



# WIC News

## The President's Letter December 2000

Dear Members,

The hectic season of Dussehra and Deepawali have ended, having us in a state of exhilarated exhaustion! Lift up your spirits, for the blessed season of Christmas is around the corner. Cards and gifts are exchanged, cakes baked, pine trees decorated, with wine and eggnog parties galore.

Christmas means all these things, but it also means giving and sharing. Do spare a thought for the lonely people with no one to share the Christmas spirit. A single visit to such a person with a little gift would mean the world to her, and a good feeling for you.

During this month of good cheer we have a "fun" play for your enjoyment at the General Meeting, a look at the lopsided gender portrayal of women in the media, and a glimpse of what INTACH is all about. And for those of you who are holidaying in Goa, have a wonderful time on the beaches with a glass of *feni*, the local brew.

Sincerely,

Shireen Khemchand

**GENERAL MEETING  
DECEMBER- 2000**



## The Whole Shebang



Let us enjoy the Christmas season with a hearty laugh. The Delhi Community Players will present a one-act play by the American playwright Rich Orloff. *The Whole Shebang* answers all your questions of why we are here: why human beings go on living, why God made Adam and Eve, basically what it's all about. Join us for this delightful comedy followed by delicious Christmas treats.

Wednesday, December 13 at 3:00 pm  
At the home of Catherine Young  
2 Rajaji Marg, Chanakyapuri  
Tel: 301-3117



# WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL CLUB

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2000-2001



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## CIRCLE PROGRAMMES



### CALLIGRAPHY

#### The Chinese Art of Writing

In China, the same brush is used for painting beautiful landscapes and for writing poems - but calligraphy, the art of writing, is considered the highest form of expression. Each character is a world in itself, where meaning and visual impact are one.

Nathalie Trouverouy, who has studied this art when she was stationed in Beijing, will share her love of this wonderful art and explain some of its mysteries.

*Tuesday, December 12, at 3.00 pm,  
at the home of Sarabjit Anup (Gugu) Singh  
16-A Palam Marg, Vasant Vihar  
Tel: 506 3788  
Limit: 30*



### Handcrafted Indian Textile - Tradition and Beyond

**I**ndian Textiles, edited by Martand Singh, is a sumptuous new book on this subject. It is based on a selection from the beautiful Viswakarma series of exhibitions held between 1980 and 1990.

Martand Singh is the chairman of the Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH) UK Trust and the Vice-Chairman of INTACH, India. He has worked extensively in the field of handlooms in India, for which he was awarded the Padma Bhushan.

Mr. Singh specializes in textile design and development, interior design, restoration of historic cities and cultural sites and development of museums. He has worked with textiles for many Expos and Festivals of India, notably the ones in the USA, USSR, UK, France, Italy, Japan and Australia.

*Thursday, December 7 at 3:00 pm  
At the home of Catherine Young  
2 Rajaji Marg, Chanakyapuri  
Tel: 301-3117*



## FOCUS

# Portrayal of Women in the Media

**W**omen are portrayed in the media mostly as either glamour girls or victims of violence and oppression. Does this reflect reality? Is there a shift in emphasis? More women reporters have lately made their presence felt in the media, in print as well as on the TV. Has this changed our outlook or increased the content of the news about women?

These and other issues will be discussed by **Shailaja Bajpai**, a well-known journalist and media critic. She has been a *Times of India Fellow* and has co-authored a book titled *TV, Advertising and its Impact on Children*. She has been a regular contributor to the *Times of India*, *The Indian Express*, and *India Today*.

*Monday, December 11 at 3:00 pm*  
*At the home of Moina Simcock*  
*New Zealand H.C., 50 N Nyaya Marg*  
*Chanakyapuri \* Tel: 688-3170*

## HEALTH-WISE

# Mammography

**D**r. Colonel C.S. Pant, a renowned radiologist, will deliver a very informative talk on Mammography, illustrated with slides. He will discuss how important it is for women over the age of 40 to undergo regular tests. Early detection of this life-threatening cancer can result in a complete cure and save a woman from disfigurement and extreme trauma or death. This lecture is a must for every woman.

*Friday, December 8 at 3:00 pm*  
*At the home of Sohinder Nabha*  
*10/A Kasturba Gandhi Marg*  
*Tel: 371-4824*  
*Limit: 40*



Saturday, December 2 through Tuesday, December 5

PREVIEW:

# ALASKA!



**W**e present a 7-day round-trip cruise (from Vancouver) on Royal Caribbean's *Vision of the Seas*, sailing 10 June, 2001.

We had earlier turned down this cruise as the rates were too high, but now we have a special offer:

US \$950 per person (ticket US \$780 + tax \$172)

US \$300 for add'l. 3rd & 4th person in the cabin (ticket US \$129 + tax \$172)

All cabins are ocean facing.

At these fantastic rates there will be a stampede, so to avoid disappointment call **Gugu Anup Singh** or **Bina Deogun** now to book your cabins. Equivalent fare can be paid in **Indian Rupees**. These rates apply to the cruise only. It is too early for us to give air fare quotations. You may, however, make your own flight arrangements, or you may wait for us to organize the flights for the group.

## *The SLIDE PROJECTOR:*

Since our First Vice President will be away in November the slide projector will be at the home of the Hospitality Chairperson, Stella Kirton. Any circle leader who needs it should contact Stella at 464-2875 between 9 am and 5 pm weekdays. *Please note:* the projector is now in perfect working order with all its parts and pieces!

### **Notice from the Hospitality Chairperson:**

Just a friendly reminder, ladies, that the *W.I.C. Directory of Members* is only for the convenience of our members. Please bear in mind that it is a *confidential* document and should therefore never be used by any club member to promote any commercial or private business. We also ask that you please destroy the *Directory* when you no longer have need of it to avoid any misuse. Thank you.

*Stella Kirton*

### **Notice from the Membership Chairperson:**

If you cannot attend a General Meeting, kindly inform the Membership Chairperson, Geraldine Hoekstra, as we do keep a record of attendance. Please be sure to sign your name on the *Sign-up Sheets* at the General Meetings. Thank you.

*Geraldine Hoekstra*



## from the Editor's Desk...



We WELCOME the following new members to the club:

1. Margarita AMARI (Italy) Tel: 688-3302  
Italian Embassy  
50E Chandragupta Marg  
New Delhi, 110021
2. Benu BHARANY (India) Tel: 611-8944, 467-6093  
8/2 Shanti Niketan Fax: 463-4081  
New Delhi, 110021
3. Jeannette BUCHER (Australia) Tel: 622-3344  
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Nehru Place, New Delhi, 110019
4. Momtaz FARUQUE (Bangladesh) Tel: 651-5167, 685-4742  
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Sainik Farms, New Delhi, 110062
5. Astrid FELDMAN (U.S.A.) Tel: 611-4707  
American Embassy, ORA  
Shantipath, Chanakyapuri  
New Delhi, 110021
6. Margaret KOVAC (Australia) Tel: 688-8223, ext. 226  
Australian High Comm.  
1/50 G Shantipath, Chanakyapuri  
New Delhi, 110021
7. Bernadette MACDONALD-RAGGETT (U.K.) Tel: 687-2161, ext. 2328  
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Chanakyapuri  
New Delhi, 110021
8. Gillian OLESEN (U.K.) Tel: 680-2278  
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Mehrauli, New Delhi, 110030
9. Gaby STOCKER (Switzerland) Tel: 631-1624  
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New Delhi, 110065
10. Bozena VOLKOVA (Slovakia) Tel: 410-1015  
Slovak Embassy  
50-M Niti Marg, Chanakyapuri  
New Delhi, 110021

Please note the following changes:

1. Dolores DADACHANJI has moved to  
W-44 Greater Kailash II  
New Delhi 110048  
Tel: 622-1794
2. Sheila GHATATE has moved to  
AB 19 Tilak Marg  
New Delhi 110001  
Tel: 307-3569
3. Jiji RENTSCH has moved to  
12 South Drive  
Jhelumi Farm  
Chattarpur Farms, New Delhi 110030  
Tel: 680-1785

We bid farewell to these members who have left or are soon leaving Delhi:

1. Amele BEREKSI has returned to Algeria
2. Sharon GRAEFE has moved to Indonesia
3. Meera RAO has moved to Hyderabad
4. Balveer SINGH will be returning to Singapore

### CONDOLENCES

It is with much sadness that we announce the sad demise of Ritu Uttam's mother recently in Sri Lanka. We extend our deepest sympathy to Ritu and her family.

**DEADLINE FOR JANUARY NEWSLETTER:  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1**

*Please!*



# December - 2000

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31					1	2 GOA TRIP
3	4 GOA TRIP	5 GOA TRIP	6	7 BOOK MARK Indian Textiles 2 Rajaji Marg 3:00 pm.	8 ✓ HEALTH WISE Mammography 10/A Kasturba Gandhi Marg 3:00 pm.	9
10	11 ✓ FOCUS Women in the Media 50-N Nyaya Marg 3:00 pm.	12 ART CIRCLE Chinese Calligraphy 10-A Palam Marg 3:00 pm.	13 ✓ GENERAL MEETING "The Whole Shebang" 2 Rajaji Marg 3:00 pm.	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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