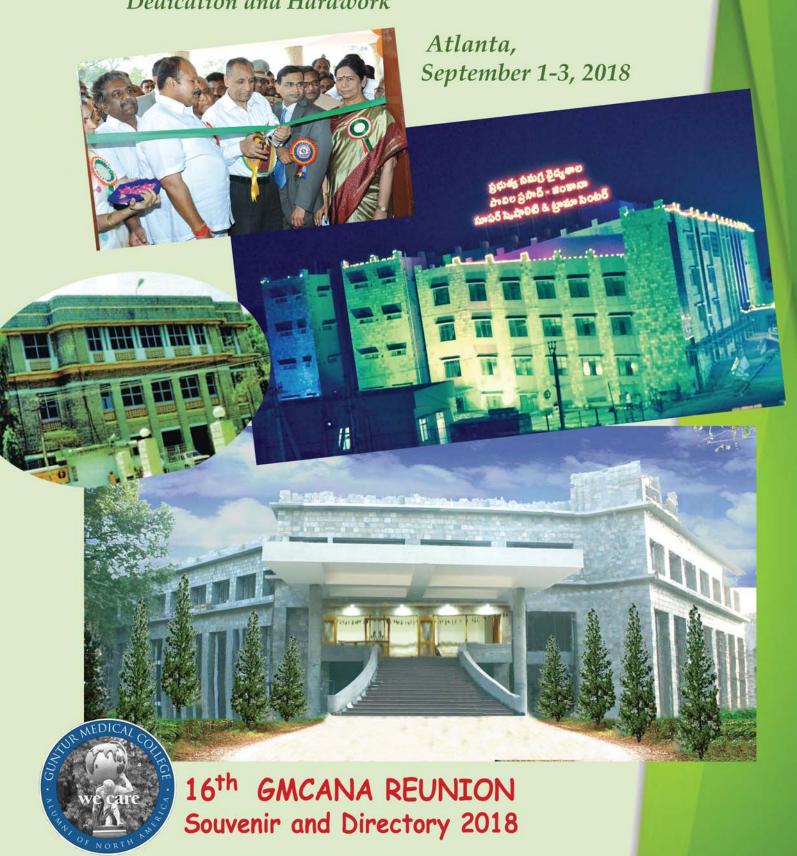
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When I was asked by Dr. Sambasiva Rao to take the responsibility of the editor, I was surprised as well as anxious. But at the same moment, I felt it as a great opportunity to contribute to GMCANA which I always have immense respect for and am proud to be a part of. When I said yes, I did not know that the task would be tougher than I expected it to be. However, I was motivated with the encouragement given by the senior members in the committee. I realized the untiring efforts of the Alumni members over the Past 37 years in making GMCANA a role model organization for the other Alumni. Some of the stories I read of in the process of making the souvenir were very inspiring and helped me to learn a lot of new things. I would like to specially thank Drs. V. Chowdary Jampala, Ravi Kumar Tripuraneni, Lokesh Edara, Sambasiva Rao Sukhavasi, Rama Raju Yalavarthi, and Prof. Vasudevarao, for always being available and sharing their invaluable experience with me. I also like to thank my wife Dalika who is very patient and always willing to help. I thoroughly enjoyed the whole journey of being an editor and would definitely like to be part of it in future.

> Siva Kumar Muddana (2002) Editor

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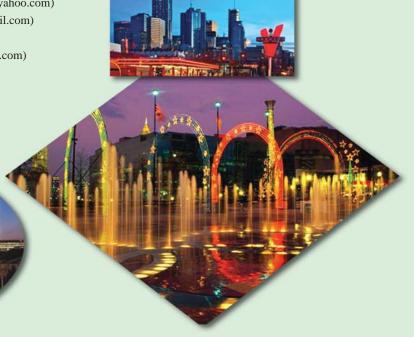
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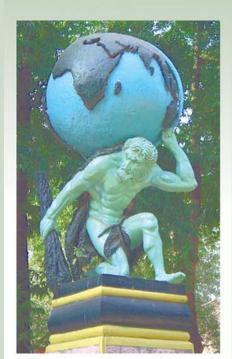


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Dear fellow alumni and friends,

First of all, I want to thank you all for taking the time to read my message because I always felt messages in a magazine are boring and uninspiring.

It was a weak moment when I volunteered to be the convener for the Atlanta reunion. When I announced this, many of my friends cheered me instantly. Then I realized I was in a soup. Jokes apart, we formed an organizing committee with alumni from GMC, RMC and SMC living in Metro Atlanta. I am lucky to have the guidance and vision of many experienced alumni like Dr. Manga Raju and Dr. Das. My friend, Uday Tata, is always encouraging me and happily took more than his share of the work during the preparation. Dr. Vidya Yalamanchili was instrumental in organizing the CME with Emory University. We had many memorable evenings - meeting with friends and families, enjoying dinner and discussing plans for the reunion.

The Executive Committee and Board of Trustees of GMCANA are very supportive. After speaking and listening to them, I realized my contributions to the organization are actually miniscule in comparison. Dr. Sambasiva Rao, President of GMCANA, has been there for every step of the way and visited us a few times from Houston to help with the arrangements. Many of my classmates and the alumni in the Atlanta area were also very generous in contributing money and their valuable time.

Atlanta, being the hub of transportation, makes it a convenient location for the reunion. It has a rich southern culture and is known for its southern hospitality. We are planning many cultural events with local talent along with artists from India who will entertain you for the three days during the reunion. Serving you the delicious Andhra cuisine is another icing on the cake!

I thank the Organizing Committee and the Volunteers for their time and support. I am also thankful and feel fortunate to be the convener of this reunion.

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Dear Friends,

It is with distinct pleasure and plentiful excitement that we are joining together again for the 16th time at our GMCANA reunion in Atlanta, GA. We started in humble beginnings as an organization 37 years ago. We came a long way as a premier alumni association that has inspired many others across the globe. What a journey it has been! Under the stellar leadership and direction of several selfless GMC alumni, we can be proud of our grand accomplishments that stand out at GMC and GGH.

Our whole hearted commitment to our alma mater is solely based on our aspiration to help develop GMC and GGH as premier modern medical education facilities. We have proved our resolve over 3 decades from providing a simple xerox machine to building the state of the art Podila - GMCANA Super Speciality and Trauma Center with 1.5 lakh SFT. This landmark structure has become a pivotal, bustling health care facility close to the capital of Navyandhra state. Over 500 heart surgeries, 4 successful heart transplants, several kidney transplants and total joint transplants have been performed here in a short span of 4 years. New Neurosurgical unit and Neurology services including a first of its kind stroke center are flourishing. A new GI department will be developed soon. We are actively working on a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) with the government in developing a brand new, 2.5 Lakh SFT, 597 bed, 6 floor state of the art Maternity and Child Health Center building. All of these modern, yet essential services would not have seen the day of light without the brilliant forethought, extensive involvement, persistent resolve and generous contributions of our alumni. Our coordinators in Guntur are doing a tremendous job in managing all our projects with utmost diligence.

Our contributions to GGH and GMC have enthused several philanthropists to step up and get involved. This year, Dr. T.K Rao once again donated over \$100,000 in memory of Drs. Kanakadurga and Madan Mohan. Sri N.V. Chowdary (NATCO)'s Comprehensive Cancer Center including a High Energy linear accelerator at a cost of Rs. 30 crores is nearing completion. International Rotary Club has donated several thousands of dollars for various projects and a new stroke unit at GGH, thanks to the efforts of our own Babu Sagireddy.

GMCANA auditorium is still the crown jewel at GMC, teaming with all kinds of educational and cultural activities and student services. A new gate and access road have been provided to avoid disruption to the college. It has been the home for several national and state level conferences. It is heartening to note that annual College Day, Fresher's Day, Graduation Day and several alumni class reunions are being celebrated there regularly. The memorable graduating class photos and reunion pictures on the steps of the auditorium provide incredible amount of satisfaction to all of us that were part of this mega project. The air conditioned reading room is very popular with students. We started a complete renovation and make over of the lecture gallery above the library with the cooperation of the principal of GMC, Dr. G. Subbarao. Lokesh Edara is actively engaged with the students in motivating them to excel in the competitive exams to secure more PG seats.

GMCANA is fiscally on solid ground owing to a very sound and diligent management by our leadership keeping our overhead at the minimum. Our leadership spends enormous amounts of hours over the phone and personally when visiting Guntur. Many of our members go out of their way spending time away from their families, meeting the staff at GMC and GGH and dealing with Government officials to get the projects in place and making sure our contributions are spent efficiently.

In keeping with the tradition, we are once again proud to present you with the Directory 2018 for the 16th time, thanks to the tireless efforts of Ravi Tripuraneni, O. Krishna Murthy and many others. It takes a tremendous amount of time and effort to keeping the information of our alumni up to date, every 2 years. If you find any missing or erroneous information, please help correct them on our website www.gmcana.org, filling in membership update form, or by emailing our database coordinator Dr. O. Krishna Murthy at okmurthy2003@yahoo.com.

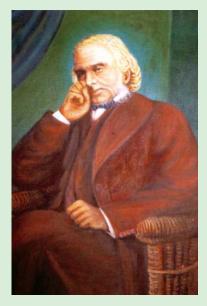
Over the years we have proven that as a team, we can deliver the promises made and complete the projects we take up, despite onerous adversities. We are genuinely grateful to the wonderful alumni that are interested in helping our *alma mater* without any ulterior motives. We look forward to achieving greater successes with your continued support and unfailing camaraderie.

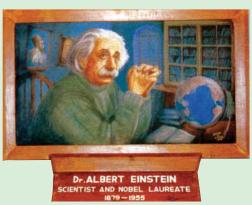
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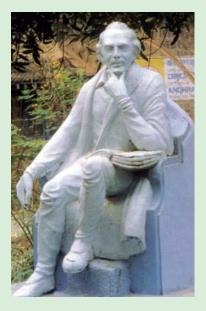
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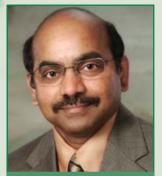








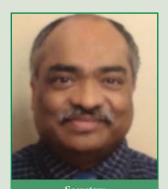
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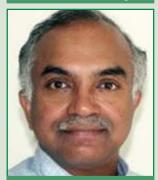
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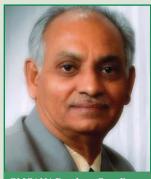
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4th	St. Louis, MO	Aug. 12-14, 1994	Bhaskara Murthy Ponnuru
5th	Atlanta, GA	Aug. 9-11, 1996	Mangaraju Vanapalli
6th	Pittsburgh, PA	Aug. 14 -16, 1998	Hemakumar Vakamudi
7th	New York	Aug. 4-6, 2000	Rajeswara Rao Patcha
8th	Chicago	Aug. 31-Sept. 1, 2002	Prasada Rao Ravella
9th	Anaheim, CA	Sept. 4 -6, 2004	Ravindra Alapati
10th	Orlando, FL	Sept. 2-4, 2006	Gummadi Sivasagar
11th	Dallas, TX	Aug. 30-Sept.1 2008	Narasimha Rao Vemula
12th	St. Louis, MO	Sept. 4-6, 2010	Babu Rajendra Prasad Dandamudi
13th	Chicago, IL	Sept. 1-3, 2012	Surendra Avula
14th	New Orleans, LA	May 24-26, 2014	Satyanarayana Malur
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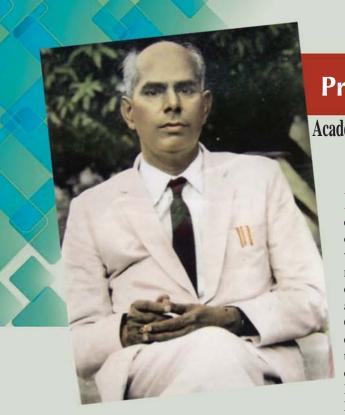
బూరు వైద్య కళాశాల స్థాపించి నేటికి 60 వనంతాలు 1945 క్రపంచ యుద్ధం సమయంలో జపాన్ మ తెన్నేటి విశ్వనాధం, ఎస్టేటీ పట్టాభితామాత్రావు, కౌకోటీర్ పూర్తి వేసుకుని వణ్తోళ్ళవాలు జరుపుకుంటోంది. ఇటువం (రాసుపై బాంబుల వర్షం కురిపిస్తే యుద్ధంలో గాయవర్య డ్డీ వంటి క్యాబినెట్ మంత్రులు నాటి మద్రాను హైకోర్సు జ ప్రతిష్టలు తెల్చిసెడ్డిన మహనీయులను ఒకమారు స్వరం టీజీష్ ప్రభుత్వం కళాశాల ఏర్పాటుకు మౌలిక సదుపా ప్రాంతాలు వెళ్ళాల్లి, వచ్చేది. ఉళ్లర్ డి జగన్నాధరెడ్డి యాలు ఉన్నాయో లేదో అని తేల్చమని ఒక కమిటిని 1954లో బ్రిన్సిపల్ బాధ్యతలు వేవట్మాక కళాశాల రూపురే అది 1940వ సంవత్సరం... స్వాతంత్ర్యోద్యమ స్పూర్తి 27.12.1945న ఏర్పాటు చేసింది. మేజర్ పోనే నాయక. ఖలు మారిపోయాయి...కళాశాల కట్టడానికి సంబంధించి ఏ పంటల కోసం పూర్తిగా వర్షం మీద ఆధారవడాల్సిందే. దన్న నివేదికను భవుత్వానికి సమర్పించింది. ఆప్పట్లో గుర్తుంచుకోదర్ల మరానీయుడ్లు జెల్లంకొంద వెంకటే ప్రజలు ఎన్నో రకాల ఆనారోగ్యాలు, కరువు కాటకాలతో గుంటూరు వైద్య కళాశాల కోసం బడ్జెట్లో నిధులను సై శ్వర్లు ఈయనే కళాశాల శిల్పి, వారిద్దరు కలసీ ప్రవంచం నతమతమవుతున్న నమయమది. ఆంధ్ర త్రైన్లవ కళాశాల. తం కేటాయించారు. కమిటి సీఫార్స్సుతో అప్పటి ముఖ్య. లో ఎక్కడా లేని శిల్పాలను కళాశాలలో ఏర్పాటు చేశారు. పుణ్యమా అని అప్పటికే గుంటూరు విద్యా కేంద్రంగా విరా - మంత్రి రాజుగోపాలావారి. ఆ నిధులను మధురై మర్బించి. కళాశాల అవసరాలకనుగుణంగా గుంటూరు జనరల్ ఆన్స జిల్లతోంది. గుంటూరు. కృష్ణ, పశ్చిమ గోదావరి, నల్గాం ఆక్కడ వైద్య కళాశాల నిర్మించారు. ఆ సమయంలోనే మ. త్రిని 1955లో తీర్చిదిద్దారు. దాక్షర్ మునుస్వామి సూమ ద తదితర ప్రాంతాల ప్రజలకు గుంటూరు జిల్ల కేం బ్రాను ప్రభుత్వం మారి గుంటూరు వాస్తవ్యడైన ఆంధ్రకేస రింబెండెంటోగా క్లీనికల్ కోర్పులు ప్రారంభమై అండెలంచే దంలోని వంచ పదకల వైద్యశాలే దిక్కు అప్పటికే కుగ్లర్, 🛮 రి బంగుటూరి ప్రకాశం పంతులు ముఖ్యమంత్రిగా నీయ. లుగా వంద పదకల ఆస్పత్రి 1100 పదకలుగా రూపాం కన్నెల/సెయింట్ జోనఫ్) వైద్యశాలలు ప్రజలకు వైద్యసేవ | మీతులయ్యారు. మరలా ఆ నలుగురు మహానుభావులు తరం వెందింది. సూపర్ స్పెషాలిటీ విభాగాలలో నిష్మాతు లు అందిన్నన్నాయి. పైన పేర్చొన్న ఆన్ని ప్రాంతాలలోని "టంగుటూరికి సిఫార్ను" పంపడం మొదలుపెట్కారు. గతం లైన వైద్యులతో, అత్యున్నత ప్రమాణాలతో గుంటూరు వై" సమలు నాటు వైద్యం. ఆయుర్వేదం మీద ఆధారపడే లో జరిగిన అన్యాయం గురించి సమావేశాలు ఏర్పాటు ద్య కళాశాల, గుంటూరు స్రవుత్వ ఆస్పతికి స్రవంచ వారు. గుంటూరు ఇండియన్ మెడికల్ ఆసోసియేషన్ న చేసి తమ గళాన్ని వినిపించారు. 'గుంటూరు నాకు తె స్వాయిలో గుర్తింపు రావడం గుంటూరుకే వైద్య కళాశాల ఓ గుంటూరులో ఉన్న అతి కొద్దిమంది వైద్యులు 15 రోజు కాశాలను ప్రారంభానికి ప్రభుత్వవరంగా అన్ని చర్యలను కాను బహ్మనంచరెడ్డి, కళా వెంకటావు, శివరామ్నవసాద్, లకు ఒకసారి వంతుల వారీగా రోజుకు రెండు గంటలు చై టంగుటూరి చ్రవాశం వంతులు తీసుకున్నారు. ఆలనాటి తె బి గోపాలేరెడ్డి, పివిజి రాజు, డాక్టర్ ఎం.వి. రమణమూ జలకు ఉదితంగా సేవలు అందించి, మందులను సైతం లుగింది అవపడుచు, స్రముఖ ఆయుర్వేద వైద్యరాలు ఆ క్రి, డాక్టర్ మేజర్ కెఎస్ రావు, కళాశాల అభివృద్ధి కమిటి చంట లక్ష్మీపతి సతీమణి ఉమ్మడి మద్రాను రాష్ట్రంలో పై సభ్యులు దేశిరాజు హనుమంతరావు, పార్లమెంట్ సభ్యులు గుండారులో ఒక వైద్య కళాశాల వేస్తే గాని ఇక్కడ ప్రై డ్య. ఆరోగ్య మంత్రిగా ఆవంట రుక్మణమ్మ చల్లని చూపు. మల్లి సుదర్శనం, డాక్టర్ ఎంఖ కృష్ణారావు, పరుహరి వీర జలకు పూర్తి స్థాయిలో న్యాయం చేయలేమని ఆ కాలంలో. తో డాక్టర్ జి.వి.ఎస్. మూర్తి ప్రవేక్షకాధికారిగా గుంటూరు. య్యవౌదరిల కృషి సేవలు ఎన్నటికీ మరువలేనివి.

కళాశాల, వైద్యశాలకు ఎనలేని సేవలు ఆందించిన స్థాపనకు యోచిందిన వారిలో డాక్టర్ <u>స్ రామదాను,</u> . 1946 మొదట్లో 50 మంది విద్యార్భలతో గవర్నమెం డాక్టర్ విస్సా రామచందరావు, డాక్టర్ ఎఎస్ఆర్ మూర్తి, డాక్టర్ పర్స్కుల ఏరయ్యులైదరి. డాక్టర్ సి హనుమంతరా ట్ టైనింగ్ కళాశాలగా ప్రారంభించారు. ఏ క్లినికల్ కోర్పు నాగన్న, డాక్టర్ కెఆర్ఆర్ మోహనరావు, డాక్టన్ ఎల్ వు. డ్యార్ ఎ.ఎలవతిరావులు ముఖ్యలుగా చెప్పవచ్చు. లు అందుకు కావార్సిన లాబరేటరీ వసతులు అంద క్రైస్త సూర్యనారాయణ, డ్యార్స్ సదాశివరావు, డ్యార్స్ పిన్నమనే అప్పటిలోనే చ్రముఖ క్యాన్సర్ వైద్య నివుణులుగా వ కళాశాల నమర్పించింది. అప్పటి ఎ.సి. కళాశాల భీ ని వెంకటేశ్వరరావు మద్దీనేని గోపాలకృష్ణ డాక్టర్ జాలక్స్ పేరుగాంచిన <u>సి రామరాసు</u> తన తదనంతరం తన యావ*్స్*ఫాల్ సైఫ్స్ కృషికూడా ఇందులో ఉంది. దాక్టర్ జి. షారైడ్డి, డాక్టర్ కోదండ రామయ్య, డాక్టర్ సీ మల్లిఖార్మ దాస్తిని (సుమారు రూ.4 కోట్ల విలువైన స్థలం భ్రస్తుత్త వి.ఎస్. మూర్తి నేతృత్వంలో అప్పటి కళాశాల ఫిస్పిపాల్ నరావు, డాక్టర్ స్టిలక్ష్మణరావు, డాక్టర్ హన్యరరెడ్డి, డాక్టర్ నగరంపాలెం ఎస్ఓఐ వెనుక ప్రాంతం) శ్రీరామకృష్ణ మూడా డాక్టర్ డీజె రెడ్డి సమయంలో మొదటి పంనవర్మ ప్రణాళిక జి యతిరాజులు, డాక్టర్ సత్యభామారెడ్డి, డాక్టర్ సుకుడా నికి ఇచ్చారు. ఆ నలుగురు మహనీయులు ఎంతోముందు. నీరులతో ఎ.బి. శెట్టి(ఉమ్మడి మధాను ఆరోగ్యమంత్రి) సా. దేవి, డాక్టర్ రామ్మూర్తి, డాక్టర్ సి సావిత్రి, డాక్టర్ రామకో చూపులో డ్రేడిష్ బ్రభుత్వానికి ఆర్టీలు సమర్పించారు. యంతో 12 లక్షల రూపాయల వ్యయంతో ఇప్పటికీ చెక్కు చేశ్వరరెడ్డి, డాక్టర్ వీన్నమనేని నరసింహారావు, ఎ ఆప్పట్లో మన రాష్ట్రం మద్రాసులో కల్పి ఉండేది. విశాఖ కెదరని ఆచంట రుక్మిణమ్మ మెమోరియల్ బిల్డింగ్ను శంకరరావు, డ్యార్ శోభనాడ్లి, ఇలా ఎందరో మహానుభా లో ఆంధ్ర వైద్య కళాశాల. హైదరాబాద్లో ఉస్మానియా క 19.09.1955లో నాటి ముఖ్యమంత్రి బెజవాద గోపాలరె వులు గుంటూరు వైద్య కళాశాల చర్చను సమ్వాక్షరాలతో కాశాల కప్పించి మరో కళాశాల లేదు. 1940 నుంచి తర 🖞 చేతుల మీదుగా ప్రారంభించారు. 06:07,1954న లిఖించారు. వారందరినీ ఈ షణ్ట్ తృవ వేశ స్థరించుకుం



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History tells us that the educational systems and educational quality undergo radical reformation due to one organization or one report or one individual. Medical education in USA underwent a profound change and scaled new heights due to the Flexnor report published in 1910 under the aegis of the Carnegie Foundation. Indeed, the report was said to have introduced a gold standard of medical training. In India, the formation of the Medical Council of India in 1934 according to an act of parliament ushered a major change in the nature and quality of medical education. There were only 22 medical colleges at that time. The dedicated efforts as well as sage counsel of medical teachers like Dr. B.C. Roy, Dr. A.L. Mudaliar, Dr. V.R. Khanolkar, Dr. Jivaraj Mehta, Dr. K.L. Wig, Dr. T. Bhaskara Menon, Major K.N. Rao,

Dr. D. Jagannatha Reddy, Dr. Jacob Chandy, and some others carved the medical education in India into a fine sculpture.

When GMCANA is celebrating its 16th Biannual Conference in 2018 in Atlanta, it is, without doubt, an act of propriety to recall the biography in brief of Prof. D. Jagannatha Reddy who served the GMC with great planning and vision.

Duvvuri Jagannatha Reddy was born on 5th August 1915 in Chittor District of Andhra Pradesh. He had his education in Madras. After qualifying with the degree of MBBS he joined the Armed Forces as Captain. He served during the second world war. After discharge from the army, he joined the State Medical Services of the erstwhile Madras state. He came under the influence of Dr. D. Govinda Reddy an eminent pathologist and elected pathology as his specialized field of study. After obtaining the M.D. degree in pathology, he worked at the Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam, for a few years. He was then promoted as professor of Forensic Medicine at the same college. He married Lakshmi, and their son Ramachandra Reddy was born in 1945.

Guntur Medical College was established in July 1946. However, the training of medical students in Guntur was confined to the preclinical phase only. The students were then transferred to Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam for their clinical studies and house job training. This practice was in vogue till 1953.

Readers may recall that a separate Andhra state was formed on 1st October, 1953. It was carved out of the composite Madras State with Kurnool as its capital. The new government took an immediate decision to make Guntur Medical College a full-fledged institution with the full MBBS training in Guntur itself. Necessary financial sanctions were made. Steps went in the right direction. The Andhra government transferred Dr. D. Jagannatha Reddy from AMC to Guntur designating him as the special officer for a few months. He was later promoted as principal and professor of pathology. Dr. D. Jagannatha Reddy took charge on 24th July, 1954. It must be described as an important turning point in the history of Guntur Medical College.

Prof. D.J. Reddy undertook the onerous task of improving and levelling a rugged piece of land opposite the Physiology block and with the help of the most committed Engineering staff prepared plans for the construction of a two-storied building simulating the English letter H. The best materials were used for the construction. The building was totally built with mountain rock obtained from Macherla area. Chiseling and polishing took considerable time. However, the building came out super strong that it will easily last for more than a century. The most superior kind of furniture was installed in the Lecture halls and laboratories. The ground floor was allotted to the principal's office, the department of pharmacology, department of community medicine, and department of microbiology. The first floor was allotted to the departments of Pathology and Forensic Medicine in addition to an excellent world class pathology museum. The building became fully functional towards the end of 1956. An additional floor was added in 1958, making the whole structure a three-storied building with a magnificent look and an imposing grandeur. The college was recognized by the Medical Council in 1958. Post graduate courses also were commenced in the same year.

Professor D.J.R. laid heavy emphasis on discipline, character, and decorum. He was always a personification of perfection. Cleanliness and orderliness were given utmost importance. He always remained an uncompromising custodian of the academic standards. Legend he was as an administrator. His influence percolated to every member of the faculty and every student on campus. Even his Austin car with Regno. APG10 evoked a feeling of fear tinged with reverence whenever the vehicle came in sight. He represented Guntur Medical College at the International Conference of Medical Education held at Syracuse, N.Y. in 1959.

He inculcated the principles of hard work, courage, honesty and high ambition. Besides these virtues, Prof. D.J.R. was endowed with an excellent aesthetic outlook and a high cultural disposition. An excellent lush green lawn was laid on the campus. Art found its captivating appearance in the form of statues like the Atlas, the Thinker, Hope and Help, woman with a water pot, Louis Pasteur's Second Patient Jupille. Hippocrates Hall and Darwin Hall were named with a great thought. Equal amounts of attention were paid to the portraits of great medical scientists on the staircase as well as the meaningful quotations displayed at various places in the college. Guntur Medical College is a lengthened shadow of Prof. Jagannatha Reddy.

Ramachandra Reddy (also called Ramu) the son of Prof. D.J.R. joined the Guntur Medical College in 1961. At the time of the Freshers' Day function, he was introduced to the audience as the "carbon copy of Dr. Jagannatha Reddy". Library-Cum-Auditorium was planned with a great vision. Being a voracious reader himself, Prof. D.J.R. exercised meticulous care in its construction. The words of Isaac Barrow displayed at the entrance level speak of the great intellect of D.J.R. The library was inaugurated on 7th February, 1962. It was the last building which was planned and constructed by Prof. D.J.R. Prof. K.R. Srinivasa Iyengar, a great scholar and professor of English, described the Guntur Medical College in one of his letters as "a world within a world or whole worlds within a world".

Prof. D.J. Reddy was transferred in November 1962 to Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam as the Director of the Upgraded Department of Pathology. In the farewell function conducted on the 22nd of November with a huge assembly of the students and staff, he made an arresting and a touching statement when he said "When I die, please see that one of my long bones is buried in some corner of the college, and erect a stone over there with the inscription 'Here lies the policeman of the college'". He was so engrossed, so identified, and so amalgamated with the Guntur Medical College in thoughts, actions, and spirit. He and Guntur Medical

College are inseparable entities.

Professor D.J.R. functioned at the Andhra Medical College for a short period only. He was appointed as the Director of Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education and Research (JIPMER) at Pondicherry in 1964. He contributed a great deal to



develop JIPMER so that it achieved national significance in a short time. The government of Andhra Pradesh appointed Professor D.J.R. as vice-chancellor of SV university, Tirupati in 1969. He functioned in this capacity for six years. He effected many logical changes and meaningful reforms to elevate the pattern of education and research. During this period, he published a book with the title "Challenges in Higher Education", in which his speeches and essays are included. This is a very good reference book.

After 1975, Professor D.J.R. was requested by the Management of Vijaya Hospitals, Chennai to be their advisor and guide the functions with his rich experience. He accepted the offer. He joined the Vijaya Hospitals and functioned not only as an advisor, but also as the chief pathologist. He was always held in high esteem and his words carried a great weight.

Prof. D. Jagannatha Reddy was always an Academician Extraordinary and an Administrator Par Excellence. He preached a value oriented education. He always advised the students "Keep on growing intellectually". He was fond of telling the students "If you rest, you rust".

Prof. D.J.R. breathed his last at 4 PM on 13th December, 1991. His legacy will remain forever.





HISTORY OF GMCANA

V. Chowdary Jampala (72)

GMCANA, with its activities on many fronts to benefit the alumni, the alma mater and the general public, has become the model to emulate for many other alumni organizations. Since its beginnings in a crowded class room in Oak Park and River Forest High School more than 37 years ago, it had been, to say the least, an interesting journey. I recount here the major milestones and achievements along the way.

May 24: Alumni of Guntur Medical College gather at the Third TANA Conference in Oak Park, IL, and decide to form an organization of their own - Guntur Medical College Alumni of North America (GMCANA) - in order to meet the goals of raising resources to promote teaching and patient care needs at Guntur Medical College and its affiliated institutions, and serving the needs of the alumni in North America.

Dr. Ramaiah Samala (54) was elected as the First President, Dr. Sitharama Rao Bobba (60) and Dr. Babu Rajendra Prasad Dandamudi (64) as officers. Dr. Rama Rao Kaza (65) took the lead in drafting the constitution.

December 31: GMCANA was incorporated as a Not for Profit Corporation in the State of Missouri.

1989

September 2-4: First GMCANA Grand Reunion and Convention was organized at the Rosemont Westin Hotel in Chicago under the leadership of Dr. Srikrishna Murthy Nuthi (59), President, and Dr. Ramaraja Bhushanudu Yalavarthi (67) Convenor. Decision was made to have GMCANA Reunions on a regular basis and to draft a new constitution. An Alumni Building Project was proposed and \$100,000 was

raised for this purpose almost immediately.

1990

November 9-11: Second Reunion at Nashville. Dr. Ramaraja Bhushanudu Yalavarthi was installed as President; New Constitution adopted.

First endowment, CG Ramamurthy Memorial Fund in Obstetrics and Gynecology, was initiated.

1991

Publication of the newsletter, Alumni News, began. Dr. V. Chowdary Jampala (72) was the first Editor.

1992-93

August 21-23: Third Reunion at Falls Church, VA. Rangaraya Medical College alumni decided to combine their reunion with the GMCANA reunion (RMC continues to have their reunions together with GMC since then. Kurnool Medical College, Andhra Medical College, and Siddhartha Medical College alumni also celebrated their reunions along with GMCANA at different times). Dr. Sriharidas Kanuru (60) was installed as President and Dr. Sitaramarao Bobba took office as the first Chairman of Board of Trustees.

New endowments were set up at GMC to provide continuing medical education in Cardiology, Internal Medicine, Maternal and Fetal Medicine, Surgery, Pediatrics, Orthopedics, and Health Education. A copy machine was purchased for use at GMC.

1994-95

August 12-14, 1994: Fourth Reunion in St. Louis. Dr. Mangaraju Vanapalli (58) was installed as President. Books and journals were supplied to the GMC Library. Alumni Building Project got stalled due to bureaucratic hurdles.



1996

August 9-11: Fifth Reunion in Atlanta. Dr. V. Chowdary Jampala was installed as President and Dr. Mani Akkineni (96) as the Chair of Board of Trustees

GMCANA entered the electronic age with its own web site at www.gmcana.org with the initiative of Dr. Ravikumar Tripuraneni (71), Chairman of Communications Committee. The web site has become a major communication tool for the organization.

A bust of Dr. D Jagannadha (DJ) Reddy was installed by GMCANA at GMC.

1997

Development of Strategic Plan: Sri Rayapati Sambasiva Rao, Member of Parliament, Guntur, brought a request from the Superintendent of the Government General Hospital (GGH) asking for help to rejuvenate the hospital and help with the training resources. Drs. Venkata Subbarao Uppuluri (63) and Aruna Prasad Kancherla (60) visited GMC and GGH in 1997 on fact-finding missions and consulted with the leaders of the two institutions as well as local alumni. Dr. Jampala and the Executive Committee developed a strategic plan for the rejuvenation of the institutions.

Andhra Pradesh State Government approved Dr. Jampala's request to appoint a Special Officer for development of GMC and GGH.

1998

August 14-16: Sixth Reunion in Pittsburgh. Dr. Aruna Prasad Kancherla (60) and Dr. Ammani Dasari (57) were installed as President and Chair of Board of Trustees.





November 11: Executive Committee refines the strategic plan with a focus group meeting in Chicago. The organization defined its mission: "To help develop Guntur Medical College and Government General Hospital-Guntur, as premier modern medical education facilities for undergraduate and postgraduate medical students, staff, and medical community at large".

1999

Active fundraising was conducted in many cities. In a period of twelve months, GMCANA, with large donations from the alumni, provided GGH an X-ray unit, a fetal ultrasound monitor, a chemistry analyzer, a modern three-room operating theatre, and a large number of text books to the library. A Research Endowment Fund and a Scholarship Fund were established at GMC. A Continuing Medical Education Center with three computers, multimedia software and internet access was established along with an additional reading room with a capacity for 60 students. In addition, an electronic teaching microscope with TV attachment for the department of pathology, a bronchoscope and PFT machine for the Govt. Fever hospital and an image intensifier for the X-ray department were also donated.

2000

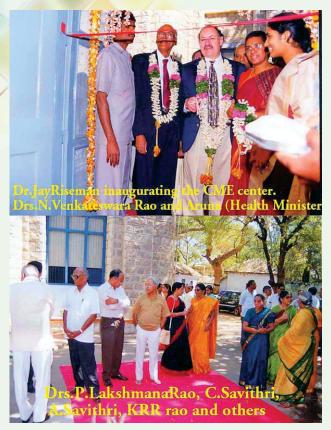
August 4-6: Seventh Reunion in New York. Dr. Venkata Subbarao Uppuluri (63) was installed as President and Dr. Ramarao Kaza as the Chair of Board of Trustees.

Active communication among GMCANA, GMC, GGH and Government of AP helps build trust in order to improve the parent institutions.

Efforts began to renovate the Government Fever Hospital and donations of various other equipment.

2001

Dr. Uppuluri and the GMCANA leadership developed a Comprehensive Proposal for Improvement of Medical Education and Teaching Hospitals in Andhra Pradesh and presented the proposal to the Chief Minister in December 2001. The Chief Minister agreed to implement some of the changes recommended in the proposal including opening the hospital for paying patients. GMCANA initiated a new campaign, "WE CARE!" to rally the necessary support for the development of our parent institutions in Guntur. This slogan has



now come to embody the attitude of all concerned alumni and staff and is instilling a sense of pride and achievement.

April: Groundbreaking Ceremony conducted for the GMCANA Auditorium. This project (formerly Alumni Building Project) finally got off the ground with a combination of funds from GMCANA and the state government and construction began.

August 31-September 2: Chicago hosted another Grand Reunion (Eighth). Dr. Ravikumar Tripuraneni and Dr. Veeraiah Chowdary Perni (64) were installed as the President and Chairman of the Board of Trustees. Following a well organized presentation by the Executive Committee about the progress over the past two years including the groundbreaking of the GMCANA Auditorium, the Chief Guest, Dr. Anji Reddy, made an emotional appeal about improving the conditions at GGH and GMC. The properly impressed alumni responded generously with large donations to ensure the completion of the auditorium project.

November: K. Ramakrishna Rao, Collector of Guntur District, took charge as the Chairman of the newly constituted Hospital Development Society and met with the GMCANA leadership during a tour of USA. Impressed by the vision and commitment of GMCANA, he made serious efforts to transform GGH into a top-class facility. Under his leadership, the hospital was rapidly computerized.

2003

GMCANA sponsored courses in basic and advanced life support at GMC/GGH and provided equipment to the newly started Intensive Care Unit and helped expand services in the Pediatrics, Physiotherapy, Post-operative Recovery and OB/Gyn units. A new Iridium Brachytherapy Unit, an additional wing at the Government Fever Hospital Building and the ENB Sarma Subspecialty OR sponsored by GMCANA were dedicated.

2004

September 4-6: Ninth Reunion at Anaheim, California. Dr. Gowtham Mulpur (75) and Dr. Sriharidas Kanuru (60) were installed as the President and Chairman of the Board of Trustees. A Neonatal Intensive Care Unit was opened at GGH; monitoring equipment worth more than Rs. 20 lakhs has been shipped from US; the CME Center was upgraded; and a corpus fund for the maintenance of the auditorium and sponsoring of continuing educational programs was established.

2005

January 21-23: Inauguration of the Auditorium and Global Alumni Homecoming in Guntur was organized by GMCANA together with GMCOSA (Guntur Medical College Old Students Association at Guntur) and with Guntur Medical College Graduates of UK. The Homecoming, a Grand Celebration over three days, attracted a large number of alumni. The festivities included the inauguration of the new GMCANA Auditorium, our loving gift to our alma mater and the city of Guntur. The students celebrated the occasion by holding the first College Day function in almost a decade. It was a weekend of memories for all the attendees.

July: Dr. Nagarjuna Reddy Ponugoti (72) was installed as President at the General body Meeting in Detroit.

2006

September 2-4: The Silver Jubilee Reunion of GMCANA at Orlando, Florida. Dr. Umadevi Gavani (65) was installed as the President of GMCANA as was Dr. Nageswararao Latchamsetty (60) as the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, This Tenth Reunion was significant for the leadership roles taken by another new generation of GMC alumni. Dr. I.V. Subbarao, Secretary of Health, AP, addressed the meeting, discussing the role of public-private partnership in maintaining the government institutions in new millennium.

Access to the auditorium was improved with the demolition of the infamous Deyyaala Meda, and construction of a new access road directly to the auditorium with more convenient parking.

2007

July: A major achievement during this period was laying the groundwork for the Podila Prasad - GMCANA Superspecialty and Trauma Center. The Government of Andhra Pradesh and the Hospital Development Committee were planning to construct a new Millennium Block at GGH and sought GMCANA's involvement in developing the super-specialty units. Dr. Podila Venkata Prasad (81) came forward to generously donate Rs. 5 crores for this purpose. Sri K. Rosaiah, then Health Minister, agreed to provide a matching grant of Rs. 5 crores. After announcing this at the General body meeting at 14th TANA conference, the then



Health Education minister of AP, Mrs. Galla Aruna Kumari, and GMCANA signed a Memorandum of Understanding.

December 3: The foundation stone for the Podila project was laid.

Ten lecture galleries at GMC were renovated and modernized. Four new Endowments were established in the departments of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Surgery, Internal Medicine and Physiology.

2008

February: The collaboration between GMCANA and the Rotary Club of Stockton resulted in a donation of equipment worth Rs. 16,81,000 to GGH. The equipment includes a Colonovideoscope, a Multi-channel Monitor, EKG Machines, a Colonoscope, a Biological Microscope and a Drill system for Orthopedics.

May: GMCANA donated 15 beds to pediatrics, 50 beds to the newly constructed Obstetrics Building and 30 beds, a Bi-Pap machine and nebulizers to the Fever hospital.

GMCANA took an active role in the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations of the alma mater, sponsoring the publication of the souvenir and hosting a celebratory dinner for students and staff. A laptop computer and an LCD projector were donated on this occasion for the Sushrutha Hall at GGH.

August 30-September 1: Eleventh Reunion at Dallas. Dr. Satyanarayana Nelluri (81) and Dr. Bhaskara Murthy Ponnuru (63) were installed as the President and Chairman of the Board of Trustees. After unveiling the construction plans for the Podila Prasad- GMCANA Superspeciality & Trauma Centre, the official fundraising campaign has been launched during this reunion and the attendees responded overwhelmingly.

2009

February: Gymnasium and Recreation Center for Students were inaugurated in the memory of our beloved teacher Dr. Nuthakki Venkateswara Rao.

GMCANA equipped all lecture galleries with modern audiovisual facilities, renovated the library, and began providing electronic library services. Dr. Sriharidas Kanuru came through again with the Pediatric Water Project ensuring running water supply to the pediatric unit.

The Rotary Club of Stockton continued to support GMC/GGH with sophisticated equipment worth Rs. 4 million.

September 4-6: St. Louis played host again for the 12th Reunion. Dr. P. Babureddy Sagireddy (83) was installed as the President and Dr. Bhaskara Murthy Ponnuru continued as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees. Once again the alumni came through with generous donations for the Podila Prasad- GMCANA Superspeciality & Trauma Centre.

2011

The state government increased its commitment for the Podila Project to a total of 10 crores and GMCANA matched the amount. Construction on the project proceeded briskly.

2012

April: GMCANA conducted a workshop and trained 182 physicians and students in BLS and ACLS.

July: Classes of 62 and 72 contributed to air-conditioning the GMC Library, lecture galleries and the reading room in Men's Hostel.

GMCANA Trust in India received FCRA clearance.

September 1-3: Chicago is the place once more for the 13th Reunion. Dr. Lokeswara Rao Edara (76) and Dr. Venkata Subbarao Uppuluri were installed as the President and Board of Trustees. Updated GMCANA web site was inaugurated. The Principal of GMC and the Superintendent of GGH attended the Reunion. More Funds were raised for the Super-Speciality Center.

2012

Dr. Oruganti Kirshnamurthy (72) was appointed as the Database Coordinator for GMCANA. We now have information on about 1800 alumni in North America, and the number keeps increasing.







The auditorium got an infrastructure upgrade, with installation of an elevator and new flooring for the stage and increasing the capacity of the air-conditioning and the generator systems.

2014

January 17-19: GMCANA, along with the other alumni organizations, students and staff of GMC and GGH celebrated the Second Global Alumni Homecoming on the occasion of the long awaited opening of the Podila Prasad-GMCANA Superspeciality & Trauma Centre. On January 18, 2014, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh, Sri ESL Narasimhan inaugurated the new building amidst an excited gathering of alumni, staff, trainees of GMC/GGH and the citizens and civic leaders of Guntur. A gleaming four storied structure with more than 1 lakh square feet of integrated and well designed floor space proudly proclaimed the contributions of a committed alumni body to their alma mater and the people of the region that nurtured them.

May 24-25: 14th Reunion in New Orleans. Dr. Venkateswara Rao Dharmavarapu ('80) was installed as the President and Ramaraja Yalavarthi as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

2015-16



GMCANA has been very actively and continuously involved in improving the facilities and patient care at the newly built Podila Prasad- GMCANA Superspeciality & Trauma Centre. Within a short period of time, this state of the art facility became the setting for the first open-heart surgery, and shortly after, the first heart transplant in the new state of AP, performed by a dedicated alumnus Dr. Alla G. Gokhale and his team. Several kidney transplants and dozens of total knee replacements have been performed in the Modular Operating Theaters. It also houses the first of a kind Stroke Center and advanced cardiac services. With the help of Rotary club, GMCANA has provided several ventilators, monitoring units and physiotherapy equipment to the Neurology department.

September, **2-5**, **2016**: The 15th Reunion in San Antonio, TX. Dr. Sambasivarao Sukhavasi (72) was installed as the President. Three Padmashri Award receiving alumni of Guntur Medical College - Drs. Nayudamma Yarlagadda, Gopichand Mannam and Gokhale Alla - were honored at the reunion. Following an impassioned presentation by Dr. Pratap Mouli Venigalla (98), a second generation alumnus, a decision was made to start a GI Center of Excellence at the GGH and funds were raised.

2016-18

GMCANA sponsored the first "White Coat Ceremony" at GMC for incoming freshers, the first of its kind in India, in 2016. This has now become an annual event with the 3rd White coat ceremony to be conducted in September 2018.

Ever mindful of the needs of the people of the Guntur region, GMCANA decided to embark on its most ambitious project yet - the multistoried MCH Center, with 600 beds at the cost of Rs. 60 crores, in partnership with the state government of Andhra Pradesh. Discussions are continuing and we are hoping that a Memorandum of Understanding will be completed by the time of the 16th Reunion so that we can move forward with the design and construction of the much needed MCH Center.

With the help of the Rotary Project of Stockton and Guntur Rotary Club, we have donated ventilators and physiotherapy equipment to the Department of Neurology and ventilators, monitors and x-ray machine to the Trauma Center at a cost of about Rs one crore. Drs. P. Babureddy Sagireddy and Ravikumar Tripuraneni helped coordinate these projects.

We also donated special equipment to the Departments of Urological and Cardiac Surgery.

We are excited to partner with the NATCO Trust, founded by Sri N.V. Chowdary of NATCO Pharma, in making more services available to the people at the Government General Hospital. NATCO trust has already donated various equipment, facilities and shelters to GGH. A 70 bed Comprehensive Cancer Center is nearing completion at GGH at a cost of Rs 40 crores. NATCO Trust has adopted the entire Department of Pediatrics and completely renovated the old pediatric wards and NICU and built a new 43 bedded air-conditioned general ward.

Dr. G. Subbarao, Principal, has undertaken several infrastructure projects at GGH including providing a transformer to the GMCANA Auditorium, provision of a new access road to the Auditorium, addition of a new elevator in the college building, and renovation of lecture galleries. Dr. D. Raju Naidu, Superintendent of GGH, has been instrumental in taking up multiple projects. GGH was presented with a Special Award by the Chief Minister for excellent teamwork in handling massive gastro enteritis epidemic of 800 cases and reducing mortality significantly.

The GI Center of Excellence is progressing with GE equipment procurement expected to be done in the next few weeks. Some necessary equipment such as electrocautery argon plasma, UPS etc. may need to be procured from existing GMCANA funds.

By July 2018, Dr. Gokhale's team completed 500 cardiac surgeries, including four heart transplants, at GGH. That our GGH could accomplish this was unthinkable only three short years ago. The achievement of GMCANA is not merely erecting a building, but the establishment of an unlimited opportunity for improved healthcare and training.

THANKS!

Several people in Guntur have been helpful to GMCANA in achieving the above. Besides the administrations of GGH and GMC, many local alumni and faculty from Guntur have been instrumental in these projects. Late Dr. Nuthakki Venkateswara Rao, with his impeccable credentials, vision, charm, and persistence, tirelessly promoted the development of the Hospital and Medical College as the Local Coordinator of GMCANA and helped the organization steer clear of the bureaucratic and interpersonal roadblocks. With his passing away, GMCANA lost an important ally. Dr. K. Vasudeva Rao (58) took on this leadership mantle for a few years, followed by Drs. Fayaz Ahmed (69), YVS Prabhakar (69) and Venigalla Balabhaskara Rao (71). Drs. K. Basavapunnaiah, Gade Krishnamurthy (71), and PV Hanumantha Rao (72) have been of immense help over the years as liaisons between GMCANA and GMC/GGH. Dr. Anji Reddy, first as the superintendent of GGH and later as the Director General of Medical and Health Services for AP, provided the important administrative leadership to create the necessary atmosphere to bring back GGH's eminence as a premier medical center. Dr. Gopichand Mannam (73), past Presi-



dent of GMCOSA, has been an important ally in the ongoing development projects, helping us every step of the way. Also important was the leadership provided by the previous District Collector, K. Ramakrishna Rao, under whose direction, the Hospital Development Society has become very proactive in securing and maintaining the necessary resources for GMC and GGH. The District Collectors continue to help the institutions. Successive Principals and Superintendents have been forceful in implementing positive changes as did many of the faculty. Local civic leadership's support also has been crucial; Sri Rayapati Sambasivarao, MP, has been a staunch ally. Sri Sambasivarao and Sri Modugula Venugopala Reddy supported the Podila Project with generous allocations from MP LADS funds. During the last few years, the then health ministers Sri K. Rosaiah, Srimathi Galla Aruna Kumari and Dr. Kamineni Sreenivas have been extremely helpful in developing a real public-private partnership in developing GMC and GGH. The initiatives taken by the former Principal Secretaries of Health, Sri J. Satyanarayana and Sri L. Subrahmanyam have been critical to the progress of the Podila Prasad- GMCANA Superspeciality & Trauma Centre. We heartily thank each and every one of them. Thanks are due to the successive Principals, Superintendents, HDC Chairmen and the successive Health Secretaries.

All of this could not have happened without the generosity of the caring members of GMCANA, GMC of UK and GMCOSA. With new vigor, focus, and dedication, GMCANA, thanks to its large hearted donors and a strong volunteer force, continues to forge ahead towards attaining its goals.



It all began with a Xerox machine in 1994. As Dr. Sriharidas Kanuru, the then President of GMCANA, was visiting the college, the GMC leadership impressed upon him the need for a copy machine as one was not available anywhere on the campus. He arranged for an immediate purchase of a Modi-Xerox tabletop copier with supplies and an extended warranty at a cost of Rs. 1,20,000. On March 24, 1994, the copier was installed in the library where the students could copy materials for themselves and copy and distribute educational materials in the class rooms as well. This was the first direct contribution of GMCANA to GMC. The college collected a minimal fee from users, and that money was used to maintain the copier, which lasted for more than 10 years before a new one had to be purchased in 2006. In many ways, this first project portended the future. GMC/GGH identifies a need, GMCANA strives to fulfill the need and ensures that any purchased equipment has a long-term warranty, GMC/GGH takes care to maintain it efficiently and the users benefit immensely.

We have come a long way in the ensuing 20 years with Guntur Medical College Alumni of North America taking on many projects, both big and small, across several departments and areas at GMC and GGH. Whether it is a copy machine costing only a few thousands of rupees or a modern patient care building costing more than 30 crores, the principle and the mission remain the same - doing our best to ensure that Guntur Medical College and Government General Hospital be the premier modern medical education facilities for undergraduate and post-graduate medical students, staff and community at large.

A consolidated list of these projects follows.

COMPLETED PROJECTS

GMCANA Auditorium

- A multipurpose air-conditioned building complete with an 850 seat theater, seminar room, new CME Center, three Guest suites and a multipurpose Recreation Center equipped with the latest audio-visual and information technology
 - Nuthakki Recreation Center & Gymnasium
 - Auditorium Enhancements

Addition of a new lift with glass doors

Upgrading of flooring on the stage

Upgrading of the audio-visual systems including a state of the art LCD Projector

Increasing the capacity of air-conditioning and power generator systems

CME Center

- Computers with high-speed Internet connections
- E- Library
- Educational CD-ROMs including Text-books on CD-

ROMS

- Online journal subscriptions
- LCD projector for CME presentations
- Digital Camera
- Xerox multipurpose copier/ laser printer
- Scanner
- Color printer

Educational Environment, Library

Text-books and Journals



- Air conditioning of the Library
- Copier
- Independent 80 seat reading room fully furnished
- Post graduate and Journal wing in the Library
- Complete Skills lab with mannequins

Renovation of Lecture Galleries

- Ten classrooms were renovated with painting, repairs of seating, electrical wiring and fans.
 - Air conditioning of some lecture galleries
- All class rooms were equipped with audiovisuals which included a CPU, LCD projector, screen and an Audio system

Nursing School

- Educational materials, books, mannequins and models,
 - 70 chairs to the nurse's quarters in GGH
 - Computer

Anesthesiology

- Several multipurpose Anesthesia monitors to the OR with SPO2, NIBP, ETCO2, Temp.
- Laryngoscopes, LMA/s and supplies to the Anesthesia department
 - Computer with printer for Anesthesia department
 - Difficult airway equipment
 - Anesthesia supplies for cardiothoracic surgery

Cardiology

- Central Monitoring
- Infusion Pumps
- Defibrillators
- Multi Channel Monitor with Multi-lead ECG, Resp/ SPO2/Temp/ ETCO2
 - Three Channel EKG Machine

Clinical Laboratory

• ABG machine, Biochemistry lab with immediate lab results

Equipment for ICU

- Savina Adult/Pediatric Ventilator
- Oxylog -2000 Transport Ventilator





- Schiller ECG Machine
- Drager Single and Double Syringe Infusion Pumps
- Drager Anesthesia Machine and Ventilator

Gastroenterology

- Colonoscope
- Proctoscope
- Other Endoscopes

Government Fever Hospital

- Two story additional wing
- Fiber Optic Bronchoscope
- Pulmonary Function testing machine
- Nebulizers
- Bi Pap Machine
- 30 beds with lockers

Ladies Hostel

- Furnishing of two reading rooms with chairs and Tables in the new hostel buildings
- Air-conditioning of the Reading rooms in Gouthami & Kaveri buildings

Nephrology

Two Hemodialysis Machines for acute treatment

Neurology

- Computerized EEG and EMG machines
 - 5 Ventilators for Neuro ICU & Stroke Unit
- 3 Multipurpose monitors
- ECG machine
- Physical Therapy equipment

Obstetrics & Gynecology

- Ultrasound machine
- Fetal monitors
- Infusion pumps
- Air-conditioning of Labor rooms (General and HIV)
- Colposcope, Biological Microscope

Ophthalmology

Computer

Operating Theatres

Modular Operating rooms for Transplant

- Isolation room for Heart transplant and other transplant surgeries



Orthopedics

Drill System

Pathology

- A modern Leica teaching microscope with TV monitor
 - Remote display 30" flat panel TV monitor
- Computer room with computer, printer, scanner and digital camera
 - Restoration of specimens

Pediatrics

- Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
- Warmers and phototherapy units
- Ventilators
- Incubators
- Nebulizers
- Emergency cart
- Newborn Resuscitation kits
- Pediatric Beds 15
- TVs, VCD player and VCDs
- Water project supplying running water to pediatric ward 24/7
 - New 20 bedded, fully air-conditioned Pediatric ICU

Surgery

- ENB Sarma Superspeciality Operating Room
- Three Emergency Operating Rooms fully equipped and air-conditioned
 - Urology endoscopes & equipment
 - Electrocautery
 - Proctoscpe and colonoscope
 - Colonovideo scope

Physiotherapy

Physical therapy equipment

Psychiatry

- Thymatron ECT System IV Machine
- Anesthesia machine to use during ECT administration

Radiology

- 300 MA Wipro-GE X-ray image intensifier
- 500 MA X-ray plant
- Ultrasound machine
- Fluoroscope

Radiotherapy

- Iridium Brachytherapy Unit
- Radiation Therapy Cesium kits

Miscellaneous

• 80 patient beds

Wheel Chairs and Walkers

- Computerization of old Medical transcripts.
- LCD projectors to Sushrutha Hall at GGH and to Cooper Hall at GMC

ONGOING CME PROJECTS

- Basic and Advanced Life Support (BLS, ACLS and PALS) Training for staff, post-graduates, interns and students
- Endowment Lecture Series in OBG-Gynecology, Surgery, Cardiology, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Maternal and Fetal Medicine and Humanities
- Podila Prasad GMCANA Super Specialty and Trauma Center - a state of the art ground plus three-story building housing several Super-specialty units, Modular OTs, Imaging systems, Burn unit, Acute care area and Dialysis Center.
 - Transformer to the GMCANA Auditorium.
 - Provision of access road to the Auditorium.
 - X- ray machine to the Trauma Center.
 - Elevator in college building
 - renovation of lecture galleries

New Projects

Renovation of GMCANA Auditorium; Installation of transformer so that generators do not need to be used except in emergencies.

Refurbishing of GMCANA Auditorium sound systems and installing a new LCD projector for the main hall. Many cosmetic improvements also are being taken up.

Renovation of Old Auditorium/exam hall above the Library.

GI center of excellence, Some necessary equipment such as electrocautery argon plasma, UPS etc. may need to be procured from existing GMCANA funds.

Renovation of Old Auditorium/exam hall above the Library.

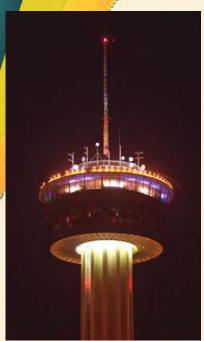
Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Center, pending approval of the building plan and MOU to be signed .

With each word that speaks our mission
With each action that we take
We will embrace change with vision
See the difference we can make
When there is love that fills our heart



Moments from

15th GMCANA REUNION San Antonio, September 2-5, 2016























17th GMCANA Awards Function

Ravikumar Tripuraneni

Chairman Endowments Committee

The 17th GMCANA awards function was celebrated during the College day celebrations on April 29th, 2017. This year, two special research grants were given to two awardees under Telikicherla Madan Mohan & Kanaka Durga Endowment Fund for promoting research.

1. Sri Anne Pedagopalarao and Smt. Nirmala Endowment Fund in Internal Medicine donated by Bellam Siva Prasad and Sai Vijaya.

Established in Jan 2007. The award will be given to a candidate who gets the highest marks in Internal medicine in Final year exams conducted by the University of Health Sciences. \$250

Name: Dharanikota Satwika - 2011

Marks obtained - 219 / 300

2. Sri Thota Subba Rao & Smt. Veera Raghavamma Endowment Fund.

Established by Mrs. Anuradha & Dr. Naga Raja Thota (72) for an award in the Department of Surgery. Given to the female student who gets highest marks in Final year exams in General surgery conducted by the University of Health Sciences. \$250

Name: Komaragiri Sai Sreevani - 2011

Marks obtained - 223 / 300

3. Smt. & Sri Tulasi Mahalaxmi & Nagabhushnam Goriparthi Endowment Fund in Ob & Gyn.

Established by Renuka & Kumar Paka established in September 2006. The award (in the form of a gold medal) will be given to a candidate who gets the highest marks in Ob & Gyn in Final year exams conducted by the University of Health Sciences. \$250

Name: Dharanikota Satwika- 2011

Marks obtained - 147 / 200







4. Smt Devabhaktuni Suguna Endowment Fund.

Established by Mrs. Sita and Dr. Varaprasad Devabhaktuni (66) given to a female student for highest marks in Pathology. \$250

Name: Ravipudi Lakshmi Ashitha - 2013

Marks obtained - 112 / 150

5. Sri Vasireddy Seetapati & Gowri Devi Scholarship Fund

a. Highest ranker in EAMCET who obtained admission in GMC 2016-17. \$250

Name: Ankala Venkata Nitya Anurag;

Eamcet rank - 14

b. First in First Year MBBS \$250

Name: Sameena Farheen Md Abdul - 2015

Marks obtained - 479 / 600





6. Dr. Gokaraju Hari Rao Endowment Fund in Anatomy

Established by Drs. Asha (74) & Ravi Velisetty in recognition of Dr. G. Hari Rao, beloved Professor of Anatomy. Award to the best student in Anatomy at GMC, based on the highest score in the annual examination conducted. \$250

Name: Sri Lavanya Gunji - 2015 batch Marks obtained - 156 / 200

7. Dr. Duggirala Bala Subramanyam Memorial Endowment Fund in Physiology.

Established in 2008 by family and friends as a tribute and a memorial in Physiology. An annual award will be given to student with highest score in final Physiology examination. \$250

Physiology: Kondabolu Sai Pooja - 2015 Marks obtained - 168 / 200

8. Chandrakala, Kavitha & Rajyalakshmi Memorial Endowment Fund in Bio-chemistry- class of 1988.

Established in 2010 by classmates as a tribute and a memorial in Biochemistry. Award will be given to student with highest score in final Biochemistry examination. \$250

Biochemistry- Alekhya Vema- 2015 Marks obtained - 174 / 200

9. Dr. Kancherla Aruna Prasad Memorial Endowment Scholarship Fund.

For academically bright and economically disadvantaged student according to the rank obtained in Eamcet. \$ 250

Name: K.Tirumala Babu - 2016

10. Sri Tummmala Ramakrishna Sastrullu Memorial Fund --\$ 250

Established by Dr. Satya Prasad Tummala (76) in memory of his late grand Father. Award to economically disadvantaged but academically bright student identified by a committee of GMCANA coordinators, Principal and staff.

Name: S. Sri Nitya - 2012 batch

11. GMCANA Scholarships- for academically bright and economically disadvantaged students. \$ 250

Name: T.Suneetha - 2014

Name: Syed Ahmed Basha - 2015

12. Dr.Tummala Ramabrahmam, M.D, Memorial GMCANA Research Endowment Fund - \$600

Established by Drs. Venkata Subba Rao Uppuluri (63) Srihar Gazula (63) Nageswara Rao Latchamsetty (60) and Ramprasad Chilakapati in fond memory of their friend and classmate. Awarded to select research papers published from GMC/GGH in national or international peer reviewed journals or presented at national or international peer reviewed meetings. The funds may also be spent on activities that promote research at GMC/GGH. \$ 600

Name: Dr. Dr. B.Anil Kumar, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Community Medicine
Topic: "Assessment of the compliance with the
Cigarettes and other Tobacco Products
Act (COTPA) in Guntur District"

13. Dr. Mandava Sreemannarayana Murthy, M.D, Memorial Endowment Fund to Dept of General Surgery. \$250

This year for the first time we are giving two special awards for promoting research.

14. Madanmohan & Kanaka Durga Telikicherla Memorial Fund Research Award Grants:

- a) Dr. Prasanthi Kolli for her proposal: Molecular Characterization of hepatitis B virus escape mutant strains and their prevalence in Chronic Hepatitis patients": Rs 50,000
- b) Dr. Sivaram Krishna G for his proposal: "Distribution of Hepatits C virus genotypes in Haemodilaysis patients" Rs: 50,000.



18th GMCANA

Endowments Awards Function

This year the awards were presented on April 28th in collaboration with GMC College Day Celebrations. Kona Sasidhar, Collector & District Magistrate, and Dr. K. Vasudeva Rao presented the awards.

1. Sri Anne Pedagopalarao and Smt. Nirmala Endowment Fund in Internal Medicine donated by Bellam Siva Prasad and Sai Vijaya.

Established in Jan 2007. The award will be given to a candidate who gets the highest marks in Internal medicine in Final year exams conducted by the University of Health Sciences. \$250

Name: Shaik Sajid - 2012 Marks obtained - 238 / 300

2. Sri Thota Subba Rao & Smt Veera Raghavamma Endowment Fund.

Established by Mrs. Anuradha & Dr. Naga Raja Thota (72) for an award in the Department of Surgery. Given to the female student who gets highest marks in Final year exams in General surgery conducted by the University of Health Sciences. \$250

Name: Gangasani Siri Chandana - 2012

Marks obtained - 217 / 300

3. Smt. & Sri Tulasi Mahalaxmi & Nagabhushnam Goriparthi Endowment Fund in Ob & Gyn.

Established by Renuka & Kumar Paka established in September 2006. The award (in the form of a gold medal will be given to a candidate who gets the highest marks in Obg & Gyn in Final year exams conducted by the University of Health Sciences. \$250

Name: Naren Polavarapu - 2012 Marks obtained - 153 / 200

4. Smt Devabhaktuni Suguna Endowment Fund.

Established by Mrs. Sita and Dr. Varaprasad Devabhaktuni (66) given to a female student for highest marks in Pathology.







\$250

Name: Chaluvadi Manasa - 2014 Marks obtained - 128 / 150

5. Sri Vasireddy Seetapati & Gowri Devi Scholarship fund

a. Highest ranker in EAMCET who obtained admission in GMC 2017-18. $\,$ \$250

Name: Yeniganella Sindhura; EAMCET rank - 150

b. First in First Year MBBS. \$250Name: Ch. Prasanna Jyothi - 2016





Marks obtained - 484 / 600

6. Dr. Gokaraju Hari Rao Endowment Fund in Anatomy

Established by Drs. Asha (74) & Ravi Velisetty in recognition of Dr. G. Hari Rao, beloved Professor of Anatomy. Award to the best student in Anatomy at GMC, based on the highest score in the annual examination conducted. \$250

Name: Ch. Prasanna Jyothi - 2016 Marks obtained - 162 / 200

7. Dr. Duggirala Bala Subramanyam Memorial Endowment Fund in Physiology.

Established in 2008 by family and friends as a tribute and a memorial in Physiology. An annual award will be given to student with highest score in final Physiology examination. \$250

Physiology - Moolam Chitranikhitha - 2016 Marks obtained - 160/200

8. Chandrakala, Kavitha & Rajyalakshmi Memorial Endowment Fund in Biochemistry, Class of 1988

Established in 2010 by classmates as a tribute and a memorial in Biochemistry. Award will be given to student with highest score in final Biochemistry examination. \$250

Biochemistry - Talluru Bilvika- 2016

Marks obtained - 170 / 200

9. Dr. Kancherla Aruna Prasad Memorial Endowment Scholarship fund.

For academically bright and economically disadvantaged student according to the rank obtained in Eamcet. \$ 250

Name: A. Sai Praveen Reddy - 2017

10. Sri Tummmala Ramakrishna Sastrullu Memorial Fund -Two awards \$ 250

Established by Dr. Satya Prasad Tummala (76) in memory of his late grand Father. Award to economically disadvantaged but academically bright student identified by a committee of GMCANA coordinators, Principal and staff. \$250, \$250

Name: N.Srinu & P. Swetha - 2014

11. GMCANA Scholarships - for academically bright and economically disadvantaged students. \$ 250

Name: B. Bhavitha Sai - 2015 Name: J. Naga Mahima - 2016

12. Dr.Tummala Ramabrahmam, M.D, Memorial GMCANA Research Endowment Fund - \$600

Established by Drs. Venkata Subba Rao Uppuluri (63) Srihar Gazula (63) Nageswara Rao Latchamsetty (60) and Ramprasad Chilakapati in fond memory of their friend and classmate. Awarded to select research papers published from GMC/GGH in national or international peer reviewed journals or presented at national or international peer reviewed meetings. The funds may also be spent on activities that promote research at GMC/GGH. \$ 600

Name: Dr.I.Jahnavi, Professor of Microbiology Guntur Medical College, Guntur

Title: Molecular Characterization, Detection of Prevalence of HPV among high risk and low risk patients by PCR

13. Dr. Mandava Sreemannarayana Murthy, M.D, Memorial Endowment Fund

Dept of General surgery. For Education materials \$250

14. GMCANA Endowment Fund donated by Dr. Kanuru Srihari Das - 1960 batch

For economically backward & academically bright students

- 1. Syed Ahamed Basha 2015 batch \$200
- 2. Ahalya Prasanthi 2014 batch \$200
- 3. T. Suneetha 2014 batch \$200
- 4. Ch. Ravali 2016 batch \$200
- 5. P. Mahesh Gowtham 2017 batch \$200

15. GMCANA Anesthesiologists Endowment Fund

Established by the anesthesiologists of GMCANA to Promote research and improve Education in Anesthesiology Dept: \$ 1000

16. Madanmohan & Kanaka Durga Telikicherla Memorial Fund Research Award Grants for promoting research

Dr. Prasanthi Kolli for her proposal: Molecular Characterization of hepatitis B virus escape mutant strains and their prevalence in Chronic Hepatitis patients: Rs 5,00,000.00

GMC Class of 1967 Golden Jubilee Celebrations January 10-16, 2017

The class of 1967 celebrated our Golden Jubilee (1967-2017) in a grand style. 120 members attended the function in Guntur. The reunion got a kick start with a sumptuous dinner at Hailand. We all gathered at GMCANA auditorium on Jan 11th for a meet and greet where all the attendees were treated to a special gift and a keepsake hard bound souvenir "The Gold diggers". We toured the college and GGH at leisure after the classic class photo on the front steps, and returned to Hailand for a gala banquet and exciting entertainment by our class mates. The next day, 85 of us left from Vijayawada on a wonderful tour of Sri Lanka for four days. Needless to say, everyone had a blast with memories from the past and rejuvenated camaraderie. It was with heavy hearts that we said farewells to all the friends of 50 years on Jan 16th in Chennai airport and headed home with a commitment to stay in touch and meet again soon.

- Ramaraja Yalavarthi



GMC Class of 1972Sapphire Jubilee Celebrations January 28-29 2017

Many members of the Class of 1972 met in Guntur on January 27, 2017 to celebrate their 45th Reunion and revisit the campuses that made them what they are now. Later they proceeded to Hotel River Bay in Rajahmundry and enjoyed a grand cultural program. Next day, the entire group went on a special cruise on River Godavari to Pattiseema and Papikondalu before returning to Guntur. The group parted with great memories and pledged to meet again during the GMCANA Reunion in Atlanta for another memorable reunion. A corpus fund was collected from which every year four scholarships are being presented to poor meritorius students of GMC.



GMC Class of 1993 Silver Jubilee Celebrations July 17-29, 2018



 $oldsymbol{W}$ e have celebrated our silver Jubilee reunion on July 27-29. It was a three day event. We have met on Friday, July 27, evening at Haailand along with families. It was mainly socialization and entertainment evening.

On Saturday, 28, all of our batch-mates went to college and conducted meet and greet in GMCANA auditorium. In the afternoon we have felicitated our professors and also honored the ancillary staff.

Later we all went on a college tour and also inaugurated the renovated Physiology lecture gallery along with current Principal Dr Guntupalli Subba Rao garu.

Then we had our gala dinner with lots of entertainment both by professionals and our batchmates. We have finished our event with Sunday lunch and distribution of plants by one of our batch-mates Dr Konda Venugopal Reddy.

Commemorating this occasion, we have raised funds from our batch-mates. We have renovated Ladies' Dining Hall (built toilets, wash basins, bought new dining tables, ceiling fans and renovated walls, painted and sorted out the drainage system by creating soaking pits etc.) and Physiology lecture gallery (placed false ceiling, air-conditioned the hall, painted floor; built extra benches etc). This cost us a total of 11 lakhs. In addition, we took up another project in memory of Anitha Makineni, one of our batch-mates, who has physically left this world. This Anitha Memorial Project is air-conditioning the Auditorium above the college library, which is estimated at 8 lakhs.

Dr. Alla Prasanthi solely took the responsibility and completed the Ladies' Dining Hall and Physiology lecture gallery renovation projects in 2 months' time.

- Madhu Paladugu









Ladies dining room at GMC Renovation





Phyiology lecture gallery Renovation



SEEDS ARE SOWN, HERE ARE THE FRUITS

The state of the art GMCANA Podila Prasad- GMCANA Superspecialty & Trauma Centre has become the Heart of Government General Hospital, Guntur. So far more than 500 cardiac surgeries, 16 Kidney Transplants, 76 Joint replacement surgeries, and 4 Heart Transplants have been successfully completed. In fact, the 4th Successful Heart transplant was completed very recently - in August 2018.







Successful 4th Heart Transplant



జిజిహెచ్లలో తొలిసాలగా బోన్మ్యారో సర్జ్లల్

గుంటూరు మెడికల్,భుథాతవార్త :

నవార్యదరే తలమాణికంగా నిలిలిన గుంటూరు బ్రభుత్వ సమఖానుష్టలి అరుదైన ఆపరేషన్లకు వేదికగా నిలుస్తోంది.ఇప్పటికే ఇక్కడి వైద్యులు గుండి.కిడ్నీ, మాకేళ్ళమార్పిడి ఆపరేషన్లు విజయవంతం చేసి ఖ్యాతిని గడించారు. తాజాగా మంగళవారం రా బ్రంలోని తొలిసారిగా ఓ లోగికి బోనమ్యారో సర్వర్ నిర్విహింది బ్రభుత్వ వైద్యరంగంలో అరుదైన ఘనతసాధించారు. బ్రమాచాల్లో గాయాలపాల్లి కాళ్ళు విరిగిన బాధితులకు నర్జర్ ద్వారా లికిత్స నందిస్తారు. కొన్ని సంఘటనల్లో ఆపరేషన్ నిర్వహించినప్పటికి కొన్నికారణాల వలన ఎముకలు సరిగ్గా అతకక విరిగిపోయే బ్రమాచం ఉంది. దీనికి బ్రవాన కారణాలు వైద్యులు లోగిని నిర్దేశితాల తరువాతనే లోగి నదవాలనే మాదన పాటించకపోయానా, ఇన్ఫిక్షన్ పోడినా, ఎముకలు సబ్జేనా ఎముకలు ఆతకష్టు మముకలు ఆతకమాన్ని నాస్ యూనియన్ అంటారు. ఈ బ్రమంలో వైద్యులు మరోపారి ఆవరేషన్ నిర్వహించి నదుం భాగంలోగల ఎముకకబరియమేగు తీసుకొని సేకరింది చానిలో నిక్షీష్మమై ఉన్న మాలకణాలను సకరింది హైనిమ్ అనే బ్రావరాన్ని వినియోగింది ఆతుక్యోని ఎముకల వద్ద మూలకణాలను ఉంటక్కే చేస్తారు. దీనిచ్చారా ఆ బ్రాంతంలో ఎముక ఏర్పడేందుకు అవకాశం కలుగుతుంది. జటువంటి సర్ధరీ జిజిహెచ్లలో తొలిసారిగా



నమావేశంలో మాట్లాడుతున్న జిజిహెచ్ ఆర్తో విధాగాధివతి దా.వరభుసావ్,వేదికపై దా.ఆమర్నాధ్.

ఆర్మోవిభాగాధిపతి,డిప్యూటి సూపరిన్ట్ బెంట్ దాక్షర్ గంటా వర్మపసాద్ సేత్చత్వంలో జరిగింది. సీనియర్ జాయింట్ రేష్ట్రేస్మమెంట్ సర్ట్లస్ డా.సూరత్ అమర్నాధ్ విజయవంతం తేయుడంలో ఫైద్యులు యశ్వీ రమణ, కృష్ట్రససాద్,నారాయణరావు,అనీల్ తమవంతు నహకారం అందించారు. ఆనంతరం జోన్మ్యూట్ సర్టర్ గూర్చి పిజి విద్యార్ధులకు భోదించారు. ఈ సందర్భంగా సూపరింటెంటేంట్ డా.రాజునాయుడు,గుంటూరు ఫైద్యకళాశాల బ్రిన్స్ పల్ డా.జి.సుబ్బారావు ఫైద్యబృంచాన్ని ఆధినందించారు.

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గుంటారు ప్రభుత్వపుత్తి కరిత్త సృక్షించింది. గతంలో మంత్రి తాక్షర్ నామని త్రేమాకుకు మార్కటి కస్పటికేత్సి వేసి వాత్త స్థాయలో త్వతిని పొందిన జీజీహర్, ఒకే రోజు ఇది మందికి తిరితంగా కట్టిపడేత్సులు సర్వకించి అనీయు పైర్య అంగుంలో మరో పోరి తన త్వాతిని ఇనుముడించకోసింది.

సంక కార్లంది ఇముముముకుండి.

గుంటూరు(మిడికల్), నారంజు రిగ్ పేర్లు కొర్టులూ గ్రేస్ట్ అట్టింది అన్నియో అక్కటిటే కారమునుండిని నవన లేక శ్రీక్ జ్యాంగ్ సమ ముద్దాని, మాజలు వౌర్డులో రస్కు దార్యక్షుల్లు మార్చికి అన్న అనే అనుండికే సం దేశాలు కొత్త అరుందినే సం దేశాలు కొత్త ముద్దానికి రహదాలు మార్చికి ముద్దానికి మార్గులు అనే అర్థిక్ అనిపికి చేశాలు అయికేనిన చేస్ మార్గింట్ అనే అర్థక్ అనిపికాగు రహదాలి మందుకే మే తార్లు ముద్దానికి ముద్దానికి అన్న కోటాకు మందుకే మీది కారాడు మార్గింటి అనిపికి సందమికే ముద్దానికి మార్గింట్ అనిపికి మార్గింట్ అన్న కోటాకు మందుకే మార్గింట్ మార్గింట్ సాంక్షన్ మార్గులు మార్గింట్ గానికి మందుకే ముద్దానికి మార్గింట్ మార్గింట్ మార్గులు మార్గింట్ సౌకర్ మార్గులు మార్గింట్ ప్రాంతి మార్గులు మార్గులు

ස්සිබ ට් ට්වල්වේ බුවා වරටා • කේ රෑල කත කරෙන් කාම්ය කතුළු බලුරු • වරය කුරුවෙදා සාහැරකුර කණ්ඨාද්ර ක්රණ.

පළම් රාජ්ජ සමුත් රාපදාරණය වර රාජ්ථ ජිවැනෝ වල රාජ්ජ වර්තයටත් ජාරාගෙන මුණුගෙ එමම ඉඩ කිරෙන් මෙම මුණුගෙන් පාලිවරමුගේපාරේ, පඳුම් කාම්ප්රි වර්ගල්වේ, රාපදාරණ සිංහ් සේව් ඉත ගැරණු පවස්වර බාත්ත රාජ්ථව එම ඔබුණු කටුම් නාත් මින්ණ ස්ත්වීමක ජා 12 ලේකේ වී. සංඛ්‍යා සේව් විසාත්ත පරිසිවර සේවීම ප්‍රති විසාත්ත පරිසි විසාත්ත සේව් විසාත්ත පරිසිවර සේවීම ප්‍රති පරිසිවර සම්බන්ධ

స్వామ ఇంగ్రం కొన్న మండి ముందిన నుండింది. ఆ సందర్భంగా ద్వార్లో చరింది ఇంగ్రం మరియుందిన్ను ఇంగ్రం దర్శామ మండిందిన్ను అంటే మరియుందిన్ను ఇంగ్రం దర్శామ మూట్లుందును అంటే ఇంగ్రం ఆట్టిందిన్ని అంటేందిన్ని మండిందిన్ని కే చర్యమాన్. దేవ్ చాలయుందాడు, అరోగియంటే ప్రామెల్ ఎమ్ఎమ్ రయణ, మత్తు మండు ప్రత్యమ మరిస్ట్ మేక్తాన్ కామంరింటింటింటింటిన్ను కే ఉందుకున్నారని. కే యుక్కావరం పైర ప్రభ్యావితో ఎం చర్వమహార్, అనేఎందోన్ను హై రావేంద్. ఏ ప్రభ్యామార్లు, మే ఎం ఉందుకున్నారి, మాట్లింటింటింటే మహ్హీంది తరితరులు హీర్గార్నారు.



మాట్లాడుతున్న డాక్టర్ నరేంద్రరెడ్డి, వేదికొల్ల సుధీరికపూర్



500 గుండెలకు ఊపిరి



వార్డులో చికిత్వ పాందుతున్న గుండె జబ్బు రోగులు

సమ్బాదయం'తో చేపట్టిన వారి ఆశయం సమున్నతంగా సాగుతోంది. పేద గుండెకు ఊపిరి పోస్తోంది. సహ్బాదయ ట్రస్టు సహ కారంతో గుంటూరు ట్రభుత్వ సమ్మగ ఆస్ప త్రిలో చేపట్టిన ఉచిత గుండె ఆవరేషన్లతో ఇప్పటివరకు 500 మంది ప్రాణాలు నిలిపారు. బతుకుపై ఆశలు వదులుకున్న గుండెలకు ఆసరాగా నిలిచారు. 2015 మార్చిలో చేపట్టిన ఈ మహదాశయం.. డాక్టర్ ఆళ్ల గోపాలకృష్ణ గోఖలే వైద్య సేవల తో, దాతల సహకారంతో మున్ముందుకు సాగుతోంది. మరెంతోమందికి ఆశలు కర్పిస్తోంది.





White Coat Ceremony

THE START OF A NEW TRADITION AT GMC



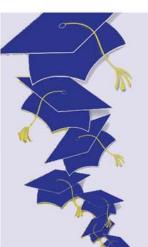




GMCANA sponsored the first "White Coat Ceremony" at GMC for incoming freshers along with the Fresher's Day function, the first of its kind in India, in 2016. Dr. Ravikumar Tripuraneni with the help of Telikicherla Foundation organized the event with all the incoming freshmen being cloaked by White Coats in presence of their families. The young medicos participated in the event with beaming enthusiasm. This has now become an annual event with the 3rd White coat ceremony to be conducted in September 2018. Our past president, Lokesh Edara, took this idea to AAPI, and now all 450 medical colleges in India are trying to organize the event.







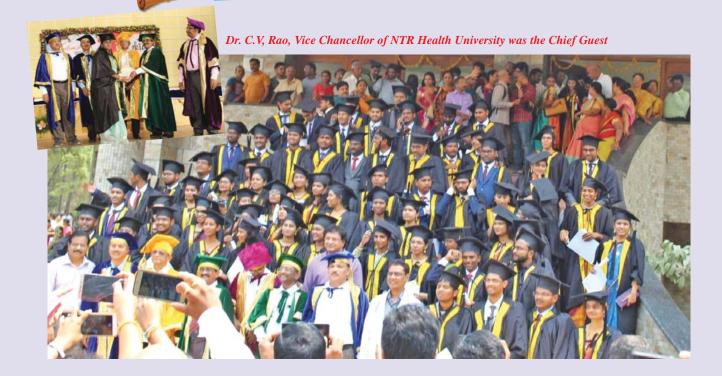
Graduation Ceremony



66TH GRADUATION CEREMONY - 2011 Batch



67TH GRADUATION CEREMONY - 2012 Batch



A Student Returns to Teach

Dr. Sambasiva Rao Musunuri graduated from Kakatiya Medical College in 1965. He completed his post-graduation in Pathology from Guntur Medical College in 1972. After completing his post-graduation, he moved to USA for pursuing further studies. He did his residency and fellowship from Kansas University Medical School and Northwestern University Medical School.

Dr. Musunuri started as Assistant Professor of Pathology in Northwestern University Medical School in 1977 and was promoted to Associate Professor of Pathology in 1981. In 1986, he achieved the rank of Professor of Pathology. He had hundreds of publications in reputed Journals and received several honors and recognitions in his illustrious career. His name was listed in "Chicago area Top



Doctors" in 2002, 2003 and 2004. He was listed in "Guide to America's Top Physicians" in 2006, 2007 and 2008. He is a member of several professional societies.

Besides his academic achievements, Dr. Musunuri is an excellent and a committed teacher. He has been visiting the GMC pathology department every year for more than 25 years and teaching pathology post-graduates. He was also the speaker at the Pathology CME Conference, sponsored by Dr. Kasaraneni Sadasiva Rao Endowment Fund of GMCANA. Dr. Musunuri's sincere efforts to train budding physicians is in line with mission statement of GMCANA. GMCANA recognizes the achievements and commitment of Dr. Sambasiva Rao Musnuri and hopes it inspires several other physicians to follow his path.

We as a team of faculty feel assured by the Mission statement of GMCANA: To help develop Guntur Medical College and Government General Hospital-Guntur, as premier modern Medical Education facilities for undergraduate and postgraduate medical students, staff, and medical community at large.

GMCANA has been instrumental in promoting medical education at GMC in a holistic manner right from needs based assessment, planning and execution. Every project taken up so far by GMCANA has lived up to its Mission.





Dr. G. Vara Prasad, M.S (Ortho.)

Having a local liaison identifies the needs at the ground level, and facilitates the faculty, students and patients with a lot of key amenities. GMCANA also participates in the Hospital Developmental Society consisting of local administration along with GMC and GGH leadership.

We, the faculty at GMC are privileged to have an organization like GMCANA supporting us wherever additional facilities are required, sometimes even beyond expectations, to cater to the needs of the public being treated at the hospital. We, the faculty, feel the cohesive force in the GMCANA to take up the task of strengthening the hands of the Government. The GMCANA Auditorium and the Podila Prasad GMCANA Superspeciality and Trauma Centre are new landmarks in the region. They stand tall and are as huge as the commitment GMCANA has shown in the development of their *alma mater*.

There is a recent change in scenario in and around the capital region of the newly formed state of Andhra Pradesh. With the recent bifurcation of the state and abrupt rise in the patient census, some departments like Orthopaedics, Paediatrics, Gynaecology & Obstetrics are facing increased patient load. These departments need assistance to cope with the workload and to provide timely treatment. Future plans should focus on clinical audit and to help the departments as needed. We contemplate GMANA can actively take the lead in planning for the clinical audit, choosing standards/ criteria for measuring performance, suggesting improvements and offering support for sustaining improvements. Some departments can be adopted by GMCANA for focussed development in terms of medical education as well as patient care.

We are willing to work up a plan to develop the Department of Orthopaedics and Cooperate with GMCANA in their future endeavours.

Dr. G. Varaprasad is an alumnus of GMC (79) and is the Head of the Department of Orthopaedics at GMC and GGH



GMCANA appreciates and thanks

Sri V.C. NANNAPANENI

(NATCO Chowdary) **Founder, President**

Natco Pharma Limited

Recipient of Golden Peacock Award for Corporate Social Responsibility

Sri V. Chowdary Nannapaneni, popularly known as NATCO Chowdary, is well known all over the country as the head of NATCO, a leading oncology drug manufacturing giant. NATCO trust is also famous for its philanthropic activities that include the development of GGH, Guntur.

Sri Chowdary, through his trust, spent over Rs. 5 Crores in refurbishing the old pediatrics unit, building a new 43 bed airconditioned pediatric ward, adding new ventilators, monitors, baby warmers and incubators. The trust have added a 2500 SFT waiting hall and toilets on 3rd floor of OP building, a 500 SFT waiting hall for pediatric ward, a 5000 SFT multipurpose building for nursing school and an enclosed corridor connecting the old hospital building and the new orthopedic building. The trust donated sleep lab equipment to the neurology Department. In addition to donating the money, the trust also maintains the equipment and hires employees to make sure it is run properly. They are planning to donate a laminar flow Operating room for department of orthopedics to perform total joint surgeries at GGH and also building and equipping Surgical ICU.

NATCO trust is currently engaged in building a 70 bed Comprehensive Cancer Care Center at GGH worth Rs. 40 Crores. This will house a state-of-the-art Radiation and Chemotherapy services including 2 Linear Accelerators, and is expected to be completed in 6 months. The trust also will provide chemo drugs free or at discounted rates.

Sri Chowdary is very much aware and appreciative of GMCANA involvement in helping our *alma mater*. He has enthusiastically offered to extend his help and support towards future endeavors taken up by GMCANA.









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<mark>డా। చింతరల్లి గిరిజూశం≶ర్ (59)</mark> టెంపుల్, టెక్సాస్

🐸 రోజుల్లో మేం మెడికల్ కాలేజీలో చదువుకునే రోజుల్లో... అంటే చిన్నతనంలో... అప్పుడు 17 సంవత్సరాలు నిండితే యం.బి.బి.యస్. లో చేరేవాళ్లం. ఇప్పటిలాగా నిండుగా మీసాలొస్తేగానీ హైస్కూల్ పాస్ కాకూడదనే రూలు లేదప్పటికి. వోటు వేసి నాయకుల్సి ఎన్నుకునే వయసుకి ముందే శవాల్స్ కోసేవాళ్లం. హాయ్ బచ్ పన్ తెరీ యాద్ నహీన్ భూల్తీ అంటాడు పాతరోజుల (పసిద్ద హిందీ రచయిత, (పేమ్ చంద్, ఒక కొత్త పుస్తకం పీఠికలో. అలాగే యం.బి.బి.యస్.లో చేరిన కొత్తల్లో మా అనుభవాలు ఎన్నటికీ మరువలేనివి అంటే అతిశయోక్తి కాదు. అప్పుడే రెండేళ్ల కాలేజి చిన్న చిన్న ఊళ్లల్లో పూర్తిచేసి గుంటూరు మహా పట్టణానికి వచ్చాం చాలామందిమి. ఆ మూడంతస్తుల హాస్పిటల్, కాలేజి మేడలు చూసి మూర్చపోయాం. చొక్కా టక్ ఇన్ చెయ్యడం గూడా నేర్చుకుంటున్నాం. ఆకు చెప్పులూ, బెల్టు చెప్పులూ వదిలి ఫుల్ షూస్ వేసుకోవడం, వాటికి మళ్లీ సరిపడా సాక్స్, తాళ్లు కట్టుకోవడం... అన్నీ కొత్తవిద్వలే!. అప్పుడు మాకున్న ప్రిస్సిపాల్ చండ శాసనుడు. ఎవరైనా స్టూడెంట్ ఫుల్ షూస్ లేకుండా వచ్చినా, టక్ చేసుకోకుండా వచ్చినా, తల దువ్వకోకుండా కనపడినా. ఆఖరికి పై బొత్తం పెట్టుకోకపోయినా సరే... ఇంటికి ఉత్తరం రాసేవాడు. ఈ విధంగా మేం ఈ కొత్త సామగ్రితో బాధపడి చస్తుంటే, మా సీనియర్స్ 'కాలేజి కులపెద్దలు' రాగింగ్లో ఒక అంశంగా నీతిబోధలు చేస్తుండే వారు... "మనం ఆర్ట్స్ కాలేజీ వాళ్లతో తిరగ్గూడదు, వాళ్లతో మాట్లాడ కూడదూ, ఒకవేళ మాట్లాడితిమిపో ఇంగ్లీషులోనే మాట్లాడవలెనూ...'' ఇత్యాది మెడికల్ కాలేజీ ధర్మపదాన్ని ముప్పూటలా బోధించేవారు.

ఆరోజుల్లో టీవి లేదు. మరి ఇంగ్లీషు మాట్లాట్టం ఎక్కడ నేర్చు కోవాలి? ఇంగ్లీషు సినిమాలు చూడాలి. మా అదృష్టంకొద్దీ ఆ టైంలో గుంటూరు, విజయవాడ, విశాఖపట్నం నగరాల్లో ఒకానొక కామందు కేవలం ఇంగ్లీషు సినిమాలు చూపించడం కోసం, లీలామహల్ అని సినిమాహాల్ ఓపెన్ చేశాడు మూడు పూళ్లల్లో. 3-4 రోజులకి ఒక కొత్త సినిమా. మనకి పూరా మూడు ఘంటల సినిమా అలవాటని, ఆ డిస్ట్రిబ్యూటర్ గంటన్నర ఫీచర్ ఫిల్మ్ కి, మెట్రో న్యూస్రేల్ + కార్మూన్స్ కలిపి మూడుగంటలు చేసేవాడు. మనం చెల్లించిన రూపాయ పావలాకి హాయిగా మన తెలుగు సినిమా అంత మూడుగంటల కాలక్షేపం దక్కోది. దీని విషయం తర్వాత…

ఇంగ్లీషు సినిమా చూస్తే ఇంగ్లీషు భాషా పరిజ్ఞానం పెరుగుతుం దేమో కానీ, దొరల్లాగా మాట్లాట్టమెలా? నేను దక్షిణ భారత హిందీ స్రచార్ సభావాళ్లు పెట్టిన పరీక్షల్లో విశారద పాసయ్యాను. అర్థమవు తుంది. కానీ మాట్లాళ్ళేనే! అదీ అంతే. హిందీ సినిమాలు చూట్టానికీ, రేడియో సిలోన్ కా వ్యాపార్ విభాగ్ సున్నేకీ కాం ఆతీ హై! అందుకని మా సీనియర్స్ (కులపెద్దలు) చెప్పినట్టు అవసరం లేకపోయినా మాలో మేము ఇంగ్లీషులో మాట్లాడుకోవటం ఆరంభించాం. 'హాయ్!' అనేది అప్పటికే భారత్లో దిగుమతయ్యింది. చాలా తేలిక. ఆ తర్వాత?... పేరా? ఉదాహరణకి, 'హాయ్ సుట్రహ్మణ్యేశ్వరరావూ! హౌ ఆర్ యు?' అప్పటికి పొద్దుట్నించీ మూడుగంటలు శవాలు కొస్తున్నాం పక్కపక్కనే. ఆ తరవాత? వ్వాట్ డిడ్ యు ఈట్ ఫర్ బ్రేక్ఫాస్ట్? ఎందుకులెండి ఆ తిప్పలు అంతా ఇంతా కాదు. ఆట్ట్స్ కాలేజీవాళ్లు తారసపడితే మరీ పెచ్చు రేగిపోయేవాళ్లం... బాస పీసు రేగడమంటే అదే!

మొత్తమ్మీద ఫస్ట్ ఇయర్ పూర్తయ్యేటప్పటికి కులపెద్దల చలవ్వల్ల బాగా టక్ చేసుకోవడం, పాంటు రంగుకి మాచ్ అయ్యే బెల్ట్ పెట్టు కోవడం, షూస్కి సరిపడా సాక్స్ వేసుకోవడం, అవసరమున్నా లేక పోయినా ఇంగ్లీషులో (పస్తావించడం... (ఇంట్లో అమ్మ దగ్గర గూడా... 'ఏరా కూర కావాలా?... 'ఎ లిటీల్ బిట్ మోర్.' చెప్పానుగా లీలామహల్లో 3-4 రోజులకొక కొత్త సినిమా వచ్చేదని. కొన్ని క్లాసిక్స్ వారం ఆడేవి. ఒక్కోసారి ఇంటర్సేషనల్ ఫెస్టివల్ అని వివిధ దేశాలనించి అవార్డ్ విన్నర్స్ రోజుకొకటి చొప్పున వేసేవారు. ఆ దరిమిలా నేను చాలా గొప్ప గొప్ప ఇంగ్లీషు సినిమాలు చూశాను. ఇంట్లో టిఫిన్ కిచ్చిన డబ్బులు దాచిపెట్టుకుని వారానికొక రెండు రూపాయలు సేవ్ చేసి ఇంగ్లీషు సినిమా చూసేవాళ్లం. ఇలా సెకండ్ ఇయర్ వచ్చేటప్పటికీ ఆ టికెట్మాస్టర్కి మామీద గౌరవం బాగా పెరిగిపోయింది. రాబోవు చిత్రాల పాంప్లెట్స్ ఇంటికి పోస్ట్ చెయ్యడం (పారంభించాడు. హతోస్మి! ఇదొక తంటా! పోస్ట్ వాడ్సి బతిమిలాడి అవి ఇంట్లో ఇవ్వద్దనీ, నేనే వారానికొకసారి పోస్ట్క్ వచ్చి తీసుకుంటాననీ దసరా మామూలు (పామిసరీ నోట్ రాసి భంగపడేవాణ్ణి.

మా పెద్దలు చెప్పినట్టు తెలుగు సినిమాలు చూట్టం తగ్గించాం. అంటే మా భయమేమిటంటే, తెలుగు విన్నా మాట్లాడినా, మెదడులో ఇంక ఇంగ్లీషుకి జాగా ఉండదని. (ఒక ఒర నుండవు రెండు కత్తులూ) ఈ సందర్భంగా మా తమ్ముడి స్నేహితుడి కథ గుర్తొస్తోంది. వాడూ, మా తమ్ముడూ బొంబాయిలో కొన్నాళ్లు కలిసి ఒక కంపెనీలో పం జేశారు. గుంటూరులో వాళ్ల ఇల్లు మా ఇంటిపక్కనే. ఇద్దరూ ఒక గదిలో ఫుండేవారు బొంబాయిలో. ఒక నెల బొంబాయిలో ఫుద్యోగం చేశాక, వాడడిగాట్ట మా తమ్ముట్లి, "ఏరా! నేను తెలుగు బాగానే మాట్లాడుతున్నాకదా? ఏదయినా తప్పులొస్తే చెప్పేం?" నేను అమెరికాలో ఆరు సంవత్సరాలున్నాక మొట్టమొదటిగా గుంటూరు వెళ్లినప్పుడు, చిన్నప్పటిలాగానే రెడ్డికిళ్ళీ షాప్ కి వెళ్లి (అక్కడి కిళ్లీ బస్తీ మేన్ సవాల్, అలాంటి కిళ్లీ హోల్ హిందుస్తాన్లో దొరకదు) "కిళ్ళీ ఇవ్వండి రెడ్డిగారూ," అన్నా . ఆయన నన్ను గుర్తుపట్టి, "ఎప్పుడొచ్చారు డాక్టర్గారూ! అన్నాళ్లు అమెరికాలో ఫన్నా మీరు తెలుగు మర్చిపోలేదే?" అన్నాడు. అంటే నేనన్నానూ, "మర్చిపోవటానికేమన్నా మాయరోగమా రెడ్డిగారూ! పుట్టిపెరిగిన భాష." "అట్లా అనకండి. ఒక్క రాత్రి హైదరా బాద్ వెళ్లినవాడే మర్నాడు పొద్దన్నొచ్చి 'అగ్గిపెట్టె హై?' అంటున్నాడు సార్," అన్నారు రెడ్డిగారు.

మళ్లీ లీలా మహల్కి వద్దాం. కష్టపడి, భంగపడి, రీడర్స్ డైజెస్ట్ కి చందా కట్టి, ఇంగ్లీషు దినప్రతిక క్షుణ్ణంగా చదివి... ఎలాగోలా అయిదు నిమిషాలు అనర్గళంగా ఇంగ్లీ మలో మాట్లాడే (పావీణ్యం సంపాదించాము. అందులో అమ్మాయిలు పక్కన వుంటే వొకాబులరీ బాగా పెరిగిపోయేది. ఆరోజు లీలామహల్లో సినిమాకి వెళుతున్నట్టు, అమ్మాయిలకి తెలిసేలా జనాంతికంగానే అనుకోండీ, వాళ్ళు వింటారని ఖరారు చేసుకుని ఇంగ్లీషులో, "హాయ్! గణేష్ కుమార్! I am going to first show tonight at Leelaamahal. Will you come too?" అని అరిచేవాళ్లం. అయిదేళ్లల్లో ఏ ఒక్కరోజు కూడా ఈ ట్రిక్ పని చెయ్యలేదంటే నమ్మండి.

ఆరు గంటలకల్లా టక్ చేసుకుని, నీట్గా ముస్తాబయ్యి టికెట్ బూత్లో 'వన్ ఫర్ బాల్కనీ ప్లీజ్' అని ఇంగ్లీషులో అడుక్కుని తొందర గా వెళ్లి ఫాన్ ఉన్నచోట కూచునేవాళ్లం. ముఖ్యంగా ఈ పక్కనా ఆపక్కనా ఖాళీ కుర్చీలున్నాయని ఖరారు చేసుకుని. కళ్లు మూసుకుని ప్రార్థనలు... మధ్యాన్నం జనాంతికంగానే గట్టిగా చేసిన ఎనౌన్స్ మెంట్ సుజాత, సుశీలా విన్నారు. వస్తారేమో! (పార్థనలు చేస్తూ ఉంటే సినిమా మొదలవుతుందని చెప్పటానికి బెల్లు మోగింది. కళ్లు తెరిచి చూస్తే,

ఎవరామె? పుమన్స్ కాలేజీ కాబోలు. చక్కగా పుంది. నాపక్కన కూచుంటే... భగవంతుడా... అయ్యో ఆమూల కూచుందే... వాళ్ల స్నేహితురాలు గాబోలు... ఇద్దరూ తెగ మాట్లాడుకుంటున్నారు.



అయ్యో! ఎవరితను. లావుగా పిప్పళ్ళ బస్తాలాగున్నాడు... ఒక సీటు చాలదే... ఏమిటీ ఇటు వస్తున్నడు...? కొంపదీసి... ఇంకేముంది కొంప మునిగింది. ఆక్సిజన్ అంతా వీడే పీల్చేటట్టున్నాడు. ఈపక్క సీట్ లో జేబురుమాల పెట్టి అందమయిన అమ్మాయి వచ్చేదాక వుంచితే... అమ్మో! ఈ పక్క సీట్లో ఒక పెద్ద బండరాయి ఆక్యుపై చేసిందే... రెండో బెల్లు కూడా కొట్టేశారు. హాల్ అంతా ఫుల్. న్యూస్ రీల్ గూడా మొదలెట్టారు. జీవితంలో వరసగా వెయ్యోసారి నిరాశ. ఏం చేస్తాం. న్యూస్ ఇంగ్లీషులో ఉంటుంది ఈ ఆలోచనలు కట్టబెట్టి ఏకాగ్రతతో చూడాలి... లేకపోతే వాడు చెప్పింది అర్థం కాదు. న్యూస్ అయిపోయాక కార్మూన్స్. అంటే అమెరికాలో పిల్లలకి చూపిస్తార్ట. భాష రాకపోయినా అర్థమవుతుందిగాబట్టి అర్థమయింది. ఇంతలో ఇంటర్వెల్.

తప్పకుండా బయటికి వెళ్ళాల్సిన సమయం. వెల్తురులో సుజాత, సుశీల ఏమైనా కనిపిస్తారేమో అని దురాశ. ఎవ్వరూ మా కాలేజీవాళ్లు లేరు. ఆనవాయితీగా వెళ్లే మేం పదిమందీ తప్ప. ఇంటర్వెల్లో మూడు కార్యక్రమాలున్నాయి. మొదట పాస్ కి వెళ్ళాలి. సినిమా హల్లో యూరి నల్స్ నేల దగ్గిరుంటాయి. అందుకని బాల్కనీ సీట్లవాళ్లు వెళ్లకూడదు. నామర్దా. అందుకని గేట్ దగ్గర అవుట్ పాస్ తీసుకుని, బయట మురిక్కాలవల దగ్గర లఘుశంక తీర్చుకునేవాళ్లం. బూట్ల మీద పడిన తుంపరల్సి ఈ కాలితో ఆ కాలితో అలవోగ్గా చెరిపేసి పక్కనే వున్న ఘుమాయింపు మిరప కాయబజ్జీల దగ్గర లైన్లో నిలబడేవాళ్లం. ఇదే రెండవ ముఖ్య కార్యక్రమం. ఈ పక్క దట్టమైన ఇక్ష్చాకులకాలం నాటి మురి క్కాలవ. దానిలో ఇప్పుడే వచ్చిన కొత్తనీరు మేమిప్పుడే విసర్జించిన మూ(తజలం. ఆపక్క మిరపకాయబజ్జీల మసాలా ఘుమఘుమ... ఆ మిశ్రపు వాయువు సౌరభం మాటలకందనిది. మిరపకాయ బజ్జీలు గబగబ ఎవ్వరి కంటబడకుండా తినేసి (మెడికల్ కాలేజీ విద్యార్థులు ఇలా బట్టబయట మిరపకాయ బజ్జీలు, పునుగులూ తినగూడదని మా కులపెద్దల ఆదేశం) లోపలికొచ్చి టీ స్టాల్లో స్పెషల్ మసలా టీ పురమాయించి అది చప్పరిస్తూ ఇందాక మెట్రో న్యూస్ల్ నీ వింతలూ, ఆ కార్బూన్ సినిమాలోని రంగులూ అందచందాలూ ఇవి ఇంగ్లీషులోనే వాదించుకుంటూ, మళ్లీ బెల్లు కొట్టగానే ఆ కప్పు, వాడికిచ్చేసి థాంక్స్ చెప్పి (అమెరికన్ పద్ధతి) లోపలికెళ్లేవాళ్లం.

సినిమా మొదలయ్యింది. అసలు మా ఫార్మసీ స్టాఫెసర్ ఇంగ్లీషే అర్థంగాక మేమేడుస్తుంటే ఈ యాంకీ భాష మరీ కష్టంగా వుంది. రోటిలోతలబెట్టి రోకలిపోటుకిక వెరవనేల! అందుకని అప్పుడప్పుడు మా పక్కసీట్లవాళ్లని, లేకపోతే కొంచెం వయసు మీరిన కామందుల వంక చూస్తుండేవాళ్లం. సినిమాలో ఏదైనా నవ్వొచ్చే ఘట్టమొస్తే, వాళ్లు నవ్వితే మేం గూడా ఇంగ్లీషులో నవ్వే వాళ్లం. మొత్తమ్మీద ఒకటిన్నరా రెండుగంటలు చాలా కష్టపడి (అంత కష్టపడి టెక్ట్స్ బుక్కు చదివితే ఫస్ట్ క్లాస్ట్ వస్తుంది) సినిమా చూట్టం ఫూర్తిచేసేవాళ్లం.

జనగణమణ అయిపోగానే ఇంగ్లీషులో మాట్లాడుకుంటూ ఇంటికి నడక సాగిచ్చేవాళ్లం. అపుడు మాలో ఒకడు "అబ్బ ఎంత బాగా తీశార్రా!" అని కథంతా చెప్పేవాడు (అంటే తనకర్ధమైనది). ఇంతలో రెండోవాడు 'అదికాదురా!' అని తనకర్ధమైన కథ చెప్పేవాడు. ఇలాగా దారంతా ఎవరికి అర్ధమైన కథ వాడు చెప్పేవాడు.

అసలు మేమారోజు లీలామహల్లో చూసిన సినిమా కథ ఆ తీసిన వాడే చెప్పాలి. వాడికే తెలియాలి. మాకుమాత్రం అందులోని కథ ఏనాటికీ 'రహస్వమే'.



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The National Medical Commission (NMC) bill is right around the corner and it will usher the medical education in India into a new world which is essentially free of regulation by the Medical Council of India (MCI). However there is still a long way to go for MBBS graduates when it comes to getting a post graduate (PG) seat easily. MBBS graduates study day and night, but despite the hard work only 25% of them get into their desired specialty. Perhaps what is needed for us is to learn from some of the western countries like the USA which are not only providing post graduate seats to their own medical graduates, but are also accommodating those from other countries.

USA has 27,000 slots in medical school as opposed to 32,000 post graduate seats. The 5000 extra seats accommodate medical students from around the world. The situation is the opposite in India, where there are about 67,000 MBBS seats, but only 27,000 clinical post graduate seats. When another 10,000 foreign medical graduate students coming back home from medical schools in countries like China and Nepal are added, the situation becomes a bottle neck after finishing MBBS. This translates into a problem for not just the medical students, but also for the country. In USA, an average doctor sees 25-30 patients per day, whereas in India the average general medicine MD sees 100+ patients a day, potentially compromising patient care. India needs not only more doctors, but also more specialist doctors to satisfy the needs of its large population.

Part of the problem lies in the fact that traditionally, most of the physician training in India takes place in government hospitals, whereas in USA all the qualified hospitals including the private sector hospitals are used for teaching medical students.

The idea in USA is that good physician-teachers and great patient material in a well certified hospital with state-of-the-art equipment can be used to train physicians irrespective of whether the hospital is in the private or the public sector. However, the MCI doesn't allow this concept, and sticks to the age old idea of the teaching hospital which goes against the doctrine of medicine that was once famously stated by William Osler "medical education at its best begins with the patient, continues with the patient, and ends with the patient".

When patients are going to private doctors and getting their care in private institutions, why can't that infrastructure be utilized for the purpose of training and education? If the Guntur Medical College has 1000 beds, and the private hospitals in the vicinity have close to 2000 beds, why can't those private beds also be utilized for training, and increasing the MBBS: PG seat ratio to 1:1? We can only use hospitals certified by the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals and Healthcare Providers (NABH, similar to the Joint Commission in US). The Diplomat of National Board (DNB) students and the MD students alike can go to private hospitals for clinical rotations, and come back to the medical college for lectures, making the best of both worlds. This can be done in all 495 medical colleges and can lead to a tremendous increase in PG seats.

Another important point to keep in mind is that the seat increases needs to be more for certain specialties like general medicine, family medicine, and emergency medicine which are generally the first point of contact for patients.

Approximately 15,000 people die from road traffic accidents each year in the Telugu states compared to 34,000 in USA. We are years behind in emergency medicine in India compared to the western countries. There are 2278 residences in emergency medicine in the USA, whereas India has less than 200 PG seats. Post-graduation in emergency medicine was started by the MCI in 2009 and even after 9 years, less than 30 medical colleges out of the 495 medical colleges in India have an emergency medicine department and offer PG training. Only 3 out of the 32 medical colleges in Andhra Pradesh offer the post graduate MD program in emergency medicine. AP government is looking into three Govt colleges to start Emergency departments AMC, GMC, and SVMC and planning for others in future.

For every 100 MBBS seats, there should be at least 25% general medicine seats and another 15% family medicine seats. India needs a total of 15,000 general medicine, 10,000 family medicine, and 3,000 in emergency medicine post graduate seats. Some of these provisions are added in the NMC bill tabled in the Parliament, and if passed and implemented they will help ease the current post graduate seat crisis, and revolutionize the healthcare in India.



In Loving Memory...

GMCANA mourns the passing away of some of our members. We miss them and offer our deepest condolences to their families.



Sitarama Rao Bobba (60)

Past Chairman of BOT

Dr. Sitaramarao Bobba of Crystal Lake, Illinois, passed away on January 14, 2018 at the age of 74. He was born in Tenneru, Andhra Pradesh, India. He attended Guntur Medical College (class of 1960), where he received his medical degree and completed his post graduate training in orthopedic surgery. After coming to USA, he made a career in Emergency Medicine. He worked at the Centegra Hospitals in Woodstock and McHenry for over 3 decades and endeared himself to his colleagues and staff. Dr. Bobba was very instrumental in getting GMCANA on a solid footing as early as in 1989. He helped coordinate the very first GMCANA reunion in Chicago, where he single handedly helped raise over \$100,000 towards life membership and Auditorium building funds. He became the first Chairman of GMCANA Board of Trustees (1992-1994). Dr. Bobba had been an ardent devotee and a strong supporter of Sri Venkateswara Swami (Balaji) temple in Aurora, IL. He was very actively involved in all aspects of the temple activities.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 48 years Vasundhara, loving children Annapurna and Srivatsav, his favorite pup Baron Chowdary Bobba, and many loving family and friends. Dr. Bobba, a humble man with a golden heart, was a compassionate and talented physician. His kindness, humanity, and philanthropy knew no boundaries and touched countless lives.

was a GMC Alumnus of 1958 batch. She worked as Professor of Pathology. She was a bold, outspoken dynamic lady and was an unforgettable personality; She used to travel all the way from US to attend class reunions. She hailed from the family of Dr Cattamanchi Ramalinga Reddy,

a great scholar statesman

and educationist.

Dr. Cattamanchi Sumathi

Dr. Mahipal Ravipati, from GMC class of 1972, practiced Allergy and Immunology for 21 years in North Alabama.
Outside of Medicine, Dr. Ravipati was interested in astronomy, botany and ancient history. He was a wonderful husband, father, compassionate physician and wonderful friend.



Dr. Mahipal Ravipati (72)



Dr. Umamaheswara Rao Kalapatapu (72) Dr. Sita Gita R Kalapatapu(72)

Drs. Umamaheswara Rao Kalapatapu and Sita Gita Rajyalakshmi Kalapatapu were from GMC class of 1972. They were both psychiatrists and owned Raj Clinics located in different states of US. They lived in Logansport, Indiana. They both left this world in a tragic plane crash in 2017.



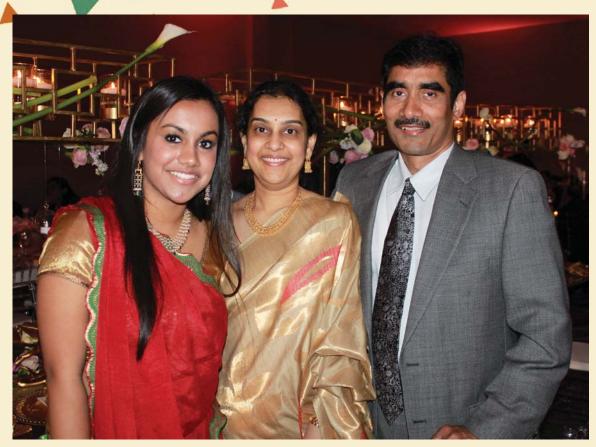
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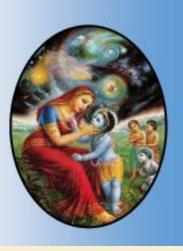
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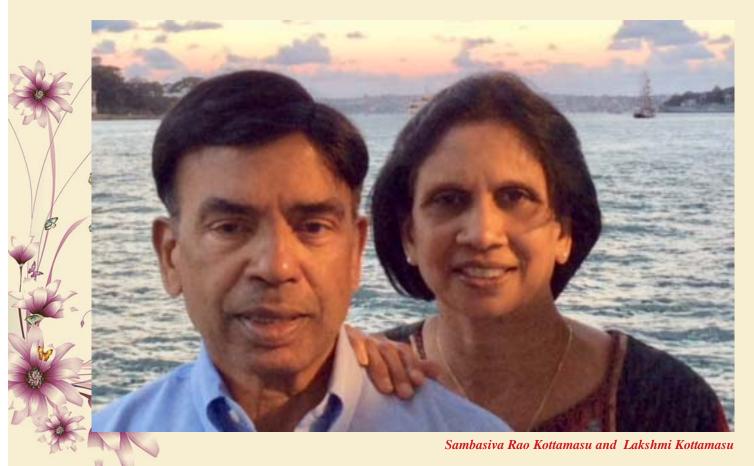


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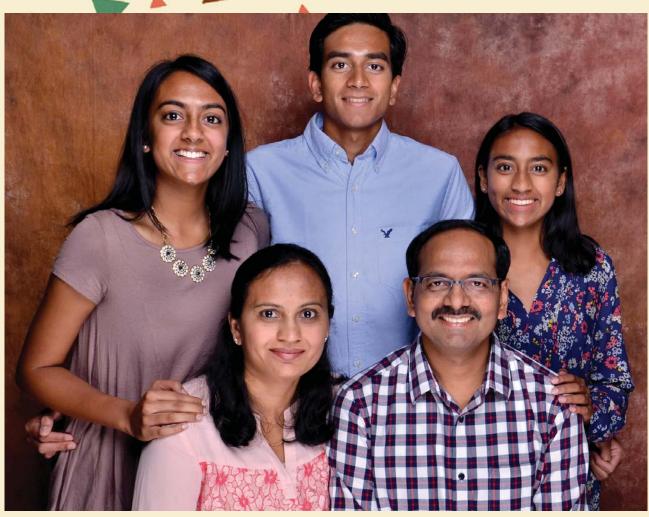




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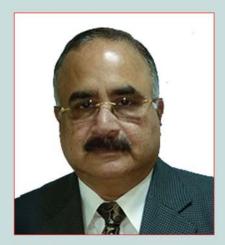
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