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Madras.**FEBRUARY 1990****MONTH AT A GLANCE**

Friday	Feb 2nd	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING	10 a.m
Thursday	Feb 8th	ART & HANDICRAFTS: An illuminating talk on carpets by A.E.KRISHNA.	10 a.m
Friday	Feb 9th	MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS: Dance as a means of communication refreshingly presented by CHITRA VISWESHWARAN.	10 a.m
Thursday	Feb 15th	CURRENT EVENTS: Close encounter with eminent and erudite international expert on agriculture - Dr.M.S. SWAMINATHAN.	<u>4.30 p.m</u>
Thursday	Feb 22nd	COOKING SWAPSHOP: The expert chefs from "Cascade" and "Hot breads" will host a joint demonstration.	10 a.m
Tuesday	Feb 27th	BOOK DISCUSSION: UPAMANYU CHATTERJEE'S "ENGLISH AUGUST"	10 a.m
Wednesday	Feb 28th	HEALTH & ECOLOGY: A talk cum slide presentation on "OSTEOPATHY" by Dr.MASON.	<u>6 p.m</u>

FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENTS:

The IWA Christmas party was so excellently planned and organised by MAUREEN HUDSON MURARI that we wish to record our grateful appreciation to her for having handled the whole event single handedly. The candle light carol singing, the many children in their fancy costumes, the generous spread of "high tea" and last but not least our genial host CHRISTOPHER PRIDE who played Santa Claus to the delight of the kids all made it an evening to remember! Our thanks in a large measure go to SHEILA PRIDE who gave us the use of her house and garden so willingly. This evening was planned as a pure fun evening for our members with no charge. While most members co-operated, we did have a few who having signed up, did not turn up nor did they have the courtesy to inform us. Since we had catered conforming to the R.S.V.P list, we could not fit in the many who called us in the last minute. If only those who could not come had informed us of their inability to attend in the last minute, we might have accommodated the disappointed last minute callers. To those of you played truant - may we appeal to you to show us a little courtesy and consideration. To the disappointed members - may we say "Sorry" again.

MARCH 3rd is the IWA GALA CIRCA 1990. There is a note from SUNITA SHAHANEY and MAUREEN HUDSON MURARI giving you all the details elsewhere in this newsletter. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

VANITHA MUDALIAR

BARBARA CLARKSON

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Janet de Penning : 456529
Sheila Rajarathnam : 8255100
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday 2nd Feb '90, 10 a.m

At: Vanitha Mudaliar
"Aventi"
858, Poonamalee High Road
Kilpauk, Madras - 600 010.
Tel: 662626/666604.



RENEWAL FORMS: Renewal forms have been sent with the February newsletter. Please return them with the annual subscription fee of Rs.200 by cash or crossed cheque payable to International Women's Association either to Anneliese Marwah or Lakshmi Padmanabhan at any meeting in February or before March 1st 1990. You can also mail them or send them by bearer to either Anneliese Marwah, 16 Malaviya Avenue, 1st floor, Thiruvanmiyur, Madras - 600 041 or Lakshmi Padmanabhan, 6 Sripuram 1st Street, (Ground floor) Royapettah, Madras - 600 014. Please mention any likely change in address or phone number. Do not send the money without the form..

LAKSHMI PADMANABHAN

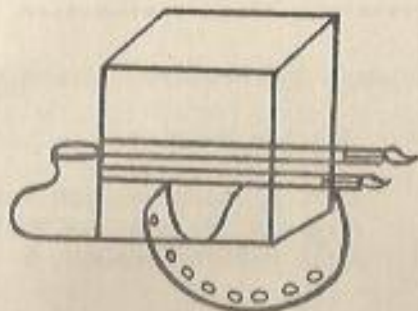
ANNELIESE MARWAH

CONDOLENCES: Our heart felt sympathies to Sangeet Chopra in the recent loss of her mother-in-law.

ART & HANDICRAFTS

Thursday, 8th Feb '90, 10 a.m

At: Judith Timberman
"River House"
1 Turnbulls Road Extension
Madras - 600 035.



"CARPETS" - The very name conjures up images of beauty in colour and design. Modern or antique, it is of interest and a necessity in all homes.

Mr A.E. Krishna has kindly agreed to give us a short talk on the history, and varieties of the carpet. He will also bring a few exquisite personal carpets as examples. If anyone has a carpet they would like to display or get a valued opinion of, please feel free to bring it along.

All are welcome.

SHERNA DANANI

SIGRUN NEUMANN

NEWSPAKERS: The last month has been a very eventful month for the D.C. KOTHARI family. Pradip Kothari has been appointed honorary consul for Korea in South India. We share in the pride and joy of his wife Surekha Kothari, his mother Indira Kothari and sister Gita Banker. Surekha, a gifted singer gave a scintillating recital of Hindusthani Music at the Park Sheraton to a very discerning and captive audience.

Piyali and Mithali, the teenaged daughters of Surekha and Pradip Kothari - gave a delightful dance recital under the aegis of the Nungambakkam Fine Arts Sabha.

The Kotharis certainly were in the news!
Our good wishes to them.

MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS

Friday 9th Feb '90, 10 a.m

At: The C.P. Art Centre Hall
1 Eldams Road
Alwarpet
Madras - 600 018.



Renowned danseuse CHITRA VISWESHWARAN will present a refreshingly different demonstration interpreting dance as a means of communication. She will delineate Bharathnatyam in all its aspects with special emphasis on all levels - mental, spiritual and artistic and hence we are sure to have a rewarding artistic experience.

All are welcome.

SUREKHA KOTHARI

DAGMAR THOMSEN

FAREWELL: We are indeed very sorry to bid goodbye to one of our very enthusiastic members - NATALIA CHEREPOVA who has always willingly helped us in our programmes and been a great support to I.W.A. The Cherepovs will be in Moscow - their home base. We extend to them our good wishes for the very best in life!

CURRENT EVENTS

Thursday, 15th Feb '90, 4.30 p.m sharp

At: The Clive Room
Taj Coromandel Hotel
Nungambakkam High Road
Madras - 600 034.



Dr M.S. SWAMINATHAN, an international expert on agriculture will speak to us on "The nature of Hunger in the World today". Recipient of several awards for his extensive research in India and abroad, including the prestigious Megasaysay award, Dr Swaminathan is holding many an office such as International Vice President of the World Wild-life Fund, President of the International Union for Conservation of Nature Resource, and is the President, National Academy of Sciences.

Dr Swaminathan has also headed the International Rice Institute in Manila for 6 years. He brought about the "green revolution" in India. He has been awarded the "Padma Vibhushan", among the 16 other awards conferred on him. Dr Swaminathan also has the unique distinction of being the recipient of 31 doctorates from institutions all over the world.

All are welcome.

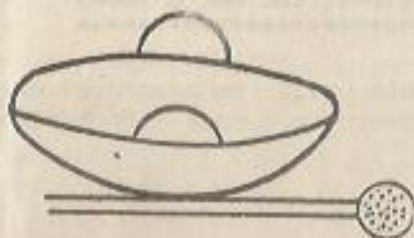
SUJAYA MENON

KATHLEEN MASON

Felicitations: to Vidya Srinivasan on the birth of a new grand child, and our good wishes to Hemalatha Santhavadanan on the occasion of the marriage of her son.

COOKING SWAPSHOP

Thursday 22nd Feb '90, 10 a.m



At: Cascade Restuarant
Kakani Towers
Nungambakkem High Road
Madras - 600 034.

Through kind courtesy of "Cascade" Mr Madhavan, their newly returned chef from Hongkong will demonstrate a main dish with rice. The chef from "Hotbreads" will show a delightfully new pudding.

Limit: 50 only. R.S.V.P. Please call Roma 453128 (between 9 a.m to 10 a.m only.)

RUPA SOOD

ROMA ALBERTS

BOOK DISCUSSION

Tuesday, 27th Feb '90, 10 a.m

At: Mahmooda Haja Shareeff
"Nihal"
17 Haddows Road, 1 st Street.
Madras - 600 006.
Tel: 476522.



"ENGLISH AUGUST", An Indian Story by UPAMANYU CHATTERJEE is our reading choice for February book discussion. Mr Chatterjee has made his debut with this brilliantly funny and wryly perceptive tale of the Indian Administrative Service.

Four copies of the book are available for circulation. Please contact Sarah or Maureen for availability.

SARAH CHANDA

MAUREEN HUDSON-MURARI

HISTORY, CULTURE & TOURS

There will be a special mailing of our meeting. You can look forward to a most interesting morning.

NANDITHA KRISHNA

JANET DE PENNING

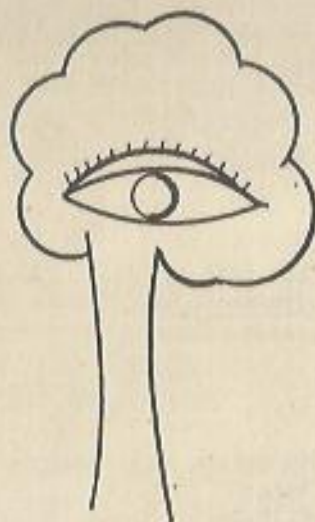
HEALTH & ECOLOGY

Wednesday 28th Feb '90, 6 p.m

At: C.P. Art Centre Hall
1 Eldams Road
Alwarpet, Madras - 600 018.

"OSTEOPATHY" is often confused with Physiotherapy. It is little known in India but very widely practised abroad as an important branch of orthopaedics. Mr G.N.G MASON, a renowned osteopath from U.K who is visiting India, has kindly consented to speak to us on osteopathy and explain how effective it is in the treatment of osteo-arthritis and almost all ailments connected with the spine. He will illustrate his talk with slides.

All are welcome.



VIJAYA BALU

EIRA DOSHI

I.W.A. GALA - CIRCA 1990
(SUPPER THEATRE)

Please reserve SATURDAY, 3rd MARCH, 1990, for our I.W.A. night of THEATRE, DINNER AND DANCE AT THE TAJ COROMANDEL. This will be our highlight in the calendar of 1990 events and we invite all our members and their immediate family to share in this gala night of theatre entertainment, and wining and dining.

Mithran Devanesen will direct the Madras Players in a special presentation of "THIS ENGLISH" to start off our evening. We are introducing a new concept of theatre entertainment with dining and dancing, all for the price of Rs 150/- per head.

TICKETS ARE ON SALE ONLY AT THE TAJ BANQUETING OFFICE FROM FEB 10 BETWEEN 10 AM - 12 NOON. BOOKINGS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED OVER THE TELEPHONE. Bookings will only be accepted on presentation of the I.W.A. tear-off slip (on page 11) together with cash payment of Rs. 150/-per head. The tables are made up of eight and six and table preference will be on a FIRST-COME FIRST-PAY basis. Capacity is only 350, so members are urged to book early... and seating and table allocation will be strictly on a sequential booking. If groups or individuals want to sit together or have table proximity, then the booking must be made simultaneously.

We will open the booking to outside guests if we have not reached our capacity by February 25th. But we remind you that we are trying to accommodate our members and immediate family first so please do not delay in RESERVING and PAYING as soon as possible. If the response of members exceeds our capacity, then a waiting list, noted in the order received, will be kept and as cancellations occur, those members on the list will be given the tickets. CANCELLATIONS therefore must be made only through Taj booking office.

We request that you adhere to our booking policy as no preferential bookings will be considered. And please remember to present the I.W.A. tear-off slip when making your booking....no slip....no money..... NO BOOKING. These conditions are made for your benefit as well as the booking staff and we do ask you to respect them.

A surprise bounty of wonderful prizes will be raffled after dinner. Only those present will be eligible winners on presentation of your door ticket. Please ensure that you retain your door ticket which will have the raffle number printed thereon. If your number is called and you are not present, then another draw will be made and the prize allotted to the incumbent winner.

DRESS: FORMAL: The doors will open at 7.30 pm and the programme will begin at 8.30 pm sharp. You may bring your own hard liquor. Beer and soft drinks will be on sale in the ballroom.

This will be an evening of warmth, style and elegance orchestrated by a very industrious committee.

PLEASE JOIN US

SUNITA SHAHANEY

MAUREEN HUDSON-MURARI

The International evening of music, song and dance is the one and only major fund raising drive held by the Guild of Service annually at the Rajaratnam Stadium in February, this year on the 17th, starting from 6.30 p.m onwards. It is a popular event for the Madras public and an evening of fun frolic and games, but with a difference! Several International Stalls such as American, Russian, Sri Lankan, British, Korean, Japanese and scores of other stalls make up an evening of interesting and novel fair. Tickets Rs.10/- only. Do come and support a worthy cause.