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12TH BIENNIAL GMC,RMC,SMC REUNION
September 4th -6th , 2010
Union station Marriott,St.Louis,Missouri.

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President's Note

Dear Alumni:

Greetings to everyone! I hope that you and your families are having a great summer. Our tradition of celebrating milestone class reunions at our alma mater is continuing with great enthusiasm. We would like to congratulate the members of the Class of 1960 for their golden jubilee reunion and the Class of 1985 for their silver jubilee reunion.

Over this coming Labor Day weekend September 4th - 6th, 2010, GMCANA will be hosting its 12th Biennial Reunion in St. Louis, Missouri. Babu Rajendra Prasad Dandamudi ('64) and members of the Organizing Committee are working hard to make this one of the most special and the best reunions so far. For GMCANA, celebrating this reunion in St. Louis is like a trip back home. We would like to thank Kaza Rama Rao ('64) who registered GMCANA in the state of Missouri as one of our organization's founding members and has renewed its registration every year since. I would like to invite all of our members and their families to join us in St. Louis for this fun-filled and joyous weekend. This will be a wonderful opportunity to get together with friends and to reminisce good old memories.

I am very pleased to inform you that all classrooms at our alma mater are now equipped with audiovisuals. This has helped in transforming our classrooms into modern state-of-the-art facilities for students. This will also help them in meeting MCI requirements. I would like to thank all project donors for their generosity. On the hospital side, this year has been marked with the starting of a first-ever hemodialysis facility that will serve hundreds of patients. A brand new cardiac cath lab is also being built. It is expected that both of these services will be moved to the Podila Prasad GMCANA Superspeciality & Trauma Center once the construction for this new building is completed. The construction work is currently on schedule. In order to accommodate all the specialties, the building must meet G+3 levels. I would like to thank our members who have already come forward with their generous support. It will also be very important that each one of our members take part in the successful completion of this project. Over the past three decades, you have shown unparalleled commitment in the history of alumni organizations. I am very confident that you will rise to the occasion one more time by showing your support for this major Podila GMCANA project.

It has been a very humbling experience to serve as the president of this great organization, and I would like to thank you for giving me this opportunity. I am very grateful to the senior leadership for their valuable guidance. Also, I would like to thank the members of the Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees for their support over these last two years.

We look forward to seeing you all in St. Louis!!

Sincerely
Satyanarayana Nelluri
Class of 1981

PODILA PRASAD

GMCANA SUPER SPECIALTY & TRAUMA CENTER

**Srihari Das Kanuru (60),
Chairman, Building Committee**

The Podila GMCANA project was designed to serve the needs of our folks in Guntur. The project is progressing well and we are very pleased to report that the basement, ground floor, and half of the first floor are completed. The interior and the necessary bio-medical infrastructure needs are currently being addressed. We would like to say a special thank you to Dr. and Mrs. Podila Prasad. This project would also not have been possible without the relentless efforts of our Building committee members and the generous gifts from our alumni.



Podila GMCANA Project-Bhoomi Pooja, August 2009

PODILA PRASAD GMCANA SUPER SPECIALTY & TRAUMA CENTER is not just another GGH building. It is a well designed project of any modern hospital with the necessary infrastructure to equip all bio-medical equipment. We hired architect to design the building and also hired a bio-medical consultant to design and provide the infrastructure for the equipment. Finally, we hired an experienced project manager to supervise the quality control and completion of the project.

We have spent 6 crores of Rupees so far; We will be spending another 4 crores over the next 3 months. The state government of AP had released 3 crores. We are waiting on their commitment to release another 2 crores.

The present budget of 10 crores is barely enough to finish the basement, ground floor and a little more than half of the first floor. We need an additional 3 crores to finish the first floor. We have requested the state to provide half of that amount as their contribution. The rest will be matched by us as the GMCANA contribution, which was agreed upon with the state in the MOU.

We will need two additional floors in order to complete the project as planned. The projected cost for the additional two floors of construction is around Rs. 10 crores. These two floors will accommodate all specialty wards. The ground floor will be used for Trauma center, Imaging center and Hemodialysis unit. The first floor is designed for the centralized surgical theaters, recovery and Burn unit. The basement will be used for parking, sterilization equipment and laundry.

As of today, our generous alumni donated \$750,000.00. In addition, Dr. Prasad has contributed Rs. 5 crores/\$ M 1.05. The entire contribution of Dr. Prasad and the state matching funds are being fully utilized within the next couple of months.

However, we are in a critical shortage of funding. We are not sure when the state can provide additional funds to finish the other two floors. The State needs to raise additional Rs. Five crores and we must match that amount. However, the state has serious financial problems and budget deficits. We are exploring every possible avenue to obtain state funds but we are in an uncertain territory at the present time. We cannot continue to wait and we need to raise another \$1.2 million in addition to the \$750,000 which was promised by our alumni as of today.





Sri. J. Satyanarayana IAS, Health Secretary of A.P. visiting Podila GMCANA project



We have faith in our alumni to rise to the occasion and meet the challenge. We need to deliver the funds on time and dedicate it to our alma mater. We have accomplished this before with the GMCANA auditorium and we certainly can do it again with Podila Prasad GMCANA project.

This is not an impossible dream. It can be a reality! The GMCANA alumni have more than 1800 members. More than 1200 members have been in active practice for at least 10 years or more.

This would put us in a position to make this dream a reality and we can deliver the promised facility to our alma mater. If Dr. Podila Prasad donated \$ 1.05 million by himself, we certainly can meet the challenge collectively to reach the goal of additional 1.2 million dollars.

Please also consider your donation as a token of love and gratitude to our mother institute which made us what we are today. Please find it in your heart to make this charitable tax deductible contribution that will help our people back home.



Podila GMCANA project- July 2010

We all love GMC and are proud of our alma mater. It took only a few alumni to commit to donating \$750,000 as of today and we are very proud of them. We are at a cross roads in regard to time and funds. GMCANA urges each and every one of 1,200 GMC physicians who have practiced for more than 10 years to help us meet this challenge and rise to the occasion. Even a rather small contribution of \$1000 from each of you would not be an excessive or beyond anyone's financial burden and definitely would not be an unreasonable request, especially, a tax deductible amount.

We still have naming rights opportunities available for recognition of you or your loved ones. Please contact any member of Executive committee or Board of trustees if you should need any further information. You can find a donor form on page 8 of this news letter or you could even download from our website: www.gmcana.org

*You may send your tax deductible contributions to
**GMCANA, 1744 Stifel lane dr,
Chesterfield, MO 63017***

GMCANA PROJECTS AT GMC/GGH 2009-2010

GMCANA continues to stay active in successfully completing various projects and also taking up new projects at our alma mater. We would not have been able to achieve this success without your support and generosity over the years. The executive committee and the Board of directors of GMCANA like to extend their deep appreciation to all our alumni for their unparalleled commitment to our mission. We mentioned some of the projects in our last newsletter. It is my great pleasure to give you a follow up on the status of some of these projects.

Audiovisuals in lecture galleries:



All the lecture galleries were renovated between 2006-2008. We have undertaken the task of providing audiovisuals to all the classrooms at GMC to make the high tech methods available in day to day teaching. Initially, we upgraded Cooper's Hall and the Physiology Lecture Galleries. After making sure that these are optimally utilized, we have provided state of the art audiovisual equipment to all other lecture galleries. We are pleased to announce that as of today all classrooms at GMC are equipped with a CPU, LCD Projector, Screen, and an Audio system. The students and staff are very appreciative of your generosity and commitment. We would like express our sincere thanks to the following donors for making this possible.

Sarma and Lyla Challa ('66) - \$15,000

Punnaiah Popuri memorial fund-class of 1981- \$3,000

Panduranga Rao Lingam ('61) - \$1,000

Ramakrishna Prasad Valluripalli ('65) - \$1,000

Kutumba Rao Veluvolu ('66) - \$1,000

Pediatric Water Project



With a generous donation from Srihari Das Kanuru ('60), GMCANA has been able to complete this much needed project. Now Pediatric ward at GGH has running water 24/7. This is very crucial in the maintenance of pediatric unit and for welfare of young patients. Over the years, Srihari Das Kanuru ('60) has been very instrumental and has donated generously for innumerable projects in the department of pediatrics. Our organization is indebted to him for his continued generosity, support and commitment.

Dr. Chalasani Memorial Project

Mrs. Jhansi Chalasani donated \$2,500 towards library books in memory of her late husband Dr. Srirama Prasad Chalasani ('61). A total of 200 books were donated to our library covering subjects from Anatomy to Medicine. We would also like to thank Gopichand Mannam and Nagarjuna Reddy Ponugoti ('72) for donating an additional Rs. 50,000 to augment this donation. We would like to thank Mrs. Jhansi Chalasani and our alumni friends for this special generous donation.

PG Book Donation

Srihari Das Kanuru ('60) has donated \$2,500 on the occasion of their class of 1960 Golden Jubilee Reunion celebration. With this, a total of 50 books for postgraduates covering all specialties were donated to our GMC Library. This thoughtful donation will undoubtedly aid our PGs with easy access to most up to date literature.

Podila GMCANA Project Construction

Work is progressing at good pace towards completion of this magnificent multi specialty modern building at GGH. Please refer to Page 3 for Building Committee report for an update. Also, don't forget to view details and pictures of most of our Projects in our website www.gmcana.org

Projects in progress:

Dr.Gollapudi Gopalakrishna Murthy

Memorial project: Our alumnus Dr.Gopalakrishna Murthy Gollapudi (57) has passed away recently. In his memory Gollapudi family has requested their family and friends to send their donations to GMCANA. We are very overwhelmed with their support in memory of Dr.Gopalakrishna Murthy. We would like to thank his family & friends for their generosity and for setting up this memorial fund with GMCANA. So far the fund has received \$13,750.00. We are looking into appropriate projects at our alma matter and will implement them shortly.

GMCANA – Delta Rotary of Stockton Pediatric Project

Under the stewardship of our President–elect Babureddy P. Sagireddy, GMCANA has been working with Delta Rotary of Stockton, CA over the last six months on a very significant project. We are very excited to inform you that the project has received final approval. At the completion of this project, our pediatric department at GGH would get state of the art life saving equipment worth of \$95,326.00. GMCANA will share part of this cost (contributed by Srihari Ds Kanuru (60) on behalf of GMCANA).

We would like to extend our gratitude to Srihari Das Kanuru(60) and to our colleagues at Delta rotary of Stockton along with their president Ms. Willie Kelley, and Mr. Jo Moya, Project Coordinator. The project would not have been possible without the full support of the local district 5520 of International Rotary club. We would like to extend our appreciation to Mr. Don Murphy, District Governor 5520, and its international chairs Mr. Nicholas Mascitelli & Mr. Dave Gallagher. Their counterparts and our well-wishers in Guntur, Mr. Ravi Vadlamani, Mrs. Raji Vadlamani and Mr. Anil Harnathka who played a key role in making this dream a reality.



The following are the details of the equipment that have been approved.

1. Three High End Multi parameter color monitors for Operation Theatre costing Rs. 11.55 lakhs
2. Two High End Multi parameter color monitors for ICU and MICU costing Rs. 5.3 lakhs
3. One High End Multi parameter color monitor for general ward use costing Rs. 2.25 lakhs.
4. Four Microprocessor based Neonate & pediatric Ventilators Model ESPIRIT consisting of the Following features
 - Large 10.4" Color Touch screen with Single Knob Operation
 - Built In Constant Speed Blower as Air Source
 - Built in Oxygen Blender for Blending 21 -100% Oxygen
 - Battery backup for 30 Minutes.

These three ventilators cost Rs. 24.75 lakhs. These invaluable projects and many more we have successfully accomplished in the past are clear examples of the high level of dedication and the exemplary love for the alma mater among our alumni. It gives the leadership immense satisfaction and profound enthusiasm to carry on this noble mission to help the institutions that made us what we are today.

THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH!!

TENTH ANNUAL GMCANA AWARDS

Ravikumar Tripuraneni ('71), Chairman, Endowment committee

We are pleased to announce the addition of a new endowment fund in the Dept of Biochemistry in memory of Chandrakala, Kavitha and Rajya Lakshmi, class of 1988 by their classmates. The award will be given to the student who scored the highest score in Biochemistry in University Examination. Two additional scholarships were also given to the economically disadvantaged but academically bright students. 10th GMCANA Endowment awards and scholarships were given on the eve of GMCOSA Reunion that was held in GMCANA auditorium on February 14, 2010.

1. Anne Pedagogopalarao and Nirmala endowment fund in Internal Medicine
Ch. Tejaswi - 2004 batch (Marks – 231 / 300)
2. Sri Thota Subba Rao & Smt Veera Raghavamma Endowment Fund in Surgery
P.Archana – 2004 batch (231 / 300)
3. Smt. & Sri Tulasi Mahalaxmi & Nagabhushnam Goriparthi endowment Fund in Obg & Gyn.
M. Karthik – 2004 batch
4. Smt Devabhaktuni Suguna Endowment Fund. In Pathology. Sri Padma Ravali (119 / 150)
5. Sri Vasireddy Seetapati & Gowri Devi Scholarship fund:
 - a. Highest ranker in EAMCET: Ganta Vishnu Vardhan Rao (2009) Eamcet rank: 121
 - b. First in first MBBS: Anurag. P – (471/ 600)
6. Gokaraju Hari Rao Endowment Fund in Anatomy:
Y. Jyothsna – 2008 batch (152 / 200)
7. Dr. Duggirala Bala Subramanyam Memorial Endowment Fund in Physiology. Anurag. P (167/200)
8. Chandrakala, Kavitha & Rajyalakshmi memorial endowment fund in Biochemistry-class of 1988.
Vikram . D – 2008 batch (167 / 200)
9. Sri Tummala Ramakrishna Sastrullu Memorial Fund
V. Baby Naga Priya – 2006 batch. (Marks obtained in 1st & 2nd M.B.B.S 445 & 413)
10. Dr. Kancherla Aruna Prasad Memorial Endowment Scholarship fund.
Raveendra Reddy Sangu – 2009 batch
Eamcet rank – 526
11. Dr. Mandava Sreemannarayana Murthy, M.D, Memorial Endowment Fund in Surgery
12. GMCANA Anesthesiologists Endowment Fund:
\$ 500
13. Tummala Ramabrahmam, M.D, memorial GMCANA Research Endowment Fund.
Dr. T. Ranga Rao M.D., Prof & HOD, Dept of Biochemistry, GMC, Guntur.
14. For academically bright and economically disadvantaged students.
Shaik Karimulla – (2008 batch) &
Raja Gopala Rao. A – (2005 batch)



MINUTES OF GENERAL BODY MEETING, JULY 2009

The GMCANA annual general body meeting was held during the TANA convention in Chicago on July 4th, 2009. President Satyanarayana Nelluri called the meeting to order. The minutes from previous general body meeting held in August 2008 in Dallas were approved. After this, the general body with more than one hundred alumni in attendance observed few minutes of silence in remembrance of some of our recently deceased members.

Satyanarayana Nelluri presented activities of the organization over the past one year which also included list of all completed and current projects in progress. This was followed by presentation of current status of Podila Prasad GMCANA superspeciality & Trauma center by the building committee chairman, Srihari Das Kanuru. . He also presented plans of the building and mentioned that the construction was about to commence.

Subba Rao Uppuluri presented the report from the Board of trustees. Following this, the chairman of endowment committee Ravikumar Tripuraneni gave a list of 2009 GMCANA awards. He commended the efforts of members of 1988 in establishing a ' Chandrakala, Kavitha & Rajyalakshmi memorial endowment fund ' which would recognize student with highest marks scored in the final examination of Biochemistry.

As the meeting continued, the current status of the GMCANA auditorium was presented by Ramaraja Yalavarthi. Ammani Dasari requested committee to consider an elevator in the GMCANA auditorium and it was decided to further discuss with the executive committee. After this, financial report for 2009 was presented by Treasurer Venkateswara Rao Dharmavarapu.

The chairman of Communications & Web committee, Babu Arekapudi presented latest changes to website. Then Satyanarayana Nelluri opened the floor for the new business. Our members from St.Louis expressed their interest to host our next biennial reunion. After appreciating their interest, it was decided to further discuss with the executive committee to finalize the details of 12th biennial reunion.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Uma Devi Gavani, chairman of the nominating committee, hereby calls for the nominations to The following positions in the executive committee for 2010 – 2012 term.

- Four Members for the Board of Trustees
- President –elect
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Six members for the Executive Committee

As per our bylaws, only Life Members are eligible for election as President-elect, Secretary, Treasurer and Trustees. Life members and duly registered Members- in Training are eligible for election as members of the Executive Committee. Only Life Members are eligible to vote in the election. Any alumnus of GMC can become a life member by paying one- time dues of \$250. Please consider becoming a life member, if you have not already done so.

As a non-profit organization, GMCANA requires active participation from its executive committee members including such activities as fund rising, annual meeting planning, and overseeing various projects at GMC/GGH. As a member of the Board, trustees are charged with ultimate residual Fiscal authority as per the Articles of Incorporation, which gives it the responsibility of oversight of the policy-making branches—the Governing Body and the Executive Committee. This position needs experience and knowledge of our organization.

Please send your nominations to:

Uma Devi Gavani
2015 Mid West Club Pkwy
Oak Brook, IL 60523

You can also email the nominations to: umagavani@aol.com or to nelluri1@gmail.com. All nominations should be received by August 20th, 2010.

Nominating committee will give their report at the annual general body meeting during 12th Biennial Reunion to be held in St.Louis, Mo on Sept 4th 2010. If necessary, an election will be conducted during the meeting.

GMCANA MEMBERSHIP DATA UPDATE & PODILA PRASAD – GMCANA SUPER SPECIALTY & TRAUMA CENTER DONATION FORM

Last Name	First Name
Year of Joining GMC	Specialty
Address	City
State	ZIP
Home Tel	Email
	Office Tel

Spouse First Name	Spouse Yr of Joining (If from GMC)				
Child's First Name	SEX (M /F)	Date of Birth	MaritalStatus	Education	Career Goals

You can also submit the information through our website www.gmcana.org at Membership link. If you are not a **life member** you may join by paying **\$250**. (Check addressed to GMCANA)

I am / we are excited to be contributing to the improvement of our alma mater by joining the **Podila – GMCANA Project Partnership** and would like to be: *(Circle one and specify the amount of contribution)*

Amount

Donor \$2,000 - \$4,999 _____

Benefactor \$5,000 - \$9,999 _____

Grand Benefactor \$10,000 and above _____

Contributor less than \$2,000 _____

I/We would like this donation, for the amount of \$_____ recognized in the following name/s.

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Year Joined	Spouse's Name
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Names of all donors with contributions more than \$1000.00 will be etched on the "Wall of Recognition" in the building permanently in the specific category appropriately. Please make your tax-deductible donation check to **GMCANA** with a memo to "**Podila GMCANA Project**" and mail to

**GMCANA,
 1744 Stifel Lane Dr
 Chesterfield, MO 63017**

12th BIENNIAL GMC/RMC/SMC REUNION

SEPTEMBER 4th – 6th

Union Station Marriott Hotel | One St. Louis Union Station | St. Louis, MO 63103

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM (Includes CME)

Name: _____ Circle One: GMC / RMC / SMC

Address: _____ Year of Joining: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Spouse/Guest: _____ Circle One: GMC / RMC / SMC

Spouse E-Mail: _____ Year of Joining: _____

Other Guests Attending (*If Children, please include age*):

1. _____ Age: _____ 2. _____ Age: _____

3. _____ Age: _____ 4. _____ Age: _____

	<i>Payment Postmarked</i>		
	By August 16	After August 16	
1. Registration for Alumnus and Spouse	\$325	\$375	\$
2. Registration for Alumnus (Single)	\$225	\$250	\$
3. Guest/Visitor/Children (under 5 Free)	x \$100		\$
4. River Cruise w/Dinner & Entertainment (Sat.) (First Come First Serve Basis)	x \$60		\$
5. Life membership GMC	\$250		\$
6. Additional Sponsorship of Reunion <input type="radio"/> \$250 <input type="radio"/> \$500 <input type="radio"/> \$1,000 <input type="radio"/> Other			\$
GMC Alumni – Please join as Life Members		GRAND TOTAL	\$

No. of People

Sunday Continental Breakfast
 Sunday Lunch
 Sunday Dinner
 Monday Brunch

<p>Check Payable to: GMCANA 2010 Mail this form with payment to: GMCANA 13036 Pingry Place Des Peres, MO 63131</p> <p><i>For Registration info please contact</i> Sandhya Yanamadala Ph 636-536-4952 Email: ashoksanji@yahoo.com</p>	<p><i>For more info please contact</i> Babu R Dandamudi Ph 314-651-6144 email: dandamudi@aol.com</p> <p>Lakshman B Darsi Ph 314-369-9064 email: ldarsi@yahoo.com or visit us @ www.gmcana.org</p>	<p><i>Hotel Reservations</i> Call Union Station Marriott 800-410-9914 or 314-621-5262</p> <p>Ask for GMCANA group rate of \$99 per night</p>
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GMC, RMC AND SMC 12th BIENNIAL REUNION

GMCANA is going to celebrate its 12th Biennial reunion over this Labor Day weekend (September 4 – 6, 2010) at union station Marriott in St.Louis, Missouri. Alumni from Rangaraya and Sidhartha medical colleges will also join us. We would like to invite you to join us along with your families. The arrangements for this reunion are in full swing and the organizing committee is looking forward to host you for this fun filled weekend. We would like to encourage our alumni to register early so that we can plan properly to meet your needs. The following are few highlights and relevant information about the reunion.

Golf Outing: St.Louis is home to many wonderful golf courses. As tradition continues, we will start our reunion celebrations on Saturday September 4th at 8am with golf at Gateway national golf course. This 18 – hole golf course wanders through an inspiring landscape with tall grasses, lakes, wood-tie bunkers and occasional giant cottonwoods. This is the only course with bent grass! and is conveniently located only few miles from the hotel. For information and to sign up, please contact Venkat Pante at 314-265-3033 or Lakshman Bapuji Darsi at 314-369-9064 or email at ldarsi@yahoo.com

Class reunions: Individual class reunions will be held on Saturday September 4th between 2 to 5 pm. You can plan to meet members of your class during this reunion. You may reserve a room for your class reunion by contacting venkateswara Rao Dharmavarapu at 314-315-2550 or email him at vrddharma@yahoo.com

Mississippi River Boat Cruise: A fun filled evening with food and entertainment on Saturday September 4th with a river boat cruise. You will enjoy hanging out with your old pals and their families. A music entertainment is planned. A riverboat dinner cruise is one of the most popular ways to see the city of St.Louis and the Gateway arch itself. The seating for this popular event is limited and please make your reservations soon. Tickets will be sold on a first come first served basis.

Grand banquet: An elegant evening is planned with entertainment and cultural activities. We are pleased to inform you that musical night is going to be provided by “ Maa TV Super singers” . If you or any members of your family would like to participate in the cultural program at the grand banquet, please contact Latha Ravi at 618-398-4424 or email her at lravi@att.net with your interests.

Hotel Reservations: Union station Marriott is centrally located in the historic union station area of St.Louis. GMCANA has negotiated a discount price of \$99 per night. Please mention GMCANA to get this discounted price. These special room rates are available from September 2nd through September 7th. You may make hotel reservations either by calling (800) 410-9914 or (314) 621-5262. If any questions or if you need more information, please contact Venkateswara Rao Dharmavarapu at (314)-315-2550.

Exhibit Halls: There will be several display booths from medical and nonmedical vendors covering from jewelry, clothing to electronic medical records. Exhibit halls are open all day on Saturday and Sunday.

Need more information:

The registration form is enclosed. You may check website www.gmcana.org for updates and more information. You can also print registration form from website and also fill them online.

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We ask you to make hotel reservation when you send the meeting registration. It's time to meet your classmates, old pals and their families to reminisce about good times and rejuvenate youthful memories! We are looking forward to seeing all of you at the reunion.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, September 4th 2010

CENTRALACTIVITIES

- 1.00 – 5.00 PM Registration
- 2.00 – 4.30 PM Class Reunions

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- 8AM-12.00PM Golf Outing
- 6.00 – 10.00PM Mississippi river boat cruise
..... (Buses depart hotel at 5.45PM)

Sunday, September 5th 2010

CENTRAL ACTIVITIES

- 7.30AM – 4.00 PM Registration
- 7.45AM – 12.30P.M CME Program
- 1.30 – 3.30PM I ndividual college general body meeting
..... GMCANA, RMCANA, SMCANA

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- 7.30 – 10.00 AM Breakfast
- 8.00 AM – 6.00PM Exhibits
- 11.30 AM – 2.00PM Buffet Lunch
- 4.30 – 5.30PM Group Photo Session
- 6.00 – 7.00PM Cocktail Reception
- 7.00 – 8.00PM Convener’s address
..... President’s address GMC, RMC and SMC
..... Keynote Speech
- 8.00 – 9.00 PM Gala banquet
- 9.00PM – 12.00 midnightEntertainment

Monday, September 6th 2010

- 8.00 – 11AM Farewell Brunch
- 9.00 – 11 AM New executive committee meeting

Financial Statement

July 2009 - June 2010

Presented by V.R.Dharmavarapu

INCOME AND DONATIONS Upto June 2010

Dr.Gollapudi Memorial Fund	\$13,679.00
Dividend & Interest.....	\$33,443.16
Podila Gmcana Project	\$880,401.00
GMCANA scholarships	750.00
PG Student Book Donation	\$2,000.00
Dr. Chalasani Memorial Fund	\$2,500.00
Total	\$932,773.16

EXPENSES Upto June 2010

Printing & Postage	\$9,472.40
FGMK LLC (Accounting Fee for 2008 Taxes)	\$5,683.99
GMCANA Awards 2010	\$3,750.00
Podila Project Transfers	\$657,000.00
General Fund transfer for Projects at GMC & GGH	\$16,152.50
Total	\$692,058.89

ACCOUNT BALANCE,YTD May 2010

Life Membership Fund	\$139,647.00
Auditorium Fund	\$155,015.00
General Fund	\$84,922.00
Endowment Fund	\$322,509.00
CITIBANK MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT	\$30,217.00
CITIBANK CHECKING ACCOUNT.....	\$30,825.00
CITIBANK PODILA-GMCANA PROJECT	\$981,767.00
TOTAL FUNDS.....	\$1,744,902.00

DIVIDEND & INTEREST DETAILS July 2009-June 2010

Life Membership Fund	\$13,842.92
Auditorium Fund	\$3,308.65
General Fund	\$2,724.52
Endowment Fund	\$5,021.93
Citibank A/C (PG + Money Market + Checking)	\$8,545.14
Total	\$33,443.16

DONORS LIST

Dr. Chalasani Memorial fund

Mrs. Jhansi Chalasani \$2500.00

Gollapudi

Gopalakrishna Murthy

Memorial Fund

Mourad L Mansour \$75.00

Tulasi Dyal Singh & Claudette Y. Singh \$100.00

Sunderram V. Satyavada \$151.00

Elazabeth Harrell \$100.00

Ramanand and Parmush Heeraman \$25.00

Sharon A. Cook \$25.00

Juan Garcia \$250.00

Mr and Mr. Kevin and Andrea Page \$75.00

Premkumarchand and Premalata Vindhya \$500.00

Nancy K Oyer \$50.00

A.J. Vinaya Simha \$101.00

Narasimha Rao Vemula \$2,000.00

U.P.Rao and Usha Rao \$51.00

Caroly Adams \$100.00

C.V. Ramanathan \$51.00

Divinegrace Labao \$75.00

Ravikumar Vemuru \$10,000.00

GMCANA Scholarships 2010

Sriharidas Kanuru \$250.00

Venkat Thota \$250.00

Nageswara Rao Latchamsetty \$250.00

PG Student Book Donation

Srihari Das Kanuru \$2000.00

Podila - GMCANA Project

Podila Venkata Prasad \$801,000.00

Kosuru Subba Raju \$25,000.00

Pavuluri Srinivas \$12,500.00

Nalluri Muralikrishna \$10,000.00

GhantaPrabhavathi & Madhusudana Rao \$5,000.00

Challa Vema Reddy & Usha Rani \$5,000.00

Prasad Babu & Sudha \$5,000.00

Yalavarthi Sulochana & Ramaraja \$5,000.00

Kottamasu Sambasiva Rao \$5,000.00

Gottimukkala Maruthi & Lakshmi \$5,000.00

Mettu Ramana rao & Jyothi \$5,000.00

Dasari Ammani \$2,016.00

Koka Janaki & Vijaya \$2,000.00

Tummala Padmini Priya \$1,000.00

Paidipaty Butchi Babu & Vijaya \$1,000.00

Veluvolu Kutumba Rao \$500.00

Avutu R. Reddy \$101.00

Popuri Punnaiah memorial

Class of 1981

Bapuchand Aluri \$1000.00

Ankineedu Prasad Nannapaneni \$250.00

Muralikrishna Nalluri \$250.00

Nasaraiah Nallamothu \$250.00

Satyanarayana Nelluri \$500.00

Srinivas Pavuluri \$250.00

Venkata Prasad Podila \$250.00

Panduranga Reddy Yenumula \$250.00

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

The strength of every organization depends on its membership. We would like to request all alumni to become life members (which is the only membership available) by paying one time dues of \$250. For your convenience, the membership update form is included in this news letter or you can download it from our website www.gmcana.org. We also like to ask you to update your information if there are any changes.

We like to thank the following alumni for becoming life members.

2008 – 2009

Boppana Sita
Chadalavada Nandakishore
Challa Vema Reddy
Challapalli John
Challapalli Krishna Kumari
Chittoor Srinivas
Dharmavarapu Venkateswara Rao
Garikapati Mohan Kishore
Gondi Ramakrishna
Kanuri Karunasri
Katragadda Raghuram

Ketha Sumana
Mandapuru Srinivasa Rao
Neerukonda Latha
Movva Usha Rani
Sajja Saibhaskar
Surapaneni Prasad L.
Thota Venkat

2010

Padala Nagamani
Jasti Hymavathy

GMC/GGH NEWS



GMCOSA annual meeting was held on February 14th, 2010. It was very well attended this year with more than four hundred members. A new governing body has been elected with the following members:

President: Dr.M.Ramamohan Rao
Vice President: N. Narasimhan
Secretaries: YVS Prabhakar
G.Krishna Murthy
Treasurer: PV Hanumantha Rao

GMCANA would like to thank GMCOSA past President Gopichand Mannam for his unparalleled support and commitment over the years. We would like to congratulate the new governing body and look forward to working with them.

A CME program was also conducted with very renowned speakers featuring A.G.K.Gokhale, U.Venkata Ramana and Lakshmi Saleem covering broad based topics.

Hemodialysis unit at GGH:



We are pleased to inform that GGH has a dedicated nephrology ward and a fully functional hemodialysis unit. As a Private - public partnership model, dialysis unit was started on December 15th, 2009. All the machines including waterplant were set up by Braun Company which is a

private company in this model. It is a boon for all the underprivileged patients to be able to receive this service. It really made a huge impact on how patients with chronic kidney disease are being cared for. It used to be only a dream for these patients and staff to think about dialysis option which not uncommonly a life saving treatment for most of these patients.

In fact, this dialysis facility at GGH is the largest facility in the area with about 14 treatment stations. Each station is equipped with the state of the art BP and KT/v online monitoring. As of today , the hemodialysis is being offered to about 40 - 50 patients a day and almost 1100 dialysis treatment sessions in a month. The model seems to be working out good under the supervision of nephrologist Dr.G. Sivarama Krishna. He is very dedicated and in a very short time proved himself as one of the best in the region. The idea of hemodialysis is one of the very successful private partnership models that AP state government has implemented as proposed by honorable health secretary Sri.J.Satyanarayana, IAS. We would like to request all of you to consider visiting the dialysis unit on your next trip to GGH.

Cardiac Cath Lab At GGH



We are very excited to inform that a brand new cardiac cath lab is being built in the department of Cardiology at GGH. This is a single plane, state of art equipment from Toshiba. It is going to be up and operational very soon. It has been agreed to relocate this to Podila Prasad GMCANA superspeciality & Trauma center once the construction of the building is completed. This is also following the same public private partnership model that we mentioned earlier. This essential facility will be available for the benefit of many poor and needy patients at GGH. Given time it is expected to perform all procedures including coronary angiography, interventions and percutaneous valvuloplasty.

Obituaries



Dr. Gopalakrishna Murthy Gollapudi, class of 1957, passed away on February 2nd, 2010 in Houston, TX. After graduating from Guntur Medical College in 1962 with honors, he immigrated to United States to receive medical training in Internal

Medicine in New York followed by PhD in Endocrinology at McGill University in Montreal, Canada. He joined faculty at SUNY, Stony Brooke where he was very avid researcher and published several papers. After his relocation to Midland, Texas, he maintained his enthusiasm in clinical research and also established Diabetes Center of the Southwest. During his private practice which spanned over 30 years, he was regarded a very brilliant, kind, and most compassionate physician. He always liked to teach and some of us may recall his most exemplary talk on diabetes during our 11th Biennial Reunion in Dallas, TX.

In his honor, his family and friends have established a memorial fund with GMCANA to support needy projects at Guntur Medical College. He is survived by his wonderful wife, two daughters, a son and their families. Our heartfelt condolences go out to the family and friends. The GMC family truly misses one of their senior most alumni.

Dr. Kongara Kodandaramaiah, our beloved teacher and former principal passed away at his home in Guntur on Tuesday, Sept 29th, 2009. He was born in a small village, Kakumanu in Guntur district in 1917. After his graduation from AC



College, he earned his MBBS degree in 1943 and MD (General Medicine) in 1946 from Andhra Medical College, Vizag. He worked as Professor of Medicine at Stanley Medical College, Kurnool and Guntur Medical Colleges during his career. He is well known to our alumni as a dedicated Physician, great teacher and was regarded as one of most inspirational medical personalities during his tenure as a Chief of Medicine, the Superintendent at GGH and as a Principal of Guntur Medical College. Following his retirement from academia in 1972, he served medical community of Guntur through Kodandarama Nursing home and as one of the most caring Physicians for many more years. He is survived by his two daughters and their families. Our heartfelt condolences go out to the family.

ALUMNI NEWS

Achievements

Pavan Davuluri, class of 1980, participated in a Marathon in Fargo, North Dakota on 22nd of May 2010. He finished this full marathon in four hours and forty three minutes. That was his second marathon in three years. Congratulations and our best wishes to Pavan Davuluri.



Meghana Vunnamadala, daughter of **Rajeswari** and **Syam Prasad (71)**, active alumnus of GMC, is a student of Deerfield Academy who has special interest and passion for Kuchipudi dance. She is going to give her performance at Raveendra Bharathi in Hyderabad on August 27th to showcase what she has learned over last six years but more so to our admiration in raising funds for 'The

Hrudaya Cure a little heart foundation' a charitable organization founded by Dr. Gopichand Mannam to help underprivileged children with congenital heart diseases. Over the



last few years Meghana has given several performances to raise funds for underprivileged children. She would like to make an appeal to everybody to join her in this mission of helping poor children. "The very thought that the basic necessity in one part of the world is an exclusive privilege of select few in another part of the world disturbs me", says Meghana.

What Meghana is doing at the age of only sixteen, is quite admirable and inspirational!! Congratulations to Meghana and the Vunnamadala family.

Marriages

Congratulations and best wishes to all the newlyweds. We may not be aware of many more happy events. If you like to share the news of any occasion with the GMCANA family, please send a note or email with a picture to our president-elect Babureddy Sagireddy at pbsagireddy@hotmail.com and we will be glad to include it in the next alumni news, news letter and the web site.

Satyakanth Ponnuru, son of **Bhaskara Murthy** (class of 1963) and **Lalitha Sree** (class of 1971) married **Srikala** on September 19, 2009 in Morristown, New Jersey.



Kalyana Ram is son of **Lakshmi Rajyam** (class of 1969) & **Ramabrahmham Gullapalli** married **Krishna Priya** daughter of **Nirmala** and **Veerendra Nandigam** (class if 1963) on June 12th, 2010 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Geethanjali, daughter of **Ammaji** and **Bhaskara Rao Davuluri**(60) will marry **Sanjay Kumar** on September 5th, 2010 in Verona, New York.

Prasanth, son of **Vijaya Lakshmi** (class of 1972) and **Venkata R. Saikumar Lingam** (class of 1972) will marry **Naiya** on September 5th, 2010 in Cherry Hills, New Jersey.

CLASS REUNIONS



CLASS OF 1960 GOLDEN JUBILEE REUNION

The 1960 batch of the Guntur Medical College celebrated their golden jubilee reunion on 16th and 17th of January 2010 at GMCANA auditorium, Guntur. It was well attended special reunion with about eighty of their classmates along with their families, including eleven from US and two from UK. Some of the members felt very emotional as they met some of their classmates after many years. Everyone felt like it was the most memorable event that happened since their graduation. Srihari Das kanuru said "It was truly a remarkable and very special gathering. We all cherish the long sweet memories of the good old days of our lives together at G.M.C. "

Congratulations and our best wishes to the class of 1960.



CLASS OF 1984 SILVER JUBILEE REUNION

The GMC class of 1984 celebrated their 25th reunion by gathering at GMCANA auditorium and at Ramoji Film city, Hyderabad from July 31st through August 2nd, 2009. About sixty of them attended along with their families. After the joyful meeting, they expressed their gratitude by felicitating their former teachers for making them what they are now.

Lal S. Nagabhairu said "We visited our dear college and hospital while reminiscing about the beautiful moments that happened there. It was hair rising experience that gave us goose bumps as we stepped into areas that were so real and we can recollect events as if they happened yesterday! This is where it all started! This is where we dared to dream about becoming a physician one day, to practice the art and science of Medicine. These are our roots that will always be there to remind us of what it was like and what life is about as we stepped in through those doors with wide opened eyes and a rapid heartbeat on DAY ONE of our Medical student life! . After spending an emotional and joyous weekend, we dispersed with heavy hearts knowing that it would be sometime before we can gather for our 30th reunion."

Congratulations to the class of 1984.

We are going to release GMCANA 2010 membership directory at our 12th biennial reunion over this Labor Day weekend in St.Louis. We are trying our best to provide most up to date information. But it remains a very challenging task and sometimes it is like chasing a moving target as personal information including address and emails may have changed. If you are not getting "GMCANA NEWS BRIEFS" frequently by email means that we do not have your correct email address. Please go the link " ADD/ UPDATE YOUR EMAIL LISTING" in the front page of our website and update it. If you are not getting GMCANA News letters or Directories means we do not have your correct postal address. You can update the information in the "MEMBERSHIP" link in left columns of our website www.gmcana.org . Alternatively for your convenience, we have included "MEMBERSHIP UPDATE FORM" on page 8 of this news letter which you can fill and mail. For any questions please do not hesitate to contact Membership committee chairman Bapuchand Aluri at 928-446-6445 or email him at docabc@yahoo.com.

ALUMNI NEWS

Kids Corner

Rohan and Kethan, are grandchildren of **Venkata Subba Rao Uppuluri** (63), past president of GMCANA and **Saraswati**.

Proud parents are **Babu Satyakrishna Doddapaneni**(87) and **Jeevani**. *Congratulations to Uppuluri & Doddapaneni families.*



Amelia Lakshmi, was born on April 9th, 2010. Proud parents are **Raghu Krishna & Katie Elizabeth**.

Proud grandparents are **Basava Purnaiah Kunamaneni** (class of 1962) & **late Jhansi Lakshmi** (class of 1965). *Congratulations to Kunamaneni Family.*



Lokan Gadde Atluri was born on January 29th, 2010. Proud parents are **Pallavi and Anil**.

Proud grandparents are **Sobha Kumar & Latha Ravi**(class of 1969) and **Seetharamaiah & Vijayalakshmi Atluri**(class of 1970). *Congratulations to Ravi and Atluri Families.*



Jayen was born on April 20th,2010 Proud parents are **Swarna Latha** (class of 1987) and **Nageswara Rao Chalasani** (class of 1984). *Congratulations to the Chalasani Family.*



Podila GMCANA Super specialty & Trauma center-July 2010

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(We will also be joined by Rangaraya & Sidhartha Alumni)

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