Rose Day

ROSE DAY September 22 - A Brief Note

September 22nd is Rose Day. It is a special day for remembering and sharing a cancer patient's trauma. Can - Stop specially marks this day to bring cheer to all cancer patients by gifting hand - made roses with a message from to show them our love, support, care and concern.

It is a day to ensure that all of us wear a hand - made rose to create awareness and bring "SMILES" to all. Every year, on this special day, Can - Stop creates awareness among the general public by visiting various hospitals and commercial places. We provide Utility Kits containing Bath Soaps, Washing Soaps, Shampoo, Oils, Tooth Paste, Tooth Brush, Talcum Powders, Towels, etc., to 140 women patients in Women Hospital, 200 men and women patients in Royapettah Hospital, 75 children at the Institute of Child Health and 420 men and women patients at Arignar Anna Government Cancer Hospital, Kancheepuram.

Rose Day brings smiles and magic moments through cards, flowers and gifts, personally delivered by can - stop volunteers to cancer patients in the treatment centers and hospitals. On this special day all of us can do our "good deed for the day" by taking time from our busy schedules to show our love, support, care and concern for the cancer patients.

Rose Day is dedicated to those battling cancer all over the world. It all began when 12 year old Melinda Rose from Canada, was diagnosed with Askin's Tumor, which was a rare form of Blood Cancer and inevitably terminal. This was in February 1994. Her parents were warned that she would not survive even a couple of weeks.

Melinda had other plans and with her strong attitude and belief lived for 6 more months. In spite of great weakness brought on by the strong, painful and invasive treatment her spirit was incredibly upbeat. She positively made each day in her remaining life meaningful. She networked with other children who were also cancer patients and their caregivers. Her letters, poems, and emails helped to bring cheer to her friends until her last breath. Since then September 22 is dedicated to all cancer patients, to share their trauma and to emphasize with their anguish and pain.

LIST OF HOSPITALS

1. Institute of Child Health

2. Women's Hospital

3. Government Royapettah Hospital

4. Arignar Anna Government Cancer Hospital

5. Paterson Cancer Centre - Vijaya Hospital

6. Child's Trust Hospital

7. Rai Memorial Hospital

COMMERCIAL PLACE

1. Spencer's Plaza

SUPPORT OF THE VOLUNTEERS

1. Mr. Premkumar

2. Mr. Shivashankaran

3. Dr. Jayesh

4. Mr. Badresh

5. Ms. Grishma

6. Ms. Darshana

7. Ms. Sugantha

8. Ms. Vatsalav

9. Ms. Neelima

10. Ms. Selvam

11. Ms. Sudha

12. Ms. Himani

13. Ms. Sadhana

14. Ms. Laxmy

15. Ms. Meera Menon

TCS VOLUNTEERS

The Volunteers from Tata Consultancy Services [TCS] joined to 2 hospitals.

Rai Memorial Hospital - 4 Persons

Government Women's Hospital - 6 Persons

Thanks for all of them for their great support and co -operation during Rose Day.

AWARENESS PROGRAM FOR NCC CADETS AT SPENCER'S PLAZA - PHASE 2 ATRIUM

In addition to the hospital visits, competitions were organized for the NCC cadets at Spencer's Plaza from 3 p.m to 6 p.m. The cadets took part in the Slogan Writing and Painting Competitions. After selecting the best slogans and paintings, they were given certificates and prizes on the spot. "Cookie Man" sponsored tins of biscuits for the winners. Fresh Roses were distributed to the public to create awareness amongst the general public.

ITEMS IN THE "TOILETRY KITS"

Our volunteers sponsored all the items in the kit. The items were purchased with the help of Ms. Grishma from the Whole Sellers. Bath Soaps [400 Nos], Washing Soaps [400 Nos], Towels [800 Nos], Talcum Powder [400 Nos], Tooth Paste [350 Nos], Tooth Brush [400 Nos] - Sponsored by Oral - B, Shampoo [400 Nos.], Combs [400 Nos.] and Hair Oil [400 Nos].