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20 years*

IWA
Chennai

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Newsletter

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The Judas Gospel
- Mon. 13th Nov. Managing Committee Meeting 09.45 a.m.
Executive Committee Meeting 10.30 a.m.
- Thur. 16th Nov. Arts and Handicrafts 10.15 a.m.
Photography As Art
- Fri. 17th Nov. History, Culture and Tours **10.00 a.m.**
Tiruvottiyur Packaging Factory Visit
- Tue. 21st Nov. Current Events 10.15 a.m.
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From the Presidents

Dear Friends,

The festive season is in full swing at IWA. International Music Day was a treat for music lovers. Our young awardee truly deserved the award and his lively accompanists were also very accomplished. Kudos to our Music Committee for their very informed choice.

Deep Utsav continued in the spirit of celebration with our gorgeous members sashaying down the ramp with some stunning jewellery. The young dancers of Radhika Shurajit's troupe were a delight to watch, as were the clothes at the show put up by Collage. We were happy to see many IWA members, their families and friends at the Utsav.

Many exciting and happening meetings are in the pipeline. We look forward to seeing you in larger members.

SEEMA BHARGAVA

AMULYA RAO

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MANAGING COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Monday, 13th November, 9.45 am Monday, 13th November, 10.30 am

Both Meetings hosted by

Asha Hemdev at

Jai Prabhu Niwas, No.2, First Street,
Haddows Road, Chennai - 600 006.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD 01.04.2006 TO 30.09.2006

Income	Amount
Membership Subscription	3,25,600.00
New Membership	3,000.00
Membership Contribution	2,100.00
Hostess Contribution	13,833.00
Telephone Books, Byelaws & Photographs	5,226.00
Guest Contribution	7,805.00
Grand Finale	21,675.00
Savings Bank Interest/Fixed Deposit Interest	15,494.00
Total	3,94,733.00

Expenses	Amount
AGM Expenses 2005-06	32,631.00
Meetings	66,327.90
Founder's Day Celebration	44,079.90
Gifts	4,480.00
Printing of Byelaws and Telephone Books 2005-06	15,300.00
Printing & Stationery	50,827.00
Postage & Courier Charges	13,886.00
Accounting Charges	3,750.00
Bank Charges	44.00
Excess of Income over Expenditure	1,63,407.20
Total	3,94,733.00


Funds Position as on 30th September 2006

Opening Balance - 1st April 2006

Bank	- 1,02,572.64	
Cash	- 20,673.60	1,23,246.24
Add : Excess of Income Over Expenditure		1,63,407.20
Less : Advance paid to Chairpersons		24,000.00
Closing Balance - 30th September 2006		

Bank	- 2,48,529.64	
Cash	- 14,123.80	2,62,653.44
Fixed Deposits		
Special Fixed Deposit KD/01/4776		100,000.00
Corpus & Entrance Fee FD/01/007158		4,24,354.00
Entrance Fee FD/01/007178		5,419.00
Total Fixed Deposits		5,29,773.00

Music @ Performing Arts



Tuesday, 7th November at 10.15 a.m.

At: **The Pasha**
(Night Club of Hotel Park)
601 Anna Salai
Chennai 600 006

UNDERSTANDING MUSIC - THE D.J.'s VIEW

Its not music from the Paris Budha Bar or Lounge Music or the elevator type either. We will elevate your spirits with Retro - Techno - Rythm Blues - Hip Hop - Latin American and our Desi Bollywood Music. **D.J. Sameer** will elaborate on the different types of music with a dance demonstration.

We want to make IWA members rock. There will be comfortable seating for 50. Please warn-in before 5th November with Subhasree at 24311345. Having checked in if you cannot attend please do inform so that a fellow member can enjoy the morning in your place.

We thank **Aruna Prasad, Nalini Ramakrishna, Mahin Rabi Khaleeli** and **Manisha Singhee** for sponsoring this meeting.

SHOBHA MAHTANI

SUBHASHREE SEN GUPTA

International Music Day



We thank members of the Music Committee **Padmini Subramaniam, Mano Baktavatsalam, Anneliese Hazari** and **Pushpa Lakshman** for a job very well done.

SEEMA BHARGAVA

AMULYA RAO

Philosophy @ Religion



Thursday, 9th November at 10.15 a.m.

At: **The Dhyana Ashrama**
25 (old 13) Madha Church Road
(Opp. St. Antony's Girls High School)
Chennai 600 028

THE JUDAS GOSPEL

The Judas Gospel has been analyzed and dated between 3rd and 4th century AD. Father **A.J. Thamburaj S.J.** is a former Rector and Principal of Loyala College. He shares a new view of Jesus' betrayal from the Judas Gospel.

Is it fact or fiction?

Is Judas saint or Satan?

We thank **Sushma Kanwar, Rita Lal, Annette Mollebro** and **Prema Veeraraghavan** for hosting this meeting.

A special thanks to **Sarah Chanda** for coordinating the meeting.


Directions : The Dhyana Ashram is on the 3rd right coming from the Santhome Cathedral towards Adyar from the Light House. The landmarks are The Indian Overseas Bank, and a petrol bunk on the right.

For those who want to make use of the opportunity, they can visit the Santhome Cathedral after the meeting.

ASHA HEMDEV

ANNETTE MOLLEBRO

Arts & Handicrafts



Thursday, 16th November at 10.15 a.m.

At : **The Madras Club**
7 Adyar Club Gate Road
Chennai 600 028

PHOTOGRAPHY AS ART

In every house nowadays there is a photograph. Perhaps it is a family portrait framed for years to come; perhaps it is simply a snapshot taped to the refrigerator. In all cases, though, it is a memory preserved. Preserving memories as art will be the topic addressed by our panel of speakers.

Daniel Wilkinson, a professional photographer from the U.S., will outline how to take photographs worth framing. **Geetha Madhu** and **Rama Narayan** from Lakshana Museum of Arts, will discuss how to choose the right frame for your photograph. **Marjorie Bucknor** will explain another method of preserving photographic memories—scrapbooking.

Our sincere thanks to **Princess Naik** and **Rathi Nilakantan** for hosting this meeting.


SANGEET CHOPRA

LISA FELDMANN

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Congratulations to

☉ **Sangeet Chopra** on the birth of her grand daughter.

History, Culture & Tours



Friday, 17th November at 10 a.m.

Tour departs from : **Anuradha M. Uberoi's**
32 ABM Avenue
RA Puram
Chennai 600 028

TIRUVOTTIYUR PACKAGING FACTORY VISIT (Packaging and Printing SBU of ITC Ltd.)

The TVT factory is one of the most modern packaging factories in South Asia and converts paperboard, paper and film into value added high quality packaging for consumer products and consumer durables. It uses three main printing processes—gravure, offset and flexo. It uses contemporary technology for decorative, precision value addition such as embossing, hot foil stamping and window patching.

Ladies, we will be visiting this state of art factory and take a conducted tour of the premises.

We will have lunch at the **TVT factory** before returning to Chennai around 2 p.m.

Kindly warn in **before November 10** to :

Anita Kapoor at 98840 30566 (9 a.m. to 1 p.m.)

This trip is limited to 32 members.

We thank **Mridula Srinivasan** for hosting the lunch.

ANURADHA MAJITHIA UBEROI

ANITA KAPOOR

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We thank **Saranya Jayakumar, Meena Malhotra** and **Angelika Mandaikar** for hosting the lunch at Thanjavur.

We thank **Visalakshi Ramaswami** for graciously providing the hall for the meeting on Gujarati Culture. A special thanks to **Archana Meyyappan** and **E. Rajeshwari** for hosting the lunch that day.

Current Events



Tuesday, 21st November at 10.15 a.m.

At : **Mahmooda Haja Shareef's**
'Nihal' 6 (Old 17), 1st Street
Haddows Road
Nungambakkam
Chennai 600 006

TAXING TIMES

Mr. R. Venkatakrishnan, a Chartered Accountant by profession with over 25 years experience with industry and professional practice in corporate, financial and consulting will provide an overview of the Indian tax structure. The talk will address the responsibilities and opportunities for tax planning in the areas of direct and indirect taxes in the context of individuals. The session will specifically address issues relating to opportunities for tax planning through the vehicles of the Hindu Undivided Family, Family Trusts and Corporate Investment companies.

Lets get an overview of the tax regime in India.

We thank **Mahmooda Haja Shareef** for hosting this meeting.

MRIDULA SRINIVASAN

JYOTI SOMANI

Health @ Ecology



Thursday, 23rd November at 10.15 a.m.

At : **Cottingley, B.D.H.C.**
20, Anderson Road,
Chennai 600 006

LIFESTYLE VERSUS HEALTHY EATING

Today so many of us have special dietary requirements. At home it's easy to control what we eat. But when we eat out how do we know if we are choosing wisely from that very attractive menu?

Chef Rajesh of The Park will guide us through that menu maze. Do come and join us. Warn in on 98409 75740 which is Lynne's mobile number before 16th November. Only the physically challenged may drive in.

LYNNE CONNOR

SHIRLEY VERGHESE

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Heartfelt condolences to



◆ the family and friends on the sad demise of **Indira Satyamurti**.

Cooking Swapshop



Wednesday, 29th November at 10.15 a.m.

At : **Pasta Fresca Da Salvatore**
32, (Old 55) Thirumalai Road
T. Nagar
Chennai - 600 017.

UNDER THE TUSCAN SUN

Come experience Italian cuisine with **Carlo Frusciante**, the new master chef in town, at his newly opened restaurant Pasta Fresca da Salvatore.

He will demonstrate how to prepare an authentic Italian meal using fresh vegetables and ingredients. The restaurant can accommodate a maximum of 40 ladies, so be sure to warn in at the earliest to Malini Krishna - 98408 21460.

FOR MEMBERS ONLY.

SHANTHI THOMAS

MALINI KRISHNA

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Warm Welcome To Our New Member

Subhashree Sen Gupta
220, Anna Salai
Gemini Circle
Chennai 600 006

BELGIAN
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We welcome **Subhashree** on the Executive Committee as **Activity Chairperson, Music and Performing Arts**

Book Discussion



Thursday, 30th November at 10.15 a.m.

At : **Bilkis Moosa's**
16, Cenotaph 2nd Lane
Teynampet
Chennai 600 018

WATER - A TALE OF THE ABANDONED

"Water" by **Bapsi Sidwa**, based on the movie of the same name, is set in the 1930s during India's struggle for independence and examines the plight of the impoverished and socially exiled widow. The story is twofold. It is about a spirited child, Chuyia, married at 6, widowed at 8 and condemned to spend the rest of her life in renunciation in an ashram for widows and also a love story between a beautiful widow and a young follower of Gandhi.

Dhritiman Chaterji, director, scriptwriter and actor who has acted under directors like Satyajit Ray, Sanjay Leela Bansali and Mani Ratnam will review the book for us.

SHOBHA HEBBAR

BILKIS MOOSA

**EXCURSION TO THE HEART OF SPIRITUAL INDIA
GINGEE, ARUNACHALA & TIRUMALAI**

Arunachala, the Mountain of Light, abode of **Sri Ramana Maharishi**, as per Puranic legend is the personal embodiment of Lord Siva. The mountain is called the spiritual centre of the earth. At the foothills of the mountain is the famous Thiruvannamalai Temple and Sri Ramanashramam.

En route are the ruins of Gingee Fort and the amazing rock formations around this fort.

Additionally, Tirumalai, a great Jain centre of ancient India, having a tradition of over two millennia is just 45 minutes away. Temples of Bhagwan Mahavira and Neminatha adorn this town also known as Arahamthagiri.

A two-day trip from 13th to 14th December 2006 will take us to all these interesting places. Overnight stay is at Hotel Anantha, just one Km away from the Ramanashramam. Lunch on the 14th will be at the Jain Mutt in Tirumalai.

Expenses for transportation, accommodation, meals, temple entrances, and incidental charges are expected to be about Rs.2,800 per person.

Please confirm your participation, with full payment, before 30th November, 2006. Limit 45 members only.

ASHA HEMDEV

ANNETTE MOLLEBRO

We thank our members, Board and Committee Members for being present in large numbers at Deep Utsav, for taking part in the programme and helping in numerous ways.

Our grateful thanks to the following :

Booking of Stalls	Thayabae Kakar, Shweta Mohapatra
Khazana Stall	Lisa Feldmann, Maureen Thadani Aruna Vijaykumar
Jewellery Show	Urmilla Agarwal, Rani Ananth, Padma Ashok, Nabila Avais, Gayatri Bewoor, Deepika Goyal, Cibi Mammen, Jennifer Mauldin, Annette Mollebro, Princess Naik, Rathi Nilakantan, Anuradha Sachdev, Raziye Sheerazie, Manisha Singhee, Jyoti Somani, Mridula Srinivasan
M/c Door Prizes & Fashion Show	Lynne Connor, Susan Hopper, Rathi Nilakantan
Gift Vouchers	Lily Madhok, Rathi Nilakantan

We thank all those who sent gifts and cash contributions for the Khazana Stall.

Many thanks to **Rani Ananth** and **Sheela Shetty** for their inputs for organising the programme.

SEEMA BHARGAVA

AMULYA RAO

THE BOARD

International Music Day



Remembering Nirmal



Presenting the Certificate to Master Anantharaman



The concert with the three young artists

Deep Utsav



IWA ladies on the ramp



Gorgeous IWA members on the ramp

Deep Utsav



The Khazana Stall



Nrithya Utsav by Radhika Shurajit's Troupe

Deep Utsav



Fashion Show by Collage



Fashion Show by Collage

A Slice of Gujarati Flavour



A troupe of Dancers demonstrating the intricate steps



Guests performing Dandiya



IWA Members enjoying the dance

R K Narayan - A Tribute To A Legend



Scene From 'The Mailman'



Market Scene From An Astrologer's Day



The Happy Cast of An Astrologer's Day

Warm Welcome to the New Members

Cornelia Vincent

4/31, Beach Road,
Kapaleeshwarar Nagar
Neelankarai
Chennai 600 041

HOLLAND

☎ 24492522

Mary Gibson

15, (Old 5) Bishop's Garden
Chennai 600 028

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Piya Olander

3, Pebble Beach Avenue
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Chennai 600 041.

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2447 4830 / 2447 1046

CURRENT EVENTS

Mridula Srinivasan
Jyoti Somani

2432 1028
2432 0797

HEALTH & ECOLOGY

Shirley Verghese
Lynne Connor

2449 1474
98409 75740

HISTORY, CULTURE & TOURS

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Anita Kapoor

2432 9728
2825 6484

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