



WIC *News*

February 2005

GENERAL MEETING

JAISALMER

Bindu Manchanda is working with INTACH as Director Projects. She has worked extensively in Jaisalmer and has spear headed the 'Jaisalmer Conservation Initiative'. As part of this Initiative she has been involved with the restoration of monuments, providing public amenities, working with craft people and various Social Development Projects. She is the author of book on Jaisalmer and is currently working on a new book 'Palaces and Forts of India'.

She will talk on the various conservation projects including social development initiatives being executed by her. These projects have had positive impact on both the architecture preservation in Jaisalmer and the lives of the people.

Thursday, February 10th, 3 p.m.

At British High Commission Hall

Shantipath

Entrance Moghul Gate

Hostess: Alice Macaireas

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Members,

Let me begin with wishing our Chinese members a "Happy New Year" which falls in the month of February. It is the year of the "Chicken".

Misty and foggy mornings and traffic snarls are a part of Delhi winter. The sun is desperately trying to peep out but alas! But despite the fog and pollution the gardens will soon be a riot of colours and we the Delhites will enjoy the much awaited but unfortunately short lived winter.

Every month we try to organise special and interesting programmes that reflect the International character of the Club. Keeping that in mind I organised this programme by Bindu Manchanda on Jaisalmer. She will give us a talk with a slide show on a journey to mystic Jaisalmer - a city of yellow sand stone and sand dunes.

We live in a world of laughter, a world of tears and a world of hope and fear. There is much we share, that it is time we are aware its - a small world after all. Talking of hope - did you know that Latin America is fond of the word "Hope". They liked to be called the "Continent of Hope". Candidates for senators, deputies and Presidents call themselves "Candidates of Hope". Hope is something like a "Promise of Heaven" on I.O.U whose payment is always being put off until the next legislative campaign - until next year until the next century!!

With the fiesta in Rio in February, I could not resist quoting this article on "Hope"
My thoughts for this month:- Live life spontaneously and savour time as it passes inexorably"

warm regards,



Mona Aggarwal
President

CONDOLENCES

The Tsunami tragedy and the havoc and wrath caused by it to the innocent people have left us in a state of shock. The loss of life in this unfortunate and unseen devastation is beyond our comprehension. Our thoughts and hearts are with the people of India, Sri-Lanka, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia.

May God give them the courage to continue.

Mona

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS RESIGNED FROM WIC

Hsiu Ling Chung (Leaving India)

Savi Prakash (due to health reasons)

Mari Hirako

Shankutla Sachtey (due to health reasons)

Monia Kasri

Judith Ryon (Leaving India)

Shafiqua Khurasani

Chand Sahi (Leaving India)

Jung Ock Kim

Feasler Alexandra (Left India)

Kathy Litvak (Leaving India)

Cosima

NEW MEMBERS

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FRENCH COFFEE MORNING



French Conversation group will meet
on Monday 21st February
at 10.30 a.m.

At the home of Marie-Anne Derron
B-32, Malcha Marg, New Delhi Tel: 24121093

HEALTH

Strong women - weak hearts by Dr. Sameer Srivastav

Heart disease is considered a remote health risk in women, but more women develop and die from CAD - coronary artery disease - than from all forms of cancer. It is a misconception that coronary artery disease is not a women's disease. Dr. Sameer Srivastav will outline the risk factors associated with detection and treatment of heart disease in women.

Thursday 17th of February 2005
at **3.00 p.m.**

At the home of Deepak Chopra
E-2, Defence Colony,
Tel: 24338844
Limit 55

CUISINE

Sri Lankan Cuisine

Yana Moonesinghe will demonstrate and present specialities from her country - Sri Lanka.

Friday, 25th February 2005,
at **10.30 a.m.**

At the home of Yana Moonesinghe,
27, Kautilya Marg, Chanakyapuri
Tel: 23792420, 23010201

Limit: 35

CULTURE

*We will enjoy a lecture Demonstration by the
renowned Bharatanatyam dancer Alarmel Valli
by Alarmel Valli*

Bharatanatyam, the temple of dance of Southern India, the antiquity which goes back some 3000 years, is one of the most subtle, sophisticated and graceful styles of dance - art in the world.

Alarmel Valli is India's foremost exponent of the grand tradition of Pandanallur in Bharatanatyam. She has extended the frontiers of her dance tradition, to create an awareness of Bharatanatyam as classical, yet dynamic, contemporary dance form.

Tuesday 8th February 2005
at **3.00 p.m.**

At the home of Kusum Ansal
'Vishranti' 26, Feroz Shah Road
Tel: 23737755/44
Limit: 50

FOCUS

*Textile as art
by Gopika Nath*

Gopika Nath, a textile designer and fibre artist, will speak to us on the subject of textile as art. A graduate of the prestigious Central School of Art and Design in London and a Fulbright scholar, who has been working with textiles for more than 20 years. Gopika will make a slide presentation showing the work of contemporary fiber artists from across the world.

Thursday 3rd February 2005
at **3.00 p.m.**

At the home of Bindu Talwar
B-270, New Friends Colony
Tel: 25694552
Limit: 30

GERMAN COFFEE MORNING

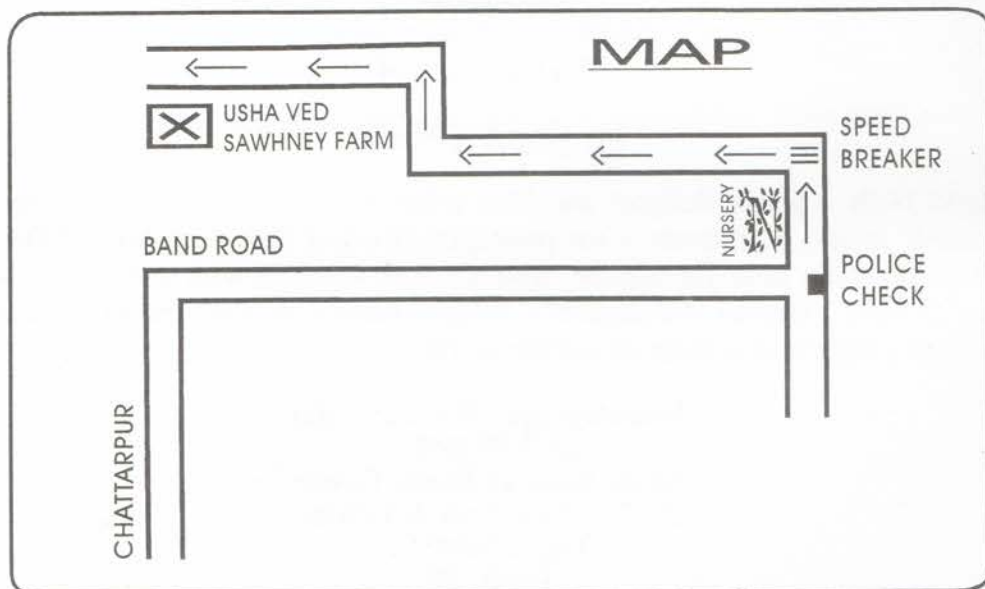


Mira is welcoming all interested Club members to an enjoyable coffee morning at her farm house (do not go to the office address given the directory!).

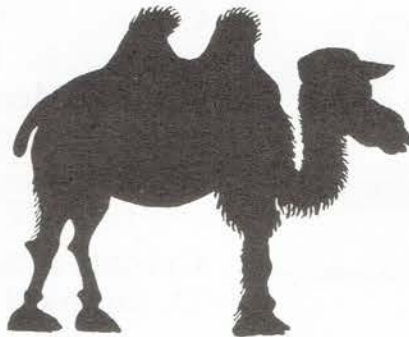
(Directions: Coming from Aurobindo Marg/Andheria Mor or from MG Roa, turn into Temple Road, and drive through Chattarpur village direction Satbari village. Short before Satbari, turn right into Band Road (also called "monkey road") and follow the road up to the end. There turn left, pass by a nursery on your left side and follow the road until you reach the speed breaker before Jonapur village. There you will see the signboard for "Usha Ved Sawhney Farm" on a pole on the left. Turn into that road on your left side and follow it turning once right and then sharp left. Her farmhouse is the next one on the leftside.) (See drawing)

Wednesday 9th February 2005
at 11.00 a.m.

At the farm house of Mira Bischeff



GALA NIGHT



This year we are organising a very special programme for our members - A Lebanese Night - at the Meridian Hotel on 11th March. It is open to the Club members only. House guests are welcome. Single ladies can bring two companions. There will be exciting games and prizes.

More details later.

THINK POSITIVE

- * Today is going to be a great day!
- * I can handle more than I think I can!
- * Things don't get better by worrying about them!
- * I can be satisfied if I try to do my best!
- * There is always something to be happy about!
- * I'm going to make someone happy today!
- * It's not good to be down!
- * Life is great, make the most of it!

BE AN OPTIMIST!

Events Calender February 2005

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Friday, 25th February, at 10.30 a.m.

Focus, at the home of Bindu Talwar
B-370, New Friends Colony

Culture, at the home of Kusum Ansal
'Vishranti' 26, Feroz Shah Road

General Meeting, British High Commission
Shantipath, (Entry Moghul Gate)

Health, at the home of Deepak Chopra,
E-2, Defence Colony, New Delhi

Cuisine, at the home of Yana Moonesinghe
27, Kautilya Marg, Chanakyapuri

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