

# Amroha International Society

This biennial newsletter provides information about the latest activities of the Amroha International Society and shares the stories and news of its members.

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# AIS Cataract Camps

AIS funded two Cataract Camps which took place on 24 November 2011 and 20 April 2012. The eye camp on 24 November 2011 was attended by 356 people. 19 patients were taken to New Delhi hospital for a cataract operation They returned safely back to Amroha after couple of days. The AIS eye camp of 20 April 2012 attracted 350 people. 25 patients were taken to New Delhi for a cataract operation. Medicine for minor eye problems was administered to 300 people.

See more photos of the two eye camps on page 3.



AIS Cataract Camp on 20 April 2012

#### EDITOR'S NOTE

Since last newsletter in November 2011 we have continued to build our volunteer base in Amroha and to develop contacts with the Director of Student Welfare (DSW) in Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) and Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI).

Our eye camps on 24 November 2011 and 20 April 2012 were both very successful, attracting over 300 people. Thank you to Annapurna restaurant in Hobart, Tasmania, Australia, and all those who enjoyed a delicious dinner there which helped to raise over \$1100 for the eye camp on 20 April 2012. I urge you all to consider organising a similar fundraising function.

I am grateful to Simon Stanton for putting a video of one of the eye camps which I attended on the AIS website. Your positive comments on the camp are much appreciated.

I want to thank those donors who helped our "Eyesight Sponsorship Appeal". For only \$50 you can help restore eyesight to an underprivileged Amrohi.

Despite our best efforts, the cleaning Amroha project has not been launched as yet due to the unavailability of suitable liners for the dust bins. We have painted drums. Posters and banners have been prepared in readiness for the launch.

Congratulations to Dr Nihal Naqvi on completing his masters in Public Health Management from London. Congratulations are also due to Bilal Abidi for completing his masters course from London Business School.

Please send us any news or stories you would like to share with the AIS community and we will feature them in the next newsletter.

Ikram Naqvi



### Fundraising

Thanks to all those who have donated to our fund-raising appeal "Just \$50 can give eye sight to a poor Amhohi" through Everyday Hero on the AIS website. We have already raised \$2025. Through your generosity I am confident of reaching our target of \$10,000.

A fundraising function held at the Annapurna restaurant in Hobart, Tasmania on 22 April 2012 raised \$1100 for the AIS eye camp on 20 April. Thanks to all those who attended this event.

### Regular Giving

You can donate regularly to AIS
by going to the DONATE button
on the AIS website.

Kalli Chard, 6 June 2012

"Thanks for putting new photos of the eye camp on 20th April.

### Facebook

The AIS Facebook continues to attract people. Our membership remains at 188.

### Membership

Our membership remains at 456. Please encourage your family members and friends to register on line.

See the pie graph on page 6 for geographical representation.

### Discussion Forum

This is your opportunity to share your thoughts with fellow members of the AIS. The following are a few examples:

Waseem Ahmad, 9 April 2012

"I was delighted to know from the AIS Facebook page that you are about to start the "Clean Amroha" project. According to WHO studies cleanliness reduces diseases by half. Amroha surely needs it."

Nargis Siddiqui, 15 May 2012

"Fantastic news that over 300 people attended the last eye camp on 23rd September and 25 people had their cataract operation. Surely giving somebody sight again is the most satisfying act. I am proud to be part of the AIS."

Nargis Siddiqui, 6 June 2012

"Good to see the AIS eye appeal has reached \$2400. Hope that you will reach your target of \$10,000 soon."

Ram Chand, 6 June 2012

"Thanks for putting new photos of the eye camp on 20th April. Giving somebody eye sight is one of the best thing that we can do. Keep doing your fine work."

Maryam Jahan, 14 June 2012

"Great to see a video of an eye camp. It gave us better understanding of what takes place. Please put more videos in future if possible."

### **AIS Website**

The number of hits from all over the world have increased to nearly 10,000 which is remarkable. Thanks for visiting.

Your cooperation in sending stories and photos will keep the website interesting.

### Member's Gallery

Members are invited to put their family photos on the Member's Gallery of the AIS website.













AIS has offered five scholarships in the last few months

#### **AIS scholarship holders**

Noor Mohammad, a new scholarship recipient, wrote in his scholarship application, "I am a student of B.Tech (chemical engg) Final year in Aligarh Muslim University (AMU). I got admission in this course in July 2006. Unfortunately in May 2008, both my kidneys failed and after 18 month on dialysis I underwent a kidney transplant surgery at AIIMS New Delhi on 25 Nov, 2009. My father, a carpenter, has donated one kidney to me. Now I depend on lifelong medicines at a present cost around Rs 15,000/per month.



**Noor Mohammad** 

My application for the scholarship named AMROHA INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP with all required documents (academic as well as medical) is attached. I request you to consider the matter and make my selection for the scholarship and any other help whatever possible. I shall be highly obliged to you."

Mohd Farhan had his scholarship renewed. He wrote, "I am doing Dipl.computer Engg. at Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI). My father's name is Mr. Nazakat Ali and he has a shop of utensils. The name of my mother is Mrs. Sajida Parveen and she is a homemaker. We are 3 brothers and 1 sister and I am the youngest one. My sister teaches in a primary school. My elder brother is pursuing B.Lib from AMU. My eldest brother has just completed his MBA."



**Mohd Farhan** 

Mohd Arsshad is a new scholarship recipient. He wrote, "I live in Mohalla Peerzada, Amroha. I am pursuing a Diploma in civil engg from Jamia Millia Islamia. I have only one brother. I am the elder one. My younger brother's name is Mr Mohammad Athar. He works as a salesman in Delhi. His monthly income is around 5 thousand. He did high school. My mother's name is Razia Khanam. She did high school.

I want to do B.E after diploma for my bright future & support to my

family and for my community also. Sir,as you know that its' very difficult to meet the expenses in such a short income for my father in present time. I need this scholarship for submission of fees or other stationary materials. Please consider my application for the AIS scholarship."



**Mohd Arshhad** 



**Abdul Sami** 

Abdul Sami, Dip.Mech.Engg at IMI scored over 80% marks last year and therefore had his scholarship renewed. He wrote, "I along with Mr. Farhan and Mr. Ashhar would like to give you a lot of thanks! We are very happy to get the Scholarship cheques. We are very thankful to Dr. Abidi Sb. who helped us to get the cheques and also to the sponsors of AIS Scholarship. They are really very kind hearted. Allah bless them. We are in dire need of this scholarship to mete out our fees and other study expanses. This is very useful for the smoothness of our studies. We hope that more students of Amroha will get benefits from AIS in future".



Mohd Jawad has had his scholarship renewed. He lives in Mohalla Danishmandan, Amroha. He is doing B.Engg in the Diduli College near Amroha. His father has a gas fitting shop in Amroha.



**Mohd Jawad** 

Develop a passion for learning. If you do, you will never cease to grow.

**Anthony J. D'Angelo** 

# News from AIS members

## The latest news in the last half year

#### **Sadegain Foundation**

Congratulations to the SADEQAIN Foundation for publishing "The Saga SADEQAIN" on Sadeqain's 25th anniversary in February 2012.

Congratulations to Professor Huzoorul Hasnain Khan of Mathematics Depa rtment Aligarh Muslim University on his recent election as President of the Indian Mathematical Society. Indian **Mathematical Society** 

was established 106 years ago.



**Professor Huzoorul Hasnain** Khan

#### **Births**

Congratulations to Suhail and Huma Naqvi of New Jersey daughter.

If you have news you wish to share with the AIS community, on the birth of their let us know so we can include it in our next newsletter.

## Sadat-e-Amroha Annual Picnic

The ASA Annual Picnic was held in George Bush Park, Houston on Saturday, 7 April 2012. The programme consisted of good food, games and prizes.





# Wedding of Yousuf and Semana

Congratulations to Yousuf, son of Mehtab Naqvi and Samana, daughter of Shabih Haider on their marriage in Glasgow.



# Wedding of Nihal and Zoya

Congratulations to Nihal, son of Intezam (deceased) and Nargis Naqvi and Zoya, daughter of Iftekhar (deceased) and Farzana Naqvi on their marriage in Amroha in November 2011.







Nihal with his mother, Mrs Nargis Naqvi, sister Sabiha Naqvi, brother in law Kamal Naqvi, and nephews Amaan (10) and Zain (4) and niece Aaliya (8)

# Wedding of Suhail and Sumbal

Congratulations to Suhail, son of Kamal and Bazmi Abidi and Sumbul daughter of Wajih and Honey Naqvi for their recent wedding in Amroha.





Bride Sumbal with father-in-law Kamal Abidi and his mother Mrs Najma Abidi

# Wedding of Anila and Andre

Congratulations to Anila, daughter of Anwar (deceased) and Birjees Naqvi and Andre Jorge who married recently in Houston.

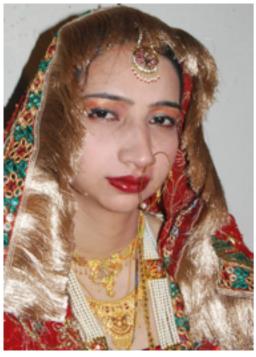


**Anila and Andre** 



# Kaleem

Congratulations to Rishi, daughter of Zawar and Shahana Naqvi, niece of Ali Goher and Kaleem who married in Amroha.



**Bride Rishi** 

# Wedding of Rukhsar and Shah Hasan

Rukhsar, daughter of Anwer Mehdi and Durashawar, niece of Ali Goher, married Shah Hasan son of Manzoor (deceased) and Shaheen Naqvi in Karachi on 2 July 2012.



**Rukhsar and Shah Hasan** 

# Wedding of Rishi and Wedding of Shabana and Lance

Congratulations to Shabana, daughter of Ali Goher of Houston and Lance who married in Houston.



Shabana

# Impending wedding

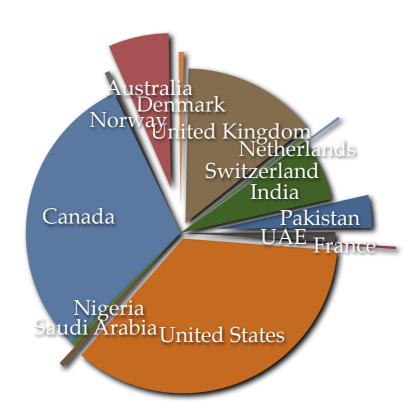
Congratulations to Erum and Ajwad of Houston on their recent engagement. The wedding will take place on 14 July 2012.



**Erum and Ajwad** 

# Where are AIS members?

This pie graph gives a view of where AIS members are currently living



- India
- **United States**
- Norway
- Switzerland
- Pakistan
- Saudi Arabia
- Australia
- Netherlands
- Nigeria
  - Denmark

**UAE** 

- France
- Canada
- **United Kingdom**

### Contact

You can email your suggestions and comments about the AIS to the Co-ordinator, Ikram Naqvi, using the mail option on the AIS website.

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