

SANA NEWS

Special Edition

P.O. Box 991, Williamsville, NY 14231, USA.

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April Issue of SANGAT Delayed

The April 1990 issue of SANGAT is delayed due to unavoidable circumstances. The next consolidated issue for the period of April-June will be distributed in the second week of June 1990.

1990 SANA MEETING PREPARATIONS

The preparations for the 1990 SANA meeting in Washington, D.C. are in full swing and all milestones are right on target. To-date, the following have been achieved:

The Local Arrangements Committee (Badar Shaikh, Aleem Brohi, Sarfaraz Memon and Abdul Nabi Memon) has established four groups: RECEPTION, PROGRAMMING, FOOD & PICNIC and CULTURAL.

The SANA Executive Council has approved a budget of \$2,500.00 to cover the expenses related to the musical program by Zarina Baloch.

Discussions are underway with other North American Associations of Sindhies to arrange concerts of Zarina Baloch in other cities in order to share costs. Failing this option, the executive council is considering a charge of \$10.00 per adult from attending people.

Several guest speakers have been invited to address the meeting. The invitee include leaders such as Benazir Bhutto, G.M. Syed, Shaikh Ayaz, Hafiz Pirzado, Mumtaz Bhutto and Jatoi. To-date, only Mr. Pirzado has confirmed his participation. (Due to the limited financial resources of SANA, the association shall not be bearing any travel expenses for the participating guest speakers.)

Discussions are underlying amongst the SANA Executive Council and Advisory Committee members to finalize the names of panel members for the BrainStorming Session on Friday, July 13, 1990. The theme of this session is "ROLE OF OVERSEAS SINDHIES IN THE DEVELOPMENT/SURVIVAL OF SINDH". Some of the SANA members under consideration for the panel include: Feroz Ahmed, G.M. Bhurgri, Wahab Kazi, Manzoor Memon (UK), Badar Shaikh (MD), Anwar Shaikh, Igbal Tareen and Mithal Vakassi.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT REQUESTED FROM SANA

The following Sindhi Organizations have approached SANA for financial support:

- Mehran Educational Foundation for donation of three (3) microcomputers and scholarship for its schools
- b) Sindhi Association of Australia (ASA) to provide financial support in the production of a television documentary titled 'The Plight of Indus'
- c) Institute of Sindhology to donate a desktop publishing computer and a fax machine
- d) Mehran University to donate a laser printer
- e) World Sindhi Congress (WSC) to make a cash donation towards the establishment of legal fund for Sindhies.

Since SANA's own financial resources are rather limited, discussions are underway to start a donation campaign. A formal announcement will shortly be issued on this subject.

FIRST PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION OF SINDHIES IN NORTH AMERICA

The first ever public demonstration by Sindhies was held on March 25, 1990 in New York. The demonstration was supported by SANA and attended by several Sindhi families. The demonstration was to protest the recent increase in propaganda by MQM against Sindhies through Asian television programs in New York.

SELLING SINDH'S POINT OF VIEW IN NORTH AMERICA

The SANA Executive Council has approved a proposal by Mr. Iqbal Tareen to start a publication aimed at the policy making individuals and groups in North America. The publication is named "The Sindh Monitor", and will be issued on a quarterly basis.

SANGAT WORLD STARTS

SANA has made an agreement with Mr. Adam Khan Laghari for publication of a Sindhi Magazine named "SANGAT WORLD". This magazine will uphold the general principles of press freedom, objectivity, and balanced reporting as SANA constitution. A recent issue of this magazine is in the process of being distributed to SANA members.

AMBULANCE ARRANGED FOR HYDERABAD

The Executive Committee of Sindhi Medical Association of North America (SMANA), at the request of some friends from Sindh, arranged within few weeks a collection of enough funds to buy an ambulance to be used by people who are not able to get other government or charitable or private transports/ambulances in time. The money will be donated to the Sindh Graduate Association which will run the ambulance in Hyderabad. The following members and friends of SMANA were kind enough to donate for this worthy cause:

- 1) Dr. A.W. Bhatti
- 2) Dr. Amanullah Pathan
- 3) Dr. A.W. Kazi
- 4) Dr. M.M. Vakassi
- 5) Dr. Rafat Ansari
- 6) Dr. Mazhar Lakho
- 7) Dr. Shabir Shaikh
- 8) Dr. Asker Qalbani
- 9) Dr. Mahmood Qalbani
- 10) Mr. Haider Qalbani
- 11) Mr. Saleem Ursani
- 12) Marion Labs

SANA AWARDS

SANA Awards Committee invites nominations for several Students Awards and a Scientist Award. Persons nominated for the student awards must have graduated from a North American High School or College in 1989 or 1990. The nominees should have at least a GPA of 3.5, SAT score of 1350, and/or achieved excellence through other scholarly activities.

The Scientist Award nominee should be a Sindhi Scientist/Scholar who has achieved excellence in his/her field anywhere in the world. Any field of pure and social sciences will be considered.

Nominations should be forwarded by the candidates themselves or by any SANA member. Nominations should be made by writing to the Chairman of Awards Committee along with detailed documentary evidences of achievements at the following address:

Dr. Badar Shaikh 4604 Tonquil Street Beltsville, MD 20705 USA (301) 937-4759

The nominations should be received no later than June 15, 1990. Selections of nominees for the Awards will be decided by the Awards Committee unanimously. The Committee's decision will be final and can not be challenged. The awards will be presented to the successful nominees at 1990 SANA Annual Meeting. The Scientist/Scholar award will also include US \$500.

SMANA ANNUAL MEETING ON MAY 12, 1990

The 2nd Annual Meeting of Sindhi Medical Association of North America (SMANA) will take place in the St. Louis area on Saturday, May 12, 1990. The meeting will be held at Stouffer's Concourse Hotel 9801, Natural Bridge Road (At Airport) St. Louis, Missouri 63134.

The highlights will include:

- * A dinner arranged by Pfizer Company
- * An exhibition of paintings on Sindh by Mr. M. Ali Bhatti
- * Participation of prominent physicians from Sindh, including Dr.Tanveer Abassi and others
- * And of course "Kachhari" among we friends
- * No registration fee is required

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact either of the following SMANA members:

Dr. Mohammad Mithal Vakassi Residence (618) 398-0876 Business (618) 277-0100

Dr. Allah Wadhayo Bhatti Residence (414) 351-1883

All Sindhies in North America are cordially invited to attend this meeting with their families. We look forward to meeting you and hope that you are able to join this historic gathering of Sindhi Physicians of North America.

Sindhi Association of North America, Inc. (SANA) 1989 FINANCIAL STATEMENT By

By ISRAR ANSARI Treasurer, SANA

BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31	<u>, 1989</u>	
	1989	1988
ASSETS		
Cash at Bank	\$11,937	\$5,013
Student Loan	1,500	0
Advance on GBM-90	500	0
Total Assets	13,937	5,013
LIABILITIES		
Expenses Payable	358	0
Advance membership fees	120	308
Total Liabilities	478	308
SURPLUS	4 705	3,939
Previous Years Surplus	4,705 8,754	766
Surplus for the year just ended	0,704	700
Total Surplus & Net Worth	13,459	4,705
INCOME AND EXPENSE ACCOUNT FOR FISCA	L YEAR 1989	
INCOME		
Membership Fees	2,958	1,778
Donations Received	17,844	6,650
Interest Received	562	241
Income from video sales	51	0
Total Income	21,415	8,669
EXPENSES		
Postage and Courier	1,422	1,228
Printing & Stationary	2,074	1,528
General Body Meeting	6,316	2,858
Telephone	1,078	1,187
Donations to magazines	0	1,000
Latif Day Contribution	0	100
P.O. Box Rental	56	0
Video Cassettes Production	194	0
Telegrams to Pakistan/Sindh Govt.	475	0
Newspaper Subscriptions	80	0
Incorporation Expenses	413	0
INDUS Magazine Distribution	544	0
Miscellaneous	9	2
Total Expenses	12,661	7,903
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	8,754	766

6th ANNUAL SANA MEETING JULY 13-15, 1990 WASHINGTON, DC AREA, USA HOLIDAY INN, GAITHERSBURG 2 MONTGOMERY VILLAGE AVENUE GAITHERSBURG, MARYLAND 20879 (301) 948-8900 1-800-HOLIDAY

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

Friday, July 13, 1990 2:00 PM Pan

Panel Discussion - "The Role of

Overseas Sindhies in the

development of Sindh"

5:00 PM Brain Storming Session

Sunday, July 15, 1990

11:00 AM SANA Annual Picnic Saturday, July 14, 1990

12:15 PM Registration

1:00 PM General Body Meeting

4:30 PM Invited Speakers

7:30 PM Dinner/Painting Exhibition 9:30 PM

Sindhi Music & Songs

For More Information, please contact:

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