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MONTH AT A GLANCE

- Tuesday 4th Nov *Managing Comm. Meeting* 9.45 a.m.
Executive Comm. Meeting 10.45 a.m.
- Tuesday 4th Nov *Current Events* 4.00 p.m.
Women in Global business
- Friday 7th Nov *Current Events* 10.15 a.m.
20 years: The Apollo Hospitals Group
- Tuesday 11th Nov *History, Culture & Tours* 10.15 a.m.
and Book Discussion
Madras: The Architected Heritage
- Friday 14th Nov *Health & Ecology* 10.15 a.m.
Man VS Microbes
- Monday 17th Nov *Music & Performing Arts* 10.15 a.m.
Making Dance: A discursive Inquiry
- Wednesday 19th Nov *Arts & Handicrafts* 10.15 a.m.
Billboard Painting
- Monday 24th Nov *Philosophy & Religion* 10.15 a.m.
Time: Is it really manageable?
- Thursday 27th Nov *Cooking Swapshop* 10.00 a.m.
Synergy of International Cuisines

FROM THE PRESIDENTS

The festive season of Dassera and Diwali have just gone by. Here's hoping all of you enjoyed the time with family and friends.

International Music Day was a huge success. Those of us who were there were treated to an extraordinary morning.

We thank all those who helped with the Diwali Mela in every way – with ticket sales, with Khazana gifts, with stall bookings and of course the entertainment and a number of other things.

The Egypt-IWAns are back with memories of a fantastic holiday.

Our Chairpersons have put together another month of varied fare, which we hope you will all enjoy.

Sushil Natraj

Elaine Wood

MANAGING COMMITTEE MEETING

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, 4th Nov., 9.45 a.m. Tuesday, 4th Nov., 10.45 a.m.

Both Meetings at:

Uma Ganesan *

15, 3rd Cross Street, Radhakrishnan Nagar
Thiruvanmiyur, Chennai 600 041.

* South on Lattice Bridge Road, after Adyar Bus depot, left at traffic light, onto M.G. Road, 3rd turning on the right. After Tom and Jerry shop turn right upto a dead end, left and right again (then follow address).

CONGRATULATIONS !

- To **Suk Hee Lee & Hye Kyung Lee** for winning the third prize in the bridal dressing competition and
- To **Eira Doshi** for winning a special prize as best dancer of the morning at the Junior Sakhi Mandal programme on 13th October.

Thanks also to our Scottish dancers - **Rani Chada, Jennifer Ann** and **Aruna Vijayakumar**, who, along with **Eira**, represented IWA in the group dance section.

FOR OUR GRACIOUS HOSTESSES :

IWA has a set of 84 cups, saucers, spoons and plates. Please feel free to borrow some or all of them and use them when you host an IWA meeting at your home. You could ask the Chairpersons concerned, or call **Vidya Singh** to collect the crockery. We hope this will make it easier for you.

HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO

- **Urmilla Reddy** on the demise of her mother.
- **Dipali Goyal** on the loss of her father.
- **Anita Kapoor** on the loss of her father.

CURRENT EVENTS

Tuesday, 4th November, 4.00 p.m.

At : **The Cricketer**
Madras Cricket Club
1, Bells Road
Chepauk
Chennai 600 005.



Women in Global Business

Creative, initiative, and capable of managing multiple tasks concurrently? All this and more come naturally to women and have catapulted some of them like Indra K. Nooyi to the top in running business globally.

Yet Women comprise only 12.5% of Corporate officers and only 12.4% of board seats. Why is this so?

Meet **Mala Chandra**, Vice President of Motorola Corporation, USA who has been voted as one of the top 25 women for her significant contribution and inspirational role as a woman demonstrating success in business. Listen to her real life experiences in start-up companies to multinationals such as Sun Micro Systems and Motorola.

This is an afternoon event meant to highlight career options for young adults.

Our sincere thanks to **Lily Malhan** for the refreshments, **Praveen Mehra** and **Margaret Thorpe** for sponsoring the venue and **Angelika Mandaiker**, **Sujaya Menon** and **Radha Vasudevan** for sponsoring the A.V. equipment.

Nina Kothari

Amulya Mandava Rao

CURRENT EVENTS

Friday, 7th November, 10.15 a.m.

At : **Vidya Singh's**
Old No.10, New No.25
Satyanarayana Avenue
R.A.Puram
Chennai 600 028.



20 Years: The Apollo Hospitals Group

Meet with **Preetha Reddy**, Managing Director of Apollo Hospitals Limited, the first corporate hospital in Chennai, which has revolutionized the Indian health care industry and set standards for delivery of quality health care.

This talk is structured as an interview and interactive session. Hear from Preetha, the future plans of the Apollo Group and the key elements of:

S ervice
U ncompromising
C ommitted
C aring
E ntrepreneurial
S trategy
S olutions

Our sincere thanks to **Vidya Singh** for graciously hosting the meeting.

Nina Kothari

Amulya Mandava Rao

HISTORY, CULTURE AND TOURS & BOOK DISCUSSION

Tuesday, 11th November, 10.15 a.m.

At: **CP Ramaswamy Aiyar Foundation**
1, Eldams Road
Alwarpet
Chennai 600 018



The Book : Madras - The Architectural Heritage *K Kalpana and Frank Schiffer*

Madras - The Architectural Heritage is an INTACH guide to the wealth of heritage buildings in Madras which include some fine examples of the Indo-Saracenic style. This richly illustrated volume offers an insight into what remains of this wealth in the hope of raising heritage awareness and interest in its upkeep.

K. Kalpana, a young conservation architect with a Master's degree from York University in England, will talk to us about her experiences in researching this book and about her co-author, **Frank Schiffer**, a young German architect with a flair for photography and graphic design who helped in producing a volume that is a beautiful model of clarity and accuracy.

Our sincere thanks to **Nanditha Krishna** for hosting this meeting.

Shobha Hebbar

Libby Meyer

Saranya Jayakumar

Cecile Malet Peterson

HEALTH & ECOLOGY

Friday, 14th November, 10:15 a.m.

At: **Madras Cricket Club**
1, Bells Road
Chepauk
Chennai 600 005



Man VS Microbes!

Infectious diseases have been a threat to human life since time immemorial. Vast populations have been decimated by uncontrollable epidemics! Until the antibiotic era, Man seemed to have conquered the microbes that threatened his existence. The last two decades have however seen the resurgence of infections which seem to have assumed life-threatening proportions and severity.

Dr. Nalini Krishnan, MD Internal Medicine, Director of The Hindu Group of Publications and The Hindu Employees Health and Welfare Centre will speak to us about what these new infections are, how and why these microbes have surfaced and what we need to do to lessen the threat to the human race.

Rekha R Rangaraj

Isabelle Badrinath

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MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS

Monday, 17th November, 10.15 a.m.

At : **Presidency Club**
Commander-in-Chief Road
Egmore
Chennai 600 105



Making Dance : A Discursive Inquiry *A Lecture - Demonstration By Preethi Athreya*

"An attempt to articulate the working process of creating dance, ... a critical look at the tools I have employed in dance-making as well as the system of beliefs that underlines the work."
Preethi Athreya.

Trained in Bharata Natyam by the Dhananjayans, Preethi has been an active member of the Bharata Kalanjali Company as a performer, choreographer and staff member. Apart from solo performances in India, Australia, Singapore and Malaysia, she has been involved in several Bharata Kalanjali productions. She has worked with senior dancer and choreographer, Leela Samson and currently is working with contemporary dancer, Padmini Chettur. She also trains in the martial art of Kalaripayattu. She has a Masters degree in dance from the Laban Centre, London where she studied movement language and choreography.

"Why do I consider myself a dancer? What makes this traditional art form relevant to this day and age? How does dance affect my life?" These are some of the questions Preethi had that led her to explore a side of dance outside of performance.

We thank **Janet De Penning** for hosting the meeting.

Seema Bhargava

Uma Ganesan

ARTS & HANDICRAFTS

Wednesday, 19th November, 10.15 a.m.

At : **Pearl Room**
The Presidency Club
Commander-in-Chief Road
Egmore
Chennai 600 105



Billboard Painting - A Dying Art?

For sixty years the hand-painted cinema billboards of the Indian sub-continent stood tall. But not anymore. With the coming of the electronic media the use of hand-painted billboards dropped significantly. Almost overnight, the billboard painters find that their skills are no longer in vogue.

Geeta doctor has created the concept for the "River of Life" show and will speak on the subject of street art and the work of the billboard painters of Chennai. **Ashvin Rajagopalan** a young entrepreneur and designer who graduated from Pratt Institute, New York co-ordinates this project.

We are thankful to **Jatinder Bahl, Usha Bail, Latha Baratan, Rani Chandani, Renu Jalan** and **Rita Lal** for hosting this meeting.

Mansha Bhatia

Jorie Newman

PHILOSOPHY & RELIGION

Monday, 24th November, 10.15 a.m.

At : **The Park Hotel**
Nungambakkam High Road
Chennai 600 034



TIME - Is It Really Manageable ?

We all know time is scarce as well as precious. We also believe time needs to be managed. In reality, managing and controlling events is possible - not time. Though not always apparent, time has emotional value. N.C. Sridharan, will show us how to connect with people and build naturally supportive and respectful relationships using time as a resource.

N.C. Sridharan is a Management Consultant and a well known expert on time management. He has won several awards and has contributed over 75 articles to The Hindu.

THIS IS A JOINT MEETING WITH FICCI LADIES ORGANISATION.

We are grateful to Shobhana Reddy for hosting the meeting.

Anuradha Uberoi

Anita Kapoor

We thank Leela Ratnam for offering the Langar at the Gurudwara, Sunita Shahaney for the flowers and Shobha G. Mahtani for the religious books. We are also grateful to the Gurudwara Managing Committee for their hospitality and extending their facilities to us.

COOKING SWAPSHOP

Thursday, 27th November, 10.00 a.m.

At : **"Sagari"**
Chola Sheraton
Cathedral Road
Chennai 600 086.



Synergy of International Cuisines

Come savour the rich blend of cuisines flavoured through a cooking demonstration by two chefs with international experience - Chef Ramesh Javvaji, of Welcomgroup Chola Sheraton, with his North American and Italian blend, partnered by specialty Chef Yang from Beijing. Chef Javvaji will be demonstrating Paella, Chicken Piccata and Rustic Vegetable Lasagne. Chef Yang will be presenting Vegetable Tempura and assorted Fruit Toffee.

Tea/Coffee and a snack will be served after the demonstration.

NO GUESTS PLEASE

Urmilla Agarwal

Bilkis Moosa

A VERY SINCERE THANK YOU...

To all those who helped with the Diwali Mela!

- **Rajni Sabherwal & Nina Sanghavi** who helped to take stall bookings, and Rajni for being completely responsible for all the co-ordination thereafter.
- **Shobha Mujumdar & Sabita Shetty** for keeping track of ticket sales. All EC members, Chairpersons and other members who helped in the sale of tickets.
- **Nalini Acharya, Latha Baratan, Rekha Bhatla, Renuka Ishwariah & Naaz Tyebbhoy** for collecting gifts for the Khazana stall, and all those who contributed gifts.
- **Aruna Vijayakumar & all those members** who manned the Khazana stall all day.
- **Vidya Singh & Princess Naik** for bringing us the fashion & jewellery show.
- **Sujaya Menon** for helping to co-ordinate with the Connemara.
- **Daksha Sheth** for giving us wristwatches for presenting to the sponsors.
- **Nina Sanghavi & Daksha Sheth** for organising the dandiya.
- **Naina Shah** for bringing the mehndiwali & the bangle seller.
- All those who helped at the entrance, collecting tickets, etc., during the mela.

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