86TH BIRTHDAY OF PUJYA SWAMIJI

Pujya Swami Dayananda Saraswati's 86th birthday was celebrated at AVG, Anaikatti with great devotion.

SAMASTI SAHASRA NAMA ARCANA: Sahasra nama archana of Dakshinamurthi bija mantra was performed at the Dakshinamurti temple. The Lord was invoked in pictures and lamps where Swamis, students and guests performed puja. The following bija mantra of Lord Daksinamurti was chanted 1000 times each by around 140 participants: "Om namo bhagavate daksinamurtaye mahyam medham prajnam prayaccha swaha".

MURTI OF PUJYA SWAMIJI AT LECTURE HALL: A new bronze murti of Pujya Swami Dayananda Saraswati was unveiled at the lecture hall. Puja was performed by all the students and guest by



murti puja



Swamis offering puja

chanting Guru astottara sata namavali led by Swami Sadatmananda and Swami Shankarananda.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION TO AIM FOR SEVA HOSTEL STUDENTS: Smt. Girija Natarajan spoke about the Anaikatti AIM for Seva Chatralayas and the progress of the students. Students from the Boys and Girls Hostels were presented with cash prizes for scoring meritorious marks in the secondary school examinations.

PUJYA SWAMIJI'S VIDEO: A recorded video talk of Pujya

Swamiji was played in the lecture hall. In the talk, Pujya Swamiji emphasized the need for everyone to be more of a contributor and less of a consumer. He explained that a human being can be considered grownup only when he is more of a contributor. The final growth is when one identifies with the totality.

The function concluded with Maha prasadam.



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