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Mon.	1 st Aug	Current Events <i>Behind The Global Buzz</i>	10:15 a.m.
Tue.	2 nd Aug	Cooking Swapshop <i>Exotic Desserts</i>	10:15 a.m.
Wed.	3 rd Aug	Managing Committee Mtg. Executive Committee Mtg.	9.45 a.m. 10.30 a.m.
Tue.	9 th Aug	History, Culture & Tours <i>Tsunami Effect - Mahabalipuram</i>	8.45 a.m.
Thur.	11 th Aug	Arts & Handicrafts <i>Women @rt</i>	10.15 a.m.
Tue.	16 th Aug	Health & Ecology <i>Homeopathy</i>	10.15 a.m.
Thur.	18 th Aug	Music & Performing Arts <i>Seven Graces</i>	6.30 p.m.
Tue.	23 rd Aug	Philosophy & Religion <i>The Jagannath of Puri</i>	10:15 a.m.
Thur.	25 th Aug	Book Discussion <i>The Hamilton Case</i>	10:15 a.m.

FROM THE PRESIDENTS

Dear Friends,

We enjoyed putting together our Founders' Day Program - so many of our members came forward and participated. We thank all of them, our Board and Activity Chairpersons for their enthusiasm and hard work in helping us for this program.

We are indeed very happy that many of our members have expressed their desire to host meetings at their homes; we definitely welcome this trend and look forward to many more home - meetings.

The Activity Chairpersons are doing a commendable job - giving us so many varied and interesting meetings.

The month of August, too, is action packed -

Looking forward to meeting all of you at our meetings.

And, of course, China beckons.....

PRINCESS NAIK

RATHI NILAKANTAN

MANAGING COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Wed., 3rd August, 9.45 a.m. Wed., 3rd August, 10.30 a.m.

Both Meetings hosted by Amulya Mandava Rao

at : 18, Kasturi Ranga Road, Alwarpet,
Chennai 600 018.

FROM THE TREASURERS

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

1st APRIL TO 30th JUNE 2005

<i>INCOME</i>	<i>Rs.</i>
Membership Subscription	3,09,100.00
New Membership Fee	2,250.00
Membership Contribution	1,200.00
Telephone Book, Byelaw & Photographs	3,350.00
Guest Contribution	2,100.00
Hostess Contribution	10,500.00
Grand Finale	31,100.00
Total Income	3,59,600.00
<i>EXPENDITURE</i>	
AGM Expenses 2004-2005	21,450.00
Accounting Charges	1,300.00
Bank Charges	17.00
Meetings	16,883.50
Gifts	5,335.00
Printing and Stationery	21,412.00
Postage and Courier Charges	2,075.00
Total Expenditure	68,472.50
Excess of Income over Expenditure	2,91,127.50
Funds Position as on 30th June, 2005	
Opening Balance - 1st April 2005	47,747.18
Add Excess of Income over Expenditure	2,91,127.50
Less Advance Paid to Chairpersons	33,000.00
Closing Balance - Bank	3,04,049.59
Cash	1,825.09
	3,05,874.68
Fixed Deposits	
Special Fixed Deposit KD/01/4776	1,00,000.00
Corpus Fund KD/01/008064	3,28,963.00
Entrance Fee KD/01/008066	86,243.00
Entrance Fee KD/01/008355	2,729.00
Entrance Fee KD/01/009312	2,546.00
Total Fixed Deposits	5,20,481.00

Current Events

Monday, 1st August, at 10.15 a.m.

At : Mowbrays Room
Madras Club
Adyar Club Gate Road
Chennai 600 028



"BEHIND THE GLOBAL BUZZ"

An interesting morning with Radha Sarma Hegde, who is on the faculty of New-York University. An Associate Professor and Director of Communication Studies Program at N.Y.U. currently she is in India visiting various facilities in the I.T. Industry.

Radha's focus in research and teaching has been in the area of globalisation, media studies and issues of gender and the global south. She is also a feminist activist and is one of the co-founders of Manavi, the first South Asian Womens Group in the U.S.

Radha will address us on Global Communication.

We thank Jayashree Manradiar for hosting this meeting.

RANI DAS GUPTA

ISOBEL FLINT

Cooking Swapshop

Tuesday, 2nd August, at 10.15 a.m.

At : Seetha Muthiah's
Coromandel House
12 Boat Club Road
Chennai 600 028



EXOTIC DESSERTS

Freda Iype, trained from the Wilton School of Cake Decorations, Chicago has been conducting culinary classes in Kuwait for the last 22 years. She specialises in confectionary baking, puddings and desserts, cakes and cake decorations. She will be demonstrating for us two mouth watering desserts - Apricot Almond Braid and Chocolate Peach Roll with Strawberry Sauce. Ladies please mark this date on your calendar and do not miss this wonderful opportunity.

We thank Seetha Muthiah for hosting this special morning.

ANITA KOSHY

MANISHA SINGHEE

History, Culture & Tours

We thank Shoba Hebbar for sponsoring the band for the July meeting

THAYABAE KAKAR

BONNIE KING

History Culture & Tours

Tuesday, 9th August, at 8.45 a.m sharp
Departure from : Vidya Singh's
Old 10, Satyanarayana Avenue
Off Boat Club Road
Chennai 600 028



THE TSUNAMI EFFECT : VISIT TO MAHABALIPURAM

The Pallava Kings sculpted the Shore Temple during the 7th and 8th century AD. It was built by Narasimhavarman II (circa 690-715). UNESCO declared it a World Heritage Monument. The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) feared a threat to it from sea erosion and erected a groyne wall to stop the sea.

The giant waves of the Tsunami smashed the groyne wall built in the 1970s, tore down the fence, flooded the lawns and entered the Shore Temple. "The Shore Temple rises from a bedrock that saved it. The groyne wall saved several visitors too," said T. Satyamurthy, Superintending Archaeologist, ASI, Chennai Circle.

We will visit the Shore Temple to take a new look into our history to see the latest excavations post Tsunami. The ASI has consented to give us an academic guide for our morning. After this, we lunch at The Fisherman's Cove and return to the city by 2:30 p.m.

Members are requested to assemble at Vidya Singh's house. This is a warn-in meeting with a limit of 35. A comprehensive charge of Rs. 350/- will be the cost of this field trip. As this is on a 'first come first serve basis', please warn-in with your amount no later than the 5th of August, 2005.

Warn-in with
Thayabae Kakar - 98407 66135
Princess Naik - 98406 77703
Rathi Nilakanthan - 98410 73060

THAYABAE KAKAR

BONNIE KING

Arts and Handicrafts

Thursday, 11th August, 10.15 a.m.
At : Forum Art Gallery
57, 5th Street Padmanabha Nagar
Chennai 600 020



WOMEN @RT

Sixteen Chennai based women artists will come together to exhibit under the same forum in a show titled Women @rt at Forum Art Gallery.

All the sixteen artists, both painters and sculptors have distinct styles and techniques of expression. From water colours to pastels, mixed media to oil and acrylic the medium is varied and diverse. There is also a lot of textural variation in sculpture in stainless steel and bronze.

IWA ladies have a chance to meet the artists and get first hand knowledge of the techniques and medium of representation that the artists have explored in a talk given individually by each artist.

We thank Shallini Biswajit for hosting this meeting.

URMILLA AGARWAL

Health and Ecology

Tuesday, 16th August, at 10.15 a.m

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



HOMEOPATHY - A TIME TESTED HEALING MODALITY

The science of homeopathy dates back to Hippocrates, who was the first to lay the foundation of the "Law of Similars", based on an integrated diagnostic and therapeutic system. Homeopathy was further developed in the 18th century by Hahneman, a German medical professor. It has since become one of the world's great holistic approaches to disease.

Homeopathy has taken an unprecedented lead in curing allergies, asthma, various forms of arthritis, kidney and gallstones, migraines, peptic ulcers, heart conditions, neurological disorders and mental depression.

Dr A.U. Ramakrishnan Founder/Chairman of The Homeopathic Education and Research Foundation and an allopathic doctor practicing homeopathy for 38 years will give a talk on 'HOMEOPATHY - NOW, MORE THAN EVER'.

He is the Hony. Homeopathy Physician to the President of India. He has treated and offered consultation to people in India, Europe, Hong Kong, Singapore and America. He is the author of 'A Homeopathic Approach to Cancer'.

We thank Bilkis Moosa for hosting this meeting.

MRIDULA SRINIVASAN

JYOTI SOMANI

Music & Performing Arts

Thursday, 18th August, at 6.30 p.m.

At : Dr Nalli's Gana Vihar,
Sri Krishna Gana Sabha
20, Maharajapuram Santhanam Salai
T. Nagar, Chennai 600 017.



SEVEN GRACES

Into aesthetic realms of Goddess Tara...

A solo dance performance by Anita Ratnam on the Buddhist Goddess Tara, created in collaboration with Hari Krishnan (inDANCE, Canada), "SEVEN GRACES" will abstract the rich mythology of the Goddess in a new, experimental vein.

Known as Tara in Tibet, Quan Yin in China, Kannon in Japan and a combination of Saraswati / Lakshmi / Parvati in India, the production offers a journey to aesthetic eternities, exploring the aura and grace of the feminine transcendental.

This programme will be hosted jointly by IWA and FLO.

GEETA VASUDEVAN

SANDRA LE COZ

Music & Performing Arts

We thank Hemalatha Santhavadanan, Neena Sanghavi, Manisha Singhee, Vimal Shivdasani, Rukku Seshasayee, Lily Swami, Nandini Srikanth and Vasanthi Sankaranarayanan for co-sponsoring our July meeting.

GEETA VASUDEVAN

SANDRA LE COZ

Philosophy & Religion

Tuesday, 23rd August, at 10.15 a.m.
At : Kausalya Jaganmohan's
"Sri Vaishnavi"
33 (Old 16) Kasturi Ranga Road
Chennai 600 018



THE JAGANNATH OF PURI

In the heart of Puri, is a 12th century temple, with the richness and plasticity of the Kalinga style of architecture., the abode of Lord Jagannath- Jagan -the Universe and Nath the Lord. Ratha Jatra, the Festival of Chariots of Lord Jagannath celebrated every year at Puri is perhaps one of the grand festivals celebrated on earth.

We bring to you a talk on the story of Lord Jagannath by Sri Makhanlal Das, an American, one of the original disciples of His divine Grace Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, the founder of ISKCON; with a short film on the Ratha Yatra. August 27th is Krishna's birthday or Janmashtami.. Come and immerse yourself in Krishna consciousness.

Our thanks to Kausalya Jaganmohan for hosting this meeting at her residence and Swetha Mohapatra for the projector and screen.

Hare Krishna, Hare Krishna, Krishna, Krishna, Hare, Hare

RANI ANANTH

BERNADETTE MCEWEN

Book Discussion

Thursday, 25th August, at 10.15 a.m.
At : Eunice Crook's
15, Bishop Garden
Off. Greenway's Road
Chennai 600 028



BOOK : THE HAMILTON CASE BY MICHELLE DE KRESTER.

SPEAKER : EUNICE CROOK.

Our book this month is set in colonial Ceylon of the 1930's. In a background of corruption, political change and declining empire, a family scandal and a mysterious murder make a bewitching tale. Some readers have finished it in a single sitting!

The writer is a Sri Lankan woman, living in Australia. She is the recipient of the prestigious Commonwealth Writers Prize and the Encore Award. The Hamilton Case is her second novel and has won critical acclaim.

We are delighted to have Eunice Crook, Director of the British Council review our book. We thank her for her hospitality in generously offering her home for the meeting.

SHALINI BISWAJIT

RADHA GOPALAKRISHNAN

MEMBERSHIP SUB-COMMITTEE

Apologies for non-inclusion of Cherry Venkatesan as Member of the Membership Sub-Committee 2005-2006.

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Heartfelt condolences to Rani Chada on the passing away of her mother-in-law.

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