

An official newsletter of Maratha Mandal's N. G. Halgekar Institute of Dental Sciences & Research Centre, Belagavi.

BLOOD DONATION CAMP TO COMMEMORATE MARATHA MANDAL'S FOUNDATION DAY

On the occasion of the Maratha Mandal's Foundation Day, Department of Oral Pathology & Microbiology, Department of Oral Surgery and NSS Unit of the Institute organized a Voluntary Blood Donation Camp in collaboration with Blood Bank, BIMS, Belagavi on 3rd January 2015. Smt. Rajshree Nagaraju, President Maratha Mandal graced the occasion and addressed the volunteers and shared her views on blood donation. She also spoke on the inception and progress of work and dedication put in by the founders of Maratha Mandal. Dr C.V. Hospeti, Medical Officer, Blood Bank, BIMS Belagavi briefed about the importance of blood donation. 64 volunteers donated their blood and made the event successful.



REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATIONS

Republic day was celebrated on 26th January 2015 in the college with great enthusiasm by all the college staff and students. The national flag was hoisted by Mr. S. G. Patil, Life member Maratha Mandal. The national flag hoisting was followed by the singing of the national anthem and speeches in Kannada and Marathi by the students.



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

A formal Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Department of Molecular Biology & Immunology of our Institute and the Regional Medical Research Centre (Indian Council of Medical Research) Belgaum on 5th February 2015. This MOU will allow collaborative research and knowledge transfer between the two institutes that will foster the progress of research in this region and address some of the key health problems of the people in this region.

The chief guest for the event was Dr. S.D. Kholkute, Director RMRC, Belgaum. Dr Kholkute spoke of having the never dying spirit, patience and self confidence as an essential need for research. He urged every young research enthusiast to visit the RMRC centre and make the best utilization of the research facilities there. Dr. Subarna Roy, Senior scientist and Deputy Director RMRC spoke about the need for utilization of the research for the common man. The other dignitaries were Smt. Rajshree Nagaraju, President Maratha Mandal, Dr. Kishore G. Bhat and Dr. Ramakant Nayak (Principal).



BASIC IMPLANT PROFICIENCY COURSE-2015



The Department of Prosthodontics & Implantology organized the Basic Implant Proficiency Course-2015 comprising of 4 modules. The first surgical module was held from 19th to 22nd February 2015. The course was directed and mentored by Dr Manisha Herekar, MDS, Professor, Department of Prosthodontics, Maratha Mandal's NGH Institute of Dental Sciences and Research Centre along with Dr. Sharat Shetty, MDS, Professor and Founder of Indian Society of Oral Implantology, Mumbai and Dr. Sitaram Wagle, MDS, Mumbai. 10 postgraduate students from the Department of Prosthodontics and Dept of Periodontics took part in the course. Dr Srinath Thakur, Principal, SDM College of Dental Sciences, Dharwad was the chief guest for the ceremony.



AMBIORA 2015 : SPORTS FEST

The college annual sports were held on 12th 13th and 14th March 2015 at the CPED ground Belagavi. The event was organized by Dr. Zarir Ruttonji (Sports Incharge) Dept of Prosthodontics, Hennelon D'costa (Sport's Secretary) and Josela Fernandez (Co-Sports Secretary). Dr. Ramakant Nayak (Principal) was the chief guest for the inaugural function and declared the sports meet open. Various field and track events were scheduled during the event for both staff and students. The general championship was won by the Green House captained by Dr. Shrihari N C (Intern). Mr. Anuraj B (Intern) was declared as the best sportsman and Ms. Cora C (Intern) was declared as the best sportswoman. Mr. Nikhil. H (1st year BDS) was awarded as the upcoming player of the college.



CARPE DIEM 2015: CULTURAL WEEK

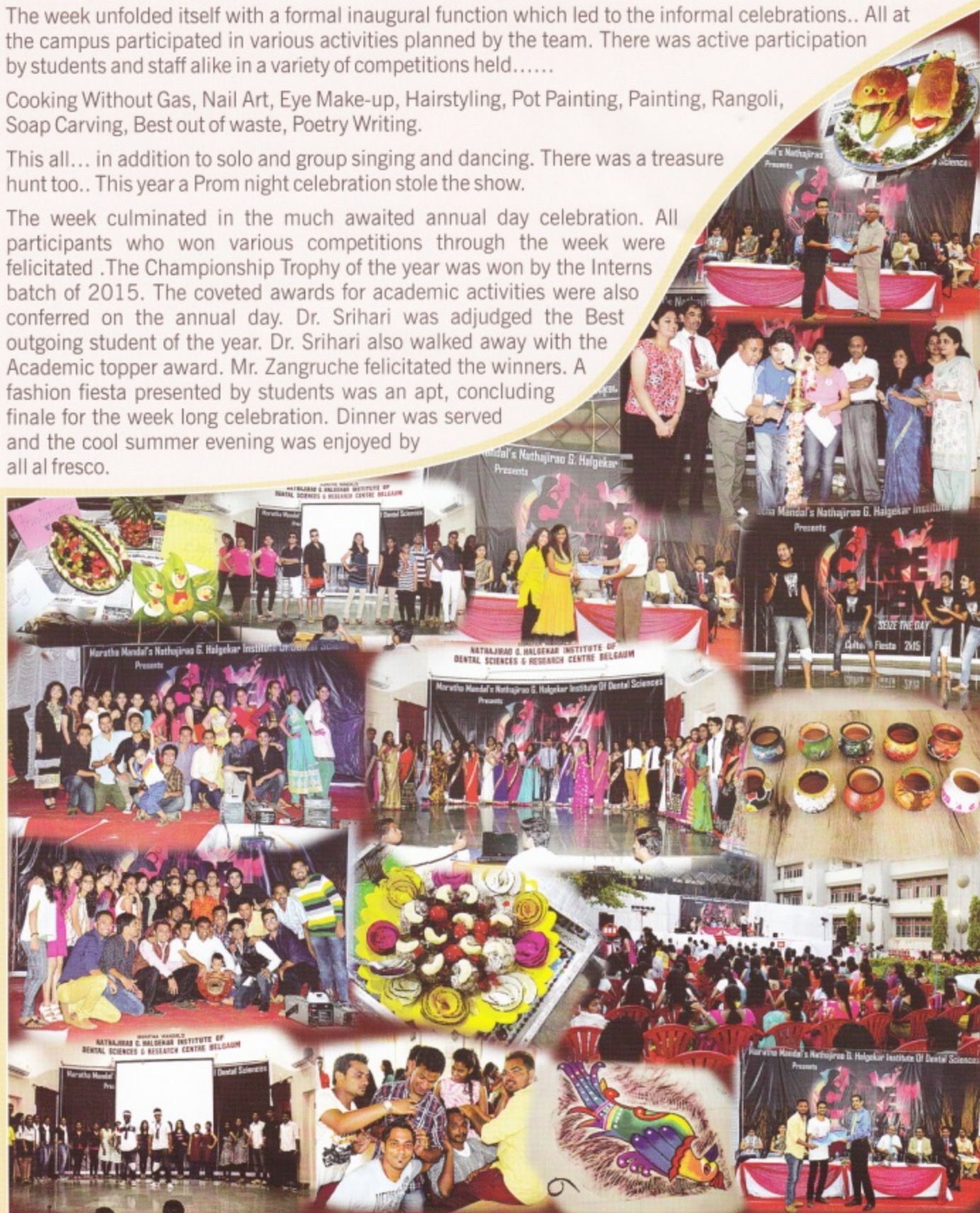
We always try to seize moments of happiness...The extracurricular activities team presented Carpe Diem 2015 ...a funfilled week of excitement and entertainment at our campus from 16th to 20th March 2015. Their intent in hosting this week was to let all SEIZE THE MOMENTS...CARPE DIEM....

The week unfolded itself with a formal inaugural function which led to the informal celebrations.. All at the campus participated in various activities planned by the team. There was active participation by students and staff alike in a variety of competitions held.....

Cooking Without Gas, Nail Art, Eye Make-up, Hairstyling, Pot Painting, Painting, Rangoli, Soap Carving, Best out of waste, Poetry Writing.

This all... in addition to solo and group singing and dancing. There was a treasure hunt too.. This year a Prom night celebration stole the show.

The week culminated in the much awaited annual day celebration. All participants who won various competitions through the week were felicitated. The Championship Trophy of the year was won by the Interns batch of 2015. The coveted awards for academic activities were also conferred on the annual day. Dr. Srihari was adjudged the Best outgoing student of the year. Dr. Srihari also walked away with the Academic topper award. Mr. Zangruche felicitated the winners. A fashion fiesta presented by students was an apt, concluding finale for the week long celebration. Dinner was served and the cool summer evening was enjoyed by all al fresco.



INTERACTIVE SESSION WITH THE POLICE COMMISSIONER

An one hour interactive session with Police Commissioner of Belagavi Shri. S. Ravi was held on 25th March 2015. Shri. S. Ravi discussed issues regarding law and rights relating to students, consequences of drug abuse, law relating to motor vehicle act, participation of students in policing and law related to women safety. The function was a grand success and students & staff enthusiastically took part in interactive session.



WORKSHOP ON ANAEROBIC TECHNIQUES - "BASICS TO GENES"

Dr. Kishore G. Bhat, Prof & Head Dept. of Microbiology, Dr. Vinayak Joshi, Prof. Dept of Periodontics, Mrs. Preeti Ingalki, Senior Lecturer Dept. of Microbiology conducted the workshop on Anaerobic Techniques - "Basics to Genes" at the department of Microbiology, J. J. M. Medical College, Davangere on 27th and 28th March 2015. A total of 50 delegates participated in the workshop.



DENTAL AWARENESS AND CHECKUP CAMP REPORT

1. Dental health check up camp was conducted at Basavanna temple Modaga, Tq, Dist: Belagavi on 8th January 2015 in association with Youth Red Cross & NSS unit of RPD degree college Belagavi. A total of 112 patients were screened.
2. Dental health check up camp was conducted at Government Marathi School Kamewadi Tq: Chandagad, Dist: Kolhapur on 17th January 2015 in association with Sanjeevini Mahila Sanghatana Karnataka & Maharashtra. A total of 113 patients were screened.
3. Dental health check up camp was conducted at Siddeshwar temple Kakati, Tq, Dist: Belagavi on 19th January 2015 in association with NSS unit of Mahaveer P Mirji degree college, Belagavi. A total of 47 patients were screened.
4. Dental health check up camp was conducted at Laxmi temple Hosavantamuri, Tq: Hukkeri Dist: Belagavi on 24th January 2015 in association with NSS unit of Sangolli Rayanna Government degree college, Autonagar, Belagavi. A total of 113 patients were screened.
5. Dental health check up camp was conducted at Government Marathi Primary school Surute, Tq: Chandagad Dist: Kolhapur on 9th February 2015 in association with School authorities. A total of 149 patients were screened.
6. Dental health check up & treatment camp was conducted at Raosaheb Gogte Hall Udyambag, BCCI Belagavi on 10th February 2015 in association with Chamber of Commerce, Belagavi. A total of 87 patients were screened.
7. Dental health check up camp was conducted at Kendriya Vidyalaya 1 Sambra Tq, Dist: Belagavi for 3 days from 11th February to 13th February 2015. A total of 1200 students were screened.
8. Dental health check up camp was conducted at Government Marathi Primary school Asagaon, Tq: Chandagad Dist: Kolhapur on 21st February 2015 in association with Bhagat Singh education & sports career academy Halakarni. A total of 196 students were screened.
9. Dental health check up & treatment camp was conducted at Vega Helmets Udyambag, Belagavi on 25th & 26th February 2015. A total of 392 patients were screened.
10. Oral cancer screening camp was conducted at Vega Helmets Udyambag, Belagavi on 7th March 2015. A total of 151 patients were screened.

All the patients who were screened at the above camps were issued free card to avail further treatment at our institution.



WORLD ORAL HEALTH DAY CELEBRATION



The world Oral Health Day was celebrated on 20th march 2015 in the college. On this occasion "One week oral health education programme" was organized by the CDE committee from 20th to 27th March 2015. The post graduates of the Department of Oral Pathology, Department of Periodontics & Department of Oral Medicine & Radiology participated in the Oral Health week programme. The patients were educated by giving lectures on the importance of oral health and prevention of oral diseases. Various oral health posters were displayed in the oral medicine department as a part of health Education programme.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND AWARDS

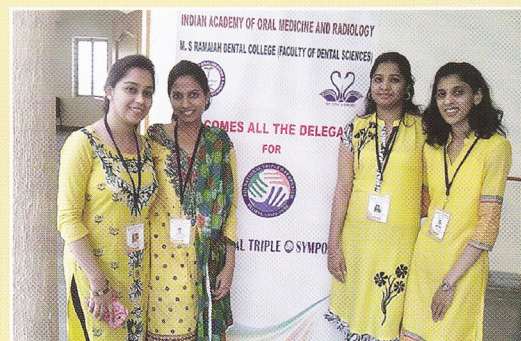
Post Graduate students from the Department Oral Medicine & Radiology attended the 13th National triple O symposium held at Bangalore from 13th to 15th March 2015. Dr. Prachi Shivpuje won Overall Best Paper Award in research category for her paper titled "Effect of Ocimum sanctum on oral cancer cell line: An in vitro study". Dr. Sneha Biraj was awarded 2nd session prize for her paper titled "Oral submucous fibrosis and iron deficiency anemia – Is there a correlation?" Dr. Chandan Kaur bagged 1st session prize for her paper titled "Field cancerization - A review



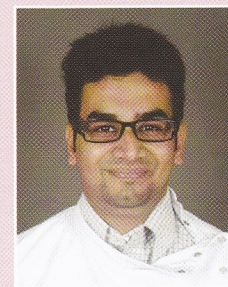
Dr Dixitraj PG from the Department of Periodontology, was awarded the Best paper in the Basic research category for his paper "Evaluation of Antimicrobial activity of aqueous extract of spore powder and mycelium extract of Ganoderma Lucidum on Clinical isolates of Prevotella Intermedia- A pilot Study" at the 14th National PG Convention in Mumbai from March 13th to 15th march 2015.



Miss. Afshan H. Balekundri was awarded the Dr. Suvarna Gaonkar Award for securing the highest marks in 1st BDS for the college.



Dr. Shrihari N. C. (Intern) was awarded the Best Outgoing Student of the year, he was also awarded the Academic Topper Award for his batch (2010 - 2015).



UNIVERSITY RANKS

For the MDS examination conducted by Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore in May 2014, the following students secured ranks in their respective subjects :



Dr. Vijayshree UH
 secured 2nd rank in
 Orthodontics and Dentofacial
 Orthopedics
 by scoring 72.83%



Dr. Sindhu Nair
 secured 6th rank in
 Oral Pathology & Microbiology
 by scoring 69.67%



Dr. Smita Pattanshetty
 secured 7th rank in
 Oral Pathology & Microbiology
 by scoring 69.33%.

RESEARCH GRANTS

- The third and final installment of VGST-CISE grant of Rs. 10 lakhs was awarded for the project titled "ORAL MICROBIOTA CULTURE BANK AND DNA LIBRARY".
- The RGUHS awarded the "Advance research grant" second installment of Rs. 75,000/- to Chief Investigator Dr. Kishore Bhat for the project titled "Estimation of Salivary IgG response to periodontal pathogens: A comparison with culture and polymerase chain reaction".
- The RGUHS awarded the "Advance research grant" of Rs. 8 Lakhs to Chief Investigator Dr. Kishore Bhat for the project titled "A study of Microbial Diversity of subgingival plaque: comparison of fluorescent in situ hybridization, denaturing gradient gel electrophoresis and dot blot hybridization".

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