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We are delighted to publish quarterly **Seva Newsletter** online only to share the various “Seva” activities done by the VHPA to provide the visibility so that it can be replicated and/or reapplied by others as needed. We are looking forward for your constant support and welcome your comments and suggestions.

Focus of this quarter’s newsletter is Seva done in America and Bharat.

Recently, Dr. Vinayak Kulkarni and Dr. Anuradha Kulkarni of Cincinnati, OH, announced a major initiative at the world-renowned Children’s Hospital of Cincinnati. They have established a chair for the Infectious Diseases program in this hospital. The objective behind establishing this specific chair has been to promote and support a research program that will help the entire humanity across the world.



Drs. Kulkarni realized that the infectious diseases area was not well supported in terms of research grants. The flu vaccines made by pharmaceutical companies each year are based on the prior data and guesswork. It usually results in an that under-performance of the vaccine and the vaccine needs to be taken every year with uncertain results. The research program at the Cincinnati Children’s Hospital is attempting to change this situation by coming up with a vaccine that would provide a robust, long-lasting protection against multiple subtypes of flu and will eliminate the need to administer the flu vaccine each year.

Drs. Kulkarni established this chair and chose Dr. Mary Allen Staat as the first recipient of this chair. Dr. Staat was awarded one of the largest grants by the National Institute of Health for further carrying out research in this field. If this vision of a universal vaccine for infectious diseases becomes a reality, it will benefit people all over the world irrespective of race, age and income. This is truly in keeping with the concept of “Vasudhaiva Kutumbkam.” Both Drs. Vinayak and Anuradha have been working for the betterment of the society for a long time. They are life members of the Vishwa Hindu Parishad of America and very generously supported noble programs like Ekal Vidyalaya. *(This article is contributed by Deepak Dixit and Leena Dixit, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA)*



Shri Ashok Singhal Koushal Vikas Kendra Supported by Support A Child (SAC) – USA

SAC has been running several “Skill Training Centers” on the premise of SAC hostels with the generous efforts of donors from USA. These “Skill Training Centers” coach/teach locals in tailoring, using computer, plumbing, automobile repair, mobile repair and commercial automobile driving and many more.

Tailoring Center at “Jamdoli Shaktipeeth – Girls hostel” is an initiative by a SAC donor from California. Jamdoli, a small town in Rajasthan, is located 20 kilometers away from Jaipur. Arun Gupta ji from USA inaugurated the tailoring center at Jamdoli. In this Tailoring Centers women in need get training/coaching in tailoring for six months by a certified instructor. So far, the outcome of the trainings at other tailoring center is very encouraging. In fact, now these trained women started their own tailoring business from home and earning up to 10,000 rupees per month. This is a true empowerment of women in a village. With only 10+ sewing machines and some supporting equipment we are making change in lives of hundreds of women. For more information please contact Renu Gupta @ Renurajvanshigupta@gmail.com



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