



Ladies Wing Report Jan to Dec'13

The WMO international Ladies Wing has been as usual been playing behind the screen role doing our part without fun and fair. While the local Ladies Wing in their respective chapters have been quite active in carrying out projects at the local level, the main activity of the International Wing has been centred around 2 main projects, Namely Memon Connections and Children with Special Needs

MEETINGS

The Ladies had a very useful gathering of over 30 delegates at the International Ladies Wing meeting held on 16th Nov 2013 on the side lines of the 11th AGM held in Dubai. Various projects for the Local and International Ladies Wings were discussed and fellowship and bonds build among the chapters

In addition to the meeting, regular Conference Calls of the LW Committee were held

CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

OBJECTIVES of the Project

1. Create a common Objective/Cause for all the Ladies Wings from different chapters would have an opportunity to come together for a common cause
2. Greater Participation of the Ladies in the activities of the WMO
3. Help Economically and Socially dis-advantaged children to progress in life and give them a second chance

The Ladies Wing of South Africa pledged US\$ 10,000 in 2013, to be distributed among 5 Chapters at US\$ 2,000/ each for "Special Needs Children Projects of the Chapters. Accordingly US\$ 2,000/ each was given to Africa, Europe, Far East, India and Pakistan.

Africa Chapter Ladies have pledged a further sum of US\$ 10,000 for the same purpose for 2014 as well. A Proposal by Middle East Ladies Wing for these funds to be utilized for Special Needs Children in Kashmir is under consideration and final decision on this is to be taken at the Ladies Wing Meeting in South Africa.

In addition the Money Tills for collection of funds for Special needs Children at Chapter level is continuing

MEMON CONNECTIONS

Memon Connection has been active in Africa, India, Pakistan and UK, but due to the very nature of the service been offered the success rate is not very high and where actual connections have been made in order to protect the privacy of the individuals this has not been publicised.

Memon Connections however have had greater success in Africa through the traditional conservative method but however they are trying to convince people to utilize the website facility thus making the workload of the Connection team that much easier.

Steps are been discussed to make the MC Web Site more accessible for Parents to make their own direct links for their children via the website.

However we are proud to say over 50 marriages have been facilitated by the Ladies of the International Wing in the past 2-3 years.

MINI TRADE EXHIBITION

The Middle East Chapter Ladies Wing organized a Mini Trade Exhibition at the Gala Dinner hosted for the 11th AGM Delegates at Ms Memoona Darvesh on House on 18th Nov 2013.

Over 10 stalls exhibited and sold various hand craft produced by Memon Ladies & Organizations from India, Pakistan, South Africa, Middle East and Sri Lanka. This gave the delegates an opportunity to pick up some beautiful handcraft items at reasonable prices. But more importantly this was also an opportunity for lady entrepreneurs in the community to network & make business contact and at the same time show case their creative and business acumen.

It is hoped to continue this as a regular event at all future AGM's of the WMO

LOCAL CHAPTERS

All 6 Ladies Wing at Local Chapters have been active in their respective countries with some more active than others. Insha Allah in future the pace at Chapters is set to get faster as more ladies and especially the younger ones take more interest in the LW

CONCLUSION

Our Sincere Appreciation to WMO President Abdul Satar Dada, WMO CF Chairman Solly Noor, and The VP's of the respective Chapters and all other Officials and the WMO for their support and encouragements to carry out our work and we dedicate ourselves to work with even more Enthusiasm and Energy to carry the message of WMO to all our Sisters Globally

Wasalaam

Hawa Abdullah : Pakistan
Fazila AK Ismail : Africa
Shamim Osman : UK
Shabana Darvesh : India
Shazia Sangani : Far East
Shabana Razak : Middle East