

YEAR IN REVIEW
by Neil Pundit
MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. Membership: 360+ active; 100+ only partial information; aiming for 1000 by July 2015 under Project Leadership of Bharat

2. Regional Meetings held:-

- Atlanta (26) by Alka; San Jose (80) by Ramesh; Detroit (25) by Arunima.
- Planned are: Buffalo/Niagara by Bharat & Raj; LA/SanDiego by Anil; Seattle by Ramesh/Meher; Houston/Dallas by Mohammed; Vancouver by Satya Swaroop; MD/VA/DC by Naresh; Chicago by Arunima; PA area by Raj Verma

ANNUAL MEET should be rotated to coincide with a Regional Meet. NEEDS YOUR APPROVAL.

3. Finance: Treasurer Divy: Bank Balance increased to \$25K

4. Web Presence: Excellent progress by Naresh

5. Visits to Sindri/Ranchi:

- Nov 2013: Yogi Chadda, Surendra Chadda, and Neil for 4 day
- Feb-March 2014: Bidhu
- March 2014: Bharat
- New Initiative: Member Travel award \$500.

6. Uplifting Alma Mater:

- Meeting with the Chief Minister and IAS Officers in Ranchi
- Neil established the contacts, Met with Press
- Bidhu reinforced
- Cabinet decision in Dec 2013: to uplift BIT Sindri

7. Scholarships Consolidated

- Problem reported by Bharat; Investigation & Report by Neil;
- Implementation details under Ramesh

8. Research Funding Initiative: Yogi, Ramesh

9. Member Recognition: Advisory Board initiatives:

- a. Criteria and Process for Distinguished Established
- b. Distinguished Alumni: 49:posthumous SEVEN; ex-faculty TWO; graduates of 50's Five; graduates of 60's TWENTYSEVEN; grads of 70's ONE; grads of 80's ZERO; grads of 90's FIVE.
- c. LIFE MEMBERS: 26

CHALLENGES

- Greater Member Participation
- Member Contributions
- Enabling Action on our Priorities
- Campaign for Discovering Alumni