



By Love Serve One Another

JOTTINGS

Faith in God the Father Almighty
and in Jesus Christ His Only Son Our Lord and Saviour
and in the Holy Spirit

Purpose

- Promotion of the full development of women and girls through its programmes
- To develop a membership that is responsive through service to the changing needs of the community in a changing world.

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Ties That Bind: Christianity's Unbreakable Connection to Jews, Israel and Scripture

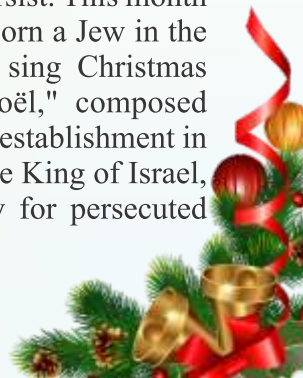
Annie Cardoz

Christianity is intrinsically linked to the profound ties between Jews, Israel, and the Holy Bible. Understanding our biblical heritage is vital, encompassing Jesus' fulfilment of prophecies and shedding light on historical, legal, moral, and prophetic facets. The Jewish Tanakh and the Christian Old Testament share identical content, and Good Friday aligns with the Jewish Passover in the Christian liturgical calendar. The New Testament centres on the life and teachings of Jesus, tracing His Jewish ancestry back to Abraham and referencing numerous fulfilled prophecies from the Old Testament. There was no mention of Palestine in the Greek New Testament as the Roman Emperor Hadrian renamed the Holy land to Syria Palestina in the 2nd Century AD, in an attempt to erase the Jewish



identity after their Bar Kokhba revolt. The Holy Bible contradicts "Replacement Theology," that asserts the Christian Church superseding Israel in Romans 11:1-2, 25-26, Genesis 12:3, Jeremiah 31:35-37, Zechariah 2:8. God is true to His promise and His love never changes for His people.

Repeatedly, major Middle-East players-Edom, Ishmael, Amalek, Moab, Ammon, Philistia, Tyre, and Assyria-consistently opposed Israel in the Bible. Israel emerged victorious every time and today, similar dynamics persist. This month we celebrate Jesus' birth, born a Jew in the land of Israel. When we sing Christmas carols like "The First Noël," composed centuries before Israel's re-establishment in 1948, heralding Jesus as the King of Israel, can we as Christians pray for persecuted Jews?



Peace and Prosperity For All Men

Jennie Talwalker

Another year is fast coming to an end and each of us have memories to treasure of 2023 with perhaps a few disappointments. We all expect our weather patterns to follow aged timetables but nowadays even these have given us high temperatures into December. In India we don't expect Christmas card snowmen, but the signs of global warming are very real here and elsewhere, From now on our children's generation must find ways to preserve

landscapes and somehow retain a liveable planet for men and animals too.

December is a time to look back (whoops, another birthday!) and once again make good resolutions for the future. May 2024 bring a solution to inter-country conflict so that fewer families are displaced, fewer towns destroyed and peace can rule worldwide.

Sweet Notings

Sharon Pires

For the Son of man has come to seek and to save that which was lost – Luke 19.10

As we prepare our hearts and minds for the birth of our Lord, let us love deeply, fully and genuinely. God's love is the greatest treasure bestowed on us in full measure, everlasting and complete. It is our trademark – 'Love one another as I have loved you, and remain in my love'. Loving our enemies and praying for those who harm us is the differentiator. Love unifies us with the Trinity. Let us make Christ the centre of our lives this Christmas and learn to love like Him.

Family is the heart of a home, it is the place where you are loved the most and act the worst.

- Marjorie Pay Hinckley

For each of us our home is truly a special place where we can be ourselves. It is each member who contributes to the peace and happiness of the family. Healthy and joyful living is in our hands and we have to desire it and work for it. Home is a place where we can let our hair down, where success and failures are shared – a support system that is genuine and truly helpful. Home is where the heart is and family is where life begins and love never ends. We pray for every member of our Y family, a Happy New Year and a Joyous Global Family Day on 1st January 2024.

Birthdays in December

Date	Members	Area	Staff
2nd December	Indira Jenna	Andheri	
2nd December	Sarah Nitin Dongre	Y Deepa	
4th December			Dilip Devlekar
5th December	Jayanti Premkumar	Chembur	
5th December	Nita Khazan Singh	Andheri	
5th December	Sushila Pallichha	Andheri	
6th December			Sanjay Tirlotkar
8th December	Vimala Raichur	Andheri	
9th December	Daksha Kanavia	Andheri	
10th December	Prasanna Bengor	Belapur	
14th December	Ceydrice D'souza	Borivali	
15th December	Stella Bapu	Byculla	
17th December	Flory D'souza	Andheri	
18th December	Leonara D'souza	Bandra	
19th December	Usha D'cruz	Andheri	
20th December			Pallavi Pawar
21st December	Alice Iris Fernandes	Bandra	
23rd December	Sarojini J. Hingorani	Andheri	
23rd December	Prabhavathy Christdoss	Fort	
24th December	Elizabeth Peters	Fort	
25th December	Raina Michyari	Fort	
25th December	Saroj Hilbert	Byculla	
25th December	Shaneya Solomon Sharma		Y Deepa
27th December	Maria Victoria Aguiar	Byculla	
28th December	Shama Chatterjee	Andheri	
1st January	Nutan Mistry	Andheri	
1st January	Dr. Sonal Ohol	Byculla	
1st January			Anita Khare
3rd January	Ruhi Singh	Andheri	
3rd January			Shama Pawar
4th January	Severine Andrade	Andheri	
4th January	Joanna Pereira	Bandra	
4th January	Joanna S Elanjikal	Y Deepa	
8th January			Yogini Y Warang
9th January			Vinod L. Kamble
11th January			Agnel Fernandes
12th January	Isabel Murzello	Bandra	
14th January	Harsharan Kaur	Andheri	
16th January	Swati Das	Byculla	
17th January	Noreen Peters	Andheri	
17th January	Jacintha D'souza	Andheri	
20th January	Mary Cheru	Chembur	
23rd January	Jacinta Lobo	Bandra	
24th January			Jayashree More
26th January	Angela Fernandes	Borivali	
26th January			Manisha Thakur
28th January	Renuka Reuben	Andheri	
29th January	Shoba Bhalla	Andheri	
30th January	Lalitha John	Chembur	

Quote

The "I, Me, Myself" factor
fades as we draw nearer to
GOD ALMIGHTY.

– Priya Dongre



Rare Facts -

Contributed by –Rekha Joshi



It is time to take a look at how amazing (and a bit freaky!) we all are! Check out these 10 fascinating facts about the human body...

1. The average person has 67 different species of bacteria in their belly button.
2. You lose about 4kg of skin cells every year!
3. Babies do not shed tears until they're at least one month old.
4. Information zooms along nerves at about 400kmph!
5. The human heart beats more than three billion times in an average lifespan.
6. Your left lung is about 10 percent smaller than your right one.
7. Human teeth are just as strong as shark teeth.
8. Scientists estimate that the nose can recognize a trillion different scents!
9. Humans are the only species known to blush.
10. Your blood makes up about eight percent of your body weight.

Source- National Geographic Kids Magazine

Announcements

Your feedback on Jottings - Newsletter may be sent to Mildin Nadar, Staff-designate at jottings@ywcabombay.co.in

PIYA Programme - A Collaborative Initiative of YMCA & YWCA

Date : Friday 15th December 2023

Time : 6.30-9.00 pm

Venue : YMCA, International

Theme : A Christmas Musical &
Bazaar

Staff Christmas Programme

Friday



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December 2023

Time: 10.30 am onwards

Venue: LWH Fort



Dear Esteemed Members and Cherished Friends,

The PASI Committee is elated to share with you a momentous collaboration that warms our hearts with pride and optimism. The YWCA of Bombay, in its enduring commitment to the well-being of our environment, has joined hands with The Recycling Company, affectionately known as Threco, to embark on a journey of E-waste collection and recycling.

Threco stands tall as one of India's foremost Integrated Waste Management enterprises, holding the esteemed authorization of the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (MPCB) to recycle a spectrum of materials, including E-waste, metals, cables, Li-ion batteries, solar panels, and paper.

This venture's significance lies in its comprehensive approach, encompassing a diverse range of electronic items, spanning from laptops, desktops, monitors, keyboards, and mobiles to printers, remotes, routers, cables, headphones, accessories, batteries, telephones, chargers, cooling devices, air conditioners, televisions, ovens, music systems, electronic toys, refrigerators, tube lights, and so much more.

To facilitate and embrace this eco-friendly initiative, Threco has thoughtfully provided three dedicated bins for E-waste collection. These bins have found their home within our very own YWCA centres, each thoughtfully selected to serve as convenient E-waste

drop-off points for those associated with and residing near these locations:

- 1) Asha Kiran, Andheri
- 2) Achamma Bhavan Hostel, YWCA, Byculla
- 3) Lady Willingdon Hostel, YWCA, Fort

We stand united and extend an open invitation to all YWCA members and everyone in our extended community to participate in this endeavour. Together, we can collectively channel our efforts towards a cleaner and more sustainable environment.

Our mission is simple yet profound: Reduce, Reuse, and make a positive impact in our ongoing commitment to protect our beloved Earth, ensuring its preservation for generations to come.

As we embark on this journey towards environmental stewardship, we express our heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you who has lent your support and enthusiasm to this noble cause. Together, let us make our world more beautiful, meaningful, and sustainable.

Your contribution matters, and your alliance in this endeavour is deeply appreciated. We look forward to a lasting and enriching association as we work hand in hand to create a cleaner and brighter future.

With warm regards and gratitude,

PASI Committee

In Memoriam

Anne D'souza
Fort Area member
passed away
on 13th November 2023.



Maheshwari Anthony Laxman
Bandra Area member
passed away
on 20th November 2023.

We pray for God's comfort and peace on the grieving families.



1. Which Old Testament prophet predicted the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem?
 - A) Jeremiah
 - B) Isaiah
 - C) Micah
 - D) Daniel
2. What miraculous sign did Isaiah foretell concerning the virgin birth of Jesus?
 - A) A star in the east
 - B) A talking donkey
 - C) The sun standing still
 - D) A virgin conceiving
3. According to the Old Testament, what title was prophesied for the coming Messiah in Isaiah 9:6?
 - A) Prince of Peace
 - B) King of Kings
 - C) Wonderful Counsellor
 - D) All the above
4. According to the Old Testament prophecy, a shoot will come up from the stump of which tree in relation to Jesus' lineage?
 - A) Olive tree
 - B) Fig tree
 - C) Cedar tree
 - D) Jesse's tree
5. In the Old Testament, who was promised to come before the Messiah as a forerunner, preparing the way for His birth?
 - A) Elijah
 - B) Moses
 - C) Isaiah
 - D) David

Answers to the above quiz will appear in the February 2024 issue of Jottings.

Spiritual Emphasis (SE)

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Spiritual Emphasis organized VBS from 9th to 11th November for 3 days with 140 WDU Community children at Byculla, Fort and Belapur. VBS was conducted by the volunteers of Union Vacation Bible School. This year the theme was 'Pleasing God'. It was an exciting time with action songs based on stories from the Bible.



Membership

Y Deepa Children's Day

On the occasion of Children's Day, Y Deepa members presented videos showcasing their talents.

Shaneyya Solomon and Lisa Aby shared their fervent plea to stop all wars and destruction of beauty. Their beautiful rendition of '**Heal the World**' brought out the true essence of **World Peace**. Augusta Ruth proudly displayed her brilliant painting and eloquently spoke on '**Nurturing Nature**'.

To all our young women of Y Deepa
May You Grow Into
Future Leaders,
Dreamers And Changemakers.
Your Potential Is Limitless
And Your Dreams Are Boundless.



Shaneyya Solomon



Augusta Ruth



Lisa Aby

Celebrate You!!!!

23rd November was indeed a day of great celebration. Membership Committee with great enthusiasm arranged '**Seniors' Day**' at Heritage Hall, Fort. The response from the members was overwhelming with 50 members, guests and friends joyously participating in the event.

Guest Speaker Ms. Salome Roy Kapur not only gave tips on physical and mental health but also made everyone present get up on their feet to dance their blues away. Ms. Kapur gracefully guided each and every one to jive, waltz, twist and do cha cha cha to her carefully curated playlist. Surely 'we could have danced all night.....'!

After a sumptuous lunch, Sharon Pires, Rajitha Chandran and Christina arranged team games and a round of Tambola, wherein all participated in a spirited manner. It was surely a day to celebrate ourselves!



PASI

Report of Week without Violence – 16th to 20th October 2023

Week Without Violence is part of a global movement with YWCAs across the country, and around the world, to end violence against women and girls. At YWCA we know that not all violence is acknowledged or responded to equally

and that some victims go unrecognized altogether. That's why for more than 20 years YWCA has set aside one week in October as 'Week Without Violence' from October 16–21, as we raise awareness, elevate survivor voices and talk with policymakers with a common goal so that we can end gender-based violence together.

The theme was '**Poverty is Worst Form of Violence.**'

Day 1: 16th October, Online

Topic: **Domestic and Family Violence**

No. of participants: 50

Resource person: Dr. Shaila Naik

Guest Speaker Dr. Shaila Naik highlighted:

- Various forms of violence and abuse.
- Causes and effects of the above as it creates societal divisions and is equally damaging wherever it occurs.
- The provisions of the Domestic Violence Act, etc.

Day 2: 17th October, Online

Topic: **Nomination and Will**

No. of participants: 52

Resource person: Adv. Aileen Marques

The speaker threw light on how:

- Nomination and wills are both legal instruments that are used to specify how a person's assets and property should be distributed after their death.
- Nomination is commonly used in the context of financial assets, etc.
- Wills, on the other hand, allow the testator to specify the recipient of their assets and the manner in which these assets should be distributed, as well as to place conditions or restrictions on the distribution of their assets.
- Both nomination and wills have their own advantages and limitations, and it is

important to carefully consider which option is the most appropriate.

- Difference between Nomination and Will.

Day 3: 18th October, Online

Topic: **60 Years of Dowry Prohibition Act**

No. of participants: 57

Resource person: Ms. Asha Kulkarni - Hon. General Secretary, Anti-dowry Movement, Bombay

The speaker spoke about:

- Eradicating the evil custom of dowry from society and eliminating violence against married women for want of dowry and against dowry deaths; the Dowry Prohibition Act was passed around sixty years ago.
- One of the causes of social instability is the custom of dowry prevalent in our society.
- Giving or receiving dowry is prohibited in the State.
- Many families are destroyed and parents of marriageable girls are drowned in debts arising from giving dowry.

Day 4: 19th October, Online

Topic: **Gender-based Violence**

No. of participants: 30

Resource person: Dr. Shaila Naik

The speaker spoke about:

- Legal rights of survivors of gender-based violence.
- Rights and remedies available to survivors under existing laws, including the Domestic Violence Act and the Sexual Harassment at Workplace Act 2013 (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal).

Day 5: 20th October, Hybrid Event at YWCA, Fort

Topic : Legal Advice on Property

No. of participants: 33 (18 in person and 15 online)

Resource person : Adv. Aileen Marques

The speaker spoke about empowering women through various methods and emphasized on:

- Legal advice on purchase of property.
- Documentation and process to be followed for such purchases.
- Rights of possession, etc.

Feedback:

Participants were thankful to the PASI Committee for enlightening them and empowering them with knowledge of provisions of the law and legal remedies available. Sessions were interesting and insightful.



Topic: 'Giving Woman A Second Chance After A Break'

Resource Person:
Deepa Soman,
Founder of
Lumiere Business

Solutions Pvt. Ltd.

Date and Venue: 6th November 2023 at 11:00

am at Anugraha, Belapur

No. of participants:90 (80 in person and 10 online)

PASI conducted a Motivational Talk on 'Giving Women A Second Chance After A Break'. Ms.Soman spoke about women taking a break for various reasons.

Outcome achieved: The main focus was on women's re-entry into the workforce. Ms. Soman's valuable insights and experiences are crucial in helping others to understand the challenges, motivations, and stories of women who have embarked on or returned to their professional journeys after a career break.

She especially highlighted the interested women's decision-making processes, struggles, achievements, growth, life satisfaction, well-being; evaluating the impact of COVID-19; and assessing the women's needs for and experience with mentorship programmes and/or any back-to-work programme when returning to the workforce.



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PIYA

Report on Mental Health Session for C.O.D.E. Club of H.R. College

The PIYA Committee of YWCA of Bombay successfully organized a compelling and insightful session on Mental Health for the students of The CLUB OF DEBATE AND ELOCUTION (C.O.D.E. Club) at H.R. College with the help of Indira Jenna. The event took place on 6th November 2023 at LWH Fort.

Dr. Shilpa Gadre, a distinguished clinical psychologist, conducted an engaging workshop that resonated with the concerns of the 'Gen Z' audience. The workshop covered a spectrum of relevant topics, including parent-teenager relations, teenage relationships, career choices, and issues pertinent to the LGBTQ+ community. Dr. Gadre's expertise shone through as she provided a detailed insight into the various aspects of a youth's life.

The session included an interactive question and answer round, allowing students to actively engage with Dr. Gadre. Drawing from her wealth of

experience, she offered valuable advice to the students, addressing the challenges and difficulties commonly faced during the teenage years.

Refreshments were provided to the 60 participants, which included students from F.Y.J.C. & S.Y.J.C. alongside the Core Committee. The post-session interaction not only provided a platform for learning but also fostered a sense of community among the participants.

In the final segment, PIYA CP Divya John provided insights into the various engagements and initiatives undertaken by YWCA in Mumbai. She extended a warm invitation to the students, encouraging them to participate in the upcoming Christmas party and explore internship or volunteering opportunities with the YWCA. The participants responded positively, expressing enthusiasm about the prospect.

The Mental Health session concluded as a highly enriching and interactive experience for all attendees. The PIYA Committee reaffirms its dedication to organizing events that foster the holistic development and well-being of the youth.



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Asha Kiran

- On 16th October a session on the topic of Menstruation was conducted for 35 students of study centre and community
- Resource person, Ms. Farida Dariwala, has worked extensively with children, parents, professionals and organisations. The topics chosen were appropriate. At the end of the session, students were given 2 packets of cotton pads each.



- Diwali Mela- 17 stalls of snacks and sweets for Diwali were put up by the beneficiaries. They were able to make good profit as well as obtain many orders for Diwali sweets. Members of the Y, residents of DDH and AK guests were able to purchase and relish the goodies. The Mela was inaugurated by Chief Guest Ms. Kajal Singh (Assistant Vice President – Sales Project) preceded by a prayer by Mrs. Nutan Mistry who introduced the Chief Guest and welcomed all. Mrs. Smita Pathak read a passage from the Bible. PSI Ms. Minal, Andheri PS was also present. Ms. Kajal Singh & PSI Minal gave motivational speeches and encouraged girls and women to be part of 'Y' activities. An income of Rs. 3300/- was earned by Y beneficiaries.



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On the occasion of Diwali, Rangoli classes started from 6th to 10th November (5 days).



Women's Development Unit (WDU)

Session on Family Planning and Breast-feeding

Date	Centre/Session	Resource Person	No. of Participants
11/10/2023	Belapur- Breast-feeding	Dr. Archana Tayade and ANM Sunita Patil	56
26/10/2023	Chembur-Family Planning	Dr. Sayali Pingale ANM Samrudhi Panchal	31
26/10/2023	Geeta Nagar- Breast-feeding & Family Planing	Miss Shruti Palande & Mrs. Dharmshila Gautam (ANM) Colaba HealthCentre	23
31/10/2023	Fort-Family Planning	Dr. Vishakha Banote (AMO ColabaHealth Centre) & Dr. Shilpa Survase (ANM Colaba)	35
31/10/2023	Byculla-Family Planning	Dr. Swati Jadhav	35
	Total		180

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Health :

- General Medical Health Check-up camp organised at Ovecamp Kharghar on 19th October for 105 beneficiaries.



- General Medical Health Check-up camp organised at Geeta Nagar Community on 3rd October for 105 beneficiaries.



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- All Community staff attended Decimal Review of TBR (The Breakfast Revolution) meeting on 4th October.
- Week without Violence Sessions**

Sr. No	Centre	Date	Session	Resource Person	No. of Participants
1.	Geeta Nagar	6/10/2023	Domestic Violence	Dolcy Dsouza	30
2.	Belapur	12/10/2023	Government Schemes	Dolcy Dsouza	32
3.	Byculla	26/10/2023	Domestic Violence	Sangeeta Wetal	35
4.	Chembur	31/10/2023	Violence against Women	Seema Wakude Counselor from WomenCell	29
5.	Fort	31/10/2023	Domestic Violence & Family Planning	Dolcy Dsouza	31
				Total	157

- Elders' Day was celebrated in all centres with a session and games and dance.

Sr. No.	Date	Centre	Subject	Name of Resource Person	No. of participants
1.	12/10/2023	Belapur	How to be Happy and Contented	Dolcy Dsouza	22
2.	13/10/2023	Byculla	Rheumatism and Arthritis	Nursing teacher Akshaya More	20
3.	16/10/2023	Chembur	How to be Happy and Contented	Dolcy Dsouza	23
4.	18/10/2023	Geeta Nagar	Games	Para-social worker Sulbha Gopane	25
5.	19/10/2023	Fort	Mental Health	Anushree Jadhav from Mpower	26
				Total	116



Fort : Kiran Patil along with 28 senior citizens attended Anand Melava programme at Yashwantrao Chavan Pratishthan, Churchgate on 8th October. Youth group from Fort community organised dance tutorial for adolescent group.

- **Capacity Programme:** Nisha Misal, Kiran Patil, Vaishali Shinde along with 8 community women attended Senior Citizens Rights programme. Maharashtra State Human Rights Commission in collaboration with the Office of the Collector, Mumbai, and other government agencies organised a programme for senior citizens on 9th October at Prerna Hall, Mahapalika

Marg, Killa Court, Mumbai.

The following panelists graced the occasion:

1. Mr. M.A. Sayyed -Member Maharashtra State Human Rights Commission Mumbai.
2. Justice (Retd.) K. K. Tated -Chairperson Maharashtra State Human Rights Commission Mumbai.
3. Dr. Pravin Mundhe-DCP Zone 1.
4. Mr. Kalyanrao Pandhare -Dy. Collector and Presiding Officer Sr. Citizen Tribunal.
5. Dr. Jay Jadhav, IPS Spl. Inspector General of Police, Maharashtra State Human Rights Commission Mumbai.
6. Adv. Nirmala Samant Prabhavalkar-Former Mayor of Mumbai.
7. Dr. Harish Shetty-Psychologist.

The following points were discussed:

1. National Policy for Senior Citizens
2. Atal Yojna
3. Mobile Medicine
4. Senior Citizen Act 2007-Maintenance, Rehabilitation, Will etc.
5. Elder Abuse, Article 21, Right to Live.
6. Mahatma Phule Jan Aarogya Scheme
7. Senior Citizen Homes in every district

Dos and don'ts

1. Keep your master key with you.
2. Cry when you feel like it.
3. Time is short, so what you feel today, do it.
4. How you live depends on you.
5. Property - Don't transfer your house to your children as long as you are alive.

Programme Aims: To provide Senior Citizens an understanding of the working mechanism to protect their rights, and information on Government policies.

Other programmes :

- Chembur: A session on **Acupressure and Sudoku** was conducted by Nursing teacher Shradha Dhepe on 11th, 17th and 18th October with 30 beneficiaries.



- Fort: A session on **Orthopaedic Rheumatism** was conducted by Nursing teacher Akshaya More on 19th October with 26 senior citizens.
- Belapur: A session on **Acupressure and Arthritis** was conducted by Nursing teacher Akshaya More on 18th October with 22 beneficiaries.
- Geeta Nagar: A session on **Orthopaedic Rheumatism and Handwash** was conducted by Nursing teacher Akshaya More on 11th October with 35 beneficiaries.



- An awareness session on **Mental Health** was conducted by Milka Palshetkar-Outreach Associate of Mpower on 26th October with 30 beneficiaries at Geeta Nagar.



- Sustainable Livelihood – Masala-making Course** was conducted at Byculla with 35 beneficiaries in October.



b. Success Stories

Sr.	Name	Course Name	Income
1.	Byculla Aliya Zikra Khan	Tailoring	Rs 6000/- per month
2.	Belapur Hiba Khan	Basic Mehendi	
	Harshada Patil	Basic Mehendi	
	Sonam Singh	Basic Mehendi	

➤ **Feedback of session:**

Fort: A session on Effects of Social Media and Cyber-crime was conducted by Dolcy Dsouza in August. A participant from this awareness session shared that YWCA is the best place for empowerment.

Bakery:

- Received feedback from Learning and Development Manager Ericka Powell of Sofitel Hotel that the best interns are from YWCA of Bombay.
- Trusha Manjrekar Cookery Bakery and Confectionery student of batch 22-23 won gold medal in Chef Competition conducted by Sahil Hotel.

- One-day bakery session at Byculla community was conducted with 25 participants on 16th October. Date and walnut cake, paneer puff, cheese straw and chocolate doughnuts were made.
- Snack stall was put up at Andheri on 15th October.

Sr.	Name	Place of employment /Entrepreneur	Income
1.	Namrata Yadav, Commi 3	Piece of Cake	10,000/-
2.	Ajay Patil, Trainee	Sofitel Hotel	12,000/-
3	Fatma Chaudhari CF Patisserie	Entrepreneur	25,000/-

- Students referred for sponsorship.
Rotary Club – 11 students
Dosti Foundation – 25 students



Area Reports:

Andheri: 25 members attended meeting on 1st November. Devotion was led by Lora Saldanha. On the occasion of World Mental Health Day, area member Neelam Sharma gave her testimony. Speaker Dr. Shivam Shingla (Oncologist) explained the importance of health. Members also celebrated LAUT AAYA BACHPAN. Childhood games were played. Candies and toffees were distributed as remembrance of our 'Bachpan'.



Bandra: 12 members and 1 guest attended meeting on 4th November. Devotion was led by Helen George. Clotilda D'souza gave a talk on '**No Voter to be left behind**' and explained about the website to check one's name in the voters list and also addition and deletion to the list. The session was very informative in view of forthcoming elections.



Belapur: 3 members and 1 guest attended meeting on 6th November. Devotion was led by Rajitha Chandran. Dr. Suneela gave advice on how to take care of one's health.



Borivali: 11 members and 3 guests attended meeting on 1st November. Devotion was led by Doris Bhandari. Members planned activities for the year and Evening of Carols.



Byculla: 12 members attended the meeting on 7th November. Devotion was led by Dr. Sonal Ohol. Members planned activities for 6 months followed by carol practice.



Chembur: 11 members and 2 guests attended meeting on 3rd November. Devotion was led by Nita Susan Jacob. The calendar for the year and carols were discussed with the group. On 8th November Children's Day was celebrated with 30 children of Shivneri Society who participated in the drawing and singing competition. The events were judged by Jayanti Premkumar, Nita Jacob, Shaila Philip and Jaya Damodaran.



Fort Area: 8 members and 1 guest attended meeting on 2nd November. Devotion was led by Elaine Fernandes. Members discussed yearly planning and Evening of Carols.



No Meetings in the month of December 2023
Programmes and Committee Meetings for January 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Holiday	2 Byculla Area 11.00 am	3 Borivali Area 11.30 am	4 Fort Area 11.00 am DDH Meeting 11:30 am Andheri Andheri Area 2.30 pm PASI Meeting 2:00 pm Byculla	5 Anugraha Meeting 2:00 pm Belapur Chembur Area 3.30 pm	6 Bandra Area 2:00 pm WDU Meeting 11:00 am Byculla SGMA Meeting 11.00 am Byculla
8 Belapur Area 11.30 am LWH Meeting 2:30 pm Fort	9 ABH Meeting 12 noon Byculla Shelter Homes Meeting 2:30 pm Asha Kiran	10	11 Spiritual Emphasis Meeting 11.30 am Fort	12 PIYA 7.00 pm on Zoom	13 AK Meeting 11.00 am Andheri IC Meeting 10.30 am Fort PR Meeting 1:00 pm Byculla Membership Meeting 2.00 pm on Zoom
15 General Hostels Meeting 1:00 pm Byculla	16	17 Buildings Meeting 11.00 am on Zoom	18 Jottings Meeting 11.00 am Byculla	19	20 Personnel Meeting 10.00 am on Zoom
22 Finance Meeting 10.00 am on Zoom	23	24	25	26	27 Board Meeting 10.00 am Byculla
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