



WIC *News*

The President's Letter May 1999

Dear Members,

This is my last letter to you as President. It seems only the other day that I was there, standing before you with slightly knocking knees, making my speech of acceptance... and here I am, a few sunsets later, bidding farewell to our time together, through WIC's twenty-eighth year.

This has been a wonderful nine months of discovery for me. I have discovered impressive strengths, overwhelming generosity, goodwill, enterprise and enormous talent: the bedrock upon which the present and future success of the Club is founded.

I pledged to work towards a year filled with excellence and I believe we have redeemed that pledge, thanks to the dedicated co-ordination of a remarkably gifted team. We were committed to complete an unfinished agenda and were able to do so, with your full co-operation – the Constitution was revised, updated and re-printed, Guidelines from the Sub-Committee on Sponsorship and Endorsements have received your approval.

I am filled with gratitude for the steadfast support of my Executive, for the open-hearted generosity of so many wonderful hostesses, for a brilliant group of Circle Leaders who went all out to offer a kaleidoscope of unusual presentations. Many eminent personalities have addressed us on topics of immense and varied interest, an artiste of world renown has danced for us, a master narrator mesmerized us with his poetic skills, we have been treated to rare beauty in the form of Ikebana, sculpture and textiles. We have sampled unusual foods, visited enchanting places and historic sites, been introduced to ways and means of moving towards inner peace and well-being - all this, because YOU participated, YOU came forward to offer ideas, hospitality and help.

We did not lose sight of topics that trouble either: global warming, environmental pollution, endangered species, the sad reality of street children, child labour and the importance of Human Rights.

We planned our Gala to be the climax of our 28th Year, and it really was delightful to find many of you enjoying that special evening with us.

We've done our best, but the AGM is the proper forum for you to tell us what you enjoyed and what you did not and why. This will be of enormous help to the in-coming Executive.

My warmest wishes go out to the new Executive Committee and to Mona Madi, under whose effervescent and energetic leadership the Club will enter the new Millennium.

All good wishes,

President

General Meeting

General Meeting—May 1999
On Wednesday, 12th May
At 3:00 p.m.

The Jacaranda, Habitat World
Lodi Road, New Delhi - 110 003

We bring the year's activities to a close at the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, 12 May at 3:00 p.m. The venue is the cool Jacaranda Lounge on the first floor of the Habitat World. Plenty of parking space is available in the underground car park.

If there are any points for discussion you would like to be taken up, please do call Jyotsna Govil or Etelka Dallos in advance. It would be helpful to have these points of order a week in advance.

Please Note : NO GUESTS are allowed, as this is a business meeting and ATTENDANCE is compulsory.

From the Editor

Passing on the Mantle ...

On May 12, we will bring to a close another memorable chapter in the Club's 28 year history. The outgoing Executive committee had endeavoured to sustain the initiatives of previous years, while introducing changes and innovations to make the club more responsive to the needs of the times.

On this same day, we will "lay our hands" and confirm our trust on a new set of leaders who will guide and steer the club into the next millennium. The responsibility of leadership is by no means an easy task. A leader is always faced with the challenge of maintaining the balance of continuity and change, of enriching the club's mission while preserving it's fundamental principle and it's raison d'etre.

We hope that you would give them the same degree of confidence and support that you have extended to us. We hope that you will be kind, patient and generous to them. Although we have given them the mandate to lead us, we, as stakeholders, have the responsibility to ensure that the club succeeds in all it's undertaking.

Pray that the journey be long as we go on. Pray that each will be a sister to the other. Pray that we once again take the leap of faith as the Women's International Club enter it's 29th year.

Priscila R. Confiada

Circle Programmes



"Combating Child Labour— Agenda for the New Millennium"

Child labour is among the harsh realities of contemporary India. Many of us accept the situation, pointing to poverty that might otherwise engulf the child. However, there are others who have worked with determination on devising solutions.

Sadhana Ramachandran, child activist, lawyer, human resource consultant and a career counsellor, has over the past two decades immersed herself in the subject of child labour. She will share her views on the subject and her insights gained while interacting with national and international agencies that work to uplift the child's status.

Wednesday, 5th May 1999 at 3:00 pm.

At the residence of
Sohinder Kanwarani of Nabha
10-A Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi
Tel. 371-4824, 332-4725
Limited to 35 persons

APOLOGIES

APOLOGIES are owed to any of the thirty-six members who signed up for Ramindra's Salads on the 17th March, if they did not receive any word of the unavoidable cancellation of that programme. All thirty-six names listed, were called personally by the two concerned Circle Leaders, by the Newsletter Editor and by the President.

Recipe for Living

"Listening: the Forgotten Skill"

Communication has two crucial elements: expression and listening. How many of us 'hear' what the other person says but fails to really listen to the message. You're invited to spend an afternoon sharpening those listening skills, thereby enhancing communication with others. Don't miss out on those important messages.

Friday, 7th May 1999 at 3:00 p.m.

At the residence of
Mona Aggarwal
2 Church Road, Delhi Cantonment
Tel. 569-3824, 5694552
Limited to 35 persons

Thank You

Several of you were extremely generous with donations to the Gala Nite Bar. On the very evening of the Gala itself, a number of your donations were unmarked, so we were unable to thank you individually. We have thanked you collectively at the General Meeting on the 10th March, but would like to reiterate our appreciation for every contribution so liberally offered.

From the Members of the Executive
Committee and the Gala
Committee

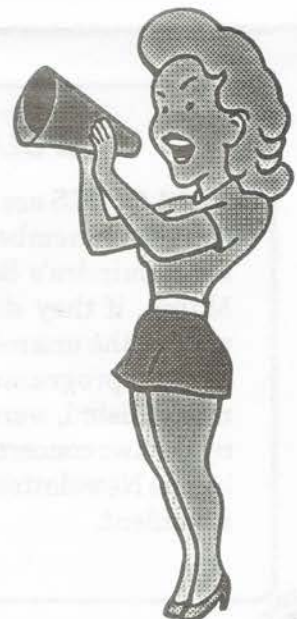


WIC Annual General Meeting



Agenda

1. Welcoming Remarks
2. Adoption of Minutes of 1998 AGM
3. Chairperson of Nominations Committee presents Slate to be proposed and seconded
4. Presentation of Reports :
 - a) Coordinator - Welcome Committee
 - b) Coordinator - Outreach
 - c) Chairperson of Sub-Committee for Sponsorship & Endorsements
 - d) WCI Liaison
 - e) Newsletter Editor
 - f) Membership Chairperson
 - g) Hospitality
 - h) Treasurer
 - i) Second Vice-President
 - j) First Vice-President including presentation to Circle Leaders
5. Any other Business
6. Out-going President's Report
7. Installation of Incoming Executive Committee
8. Incoming President's Speech of Acceptance
9. Adjournment





NOTICE BOARD

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Goodbye to..

Daphne Zepos, Irina Curto

Welcome to New Members :

a) **CAROL DE GAULLE** France
B 439 New Friends Colony
New Delhi - 110 065
Tel. 683-1567 (husband—Laurent)

b) **JANICE FERGUSON** USA
C 731 New Friends Colony
New Delhi - 110 065
Tel. 631-6857 (husband—Danny)

c) **AMANDA STEWART** UK
42 Paschimi Marg, Vasant Vihar
New Delhi - 110 057
Tel. 614-5494, 614-5496
(husband—Allan)

d) **CATHERINE YOUNG** UK
British High Commission
2 Rajaji Marg, New Delhi - 110 021
Tel. 301-3117
(husband—HC Rob)

Change of Address:

Nada Plavec - D54 Malcha Marg, Chanakyapuri
Tel. 611-9000

By third week of May, **Priscila Confiado** will
move to J 1204/A, Palam Vihar, Gurgaon,
Haryana

Change of Telephone Nos.

Annie Howard Fax : 335-1272
NOT 332-2742

Errata

Pamela Man Mohan Singh's telephone
No. is 631-0373 and NOT 691 -0373



PERFORMANCES
BY
WIC MEMBERS



The premiere of 'Ganeshaya Namaha,' a dance-drama, was performed recently in which two of our WIC members, each of them renowned in their respective field, were involved. The music was composed and sung by **Dr. Shanno Khurana** and it was choreographed and produced by **Usha Venkateswaran**. Our compliments and applause go out to our two distinguished members.

We also offer our enthusiastic applause at the acclamation received by our lovely WIC member, **Daphne Zepos**, at her recent exhibition of portraits and paintings. Our congratulations and best wishes to you Daphne. We regret your decision to leave us, but we understand the heavy commitment which makes participation in Club Activities so very difficult. Please keep in touch!





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	Sigrun Srivastava	Tel. 6468908, 6442756, 6234004, Fax 6468908
Excursions	Gugu Anup Singh	Tel. 5563788; 9134 0365 Fax 6149445 981011529
	Bina Deogun	Tel. 6832736

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Outreach	Prama Bhandari	Tel. 6862807
	Nandita Lahiri	Tel. 91-360539
Rhythm of Life	Zohra Shaw	Tel. 686-7976
	Usha Venkateswaran	Tel. 2250730; 225-6804

SYMPATHIES

Our heartfelt sympathy and condolences to Ramindra Ajit Singh on the sudden and shocking passing away of her niece on the night of 14th March 1999.

WIC members share in the sorrow of Nayana & Prafull Goradia at the passing away of Mr. Dwarkadas Goradia on Sunday, 28th March 1999.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5 FOCUS "Child Labour" — 3:00 pm Sohinder Nabha 10-A, K.G. Marg	6	7 RECIPE FOR LIVING "Listening" — 3:00 pm Mona Aggarwal 2 Church Rd., Delhi Cantt	8
9	10	11	12 ANNUAL GEN. MTG 3:00 pm Habitat World Lodi Road	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29