



IWA
CHENNAI

NEWSLETTER
MARCH 2003

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30	31					1
2	Managing Committee Meeting 12.30 p.m.	Executive Meeting 12.30 p.m.	5	5 p.m. Music & Performing Arts	6	6 p.m. Book Discussion
9	10.15 a.m. Arts & Handicrafts	11	12	10.15 a.m. Health & Ecology	14	15
16	10.15 a.m. Philosophy & Religion	18	19	10.15 a.m. Current Events	21	22
23	24	10.15 a.m. History Culture & Tours	26	10.15 a.m. Music & Performing Arts	28	29

IWA NEWSLETTER

Volume XVII No. 10

Chennai

MARCH 2003

MONTH AT A GLANCE

- Monday 3rd Mar Managing Committee Meeting 12.30 a.m.
- Tuesday 4th Mar Executive Meeting 10.30 a.m.
- Thursday 6th Mar Music and Performing Arts 5 p.m.
The Living Tree Dance Programme
- Friday 7th Mar Book Discussion 5 p.m.
Play Reading
- Monday 10th Mar Arts & Handicrafts 10.15 a.m.
- Thursday 13th Mar Health & Ecology 10.15 a.m.
Beauty without Cruelty
- Monday 17th Mar Philosophy and Religion 10.15 a.m.
Contentment - a Buddhist Perspective
- Thursday 20th Mar Current Events 10.15 a.m.
May I help you
- Friday 21st Mar Dance by Malavika Sarukkai 6.15 p.m.
- Tuesday 25th Mar History, Culture & Tours 10.15 a.m.
Traditional Indian Games
- Thursday 27th Mar Music & Performing Arts 10.15 a.m.
Film Screening

FROM THE PRESIDENTS

March brings with it the high activity of preparations for the end of one IWA year and the excitement of elections of a new committee for the coming year. The Nominating Committee will be working hard to give the members a qualified and willing slate to stand for elections.

We request all members to exercise their vote as Active members of IWA. The date, time and venue will be intimated to the members in advance.

As you receive this newsletter the EGM would be over. And our travelling members would be returning from their Madhya Pradesh trip. The committee is busy getting ready for the grand finale programme on the 6th of March. We hope you will come in large numbers. The Chairpersons are busy with the programmes for March and April. We are indeed honoured to have a dance recital by Malavika Sarrukai - the recipient of the Padmashree Award.

We request all members who have not had the opportunity to host or sponsor a meeting to get in touch with any member of the Managing or Executive Committee before the 20th of March.

KUSUM CHADDA MEYYAMMAI MURUGAPPAN

MANAGING COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, 3rd March 2003
at 12.30 a.m.

At : Vidya Singh

EXECUTIVE MEETING

Tuesday, 4th March 2003
at 10.30 a.m.

At : Apollo Sindoori Hall

FROM THE TREASURERS

ACCOUNTS AS ON DECEMBER 31ST 2002

B/F from September 2002	
Fixed Deposit Corpus Fund No.0224931 DR No. KD/01/008064	Rs. 265,100.00
Fixed Deposit Corpus Fund No.0225726 DR No.4776	Rs. 100,000.00
Fixed Deposit Entrance Fee No.0224933 DR No. KD/01/008066	Rs. 69,500.00
Fixed Deposit Entrance Fee No.0225446 DR No. KD/01/008355	Rs. 2,250.00
Received Against Advance	Rs. 4,000.00
Savings A/c. No.14396	Rs. 258,460.00
Cash on hand	Rs. 8,134.95

Total **Rs. 707,444.95**

INCOME October - December 2002

Membership Subscription	Rs. 1,600.00
New Membership Fee	Rs. 250.00
Constitution Book	Rs. 60.00
Members Contribution	Rs. 120,660.00

Total Income **Rs. 122,570.00**

EXPENSES October-December 2002

Meetings	Rs. 161,920.12
Postage & Courier Exp.	Rs. 2,927.00
Gift Articles	Rs. 2,000.00
Printing & Stationery	Rs. 9,612.00
Photographs	Rs. 2,238.60
Professional Charges	Rs. 1,000.00

Total Expenses **Rs. 179,697.72**

Excess of Expenditure over Income Rs. 57,127.72

Transferred to General Fund Rs. 650,317.23

IWA Account in Canara Bank as on 31st December 2002

Fixed Deposit Corpus Fund No.0224931 DR No. KD/01/008064	Rs. 265,100.00
Fixed Deposit Corpus Fund No.0225726 DR No.4776	Rs. 100,000.00
Fixed Deposit Entrance Fee No.0224933 DR No. KD/01/008066	Rs. 69,500.00
Fixed Deposit Entrance Fee No.0225446 DR No. KD/01/008355	Rs. 2,250.00
Advances	Rs. 900.00
Tour Advance (Srilanka)	Rs. 80,000.00
Savings A/c No.14396	Rs. 118,840.37
Cash on hand	Rs. 13,726.86

Rs. 650,317.23

NAINA SHAH

FRANCOISE DROWN

MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS

Thursday, 6th March, 2003, 5 p.m.

At : River House
Turnbulls Road
Nandanam
Chennai 600 035



THE CLEVELAND CULTURAL ALLIANCE presents excerpts. The Living Tree - "THE WEDDING ACT".

Welcome Spring. Celebrate Life. Remember two years ago... same time, same place.... the lovers met at Riverhouse. Now, be there at their wedding celebrations.

The 14 energetic dancers of the Cleveland Cultural Alliance will perform an hour-long dance spectacular, filled with the zest of living.

Come imbibe some of their energy, dressed in your wedding finery.

There are prizes for the best dressed!

Feast on an exclusive high-tea.

Contact chairpersons for tickets. At Rs.150/- for members.
(Be an early bird, as tickets are sure to be a sell out)
Family and friends are welcome. Guests Rs.250/-.

Make this year's grand finale a thumping success, by being a part of the show!

The Managing & Executive Committee

BOOK DISCUSSION

Friday, 7th March, 2003, 5 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.

At : Sheela K Sharath
"SHARAN"
63/29, Bishop's Garden
Chennai 600 028



This is a PLAY READING / DIALOGUE MEETING

This month we plan to have a slightly different format for our meeting with a short Play Reading followed by members' discussion.

We go back to one of the classic writers of all times in English Literature, George Bernard Shaw, and present a dramatized reading of one of his plays called.

'How She Lied To Her Husband'

Participants : Ammu Chaterji, T.T. Srinath & B. Roshan; Directed by Venky Naik.

This is a short and humorous play peppered with delicate English satire.

We remind our members to be kindly present on time and stay till the end of the program.

**PLEASE NOTE : THIS IS AN EVENING MEETING
5 P.M. - 6.30 P.M.**

PRINCESS NAIK

SHEELA K SHARATH

ARTS & HANDICRAFTS

Monday, 10th March, 2003, 10.15 a.m.

At : Forum Art Gallery
57, 5th Street Padmanabha Nagar
Adyar
Chennai 600 020
Tel : 52115595



TIME TRACE TRANSITION

S.G. Vasudev, K. Muralidharan, C. Douglas and Rm. Palaniappan, the four senior prominent artists of the Madras art movement come together to exhibit their paintings in an art show titled Time Trace Transition. Though very diverse in their thematic expression. The four successful artists have a common line that bonds them together. It showcases their works through time in this exhibition that will display close to 40 paintings.

Meet the artists as they take you on a journey through the show and participate in the slide presentation and talk that will follow.

SHANTHI THOMAS

MALINI KRISHNA

Congratulations to Mahema Devadoss on the birth of her grandson.

HEALTH AND ECOLOGY

Thursday, 13th March, 2003, 10.15 a.m.

At : Elizabeth Herridge
Cottingley
20 (Old 24) Anderson Road
Nungambakkam
Chennai 600 006



BEAUTY WITHOUT CRUELTY

The controversy of "Men, Mice and Medicine", has brought into focus, the sad state of laboratories and testing units in the country and the saga of needless pain to animals.

Is it really necessary for mute animals to suffer when there are man-made alternatives?

Blue Cross of India will present a programme on Beauty without Cruelty, which includes a short film of 18 minutes, followed by a discussion, when Mrs. Vasanthi Raju, will answer your questions.

A quiet campaign is on to turn animal-testing to a responsible science, so ladies do come and be a part of this interesting and humane morning.

BEENA RAM MOHAN

CHERRY VENKATESAN

PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION

Monday, 17th March, 2003, 10.15 a.m.

At : Savera Hotel
Dr. Radhakrishna Salai
Myalpure
Chennai 600 004



"CONTENTMENT - a Buddhist perspective"

The essence of happiness which all of us seek so desperately, arises from gratitude for all our blessings and contentment arising from this. This is easier said than done, because all of us suffer from the "More" syndrome. In today's world where there is more of everything, we too want more of everything, even happiness or blessings. We are privileged to have a wise Buddhist monk to help us with understanding contentment.

Gashe Damdul Namgyal is a Tibetan Buddhist monk, who received both his novice and full monastic ordinations from His Holiness the Dalai Lama, the former in 1977 and the latter in 1984. He also gained both BA and MA degrees in English Literature from the Punjab University, Chandigarh, in 1980 and 1983 respectively.

He has published various works in the Tibetan language, and has over the years attended and read papers at many seminars and conferences in India on Buddhist, philosophical and religious studies.

In February 1998, Gashe-la became principal of the monastery school at Drepung Loseling Monastery and is now currently heading the monastery at Sarnath.

Guests are welcome

PRITHIKA CHARY

ANITA KAPOOR

CURRENT EVENTS

Thursday, 20th March, 2003, 10.15 a.m.

At : Vidya Srinivasan
"Srinidhi"
3, (Old 2), Satyanarayana Avenue
Off Boat Club Road
Chennai 600 028



MAY I HELP YOU?

After Software Programming & Medical Transcriptions, Call Centers are the latest success story of Indian services industry, catering to the International markets. In our own Chennai there are several Call Centers offering advice, solutions, services & information regarding financial, medical, computer, insurance, hospitality & many more industries to their overseas callers.

Dodla Deepa Reddy, Consultant, Call & Contact Centers, will tell us more about this new but rapidly expanding industry in India which uses latest communication technology to enhance customer care.

SEEMA BHARGAVA

ELAINE WOOD

Congratulations to Prabha Nair on the birth of her grand-daughter.

MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS

Friday, 21st March, 2003, 6.15 p.m. to
8.00 p.m.

At : Sunita Shahaney
"Oakland House"
7, Adyar Club Gate Road
Chennai 600 028



Malavika Sarukkai - Dancer Choreographer

She needs no introduction, one of the most accomplished Bharata Natyam dancers to-day and the recipient of the Padmashree Award an honor she truly deserves.

Alice Bain of 'The Guardian' writes a goddess dances at Edinburgh. The Bharata Natyam of Malavika Sarukkai was her divine performance as intricate as lace.

Malavika's exceptional artistry was featured in the BBC/WNET television documentary "Dancing a 9 hour series on world dance". A film "Samarpanam", Commissioned by the Government of India has been made on her life and work.

She will be performing the dance :

"Dvipravaha, The Sacred and the Secular".

Please warn in early at the following nos.

(Ltd. guest allowed)

RAMANI REDDY

28233608 / 28273348

PRINCESS NAIK

24453830 / 24418448

SHANTII THOMAS

28150865

SUSHI GOKLANEY

24616552 / 24616554

SEEMA BHARGAVA

24343129 / 24356707

MALANI KRISHNA

24474830 / 24471046

HISTORY, CULTURE & TOURS

Tuesday, 25th March, 2003, 10.15 a.m.

At : Maya Reddi
25 (Old 13) 1st Crescent Park Road
Gandhinagar
Adyar
Chennai 600 020
Tel : 24918196



India has a rich tradition in games. In Yester years games were part of the social structure; a way for families and communities to bond, to spend time together, to express sentiments or simply to while away the time. With a diverse cultural background, different games have evolved in different parts of the country. Many of these are in danger of being forgotten. Vinita Sidhartha will talk about these games and their background, on the need to revive them and on their relevance today.

Vinita Sidhartha has done her degree in Journalism from the University of Texas at Austin. She returned to India in 1990 and set up Masterpage in 1992. An editorial agency, Masterpage specializes in research and writing assignments for publications and organizations. Her research has covered a wide variety of subjects for a wide variety of interests. Among them was a series of articles on Indian weddings in the 'Hindu'.

In 2000, she did a series of articles on traditional Indian games. These were very well received, prompting her to start Kreedha - a movement to revive traditional games.

GEETA VASUDEVAN

PHYLLIS BERGIN

MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS

Thursday, 27th March, 2003, 10.15 a.m.

At : Quality Inn Sabari
29, Tirumalai Pillai Road
Opp. Kamaraj House
T. Nagar
Chennai 600 017



Vijay Singh is a young, upcoming cinematographer. At present he works in the Tamil film Industry with Mr. Jeeva & has worked for D.P. Egambaram. He has started a company called "Urban Image" with his cousin, through which they work on various projects as diverse as visuals for fashion shows to documentaries, to short films and graphic design.

Two of his films will be shown.

On shaken ground

Follows a group of student journalists through earthquake-stricken Gujarat.

Cinema Verite

A pop film - follows a person in a city in India through an event-filled day in his life.

Ladies come and enjoy a morning of a different kind of cinema.

RAMANI REDDY

SUSHI GOKLANEY

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL BODY MEETING (EGM)

Explanatory Note :

(This is for purpose of record)

Date : 22nd February 2003
Tea : 10.15 a.m.
EGM : 10.35 a.m.
Venue : House of Russian Culture
Kasturi Ranga Road
Chennai 600 018

The Managing Committee reviewed the present Bye-Laws and gave consideration to various suggestions put forward by members of the Advisory Committee, Founder Members and Membership Sub-Committee. The notice along with the amendments has been circulated to the members 21 days prior to the Extraordinary General Meeting.

- Notice : To alter and amend the clauses in the present Bye-Laws as detailed below, and if thought fit to pass the necessary Resolutions giving effect to these amendments.

We are glad to welcome the following members on the panel of International Music Day Committee for a period of 2 years 2002-2003 and 2003-2004. This Committee will help in selecting candidates, one of who shall receive the honorarium on International Music Day in memory of our Founder Nirmal Seshadri.

The members of this committee are :

Saroja Ramamrutham
Stina Vasu
Indira Dutt
Shrikanta Jhavar

KUSUM CHADDA

MEYYAMMAI MURUGAPPAN

SALAD COMPETITION

Winner's Recipe

Walnut, Carrots & Yoghurt Salad by Dorothy Saldanha

Ingredients

3 Cups	Grated Carrots
1 Cup Mayonnaise	1/2 Cup Raisins
1 Cup Solid Yoghurt	2 level tsp gelatin
1/2 Cup Walnut	1 Cup water

Method :

Soak the gelatin and melt in a cup of water. Mix up all ingredients and add to the gelatin. Set it in a round mould; when set, turn it on a bed of lettuce and garnish with walnut and carrot curls, add some cherries and lettuce for decoration.

We would like to thank all the members who took part in the salad competitions.

FROM THE COMMITTEE

In keeping to the ratio, the following members will be inducted into the IWA membership.

1. Uma Ganesan (USA)
2. Nita Reddy
3. Chandra Lulla
4. Chandra Shankar
5. Deepali Goyal
6. Jayshree Manradiar
7. Leena Surya Prakash
8. Priya Manian
9. Nabila Avais



BIRTHDAY GREETINGS FOR MARCH

Usha Bail, Lata Chohan, Radha Gopalakrishnan, Renu Jalan, Mina Malhotra, Prabha Nair, Sushila Natraj, Emily Nolte, Fazeela Nurdeen, Chandra Padmanabhan, Sharada Rajamani, Latha Rajan, Jayanthi Rajaram, Sheila Rajaratnam, Shilu Ranganathan, Nita Reddy, Shobana Reddy, Diana Ridley, Anuradha Sachdev, Radha Seshadri, Sheela K. Sharath, Nandini Srikanth, Ranjani Venkataraghavan, Sejal Waswani.

We thank our 'Active Participating Members' for the month of January 2003.

Hostess : Indra Dutt, Srikantha Jhaver, Shobana Reddy.

Group Hostess : Sheila Rajaratnam, Anita Reddy,
Sucharitha Prasad, Lata Rajan.

Participants for the Salad competition :

Hyati Abbot, Umayal Chettyappan, Sook Hee Lee, Josie Newman, Nalini Panday, Dorothy Saldanha, Margaret Thorpe & Francoise Queval.

Id Lunch

Hostess : Hyati Ibrahim Abbott, Sharifah Raja Ahmed, Zubeida Asgar Ali, Fakhira Ayer, Bilquis Chida, Rehane Yavar Dhala, Mahmooda Haja Shareef, Sufia Hussain, Zainab Kachwalla, Thayabae Kakar, Sadiya Khaleeli, Bela Mistry Khaleeli, Mahin Rabi Khaleeli, Malek Begum Laljee, Farida Majid, Bilquis Moosa, Fazeela Nurdeen, Shamim Padamsee, Seema Sait, Sabine Erlich Salam, Naaz Tyebbhoy.

ELECTION COMMITTEE

We invite you to nominate persons for each office on the Managing Committee.

Guidelines :

1. Nominees for Presidents shall have served on the Managing Committee for at least two years. They should have been members of IWA for at least 5 years. This may be relaxed in the case of Non-Indians.
2. Nominees for Office Bearers for the Managing Committee should have served as Activity Chairpersons for at least two years. This may be relaxed in the case of Non-Indians.
3. The Election Committee shall present to the members, the names of Indian and Non-Indian nominees who are eligible and willing to stand for election on the Managing Committee. They shall inform the members of the date, time and venue of the election.

◆ This Newsletter carries the Nomination Form. Please fill up the form and send it to Vanitha Mudaliar, the Chairperson, Election Committee, so as to reach her before **10th March, 2003**.

Mrs. Vanitha Mudaliar,
Chairperson, Election Committee
IWA, 857, Poonamallee High Road,
Kilpauk, Chennai - 600 010.

IWA

NOMINATION FORM 2003 - 2004

I nominate

No.: 276

Indian

Non-Indian

Presidents _____

Vice Presidents _____

Secretaries _____

Treasurers _____

Signature _____