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Wed. 5th July	Managing Committee Meeting Executive Committee Meeting	09.45 a.m. 10.30 a.m.
Thur. 6th July	Book Discussion <i>Creative Writing</i>	10.15 a.m.
Fri. 7th July	Music & Performing Arts <i>English Play</i>	2.45 p.m.
Thu. 13th July	Philosophy and Religion <i>Role of Religion in Human Affairs</i>	10.15 a.m.
Fri. 14th July	Music & Performing Arts <i>A Musical Treat</i>	10.15 a.m.
Tue. 18th July	Current Events <i>Human Resource Development</i>	10.15 a.m.
Wed. 19th July	Arts and Handicrafts <i>Art in Living</i>	10.15 a.m.
Mon. 24th July	Cooking Swapshop <i>A Morning at Zara's</i>	10.15 a.m.
Tue. 25th July	Founders' Day	10.15 a.m.
Thu. 27th July	Health & Ecology <i>Taichi, Qiong & Acupuncture</i>	10.15 a.m.

From the Presidents



Dear Friends,

It was a pleasure seeing you at the Fellowship Morning. We hope you enjoyed it too. We thank our Board and Committee Members for putting together this beautiful morning. We hope it is a lovely start off to another wonderful IWA year.

This month we celebrate Founders' Day on the 25th. Come and join us in felicitating the Founders and the Past Presidents. Those of you who wish to take part in the programme - please get in touch with us immediately.

We bid farewell to Chandrika Chidambaram as she completes her term on the Membership Subcommittee and thank her for her guidance in the last 2 years. A warm welcome to Maureen Thadani, member from the General Body to the Membership Subcommittee.

The Music Committee is set to receive your recommendations for selecting an awardee for the endowment set up in memory of Nirmal Seshadri.

Mean while, the ancient archeological sites, the sunsoaked beaches and picturesque islands of Greece and Turkey are waiting for us. Please do sign up for this exotic trip.

Hope to see you at as many meetings as possible!

SEEMA BHARGAVA

AMULYA RAO



MANAGING COMMITTEE **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**
Wednesday, 5th July 9.45 am Wednesday, 5th July 10.30 am

Both Meetings hosted by
Mridula Srinivasan at

2-B, Bougainvillae, 5 Adyar Club Gate Road, Chennai 600 028.

History, Culture & Tours



Tuesday, 4th July at 10.15 a.m.

At : **ALAGU MUTHU'S**
'Beau Rivage'
97, Santhome High Road
Chennai 600 028

THE CONTENTIOUS LINE OF CONTROL

The Line of Control runs over 700 kms of forested hills and inhospitable terrain. Defying logic in some places, it splits villages in half and bisects mountains.

Indian and Pakistani troops face each other in positions along its route sometimes dug into mountain sides barely 100 metres apart, sometimes separated by peaks of over 5000 metres.

MAJ.S.R. ROY, our speaker, is an alumni of the National Defence Academy, Pune. He sought premature retirement after serving the army for 16 years. While in the Army he was in the Infantry Division and served in difficult areas like Jammu and Kashmir and the North-East.

- What is the Line of Control?
- How does the army protect the Line of Control?
- What is life like on the Line of Control?
- Maj. Roy's talk will cover some of these areas.

We thank **Alagu Muthu** for hosting this meeting.

ANURADHA MAJITHIA UBEROI

ANITA KAPOOR

Book Discussion



Thursday, 6th July at 10.15 a.m.

At : **MADRAS BOAT CLUB**
Boat Club Road
R.A. Puram
Chennai 600 028

CREATIVE WRITING : AWAKEN THE TIGER WITHIN YOU

We have all had experiences which we want to write about, and the potential for expression is there in each of us. But how do we put our thoughts on paper? How do we unleash the sleeping tiger within us?

Shreekumar Varma, journalist, editor, publisher, printer, radio broadcaster, entrepreneur and college lecturer, will talk to us on Creative Writing and will help us realize our potential as writers. It will be interactive, interesting and enjoyable.

We thank our hostesses **Bilkis Chida**, **Lata Chohan**, and **Naaz Tyebbhoy**.

SHOBHA HEBBAR

BILKIS MOOSA

*Exercise and application produce order in our affairs,
health of body, cheerfulness of mind, and these
make us precious to our friends.*

THOMAS JEFFERSON

Music & Performing Arts



Friday, 7th July at 2.45 p.m.

At: **THE MUSEUM THEATER**
Egmore
Chennai 600 008

AND SUNSHINE FOLLOWS THE RAIN

The **Madras Players**, as part of the fortnight long cultural festival "Anglo Scapes - Journeys into The Anglo Indian Community", are performing 8 shows of the play "**and Sunshine Follows The Rain**". The play is based on *The Glass Menagerie* by Tennessee Williams.

75 IWA members are invited for the show on Friday 7th July, at 2.45 p.m. For warn in please contact Seema Bhargava at 98400 82518 / Joane Burema at 2447 4997.

For more details on the festival turn to pages 15 and 16.

FOR MEMBERS ONLY.

SHOBHA MAHTANI

JOANE BUREMA

Warm Welcome To Our New Member


Joane Burema
5/1, Valliammai Achi Road
Kotturpuram
Chennai 600 085

HOLLAND
2447 4997

We welcome Joane on the
Executive Committee as
Activity Chairperson,
Music and Performing Arts



Philosophy @ Religion



Thursday, 13th July at 10.15 a.m.

At : **ASHA HEMDEV'S**
Jai Prabhu Niwas
No. 2, 1st Street, Haddows Road
Chennai 600 006

ROLE OF RELIGION IN HUMAN AFFAIRS - PUBLIC AND PRIVATE

Indian politics has in recent times seen an erosion of values and ethics that has worried every concerned citizen.

S. Gurumurthy a regular columnist with the 'New Indian Express' who campaigns for Ethics in Politics, promotes National Values, and is the convenor of the 'Swadeshi Jagran Manch', a non-political organization, will speak to us and enlighten us on the relationship between non conflicting faiths and spirituality.

ASHA HEMDEV


ANNETTE MOLLEBRO

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Congratulations to

- 🌀 **Mano Bakthavatsalam** on receiving the Life Time Achievement Award from the Janparishad of Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.
- 🌀 **Kusum Chadda** on the birth of her grandson.
- 🌀 **Geetha Iyengar** on her appointment as Sub-Editor "Mylapore Times."
- 🌀 **Lily Madhok** on the birth of her grandson.
- 🌀 **Geetha Vasudevan** on the marriage of her daughter.

Music @ Performing Arts



Friday, 14th July at 10.15 a.m.

At: **MADRAS CLUB**
Adyar Club Gate Road
Chennai 600 028

A MUSICAL TREAT

We are delighted to present three very young and talented musicians who have won prizes in many competitions all over Europe and America. Swiss born, 19 year old **Chantal Greiner** started playing the cello at the age of 3. Later she took up the piano. Her sister 17 year old **Alexandria** started playing the cello at the age of 5 and like her sister took up piano. 18 year old **Christina Aniela Claire Eddy** from America plays the violin. All three are studying music at the Rudolf Steiner school in Switzerland. They are in India on a brief visit.

🌀 We thank **Angelika Mandaiker** for arranging this concert for IWA and **Jayashree Prabhakar** for sponsoring it.

SHOBHA MAHTANI

JOANE BUREMA

Current Events



Tuesday, 18th July at 10.15 a.m.

At : **RASHMI MOHINDRA'S**
Sri Mansarovar Apts.
(near Stella Maris College)
3-E, Binny Road
Poes Garden
Chennai 600 086

HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT IN EMERGING INDIA

K. Pandlrajan is an engineer from PSG College, Coimbatore and an MBA from XLRI, Jamshedpur. He founded and built Ma Foi Consultants Ltd. into the first public limited HR Service provider in India with 831 professionals operating from 65 offices in India, Malaysia, Oman, Singapore, UAE, UK and the USA.

Our speaker will broadly touch upon the following :

1. The emerging new world order
2. India-past, present and future
3. The Migration Wheel - institutions as the axis
4. HRD - as a process, as a function and as a business
5. Fostering entrepreneurship as a HR intervention for Indian re-emergence

We thank **Asha Ram Mohan** and **Rashmi Mohindra** for hosting this meeting.

MRIDULA SRINIVASAN

JYOTI SOMANI

Arts @ Handicrafts



Wednesday, 19th July at 10.15 a.m.

At : **THE TAJ COROMANDEL**
37, Mahatma Gandhi Road
Chennai 600 034

ART IN LIVING

Art of Living is a phrase where principles of Yoga are practised to bring holistic happiness. Lets look at art in our daily lives and see how small things created with great skill can bring great joy and enrich our life.

C. Krishnaswamy a wellknown artist has created a series of ground breaking works titled "Kundalini Rising". He has performed yoga on painted canvas to represent the images of his body that unite in colour and represent his soul.

Ashwin, a graduate of Pratt University, New York will give a presentation of the inspiration and creations of the artist.

SANGEET CHOPRA

LISA FELDMANN

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IWA thanks **Asha Hemdev** for hosting the Philosophy and Religion meeting in July.

Cooking Swapshop



Monday, 24th July at 10.15 a.m.

At : **ZARA** (Above Hot Breads)
74, Cathedral Road
Chennai 600 086

A MORNING AT ZARA'S

Tapas, is a very popular Spanish tradition of eating before lunch or dinner. Zara's prides itself as the place where Tapas first made its debut in India. Zara's **Chef Ajee Joseph** who has 15 years of culinary experience including training in Spain, is pleased to demonstrate three varieties of his mouth watering Tapas creations.

FOR MEMBERS ONLY

SHANTHI THOMAS

MALINI KRISHNA



Success is relative. It is what we can make of the mess we have made of things.

T.S.ELIOT

Founders' Day



Tuesday, 25th July at 10.15 a.m.

At : **HOTEL RESIDENCY TOWERS**
Thiagaraja Road (Pondy Bazaar)
T. Nagar
Chennai 600 017

A DAY TO REMEMBER

Founders Day - 25th July is the day when IWA was born. It is the day we felicitate our Founders Nirmal Seshadri, Lakshmi Padmanabhan, Saroja Ramamrutham, Anneliese Hazari, Sunita Shahaney and Rewa Singh who created this unique and wonderful organisation. We honour and thank our Past Presidents for nurturing it with love and care and taking it from strength to strength over the past 20 years.

As we look forward to many more years of a gloriously active IWA, let us come together and enjoy a morning of fellowship and entertainment this 25th July.

Please join us for the celebration. It is for MEMBERS ONLY.

SEEMA BHARGAVA

AMULYA RAO

Celebrating 20 years



Thursday, 27th July at 10.15 a.m.

At : **YMCA**
1086, Poonamallee High Road
Chennai 600 084

TAICHI, QUIONG AND ACUPUNCTURE IN WOMEN'S HEALTH

Taichi is the ancient Chinese art also known as the art of moving meditation. Quiong is energy cultivating exercises and a healing art. Most of us are familiar with Acupuncture.

T.V.Ranga Rao has been teaching martial arts for the last twenty years. He is presently training corporates in fitness and works at the YMCA College, Nandanam as an acupuncturist.

Any one of these subjects would have been interesting enough but to have someone cover all three is indeed a luxury. Ladies please be on time as we will start with meditation.

We thank **Thayabae Kakar** for hosting this meeting.

SHIRLEY VERGHESE

LYNNE CONNOR

Membership Sub-Committee 2006-2007

- Raziyeh Sheerazie - Membership Treasurer
- Urmilla Agarwal - Treasurer
- Princess Naik - Immediate Past President
- Rathi Nilakantan - Immediate Past President
- Uma Ganesan - Immediate Past Mem. Treasurer
- Vasanthi Sankaranarayanan - Member from the General body
- Maureen Thadani - Member from the General body
- Seema Bhargava - President
- Amulya Rao - President



*International Music Day will be celebrated
on 29th September*

An endowment has been set up in memory of our Founder President Nirmal Seshadri, by her family. This fund is used each year to honour a young and promising musician - chosen by a committee set up for this purpose.

The members are :

- Padmini Subramaniam - Chairperson
- Mano Bakthavatsalam
- Anneliese Hazari
- Pushpa Lakshman

IWA members are invited to send in suggestions for recipients for this award. The candidates should be preferably under 18 years of age. They should have documents like certificates, awards etc. to prove their standard.

Please send in your suggestions by post with appropriate copies of certificates and a brief write - up, to **Padmini Subramaniam** to reach before **30th July 2006**.

Please note : This year Music Day will be celebrated on the 29th September as 1st October is a Sunday.



EXOTIC GREECE AND TURKEY

Ladies,

More news about this exciting trip to Greece and Turkey.

The 9 days trip starts on August 26th 2006.

We will visit in Athens the famed **Acropolis** and **Temple of Zeus**, home of the tragedy king Oedipus - **Delphi**, **Mykonos**, famous for its nightlife and **Delos** - the birthplace of Artemis and Apollo in Greece with shopping at **Placa**.

In Turkey we will visit the **Blue Mosque**, **St. Sophia**, **Topkapi Palace** and **Suleymaniye Mosque**, **Princess Island** and take a day trip - **Bosporus cruise** !!

The price tag on this trip would be approximately Rs.85,000/-.

Payment - Registration amount (Cash / Cheque) **Rs.10,000**, (**non refundable**) to be paid.

On : Saturday 1st July 2006

At : Presidency Club
Commander-in-Chief Road,
Egmore, Chennai - 600 008.

At : 11.00 a.m.

More details when we meet !

ANURADHA MAJITHIA UBEROI

ANITA KAPOOR

An Invitation for TWA Members

For 'Angloscapes' a fortnight long festival celebrating the Anglo-Indian Community.

From 1st July to 16th July 2006

The Events are:

1. **PHOTO EXHIBITION** - 1st to 15th July at British Council, 37, Anna Salai, Chennai - 600 002.

Inauguration on 1st July at 7.00 p.m. by writer Irwin Allen Sealy followed by interaction. Open to all.

Exhibition open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. except Sundays and public holidays.

2. **ART EXHIBITION** - 3rd to 15th July at the Alliance Francaise 40, College Road, Chennai - 600 006

Inauguration on Monday, 3rd July at 6.30 p.m. followed by 'Readings from Gitanjali' by Dhritiman Chatterjee accompanied on Rabindra Sangeet by Suranjana Chaudhury. All are welcome.

Open Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

3. **ENGLISH PLAY** - "and Sunshine Follows the Rain" inspired by The Glass Menagerie by Tennessee Williams on 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th July at The Museum Theater, Egmore

Daily two shows - 3.15 p.m.
Tickets priced at Rs.50 & 100
7.15 p.m.
Tickets priced at Rs.100 & 200

For Bookings please contact 98845 02155 / Poonam Lalchand

4. FOOD FESTIVAL

- The Anglo Indian food festival is being held at the Taj Connemara and they are going to conduct cooking demos and food tastings in the morning in their coffee shop, the Verandah. Max 40 people per session.

If interested please call 5500 1541

5. JAZZ CONCERT

- "All that Jazz" 15th July, 7.30 p.m. At The Music Academy, Chennai - 600 014

Featuring The Frank Dubier Ensemble (Chennai), Ruben Ribeiro and Carlton Kitto (Calcutta), Tommy Smith (Melbourne), Priya Mendens (Bangalore) and more!

For Ticket please contact 4208 0058

6. FILM SCREENINGS

- Sree Theater at Satyam Complex Sunday 9th July at 10 a.m. - 15 Park Avenue

Wednesday 10th July at 6.30 p.m. - 36 Chowringhee Lane followed by interactive session with Aparna Sen & Dhritiman Chatterjee.

Sunday 16th July 10 a.m. - Bow Barracks Forever followed by interactive session with Director Anjan Dutt.

All IWA members are invited to the above film shows.

Executive Committee 2006 - 2007

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CURRENT EVENTS

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