

President

Note

Telugu mitrulaku marokka sari Telugu Kalaa samithi karya vargam tarupuna Vandanaalu....

It is the perfect season for celebrations. I am sure our members are busy with graduation and sweet sixteen parties, arangetrams, India visits, and so on. I want to thank all the members again for their donations and other support in May for the grand celebration of TFAS 25th Anniversary.

Recently we helped Telugu children in St. Louis for a good cause.

Telugu Fine Arts Society has served as a platform and included all the local organizations such as Nalgonda.org, TDF.USA, UTAA, ATA and TANA Members to conduct Jaanapadam Janampaata to raise awareness and donations toward the Nalgonda Blind School. The event raised \$10,000 for the school. One of the children, Rohita Gedala donated her "kiddy bank" amount of \$25 to help the cause, and urged others to donate as well.

TFAS invited our great poets who attended TANA for the occasion including Sri. Gorati Venkanna, Sri. Suddala Ashok Teja, Sri. Andesri, Sri. Jonnavittula Ramalingeswararao, and Sri. Vaddepalli Krishna. This occasion that took place on a weekday (Monday) brought around 600 people who made the event a memorable and successful one.

TFAS is going to be involved in the Independence Day Parade on August 9 in Edison, NJ.

We will have a summer picnic on Sunday, August 30th, 2009 at Roosevelt Park (close to Menlo Park, Edison, NJ) from 11am to 7pm.

TFAS will be conducting cultural competitions on Sunday, October 11 at Bridgewater Temple starting at 9 AM (all-day program). Our annual Deepavali -Dussehra function is tentatively scheduled for October 24. See the website for further updates.

TFAS will be participating in community service projects such as organizing soup kitchens on Thanksgiving Day with our youth.

TFAS is also planning to have an Annual Dinner for the first time in the 2nd week of December to meet all our life members and sponsors. Thank you,

Damu Gedala

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