

INDIA COMMUNITY RELIGIOUS & CULTURAL CENTER, INC. (ICRCC) P.O. BOX 387 DEWITT, NY 13214

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President's Message

ICRCC will be celebrating its 25 th anniversary and Diwali at the Doubletree Hotel, Carrier Circle on Sunday, October 25. We will be having a quality cultural program of music and dance along with our Annual Diwali Dinner.

I would like to thank all the members of ICRCC, past and present who have worked to make ICRCC a successful organization that is a vibrant part of the greater Syracuse community. In this respect we will be recognizing all past presidents at the 25 th Anniversary Program. Besides making significant personal contributions to serve the community they were the elected representatives of the members during the last twenty five years.

Over the last few years the ICRCC Board has had agonizing debates over what we should charge for the ICRCC Diwali Program. On the one hand there is the feeling that the program should be self sufficient and roughly break even in terms of the costs incurred. Then there are some people who feel that we should charge an amount that would make it easy for people to pay even if ICRCC would lose financially. The cost would be a lesser burden especially for the members of the community who have young children. Last year we negotiated with the caterer to not charge children below 8 for food. He has agreed to do the same this year.

Additionally Neerja Vajpayee and Ajeet Gajra are contributing \$ 2000 towards the catering of the program specifically with the intention of defraying the costs so that we can keep the charges low. I commend them for taking action and contributing to something they really believe in. For those who have an appetite for numbers the breakdown of the costs is as follows:

Table charge of \$ 18/person includes rent for the facility, dinnerware etc. and service Catering charge of \$ 12/person but children under 8 are free Miscellaneous costs estimated at \$ 3/person for decorations, sound system etc. The above add to a total cost of \$ 33/person approximately.

ICRCC will be providing free child care for children aged 6 years and younger. There will be pizza and TV so that kids can have a fun time while their parents are enjoying the program. We would love to have your presence and make this a memorable 25 th anniversary.

GENERAL BODY MEETING

Date:November 21, 2009Venue:Manlius Village AuditoriumTime:3 pm –

Agenda:

- 1. Welcome address by President
- 2. President's report
- 3. Secretary's report
- 4. Treasurer's report
- 5. Membership Coordinator's report
- 6. Election of directors
- 7. New business

Independence Day Celebration

Once again Dr. Ashutosh enthusiastically organized the Independence Day celebration on August 15 at the Ryder Park in Dewitt. We remembered the fight for independence and various people expressed their views about the struggle and about present day India as well. A group of young musicians played good music that had an Indian flavor to it.

The program had a lower than usual attendance. Although we saw some new people a lot of the younger generation was missing. Even so, those who attended heartily sang the Indian and American national anthems and enjoyed the beautiful weather and the picnic that followed.



Come and enjoy a wonderful evening! Date: 25th October, Sunday, 2009 Time: 4 pm onwards Venue: Doubletree Kotel Syracuse, 6301 State Route 298, East Syracuse, NY 13057 Admission:

Members \$25 Non-members \$30 Kids under 8 yrs Free Kids under 6 yrs will be provided free baby-sitting, pizza and snacks in a separate room.

Program Zetails:

• Instrumental Music performance

• Bhangra and Bollywood performance by Rochester Bhangra team

Fusion dance performance by Binghamton dance team

Slluminale this evening with your presence! Please reserve your seat. Seating is first come first served. Please refer to the next page for contact details. A special thank you to Ajeet Gajra and Neerja Vajpayee for their generous contribution. 25th Anniversary And Divali Dinner Contact Zetails:

1. Joseph Kappil - 5470 Congleton Circle, Clay, NY 13041 Ph: 699-0881

2. Pradeep Zirath - 4740 Setting Sun Terrace, Syracuse, NY 13215 Ph: 492-8309

3. Naresh Patel - 4522 Pauli Drive, Manlius, NY 13104 Ph: 256-9628

4. Ashok Sangani - 6896 Page Hollow Place, Fayetteville, NY 13066 Ph: 449-2098,

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9. Ramana Adavikolanu - 1123 Cornflower Way, East Syracuse, NY 13057 Ph: 656-2829

Please

- 1. Make your check payable to ICRCC and specify on the check if there are any kids for baby-sitting.
- 2. Indicate your seating preference

Join us for an evening filled with music and dance

Raas Garba for Navratri Saturday, September 19



What: A night of Raas Garba and Dandiya Raas dance, with Aarti and snacks afterwards.

Where: In the cafeteria of the Fayetteville - Manlius High School, 8201 E. Seneca Turnpike, Manlius, NY 13104.

(see directions below)

When: From 7:30 - 11:00 PM, on Saturday, September 19.

Fee: \$5.00 at the Entrance

Contact for Prasad:

Shilpa Patel	@	256-9628
Geeta Sangani	@	449-2098
Divija Nanavati	@	720-1963
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Directions to FM High School: From Interstate 481, take Exit 3E to Fayetteville. At the fork of Rt. 92 and Rt. 5, bear right (on Rt. 92) and continue straight until the T-Junction to Manlius. Turn left on Rt. 173 East at the traffic light. Continue up the hill, and turn left on Tinderbox Circle. Take an immediate left in to the school, and enter through House 2.



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Events Calendar

Event	Date	Venue	Time
Raas Garba	September 19	F-M High School	7:30 pm – 11 pm
Deepavali Dinner	October 25	Double Tree Hotel	4 pm-
General Body Meeting	November 21	Manlius Village	3 pm
		Auditorium	