

ORISSA SOCIETY NEWS

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Newsletter of the Orissa Society of the Americas

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2nd Annual Convention of OSA

Winter is now over and we are at the threshold of another summer. Everybody usually makes plans for the summer during this time. Let us not forget the 2nd Annual Convention of the Orissa Society of the Americas. It will be held on July 1, 1972 in Hartford Connery, Hartford, Connecticut. Our annual conventions are always lots of fun. Where else can you meet close to (let us hope this time more than), a hundred people from Orissa together? You are cordially invited to attend the annual convention and the invitation is enclosed with this news letter.

News from Local Chapters

The members of Boston Chapter had met together at the residence of Mr. Prasanna K. Samantaray on April 13th, 1972 and at the residence of Dr. Gauri C. Das on April 28th, 1972.

Dr. S.K. Dash of our South Dakota Chapter collected \$ 80.00 for the cyclone affected people in Orissa and sent it to Orissa Chief Ministers relief fund.

Personal Notes

Mr. G.C. Das has received his M.S. degree in Electrical Engineering from South Dakota State University and is now working at Mitchell.

Dr. Gauri C. Das has presented three papers at the spring meeting of AIME held in Boston on May 8-11, 1972.

Dr. Santosh K. Das has completed Ph.D. in Metallurgy at University of California, Berkeley and has joined Argonne National Laboratory.

Dr. Sitakanta Das has published a paper entitled "Effect of Feeding Lactogen to Dairy Cows" in the Journal of Dairy Science, January, 1972.

Dr. Rabindranath Kanungo attended a conference of the American Psychological Society, held in Boston on April 27-29, 1972, and chaired a session.

Dr.D.Mangaraj has left Richmond College, Staten Island, New York and has joined the Polymer Corporation of America, Brooklyn, New York. He recently presented two papers at the annual meeting of the American Chemical Society.

Dr.Indu Bhusan Mishra has left the University of Southern California for a teaching position in Brazil in April, 1972 .

Dr.Kabi Prasad Mishra has returned to India and joined Ispat General Hospital at Rourkela as a heart specialist.

Mr.Dev Ranjan Mohanty has completed M.S. in South Dakota State University.

Dr.Manindra K.Mohapatra presented a paper entitled " Environmental Concern in Political Decision - making a Case Study of Orissa Legislative Assembly, (1967-1970)" at the conference on environmental sciences and international development held in Philadelphia.

Mr. Bidyut K.Rath has come back to Boston after a long vacation in Europe and India.

Dr.Jogeswar Rath has opened a model pediatric clinic (Shishu Chikistchha Kendra) in Barasrah, Sambalpur, Orissa.

Matrimonial

We are looking for an Oriya bride for a young man, who has M.S. in Botany. He is presently teaching at South Dakota . The wedding will be in U.S.A. ofcourse, in Oriya style. Interested persons please contact Dr.S.K.Dash, 809- 9th st., Brookings, S.Dakota 57006 , Tel. (605)-692-4130.

ORISSA SOCIETY OF THE AMERICAS

DATE December 15, 1972

328 Beacon Street, Apt. 1
Somerville, Mass. 02143

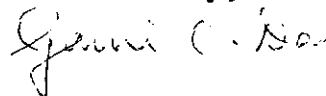
Dear Member:

We received a large number of nominations for the election of officers of OSA for the year 1972-73. Many of the nominees, however, declined to accept their nominations. Since a single nomination has been accepted for each of the positions of President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and the editor of the Orissa Society News, elections to these positions are uncontested. Now we have to elect nine members to the Executive Committee from 12 nominees who have accepted their nominations.

In keeping with the Constitution of OSA the election will take place by mail ballot. We shall appreciate it if you cast your vote for the members of the Executive Committee by checking up to nine names from the following list of nominees. Even though members are free to cast their votes as they choose, we feel that it will be better if all the areas of the United States and Canada are represented fairly well. Please send the ballot form to the above address on or before January 20, 1973.

Thanking you in advance,

Yours sincerely,



Gauri C. Das
for Orissa Society of the Americas

Nominations accepted for the Election of Members, Executive Committee,
O.S.A. - 1972-73:

1. Dr. Saroj K. Behera (Ontario)
2. Dr. Santosh K. Das (Chicago)
3. Mr. Jnana R. Das (Ontario)
4. Dr. Rabindra N. Kanungo (Montreal)

5. Mr. Natabara Khuntia (Cleveland)
6. Mr. Nityananda Misra (Vermont)
7. Mr. Saradindu Misra (New York)
8. Mr. Chandra S. Mohanty (Rhode Island)

9. Dr. Pramod K. Mohanty (Virginia)
10. Mr. Purna Patnaik (California)
11. Dr. Maheswar Sahu (Ontario)
12. Dr. Jagat M. Subudhi (New York)

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News from Local Chapters of OSA

Members of the Boston Chapter had several get-togethers in the past few months. A Thanksgiving get-together was arranged at the residence of Mr. Bidyut K. Rath on November 24, 1972.

The Chicago Chapter of OSA was officially opened in September, 1972, with a get-together at the residence of Dr. Santosh K. Das. The members discussed various problems and made some valuable suggestions for OSA. Dr. Surya K. Misra is organizing this Chapter with the help of other members.

The members of the New York Chapter got together at the residence of Dr. Kalpataru Kanungo in Bridgeport in August, 1972. The Thanksgiving get-together of OSANY was held at the residence of Dr. K. M. Das in Cambria Heights, New York, on November 24.

Oriyas of Toronto Chapter celebrated Kumar Purnima Festival the evening of October 28, 1972. On that occasion a variety show was successfully arranged as the first attempt to bring the local talents on the stage. The program consisted of Orissi dances by Mrs. Mina Sarangi and Mrs. Chitralkha Patnaik; a Bharat Natyam (Alaripu) dance by Miss Tanj Purohit; folk dances by Miss Pritidhara (Jhini) Mohanty and Mr. Bapi Dash and songs by Mrs. Charulata Hota and Mr. Pramod Chandra Patnaik. The last item, which was most interesting, was a humorous act by Mr. Pramod Chandra Patnaik and Mr. Rajendra Sarangi.

Suggestions from Members and Local Chapters of OSA

Orissa Society of the Americas started with some broad aims and objectives. We have been trying to attain our goals but due to some inevitable difficulties, our progress has been rather slow. We hope to accomplish much more and make our organization viable, dynamic and useful by expanding our activities, incorporating new creative ideas and putting them to work. The cooperation of all our members is indispensable for our progress.

We discussed various suggestions for the improvement of our society during its 2nd Annual Convention in Hartford. Recently some members and local chapters have put forward a number of suggestions. We would like to bring these suggestions to the notice of our members and get their reactions. This is only the first step; subsequently we would like to devise ways for the implementation of worth while and practicable suggestions and to put them to work.

The suggestions recently received may be summarized as follows:

1. OSA should provide necessary and adequate information to Oriya students who plan to come to the U.S.A. and Canada for higher studies. This may be done in the form of a Newsletter sent to various college unions in Orissa.
2. New Oriyas coming to the United States and Canada should be welcomed and invited to join OSA.
3. Closer contact should be maintained between the local Chapters and the central organization of OSA.
4. The host families of Oriya students should be encouraged to join OSA.
5. OSA should sponsor Oriya cultural artists (singers, dancers and musicians) for a tour in the United States and Canada. Some of our members have talked to several outstanding artists in Orissa and we are now working on this suggestion.
6. The functions of various officers of OSA should be defined in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Society.

We would be pleased to receive our members' reactions to these suggestions as well as new ideas and other suggestions.

Personal Notes

Dr. Haralal Chaudhury has presented a research paper at the Annual Meeting of the American Poultry Science Association held in Columbus, Ohio, during August, 1972.

Dr. Artatrana Dash, after spending a year at the University of Indiana in Bloomington, is now back in Guelph.

Dr. Sitakantha Dash presented a research paper at the 67th Annual Meeting of American Dairy Science Association held at Blacksburg, Virginia, on July 3-6, 1972.

Mr. Keshab M. Dwivedy joined the Department of Mechanics at the State University of New York, Stony Brook, in the Spring of 1972.

Dr. Bhabagrahi Misra presented a paper entitled "Future Prospects of South Asian Studies in U.S.A." at the Mid-Atlantic Asian Studies Conference held in New Jersey on November 18, 1972.

Mr. Bijay Kumar Misra has finished his M.Sc. in Civil Engineering at McMaster University and has joined Sutcliffe Company in New Liskeard, Ontario.

Dr. Kula Chandra Misra recently received his Ph.D. in Geology at the University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario. After visiting India he has returned to Ontario with his family.

Mrs. Santilata Misra has started working for her Ph.D. in Physics at the State University of New York at Albany. Her husband, Dr. Umakanta Misra, will be joining her very soon.

Dr. Mahendra K. Mohanty of Atlanta, Georgia, has completed his Ph.D. in Biology and has joined Lemoyne-Owen College in Memphis, Tennessee. He presented a research paper in Mobile, Alabama, in April, 1972.

Mrs. Prativa Mohanty is now working as a Librarian in Virginia College, Lynchburg, Virginia.

Dr. Sri Gopal Mohanty has written an Oriya novel "କୃଷ୍ଣା କମଳା" published by Jugashree Press, Balasore.

Mr. and Mrs. Bijay C. Mahapatra of Queens, New York, have been blessed with a son. Congratulations from OSA.

Mr. and Mrs. Chittaranjan Mohapatra of New Jersey have been blessed with a son. Our hearty congratulations.

Dr. Manindra K. Mohapatra of Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia, participated in the 68th Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association in Washington, D.C. in September, 1972.

Dr. Siba Prasad Panda got his Ph.D. in Electrical Science Department at the State University of New York at Stony Brook in May, 1972. Dr. Panda is at present a faculty member in the Department of Electrical Engineering at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Mr. Mrutyunjaya Pani went to Orissa where he married Miss Janaki Tripathy of Vedagram, Cutlack. OSA extends hearty congratulations to them.

Mr. Basanta Patnaik has joined the M.S. program in Mechanical Engineering at South Dakota State University, Brookings, South Dakota.

Dr. and Mrs. Rabindra Kumar Patnaik have been blessed with a son. Congratulations from OSA.

Dr. Swadhinananda Patnaik got his Ph.D. in Mathematics from the State University of New York at Stony Brook in August, 1972. Dr. Patnaik is now planning to go back to Orissa and join the Mathematics Department of Uthal University.

Dr. Madhabananda Sar presented a research paper at the 11th International Congress of Endocrinology in Washington, D.C. on June 24, 1972. He attended the 7th International Congress on Animal Reproduction and Artificial Insemination in Munich, West Germany, during June, 1972. He also presented a paper in the Neuroscience Meeting in Houston, Texas, on October 10, 1972.

Mr. Sunil Kumar Sarangi of the Department of Mechanics, SUNY at Stony Brook, presented a paper at the International Spectra Line Conference held at Knoxville, Tennessee on August 29, 1972.

Dr. Douglas Schneider of Grand Haven, Michigan, spent ten years in Orissa and has written on Orissa. He has started a small advertising agency in order to earn enough money to return to Orissa for six weeks every year to serve as an agricultural consultant in the rural life program. OSA would like to wish Dr. Schneider success in his work and objectives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ram Saran Sahoo of New Jersey have been blessed with a son. Congratulations from OSA.

Miscellaneous

1. Transmission of Books and Journals to Educational Institutions in Orissa

As you know many educational institutions in Orissa do not have resources to update their libraries. In view of this, Orissa Society requests its members and friends to donate their own publications and other books as well as periodicals used by them to be sent to institutions of their choice in Orissa. The mailing cost will be borne by OSA. Please send all materials to Dr. Bhabagrahi Misra, 55 Elizabeth Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06105.

2. An Invitation

Mr. Biranchi Narayan Puhana has invited all Oriyas passing by Winnipeg, Manitoba, to stay at his residence any time. His address is Department of Psychology, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg 19, Manitoba, Canada. His telephone is (204) 452-4903.

Contributions

Mr Nityananda Misra	\$ 5.00
Mr Rabindra K Patnaik	2.00
Dr Naika Bohidar	6.00
Mrs Kabita Patnaik	7.00
Mrs Annapurna Kanungo	7.00
Mrs Jayanti Mahapatra	7.00
Mr Rabindra N Mohapatra	5.00
Mrs Sakuntala Margaraj	8.00
Dr Jagat M Subuathi	10.00
Mr Sadananda Barik	7.00
Dr Krushna M Das	7.00
Mr Bimal Mohanty	7.00
Mrs Raj Kumari Senapati	5.00

Account for the Period October 1, 1971 to September 30, 1972

Income

Membership dues (regular)	\$217.27
Membership dues (life)	200.00
Contribution from members	<u>82.00</u>
<u>Total</u>	\$499.27

Expenditure

Stationery	\$ 12.88
Xeroxing (Newsletter, supplement to directory, Constitution, etc.)	86.51
Postage Stamps	104.16
Contribution to Cyclone Relief Fund - OSA	2.47
Annual Convention	40.45
Bank Service Charge/fee	<u>7.79</u>
<u>Total</u>	\$254.26

Balance from the year ending Sept. 30, 1971	\$129.41
Income in the year ending Sept. 30, 1972	<u>499.27</u>
	\$628.68
Expenditure in the year ending Sept. 30, 1972	<u>254.26</u>
Balance (total assets) on Sept. 30, 1972	<u><u>\$374.42</u></u>

