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"Civilization is the encouragement of differences. Civilization thus becomes a synonym of democracy. Force, violence, pressure, or compulsion with a view to conformity is therefore both uncivilized and undemocratic."

M. K. Gandhi

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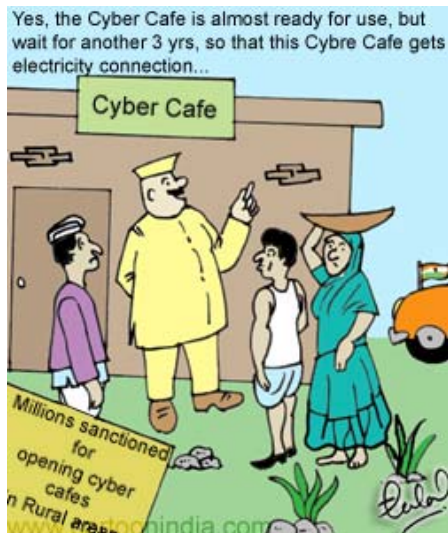
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President's Message

Dear friends,

Season's Greetings and Happy Diwali! Our latest program was "Kathak Dance" (October 5) and because of your support, it was very successful. The program was great; even the children enjoyed it. We were very fortunate that such fine artists came to Saskatoon. The next afternoon's sitar, tabla and vocal performance, in the temple, was quite delightful.

On the 2nd of October we celebrated "Gandhi Jayanti". Many people braved the cold weather to worship the "Mahatma".

To show our appreciation to our volunteers, we showed a movie, which was greatly enjoyed by the people present. At the event we presented "ICCA Volunteer Awards". The board wishes to extend congratulations to Mr. P. Sulakhe, Mr. Raj Nundy, Ms. Anjali Sethi and Oriental Dance Arts.

On Sunday, November 24 (Please mark your calendars!) we are having the SAGM and a bowling event: See details inside. In the future, we are planning bingo, movies and perhaps more bowling. I hope you all come out and enjoy our events. I hope to see you at the SAGM and bowling.

Namaste,
Sushama Shrikhande,
President, ICCA

Editor's Note

Your comments and suggestions are always welcome. If you are interested in advertising in the next issue please contact me. I may be contacted at 934-0703 or on the e-mail address below.

- Kedar Shrikhande (Editor)

Quotations

People who know little are usually great talkers, while men who know much say little.

- Jean Jacques Rousseau

Genius is 1% inspiration, 99% perspiration.

- Thomas Alva Edison

Quarterly Update

Dear Friends,

I am sure that you will agree with me - we have been cheated. Yes, *cheated*. Cheated from a few more snow-free days. It's not even Halloween yet (at this writing), and my kids have already made angels in the snow, gone on their magic carpets and our shovel had to be put to work!! Not fair. This kind of weather is just not up my 'alley' at this time of the year, 'gutturally' speaking. Well, when the going gets tough, the tough go bowling!

Yes, we are planning a bowling get-together on **Sunday, Nov.24, 2002 at 4:00p.m., at Eastview Bowling lanes, 2929 Louise St. (Close to Taylor & Arlington). The cost is \$3/person (irrespective of age), including shoe rental! (For 1 hour of bowling!).** ICCA will pick up the rest of the tab. This activity requires no previous experience, nor do you have to belong to a league nor is it strenuous. We are going 5-pin 'Novelty Glow-Bowling', where the ball is smaller and lighter and the game is filled with fun oddities.

Because Bowling lanes tend to get booked up very quickly (especially in the winter), we have to reserve our lanes well in advance. So, if you are interested in joining us for a FUN-filled afternoon, please call me at 384-2208 or e-mail me at smitagarg@shaw.ca **before** Thursday, Nov. 14. I need to know the exact number of people attending in order to book the lanes - thank you very much.

Recently, a worldwide survey had been carried out with the following question: "Please give us your opinion on the lack of food in the rest of the world". No result was achieved, since the following problems were faced during the survey's implementation:

- In Africa no one knew what "food" is;
- In Western Europe no one knew what "lack" is;
- In Eastern Europe no one knew what "opinion" is;
- In South America no one knew what "Please" is;
- In the United States of America no one knew what "rest of the world" is!

Jokes aside, we know that the Food Bank is always looking for non-perishable food donations. With all the festivals around the corner- Diwali, X'mas, Ramaddan, Hannukah, etc., let us all in the spirit of sharing, make an ICCA contribution to the Food Bank. We request you to bring a can/jar/box of

some non-perishable food item to the Bowling Alley/SAGM. Some ideas: Baked beans, Dry pastas, Peanut Butter, Cereals, etc. We will have a carton that will be delivered to the Food Bank.

In December, we hope to screen a movie. At that time, we will have a 'Pennies for Polio' campaign. This is a Rotary International project to eradicate polio worldwide. Stay tuned to 90.5 FM for further details.

As for past events, in mid-September, ICCA performed "Maa Tujhe Salaam (Vande Mataram)" in the Celebration show organised by The Oriental Dance Arts of Saskatoon. The entire show, performed in front of a packed house was stunning! We are very proud that ODAS is a member of ICCA.

In the beginning of October, we also celebrated Gandhi Jayanti. Albeit a cloudy, cold & windy day, we had a fair turn out of dedicated patriots who paid their respects with Gandhiji's favourite bhajan "Raghu-pati-rah..." and both national anthems.

A few days later, we were well treated to an awesome kathak recital by Kaveri Agashe and her musician accompanists - Ramdas Palsule (tabla), Ravindra Chary (harmonium & sitar) and Ruchira Kale (vocalist). All four of them - so young, so talented and so impressionable! We were fortunate to have them for an extra day, wherein they were able to delight us at a musical soiree.

ICCA will not be organising a New Year party. Instead, we hope to meet you all at our upcoming events - SAGM, Bowling, Movie, Bingo and AGM.

Can't wait to get into those multi-coloured bowling shoes☺! Till then, bundle up & keep warm!
Smita Garg.

Radio Committee Report

Radio Committee is very happy to say that in the annual fund-raising event for CFR FM 90.5 (FM-Phasis) we raised over \$2000. To the best of our knowledge this is the record highest amount we ever collected for CFR through FM-Phasis. On behalf of radio committee let me take the opportunity to convey our appreciation to all the people who helped, supported and donated generously. I hope we have been able to broadcast quality program through Sangeetmala, please let us know your views. My number is 652-1908.

Palok Aich (Chair)

Upcoming Events

- **Semi-Annual General Meeting (SAGM) is on Sunday, November 24, 2002 at 3:00 pm at Eastview Bowl (2929 Louise Street).**
- **Agenda for SAGM on p. 4.**
- **'Novelty Glow-Bowling' is on Sunday, November 24, 2002 at 4:00 pm (following the SAGM) at Eastview Bowl (2929 Louise Street). The cost is only \$3 per person. It is important that you book before November 14. Please contact Smita at 384-2208.**
- **We will be showing a movie during the Christmas holidays.**
- **Please tune in to 'Sangeetmala' on FM 90.5 OR**
- **Visit: <http://ca.geocities.com/editoricca/> for the latest updates!**

Interesting Facts

- In India, until lately, dining out has been a rarity. Traditionally, in many parts of India, it was forbidden to eat food that another person had touched. To allow a waiter at a restaurant to bring food to a customer would violate that tradition. Hence, the custom of eating out has only come into vogue there in recent times.
- Can't remember if an egg is fresh or hard boiled? Just spin the egg. If it wobbles, it's raw. If it spins easily, it's hard boiled. A fresh egg will sink in water, a stale one will float.

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REGISTER NOW:

**Call Sandy Khanzode at
306-343-0989.**

ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

Notice is hereby given to all ICCA members for the annual general body meeting

DATE: Sunday, November 24, 2002

TIME: 3:00 pm

PLACE: Eastview Bowl (2929 Louise St.)

AGENDA FOR ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

- 1) Meeting called to order
- 2) Approval of the agenda
- 3) Approval and adoption of minutes of the SAGM
- 4) Business arising from the minutes
- 5) President's report ---- Sushama Shrikhande
- 6) Treasurer's report ---- Amit Shah
- 7) Radio committee report ---- Palok Aich
- 8) Vote of thanks & adjournment

Thanking you,
Sincerely yours,

Sushma Shrikhande

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