Tenth Annual Day Celebration of
Dr. Vijaya Home for the Aged, Pillayarpatti, Thanjavur

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Sri Mahesh Hari Sharma, a resident of the Old Age Home garlanded Pujya Swamiji.

Sri Radhakrishnan, Old Age Home Manager welcomed the gathering of donors, old age home residents, staff of the Old Age Home, teachers and other school staff.

 Dr. Vijaya, Managing Trustee read the report about the Home from its inception 10 years ago.

 Pujya Swamiji gave prizes for the residents and staff of the Home and the school children who participated in the cultural programme.

Pujya Swamiji presented a Gajalakshmi shield to all the VIPs and well-wishers of the Home.

Pujya Swamiji then gave his anugraha bhashan.

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people, she is functioning as a friend, as a doctor and as a counselor. A number of persons were benefitted by her service.   She has been able to run this Home with great dedication without compromising with her own standard of care. There are people who run such institutions. Some of them do not have the dedication and care. There are other homes which do not have dedication for care and are not qualified to give medical care. Because of Dr. Vijaya's dedication, other fellow doctors also come forward to help her out.

Everyone thinks that human beings are essentially selfish and self-centered. But everyone is essentially good. Everyone has got kindness. Insecurity hides all the good qualities. They have to be brought out. The good qualities come up when we see good people, when we move with good people and when we participate in good actions, bad qualities go away. When a drunkard takes the medicines, he is able to avoid bottles but the taste for the drink still remains inside. This also will go when he moves in the company of non-alcoholics.

"Home for the Aged" is a good service. Such good things should go on everywhere. Everyone can do some good service according to each ones capacity Joy derived when serving is fantastic. All should assist this Old Age Home.

This was followed by programme by Old Age Home residents and school children which was appreciated by all.