Manchikanti, M.D., a graduate of the Gandhi Medical College, Osmania University Hyderabad, remains close to his hometown of Bodangparthy, India, despite his busy medical practice half a world away. To improve the educational opportunities for children in India, he has built a high school and in July will attend the inauguration of a new junior college he has supported. He also has built a temple in Bodangparthy.

The Medical Director of the Pain Management Center of Paducah, Kentucky, and Marion, Illinois, Manchikanti founded in 1997 and continues to serve as president of the American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians with about 3,000 members. He also serves as Assistant Clinical Professor of Anesthesiology and Preoperative Medicine of the University of Louisville. He completed his internship and residency in anesthesiology at Gandhi Hospital, as well as residency programs at Youngstown Hospital Association (Northeastern Ohio School of Medicine) and Allegheny General Hospital. He completed a fellowship in anesthesiology and critical care medicine at the University of Pittsburgh.

Board certified in anesthesiology, pain medicine and pain management, he is a member of numerous professional societies and state, national and international associations. He has authored more than 150 articles and book chapters in medical and scientific publications and has edited three pain management books.

# EMS / ACLS



**Dr. Samiuddin and Dr. Maheshwar, Deccan Medical College staff teaching "ACLS Overview" at Owaisi Hospital.**

Dear Colleagues,

I am honored to represent the Osmania Medical Graduates Association, I have graduated from Gandhi Medical College in 1984 and have trained in Emergency Medicine in New York and have been involved with teaching and several international projects through ACER (American College of emergency Physicians) International section.

I have been going to India for the past three years to teach and Promote emergency medicine as a specialty in India. Enhance the quality and raise public awareness of the scope of emergency medical service of emergency medical care and enhance and optimize emergency & disaster preparedness & response in India.

There is a lot that is being done through OUMA, APMG, AAPI organizations. I am attaching a brief report from Hyderabad, India  
**Sent in by Dr.Maheshwar Reddy**

Herewith is the information regarding the ACLS, BTLs, and the NRP program conducted in the Gandhi Medical college in Dec,2004 as a part of Golden Jubilee celebration of Gandhi Medical College.

BLS conducted for the candidates registered to the ACLS and BTLs courses on 19\* December 2004 from 10.00 am to 6pm with Watch and practice sessions and testing at the end of the session. 79 candidates have undergone the training and all of them have scored the required score to award the BLS certification and issue of cards. The Instructors who have helped in the course are: Dr. D.V.S.S. Prasad Rao from Kakinada; Dr. Bhupesh Kumar, A from the Gandhi alumni; Dr. Sanjeev Kumar instructor trained in Osmania Medical college in March, 2003; Dr. Chandini Rani BLS, ACLS instructor; Dr. Maheshwar Reddy.P.

ACLS class is conducted on 20th and 21st Dec,2004 in the Gandhi Medical College. A total of 52 candidates have trained in the ACLS course, all have been awarded with the ACLS cards at the end of the program. The instructors are: Mr. Adam. S. Blumenthal, NREMT -P; Miss Mary Popovich, NREMT-P, email: popovich@cup.edu , or Merrymedic@yahoo.com; Dr.S.V.Krishna Rao, consultant cardiologist from Global Hospital, Hyderabad; Dr. Samiuddin, MD Consultant Pulmonologist from Global Hospital, Hyderabad; Dr. Bhupesh Kumar.A, MRCP; Dr. Dilip from USA; Dr.Maheshwar Reddy. P

BTLs class is conducted on 22nd and 23rd Dec,2004 in Gandhi Medical College A total of 42 candidates have trained in the BTLs course, all have been awarded with the attendance certificates at the end of the program, BTLs cards are yet to be issued. The instructors are: Mr.Adam.S.Blumenthal,NREMT-P; Miss Mary Popovich, NREMT-P, email: popovich@cup.edu , or Merrymedic@yahoo.com; Dr. Sunitha, BTLs instructor from Ramaiah Medical College, Bangalore; Dr.Maheshwar Reddy.P

NRP class is conducted on 24th Dec,2004 in Gandhi Medical College A total of 32 candidates have trained in the NRP course, all have been



**Dr. Ravinder Surakanti with a group of nursing home physicians at ACLS Workshop - IMA A.P. State Branch.**

awarded with the attendance certificates at the end of the program, NRP cards are yet to be issued. The instructors are: Dr.Rajam Ramamurthy, Prof. Pediatrics UTHSCSA, 7703 Floyd curl Drive San Antonio, TX USA 78229-3900, rramamurth@Coiuthsca.edu is the Lead Instructor; Dr. Ravi Shanker, Prof of pediatrics from Niloufer Hospital,Hyderabad; Mr. Adam. S. Blumenthal, NREMT-P; Miss Mary Popovich, NREMT-P, email: popovich@cup.edu, or Merrymedic@yaliQQ.com

This was a very successful event.

I would like to thank Dr.Ravinder Surakanti and OUMA and AAPI CPR BLS ACLS Overview. Interactive 3 hour workshop. Owaisi Hospital, Deccan College of Medical Sciences Jan. 12 2005 and IMA Hall, Sultan Bazar, Hyderabad, Jan. 16, 2005 by Drs. Surakanti, Maheshwar, Samiuddin, Krishna Rao, local faculty.

In AP there is a lot of enthusiasm and awareness of emergency medicine. Emergency medicine is relatively new specialty, what we need to promote is its impact on safe and effective patient transport and in hospital emergency care.

We all know the impact of ACLS, PALS and ATLS on in hospital mortality reduction. Lot could be achieved by simply training a number of physicians in the ACLS and PALS.

If we can have a core faculty of instructors within the medical schools. They can have their own courses. Enhance and optimize emergency & disaster preparedness & response in India We have had several successful classes recently.

I am planning to develop a core curriculum for emergency airway management and trauma care, core curriculum for emergency medicine based on the local emergencies. I am looking to net work with all AP medical graduates who may be interested in putting these projects together.

Lastly we need to push the Indian medical council to recognize the specialty of emergency medicine. We proposed an accelerated residency program linked to a primary care residency.

We need to encourage the private hospital net works and small nursing homes to take the lead. They account for 60- 70 % bed capacity in India. Emergency care in Disasters is another aspect requires both governmental and non-governmental cooperation. There is a lot of enthusiasm for this.

Once again thanking you  
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# Niloufer Hospital News

Neena Rao Charitable Trust built a 18 bed Pediatric Intensive Care Unit, 4 Operation Theater complex a Conference Hall with the latest Audio Visual equipment spending \$250,000 - in 2001. The Trust also renovated the library at Niloufer Hospital spending Rs. 8 Lakhs. Dr. Govind Rao and Dr. Vidyasagar have been with this project for the last 3 years. They have been in constant touch with the Hospital Superintendent and the Health Secretary of the Govt of Andhra Pradesh in regard to improving the patients, facilities for the the Post Graduate students. They have arranged several lectures and visiting professors to the hospital. Dharmapuri Vidyasagar visited Niloufer Hospital in Dec 2004. Dr. Govind Rao visited Niloufer Hospital January of 2005.

Recognizing the need for trained critical care pediatricians and nursing specialists, Dr. Ranganath, Pediatrician and Nurse Mrs. Siva Kalle, were selected to visit Columbus Children's Hospital, Columbus Ohio on a Steckler Scholarship. We are ever grateful to Columbus

Children's Hospital, Dr. Thomas Hansen the Medical Director of Columbus Children's Hospital for the \$30,000 grant provided for the training of Dr. Ranganath and Siva Kumari in Pediatric Critical Care at Columbus Children's Hospital. Columbus Children's Hospital had donated new Ventilators to Niloufer Hospital PICU in 2002. It is still in custom's office in Bombay due to lack of interest on the part of Hospital authorities. Arrangements are being made now to release the Ventilators from the customs.

We are happy to say that PICU and OT units are functioning to the maximum capacity. The Vidyasagar Conference hall is being used for teaching medical and nursing students. Twin City Pediatric Association is conducting the conferences regularly and inviting Visiting professors for lectures.

Dr. Dharmapuri Vidyasagar and Dr. Govind Rao have pursued to improve the Library at Niloufer Hospital. The modernized library has computers and internet access and is readily available to postgraduate students. We are attempting to make the library available round the clock. Dr. Rao and Dr. Vidyasagar have purchased computers for the Library. The Library and the Hospital was visited by well known pediatricians and neonatologists from Harvard, Baylor and Case Western Universities along with Dr. Vidyasagar over the last three years. In between, Dr. Vidyasagar and Dr. Rao have been meeting with Dr. NCK Reddy the Superintendent, the DME, Health Secretary and Finance Minister Roshiah. They promised to create a post of Librarians so that the Library will be kept open from 8 AM to 8PM.

We sincerely thank Dr. Govind Rao's brother Mr. Harinath Chamkur, the staff of Niloufer, and Dr. Janardhan Reddy the then Minister of Health for making the project a success.

We invite one and all to participate in this very successful and rewarding experience.

Dr. Govind Rao  
Dr. Dharmapuri Vidyasagar.

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## A plea to the alumni:

**Niloufer Hospital is the only major teaching hospital that serves the indigenous population. It has a very distinguished history as a top post graduate institute, which evolved under the leadership of distinguished persons such as Dr. Harish Chandra, Purushottam Rao and Y.S. Reddy. It still is a great teaching institution in the state of Andhra Pradesh. Its physical facilities are fantastic.**

**However, like other government hospitals, it is suffering from a lack of modern facilities and strong commitment from the government. Not a day goes without heart rendering stories because of lack of adequate facilities.**

**We invite one and all to get involved in the project of enhancing the services at Niloufer Hospital. Obviously it takes a great amount of effort, financial and time commitment of volunteers. We look forward to your participation.**

Thank you,  
Dr. D. Vidyasagar.  
Dr. Govind C. Rao.

## Visiting Professor Program

### MediCiti Hospitals and MediCiti Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad in Collaboration with OUMA Launches Another Indo-American Visiting Professor Program

The MediCiti institutions in Hyderabad with the assistance of OUMA started a new initiative, Indo-American Visiting Professor Program. With the growth of MediCiti and its institutions including the new medical college, this brand new initiative was undertaken with the idea of developing and maintaining academic excellence in Hyderabad. The originator of this program, Dr. Venkata Ram, felt that if a distinguished academic scholar from USA spends quality time at MediCiti, Hyderabad, it would have novel and important implications for teaching and clinical care. According to Dr. Ram the usual (and typical) CME conferences do not serve this purpose and hence a dedicated, focussed, one-to-one interaction is essential to make a meaningful impact on the quality of academics and patient care.

The first Indo-American MediCiti visiting professor was Dr. John Farmer of the cardiology department, Ben Taub General Hospital, or Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX, who spent a full week at MediCiti in July 2004. Dr. Farmer interacted very closely with the medical students, residents and staff physicians. A typical day's schedule included morning report, clinical rounds in CCU/ICU/Wards, case discussions, informal dialogue and at least one formal lecture daily. Even the Osmania Medical College staff came for a couple of days to join and this made it a nice citywide event. Each consecutive night, MediCiti also arranged formal lecture series for the benefit of cardiologist and general physicians of Hyderabad and surrounding areas; these were well attended and the attendees appreciated the MediCiti effort to provide solid, high caliber medical education.

As a part of this undertaking by MediCiti, Dr. Farmer also addressed the National Institution of Nutrition, Reddy Research Labs, and the Reach Program, a brainchild of Dr. P.S. Reddy. It is perhaps for the first time in the medical history of Hyderabad, that such a broad scope intensive citywide medical program was ever undertaken which has re-affirmed the basic mission of MediCiti to offer excellence in education and patient care.

From the MediCiti side, the local arrangements were made by the administration represented by Mr. Narayanswamy and Mr. Y.S. Chowdhary; the scientific program was coordinated and hosted by Dr. Vijay Kumar, Chief of the Pulmonary Dept./ICU and Director of the CME cell, and by Dr. Sudhir Naik, Chief of Cardiology, and Dean of the Medical College. From the US side, Dr. Venkata Ram of Dallas helped to facilitate Dr. John Farmer's participation and the trip to MediCiti.

**The KMC 1964 batch is organizing a 40 year reunion.  
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www.kmcwarangal.org - www.kmcosa.org**

## Gandhi Medical College Alumni Education Center

The Golden Jubilee of GMC was celebrated from December 29th to January 1st, 2005. The AdHoc Committee which was formed for the Golden Jubilee Celebrations coordinated their efforts with GMC Alumni Association in Hyderabad. The celebration was well attended and the event was festive and memorable. The AdHoc Committee also raised funds for construction of Alumni Education Center (A.E.C.), on the campus of the Gandhi Hospital and Medical College in Mushirabad. The construction of A.E.C. is in progress and expected to be completed by the end of this year.

At the direction of Dr. Ravinder Surakanti, president of OUMA, a Standing Committee has been formed to coordinate the completion of A.E.C. and its future operations. The A.E.C. will have a main auditorium with two hundred seats and several break out classrooms and faculty rooms. Dr. Manchikanti Laxmaiah of Kentucky has offered \$100,000.00 and we are proud to announce that the main auditorium will be named in his honor. A library in the A.E.C. is being sponsored by the class of 1967.

The inauguration of A.E.C. is expected to take place by the end of this year. The center should enhance the educational opportunities for medical students and post graduates for generations to come.

We wish to thank the following alumni who have contributed or pledged to this project (see page 14). We hope all GMC Alumni will support this noble cause.

Tax deductible donations can be made to: **OMACF Inc., please indicate GMC GMCAEC in the memo section.**

Sincerely, for the Standing Committee,

Dr. R. D. Kumar, Chair

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## A Million Dollar Goal for KMC

Kakatiya Alumni attending the OUMA Regional Meeting in summer of 2004 at American Telugu Association Convention in Chicago, decided to celebrate Golden Jubilee in 2009, 50 years since the first batch of students joined KMC.

President Ravinder Surakanti appointed Dr. Laxmipathi Garipalli as Chair and Dr. Sreedhar Rao as Co-Chair of KMCGJ AdHoc Committee. The committee members and alumni expressed their goal of reaching 1 Million Dollars to improve medical education at KMC and announced pledges of 1 Quarter Million Dollars at the meeting.

	Pledges	Donations
Dr. Lakireddy Hanmireddy, CA	100K	
Drs. Lakshmi and Laxmipathi Garipalli, NJ	30K	30K
Drs. Mahender Reddy and Arun Jyothi, AL	25K	
Dr. Ashok Pilly and Swaroopa, NJ	25K	
Dr. Vasantha Perkari and Sudhaker, NJ	25K	
Dr. Gopal Gade and Runa, CA	25K	
Drs. Sreedhar Rao and Sarojini, NJ	10K	
Dr. Saranga Pani and Vijaya, OH	5K	
Dr. Parshuram Reddy and Prema, NJ	5K	

We would like to encourage KMC and other college students to contribute generously and make it a grand alumni fund raising project for our Golden Jubilee.

Please make checks payable to **OMACF, Inc.**, and indicate **KMCGJ** in the memo. For information, contact:

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Dr. Sreedhar Rao

## OMC Main Library Update

On his recent trip in December/January to Gandhi Golden Jubilee, President Ravinder Surakanti was given a detailed tour of OMC Main Library and Casualty Ward and Acute Medical Care Unit at Osmania General Hospital by Dr. Nandan Singh, President, OMCOSA, Dr. Neeraj Raj, E-Library Coordinator, Dr. Dinesh Raj Mathur, Vice Principal, OMC and Chairman of the Library Committee, when a request was made to Alumni from OMCOSA and OUMA to update both of these facilities.

These were reviewed and discussed at the Exec. Committee and Chairman, OMACF, and many OMC Alumni and the consensus was the Main Library Update project to be taken up first. Dr. Ravinder announced OMC Main Library update AdHoc Committee of: Dr. Anand Kishore, Dr. Saimamba, Dr. Hanumanth Reddy, Dr. Madhusudhan Gupta, and Dr. Sudhaker Reddy Mettu will lead the efforts.

Drs. Sudhaker Reddy Mettu and Lekha announced a pledge of \$5,000 towards the initial set goal of \$250,000.

Please donate generously and make check payable to **OMACF, Inc.** and indicate **OMCML** in the memo. For more information, contact:

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Dr. Saimamba Veeramachaneni

## Projects Accomplished - Ongoing

2002	Electronic Library at Osmania, Gandhi, Kakatiya	\$50,000 initial \$12,000 per annum recurring
2003	ACLS Labs and programs at Osmania, Gandhi, Kakatiya Visiting Professor Program Ongoing Preventive Health Program Supported Community Based Free Clinics in USA	\$50,000 Recurring expenses variable
2004	Gandhi Medical College Alumni Education Center Construction Scheduled For completion December 2005	Goal \$1,000,000 Estimated Cost \$ 500,000 Pledges made \$ 400,000 Donations received \$ 300,000

## Projects Launched

July 2004	KMC Golden Jubilee Goal 2004 Pledges	\$1,000,000 \$ 250,000
March 2005	OMC Main Library Update Initial Phase I Goal Pledges made 3/05	\$ 250,000 \$ 5,000

Dollar amounts are rounded off, you may contact the Chairman, OMACF, Inc. for any details.

**GMCAEC - KMCGJ - OMCML**  
**Focus Group Meetings**  
**to be held on**  
**Saturday the 18th at the Hilton**  
**Time and Location**  
**to be announced**  
**at OUMA Annual Meeting**  
**on the 17th.**

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All the donors who have supported the Charitable Foundation since its inception in 2002 and helped accomplish projects undertaken. Still much needs to be done. Major gifts and contributions for these noble causes:

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# ON BEING A DOCTOR - She Is a Beautiful Lady

Dean, 87, and his wife Donna, 78, would ritualistically arrive every 3 months in my geriatrics clinic, rain or shine. They had been married for 61 years. They lived in the same home for all these blissful years and took great pride in that. From the beginning, Donna ably presumed the spokesperson's role and impressed me as a reliable and caring informant who knew Dean more than he knew himself. These interactions spanned over 4 years. The staff became accustomed to the couple's regular presence and even grew quite fond and sympathetic of their changing dynamics and physical, functional, sensory, and mental declines.

Eventually, Donna reported Dean's progressive forgetfulness and impaired comprehension and retention of important elements of daily life. One of the defining moments in their long and harmonious marriage seemed to involve an incident at a family reunion. Dean failed to recognize their 8-year-old granddaughter Amy and evidenced absolute lack of knowledge about another newborn grandson. This devastated the first-time proud parents, and Donna, of course, but Dean was immersed in a blissful oblivion.

The following clinic visits witnessed Dean's deepening dementia. Donna's stubbornness as an intensely passionate wife, caregiver, and woman of pride would not allow her beloved husband to be taken care of by strangers outside of their home. She was equally opposed to the idea of both of them moving into an assisted-living facility. She was too attached to their home, the memories, the mementos, and their social connections. She was also intensely attached to their local connections—the church, the grocery store, and their neighbors. No amount of persuasion from her daughters, from the interdisciplinary team members, or from me could convince her to reconsider. In every discussion, Dean would pleasantly and willingly allow Donna to tighten and loosen her clasp on his fingers and lock his gaze with hers. Often it would baffle me as to how he could watch the whole process of these discussions centering on him with such a detached stance. There were moments when I wished I had Dean's incredible capacity for detachment myself. With a nonchalant and determined voice, Donna might wonder aloud if the Mayo Clinic perhaps could help Dean's memory.

With understandable reluctance, Donna eventually agreed for home-based primary care services. The home care staff, not surprisingly, relayed to me Dean's worsening memory and activity levels. He remained pleasant, Donna still possessive of him, both determined that they would remain at home. Dean began to feel quite insecure after spending even a few waking moments in Donna's absence. Donna grew frustrated at not having the mere privacy of her bathroom. At such times, Dean would scream for her like a toddler searching for his parent. From a charming, well-sculpted lady who almost always prompted a second gaze from passersby, Donna had become the personification of an elderly, fatigued, and burdened lady with a single mission in life, taking care of Dean.

But Donna never reported any of this during their clinic visits. She had heard enough of friendly reprimands about caregiver burnout, support groups, and specially designed programs for such patients and their families. Somewhat miraculously, however, she permitted us to offer Dean respite care provision in our nursing home care unit for 2 weeks. Dean, with his memory impairment, had no perceivable problems. When Donna visited him 3 days after his admission, she was distraught at his response to her presence. She seemed quite disappointed that he did not miss her or panic in her absence. Worse still, he seemed only vaguely familiar with her and would not call her by her name. Donna's emotions flooded. There was no stopping her. She complained that he had grown worse with the hospital stay and immediately took him home.

Soon Dean lost the memory of his relationship with Donna, which in turn deflated her passion and purpose in life. Dean began to miss his follow-up appointments. The family reported that Donna had an unexpected fall at home. She was hospitalized, and a few days later, she passed away.

Their daughter told me this: "Dad had no reaction and seemed not to acknowledge Mom's death. We explained it to him several times. My 10-year-old seemed to know much more of what had happened than my Dad. Mom was embalmed and looked so very beautiful. We draped her in a gorgeous olive green satin dress with sequins and rich embroidery. She looked so stunning. We took Dad to her casket. He appeared perplexed. He was vaguely familiar with her face, but could not recognize his life partner of 61 years when she was still and motionless, without her apron, without her hovering. He looked at her and returned to his seat. No expressions still. When we asked him, 'Daddy, what did you see?' Dad simply said,

'She is a beautiful lady.'"

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Executive Committee at Crawfordsville meeting. L-R: Drs. Santhosh, Uday, Gopal, Ravinder and Shyam.

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