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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

The India Community Religious and Cultural Center has served to bring the India community in Central New York together and enrich the cultural and spiritual environment in our area. It is a great honor for me to serve as the President for this year. Vanaja and I would like to wish you all a Happy & Prosperous New Year with much celebration, festivity and activities for our Center. On behalf of the new executive board, I would like to thank the past executive board and the board of directors for their dedicated service in keeping our center vibrant and continuing its growth. Our past president Dr. Ajay Pal and the other volunteers gave much of their time and efforts for which they should be applauded. It is my sincere hope & wish to reinforce the vitality of this organization and serve the community in Central New York.

We have had two meetings of the board and we planned for many activities this year. The events scheduled include a Jugalbandhi concert presentation and Spring Festival in April, the Independence Day celebrations, Garba and Diwali Dinner/Events. Besides these, we also propose to publish a new edition of the community directory. The previous edition was in 2000 which is going out of date. The dates and schedules of these and other events will be announced as they are confirmed. We will update you through email, the ICRCC website and the newsletter. Mahrookh Mukerji has kindly agreed to continue coordinating the newsletter.

Our plans are to continue the initiatives of the past. Some of them include life membership, fund raising for charity and disaster relief in India and the US and enhancing community participation through membership.

We are also very fortunate to witness the development of a new partnership between the US administration and India, bringing together the two greatest countries we are associated with as never before. I am sure this will spark much energetic activity in our community and I welcome your thoughts on how we can help this interaction.

As always, the executive board, directors and I welcome your comments and criticisms. We will do our best to respond to your ideas and concerns. You can reach any of us via the email addresses listed in this newsletter.

Wishing you all the best,

Ram (Ramarao Bandaru)

ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations are due to our past president, Abraham Thomas, for receiving the Pinnacle Club Award from Coldwell Bankers Prime Properties for top Real Estate Sales for the year 2005. The Award was presented at Windham Hotel in Syracuse on March 8, 2006.

ICRCC Presents **JUGALBANDI FLUTE-SITAR**

SHASHANK & USTAD SHAHID PERVEZ

Tickets: \$12 per person. \$10 per member / seniors

Tickets at: Cultural Resource Council (315) 435-2155
Kashmir Groceries (315) 251-2571



SATURDAY - APRIL 1ST AT 7:00 pm

**EVERSON MUSEUM AUDITORIUM
401 Harrison Street, Syracuse, NY 13202**

This event is made possible with public funds from the
New York State Council on the Arts, a State Agency

INDIAN COMMUNITY RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL CENTER PROUDLY
PRESENTS:

SPRING FESTIVAL - 2006

An event of fun, food, entertainment... and more

*On Saturday, April 29th
3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.*

*Place: H. W. Smith Elementary School Auditorium
1130 Salt Springs Road,
Syracuse, New York 13224*

Admission is free to the public

*This lively event presents dances and music by talented local artists.
Delicious homemade food and sweets representing every part of India is
served. Money raised goes to cover the festival's expenses.
Join the fun with family and friends. You will be glad you did!!*

For cultural program presentations, please contact:

*Rekha Balaji: 682-7260
Participants must call in by April 15th*

For food items, please contact:

*Charu Saini: 638-7395
Jayshri Prasad: 445-2705
Usha Gokul: 656-4227
Mala Pal: 607-749-2726*

Direction: From 690 take Midler Ave exit. (North). Cross Erie Blvd and Midler becomes Seeley Road. Go up the hill and turn left on Salt Springs Road. H.W. Smith Elementary School is on the right side.

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Summary of Spring Events

April 1, 2006	7 pm	Jugalbandi
April 29, 2006	3 – 9 pm	Spring Festival