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CROWNS:

To the third MCGSMUN. We look forward to hosting the biggest MCGSMUN yet!

To the Chairs and the delegates from various schools- welcome!

FROWNS:

To the hot weather- we can almost feel ourselves melting.

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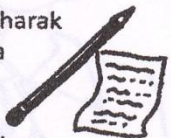
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ASPIRE TO INSPIRE



Death, destruction, disability, deportation, devastation, distress and the list goes on...these are the results of war. War leads to the most horrendous of crimes; in the process, both the victims as well as the inflictors are hurt, branded and scarred for life.

War can kill, maim or impair a person, but what it cannot take away is the spirit within. Ever wondered why? It is because resilience and humanity are the true spirit of us humans. We are Alive and we will Live.

All it takes is a little courage to answer that call from within. Courage and enthusiasm are contagious- we CAN aspire to inspire...

'You become what you think you are'. The brutal 'Chand Ashok', who was the cause of the death of millions in the Kalinga war, transformed into a philanthropic administrator, a messiah of peace and development and became Ashoka 'the great'. More recent; the war ravaged nations of Germany and Japan are now forces to reckon with in the contemporary world.

Closer home; this tiny little one man, a war veteran from the 1971 Pakistan war, dared to transform the highly degraded village ecosystem into one of the richest in the country. The Ralegan Siddhi example is a model, an inspiration, for all of us. Such people and their deeds, continue to inspire us.

When an ant can inspire continuous effort and industry, when a rock can inspire stability and firmness...why can't we? We all are, but, thinking individuals. Why can't we aspire to inspire? Inspire democratic values to develop, inspire egalitarianism...utopia.

Together we can and we will.

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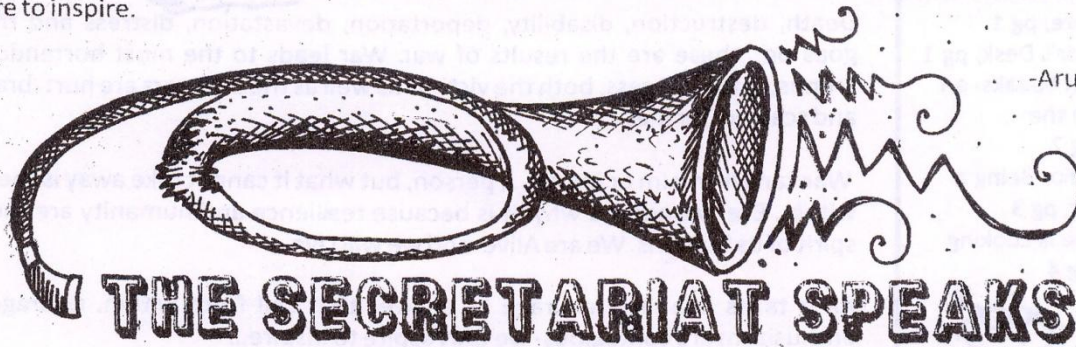
FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

It has been a hundred years since the war to end all wars, when a juggernaut of hate had completely transformed the face of the world, made it less humane. The world as we know it today would have been very different without the occurrence of the two wars that had threatened, once, to nearly destroy humanity. As I sat down to write this article, I realized that a lot has changed in a hundred years. The world has grown smaller, yet drifted further apart. The atrocities taking place have somehow grown in number. Somewhere along the way, despite having constant reminders of our past, we seem to have

become even more lost. But the one thing that has managed to remain invariably, incredibly, the same is the fact that one man's actions still have the power to change the world.

A hundred years ago, one man threw the entire world into the chaos of war. Today, on the centenary of the First World War, we need to decide the kind of effect we want our actions to have, because we owe it to humanity to rethink the kind of progress we are making today. That is what this year's MCGSMUN conference stands for. We want people who will choose to have their actions change the world for the better. We want people who are willing to make a difference. We want people who will make themselves heard. This year, at MCGSMUN 2014, let us aspire to inspire.

-Arundhati Singh



AN INTERVIEW WITH THE SECRETARIAT

Palak Verma caught up with the MCGSMUN Secretariat in the midst of their busy schedule last week, and here's what they had to say:

Palak: What made you think of the theme "Aspire to Inspire"?

Shivranjani: Um, we saw this website...

Gayatri: No, no, NO. *facepalm*

Anupama: Gayatri got a dream about it.

Palak: What do you think will be the level of debate in committee?

Shivranjani: No comments.

Gayatri: We are expecting a very, very, very, very high level of debate but are prepared for the worst as well.

Anupama: A variety. It's extreme actually. Since there are so many new delegates and first time MUN-ers, it is going to be very diverse.

Palak: How do you feel this MUN is coming up?

All three stare at each other and burst out laughing.

Anupama: Well, I think...

Shivranjani: Stop trying to sound intellectual, Anupama.

Gayatri: Frankly speaking, we're just waiting for it to get over.



Palak: What has kept you going in times of stress?

The secretariat in unison: Ma'am John!

Anupama: Venus bakery cakes, and coffee from Ma'am Divya's office.

Gayatri: Access to Youtube.

Palak: What makes MCGSMUN different from the others?

Shivranjani: The Secretariat, duh.

Anupama: There's a personal touch in everything we've tried to do.

Gayatri: Our hospitality stands out.

Shivranjani: Come on, Palak, take a better interview tomorrow morning.



THE MUNTRAS FOR BEING A GOOD MUNNER!

With the MCGSMUN here, **Diya Sharma** tells you what needs to be done in order to ace this MUN and emerge as the star MUNner!

- Know your country's capital, please: it's always good to do some research before an MUN.
- Raising motions for entertainment during resolution process? Uhh, No.
- Try to control your expressions, especially during committee. Starring on our flashboard with a weird face won't help you get many allies.
- Try not waving your flag or swinging your placard around too wildly. We know of and feel your presence at all times.
- Do not persistently stare at your chair: Extremely. Awkward. BUT- That doesn't mean you don't make eye contact while talking to them.
- Being recognized by the chair is a must, before you speak. Voicing your opinion unasked for will only prove you insolent.
- Don't get emotional when there are allegations against your country, take deep breaths and stay calm. It's never good to start hollering at your committee members.
- Social media: Be a little less distracted by your phones and the internet, you'll have enough time to do all that business later.
- Do not allow your personal beliefs and prejudices to influence your decisions. Remember, you are representing your ASSIGNED country, and not yourself.
- Mind your speech: Using slang or inappropriate words that are against protocol in committee is definitely going to lead you nowhere.
- Make sure you are lobbying with countries that are going to benefit your cause, and not those who have a nice dress on.
- Keep yourself updated- The Bug Eyed Bugle has it all.

What We're Looking Forward To

It's that time of the year again- time to gear up for the amazing MCGSMUN. (Time not to get embarrassed in front of the delegates. And the Chairs.) And so, with the MUN looming up ahead, I went about asking people what they're looking forward to the most. Some were witty, some hilarious, and some just thought they were hilarious. Here's what I got:

NIKITA: So, what are you looking forward to in MCGSMUN'14?

Charmaine: Brownies. And Frooti.

Gayatri and Shivranjani [MCGSMUN Secretariat]: To finish. (We feel you.)

Stuti: People with two left feet.

Pathak: 2 litre bottles of brain and 5 ounces of socializing. (Wait. What?)

Ateka: A friendly match between the team and delegates wouldn't be bad. Soccer, I mean. (Why not.)

Pyusha [MCGSMUN delegate]: Fruitful discussions and the best delegate award. (Emphasis on the latter.)

Gargi: Suspension of classes. (Much needed.)

Chitragada, Ravina: SLEEP. (And no P.T.!!)

Radhika: Epic characters.

Divita [Rapporteur, DISEC]: AAJ KUCH TOOFANI KARTE HAIN! (That's exactly what we're expecting from the Executive Board this year, kudos.)

Anubhuti: Chits like, "What's up, buttercup?" and funny pictures of people on the flashboard.

Yashashvini Jodha: Being a journalist, because that's all I get to do. (Sad life for you and me both.)

Tina: MY BIRTHDAY! Wait, is that for the newsletter? (The 18th of April. Just letting everyone know.)

Arundhati Singh: Making fun of people through the newsletter. (Sadistic much?)

Aditi: Cultural night, because I'm gonna set fire to the stage! (We hope so, Aditi.)

Jahnvi [Rapporteur, HRC]: Expecting the unexpected.

Simran Toor: Pushkar. And chilling with Divjyot. (We're hurt. We like to chill too.)

Divita, Oshin, Yashaswini: Taking selfies in committee, like a boss.

Sia [Rapporteur, The Third Hague Conference]: Meh. Nothing. (Lovely to hear that from a member of the Executive Board.)

Maria: More reading time. Woohoo!

NIKITA: And band practices coming to an end!

So yes. Excitement's in the air. Get ready for four jam packed days, and the euphoria and varied distractions that this MCGSMUN brings!

-Nikita Achanta

