

'Live for the present if you want to be happy'

The monthly meeting of the Besant Nagar Humour Club held on July 4 came as a refreshing breathe of fresh air for the participants and audience alike. The thought-provoking speeches of guests and the jokes session enlivened the spirit of everyone present.

A. Kumar, Chairman of the club said in his welcome address that the club was started with the main aim of motivating children of all ages to share jokes and develop their public speaking skill.

Aarthi, a student of RBI Welfare Association School, who had participated in the joke telling competition from her childhood, was a topper in the school in Class X CBSE examination held recently, he said.

The club has completed its 10 th year, he pointed out and thanked all the members, particularly the residents and officials of the RBI Residents' Welfare Association for their co-operation.

The chief guests for the evening were Chitra Balasubramaniam, Tamil scholar and news reader and K. Bhuvaneswari, CEO & MD of



AN EVENING OF LAUGHTER: The members of the Besant Nagar Humour Club with the chief guests at the monthly meeting.

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The joke session was conducted by G. Swaminathan, club secretary. Children and adults cracked jokes sending the audience into peals of laughter.

Prof Chitra Balasubramaniam,

in her speech on "Indha Vinadi", said that one should not think of his or her failures in the past nor worry about the future.

"We should live for the present, which will bring happiness in life. One should also appreciate other

people's achievements and should be generous in complimenting them. Every human being expects appreciation for their work. If you appreciate their work, even for a small thing, they will be much delighted and tend to do more help."

Ms. Bhuvaneswari, speaking on "Pazhamaiyum Pudhumaiyum", stated that even though we are in the habit of getting new things in the modern world, they were nothing but thing used in the olden days with a different name.

"The new age is turning towards olden times to draw inspiration in their day-to-day life," she added.

Ms. Bhuvaneswari said that she was running a charitable trust which encouraged and gave awards to achievers in various fields."

Gymnastic champion Rahul, a student of St. Patricks' Anglo Indian School, was honoured by the club for his exploits in the sport.

S. Pranes, C.R. Santhosh, Aarthi Lakshmipriya, Janani Balasubramaniam, who excelled in the Class X exams were also honoured with a memento and certificate.

V.K. Krishnamurthy, secretary of the Residents Welfare Association of the Reserve Bank of India Staff Quarters, Besant Nagar, delivered a vote of thanks.

The next meeting of the humour club will be held on August 1, Mr. Kumar announced.