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Celebration of Minnesota's RICH ETHNIC HERITAGE



Sunday, May 17, 1987

1 P.M. to 5 P.M.

at the State Capitol
Rotunda & Steps

Saint Paul, Minnesota



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ADVANCEMENT OF THE COLORS

STAR SPANGLED BANNER

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AMERICA

WELCOME

COMMENTS

Minneapolis Postal Employees Band Merve Lysing, Director

4th District American Legion Color Guard Robert Hoy, Sergeant At Arms

Everyone

West Side Youth Chorus

Tom Schmid, Soloist

Agnea Antoniades

The Honorable Bruce F. Vento Congressman 4th District

Russell W. Fridley Director, Minnesota Historical Society

Robert Hoyle Executive Director, International Institute of Minnesota

Linda White

Christopher Sindt, Soloist

Representatives of Ethnic Groups

Tom Schmid, Soloist

Tyheesha Collins, Soloist

Everyone

Ethnic Groups

THE RED, WHITE & BLUE

GREETINGS

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

FEELING FREE

GOD BLESS AMERICA

SONGS & DANCES

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PARTNERS IN PROSPERITY

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR NON-RESIDENT INDIANS

There are over 10 million nonresidents (NRI) of Indian nationality or origin in different parts of the world. In U. S. alone, their number is about half a million. They have assumed leadership roles in various professions and command sizeable resources in terms of finance, scientific talent and technical knowhow While contributing to the economic development of the country of their residence, NRIs aspire to keep strong ties with India participation in the through their economic development of mother country. Substantial investments have been made by NRIs in bank deposits and in industrial projects. The public issues of many Indian companies have received valuable support from NRIs. Inward remittances by NRIs is an important source of India's foreign exchange reserves. It is about \$5 billion as of December, 1985. However, the potential is vast and has been only marginally tapped.

The government has described NRIs as members of our larger family. To facilitate the participation of NRIs in the economic development, the

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Government of India has granted special treatment through various schemes. Recent incentive liberalisation of policies and simplification of procedures in regard to collaboration by NRIs have evoked good response. The opportunities available to NRIs in the emerging new of Indo-US economic pattern briefly relations have been enumerated in the following paragraphs.

PRIVATE TRANSFER OF FUNDS

There is a great deal of interest in inviting NRIs to invest a part of their savings in India. Indian nationals and persons of Indian origin resident abroad can freely funds to India through banking channels for the purpose of opening accounts. The salient features of such deposit accounts have been separately highlighted in this issue. Bank deposits under non-resident external rupee account foreign currency and account have been about \$4,667 million as of November, 1985. These accounts offer excellent opportunities to investors providing fixed and steady income with complete security. Noninterested Indians resident availing of the deposit facilities may contact the bank branches operating in U.S.A. for further details.

Dear Reader:

EMBASSY

The June issue of Economic Newsletter is in your hands. We have endeavoured to reach the select group of U.S. society including our Non-Resident Indians who are key opinion and decision makers for Indo-U.S. bilateral relations. As promised, we have attempted through this Newsletter to highlight important economic features of the country.

The newspaper has been well received. Your concrete suggestions for further improvement are very welcome. We would very much value your contributions on economic issues.

Your subscription as a token of your interest in the newsletter is being anxiously awaited.

Minister (Economic) Embassy of India

Highlight

July Issue

India's Fight Against Poverty

and

External Assistance

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Sterling and are insured against exchange rate fluctuation. Funds can be freely remitted outside India. The initial deposit and the interest earned are payable in the currency in which the account is maintained

ORDINARY NON-RESIDENT RUPEE ACCOUNT

When a person leaves India permanently or for an indefinite period, he becomes a person resident outside India. The bank account of a person maintained prior to his becoming a non-resident designated as ordinary non-resident account. Such accounts can also be opened in rupees with remittances from abroad. The facilities available under NRE/FCNR are not applicable to ordinary non-resident rupee account.

INTEREST RATES AT PRESENT

Rate Percentage p.a.

Term Deposits	Foreign Currency Non-Resident (FCNR) Account	Non-Resident (External) Rupee Accounts
A. Deposits for 1 year and above but less than 2 years.	8.5	10.5
B. Deposits for 2 years and above but less than 3 years.	9.0	11.0
C. i) Deposits for 3 years only.	10.0	=
ii) Deposits for 3 years and above but less than 5 years.		12.0
D. Deposits for 5 years only.		13.0

Lifeline of the Nation's Transport

SHIPPING

[Economic newsletter of March and May carried an introduction on Indian Railways and Road Transport]

Though India has the largest merchant shipping fleet amongst the developing countries, it only accounts for 1 percent of the total world fleet. Beginning from a modest 0.39 million GRT in 1950-51, India has acquired a diversified fleet of 6.5 million GRT. The slow growth in acquisition of new tonnage has been partly on account of worldwide recession in shipping industry. In the total tonnage, bulk carriers with a 2.29 million GRT have the largest share followed by tankers and liner ships, accounting respectively for 1.6 and 1.03 million GRT

The ownership of the fleet is well dispersed. There are around 70 shipping companies of which two are in the public sector and the rest are in the private sector. The country's bottoms carry about 41 percent of the total sea-borne trade. Of this petroleum crude and products account for the largest share.

There are ten operating major ports and 139 minor ports located on the vast coastline of 5560 Kms in India.

The capacity of major ports for handling cargo is about 140 million A very significant move by the tonnes by the end of 1985-86. In 1985-86 the major ports have handled 120 million tonnes of traffic as against 106.7 million tonnes in 1984-85, an increase of 12.47 Of the total traffic handled, the exports accounted for 52.5 million tonnes and imports 64.6 country's transport system is 1 million tonnes during 1985-86. The percent. The 7th Plan envisages to port infrastructure has generally facilitate speedy movement of cargo lagged behind fast changing shipping and passengers, development of technology especially in regard to the integrated terminals at suitable handling of traffic. In the 7th Plan locations on water fronts and intermodernisation of port and cargo facing such terminals with other handling facilities especially to modes of transport. handle container traffic will receive priority.

According to the Planning Commission, the strategy for the shipping sector during the 7th 5-Year CORPORATE SECTOR Plan would be to rectify the structural weaknesses and build replacement of overaged and Corporation of India revealed that

efficient ships as well as on diversification of the fleet through acquisition of tanker ships, specialised carriers and crafts. Addition to the fleet would be selective keeping in view the longterm objective of achieving selfsufficiency in tankers and to gain 50 percent of the dry bulk cargo and 40 percent of the liner trade apart from meeting costly shipping goods in full. Government to give a boost to shipping has been made with the permission to larger industrial houses to enter the shipping industry without attracting the Monopolies Restrictive Trade Practices Act.

The share of inland waterway in

News Digest

GOOD SHOW BY

The study of 417 Public limited further on its inherent strength. The Companies carried out by the crucial stress would be on Industrial Credit and Investment uneconomical ships by modern fuel the corporate sector has performed

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Tax Concessions

NON-RESIDENT INDIANS AND TAXATION

The long-term Fiscal Policy announced by the Government has spelt policy regarding taxation of Non-Resident Indians as under:

Para. 5.38: 'Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) are a part of our larger family. A number of incentives and special facilities have been provided to them for direct and other investments. So far as the tax structure is concerned. special facilities for expeditious clearance as well as for charging a flat rate of tax to individuals on incomes received from investment in India have been introduced recently. Income from interest on Non-Resident Bank Accounts is also free from both income-tax and wealth tax. The abolition of the Estate Duty in the last budget will also facilitate higher investments by Non-Resident Indians.

Para. 5.39: 'The Government considers the present tax structure relating to NRI investments to be appropriate and shall keep it stable for a period of five years. The Income-tax Department shall take special care to ensure that where required, tax returns of Non-Resident Indians are assessed quickly and fairly and that as far as feasible, returns are accepted on a selfassessment basis. In other areas also, early steps will be taken to streamline and rationalise procedures and eliminate irritants and to ensure that NRI investment proposals are disposed of within a time bound frame.'

To encourage the participation of NRIs in the economic development of the country, the government have announced various concessions and incentives thereby substantially reducing the real tax burden. The important concessions are:

- Remittances to India out of foreign incomes are exempt from income-tax.
- * Dividend income from Units of Unit Trust of India purchased out of funds remitted from abroad or from non-resident external accounts is exempt from income-tax.

- Interest income on Nonresident Account is exempt from income-tax.
- * Income from investment in notified Savings Certificates including 13 percent 6-Year National Savings Certificates is free from income-tax. Such certificates can also be gifted without having to pay gift tax. Investment in these certificates is free from wealth tax.
- Gifts made out of nonresident external accounts are free from gift tax.
- Gifts made to relatives in convertible foreign exchange remitted from abroad are exempt from tax.
- Investment income from specific foreign exchange assets i.e. shares in Indian companies, debentures of a public limited company, deposits with a public limited company, securities of the Central Government for this purpose would be subject to income-tax at a reduced rate of 20 percent.
- * Long-term capital gain, income accruing on account of transfer of these specified foreign exchange assets held by non-resident Indians for at least 36 months would also be subject to income-tax at the flat rate of 20 percent for paying tax on investment income or pay tax as per the other provisions of the Income-tax Act. However no deduction/allowance etc. shall be allowed if the investor opts for tax at the flat rate of 20 percent.
- Non-Resident Indian who becomes a resident in India in subsequent years may continue to pay tax on his income from specified foreign exchange assets at 20 percent till he transfers or converts his assets into money. For this facility only debentures, deposits and central government securities will qualify. Investment in foreign

exchange assets will remain exempt from wealth tax till the time the tax-payer being Indian citizen remains non-resident.

- * If NRI returns to India for permanent settlement the moneys and value of assets brought into India by him and the balance in NRE/FCNR account are exempt from wealth tax for a period of seven years. The value of assets acquired out of such money will also be exempt from wealth tax.
- * Investment in new equity issues of companies in the priority sector is exempt from wealth tax.
- * No estate duty will be levied on estates passing on death occurring on or after March 16, 1985

The Government has also streamlined procedures for the benefit of Non-Resident Indians. Non-Resident income-tax circles have been created at Delhi, Calcutta, Madras, Cochin and Ahmedabad in addition to the existing non-resident refund circle at Bombay for the convenience of non-residents liable to Indian income-tax.

Any person who is a non-resident and has not yet been assessed to tax in India may file his income-tax return in any of the above mentioned nonresident circles. Once the return is filed, the jurisdication over his case will continue to be with the circle unless it is changed under orders of the appropriate authority.

Sale proceeds including the element of long-term cpaital gains arising on the sale of foreign exchange assets can be remitted abroad or creditted to non-resident external account without having to obtain no objection certificate from income-tax officers if the authorised bank concerned deducts tax thereon

hospitals and village uplift. These promotes programmes are mostly of private relationship. initiative but are in the nature of services is a serious limitation. it enriches the social capital towards their motherland. formation in India and effectively

Bilateral Indo-US

NRIs have a prominent role in the relief and special service. Lack of emerging new pattern of Indo-US organised channel for transfer of such economic cooperation. A framework ACCOUNTS IN INDIA has been laid and it would facilitate However, the efforts are laudable as in translating the aspirations of NRIs

share were rupee 13 in the

beginning but jumped to Rs. 117

Mr. Mohinder Shah recently

participated in a seminar in New

Jersey organised by NRIs. He

spoke of his dreams. They plan

to diversify their unit in other

He did not want to give the

impression that the initial battle

was easily won. In the

beginning they had to cope with

smuggled goods. They could

not compete as the imported

raw material used by their

company was costlier compared

to that used abroad. The

company quickly adjusted to

the challenge by diverting their

production for the use of photo-

copiers. Mr. Shah explained his

success party to the young

group of employees working

with him. The quest for

development pervades in the

company. It is a hard climb for

the young entrepreneurs but

their success was never in

doubt. Mr. Shah observed that

the environment for profitable

investment in India is very

positive. His advice to NRIs

during the seminar was that the

selection of partner, choice of

product, detailed work on

project feasibility and financing

arrangements could make or

areas of electrical equipments.

by this period.

A Success Story

Return of two NRIs

Two energetic professionals

after completing advance studies in USA were having promising career with a major U. S. Corporation. They had already bagged various awards for innovative work. One of them Mr. Avinash Kulkarni was impatient as he had strong urge for establishing a business in India. His other colleague, Mr. Mohindra Shah was equally enthusiastic to make his humble contribution for motherland. Like many others staying abroad, they had misgivings regarding industrial and administrative environment in India. Being used to congenial' working conditions of USA, Mr. Kulkarni was visibly diffident. relentless entrepreneurs, Mr. Kulkarni and Mr. Shah overcame the diffidence and made a choice of a product for investing in India. The decision was to manufacture Hologen Both the young lamps. felt duly entrepreneurs regarding the reassured prospects after initial market survey. They decided on setting up a unit in Maharashtra near Bombay. There were initial problems in mobilising financial resources but were resolved through the assistance of financing institutions.

The project was completed in 1981. Their unit responded efficiently to the market signals of demand and gradually the

brought in from abroad or with funds range of products expanded. egitimately due to them in India. Today their company LITEX These external accounts are of three produces about 3 dozen varieties of Hologen and infra-(i) Non-Resident (External) Rupee red lamps. Their turnover Account (NRE) increased from .37 million (ii) Foreign Currency Non-Resident rupees in 1981-82 to more than 3 Account (FCNR) million rupees in about 4 years. The earnings per rupee 100

(iii) Non-Resident Ordinary Rupee Account

Bank Deposits

Indian nationals and persons of

Indian origin resident abroad can

open bank accounts in India freely

through remittance, foreign exchange

NON-RESIDENT

SPECIAL FEATURES External accounts have attractive features. They earn higher interest than applicable to domestic deposit of comparable maturities. There is no ceiling on the amount that can be invested. External accounts do not attract income-tax or wealth tax

either on investment or interest earned thereon. Gifts given to resident out of funds held in external accounts are not subject to gift tax. The deposit and interest earned thereon are fully repatriable. The banks provide loan and overdraft facilities against the security of external accounts term deposits. Similar loans and overdrafts can be granted by overseas branches of banks against the security of deposits

NON-RESIDENT (EXTERNAL) RUPEE ACCOUNT

held in India.

Accounts can be kept in various forms like current, savings, recurring deposit or term deposit. It can be operated jointly with another nonresident but not with a resident. However, a resident can be allowed to operate the account through a prescribed power of attorney.

FOREIGN CURRENCY NON-RESIDENT ACCOUNT

Only term deposit accounts are opened under this scheme. They can be kept in U.S. Dollars or Pound

mar the venture.

better in 1984-85. According to the study, the sales rose by 17.4 percent and gross profit by 18.3 percent compared to the performance in previous year. Retained profit which had declined by 27.9 percent in 1983-84 staged a recovery with a growth of 17.5 percent. The dividend rate rose for the second consecutive year while the equity debt and current ratio continued to fall.

Sales of the companies surveyed increased from 37.6 billion rupees to 54 billion rupees.

From the industry groups food products, sugar, automobiles, chemicals, drugs and pharmaceuticals and electrical equipments showed higher return on the capital employed. However, shipping, machinery manufacture and rubber industry registered a smaller rise in the gross profit.

NRI INVESTMENT ALLOWED FOR SICK COMPANIES

Non-Resident Indians can now invest on repatriation basis in the existing sick companies. It is stipulated that bulk investment by NRIs can be either in the form of sale of shares to them or by issue of fresh capital. Repatriation of original capital brought into India for a sick company will be permitted after a minimum period of five years.

MRTP CLEARANCE TO BE CONCURRENT

The industry has been seeking rationalisation to facilitate clearance of application. The Government has decided to accord concurrent clearance to separate applications made by the industry under different sections of the Monopolies Restrictive Trade Practices Act (MRTP). It would expedite approval of these applications.

Dear Reader:

The NRIs in USA today are amongst the best. Their success story is a source of inspiration to others. Amongst the NRIs, there are also eminent economists. The Economic Wing in Indian Embassy proposes to maintain an updated list of such economists. While we would be requesting individuals to seek the names of the economists along with their addresses, we would greatly appreciate if our request is made widely known through your good offices.

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A YEAR OF CONSOLIDATION

1986

The year 1986 has been a year of censolidation. The new government under Mr. Rajiv Gandhi modulated economic policies in 1985 to give fresh stimulus to growth process. The Seventh Five Year Plan (1985-90), which was given final shape in 1985 created expectations of new directions in the economic management. From a period of transition in 1985, the performance in the current year assumed a special significance. The overall trends have been satisfactory.

GROWTH RATE

The growth rate in gross domestic product has been around five percent. During 1980-85, the economy attained an average annual growth rate of 5.3 percent in real national income. The new plan 1985-90 aims at sustaining the growth rate in national The per income at five percent. capita income in real terms is estimated at Rs. 797.7 in 1985-86 and at current prices works out to Rs. 2,595.6. The average rate of inflation based on consumer price variation was 8.7 percent for the twelve month period ended November, 1986.

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PRIME MINISTER RAJIV GAN-DHI'S ADDRESS TO INTERNA-TIONAL CHAMBER OF COM-MERCE

Prime Minister Mr. Gandhi said that the government's intention was to make the capital market healthier and rationalise the tax system so as to bring new life into our industry.

Regarding the role of public and private sector in India, he pointed out that the government's endeavour was to limit public sector's role to critical areas and would like them to bring about a new work ethos on the work floor in the production units. "A sick public sector cannot be the pride of any nation. We would like to see our public sector develop into a dynamic one", he said.

Mr. Gandhi appealed to developed countries against protectionist measures and said "we are willing to take challenges from foreign industry. But in any developing economy, the fledgling industries must be allowed to face the challenge on equal terms"? Mr. Gandhi said India had kept its door open to ideas from outside and had absorbed, assimilated and synthesised new technologies and advances in science.

Prime Minister said that attempts should be made at forging one human family. This, he felt, would help in reducing the vast expenditure on defence and channelise scarce resources to productive use.

AGRICULTURE

Foodgrain production during the year (April 1986-March 1987) is expected to be 151-154 million tonnes, thereby showing an increase of about 2.9 percent against the annual target growth rate of four percent envisaged in the five year period. Production of oil seeds and sugarcane is anticipated around 13.8 and 180 million tonnes respectively. Although the overall foodgrain production is short of the target, there is considerable satisfaction considering that the country experienced one of the severe droughts in May-September, 1986.

The total stock of foodgrains with the public agencies as on September, 1986 is estimated at 23.68 million tonnes.

INDUSTRY

Industrial scene looks promising. The growth rate of industrial production during 1986 is estimated at about six percent. Mining and quarrying and electricity recorded growth rate of 7.5 percent and 9.5 percent respectively. The manufacturing sector recorded a lower rise of 5.1 percent during the year. Capital goods and transport equipment sectors are passing through a bad patch with demand recession. On the other hand, the available data point to a several positive factors. Electricity generation and coal production have picked

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up and movement of goods by railways is encouraging. With the new policy measures already in place, an acceleration in industrial growth rate can be expected in the remaining years of the Plan.

There has been an increase of about 38 percent in the number of industrial approvals given for setting up fresh capacity. In all 3629 industrial approvals have been given during 1986. It includes 1130 Letters of Intent, 2387 Registrations under the delicensing scheme and 112 approvals for enhancing of capacity under the minimum economic scale.

CAPITAL MARKET

The capital market remained buoyant with an impressive increase in the direct mobilisation of funds by the private sector. Besides equity issues, debentures attracted encouraging support from investors. A new class of investors has emerged on the stock exchange. The number of shareholders and debenture holders which was about 10 million is expected to rise to 15 million in the next two years. Against the capital issue approvals of only \$500 million in 1981, approvals to the tune of \$4 billion has been given in 1986. The amount of capital raised through public issues during 1986 aggregated more than \$1 billion. The capital goods approval during April-October, 1986 totalled about \$650 million, 53.6 percent up from the same period last year.

FOREIGN COLLABORATION

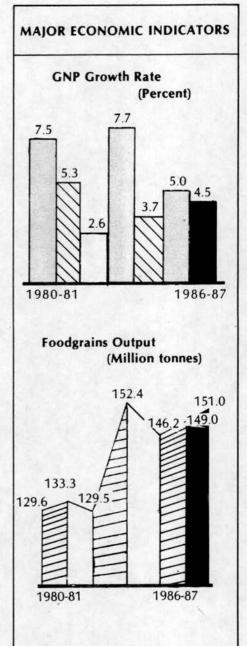
India welcomes foreign collaboration. It is an investment for transfer Foreign ownership of technology. norm in approved manufacturing activities is 40 percent. High equity is allowed in ventures involving high technology (74 percent) and predominantly export activity (as much as 100 percent). A total number of 958 foreign collaborations were approved during 1986. F.R.G. and U.S.A. are the two leading collaboration partners in 1986. In the wake of spate of increase in foreign collaboration in recent times, Government has further streamlined the norms of approving foreign collaboration proposals by enhancing the delegated powers of the administrative ministeries in this regard.

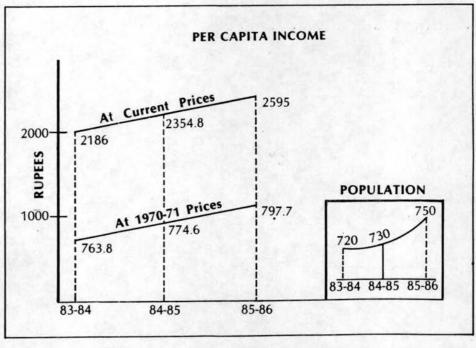
TRADE

The trade data for the first eight months of 1986-87 indicate that trade gap may be contained within manageable proportions. cumulative exports for the period April-November was about \$6664.1 million, an increase of 17.3 percent. The imports bill for the same period was about \$10388.3 million. Consequently the total trade deficit for the first eight months was \$3724.2 million. The current account deficit was financed by a draw down on reserves. In SDR terms, the latest reserves position is \$4.345 billion as on January 2, 1987.

STRENGTHS IN ECONOMY

There are several sources of strength in the current economic scenario which should help promote higher growth rate. These are deceleration in inflation, sizeable stocks of foodgrains with the public distribution system, a high level of domestic savings, a reasonable level of foreign exchange reserves and credit-worthiness in external financial markets. Whether the economy does succeed in doing this will depend on the way the transition to the period ahead is handled by the participants i.e., the farmers, trade and industry and the Government.





LIBERAL STANCE IMPARTED TO THE ECONOMIC POLICY

INDUSTRIAL POLICY

- * Large investment planned in energy, transport and telecommunication to reduce the infrastructure gaps.
- * Licencing procedures streamlined to remove hurdles to investment. Deregulation of select industries. These sectors relate to items of mass consumption, export possibilities, requiring more capacity installation and high technology.
- * Reduced applicability of Monopolies Restrictive Trade Practices Act, an asset controlling regulation. Exemption up to total asset holding of about \$100 million.
- * A concept of 'broad-banding' in licensing in industries such as machine tools, electronics, automobiles, chemicals and pharmaceuticals.
- * Expanded investment opportunities to large business houses and foreign majority held companies. Special incentives in important industries and for backward area development.
- * Liberalised policies to allow domestic producers to invest and expand production more freely and also to upgrade their technology.
- * Extension of the facilities of automatic growth of 5 percent per annum.
- * Special emphasis on the need to establish capacities at economic scales of production.
- * Reduction in corporate income tax rates. Rationalisation of indirect tax structure. Introduction of modified value added tax to reduce the cumulative effect of taxation.
- * Enhancement of investment limits in the case of small scale (\$.2 million to \$.35 million) and ancillary units (\$.25 million to \$.45 million).
- * Major thrust to exports. Important tax incentives for exporters. Special export promotion packages for thrust areas or industries which have favourable export prospects.

- * Greater autonomy combined with accountability for state undertakings.
- * Expanded role for the private sector in new areas like telecommunication, roads, aviation and energy.

FISCAL POLICY

- * Simplification of direct tax laws.
- * New national deposit scheme to strengthen savings incentives.
- * Surcharge and surtax to be abolished from April 1, 1987.
- * Investment allowance to be withdrawn from April 1, 1987 and a new scheme introduced allowing companies to deduct up to 20 percent of their profits from the taxable income provided such amounts are deposited in the specified institution.
- * Simplification of depreciation allowances rates to only 2 or 3.
- * Capital gains tax to be rationalised.
- * Measures against tax evaders.
- * Venture fund to promote indigenous technology.
- * Graded scales of customs duty on raw materials, components and capital goods.
- * Excise concessions for small scale sector to be reformed.
- Duty draw-back for exports to be simplified drastically on the basis of industry rates.
- * Modified value added tax or universal credit of duty paid on inputs.
- * Merger of various excise duties into a single basic rate.

ELECTRONIC POLICY

- * Creation of industrial capacity will be based on techno-economic viability. Liberal growth of capacity will be permitted where existing capacity has been utilised or for achieving better economies of scale.
- * Broad-banding for licensing purposes in entertainment electronics, computer peripherals, electronic test equipments etc.
- * Delicensing of electronic components and consumer durables.
- * Liberal permission for import of technology and foreign collaboration.
- * Introduction of phased manufacturing program to encourage technology adaptation and to ensure setting up of appropriate production facility.
- * Exemption of certian electronic

items from asset controlling provisions.

* Majority foreign investments for electronic components and closely-held high technology items.

COMPUTER POLICY

- * Single window clearance within a specified period.
- * Permission to private/public sector to have foreign collaboration to produce mini/micro computers.
- * Withdrawal of existing capacity restrictions imposed on computer manufacturing firms.
- * Liberal import of technical knowhow, designs, drawings and utility software.
- * Rationalisation of import duty to ensure free availability of components not being manufactured locally.
- * Recognition of computer manufacturing units for the purpose of all tax incentives including investment allowance benefits.

SOFTWARE POLICY

- * All the software imports have been put under Open General License with an ad valorem duty of 60 percent.
- * Domestic software development will be permitted to wholly owned Indian companies by having foreign equity upto 40 percent.
- * More than 40 percent foreign equity could be permitted to 100 percent export units.
- * Credit arrangement by Exim Bank, India
- * .Software exporters allowed to spend up to 30 percent of their foreign exchange earnings for market development and technological upgradation.
- * Satellite links for export units.

DRUG POLICY

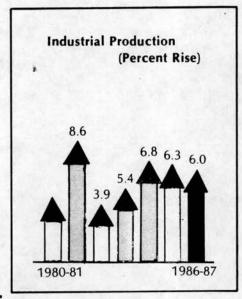
- * Incentives for higher production of essential drugs.
- * Delicensing would be progressively extended.
- * Broad banding being extended to 31 groups of bulk drugs and formulations.
- * Flexibility to produce any product within the existing facility to boost exports.
- * Price control limited to a smaller basket of two categories of essential drugs.

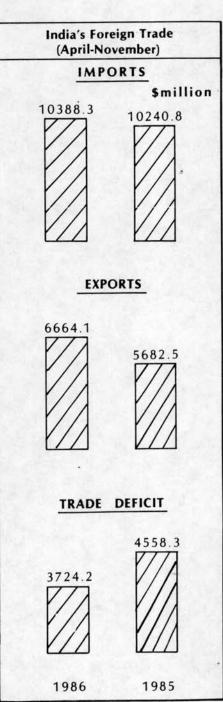
RECENT DECISION BY THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT

- Indian government has, in principle, approved NRI participation in Air Taxi Service. This would be subject to;
 - a) No repatriation of capital and dividends;
 - No departure from Import Export policy regulations;
 - Financing on all imports, 10. including maintenance and operational needs, through foreign exchange.
- NRI equity investment upto 40% permitted in shipping industry.
- NRI equity investment upto 40% permitted in Oil Exploration Services Sector.
- NRI investments upto 74% permitted in diagnostic centres subject to import of specified equipment etc.
- 5. NRI investmer* upto 100% of equity permit 4 in identified sick industries
- Suitable changes being made in the Income Tax Act to remove/reduce anomaly of NRI 13. status vis-a-vis stay in India under the IT Act.
- Ceiling of Rs.1500/- per diem expenditure on NRI Directors by Indian companies increased to Rs.2500/- by the RBI.
- 8. Ministry of Commerce have relaxed the stipulations of return to India by NRIs seeking the benefit of special import facilities under the EXIM policy. Restriction of return within 3

months has been raised to 2 years.

- Number of sequential approvals required from RBI under FERA clubbed with Government approvals for setting up an industrial unit.
- RBI has issued notification granting general permission to NRIs to subscribe to the Memorandum and Articles of Association and take up shares of the company for purpose of incorporation.
- 11. RBI has issued notification granting general permission to companies with more than 40% nonresident interest to acquire immovable properties in India which are necessary for carrying on business by such companies.
- 12. RBI has granted general permission to All India and State-Level term lending institutions for granting loans to companies floated by NRIs without seeking specific permission from the RBI.
 - IIC actively assisting NRI entrepreneurs in applying for Government approvals. Henceforth, applications submitted to the SIA through the IIC offices need not be in the requisite 16 copies. One copy could be sent which would be scrutinised so as to reduce possibility of rejection on Phototechnical grounds. copies would be got made in the Head Office in Delhi, submitted to the SIA and continuously followed up.





FOREIGN COMPANIES IN INDIA

PROFITABILITY 1984-85

As of March 31, 1985, there were 77 subsidiaries of foreign companies. According to a survey by Economic Times - one of the leading economic dailies in India, Indian subsidiaries of foreign companies recorded significant profits during 1984-85. The profitability ratios were the highest in case of U.K. based companies. Tea industry, which is the single largest group with 13 subsidiaries, gave maximum profit ratios before tax to assets, turnover and paid up capital.

The profit before tax (PBT) of the subsidiaries in 1984-85 was approximately \$280 million which was equivalent to 10.21 percent of turnover and showed an increase of 26.3 percent over the previous year. There were marginal declines of 3.91 percent, 3.23 percent and 0.76 percent in paid up capital (PUC), assets and sales turnover respectively. There were seven companies which ceased to be foreign subsidiaries during the year due to merger with other companies or voluntary dilution of equity holdings.

The ratio of PBT to PUC rose from 69.26 percent to 91.02 percent, PBT to assets from 10.86 percent to 14.18 percent and PBT to turnover from 7.79 percent to 9.92 percent. The total dividend remitted by the subsidiaries was about \$20 million equivalent to 0.76 percent of their turnover and 6.77 percent of their paid up capital.

NEWS DIGEST

BIL - DU PONT VENTURE

Ballarpur Industries Ltd. and E.I. Du Pont of U.S.A. propose to promote a joint venture company to produce a nylon-66 tyre cord plant. The project will cost around \$122 million. According to Mr. Carl De Martino, Vice President, Du Pont International, India is becoming increasingly an 'attractive place to do business.'

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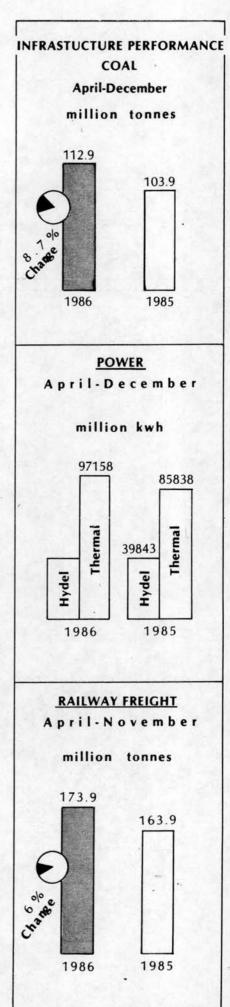
The Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) has entered into a collaboration with Ingersoll-Rand and Allison Gas Turbines Division of the General Motors Corporation, U.S.A. for the manufacture of industrial gas turbines in the range of two and five Mw in India.

COMPUTER SOFTWARE - EXIM BANK PACKAGE TO BOOST OUT-PUT, EXPORTS

The package envisages assistance by way of foreign currency and rupee term loans as also working capital loans to those entrepreneurs who are in a position to export 3.5 times the c.i.f. value of imports of computer hardware and software. Rupee term loans will be provided at an interest rate of 11.5 percent per annum and foreign currency loan will be one percent per annum over cost of funds. Enterpreneurs availing of Exim Bank scheme are eligible for a rebate of 50 percent on customs duty and single window clearance procedure.

ADMINISTRATIVE MINISTRIES EM-POWERED TO CLEAR FOREIGN TIE-UP

The government has decided to allow administrative ministries to accord approvals for foreign collaboration proposals in specified type of cases. These include cases in which there is no foreign equity participation or where the total foreign exchange outgo for lumpsum payments and royalty does not exceed about \$1 million. This decision is expected to expedite procedures for securing approvals.



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- Nylon and Cotton reinforc ed rubber covered conveyer belt.
 - 3. Toilet Soap and Glycerine.
- 4. Neutral Glass/Scientific Glassware Project.
- Medical disposable Syringe.

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SECOND-HAND MACHINERY IM-PORT POLICY REVISED

The new modified conditions are: (a) Items of machinery allowed for import under open general license may be permitted for import in second-hand conditions. In such cases, however, the importer will produce to the Customs authority, at the time of clearance, a certificate from a professional independent chartered engineer or any equivalent institute in the country from which import is made, in the prescribed proforma given in the Handbook of Import-Export Procedures, 1985-88. (b) Import of second-hand machinery which is older than seven years and have less than five years expected residual life will not be allowed. (c) Applications for import of capital goods in second-hand condition other than those allowed under OGL will be considered in accordance with the procedures laid down in Chapter III of the Handbook of Import-Export Procedures, 1985-88.

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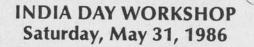
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EVALUATION

We feel that it is very important to know what you have enjoyed and what you feel could be improved about today's program. Please give us any suggestions of different topics, program ideas, speakers, issues that you would like to see us address. Please leave this in the appropriate box at the front of the Board Room at the conclusion of the program. Thank you for taking the time to complete this.

Dear Friends,

Welcome to our fourth India Day Workshop!! We are happy to see so many of you, especially those of you from out-of-state. We hope that you will enjoy this opportunity to learn more about India, the culture and people.

We, CHSM Indian Adoption Staff, are very grateful to the many people that have contributed their time and talents. A special thank you to Neena Gada, Anu Zdenek and Padu Arimilli of the India Club. Without your help, this day would not be as meaningful. You have given above and beyond ever expected. We extend our sincere thanks to all today's participants, both friends and visitors.

Please feel free to ask our guest's questions, many will be joining us for lunch. We hope that you enjoy this day.

At the end of the day, we will be asking for your suggestions and advice about the program. We hope that many of you will take time to complete the evaluation form and leave it with us before you leave. We continue to look for new ideas and improvements for future workshops.

We hope that you have a nice day and have been able to take some ideas home with you. We have enjoyed working with you and look forward to providing more programs for you and your family.

CHSM Indian Adoption Staff Jane Waage Barb Carlson Dianne Lindberg **SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES 1:15 to 1:45 p.m.

Sari Wrapping--Room E (upstairs near Board Room) Lisa Gada

Bindi (Face Painting) -- Room C (upstairs near Board Room) Bhavani Arimilli

Slide Show--Room A (take stairs closest to reception area) Suman Shenoi

INDIA DAY WORKSHOP Saturday, May 31, 1986

Saturo	day, May 31, 1986
9:00 to 9:10 a.m.	Introduction and Welcome
9:10 to 10:30 a.m.	"The Children's Heritage An Overview of India" Guest: Dr. Elenor Zelliot
10:30 to 10:45 a.m.	BREAK
10:45 to 11:45 a.m.	Panel Discussion: Family Life in India
	Guests:
	Ram, Neena & Lisa Gada Padu, Vijaya & Bhavani Arimilli Shanti & Vishant Shah Vijay & Usha BalGrikrisnen
11:45 to 12:45 p.m.	LUNCH
	prepared by: Anu Zdenek, Santa Bai, Sowbhagyam, Koteswari, Pramila, Vinoda, Vijaya Komanduri, Vijaya Arimilli, Mrs. Naidu, Suman Shenoi, Mahita
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	*Indian items for sale by the elevator
12:45 to 1:15 p.m.	Indian Folk Dancing Guest: Shanti Shah of SILC
1:15 to 1:45 p.m.	**Small Group Opportunities

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Adoption: A Child's Perspective

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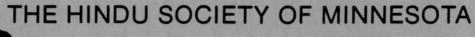
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NEWS LETTER

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Dear friends,

By the time you get the Patrika, the long rainy September would have ended, and you will be enjoying the beautiful fall. good side of all this rainfall is the greenery all around us. Similarly when you go to the Mandir you will find it all torn apart. Let the construction project finish, you will love the remodeled Mandir. The construction work is progressing rapidly and should end before Deepavali. Please excuse the inconvenience it might cause you in the mean time. Our regular Sunday satsangs will be held in the Mandir as usual. The Mandir remodeling project will cost over 66,000 dollars. To raise some of this money we will have our annual Deepavali fund raising and cultural program on October 25th at St. Anthony High School auditorium. This will be the only Deepavali program as opposed to two separate programs last year. You will be entertained by a number of talented children and adults. The traditional Deepavali dinner will be served after the cultural program. The ticket for this function is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children between 10 and 18 years of age and no charge for the children. The cost of the meals is included in the ticket. The proceeds from the sales of the ticket will be used to cover the expenses incurred in the function.

We are also trying to update our database. In the long run the updated database will benefit all of you. You will be able to request specific information from this database. For example if you wanted to form a women's tennis or bridge club in your





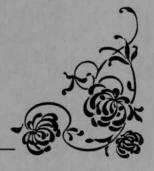
reighborhood, you could ask for the names and phone numbers of all the people who are interested in these activities. This database will not be used for any commercial purposes. The success of this project depends upon the completeness and accuracy of the information provided by you. Therefore please take some time and fill out the database form at the time of this function.

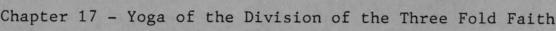
Another project which is very vital to the Mandir and the community is the automatic payments of the pledges. There are a number of people who would like to pledge money or pay membership dues to the Mandir on a regular basis. It becomes a chore to sit down, write a check, find the address of the Mandir, and mail the check to the Mandir. At our end, the treasurer has to collect the checks, write them in the book, take them to the bank and deposit them and balance the books periodically. When you are dealing with volunteers who have a busy regular work schedule, this becomes difficult. To simplify all of this, we have set up an automatic withdrawal system. The member authorizes the Mandir's bank to withdraw a certain pledged amount from the member's account every month. The bank then deposits it in the Mandir's account. All the book keeping is done by the bank. To be able to pledge money in this fashion you need to; 1. Pledge the monthly amount. 2. Give us a void check or your account number. 3. Sign the bank part of the database form. If you want to stop the money coming out of your account simply call the treasurer or drop him a note. This plan will assure smooth running of the Mandir and will allow us to work on new programs for the community since the budget will be more predictable.

I hope by the time you get the Patrika you would have attended the picnic at the St. Croix Falls on September 27th. The prizes which you might have won at the picnic will be distributed at the Deepavali function. Please make it a point to attend this function. Finally I would like to wish you all a very happy and prosperous Deepavali.

Kamal Sahgal







At the end of chapter 16, Bhagwan Sri Krishna said: "He who, casting aside the ordinances of the scriptures, acts on the impulse of desire, attains not perfection, nor happiness nor the supreme goal. Therefore let the scriptures be your authority in deciding what out to be done and what ought not to be done. Having known what is said in the commandments, you should act here in this world."

Arjuna has a doubt. It is true that scriptures are the supreme authority. But, is their any value in faith by which our heart aches for a certain higher value, though it is not based strictly on any kind of scriptural revelation? We do not run to the scriptures in our daily actions. We seem to possess inside of us a "something" which guides us independent of any scripture. This "something" is the faith that we have in ourselves, a faith in the supreme, a confidence in our capabilities, the so called conscience.

This internal faith manifests itself externally in what we say, do and perform. There are many ways in which our faith becomes evident to the external observer. In this chapter, Sri Krishna focusses on just 4 of these. These are the food we eat (Anna), dedicated activity (yajna), charity (Dana), and austerity (Tapas).

Sri Krishna says that the faith of a man is of 3 kinds born of their nature - the Sattwika, the Rajaska, and the Tamasika. In a bold and true statement, the Bhagwan declares "The faith of every man is in accordance with his natural disposition. Man is of the nature of his faith; what his faith is that verily he is." Faith prescribes nature and nature prescribes faith. Each is intimately welded to the other, each obeying the other.

When it comes to worship, those of the Sattwik type worship the Devas, Rajasikas the Yakshas, and the Jamasikas the Pretas. Just as we seek company of others according to our own temperament and disposition, we extend this concept even into the plane of worship. The altar that we worship is dictated by the attachment and dedication we have for the cause.

Sattwik people (people of Sattwik propelled faith) partake food that is healthy, wholesome, conducive to promoting vitality, health, joy and cheerfulness. Such food preserves a balanced mind.

Rajasik people like foods that are bitter, sour, salty, overly hot and pungent. Such people are passionate and full of drive.

That which is stale, tasteless and rotten is to the linking of Tamasik people. The items they eat are conditioned by necessity and there is no evidence of any judgement in what they eat.

Sattwik people engaged themselves in dedicated activities (Yajna) without hankering after the fruit of the actions. Theirs is pure, selfless action.

Rajasiks perform yajna in anticipation of the rewards and also for self glorification. They have a bartering attitude in their work.

Tamasiks ignore all scriptural procedures, do not share with others what they possess and worst of all, have absolutely no faith.

How we take care of ourselves, what we say and what we think are all conditioned by the faith that we have.

Purity, uprightness, continence and non-injury are the austerities of the body as practiced by the Sattwik people. Iranquil speech, true speech, practice of sacred recitation are the hallmarks of the Sattwik people. Such people have mental austerity characterized by serenity of the mind, gentleness, silence and self control.

Rajasik people revel in the practice of austerity with the aim of receiving honor, good reception and reverence. Jamasikas practice austerity which is based on a foolish obstinacy, self torture and delusion.

Sattwik people give gifts with the feeling that it is one's duty to give. They do not expect anything in return. Rajasik people bestow gifts with the expectation that they will get a bigger gift in return while Jamasik people exercise no judgement in what to give, to whom to give and when to give.





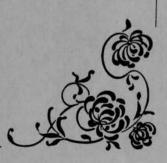
It is important for us to remember always that we are merel the custodians of what we have, and we should take care of it well and share it with others. We should also remember that the attitude of giving is more important than the magnitude of the gift.

The Gumas express the amount of reality that is within us. In our faiths too, we are of 3 kinds, Sattwik, Rajasik and Tamasik. The food we eat, the company we keep and the religous practices we perform are all rooted and defined by the belief we entertain as a philosophy of our lives. We should strive constantly to ascend from the Tamasik to the Rajasik and to the Sattwik.

In the end, we are given the message of the holy words om-tat-sat. Good completes everything. Everything is incomplete without god. We are asked to invoke him always in everything we do in our daily lives. We are but mere passengers in this field of life. How much smoother the ride will be if we accept god as our comparison in our journey. Just as god and man occupied the same chariot in the Kurukshetra, the gita emphasizes that god's pressure in our own chariot of life is indispensable for a successful journey.

Faith is man. If one has no faith, even the most glorious act is not for here or hereafter. The effects that result from ones actions are directly dependent on the faith and conviction of the person. If one has no faith, Sri Krishna declares, all the undertakings are unreal (Asat). From the unreal, nothing real emerges. Consequently, devoted spiritual undertakings devoid of faith will not produce any results. If the scaffolding is weak, how can you expect to build a strong building? So, have faith in yourself, your family, your friends and above all in God.







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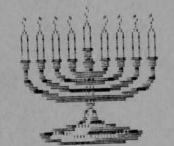
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DIWALI PROGRAM

Hindu Mandir will have their annual fund rasing dinner and Diwali cultural event on October 25, 1986. Following details of the program:

Place: St. Anthony High School

3301 Silver Lake Road St. Anthony, MN 55418

Phone: 781-5021

Time: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Cultural event and Annual members'

meeting/election in Auditorium

9 p.m. to 11 p.m. Dinner in cafeteria

11p.m. to 12 p.m. Clean up & Adjourn

Admission: Adults: \$10.00 (18 yrs & above)

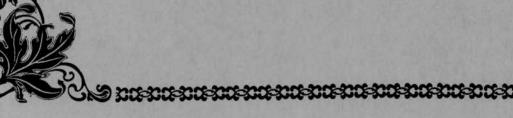
Children: \$5.00 (10 yrs and above)

Children below 10 years are free. All the participants are free as well.

Please secure your tickets by contact any of the executive committee members.

APPEAL:

In order to respect and protect the performers from commercializing of their performance through video tape, it is Hindu Mandir's strict policy not to allow any video taping except by the authorized people. This authorization will also be given only to people who are recording on behalf of Mandir and to the spouses of the directors of the various items. All the parents of the participants are requested that, if they desire, they can video tape their child's performance only on the dress rehearsal day, which will be on October 23, 1986 at 7 p.m. in same location. Contact the director of your item for more details. We earnestly request that please refrain for violating this policy so as to avoid any obsene conflict. This appeal is becoming necessary because Mandir has assured the performers that this policy will be administered. We hope you all, will appreciate the concerns of the performers and cooperate with us.







This evening program will feature colorful dances from all parts of India. The items are carefully blended to provide the taste of folk and classical dances of India. They are all specially assembled for Hindu Mandir and are not performed elsewhere. The taste will be further enhanced by exotic food which will follow the cultural program. Do not miss out this opportunity. Please support Hindu Mandir's fund raising efforts by bringing along your friends from other communities and American fellow workers, neighbors, and friends.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Gujarati Samaj will have Navaratri Garaba on October 4, 1986 and October 11, 1986. Please contact Haren Shroff (835-0913) to obtain details on place and time. It will be evening filled with fun and frill.
- Gujarati Samaj will have their annual dinner event on November 1, 1986. That evening will also feature a colorful folk dances from Gujarat to celebrate Diwali. The program will be held at Eden Prairie High School at 7 p.m. Contact Haren Shroff 835-0913, Naresh Gandhi 715/386-6083 for details.

APPEAL

We appeal all the Presidents of Indian associations/organizations in Twin Cities, to support the Mandir by providing generous donations and by requesting their members to provide personal donations. The Mandir is being renovated and we have to raise money to pay for the renovation. Mandir is a place where you all can come and seek peace, but it can not survive without your contribution. Please pledge for whatever you can afford. God will reward you for your generousness. You will also have a clean and organized Mandir which you will all be able to visit regularly and worship your god. Do not hesitate at all. Please come join us to support this holy cause.







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THURSDAY, OCT. 9, 1986

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"SPIRITUAL INITIATION AND MYSTICAL EXPERIENCE"

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(ADMISSION: \$5.00)

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The Temple of Cosmic Religion is organizing a World Peace Pilgrimage to Bangkok and India (Nov. 9 - 30, 1986) led by Sant Keshavadas. The itinerary includes Bangkok, Calcutta, Buddh Gaya, Vishnu Gaya, Nalanda, Bhubaneshwar, Puri, Bangalore, Tirupati, and Aurangabad. For details contact the Temple of Cosmic Religion.

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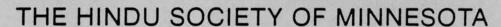
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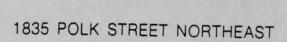
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NEWS LETTER

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Dear Friends,

I would like to congratulate you all for the wonderful job done at the Deepavali function on October 25th,1986. It was a very successful program. The whole Indian community in the twin cities seemed to come alive. Every one, starting from young children to the senior members, took very active part in it. The artistic caliber of the dances and songs was very professional. It is easy to see that several months of hard work by the teachers, participants, parents and organizers, was behind each of these performances.

The program started with the invocation by Krishna kant. I have heard Krishna sing several times before. This time he excelled over all of his previous performances. I am proud to see that he is able to preserve the art of traditional Indian music so far away from the home land. The credit also goes to his parents Nagu, herself an accomplished musician, and Raj Kant, an active advocate of keeping our Indian traditions alive.

The next item, Vande Mataram, was a fine example of the contributions to our community by the SILC. This school is run by a handful of determined parents, who have taken the difficult task of providing education in the Indian language and culture to our second generation. The school is growing every year because of the quality of its programs. I would like to wish them all the success, and would urge the community to support the SILC in every possible way.

Alexis, Raka and Mala delighted the audience with their artistic performance of Kathak. The dance was taught and choreographed by Mrs. Rita Mustaphi. Rita has command over Kathak as well as many other Indian classical dances. Besides the knowledge she is also a superb teacher. There is a natural hesitancy on the part of our children to learn any thing which is not practiced by other children in their school. However after a child comes in contact with Rita and her pupil, all the peer pressures are quickly forgotten and she becomes eager to learn the dances from Rita.





Rani Ramaswami is perhaps the most accomplished Bharat Natyam teacher in the Northern America. She has devoted her entire life to learning and teaching this ancient Indian art. It is not enough for her to teach what she already knows. She goes to India frequently to learn more from the masters in Bharat Natyam. She then imparts this knowledge to our children. We are fortunate to have a teacher like Rani in our midst. The performances by Aparna, Joslin, Miriam, Sonia, Tunki, Manjali, Aparna Kesaviah, Runa, Geetha, Veeti, and Ashwini are superb examples of her teachings and these children's hard work.

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Ketaki Jha and her students, Shefali, Swapna, Bijal, Nipa, Ami, Minita, Nimisha, Shruti, Deepa and Neeha, won the hearts of the audience with their colorful and skilled performances in the folk dance. The audience wanted to see another dance by these children, which I am sure they will get to see in the future functions, because the talent of these performers cannot be kept hidden. Ketaki has a rare talent of choreographing folk dances exquisitely, whether they are Gujrati or Marathi, as we also saw in a later performance by Tinku, Madhavi, Meena, Sujata, and above children in a Marathi folk dance. The children performed superbly in both these dances.

Shrin Fristedt is a long time resident of the twin cities. We are all familiar with her delightful voice. Together with Sabir and his Yamaha keyboard the music of the two is truly out of this world.

Rita and her students Ketaki, Alexis, Shikha, Raka, Mala, Puja, Ila and Indra shined again in the Gostholila, a Manipuri dance with very colorful costumes.

Prachi, Monisha, Semonti and Ashwini, were the little performers in the Slokam. They looked so sweet in their cute Indian dresses. They appeared to be enjoying their performances and did not have any stage fright at all.

The audience responded equally well to the devotion and hard work these young people had put in. There was pin drop silence during the performances. The applause at the end of each performance came from their hearts. They saw the goal of the collections for the Mandir and with their generosity overshot it by several thousand dollars. It was apparent that they were all united behind the cause of advancement of the culture and Hindu Religion.

If the program started right on time and flowed smoothly through out the evening, it was not by chance. Several days of work and practice by Parag Desai, Rajshree Puri, Yogen Dalal, Naresh Gandhi, Prabha Sharma, Rakesh Atreya, Raj Kant, and Ishwar Butani went behind it. These people were responsible for stage management, which is not a small task.

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Kashmira Irani deserves to be called one of the most outstanding women in the Indian community. Her achievements are numerous. She is the first reporter amongst us. Despite her busy schedule she devotes most of her spare time in public service. Her knowledge about Indian dances and her background in the field of TV journalism were only part of the reason for her excellence in being the master of ceremonies. The main reason was her enthusiasm and eagerness to help the Indian community.

Most of the people who performed or helped on the stage were able to see the program and enjoy it. There were many who helped at the ticket counter, membership booth and in the kitchen who were not even able to enjoy the program. Their biggest enjoyment was in serving all of us. Amir Chandra Mangalick greeted people at the door. Lisa Gada, Bhavin Patel, Dave Butani, and Reena Patel helped in selling tickets and soft drinks. Suresh Shah brought the soft drinks from the factory. Anshu Atreya helped where ever the help was needed. Raj Ramaswami, Mohinder Sharma, Rakesh Agarwal, Pradip Gupta, Haren Shroff, and Surendra Kashyap helped with the membership drive. Prakash Gandhi was a great help in maintaining the discipline in the auditorium.

Shail Butani did a wonderful job of feeding more than 700 people. The food was delicious and zesty. The distribution was very organized. There was even music to enrich the environment. The music tapes and equipment were provided by Anu Zednec and Sabir Hasan. The tasty food was prepared by Rita Bhatt, Neeru Dalal, Yogini Gandhi, Sudha Kothari, Dipti

Munshi, Kokila Modi, Daksha Patel, Shobhna Trevedi, Manju Upadhya, Yasudha Vora, Swaroop Gupta, Usha Sahni, Kumkum Jain, Shashi Kumar, Alka Jain, Seema Manglick, Kumud Gupta, Binu Luthra, Lata Atreya, Vijaya Aramelli, Jaya Joglekar, Vimal Dixit, Jaya Premanand, Vimal Gandhi, Kumud Sane, Usha Kumar, Nayana Ramakrishnan, Priti Tandon, Raj Chaudhury, Nagu Kant, Mahita Sathyakumar, Shail Butani, Saroj Madan, Mridula Verma, Kalpana Dash, Rita Mustaphi, Fern Panda, Kajal Chatterjee, Roma Wadhwani Asha Nath, Mridula Verma, Shashi Gupta, Anita Mehta, Sarita; kalra, Santosh Sharma, Seema Mehta, and Arti Dash. The Following people made the job of serving the food a snap and made the line of 700 people go by as fast as possible. These hardworkers are Kumud Sahgal, Bindu Soni, Mangal Panandikar, and Meera Jejurikar. Some of the volunteers for cooking also helped in serving the food. One thing which was very obvious in this program was the active participation of the children. Sabena Suri, Satish Kumar, Sanjay Kumar, Amy Butani, Sarah Butani, Dave Butani, Naman Atreya, Dev Tandon, Veeti Tandon, Sandhya Sathyakumar, Veda Panandikar, Ketaki Atreya, and Sonia Sahgal made sure that every one had water to quench their thirst while eating spicey Indian Most difficult task was left to Raj Kant, Rajiv Tandon, (Rakesh Atreya, Ishwar Butani, and R. Sathyakumar, who stayed late to clean the pots and pans and the dining room.

I am indebted to the following businesses for donating the food; Himalaya Imports, Taj Mahal, Kababi, and Sri Lanka Curry House. I wish them all the success in their endeavours. I would urge you all to reciprocate the support they have provided to all of us.

Sathyakumar helped in organizing the fund raising effort. Together with Ram Gada, Dr. Sheshakomudri, and Pranab Lahiri, his appeal brought forward a very strong commitment and suport by the Indian community. Shashi and Kumud Sane, Amir Chandra Mangalick, Yogen Dalal and Rajiv Tandon, also worked very hard to make the fund raiser a success. The total amount collected exceeded \$55,000.00. You will soon be able to see the fruits of their labor, Shashi Suri's creativity, and your generous donations at the Mandir.

The Deepavali function was the climax of the whole year's work put in by the devoted members of the executive committee and the board of trusties. Vimla Patel made sure that there was a sponsor for the satsang every Sunday at the Mandir. Whenever she could not find any one, she filled in herself. She has very graciously accepted this difficult and time consuming job again this year and will require your full support. Vimla and I would like to thank the following people for sponsoring the Sunday; Satsangs at the Mandir during 1986: Vimal Gandhi, Surendra Kakade, Lata Atreya, Kusum Saxena, Mr. and Mrs. Mehra, Mrs. Naidu, Vatsale Menon, Suman Dhuria, Suresh, Swati Lalle, Frasanna Kumar, Mr. and Mrs. Khargonekars, Neeru Dalal, Kapila, Dharam, Savita Bajaj, S. Goyal, Yogini Gandhi, Lata Rao, Mangal Panandikar, Usha Sahini, Ruchi Manglick, Shanti Mangalick, Amirchandra Manglick, Sarla Agrawal, Aparna Ganguli, Nagu Kant, Kokila Desai, Vimal Dixit, Kumud Sane, Ishwar Butani, Arun Shirole, Padma Keshavalu, R. and Mahita Sathyakumar, Sashi Gupta, Raj Maheshwari, Lata Iyer, Raj Chaudhury, Daksha Patel, Vijaya Aarimilli, Pramila, Neena Kumar and many other voluanteers who helped in making Prasad from time to time.

Four very learned scholars have made the Sunday Satsangs very worthwhile. Shashi Sane, Prasanna Kumar, Krishna Mohan Saxena, and Professor Anant Rambachan, are working very hard to translate the message of Gita and Ramayana in simple and easily understandable form for all of us. Ishwar Butani came to the Mandir on several occasions at odd hours, to make sure the furnace was running properly, to file report of vandalism, and to see that the doors were locked. He came every Sunday promptly at 10.00 A.M. to vacuum the rug and sweep the floor. He also supervised the construction. This kind of devotion is not easy to find. Ishwar has also accepted this responsibility again this year. Please help him in keeping the Mandir clean.

Yogen Dalal has started a project which will make the Mandir self sufficient in future, and will also make things easier for

the members. Yogen, Mohinder Sharma, and Surendra Kashyap have established a system capable of transferring your monthly pledges into the Mandir's account automatically. This will simplify accounting, reduce the time and energy spent in collecting the funds and also reduce the burden on the members. They have also been working on updating the database. It is a tedious and hard job. Yogen has worked extra hard to bring all the Mandir records upto date. He has started a new system of accounting which will be extremely useful to the future treasurers of the Mandir. He also got the last three year's records audited. He is a man with tremendous will and foresight. We will surely miss Yoogen in the next year's committee. I am glad that there are devoted people like Yogen, Mohinder and Surendra to carry on this mission.

Rakesh Atreya is a unique person. He is a bundle of energy. He is extremely well organized and also has multiple talents. He works extremely well with children. That is why he is in charge of the youth programs. Everything that he has done so far, including annual fall picnic, Valley Fair outings, lock in parties, ski trips, and satsang at the Mandir by the children has met with great success. He commands great respect amongst the children, that is why when he asked my daughter Sonia to write the names of all the children winning the prizes on the certificates, Sonia was glad to oblige. Shiv Ram Murti was his right hand for last three years. Even though Shiv Ram has moved to Wisconsin, I am sure he will continue to work with us in any way he can. I am happy that Rakesh has once again taken charge of the youth committee.

Nagu Kant also has multiple talents. Besides being an accomplished classical singer, excellent cook, and a working mother, she has a knack of teaching religion to the young children using stories. She tells the stories simultaneously while the Gita and Ramayana discourses are going on in the main auditorium. The children love her and the parents appreciate her services very much. She has also accepted to carry on her work this year and hopefully for many more years to come.

Raj Kant has special interest in the religious books. He has been in the process of organizing a small but useful library at the Mandir. He has also accepted to be in charge of the library committee next year. Very soon all of you will be able to appreciate the magnitude of his hard labor.

Rajshree Puri had a very busy year. Beginning from the job of master of ceremony at the Deepavali function at the Mandir in 1985, to the job of the stage director in the recent Deepavali function, she has devoted countless hours in the service of the community. She has total control on the situation at all times, even if there is panic all around her. With Rajshree in charge, you can count on all the functions starting on time. She will be the chairwomen of the cultural committee this year. I am sure, you will see her impact on the quality of all the programs during the coming year.

The responsibility, of either publishing the Patrika, or organizing the cultural programs, alone is enormous. Parag Desai took upon himself to carry out both of these. The quality of the Patrika and the Deepavali program illustrate how enigmatically he worked all year. Organization of a large function has two components. Firstly one has to assure the excellence of each item, and place it in the program where it fits best, secondly one has to deal with a lot of people and make sure that no one is unhappy with his or her role. It is the second part which tests an organizer's skills. Parag demonstrated his superiority in both these fields. I would also like to congratulate him and his wife Gopi. who worked with him as a team for a job well done. They also became proud parents of a baby boy this year.

Govind Shah did an outstanding job as a secretary this year. He spent many hours on his typewriter and telephone working for the executive committee and board of trusties. This is a full time job by itself. I am very thankful to Govind for making my job so much easier.

Kumud Sane is well known to many of you as your children, s pediatrician. She, along with her husband Sashi, has been a pioneer in the religious circle of the twin cities. As a chairwomen of the board of trusties of the Hindu Society of Minnesota she has done an outstanding job this year. She helped in every field, starting from cooking and cleaning to the administrative duties. It amazes me how she can find time for public service from her busy schedule. This is possible because of her firm determination to help the Indian community succeed in maintaining its heritage, culture and religion.

This year I attended the Hindu Mandir Camp at the Telemark Lodge in Wisconsin for the first time. I had known about Shashi Sane's immense knowledge in Gita and other religious books, his talent in teaching, and his abilities as a radiologist and a researcher, but this was the first time I saw his organizing talent up close. He did a wonderful job of putting the whole program together in such a way that the children attending it enjoyed every item, including the religious teachings, thoroughly. By the end of the camp all the children and the adults remembered the Sanskrit prayers by heart. In addition he was an excellent tennis coach and swimming instructor. I am eagerly waiting for the next year's camp under his leadership.

Pranab Lahiri's talents are widely known. His interests in music, art and religion make him an ideal candidate for the president of the Hindu Society of Minnesota next year. It was evident at the time of the Deepavali function that our community is united and very dynamic. Pranab's goals for the next year are difficult but with his ability and with the help of all of you, he will have no difficulty in realizing them. I wish him all the luck.

I would like to thank the India Club, Gujrati Samaj, Marathi Community, Hindu Dharmic Sabha, Tamil Association, Bengali Association, Minnesota Telgu Association, Kannada Kuttam, and Malayalam Association, for helping the Mandir in many ways this year and would hope that this support contineus for years to

of the Indian Institute also saw the start This year Several members of our Building project by the Gita Ashram. community have been working hard on this project for a number of years. I wish them all the success. It will be a great asset to our community.

I enjoyed working with all of you during the last year. Thank you for providing me this opportunity. I wish you all a very happy and prosperous new year.

Kamal Sahgal

In appreciation of the services provided by various community members, Hindu Mandir has awarded certificates of achievement. Some of the people have yet not taken their certificates. Please contact Mr. Kamal Sahgal or come in during Sunday morning prayer to obtain your certificate.

- Kamal Sahgal

In early part of 1987, a MANDIR News Letter will be published to out line the events of 1987. The MANDIR is being renovated and if you have not been recently in the MANDIR, you may be glad to know that renovation is progressing very well. We intend to have an open house on an auspicious day in early 1987. In the meantime, keeping in touch by attending Sunday prayers.

- Parag Desai

That Being which is the Subtlest Essence of all. The Supreme Reality. Thou art That.

— Chandoqya Upanishad

Ignorance creates The Self of all that exists, All other obstacles.

-Patanjali's "Yoga Aphorisms"



Of the many riddles That have perplexed The intellect of man, The most intricate is himself - Swami Vivekananda





HINDUISM IN USA

Dr. Mahesh Mehta General Secretary - V H P of America

WE have gathered here in the Rock Eagle Park 4H Center, Eatonton, Georgia on the occasion of Second Southeastern Regional Conference. The Conference Committee has selected very appropriate subject matter, particularly for the Hindu community in USA and also it would benefit in general anyone interested in raising his awareness about the principles and practices of Hinduism. During my presentation I would make an humble effort to focus on the keynote of the Conference, namely, Hinduism in U.S.A. Within the broad scope of this title the Conference would deal with the basic tenets of Hinduism, how it could be practised in the environment of the adopted home, ways and means to preserve and propagate this philosophy for universal brotherhood, the role of individuals and community to generate a congenial environment to reinforce the faith of those interested in the religious, cultural and social aspects of Hinduism.

During my talk and also throughout the Conference it is important to bear in mind that the term Hinduism is used in its broadest sense to include the principles and practices of all faiths having their origin in the Holy land of Bharat (India). Thus Hindu and Hinduism reflect the cultural Ethos of Bharat and hence includes Sikhism, Jainism, Buddhism, It includes all those who call themselves Advaitins or Vishista Advaitins, dualists, whether they call themselves, the followers of the path of Knowledge or the path of Action (প্রামানী) or the path of Devotion (প্রাপ্তিন পার্টা). Parishad has created this platform to include all people, people with highest spiritual aspirations, intellectuals, and simple hearted people practicing some rituals worshipping animals, birds or trees. Hinduism recognises both materialists and spiritualists, theists and atheists.

From such a definition it becomes clear that Hinduism cannot be called a philosophy or a well

defined religion with origins outside of Bharat. The manifestations of Hinduism range from highly intellectual philosophies to the naive and child-like ritual practices of the masses.

For most of us in this auditorium these facts would mean that even the usage of term Hinduism is not appropriate. Normally we refer to isms as a set of principles as propounded or proposed by some individuals, prescribed in some books.

I feel that a better word could be Hinduness or Hindu Dharma. Unfortunately, when the concepts of one culture are presented thru a foreign language, the limitations associated with the usage of the term in that language get attached to these words.

Two such terms Dharma (Eraf) and Sanskriti have been quite confused by many. Dharma includes religion but is not synonymous with religion. The closest English version of Dharma is the Law of Being. Dharma is the force that sustains the entity. be it individual, organization, government or society. Dharma is not confined to temples, mosques or churches. Temples do serve the purpose of orienting individuals to the path of Dharma. However, just as universities do not constitute knowledge so also temples do not constitute Dharma. An individual may keep visiting temples without understanding Dharma just as a student may sit in the class-room. like a lotus in a pond, untouched by the instructions from the teacher. The principles of Dharma are Eternal and Universal. The great seers of Bharat dwelled deep in the state of Samadhi and revealed these principles as the laws governing the relationship of individuals (ट्यांट), society (सर्मान्ट), environment (광턴) and Ultimate Reality - God

These Eternal and Universal principles are implemented differently according to place and period of existence. Human beings need food for

sustaining their bodies and hence eating becomes a necessary Dharma. However, what to eat, how much to eat, when to eat would be dictated by the conditions of existence. It is good to remember that fasting can also be prescribed as Dharma for disciplining the mind or for regaining health.

The principles and practices revealed by the Great Seers came to be known as Sanatana Dharma or Hindu Dharma to recognise the contributions made by the people who not only revealed these fundamentals but made sacrifices through centuries to preserve and propagate these principles for the benefit of human society. These principles of Dharma are as valid as the principles of physics not bound by geographical locations. These principles can be applied by all irrespective of whether they are Hindus or not. All will derive the same benefits just as proper applications of the principles of light, electricity, magnetism or motion would help any individual.

Let us review these Eternal principles of Hindu Dharma. The sources of these principles are the Four Vedas (Shruti) the books of knowledge. They are never written, never created, they have existed throughout time, just as creation is infinite and eternal, without beginning and without end, so is the knowledge of God (Ref. Essentials of Hinduism — Swami Vivekananda). The Upanishads, twelve primary and over 108 in all, contain the essence of spiritual message of Vedas. The young English nobel laureate physicist Josephson, says that, "The Vedas are the inspiration of the Absolute." Thus Vedanta or Shruti are the ultimate authority for the followers of Hinduism.

Next to Vedanta comes Smritis. Smritis are complied by Sages (Parasara, Yajnavalkya, Manu). These are law books giving details regarding the duties of human beings, including duties of rulers, administration of civil and criminal law, the sanitary measures and the penances prescribed for various sins.

The masses have imbibed the spirit of Vedanta through the popular form of Puranas and two great epics Ramayana and Mahabharata — the pillars of cultural life of Hindus. Lord Rama and Lord Krishna worshipped as incarnations of Vishnu, have become the ideals for all men.

THE ESSENTIALS OF HINDUISM:

ॐ ईशा वास्यमिदः सर्वं यत्किञ्च जगत्यां जगत्। तेन त्यक्तेन भुञ्जीषा मा गृधः कस्यस्विद्धनम् ॥ १॥

The entire cosmos is pervaded by Almighty God or Existence is God. This is Absolute Truth, on which rests the Hindu view of life. This is a direct experience of REALITY (Brahman). It emphasises the unity or non-duality in the apparent duality of the world. The basic oneness of the universe is the most important revelation of modern physics. It becomes obvious as one penetrates matter to fathom subatomic particles. In Atomic Physics the limitations arises because there is an observer and the observed. Hindu seers have gone beyond that limitation where subject and object fuse into a unified undifferentiated whole. Thus Upanishad says:

Where there is a duality, as it were, there one sees another; there one smells another, there one tastes another. But where everything has become just one's own self, then whereby and whom would one smell? Then whereby and whom would one taste?

Brihaad-aranyaka Upanishad - 4:5:15

Finding the principles of ultimate Reality and hence unity in the existence, our great seers unfolded yet another eternal principle and said:

Thousands of years back when man in most parts of the world had hardly learned to walk erect, our forefathers pronounced the idea of spiritual freedom. Every man is capable of realising the Absolute Truth. As a matter of fact that is the only real goal of human existence. He is free to choose his path according to his mental aptitude. The multitude of sects and deities among Hindus has resulted from this great principle. Our young children going to schools in this country face the question about so many forms of Gods and Goddesses. Do remember that according to Hinduism God is One, the manifestations are many. The bewildering variety of sects and subsects like Shaiva, Vaishnava, Shakta, Vaidik, Bouddha, Jain, Sikh, Lingayat, Arya Samaj etc. are contained within the elastic frame of Dharma. The following verse describes this beautifully:





complacent and timid

यं श्रेवाः सम्पासते श्रिव इति ब्रह्मोति बेटान्तिनो बौदा बुद्ध इति ममाणपटवः इतैति नैय्यायिकः। अर्दिनत्युत जैनशासनरताः कर्मे ति पीनांसकाः सोटपं वो विद्यात वांजितफलं त्रैलोक्यनाथी हरि:॥

He whom the Shaivas worship as Shiva, the Vedantins as Brahman, the Bouddha as Buddha, the Naiyayayiks (rationalists) as Karta, the Jains as Arhan, the Memamsaka as Karma, may He the Lord of three worlds fulfill our desires.

This great Realization led them to yet another iewel of Manay Dharma

Iyam Nija Paro Veti Gananam Laghuchetasam Udar Charitanam Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam

The narrow feelings of mine and yours, belong to those with little minds. For those who have experienced the ultimate consciousness the world is a family.

This vision of Vedic seers became the guiding principle of Hindu society. When Bharat was at the! peak of its power and pelf, when it was the great center of learning for people from all over the world, Hindu armies never marched to other countries to take possession of their lands or wealth. The great enunciates from Hindustan went all over the world to spread the message of universal brotherhood. The : mprints of this great heritage are alive in all these countries even after several centuries. We owe it to the Sanyasins of Bharat.

Friends, we can walk with our heads high for being the heirs of such a great philosophy, such a noble nation. It is extremely important for us to bear these facts in our mind to discharge our obligations to ourselves and to mankind. If Hinduism cannot be the beacon light for humanity which other philosphy or Way of Life could be?

Forthermore, I would like to draw your attention to the great contributions made by Hindus in the fields of arts, literature, physical sciences, mathematics, humanities, social institutions, marine voyages, practically all walks of life. Vishwa Hindu Parishad has prepared a special Art Exhibition to increase the awareness of everyone. Please do not carry the incompelte picture by thinking of Hindus as spiritualists always meditating on God and ignoring the human life.

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Before I make any attempt to deal with the practice of Hinduism in America. I would like to mention briefly regarding the current socio-political scene of Bharat. The growing tensions and violence, hatred amongst brothers, the exploitation of women by system of dowery, the practise of untouchability

large scale corruption and host of other maladies are afflicting Hindu society back home. One can find many reasons to explain these conditions. It is: definitely a manifestation of the ignorance and resulting lack of self-respect caused by drying up of the spiritual and cultural springs for past several centuries. Hindu society has gone through a constant struggle against foreign invasions for more than twelve hundred years. This struggle has exhausted and impoverished the masses. The foreign influence has percolated to intellegentsia through the process of education. The leadership has shown lack of courage, clarity of national vision and helped in creating crisis of character. I do not intend to dwell on this subject but touch the facts to draw your attention that current status of Hindu society is a state of EMERGENCY and needs attention in a special intensive care unit.

HINDUISM IN USA:

It was in 1893, ninetytwo years ago, the great son of Bharat, Swami Vivekananda addressed the World Parliament of Religions at Chicago and inspired the western mind with the Vedantic vision. This was the beginning of a new era. Its full impact will be realized in 21st century. The western mind, always under the influence of christianity with a founder prophet and one book showing the road map to salvation, was bewildered, astonished and awestricken by the concept of spiritual freedom of Vedantic philosophy. Then came Parmhansa Yogananda and founded the Self-Realization Society. Now hundreds and thousands of Americans have adopted the practice of Hinduism by way of Yoga, Meditation, Vegetarianism and Devotion. The spiritual message of Vedanta is carried in one form or the other by many institutions like Ramakrishna Mission. Chinmaya Mission, Transcendental Society, Hare Krishna, and spiritual centres of Swami Muktananda. Swami Satchidananda and others.

In the past two decades there has been a large influx of Hindus from Bharat, Africa, West Indies, South American Countries, Burma in U S A. Following these first generation Hindus, there is a slow trickle of dependents. Among these dependents are old parents. Furthermore, the second generation

married and now have their children. With this size of Hindu community a variety of issues are coming up everywhere in U S A. These issues, primarily cultural or social demand attention from community. Death, terminal sickness, loss of jobs, stress related to

life style and its consequences need attention. The issues of dating, marraige, divorce and even suicides are faced by our community. Even providing necessary cultural imprints (स्रेस्फोर) to the young generation has become a tough challenge. The community has shown a great initiative and established social groups, built temples, started language classes, organized camps, and celebrations of festivals to meet these situations.

U S A as our home, a country predominantly with Biblical cultural view of life, high pace of life and cut--throat competition. The first generation of Hindus came well-prepared with professional education and hence got a good start. Also do not forget the sound cultural imprints that we carried along from Mother Land - Bharat. These factors have allowed us to survive and make a mark in USA. However, by the mere law of statistical distribution the second generation children will not all be topnotch professionals. Borthers and sisters from same families. will slide into different economic strat of society. This would also mean different strata of values of life. The second generation and third generation Hindus will have truck drivers, plumbers and all types of service workers. There is nothing wrong in being anyone of them. The issue would be the exposure to the cultural value systems, the environment, not congenial to Hindu Way of Life. Only individuals with strong will could come out uninfluenced. This would accelerate the process of degeneration. In Bharat the cultural ethos is Hindu and hence individuls in every strata of society will get an opportunity to breathe in the values of Hindu life. Please ponder over this issue.

It is important to understand that I am not pointing to the fear of erosion of Hindu values. I would rather emphasize the erosion of the personal happiness, family happiness of our coming generations in USA.

The natural consequence of this phenomenon would be a loss to the entire U S society. The Hindu philosophy has to be lived by the heirs of Hindus. Others would need examples to follow, mere theory would not suffice.

If we fail to assess this situation we would be has attained youth and in many instances they have. blamed by the future generations for being ignorant,

WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

First and foremost make an all out effort to educate your children in the fundamentals of Hinduism. This is where our spiritual and religious leaders have to provide excellent service. Let each Sanyasin interpret the dynamic and scientic nature of Hindu View of Life. Let all these institutions be fearless in imparting the essential principles. There should be absolutly no compromise at this level. The spiritual teachers from Ramakrishna Mission. Chinmaya Mission, Divya Jivan Sangh and others become power houses flooding the minds of the second generation of Hindus with vedantic vision. Let all of us do what is needed to achieve this goal. Let us assess the reality of life. We have selected Also do not forget that within four walls of your home, you have to provide an environment for Hindu Values. This does not mean giving advice to your children or criticising them. This means you practise them (आविशिध्में). Hindus have enough freedom to decide what practices they can follow. A family shrine, praying togather, dining togather being respectful to elders, keeping your doors open for guests, understanding duties, sharing feelings with friends, being compassionate to needy and disadvataged people. Adopt any practise which suits your family,s aptitude, background and which is in agreement with the basic principles of Hindu Dharma.

The next important step of practicing and propagating Hindu Smaskaras is to learn the great value of unity. While we may enjoy individual spiritual and religious practises, we should not forget that the practical expression of these values lies in social and cultural life of people. People with all different rituals will need to come togather, recognize the underlying unity and work togather to focus on issues faced by the entire Hindu community in USA. Vishwa Hindu Parishad has taken up this responsibility. Parishad emphasises the need of serving the society with the spirit of Dharma. Parishad platform emphasises the need for Teamwork, selfless service for the society, life of discipline and sacrifice and a social vision. Please recollect our history. Hindus have been good in their personal rituals for thousands of years. But we have failed to respond to the social needs. For many centuries we have used the garb of spirituality and become fatalist. The society degenerated to the present state because we emphasized individual Moksha without grasping its true meaning. Swami Vivekananda was so much pained by this sight that he said. "Make a bundle of your Moksha and throw it in the ocean." So far as even one Hindu is in misery, you have an obligation to help him. Vishwa Hindu Parishad emphasizes Love for Hindu society as a must for all

irrespective of their creeds.

Parisahd emphasies the need to have people inspired by the principles of Hindu Dharma, becoming selfless workers in society.

Many other organisations are trying to work in society. But I would like to focus the wrong practices accepted by many. Social work is service to God. The institutions, community groups, temples should imbibe this spirit. What I see around me is a struggle for personal glory, recognition, attachment to the title of office bearers, cheap publicity, personal success as driving forces in individuals coming forward for social work. Let us wake up and tell them it is enough.

Instead of working towards the cherished goals of the organizations, Hindu community groups are busy soliciting eachother's support at office bearer's level. Tell them to reach out to the members of these groups. Friends, the task is great. Glory of Hinduism should be the driving force, not your personal glory. The day all these hundreds and hundreds of little groups will accept the path of selfless service, Hindu society will be charged up with dynamic spirit.

Parishad emphasises the need for personal sacrifice, getting involved, devoting your time and energy to the cause. Please do not wait and watch for a comfortable and convenient time of life to begin this work. That time will never come. Just as you have an obligation to your family, you have a natural obligation to society. The cultural imprints that you have carried are not through your personal and family contributions only. Society has done a great contribution in your outlook. You owe it to the society. One need not be completely free of every other responsibility to work for society. Social work is our personal Dharma. If we fail to discharge our obligations, the negative results of that neglect will be seen during our own life time. Parishad platform would bring all faiths togather and discuss periodically the issues touching the lives of Hindus in USA.

Vishwa Hindu Parishad has therefore adopted programs and projects to generate individuals with these unifying vision. Parishad doors are open to all Hindu community groups. We emphasise objectivity, sacrifice and dedication to social work. Programs and projects are means and not an end in itself.

Finally, individuals who have a flare for running

projects they also should go through the first two stages namely developing understanding of Dharma and having a unifying vision and inspiration. These individuals can now reach out to the society for help.

There is no need to be jealous of other groups or individuals. You have immense opportunity to try your skills and abilities.

Restating breifly, Hindu community has to make a three-pronged approach for establishing the practice of Hinduism on a sound basis.

- 1 To learn the principles and practices of Hinduism. To develop deep seated love and admiration for these values.
- 2. To come togather on a unifying platform like the Parishad and evaluate the needs of Hindu community in U.S.A.
- 3. To develop progrms and projects to satisfy innumerable needs.

I pray to the Almighty God to give us the character befitting to be His instruments. I seek blessings from our Guru Jan to be our guides in the journey of spiritual unfoldment through social service. I humbly request you all to ponder over the subject-matter and contribute your mite to live up to the demands of our times.

Aum Shantihi, Shantihi, Shantihi

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Danamana

The transliteration of the is sambbūti. It is the word with which the fourteenth verse of the Isa Upaniṣad begins. The main purpsose of the Isa Upaniṣad is to teach the essential unity of God and the world, or being and becoming. It teaches that life in this world and life in the Divine Spirit are not incompatible. The fourteenth verse of the Isa Upaniṣad is as follows:

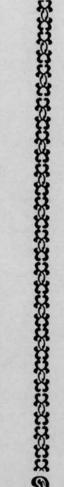
सम्भूति च विनाशं च यस्तद् वेदोभयः सह। विनाशेन मृत्युं तीर्त्वा सम्भूत्यामृतमञ्जूते॥१४॥

sambhūtim ca vināśam ca vas tad vedobhavam saha vināśena mṛṭyum tīrtvā sambhūtyā amṛṭam aśnute.

He who understands the manifest and the unmanifest both together, crosses death through the unmanifest and attains life eternal through the manifest.²

 The Principal Upanisads, ed. and trans. S. Radhakrishnan (London: George Allen, 1953), p. 576.

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^{1.} Sambbūti means "the manifest" or "the lord of the phenomenal world." Robert Ernest Hume translates the word as "becoming" (The Thirteen Principal Upanubadi [London: Oxford Unix Press, 1921], p. 364).

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Dear Friends,
I wish to take this opportunity to wish you all Happy Diwali and Merry Christmas. There will be one more News Letter before the year ends. I thank you all for giving me an opportunity to serve you and Mandir via this publication. I hope you enjoyed reading the Mandir News Letter. I enjoyed publishing it. I am confident that next year's executive committee and publication chairperson will continue to improve this publication further. I appeal to you all to support the Mandir through generous donation and contribution of your services.

Thank You, Parag Desai, Chair person, Publication committee, 1986

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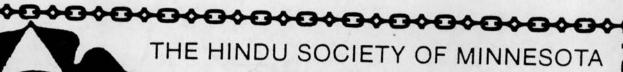
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NEWS LETTER

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THE RESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Dear Friends.

My thanks to Kamal Sahgal, the past president, and his associates for doing an excellent job last year and starting the current committee on a sound footing. He was able to create an increased awareness in the community for the usage of the Mandir and its facilities .

The Mandir renovation work is almost complete. The big hall required thick insulation all over the wall, sheetrocking, painting, repair of cracks in the ceiling, installation of new light fixtures and new powerful audio system with four speakers, cleaning and polishing of the floor and the benches, new carpeting (not yet installed) and renovation of the balcony. The benches in the balcony have been scrapped to be replaced later. The altar to put up the Deities has been designed in a temple like setting. I am sure the next time you visit the Mandir you will appreciate the aesthetics of the renovated setting and will feel proud to be part of the project.

The committee for 1987 is blessed with the talent and dedication of a group of energetic volunteers. A list of the committee members is published in this news letter. Different committee members have set goals for the year and are now laying out plans to pursue those. There will be eight publications of this news letter and financial statements will be published at least twice. More emphasis will be placed on the upkeep and the maintenance of the building. Of course there will be cultural programs along with the Mandir festivals. Vasantpanchami was celebrated on Feb. 8 with a program of music and dance. The youth group planned a ski trip on Jan. 31 to the Wilderness mountain. Their schedule of

other activities will be published in the next news letter. The membership committee has the most important task of generating funds. The committee will look forward to your generous donations to keep the facility and the programs running.

The Satsang committee has the arduous task of running the satsang every Sunday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, which means advance planning and scheduling of speakers and sponsors and related works. The satsang committee will greatly appreciate your sponsoring the satsang on a sunday. Please call the committee a few weeks in advance to schedule. I may reiterate the responsibilities for the satsang sponsorship:

i) Sponsor performs AArti with family and friends.

ii) Make sure the AArti area, the dias and the general area are clean for devotional activity.

iii) Provide Prasad for devotees after AArti. The prasad may consist of fruits and nuts or a simple lunch.

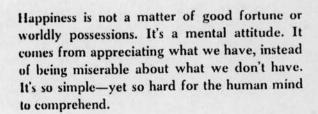
So please sponsor a satsang with your family and friends and enjoy the gratification of hosting the activity. This is not only a spiritual activity, it is a social event too.

I appeal to you to use the Mandir by attending the satsang and other activities. Without your participation the Mandir is just a building. The usage of the Mandir building is at your disposal. If you want to use the Mandir for AArti or other devotional activities at your convenience at any other time during the week, please contact me for opening the building. For scheduling any activity (religious programs, cultural programs, meetings, rehersals, birthday parties etc.) please arrange for reservations with the satsang committee.

Lastly, if you have any suggestions, concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank You,

Pranab Lahiri



Dear Friends,

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I would like to thank and congratulate each and everyone of you for making 1986 such a banner year for our Hindu Mandir! Your active and enthusiastic participation in our regular weekly Sunday Satsangs was the key. Special celebrations such as Holi, Ramnavmi, Mahavir Jayanti, Krishna Janmashtami, Ganesh Chaturthi, and Durga Puja showed special dedication and devotion. The Deepawali celebration at the St. Anthony Highschool was truly the climax for the year 1986. Without the overwhelming support from our community, we could not have raised more than \$50,000 in one single evening for the purpose of the much needed renovations of our Mandir.

I would be remiss in my duties if I did not thank all the trustee members in general and R. Sathyakumar in particular for giving their time, energy and generous contributions for the Mandir Renovation Project. I am looking forward to working with Mr. Mahendra Nath, the incoming vice-chairperson of the Board of Trustees. It is with great pleasure I welcome Ms. Shashi Gupta, Dr. Jayant Damle (Fargo), Mr. Dash, Mr. Stalekar, and Mr. Umesh Mangalick as the new trustee member.

Special thanks and congratulations are in order for Dr. Kamal Sahgal and his entire Executive Working Committee. Dr. Sahgal with his soft spoke gentle manner and well organized, intensely dedicated actions set the tone for his entire team of hard workers. He tried his level best to get the entire community together and for the most part he succeeded. Even though, he has passed his baton to his worthy successor Mr. Pranab Lahiri, Kamal will continue to make solid contributions as a very active trustee member.

Pranab is not a newcomer to the Hindu Mandir activities. He has worked as a very active member in various committees and his active and enthusiastic participation in our annual Durga Puja celebrations is well recognized. He has been very fortunate in having a very talented and dedicated group of individuals on his team for 1987. I with great deal of excitement look forward to working with him and his Executive Working Committee in this new year.

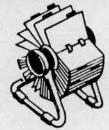
Without the unselfish dedicated efforts of Mr. Shashi Suri, the renovation project could not have gotten underway and already on the way to completion. Kindly visit the Mandir to appreciate the beautiful job being done under the stewardship of Shashi. I am certain that he would like to hear from you as to your impressions. All of us are greatly indebted to Shashi Suri.

These improvements in our Mandir are just the beginning. The work must continue until the entire Mandir, particularly the lower level, is colourfully renovated. Let us make neatness, cleanliness and serenity of the Mandir a direct reflection of our community and culture. Let us all continue to work together so that our children will have the benefit of learning, assimilating and practicing our Hindu philosophy. Let us not lose the momentum of 1986 and strive to make 1987 a year of even greater success.

Wishing you all
Peace and Hapiness
Kumud S. Sane
(Chairperson Board of Trustees)

CALENDAR

of forthcoming events





INDIAN FESTIVALS AT MANDIR

SUNDAY, JAN 18 SUNDAY, JAN 25 SUNDAY, FEB 1 SUNDAY, MARCH 1 SUNDAY, MARCH 15 SUNDAY, APRIL 5 SUNDAY, APRIL 5 SUNDAY, APRIL 12 SUNDAY, MAY 24 SUNDAY, AUG 9 SATURDAY, AUG 15 SUNDAY, AUG 16 FRI-SUN, AUG 28-30 SUNDAY, OCT 4 SUNDAY, OCT 4 SUNDAY, OCT 4 SUNDAY, OCT 25 SUNDAY, OCT 25 SUNDAY, OCT 25 SUNDAY, OCT 25 SUNDAY, NOV 8 SUNDAY, DEC 27 SUNDAY, DEC 27

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Interested students must submit a completed application and recommendation form filled out by their junior high school counselor, teacher, or principal. Registration deadline is May 15, 1987. Mail forms to:

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Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans

OUR BEGINNINGS

The Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans was created by the 1985 Minnesota Legislature and the Council Members were appointed in September 1985.

OUR MISSION

The Mission of the Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans is to ensure that Asians in Minnesota are more fully incorporated into the governmental and policy-making process; that they have better access to state government services; that the talents and resources of the Asian Community be used and promoted where appropriate, and to assist others in their contact with Asians.

OUR COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

The Council has thirteen (13) members, nine of which are appointed by the Governor and are representative of the Asian-Pacific Community in Minnesota. The other four members are non-voting members of the Minnesota Senate and the Minnesota House of Representatives.

OUR LEGISLATIVE MANDATES

The Legislation in which the Council was created mandated the following duties:

- ADVISE the Governor and the Legislature on issues confronting the Asian-Pacific people in this State, including the unique problems of non-English-speaking immigrants and refugees;
- 2. ADVISE the Governor and the Legislature of Administrative and Legislative changes necessary to ensure Asian-Pacific people access to benefits and services provided to the people in this State;

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- 3. RECOMMEND to the Governor and the Legislature any revisions in the State's Affirmative Action Program and other steps necessary to eliminate the underutilization of Asian-Pacific people in the State's work force;
- 4. RECOMMEND to the Governor and the Legislature legislation designed to improve the Economic and Social conditions of the Asian-Pacific people in this State;
- 5. SERVE as a conduit to State Government for organizations of Asian-Pacific people in this State;
- 6. SERVE as a Referral Agency to assist Asian-Pacific people in securing access to state agencies and programs;
- 7. SERVE as a Liaison with the Federal Government, the Local Government Units and Private Organizations on matters relating to the Asian-Pacific people of this State;
- 8. PERFORM or contract for the performance of studies designed to suggest solutions to the problems of Asian-Pacific people in the areas of education, employment, human rights, health, housing, social welfare, and other related areas;
- IMPLEMENT programs designed to solve the problems of Asian-Pacific people when authorized by other law;
- 10. PUBLICIZE the accomplishments of Asian-Pacific people and their contributions to this State;
- 11. WORK with other State and Federal Agencies and Organizations to develop Small Business Opportunities and promote Economic Development for Asian-Pacific Minnesotans;
- 12. SUPERVISE the development of an Asian-Pacific Trade Primer, outlining Asian and Pacific Customs, Cultural Traditions, and Business Practices, including Language Usage for the use of the Minnesota's Export Community; and
- 13. COOPERATE with other State and Federal Agencies and organizations to develop improved State Trade Relations with Asian and Pacific countries;
- 14. ALSO, State Departments and Agencies shall consult with the Council concerning any application for federal money that will have its primary effect on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans before development of the Application. The Council shall advise the Governor and the Commissioner of Finance concerning any State Agency Request that will have its primary effect on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans.

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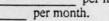
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Announcing...

The Chairperson of the Satsang Committee will require a \$25.00 refundable deposit before the key to the Mandir can be obtained.

There is a \$25.00 fee for the use of the Mandir facilities by private parties and bona fide non-profit organizations. Bona fide non-profit organizations do not have to pay when using the Mandir for rehearsals.

III. The Mandir will require 20% of proceeds resulting from fees charged for classes conducted on the premises.

IV. The Mandir will receive all proceeds whenever there is an aarti by any organization.

When religious speakers are invited to the Mandir, the Executive Committee will decide the terms on a case by case basis.

USMAF AGRA PROJECT

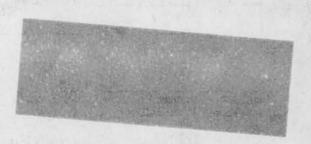
We urge you to watch WOOO TV coverage of P.C. Mangalick's Agra Project. The USMAF was founded by Mr. P.C. Mangalick and Shanti, his wife, two years ago. The first project is a 200 bed General Hospital to be located in Agra, Mr. Mangalick's home city.

In November 1986, an "Eye Camp" was organized by the USMAF and VOSH (Voluntary Opticians in the Service of Humanity) and was held in Agra. Forty opticians, optometrists, medical doctors, dentists, and nurses from the United States, England and Wales participated. WCCO TV sent a two person crew to cover this event.

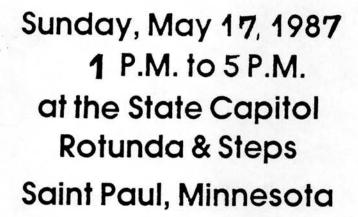
Segments of the WCCO coverage will be shown during the 10:00 p.m. news on the nights of February 16-19, 1987. On Sunday, February 22nd a special thirty minute presentation on health conditions in India will be aired at 8:30 p.m. This will include coverage on the Agra Project. The aim of this presentation will be to show how Minnesotans are involved in this humanitarian effort.

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	4. Moo Shu Pork, served with 2 pancakes		4.75		5.45
	5. BBQ Pork with Vegetables		4.65		5.35
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1	7. Sweet and Sour Chicken		4.55		5.25
18	8. Princess Chicken (Hot)		5.05		5.75
1	9. Tachin Chicken (Hot)		5.30		6.00
2	0. Hot and Spicy Chicken (Hot)		5.05		5.75
2	1. Almond Chicken		4.65		5.35
2	2. Mandarin Chicken		4.55		5.25
2	3. Moo Goo Gai Pan		5.30		6.00
2	4. Chicken with Vegetables		4.55		5.05
2	5. Curry Chicken		5.05		5.75
2	6. Cashew Chicken		5.05		5.75
2	7. Fragrant Chicken (Hot)	3.85	4.65	4.55	5.35
	BEEF				
2	8. Beef with Broccoli	3.95	4.75	4.65	5.45
2	9. Pepper Steak	4.10	4.90	4.80	5.60
	0. Fragrant Beef (Hot)	3.95	4.75	4.65	5.45
	1. Mongolian Beef (Hot)	3.95	4.75	4.65	5.45
3	2. Beef with Snow Peas	3.95	4.75		5.45
3	3. Curry Beef		4.90		5.60
	4. Sauteed Beef with Potatoes		4.75		5.45
3	5. Beef with Pineapples, Onion and Green Pepper		4.75		5.45
3	6. Beef with Vegetables		4.75		5.45
3	7. Beef with Bean Sprouts	3.95	4.75	4.65	5.45

SHRIMP		
38. Sweet and Sour Shrimps	4.25	4.05 5.75
39. Fragrant Shrimp (Hot)	4.25 5.05 4.55 5.35	4.95 5.75
40. Shrimp and Lobster Sauce	4.55 5.35	5.25 6.05
41. Tung Ting Shrimp	4.55 5.35	5.25 6.05
42. Shrimp with Vegetables	4.55 5.35	5.25 6.05
43. Shrimp with Broccoli	4.55 5.35	5.25 6.05
44. Shrimp, Fried Bean Curd and Vegetables		5.25 6.05
45. Shrimp with Onions, Pineapples and Green Pepper	4.85 5.65	5.55 6.35
46. Shrimp with Bean Sprouts	4.55 5.35 4.55 5.35	5.25 6.05 5.25 6.05
	4.55 5.35	5.25 6.05
LOW MEIN		
47. Chicken Low Mein	3.85 4.65	4.55 5.35
48. Pork Low Mein	3.85 4.65	4.55 5.35
49. Beef Low Mein	4.00 4.80	4.70 5.50
50. Shrimp Low Mein	4.55 5.35	5.25 6.05
51. Combination Low Mein, Chicken, Beef, Shrimp	4.75 5.55	5.45 6.25
52. Egg Rolls or Beef, Pork, Shrimp	3.95 4.75	4.65 5.45
over chilled rice noodles, lettuce, cucumber, carrots,		
bean sprouts, peanuts with fish sauce		
FRIED RICE		
53. Chicken Fried Rice	3.95 4.75	4.65 5.45
54. Pork Fried Rice	3.95 4.75	4.65 5.45
55. BBQ Pork Fried Rice	4.10 4.90	4.80 5.60
56. Beef Fried Rice	4.20 5.00	4.90 5.70
57. Lacxuong with Fried Rice	4.20 5.00	4.90 5.70
58. Shrimp Fried Rice	4.35 5.15	5.05 5.85
59. Combination Fried Rice	4.75 5.55	5.45 6.25
Chicken, Beef, Shrimp (Comb.)		
EGG FOO YOUNG		
Egg with cellophane noodles, onions carrots,		
and bean sprouts		
60. Chicken Egg Foo Young	3.95 4.75	4.65 5.45
61. Pork Egg Foo Young	3.95 4.75	4.65 5.45
62. Beef Egg Foo Young	4.10 4.90	4.80 5.60
63. Shrimp Egg Foo Young	4.35 5.15	5.05 5.85
64. Combination Egg Foo Young	4.75 5.55	5.45 6.25
Chicken, Beef, Shrimp		
VEGETARIAN		
65. Vegetarian Egg Roll (2)	1.95	1.95
66. Mock Duck with Vegetables	3.75 4.55	4.45 5.25
67. Mock Duck with Broccoli	3.75 4.55	4.45 5.25
68. Mock Duck with Coconut Milk	3.95 4.75	4.65 5.45
69. Mock Duck Chow Mein	3.85 4.65	4.55 5.35
70. Mock Duck with Bean Sprouts	3.75 4.55	4.45 5.25
71. Fragrant Mock Duck	3.75 4.55	4.45 5.25
72. Curry Mock Duck	3.75 4.55	4.45 5.25
73. Hot & Spicy Mock Duck	3.95 4.75	4.65 5.45
74. Mock Duck and Bean Curd	3.95 4.75	4.65 5.45
75. Hot and Spicy Bean Curd	3.95 4.75	4.65 5.45
76. Bean Curd with Vegetables	3.75 4.55	4.45 5.25
77. Bean Curd Chow Mein	3.85 4.65	4.55 5.35
78. Bean Curd with Bean Sprout	3.75 4.55	4.45 5.25
79. Curry Bean Curd	3.75 4.55	4.45 5.25
80. Fragrant Bean Curd	3.75 4.55	4.45 5.25
81. Fragrant Vegetables	3.75 4.55	4.45 5.25
82. Vegetables Deluxe		
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83. Sauteed Snow Peas	3.75 4.55 3.75 4.55	4.45 5.25 4.45 5.25

APPETIZERS		SOUP	
84. Egg Rolls (2)	2.00	88. Egg Drop Soup	1.40
Vegetarian Egg Rolls (2)	1.95	89. Wontons Soup (5)	1.75
85. Butterfly Shrimps (8)	2.20	90. Spicy Sour Soup	1.75
86. Fried Wontons (10)	1.75	91. Asparagus Crab Soup	1.95
87. Fried Chicken Wings (6)	1.85	92. Meatball Soup (5)	1.75

	BEV	ERAGES	SM	М	L
Tea	.50	Coke	.60	.65	.70
Coffee	.50	Diet Coke	.60	.65	.70
Milk	.50	Sprite	.60	.65	.70
Orange Juice	.60	Sunkist	.60	.65	.70
		Cherry Coke	.60	.65	.70

FAMILY LUNCH AND DINNER

(\$5.76/person for Lunch and \$6.65/person for Dinner)

For Three	For Four
— 3 Crab Soup	— 4 Crab Soup
— 3 Egg Rolls	— 4 Egg Rolls
 Pork with Vegetables 	 Hot & Spicy Chicken (Hot)
 Hot & Spicy Chicken (Hot) 	 Shrimp with Vegetables
 Beef with Potatoes 	 Mongolian Beef (Hot)
	 3 Crab Soup 3 Egg Rolls Pork with Vegetables Hot & Spicy Chicken (Hot)



Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans

FIRST YEAR ACCOMPLISHMENTS November 14, 1986

o Asian-Pacific Minnesotans Citizenship Preparation Center

- o Invited every candidate for statewide public office to "Meet Your Candidates Night" reception and dinner attended by 160 people at the Famous Prom in Saint Paul, Minnesota
- o Co-sponsored two free seminars on federal and state tax preparation presented in four languages
- o Conducted an Asian-Pacific voter registration drive
- o Co-sponsored a workshop with the Urban Concerns, Inc. on the legislative process and public policy formation in Minnesota at the State Capitol

o Asian-Pacific Minnesotans Heritage Center

- o Conferred first annual Outstanding Asian-Pacific Leadership Awards to Leeann Chin, Mayor Chuck Hazama, Nghi-Si Huynh, Duc Q. Lam, Gaoly Yang, and Lo Vang
- o Provided Asian-Pacific musical presentation at "Meet Your Candidates Night"
- o Developed with MECC (Minnesota Educational Computing Corp.) a task force for multicultural software development
- o Publicized numerous cultural events sponsored by Asian-Pacific Minnesotans community organizations

o Asian-Pacific Minnesotans Community Leadership Task Force

- o Facilitated discussions with candidates at "Meet Your Candidates Night"
- o Met to advise the Council on political and community development, civil and human rights, affirmative action, refugee services, and cultural and educational opportunities
- o Organized Philippine-American, Japanese-American, and Chinese-American Community Networks as part of the larger Task Force
- o Separate Networks met to discuss the World Trade Center's and Hubert H. Humphrey Institute for Public Affairs' Four Nations Conference: China, Korea, Japan, Philippines

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o Asian-Pacific Minnesotans Employment Center

- o Planned ongoing job seeking skills workshops for Asian-Pacific Minnesotans with management from 3M
- o Presented a "Breakfast with the Experts" workshop on "Employing Asians: Inter- and Intra-cultural Differences" at the Humbert H. Humphrey Institute for Public Affairs, University of Minnesota
- o Created an Asian-Pacific Job Bank which publicizes job openings to the Asian-Pacific Community
- o At General Mills' invitation, met with 25 major corporations at an Asian-Pacific Job Market

o Asian-Pacific Minnesotans Small Business Opportunities Center

- o Held two free Small Business Seminars for Asian-Pacific Minnesotans in Rochester and St. Paul attended by 70 people
- o Developed a plan for an Asian-Pacific SBOC and discussed it with federal and state officials

o Asian-Pacific Minnesotans Economic Development Advisory Task Force

o Created rudimentary technical assistance panel for the Council through meetings with the World Trade Center, Minnesota Trade Office, various Minnesota government departments, private sector groups, and representatives from higher education

o Asian-Pacific Minnesotans Government Employees Network

o Sponsored a Brown Bag lunch for 30 government employees featuring networking discussion

o Other Major Accomplishments

- o Co-sponsored first statewide Conference on Asian-Pacific Issues in Minnesota
- o Conducted a letter writing campaign re: proposed federal changes in refugee camps in Thailand
- o Provided advocacy, information, and referral to more than 300 individuals
- o Publicized the availability of positions on Minnesota appointive boards and councils to the Asian-Pacific Community
- o Held an Asian-Pacific Community Forum re: future of Minnesota Department of Human Rights and presented testimony to Senate Committees on Judiciary and Government Operations
- o Worked with other Minority Councils, Planning, and the Demographer's Office to improve minority data collection
- o Participated in the American Red Cross' Disaster Stress Intervention training
- o Worked with the Minnesota Higher Education Coordinating Board to provide materials on higher education opportunities for eighth graders in Asian languages



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Wed., April 29, 1987 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. 1015 Olson Highway Minneapolis, MN 377-0150

Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week

Invites you to participate in an

ASIAN AMERICAN WORKSHOP: LEADERSHIP SKILLS

This workshop is designed for members of the Asian American community. The first of its kind in Minnesota, the workshop will focus on the development of skills in self-presentation, assertiveness, decision making, and interpersonal effectiveness. We are honored to have Dr. Stanley Sue, one of the foremost experts in the United States, as our workshop leader.

Date: May 11, 1987 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: 320 Coffman Union, University of Minnesota

Cost: \$15.00 per person

Dr. Stanley Sue, a noted psychologist and author, is currently Professor of Psychology and Associate Dean of Graduate School at the University of California, Los Angeles.

Dr. Sue received his Ph.D. in Psychology from the University of California at Los Angeles. Before joining the faculty of the Psychology Department at his alma mater, he had taught ten years at the University of Washington. From 1980 to 1981, he was director of Clinical-Community Psychology Training at the National Asian American Psychology Training Center in San Francisco. He was recently a visiting lecturer at Zhongshan University in Guangzhou, China.

A maximum of 30 people will be accepted. Reservations are required. The deadline for reservations is May 7. Please return the attached reservation form along with your check payable to the University of Minnesota. For further information please call Barb at 624-4131.

Sponsors:

Asian/Pacific American Learning Resource Center Asian American Student Cultural Center

Coffman Union Program Council Council for Asian-Pacific Minnesotans Minnesota Asian Advocacy Coalition United Southeast Asian Mutual Association

Mail to:	Asian/Pacific American Learning 306 Walter Library 117 Pleasant St. SE Minneapolis, MN 55455	Name/Address:		
	Number attending:	Amount Enclosed:	Telephone Number:	







HINDU SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA

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Another month went by so fast. I hope you are having a good summer.

Status upto the middle of the year for Hindu Mandir is encouraging:

1) Membership is increasing.

2) New ideas for speakers and improved programming is being discussed. Fall seminar - "Prepare for a Change" is one example.

3) Future of Mandir - A plan is being discussed and finalized.

That includes a possibility of a full time priest.

4) Basement Renovation plans have been finalized and are out for bids.

No charitable institution can function without the dedication and donation of time by a lot of members. And there are numerous members who are kind and dedicated in this endeavor.

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Chairman Board of Trustees

COMMUNITY NEWS

Dipankar DasGupta 935 5347

We would like to publish news of community interest. If you have some news or information to share with the community please call me. We would like to have news of birth, death, promotions, achievements (specially of the younger generation) in academics, arts, sports, visitors from India etc...

CONGRATULATIONS!

To the High School graduates who were honored at the Hindu Mandir on May 29 at a gathering attended by more than 100 people.

Name, graduated from High School, going to, major.

Neil Bedekar, Woodbury H.S., U of M, undecided Ravi Chaudhri, Columbia Heights H.S., U of M, Engineering Rupa Shree Dash, Armstrong H.S., U of M, Medicine Mrunalini Jakkula, Litchfield H.S., St.Olaf College, Biology Patanjali Kambhampati, St Paul Academy, Carlton College, Undecided

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Bharti Khanchandani, Apple Valley H.S., U of M, Undecided Neena Mehta, Concordia Academy, Augsburg College, Computer Science

Chintan Patel, North St.Paul H.S., U of M, Engineering Anit Shah, Osseo Senior H.S., Gustavus College Computer Science

Ronak Shah, Mounds View H.S.

Rashmi Shirole, Robbinsdale Armstrong H.S., U of M, undecided

Minita Shroff, Jefferson H.S., U of M, Computer Science Reena Singh

Sreenu Tadavarthi, Eden Prairie H.S., Tufts University, Undecided

Neha Upadhyaya, Iron Dale H.S., St. Thomas College, Undecided

Kalpana Venkatapuram, Eden Prairie H.S., St.Olaf College, Biology

Dev Zdenek (Stenick), St. Thomas Academy, U of M Duluth, Business

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

TAGORE JAYANTI AT NORTHROP AUDITORIUM. Saturday July 16 7:00 PM. Admission free. Tagore dance drama SHYAMA.

SUMMER YOUTH CAMP AT TELEMARK RESORT, Wis. July 16 -23, see details next page.

INDIAN MUSIC SOCIETY presents

- Amateur Evening (classical) at Hindu Mandir date TBD (late July -early August).
- Sultan Khan Sarengi, Alla Rakha tabla, Zaker Hussain tabla. Friday August 26 7:30 PM, place to be announced.
- Hari Prasad Chaurasia flute. Friday September 30 7:30 PM, place to be announced.

Please contact Ram Iyer 781 0114 or Raja Seshadri 493 4540 for tickets and information.

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- -Present And Negotiate
- Your Offer
- -Arrange For Financing
- -Follow Thru To Closing
- -Be Your Real Estate Counselor

YOUTH CAMP July 16 - 23 For Kids Ages 6 thru 16

Hindu Mandir Youth Camp 1988 will take place at Telemark Resort located in the heart of the million acre Chauamegon National Forest in Northern Wisconsin. There are many facilities including scenic hiking, trails, swimming pools, tennis courts etc.

We are expecting more participants than usual this year. Please mail the bottom portion of this registration form as soon as possible since accommodations are limited.

Cost \$175 per child, \$150 per child for two or more.

Please note, registration will be accepted on a first come first serve basis only. To register send \$25 in advance to:

Narendra Venkata 12187 Cartway Curve Eden Prairie, MN 55344 Phone: 944 0129

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BUY A COMPUTER

Ram Iyer

S o you have finally decided to buy a computer. But if you think that the big decision has been made, you ain't seen nothing yet. Your headaches are just starting. What computer to buy - IBM, Apple, Radio Shack, Commodore, Atari, One of the clones? What software to buy? Who to buy it from - local or mail order? Did I get a good warranty? Did I get a good buy? If these things make your head spin, welcome to the club. You are not alone. There are so many choices that many are confused. This article will hopefully help answer most of your questions and clear up the confusion. A consoling thought is that you cannot go wrong by buying any computer that satisfies your needs. Of course your needs will outgrow your computer in a few years. But you can sell your computer (or donate it to your children's school and take a tax deduction) and buy a new one.

Major steps in buying a computer

Step-1. What will the computer be used for most of the

(Play games, word processing, spreadsheets, engineering)

Step-2. How much money you want to spend?

Step-3. What software/computer hardware to buy?

Step-4. What type of service you need?

Step-5. Who to buy from ?

Steps 2,3,and 4 will usually take an iterative process. For instance if you have budgeted \$ 600 and your primary application is desktop publishing, you will soon find out that your best buy is an Apple Macintosh which costs about \$ 2,000. So, either you have to revise your budget or change your requirements and go through the steps iteratively until all the requirements are satisfied.

Step-1: What will the computer be used for most of the time?

Time spent on deciding whether you really need a computer will save you money and aggravation in the long run. Avoid getting caught in the euphoria of owning a personal computer because most of everybody else has one. A friend of mine bought a Radio Shack personal computer a few years ago and spent almost \$ 1200. He used it for a month or so and his kids used it on and off for a few months. But nobody has used it since and it is collecting dust. Expensive toy. So before you go out and spend a thousand bucks on a computer, take time out to decide whether you really need a computer. What will you use the computer for ? Will the computer be used on the average for about 4 hours a week? If not don't buy one. Spend the money on a vacation or buy a sail boat instead? What will the computer be used for most of the time? Decide your primary use first and then go out and buy the computer that is right for that job. Don't buy a computer first and then invent uses for it because you feel guilty about spending that much money and not getting enough use out of it. If all you do is play games and balance your checkbook, spend \$ 100 and buy a Nintendo for games and get a \$10 calculator to balance your checkbook and save yourself some money (give me half of it since I helped you save it in the first place). Here are some of the typical uses and the computers best suited for those applications.

Games with some word processing and basic programming

Atari. Commodore

Word processing with basic programming and games

IBM, IBM clones, Apple IIc, Apple IIG, Atari 800

Desktop Publishing

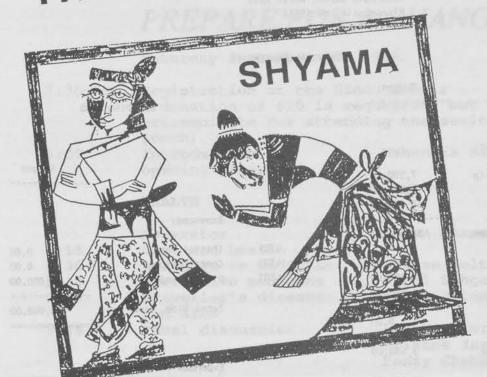
Apple Macintosh, IBM, IBM Clones, Amiga

Engineering Applications

IBM AT, IBM Clones, Amiga, Apple Macintosh

In the next issue we will examine these in detail.

THE INDIA CLUB PRESENTS



A Dance Drama by Rabindra Nath Tagore

India's Nobel Laureate Poet and Dramatist

Choreographed by Rita Mustaphi

JULY 16, SATURDAY, 7 O'CLOCK P.M. Northrop Auditorium (University of Minnesota)

A special screening of Satyajit Roy's 1961 documentary on Tagore will precede the performance.

ADMISSION FREE

For further information please call 537-8291, 457-2107

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Acct #	Description	Budget			
				BUILDING F	UND
	Operating Income:				
		7 500 00			Budget
4101	Trustee Membership	7,500.00			
4102	Membership	9,000.00			
4103	Donations	18,000.00		Revenues:	
		7/ 500 00		Revenues:	
	Net Membership Rev.	34,500.00	4301	Initial Fees	
0.0000		4 000 00	4302	Contributions	0.00
4401	Interest	1,000.00	9767		0.00
4402	Advertising	1,000.00	4303	Diwali Pledges	40,000.00
4403	Other Income	1,500.00			
4501	Murti	0.00		Total Bldg. Fund Rev	40,000.00
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	Net other Revenue	3,500.00			
				Expenses	
	Total Revenue	38,000.00	5704		
			5301	Construction expense	40,000.00
			5302	Interest on loan	0.00
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5205	Mortgage Payments	6,250.00		Total Bldg Expenses	40,000.00
5206	Building Insurance	1,800.00			==========
5209	Property Taxes	200.00		Net Bldg Fund Oper.	0.00
5210	Patrika	2,800.00			***********
5211	Speaker Expenses	2,000.00			
5212	Youth Camp and other	1,000.00		NET PROFIT OR (LOSS)	13,851.00
5213	Membership Drive	500.00			
5214	Accounting Services	1,500.00			
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52202	Office Help	0.00			
52203	Postage	0.00			
52204	Bank Charge	0.00			
5223	Fund Raising Dinner	2,000.00			
5224	Library	500.00			
	AND A HOLE				
	Total Expenses	24,149.00			
	Net Operating	rem shar			
	Profit (Loss)	13,851.00			

Seminar sponsored by the Hindu Society of Minnesota for Indian immigrants to USA.

PREPARE FOR A CHANGE

Saturday September 10, 1988

7:3	MA 0	Registration at the Hind	u Mandir
		A donation of \$20 is req prerequisite for attendi	ng the seminar or the
		lunch)	Mahendra Nath M.S.
8:0	0	Introduction and opening remarks	Manendra Nach M.S.
		HEALTH	
		Moderator	Kusum Saxena M.D.
8:1	5	Diet and health	Itaban banan arra
8:3		Exercise as medicine	Louise Holt R.N.
8:4		Preventive medicine	Kamal Sahgal M.D.
9:0		Traveller's diseases	Kiran Belani M.D.
9:1	5	Panel discussion	All speakers.
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		FINANCIAL PLANNING	
		Moderator	Raj Kant Ph.D
9:3	5	Retirement planning	I. D. Shah
9:5		Write your will	Indru Advani
10:		Purchase of house	Asha Nath
10:		Choosing a college	
10:		Panel Discussion	All speakers
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10:	55	Break	
		CULTURE AND RELIGION	
		Moderator	Shashi Sane M.D.
11:	15	The second generation,	Shashi Sane M.D.
		caught between rock and	
		hard place	
11:	30	Carry on the Hindu Tradition	Anant Ram Bachan PhD.
11:	45	When tragedy strikes	Dan Erlandson M.S.S.W.
	00 PM	CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY OF	Kumud Sane M.D.
12:		Drugs and alcohol	Kusum Saxena M.D.
12:		Coping with peer	Raj Sharma M.D.
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		and alongs the every	

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12:45	Ideas of the second generation	Muthu Periakaruppan
1:00	Panel discussion	All speakers R.S.Pandey PhD K.S.P.Kumar
1:30	Closing Remarks	Pranab Lahiri
2:00	Lunch at Kebbabi	1 Pagintruction at the

Here are six ways to win friends:

d of seconds Fast

- 1. Introduce yourself at every possible opportunity- at parties, meetings, on airplanes, and at work.
- 2. Be sure the other person gets your name right.
- 3. Be sure to pronounce other people's names the way they pronounce them.
- 4. Write down the other person's name, and be sure you have spelled it correctly. People have a fetish about correct spelling of their names.
- 5. If you want to know some people better, drop them a personal note or make a telephone call.
- 6. And don's forget to say pleasant things. It creates a warm feeling.

Most people hold back and don's make the effort to do these things. If you do, you will be ahead in the game.

AN INVITATION TO SATSANGH

Developments in science and technology are so rapidly altering our environment and styles of living that the future eludes our imagination. In the midst of continuous change in the way we live and in the possibilities offered by technology, the central goal of our lives, however, will always remain constant. While our aims and the objects of our desires will vary, we essentially want to be happy. To be free from sorrow and to be a happy being is the most natural aim in our lives. It is as natural as breathing and we do not need anyone to persuade us to seek happiness.

While the desire to be a happy person is natural and universal, it is surprising that we spend so little time thinking about this all-important need. In a dream like frenzy, we framtically pursue a happines that always sems to elude us. We generally try to do this by increasing enjoyment through our senses (kama) and multiplying our needs and possibilities (artha). We become selfish competitors with every other being in our private quest for happiness. While not denying that artha and kama have a legitimate place in our lives, the Hindu tradition cautions us that we will be dissapointed and disillusioned if we make these the sole means through which we strive to be happy.

Basically, the Hindu tradition points out that at the heart of the cause of human suffering is a fundamental ignorance about ourselves, the removal of which is necessary for the discovery of the happiness we seek. We have all experienced the ways in which the novelty of sense experiences and new acquistions wear out leaving us with a sense of lack and want within which makes us unhappy. In this mannner we become caught up in a hopeless, frustrating and often tragic search for happiness. Hinduism teaches us how to overcome the frustration of this search by informing us about the truth of ourselves and so enabing us to own the joy and fulness with which we are inherently blessed.

The scriptures of Hinduism could be conceived of as a means of knowledge which helps us to understand ourselves so that we could lead a full life. Hinduism is not concerned to deny us a life of happiness, but points the way to a happiness that is lasting and stable.

Each Sunday morning we invite you to explore with us these very meaningful and relevant insights of Hinduism about our human quest for happiness. Every subject matter that is as rich and profound in its insights and analysis requires a certain appropriate effort and application on our part. Its is regrettable that while we are often prepared to expend much time and thought into other fields of inquiry, we are not willing to acknowledge that religion requires the application of our minds in understanding and reasoning.

We do little justice to the depth of our religious heritage by this attitude of unwillingness to inquire. A novel subject will, in the beginning, seem difficult to grasp in all its dimensions. But there is not other field of inquiry where a little effort and persistence will be so rewarding in joy and fulness. An enriching feature of our discussions is the opportunity provided to everyone to enrich the dialogue with her or his insights and there is ample time for questions. We urge you to join with us.

Dr. Anantanand Rambachan Dept. of Religion St. Olaf College

When a person finds no peace within, it is useless to seek it elsewhere.

The Hindu Society of Minnesota offers a community focus for the Hindu community in the Twin Cities. We are the center of religious activities and support weekly discussions. We hold religious services from Namkaran to Antya sanskar. We have ongoing programs to expose your children to the Indian culture and religion. We firmly belive that your children must have this knowledge to be able to maintain our cultural identity in the future.

Our community includes many influential people in the business, medicine, banking, and other professions. The Hindu Society provides you an opportunity to meet and build contacts with people who are leaders in their respective profession. In addition, we provide you with many opportunities to volunteer your talents to serve and build bridges within the Indian community and the community at large.

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There is no charge for holding association meetings, and personal and community worship.

For other usage, personal or public, we ask a donation of \$25, payable to Hindu Society of Minnesota.

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Arrange to pick up Mandir key from above people or PATEL BROTHERS 1848 Central Avenue N.E. Minneapolis 10AM - 8PM 7 days a week.

The Mandir is for your use. Please use it as often as you like and do not forget to show it to visitors from other states and India!

From Satsang Committee

Do you attend the services at the Mandir at least one Sunday per month? Do you often wish that you could help with the Mandir activities on a small scale? If so, the Satsang Committee desperately needs volunteers like you, who can devote as little as 2 hours per month.

Are wondering about how to sponsor a Satsang ? It is very easy ! Please call Kalpana Dash 888 9644 for details.

Mandir use scheduled for June - July.

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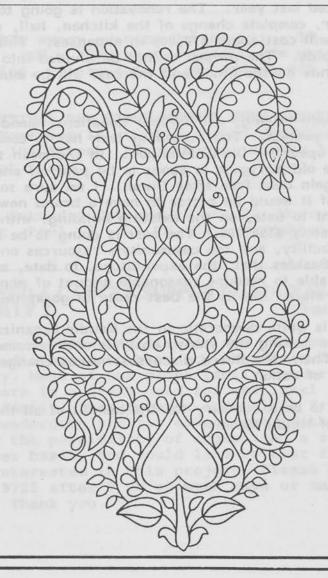




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There have been many responses in the suggestion box, installed two months ago in Mandir. These are quite a few to list. I can assure you that they are not only being read but there will be action. Many of those suggestions will be implemented. I need to point out that implementation of suggestions needs money and it is the members of Hindu Mandir who eventually have to ask themselves - are we contributing a proper share of our resources towards our place of worship???? If everyone thought the donation through Aarti was enough share, then approximately \$50 a week times 52 = \$2600 would be the total collection for the whole year which will be enough only for one month expenses of the Mandir. We need \$10 per month regularly from each member of Hindu Mandir and let us contribute to maintain Mandir and maintain it well. Let's not depend on the other person to share your responsibility, because most of us need to come to Mandir some-time during the year. But the maintenance expenses do not wait for once in a while, they come regularly. Even if you come once in a while to Mandir, your membership is needed regularly, every month. Those who are contributing regularly, please accept many thanks from your Board of Trustees.

Your Board of Trustees has approved a major renovation of the basement. The work has already started this week. For information to all, the upstairs was improved and renovated last year. The renovation is going to include airconditioning of Mandir, complete change of the kitchen, hall, walls, floors, windows, etc. This will cost about \$70,000 in expenses. This was the lowest bid out of three bids. The project cannot be divided into two years, because one thing depends on the other and the cost will be much more if done that way.

With the last Diwali fund-raising, and further donations, Mandir has \$25,000 collected towards this project. The remaining cash has to come from the donations during the upcoming Diwali Function. In the mean time we can get the bank's help. The old mortgage is about to be paid off and with your help, we hope we will be again debt free after Diwali. I am sure some of you might be curious to know, if it would be better to have a brand new Mandir building. The total money, spent to date, on the existing building, without the above renovation, is approximately \$154,000. The cost is going to be at least more than \$500,000 for a new facility, and the community's resources on the basis of past history are limited. Besides that, the expenditure, to date, may go wasted, because we may not be able to recoupe reasonable amount of money from the existing building. Therefore, this is the best route to go at this time.

The decision process is quite democratic in the Mandir organization. There is a building committee making the study, analysis and recommendation to the Board of Trustees. Then, the Board discusses, makes changes and the outcome is the final plan of action.

The above was meant to be a summary for the benefit of all the members and also, to-be-members of Hindu Mandir.

Manual Han -

Mahendra Nath Chairman Board of Trustees

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

INDIAN MUSIC SOCIETY presents...

HARI PRASAD CHAURASIA - flute. Friday September 30 7:30 PM, Bloomington Jefferson High School, 4001 West 102 Street, Bloomington. Members and students \$5, non-members \$8

RAVI KIRAN - gottu vadyam (Karnatic music) November 4

RADHA KRISHNA - sitar November 15

Please contact Ram Iyer 781 0114, Raja Seshadri 493 4540 or Gopal 829 0084 for tickets and information.

RAMAYAN PATH every evening October 11 - 19 6:30 - 9:30PM Oct 15,16 9AM - 12PM at the Mandir. We need volunteers for each evening. Please call Kusum Saxena 481 9497.

DIWALI FESTIVAL AND HINDU MANDIR FUND RAISER
Saturday November 12 at Bloomington Jefferson High School,
4001 West 102 Street, Bloomington. Please look for details
in our next issue.

NAVARATRI Saturday October 15 and 22. Murry Junior High School, St. Paul, 8 - 11 PM. Call Punjabhai Patel 786 7252.

DO WE NEED A CANCER SUPPORT GROUP IN OUR COMMUNITY? Yashoda Rao M.D.

Cancer is a devastating disease and when one member of the family is diagnosed to have it, the whole family is affected indirectly. Most of our close family members are back in India. There is a great need for emotional and moral support for that family, from friends and mainly from other families who have undergone similar experience in their lives. I am exploring the possibility of organizing a support group, on a volunteer basis, and would like to hear from any of you who are interested in this project. Please contact me at home 835 9725 after 7 PM on week days or anytime during weekends. Thank you.

JANMASTAMI

A.C. MANGALICK

Lord Krishna's birth ceremony Janmastami was celebrated in a very grand style at the Mandir on September 3 evening. The attendance was overwhelming, with over 300 people in colorful dresses present. The crowding promted suggestion that we should build a larger facility or rent a large hall for future grand celebrations like this.

For the success of this auspicious featival I would like to thank numerous individuals for their time and efforts. A lot of our praise and credit goes to Rita Mustafi, Rani Ramaswami and their students. Indrani Mallick and Delip Ram Samooj and his party for their untiring effort, practice and coordination. Cooperation of Satsang Committee Chairperson, Cultural Committee members and Executive Committee through its President Pranab Lahiri deserve appreciation.

The great ceremony could not have been a grand success without P.C. Mangalick putting all that energy, effort and time.

Lastly a very important part of the function was full meal prasad. Many thanks to Shanti Mangalick who put lot of time and effort to organize a big team of many ladies (a long list indeed). They combined their expertise to cook and prepare the delicious prasad and served it to the attendees. No one was dissapointed or turned back.

Once again a lot of thanks to all the participants who joined to make this festival a gear success.

PREPARE FOR A CHANGE

Kamal Sahgal

The Indian community in the twin cities has established itself very well. The struggle for survival of the first generation is over. We now have to sit down and do some thinking as to where we are headed. To encourage this thought process a seminar was held at the Hindu Mandir on September 10th, 1988.

The seminar was divided into three sessions. The speakers in the first session concentrated on the health topics. Experts in nutrition talked about modifying our traditional diet to fit into the current health scheme. The significance of cholesterol was discussed. Most of all the community became familiar with its own resources in case further help was needed in this subject. The role of exercise in our sedentary life was beautifully explained. The benefits of exercise were thoroughly discussed. Practical guidelines were given for those who wanted to incorporate exercise into their lives. There was considerable discussion about

prevention and early recognition of common diseases.

Practical guidelines were given for foreign travellers. The complicated issue of AIDS was discussed in a layman's terms. Early symptoms of teenage depression were discussed during the question and answer session.

The second session concentrated on the financial issues. It was comforting to know that we do have very knowledgeable financial planners within our own community who are eager to help. Writing of a will is something which many of us have ignored. Valuable legal information was given at the seminar regarding this subject in a non-threatening way. Purchasing a house for a young couple is becoming more and more difficult now a days because of rising housing cost. Information given in the seminar on this subject was very enlightening. The financing and selection of a college for our children is a field where many of us have no previous experience at all. Discussion on this topic was very worthwhile. Questions and answers session brought out many concerns and some solutions.

The final session on the religion and culture dealt with the most important topics concerning all of us and specially our second generation. We realized the stress that our children are going through, having parent pressure on one hand and the peer pressure on the other hand. The solutions of these problems for both the parents as well as for the children were discussed by the representatives of both generations. We learned why it was important to keep our religion and culture alive and how we can do it. Discussion about drugs and alcohol was particularly enlightening. We also learned how to deal with a tragedy and a loss. Several important subjects, such as dating were brought out in the questions and answer section. The seminar ended with a nice lunch which was catered. The participants took very active part in the discussions and contributed a lot. They uniformly graded the seminar as excellent and well organized. Everyone, without exception, felt that this seminar should be repeated next year. Many felt that the topics should be expanded. The organizers felt that this was an experiment to see the interest and needs of the community. They were very gratified with the response and are eager to organize similar programs on an ongoing basis.

ARTHUR SCHOPENHAUER AND THE DOCTRINES OF MAYA Smarajit Mitra

Existential philosophy and Freudian psychology owe a great debt to the nineteenth century German philosopher, Arthur Schopenhauer. Although Plato, Kant and the post-Kantian idealists left a strong impression on Schopenhauer, his doctrine of the Will had unmistakable signs of influence of the Upanishad, which he called the profoundest philosophy that he had ever read. This being the bicentennial year of Schopenhauer, it is worthwhile to recall the life and work of this purveyor of pessimism who lived out most of his solitary life amidst constant criticism that his ideas provoked.

Arthur Schopenhauer was born on Feb 22, 1788 in the city of Danzig, now known as Gdansk, Poland. When he was five years old his family moved to Hamburg. As a wealthy businessman, his father wanted him to pursue the same profession but his intelligent and cultured mother, a well known writer of her time, prevailed and young Arthur was more at ease with academic pursuits. Travelling widely in Europe in his youth, he came in contact with Goethe and Wieland through his mother's social circle. His education at the Universities of Gottingen and Berlin was completed in 1813 when he submitted his doctoral dissertation, "On The Fourfold Root of the Principles of Sufficient Reason" to the University of Jena. He worked with Goethe on the "theory of colors" and it was at this time that he was introduced by the Orientalist Friedrich Majer to the Upanishads through Anguetil Duperron's translation of a Persian translation of the text. About the philosophy he found there, Schopenhauer is quoted as saying " In the whole world there is no study so beautiful and so elevating as that of the Upanishads. It has been the solace of my life - it will be the solace of my death". He moved to Dresden, kept contact with the Indologist H.C.F. Krause and in 1819 produced his most well known piece of work, "The World as Will and Ideas". Throughout the rest of his life, all his energy was spent in the elucidation and defence of this treatise. In 1820, Schopenhauer joined the University of Berlin and there began the intense competition between him and G.W.F. Hegel to teach their contrary philosophies. In this the latter was convincingly dominant and eventually schopenhauer retreated to Frankfurt where he lived out his remaining 28 years as a recluse occupied with reading and publishing. he concept of delusionary world or Maya pervades throughout these writing. At the heart of the Advaita (non-dualist) school of Vedanta is the idea of Maya. In human terms, Maya is the outcome of Ajnana or ignorance of the true nature of self which one is apt to confuse as the empirial ego, although in reality it is identical with Brahman. On a grandiose scale it is that Universal force which reflects the Supreme Being as a perceivable phenomenal world. The realization of this knowledge leading to the "dissociation of the Self from the

subjective psychosis and the World" is Moksha or liberation. This proposition is in agreement with Buddhist thought, but Gaudapada (7th Century), in his interpretation, rejected even the conclusion that 'Citta' or Mind is real. This extreme view is moderated by Samkara who submitted that though the world may be delusionary, the pure Self is the ultimate truth.

Schopenhauer propounded that the apparent world is a "phenomenon" and therefore is deceptive. Developing on Kantian themes, he observed that space, time and causalities are the bases for the world of objects. The phase of the world that we do not grasp as pure phenomenon is the Ego or Will. The longing of Man and objects for the Will to Be is pervasive, but life consists of pain and transitory pleasure is only the cessation of pain. This pessimistic view of life is truly Schopenhauerian and derives more from the human folly and misery he witnessed during the aftermath of the French Revolution than from any reading of the Upanishads. However, to his credit, he derived from this pessimistic view the true moral emotion of compassion for others. This again is transitory, he said, as the true eternal deliverance from this pain lies in Nirvana or the triumph over the will to live. A strong dominance of Buddhist thought is again seen to play a part in this suggestion. Schopenhauer favored a type of asceticism that eliminates the will to live or exist. This view of Schopenhauer should be seen in complete distinction from the 'relative reality' that is Maya. Maya does not mean "non existence". It only indicates the non-permanence of the world of objects around us - what we see with our senses is only the appearance of absolute truth. Schopenhauer's denial of life could have stemmed from Kantain principles.

Schopenhauer died in 1860. Together with Kierkegaard and Nietzsche he forms the 'irrationalist triumvirate" that has left its indelible mark on the history of philosophy.

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Wed	Sep	28	6:30-8:30PM	music class R	. Mustafi	537	8291
Sat	Oct	1	9AM-12	Diwali rehearsa	l Mallick	546	0495
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Sat Oct 15	9AM-12	Ramayan Path R. Kumar 739 0597
	10AM-5PM	Durga Puja Bengali Community 829 1746
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Fri Oct 21	7-10PM	rehearsal Gujrati Samaj 631 3118
Sat Oct 22	9AM-12	Diwali rehearsal Mallick 546 0495
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December 1, 1987

Mr. Stefen Peterson President, India Club

Dear Mr. Peterson:

Every year, we receive a request from your organization to present a Gujarati Samaj cultural program in your yearly events. We are very honored for that.

The Gujarati Samaj has adopted a very common policy in how to go about presenting our Gujarati Samaj cultural program in your yearly events as well as many other organizations upon formal request. The policy is as follows:

- 1. Your organization will make a formal request a minimum of four weeks in advance prior to your upcoming event in which you would like to have the Gujarati Samaj present a cultural program.
- 2. Requests should always be made through your elected officers (i.e. a person in charge of entertainment or cultural program committee) to the elected officers of the Gujarati Samaj (i.e. entertainment secretaries and the president.
- 3. Avoid making arrangements by calling a Gujarati family member that you know unless he or she is an elected officer of the Gujarati Samaj for that year.
- 4. Gujarati Samaj elected entertainment secretaries will contact you back within one or two weeks to let you know if the Gujarati Samaj will be able to participate or not and the number of items we would be presenting.
- 5. If you are going to hand out program brochures during your event; make sure to print our organization name, name of items, and entertainment secretaries names in the brochure.

I have enclosed a copy of our yearly book for your reference. In this book, you will find our elected officers names for the year 1988 on the second page. I will appreciate it if you can share this information with your elected officers to avoid any confusion.

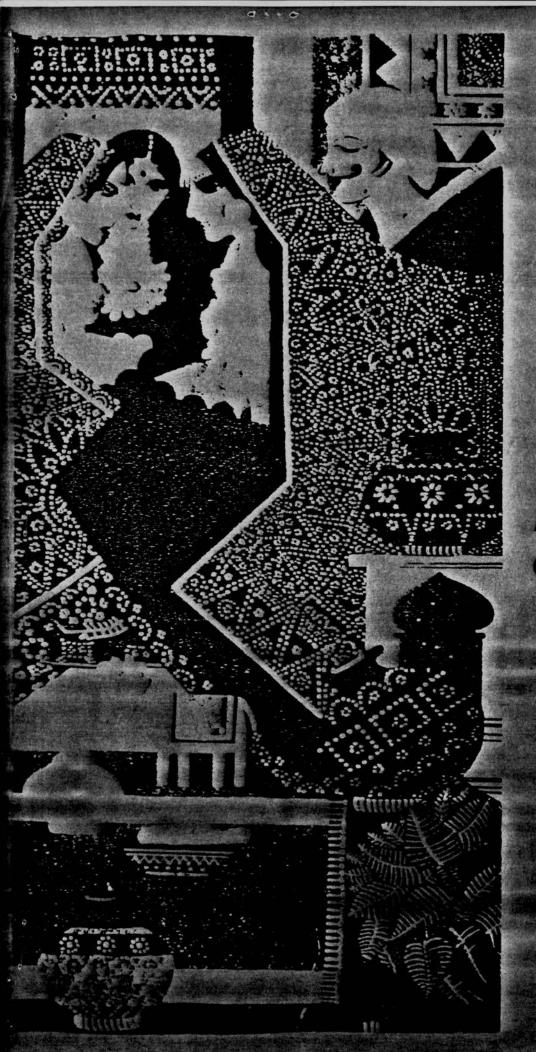
Thank you.

Sincerely,

V. M. Patel

President, Gujarati Samaj

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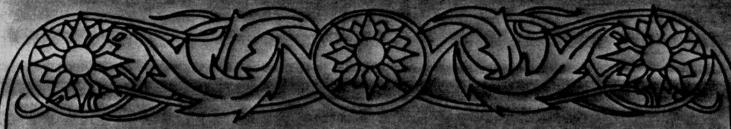


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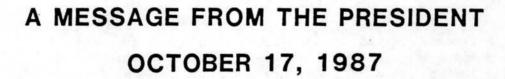
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Dear Friends,

Greetings! Happy Diwali and Best Wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for putting your confidence in the 1987 Executive Committee in serving you, and also for giving us your unequivocal support during the entire 1987 year.

The 1987 Executive Committee has done an excellent job to make a successful year for the Gujarati community in the Twin Cities. I express my sincere thanks and deep appreciation to my committee members for doing an absolutely outstanding job!

We have not been able to achieve each and every goal and direction that we have established leading various Gujarati Samaj activities in 1987, however, we have made progress in the following areas, just to name a few:

- Helped formalize the youth Samaj with their own elected members (President, Vice President, and Secretaries); and set-up the rules and regulations.
- Introduced the spring festival consisting not only of the yearly talent show and general entertainment, but also the youth carnival and anand bazaar.
- Established guidelines for borrowing articles that belong to the Gujarati Samaj.
- Increased Gujarati Samaj membership by 15% and now 85%
 Gujarati families are members of the Gujarati Samaj.
- Introduced a free membership for the Gujarati students who are studying at one of the Colleges or Universities in Minnesota as a foreign student, and does not have any earned income.
- Started to publish community news regularly.
- Held all Gujarati Samaj Executive Board meetings at the same centralized location for the whole year. This helped us to run the meetings in a timely, constructive manner.



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There is a lot more opportunity for us to grow bigger and better. Every year, newly elected office bearers of the Gujarati Samaj work hard to achieve new goals with the support from the whole Gujarati community. We are one of the most organized, united and structured Indian community in the Twin Cities. Other local Indian chapters recognized us for that and many constantly seek our support. We must be proud of our achievements. Let's continue on that vision and satisfy our needs and work together either by accepting direct or indirect leadership responsibility. I urge all non-member Gujarati families to become members to improve our activities and strength. It is your organization so become a part of it. Then, we can really say that we are a one big Gujarati family!

It was a very rewarding experience for me, coordinating the various Gujarati Samaj activities in conjunction with the Executive Committee members. It was an excellent team effort year round. However, as is often repeated, a manager is only as good as his or her team. I had the privilege of working with the most capable and dedicated people. They are:

- Mr. Harshad Bhatt: our dedicated Vice President. Mr. Bhatt has provided a strong support year round and has offered many new ideas. He was very instrumental in establishing and formalizing the youth Samaj with elected members.
- Mr. Mahendra Shah: One of the most time consuming and tedious job is publishing the newsletter. Mr. Shah as General Secretary, has done an outstanding job in bringing the news to our Gujarati community on a timely basis.
- Mr. Pranjivan Parmar: As Treasurer, Mr. Parmar has kept the Samaj finances up-to-date and in a very orderly manner. He has kept a very close eye on any budgeting issues. Financially, the Gujaraji Samaj is in a very healthy condition. Our thanks to him.
- Mrs. Arati Damania and Mrs. Kokila Mody: Planning of entertainment requires tremendous effort and dedication on one's behalf especially for the Diwali Cultural Program. We are growing every year which means more participants and activites to fulfill various needs for each participant. Both, Mrs. Damania and Mrs. Mody as entertainment secretaries have fulfilled all the needs. We congratulate and admire both of them for their dedicated effort.
- Mrs. Gita Patel and Mrs. Pallavi Shah: To provide a year round excellent quality of food, food services, and ample serving requires great planning, tremendous effort,









dedication and team work for such a large group as ours. Both Mrs. Patel and Mrs. Shah as food secretaries have succeeded in this task and have done an excellent job. They deserve our admiration and congratulations.

- Mr. Bhavesh Damania and Mr. Shantibhai Patel: As sports secretaries they have introduced the youth carnival during the spring festival and many new games during our picnics. Also, they have provided fun filled outdoor entertainment and held many tournaments under their leadership for both the young and adults. The youth carnival was a great success. Our congratulatons and many thanks to both of them for doing a fine job.
- Youth Samaj: Youth Samaj, under the leadership of Miss Minita Shroff and youth Samaj committee members has played a very important role in all Gujarati Samaj activities, particularly in the youth carnival. We congratulate them for their support.

Also, I would like to thank the 1987 Board of Trustees for their support, all the volunteers who have helped us during the various 1987 Gujarati Samaj activities, advertisiers, sponsors and the Hindu Society of Minnesota for providing us the Mandir facility. Thanks again to all, and have a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

V. M. Patel

President

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1987 Gujarati Samaj Executive Committee is grateful to all volunteers, sponsors, and participants for the kind support extended in making all 1987 Gujarati Samaj events a great success and putting in their extra effort.

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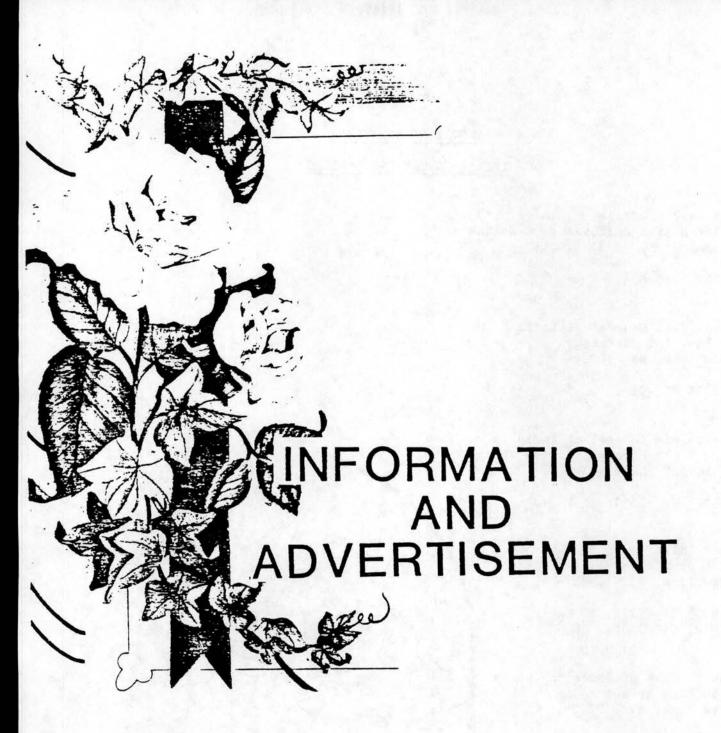
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BAYANIHAN COMING TO ORDWAY: A GALA EVENT

The Fil-Minnesotan Association proudly announces its sponsorship of the Bayanihan Philippine Dance Company's performance at the Ordway Music Theatre on Tuesday, February 16, 1988, at 8 p.m.

The birth of this critically acclaimed dance company began in 1957 when the Bayanihan Folk Arts Center was established in the Philippines, using the staff and facilities of the Philippine Women's University. Teams of students and teachers were sent to all parts of the country to record, photograph, and learn dances and collect authentic costumes and musical instruments.

(Bayanihan continued on page 7)

FMA GRAND VALENTINE BALL FEATURES 10TH ANNIVERSARY PRESENTATION OF DEBUTANTES

On Saturday, February 13, eleven young ladies will be formally introduced to the public during the Fil-Minnesotan Association's Presentation of Debutantes in the atrium of the International Market Square. These lovely debutantes will be presented by their parents at ceremonies preceding the Cotillion, a formal dance choreographed by Carie Evangelista especially for the debutantes and their escorts.

The evening will also feature the tenthyear Debutantes Homecoming. Former debutantes from 1978 to 1987 will be given recognition in a special choreographed number prepared by Marietta Docto.

(Debutantes continued on page 7)



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FMA PAST PRESIDENT TO HEAD MINNEAPOLIS CIVIL RIGHTS UNIT

Fil-Minnesotan Association Past President Ophie Balcos was elected to chair the Minneapolis Civil rights Commission, a quasi-judicial agency that enforces civil rights laws and works with the city's Civil Rights Department. Its decisions are appealed to the Minneosta Court of Appeals. Some members are appointed by Mayor Don Fraser and some by the City Council.

As Chairperson, Ophie will preside over the Commission's meetings and select members for panels that hear discrimination complaints that average 25 per month. She succeeds Bill Davis, who was Chairman for three years and who remains Commissioner. Ophie, the first Asian to chair the Commission, was Vice-Chairwoman the past two years of this 20-year-old organization.

FMA TREASURER RECEIVES MEDA PROMOTION

Incumbent Fil-Minnesotan Association Treasurer Danny Torreliza was promoted to Senior Business Consultant at the Metropolitan Economic Development Association (MEDA). MEDA is a non-profit, comprehensive business consulting service for minority entrepreneurs and funded by the corporate community. Its mission is to help the Minnesota minority entrepreneur succeed and achieve profitability in the free enterprise system.

At MEDA, Danny is responsible for business start-ups and financing assistance, including development and maintenance of bank-financing relationships and promoting the visibility of MEDA to the ethnic minority groups.

Before joining MEDA in 1986, Danny was Cost Accountant/Financial Analyst for the Toro Company and, prior to that, Financial Analyst for Control Data Corporation and International Credit Analyst for First Bank Minneapolis.

Danny has been an active officer of the Association, a lead participant in the Filipiniana series, and project director of the FMA-sponsored Ateneo Glee Club concert.

FOOD AND CLOTHING DRIVE MARKS PASKONG PILIPINO '87

December 12, 1987, marked the 11th Paskong Pilipino celebration. It was a significant day for the Filipino-American children and their proud parents, who were happy to see their children get into the Filipino spirit and tradition of Christmas.

The program included a talent show, the Nativity Scene tableau, Manuhan, Santa's surprise, and various games. The talent show featured multi-musical numbers that included jazz dancing, singing, and piano and violin playing. The audience was treated to special exciting folkdance and jazz numbers provided by The Teens as well as Janice Ocampo and Lynn Lira, respectively.

The Nativity Scene was the highlight of the program. This year's Blessed Virgin Mary was Elizabeth Magno, while Allan Lee Bongue played St. Joseph. The Three Kings were portrayed by Robbie Lagui, Eric Sumangil, and Arnold Talatala. Brad Diaz played the role of Drummer Boy. The angels, looking cute and heavenly in their mother-tailored immaculate costumes, were Andrea Castillo. Ami Chouravong, A. J. De Leon, Alexis Montemayor, Evora Olson, and Alissa Castillo. The shepherds were portrayed by Eric Adiarte, Brandon Bosacker, R. G. Granda, Jason Kurtz, and Jobo De Leon. Brian Diaz, Gala Tique, Paul Montemayor, and Christina Garcia served as the Innkeepers.

While the children paid homage to the Baby Jesus, Robert Mariano sang a rendition of "What Child Is This?"

Program emcees were Lee Jay Lira and Alyce Paguyo. Jed Canlas was narrator for the Nativity Scene, a role he has eloquently played for the past three years.

During the Manuhan, the children performed the Filipino tradition of kissing the hands of their elders, acted by Lolo and Lola Bienvenido and Teofila Luces; while the Fil-Minnesotan Chorale singers delighted everyone with traditional Filipino carols. Thereafter, Santa appeared with his bagful of gifts and goodies for the anxious kids. The sack race, egg relay, and "pabitin" provided a fitting finale to the excitement.

Food and other in-kind donations received during the event were forwarded to the Asian Refugee Food Shelf of Minneapolis.

POTPOURRI By Mena-Li Canlas

The Fil-Minnesotan Association is offering two events that surely will cure our winter doldrums. First is the Valentine Ball presentation of the 1988 Debutantes and the 10th year homecoming of past debutantes on February 13. It will be interesting and fun to see former debutantes exchanging pleasnatries. A number of them are already married, some have graduated from college, and the majority of them are still in college. This year's debutantes, 11 in all, are excited to be part of this traditional ball.

The other event is the one-night performance of the Bayanihan at the Ordway on February 16. For us Filipinos in Minnesota, it will be a night to take pride in our rich culture.

See you all at these affairs!

Congratulations to Ophie Balcos, who was elected Chairperson of the Minneapolis Civil Rights Commission by defeating Bob Fine, a lawyer. Ophie made history as she became the first woman and first Asian to hold this office. Other distinctions Ophie has held are: first Asian elected president by the Hennepin County Medical Society Auxiliary, a position she is currently serving; first and so far the only woman president in the history of the Fil-Minnesotan Association.

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Congratuations also to Janice Joy Ocampo, who was a recipient of a dance scholarship, given by Tremaine Hollywood Dance Center of Hollywood, California, in a national dance competition held in Kansas City, Missouri, last January 9 and 10. Janice entered in the Jazz category, where 110 dancers competed. Only 4 were awarded scholarships. Janice is the dauther of Imelda and Gus Ocampo of Coon Rapids.

Belated congratulations and best wishes to Mary Wallin and Dante Canillas, who were married last August 22 in a ceremony held at Calvary Lutheran Church, Golden Valley. The couple received their guests at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Crystal. Dante's mother and brother from California, a sister from Florida, and relatives Tor and Zen Nagano and Lur Alfonso flew from California to attend the wedding. At the back of the bridal car was a big sign that read "Married at Last!"

Dr. and Mrs. Onesimo De Mira were honored by their children in a thanksgiving Mass at St. Luke's Church and a dinner reception at the Commodore in St. Paul last December 26, on the occasion of the couple's 50th wedding anniversary. There was a short program where the children, Dr. Onesimo Jr., Marlo Hough, Louelle Mascovitz of New York, and Suzette Foroozan, recounted the happy and fruitful life of their parents (the De Miras have 7 children and 28 grandchildren). Children-in-law Minda, Mervin, Ken, and Reza provided their personal assistance to the celebration. Dr. De Mira is a retired City Health Officer of Dumaguete and Mrs. De Mira is a retired Home Economics supervisor of the Arts and Trade School of Dumaguete. Long life and more blessings to this wonderful couple!

Liz and Danny Torreliza are the proud parents of a baby girl (5 lbs. 10 ozs., 19 inches) born December 10. The baby is named Alexandra Victoria. Papa Danny had another blessing; he was promoted by MEDA to Senior Business Consultant.

Valerie and Dony Castillo also had a stork visit. Abigail Redwing (7-1/2 lbs., 21 inches) was born December 22. This is the third girl for the couple.

A bouncing baby girl named Sara Luces was born to Meding and John Ingenhutt on December 18. Sara weighed 8 lbs. 4 ozs. and measured 21 inches.

A baby girl (4 lbs. 10 ozs., 18 inches) was the recent addition to the family of Grace and Pete Sibal. The baby is named Petrina.

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INVITATION

URBAN CONCERNS SEMINAR ON THE

AMERICAN POLITICAL PROCESS

On Sunday, January 10, 1988 the Directors and Officers of the Fil-Minnesotan Association had the opportunity to listen to the presentation of the Urban Concerns Workshops, Inc. on the American political process and how each of us as Filipino-Americans can participate in that process during this election year. We feel that this presentation can be extremely useful to our Association members and also to the entire Filipino-American Community in the Twin Cities Metropolitan region.

Urban Concerns Workshops, Inc. is a non-partisan and non-profit organization of volunteers and professional staff. The mission of this organization is to help minority groups in Minnesota to understand the political process and to help us to participate in that process. Formed in 1970, this organization is now recognized as a major force in political education for minorities and youth groups in the state of Minnesota.

A seminar is scheduled for Saturday, February 20, 1988 at 4:00 p.m. at the International Market Square Conference Room at the corner of Lyndale and Glenwood in Minneapolis. Please come with your family, friends and neighbors. Invite a Filipino-American family to come with you. Young adults are also welcome. This presentation will also cover the aspect of our development as well as youth development in understanding and in effectively using the political process to communicate our individual or collective concerns and needs to our elected officials in the city halls, state legislature or in Washington. Examples of some of the topics to be covered:

- Overview of the political process at the local (city, county) level, state level and national level;
- How Filipino-Americans can individually be involved in the DFL or IR party caucus in late February 1988 and add to the merits of involvement;
- How each of us individually (or collectively as a group) can develop our own agenda of political needs (such as freedom from job discrimination, opportunity for economic advancement, immigration laws, etc.) and effectively present these needs directly to elected officials for change.
- Urban Concerns' work in training youth groups to understand the American political process.

(Please see agenda on the back page)

URBAN CONCERNS SEMINAR ON THE

AMERICAN POLITICAL PROCESS

AGENDA

DATE:

Saturday, February 20, 1988

TIME:

4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

(A question and answer session will follow after

the presentation)

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International Market Square 275 Market Street, Minneapolis

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SPEAKER:

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10:00-10:30 A.M. - CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST/ REFRESHMENT

10:45-11:15 A.M. - SPRING FASHION SHOW

11:15-1:00 P.M. - MARKET TIME

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A seminar on the American Political Process, sponsored by the Fil-Minnesotan Association, will be held from 4:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 20, 1988, at the International Market Square, 275 Market Street, Minneapolis. The purpose of the seminar is to acquaint Filipino-Americans with the political process and how they can participate in that process this election year. The FMA has invited Ernest C. Swinson, Community Program Director of the Urban Concerns Workshop, Inc., to present the seminar.

The Association invites the Filipino-American commnity, particularly young adults, to participate in this activity.

More details are in the flier enclosed in this newsletter.

(BAYANIHAN Continued from page 1)

Painstaking research has gone into every detail of Bayanihan's costuming and stunning decor. The result is not only a vividly accurate representation of Philippine culture, but a breathtakingly beautiful one as well. Combined with the unique and authentic sounds of its native orchestra, Bayanihan's lithe and versatile dancing and swirling color and verve against exotic backgrounds produce an evening of what the Chicago Tribune describes as "an enchanting show staged by one of the freshest and most original dance troupes in seasons ..."

The Company of 28 dancers and 12 musicians made its international debut at the Brussels World's Fair. In 1959, the Company opened on Broadway and received unanimous critical acclaim. Following a threeweek run on Broadway, the troupe then embarked on a successful tour of the U.S. Sensational receptions throughout Europe also followed. In 1968, the Bayanihan Dance Company became the first Philippine dance organization to appear in the U.S.S.R. and other Eastern European countries. In 1976-77, Bayanihan gave its debut performances in the People's Republic of China, Turkey, Poland, Hungary, and Czechoslovakia. In 1977, it made its first Minnesota sojourn with an electrifying show at the University of Minnesota's Northrop Auditorium.

Bayanihan's performances of Philippine folklore have consistently received rave reviews in every country to which the Company travels.

(DEBUTANTES Continued from page 1)

Cocktails start at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Dinner price is \$25 per person for non-members and \$24 for members of the Association. Everyone is encouraged to pay his/her membership dues at the door, if unable to do so during the Annual Meeting and 35th Anniversary affair last November. Family membership is \$10 and individual membership is \$5.

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The New York Times wrote, "A more utterly winning and beautiful show would be hard to imagine, and we could do with a great deal more of it." "Impeccably staged, marvelously enlightening," said Paris' France Soir.

Maariv proclaims Bayanihan's performance as a "marvelous symphony of movement, color and tunes, which turn the Filipinos' performance into a feast for the eye and ear."

To date, more than 900 tickets have been purchased through the Fil-Minnesotan Association. Ticket buyers will be recognized individually in a printed sponsorship acknowledgement page that will be inserted into the Bayanihan performance programs printed by the Ordway Music Theatre.

A reception for all FMA patrons will be held in the Ordway's Grand Foyer after the show to top this gala affair. Bayanihan performers will be present for a "Meet and Greet" part of this exciting evening.

Further information regarding the Bayanihan Ordway performance may be obtained by calling:

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Prospective Summer Institute students are encouraged to complete the application process as soon as possible and no later than May 9, 1988.

For more information, please contact: The Asian Pacific American Learning Resource Center, 306 Walter Library, 117 Pleasant Street S.E., Minneapolis, MN 55455; telephone (612) 624-2317.

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The family and relatives of
Carie Evangelista
extend their heartfelt thanks
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during the passing of
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35th ANNIVERSARY

THE FIL - MINNESOTAN ASSOCIATION PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES

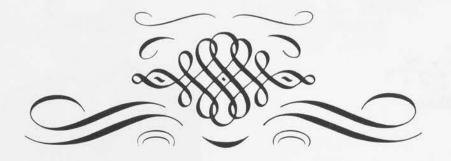
To unite all groups and individuals engaged in work aimed at raising the economic welfare, educational and social levels of Filipinos and Americans of Philippine descent.

To foster and promote statewide interest in and concern for the problems of Filipinos to the end that sickness, poverty, discrimination (economic and otherwise), and crime be lessened and necessary means be found and utilized to assist in the education of the underprivileged members of the Association.

To investigate, research and study the problems of the Philippine American community and to furnish reports and recommendations thereon to the various groups and agencies.

To solicit and receive assistance and other assets by gift, grant, contribution, device and bequest, or otherwise, and hold the same interest for the uses and purposes for which this Association is organized.

In furtherance of these ends the Association may promote activities as may seem desirable.





PRESIDENT'S MIESSAGE

I am very happy to extend to all friends and members of the Fil-Minnesotan Association my warmest greetings on this our 35th anniversary! I express my appreciation for your unselfish involvement in its activities and continued support of its goals.

The presidency of the Fil-Minnesotan Association has given me the pleasure of working with its officers and members of the Board of Directors whose hard work and dedication have made possible the development of various projects that seek to meet the cultural, social, recreational, educational and civic needs of our Filipino-American community.

One of the major long-term goals of the Association is the establishment of a community center for the Filipino-American population in Minnesota. Since its inception, fundraising projects have been undertaken in the hope that we will, indeed, have a Philippine center that would serve as a clearinghouse for information and a homebase for activities that create a potent awareness of our cultural heritage and identity.

Once again, on behalf of the Officers and Board of Directors of the Fil-Minnesotan Association, I wish to thank all our friends and associates for their unending support of and interest in the Association's strides for higher goals for our community.

Sincerely,

Dennis M. Diaz



THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE PHILIPPINES

PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL

30 N. MICHIGAN AVENUE, SUITE 2100 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, U.S.A. 60602

Chicago, 2 October 1987

MESSAGE

I am happy to greet the officers and members of the Fil-Minnesotan Association on the occasion of its 35th anniversary celebration.

Thirty five years is a long time in the life of an organization and this speak well of the maturity, the dedication and the perseverance of its officers and members.

Through the years you have filled the needs of the Filipino community in the Minneapolis area and you have remained true to your lofty goals and objectives. You have managed to preserve the rich cultural heritage of our people and you have enhanced the image of the Filipino in the communities where you work and live.

As you celebrate this special event, I hope that you will continue to grow and to serve. May you never waver in the pursuit of your objectives and may you never tire of lending a helping hand to our less fortunate brothers back home.

I wish you many more years of happy association and may success crown all your future endeavours.



Alwhy & Gunn ELEUTERIO E. ESPINAS Consul General

Senator Budy Boschwitz

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

November 21, 1987

Warm greetings to all of my friends with the Philippine Association.

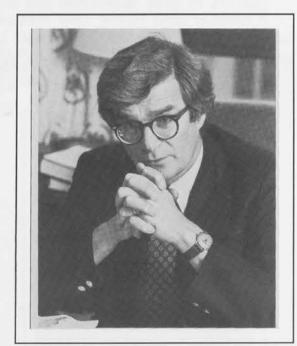
Congratulations on 35 impressive years in Minnesota - you have much to celebrate!

Best wishes for a wonderful anniversary and many, many more years of growth and progress.

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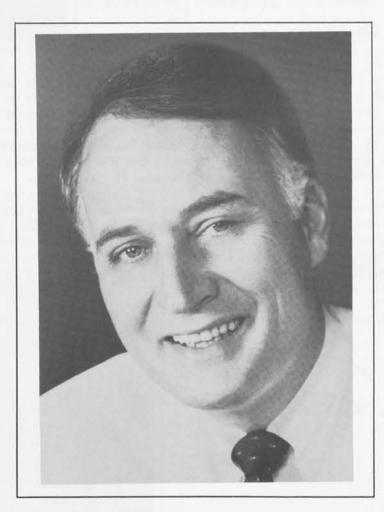
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United States Senate

Caugnatulations!



Dan Dunlinger



RUDY PERPICI

October 14, 1987

STATE OF MINNESOTA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ST. PAUL 55155



Fil-Minnesotan Association International Market Square 275 Market Street - Ste 372 Minneapolis, MN 55405

Dear Anniversary Celebrants:

Congratulations on the 35th Anniversary of the Fil-Minnesotan Association. I'm sorry Lola and I can't join you for the banquet, but I am delighted to have this opportunity to send greetings to those attending the celebration.

I wish to extend my sincere congratulations to the Fil-Minnesotan Association on this anniversary, and to acknowledge the many positive contributions its Board of Directors and members have made to the State of Minnesota.

In the arts and humanities, health and human services, education and science, business and economic development - Fil-Minnesotans have worked hard to achieve success, and to share resources and support their Filipino neighbors. Those individuals who carry on the work of the founders of Fil-Minnesotan Association can take great pride in the successes they have achieved, and should be applauded for their efforts.

I commend you for your commitment and dedication. My best wishes for a wonderful celebration.

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RUDOLPH G. PERPIC

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STATE OF MINNESOTA

OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

ST. PAUL 55155

November 21, 1987

Dear Friends,

On the occasion of the 35th Anniversary of the Fil-Minnesotan Association, I wish to extend my sincere greetings to its officers, Board of Directors and members.

The Fil-Minnesotan Association throughout the years has provided our state with exceptional and outstanding programs which reflect the positive ethnic, artistic and cultural values of the Filipino-Americans.

We are all beneficiaries of the rich heritage the Fil-Minnesotan Association celebrates on November 21st, and I am honored to recognize its meritorious achievements.

Congratulations!



Warm regards,

mailine Shuson

MARLENE JOHNSON

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October 9, 1987

Fil-Minnesotan Association International Market Square 275 Market Street - Suite 372 Minneapolis, MN 55405

Dear Fil-Minnesotan Affiliates:

As Mayor of Minneapolis, it is a great pleasure to recognize your thirty-five years of service to our state.

The Fil-Minnesotan Association has so much to be proud of. Not only is thirty-five years of service remarkable in itself, but your organization is also to be commended for the tremendous number of areas that it has addressed. It is apparent to me that your organization takes great strides to deal with all issues and difficulties affecting the Filipino people.

For those of you who have decided to settle in Minneapolis, I hope that you have encountered many positive experiences. I am confident that Minneapolis has much to offer you, and I know that our City benefits from having you here.

Congratulations on this thirty-fifth year Anniversary, and I wish the Fil-Minnesotan Association many more rewarding and successful years.

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Sincerely,





CITY OF SAINT PAUL

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

347 CITY HALL SAINT PAUL, MINNES OTA 55102 (612) 298-4323

October 1, 1987

MEMBERS OF THE FIL-MINNESOTAN ASSOCIATION

As Mayor of the City of Saint Paul, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the members of the Fil-Minnesotan Association who will be celebrating the thirty-fifth anniversary of the association November 21, 1987.

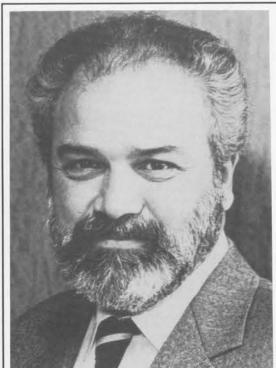
The worthwhile effort of your association to promote the ethnic, economic, professional, cultural, artistic, and social needs, and an awareness of problems and concerns which face this segment of our population is indeed a valuable service.

I hope you will enjoy the festivities planned for your $35 \, \mathrm{th}$ Anniversary.

Very truly yours,

George Latimer

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Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans

MESSAGE

On the occasion of the 35th Anniversary of the Fil-Minnesotan Association, I wish to extend my sincere greetings to the Board of Directors and Members on this historic occasion.

We are all touched by the commitment and dedication of all Fil-Minnesotans who by their deep sense of belonging inspire all of us to overcome the impossible.

We are proud of the Fil-Minnesotan Association for caring for those in need and of providing warmth and comfort to our ambiance which at times can become cold and uncomfortable.

As we celebrate this memorable event, please join me in remembering those who cannot be with us to-night but for whose compassion and devotion made it possible for all of us to be together.

May God bless all of you and may you continue to challenge all of us to serve and be lifted to a higher and nobler cause!

> Albert V. de Leon, Ph.D. Executive Director

November 21, 1987



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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Asian/Pacific American Learning Resource Center 306 Walter Library 117 Pleasant Street S.E. Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455 (612) 624-2317

October 27, 1987

GREETINGS

On behalf of the Asian/Pacific American Learning Resource Center at the University of Minnesota, I would like to extend congratulations to the Fil-Minnesotan Association on its commemoration of the thirty-fifth anniversary.

The Fil-Minnesotan Association has long been the mainstay of the cohesive Filipino American community in Minnesota, promoting and sharing with our fellow Minnesotans rich Filipino culture and heritage. Your organization's numerous artistic performances and cultural programs have contributed immensely to enhancing the public's understanding of cultural and ethnic diversity among Asian Americans.

We are also proud of Fil-Minnesotan Association members' outstanding accomplishments in education, science, business, and other professions. The Fil-Minnesotan Association and its members have helped improve the quality of life in Minnesota, particularly with respect to academic excellence, medical services, artistic performances, and economic and technological development, to name only a few.

I join other members of the University community in expressing our goodwill and friendship to the membership of the Fil-Minnesotan Association. I also would like to wish your organization the best of luck in your future endeavors.



Sincerely,

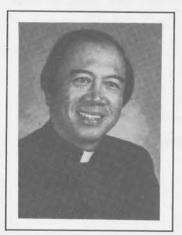
Nobuya Tsuchida, Ph.D.

Director



CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
13505 EXCELSIOR BLVD., MINNETONKA, MINNESOTA 55345

Some of my fondest memories as a child were the gatherings of Filipinos. It gave me a sense of pride in my heritage and my roots. I am coming to realize how very important that is. I'm pleased that the Filipino-Minnesotan Association is still carrying out this rich tradition. I extend my best wishes and congratulations on your 35th Anniversary. I pray for your success and hope that you will continue to exist for many years to come.



Ru. Rinaldo B. Custodio

MESSAGE

Pastoral Care St. Joseph's Hospital 69 W. Exchange St. St. Paul. MN 55102 October 24, 1987

Dear Fil-Minnesotans,

Congratulations for a job well done these past 35 years! That's a long time being in this Land of the Free and Home of the Brave, having enjoyed its many opportunities as well as having encountered some, if not many, difficult challenges. But inspite of the latter, you came up with flying colors!

As you enter into a new phase of your life as an organization, I wish you more success in all your endeavors. More power to you!

As one of your spiritual leaders, I would offer any kind of service your organization may ask of me to do and, through you, our fellow kababayans in this Land of 10,000 Lakes. Christ said: "I came that they may have life, life to the full." May I challenge you to heed Christ's command that you and all of us try to help once again and always our less fortunate sisters and brothers here as well as those back home in the Philippines. If we do this, then, this 35th Anniversary of the foundation of the Fil-Minnesotan Association will be an act of Thanksgiving to Him from Whom all blessings flow.

God bless you all!

Sincerely yours,

Fr. Tony Molina

Thirty-five years is a long time. It is hard to believe the Fil-Minnesotan Association has been in existence for that long a period. Those of us who started it can bask in reflected glory, but the credit should rightfully belong to those who, over the years worked to sustain the association.

The Association has served well as a symbol of the Filipino presence in Minnesota. May it continue to serve the needs of the Filipino community, while at the same time making our Minnesota friends and neighbors more aware of the unique contributions that Filipinos make to the melting pot that is America.

Congratulations, Fil-Minnesotan!

Cordially,

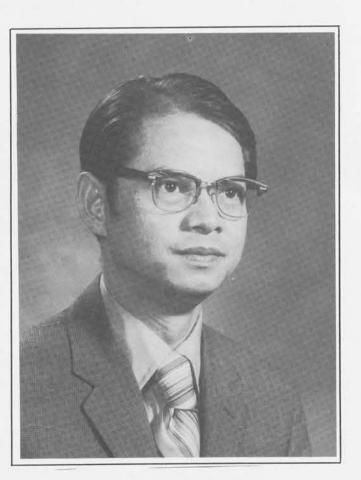
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Rene Dawis



MESSAGE

Congratulations on the 35th Anniversary! A very progressive and vibrant organization.



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Eusebio Mendoza

Greetings to the Fil-Minnesotan Association on the occasion of its 35th Anniversary!



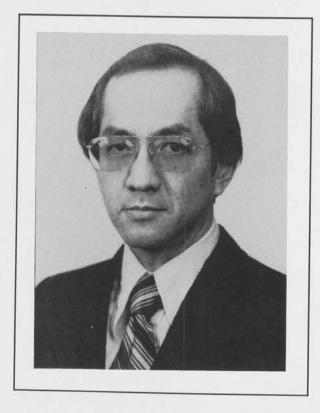
Anatolio Cruz, Jr.

IN MEMORIAM



Dr. Hernando Brigino

Greetings to the Fil-Minnesotan Association on its 35th Anniversary!



Regino Balce

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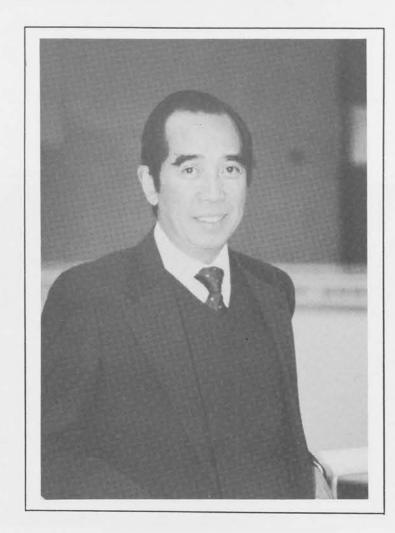
Greetings and Best Wishes to the Fil-Minnesotan Association on its 35th Year of Service to the Filipino Community!



Eliseo Dejoras

Great is the art of organizing Greater still is the art of persevering

CARRY ON --- FIL-MINNESOTANS!



Emmanuel G. Balcos

MESSAGE

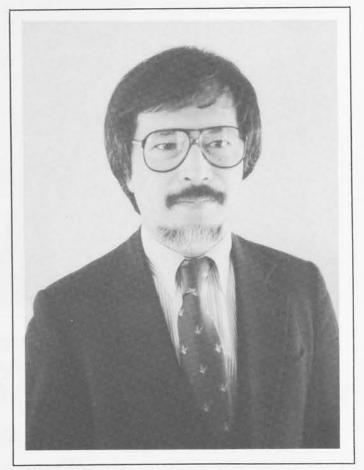
It was a great honor to serve the Fil-Minnesotan Association some twenty years ago. It is a great pleasure to greet the Association on its 35th Anniversary.

Among the many things an organization does, the most important one is maintaining a focus of identity -- such that as we each make our way in the world, it enables us to re-affirm our common heritage. The Association has provided that through the years. It will continue to do so as long as our kinship exists.

Best wishes,

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Waldemar Cruz



To the Fil-Minnesotans,

Best Wishes and Congratulations on your 35th Anniversary!



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Ramon B. Gustilo

MESSAGE

Greetings to the Fil-Minnesotan Association on its 35th Anniversary!



Ric Labayen

Director, Emergency Service Memorial Medical Center Kansas City, Missouri

President, Philippine Medical Society of Greater Kansas City

Best Wishes and Congratulations to the Fil-Minnesotan Association on its 35th Anniversary! You really have gone a long way. Keep up the good work.



Levy L. Lira Levy L. Lira

MESSAGE

TO ALL OFFICERS, MEMBERS, AND FRIENDS OF THE FIL-MINNESOTAN ASSOCIATION;

I wish to congratulate all of you for your continued dedication and devotion to the Fil-Minnesotan Association. No doubt the fruits of your labor have become quite clearly visible not only to the Filipino community, but also to our adopted country. Not only have you capably presented our culture, customs, and traditions, but equally our values -- moral and spiritual. Specifically, you have become sensitive to the growing need for the parenting of our bicultural children, and also the needs of their parents.

To all of you, my sincerest wishes, prayers and hopes that you may continue these demonstrations of genuine love, concern, and service to the members.

May the grace of God be with you always; to lead, sustain, strengthen and protect you; and above all, to bless each one of you!

F. de los Reyes Fred de los Reyes



MESSAGE

Thirty-five years of achievements and services to the community are things I am very proud of.

Congratulations FIL-MINNESOTANS!

Your dedication and commitment are to be emulated.



Nelson Paguyo

MESSAGE

Ten years ago, on November 4, 1977, I said "I am not a Politician, I'm just a housewife...." That memorable night, I was elected as the first Woman President of the Fil-Minnesotan Association.

I would like to express my gratitude to this organization for giving me the opportunity to be of service to the Filipino community. My involvement in the various projects of the Association enhanced my ability to participate and play an active role in the different organizations in the City of Minneapolis and the State of Minnesota.

I would also like to thank the Officers, Board Members and the Members of the Fil-Minnesotan Association who gave their tremendous support during my administration.

My very best wishes on the 35th Anniversary for its continued success in the future!

Sincerely,

Ophie G. Balcos Ophelia G. Balcos



MESSAGE

Congratulations to the Fil-Minnesotan Association on its 35th Anniversary. In the last 18 years, I was privileged to see and participate in its continued growth into a strong and dynamic organization that it is today. On its 35th year of existence, the Fil-Minnesotan Association stands as a leader of the community and respected by its peers. This is due to the dedication and hard work of its officers and members for the last 35 years.

As I join in the celebration of this momentous event, I would like to salute the officers and members of the Association and wish the Fil-Minnesotan Association continued success in years to come.

Augusto A. Sumangil



MESSAGE

BEST WISHES TO THE FIL-MINNESOTAN ASSOCIATION!



Amador Frances

PIL - MINNESOTAN ASSOCIATION PRESIDENTS

Rene Dawis 1953

Cesar de Jesus 1954

Oscar Balagot 1955

Manuel Moraleda 1956

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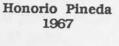
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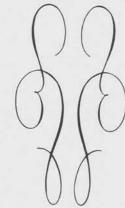
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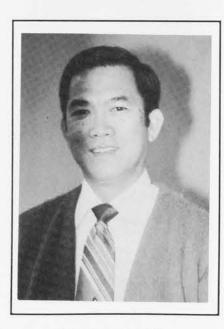
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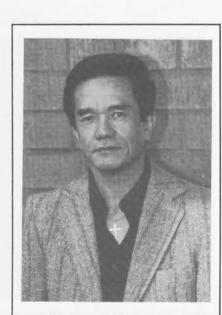


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THE FIL-MINNESOTAN ASSOCIATION A BRIEF HISTORY

BY BELEN ANDRADA AND LUIS SIOJO

When a person is thousands of miles away from one's homeland and lives in a culture different from one's own, a need to associate with others of the same background becomes a strong desire. The reasons are multiple. According to Ray de los Reyes in the article he wrote in the 1986 Fil-Minnesotan Newsletter, "companionship is one; but beyond that is the implicit appreciation and affirmation of the values of one's culture which may differ from those of the country one migrates into. One does not want to part with them and looks for a company that bolsters this feeling. Such a company, too, can be a good forum for figuring out ways of adapting to a new culture without sacrificing one's own."

In 1953, about 12 Filipino graduate students at the University of Minnesota gathered together to organize themselves into the Fil-Minnesotan Association. Dr. Rene Dawis and his wife, Lydia, fondly recall how this came about. When they left the Philippines for Minneapolis, a priest, Fr. Delaney, gave them the name of a Presentacion Perez, Head of the Home Economics Department at the University of the Philippines and who was already studying at the University of Minnesota. They thought that she was the only Filipino student at the University. However, Dr. Dawis met Lily Salcedo on the bus one day and the networking started. Miss Perez initiated the idea of getting organized and, shortly thereafter, the Association was born. The first officers (who called themselves the "Big Four") included Dr. Dawis as President, Lily Salcedo as Vice-President, Nena Fortich as Secretary, and Lucille Paradela as Treasurer. Their basic aim was cultural and social. Activities included get-togethers at Christmastime and, with other foreign students, they also participated in activities sponsored by the University and hosted by some American faculty members who opened their homes to students from other countries. Soon, they became more involved in foreign student activities and served as representatives of their country, displaying Philippine artifacts and sharing their culture as best as they could.

In the years to follow, other (non-student) Filipinos joined the Association. The exact history of how the branching out happened is not known as there are conflicting stories. At the time, many of the new members were doctors due to the numbers who were here as residents or practitioners.

During the early years of the Association, two main events became regular happenings: the annual get-together banquet in the Fall and the family picnic in the Summer. Occasionally, the members hosted Filipino officials visiting the Twin Cities, among them Vice President Fernando Lopez, Ambassador Carlos P. Romulo, and the Health Secretary. (The Labatique family used to host many picnics near a lake in Wayzata). The Association was also asked to contribute dance and song numbers and provide exhibits at the annual Festival of Nations held in St. Paul.

In 1966, Dr. Emmanuel Balcos initiated a fundraising project for a Filipiniana section at the University of Minnesota library. The play entitled "A Portrait of the Artist as Filipino" was presented at Heritage Hall of the Minneapolis Public Library. It was directed by graduate student Tony Mabesa and starred a cast of other Filipino graduate students attending the University. The Mayor of Minneapolis and the Vice Consul of the Philippine Consulate in Chicago were among those present.

In the 70's when the Filipino-American community was gradually increasing in numbers, the Association undertook more cultural and educational projects. The Minneapolis Aquatennial's theme in 1970 was the "Pearl of the Orient Seas." The guest of honor was the newly-crowned Miss Universe from the Philippines, Gloria Diaz. The Bayanihan Dancers were invited as guest performers. The Fil-Minnesotan Association under the presidency of Dr. Ric Labayen participated in the parade with its own exotic float, displayed Philippine exhibits at the booth, and hosted a dinner-dance for the performing artists and Miss Diaz.

Efforts to register the Association as a non-profit organization materialized during Fred de los Reyes' term in 1972; subsequently, tax-exempt status was obtained through Bill Olson's assistance. Different committees were formed and the first newsletter was issued, with Onnie Sumangil as editor; Mr. Frank Calabiao, a retired English Department Head at Jose Rizal College of Manila, was the adviser. There was a yearly Fashion Show held in the Spring as a fundraising project.

Unity among Filipinos and increasing the visibility of Filipino Americans were the basic goals of Dr. Nelson Paguyo. A dance troupe under the direction of Carie Evangelista was organized in 1974; the group performed at many club activities, at churches, colleges, universities, and community centers. The Blood Bank was established in 1975 and Tagalog classes offered through the Community Education Department of St. Louis Park in 1976. In 1975, Paskong Pilipino, a Christmas program for the children of this community was Abe Malicsi's brainchild. Very well received, this celebration has become an annual event. What started as a Talent Show and Cultural Presentation of Filipino folk dances (in which the Cultural Society of Filipino Americans were invited to participate) in 1976, developed into the Filipiniana series in the years to come. Ophie Balcos chaired the first Filipiniana, which was a musical extravaganza of different talents and performers from the Filipino community. Succeeding Filipiniana projects (1978, 1979, 1982,1983, 1984) were productions written by Noli Celestino and directed by Lita Malicsi. Carie Evangelista, Marietta Docto, and Don Luis Siojo provided their choreographic skills to the various Filipiniana plays and musicals. These productions were supported by all presidents who followed -- Ophie Balcos, Tito Sumangil, Amador Frances, Nelson Paguyo and Dennis Diaz.

Realizing the role of young people in the future of the organization, the Junior Fil-Minnesotan group was represented in 1978 on the Board of Directors of the Association. The youth members planned and conducted their own projects and activities.

In the same year, Ophie Balcos introduced the Debutantes' Ball held in conjunction with the annual Valentine Ball in February; the first Cotillion project was chaired and choreographed by Carie Evangelista who, along with Marietta Docto provided choreographies for subsequent Cotillions. The Archives Committee was established, with a major project to conduct research on all past presidents of the Association in preparation for the 25th Anniversary recognition banquet held in the Fall of that year. Another project, chaired by Gene Siruno, was the development of an official Fil-Minnesotan logo.

The Fil-Minnesotan Association has come a long way -- eight concerts sponsored since 1975, including three featuring the international violinist-pianist team of Gilopez Kabayao and Corazon Pineda, the Nuccio-Schubert Guitar-Soprano Concert at the Ordway, the Ateneo de Manila University Glee Club and two University of the Philippines Concert Chorus performances, and the Philippine Music Ensemble (of the Philippine Women's University) concert performance at the Ordway's McKnight Studio Theatre. Two parenting seminars ("Relationships in a Bicultural Family") have taken place in consortium with the University of Minnesota's Center for Youth Development and Research (1983 and 1987). Two Mercedes Benz fundraising raffle events were held in 1984 and 1986, in order to help establish and stabilize a strong funding base for the Association's educational, cultural, humanitarian, and other service-oriented projects. Human services assistance is continually being provided to members of the Filipino American community. In the last two years, the Special Events Committee has expanded its sports program to tennis, golf and basketball, in addition to the bowling and chess tournaments.

In 1979, the first Pacific Asian American Heritage Week was proclaimed by President Carter, for the week of May 1-10. Governer Al Quie also made a proclamation for the State of Minnesota. The Association participated in the celebration of this occasion. In 1986, Governor Rudy Perpich proclaimed "Philippine Minnesotan Heritage Week" on June 11th, in conjunction with the celebration of Philippine Independence.

The Association has also cooperated with other Filipino-American organizations in various activities, e.g., celebrating national holidays. In addition, some members are active participants in the Asian American groups, such as the Minnesota Asian American Project, the Concerned Asian American Group at the University of Minnesota, Minority Advisory Council, and the Council on Asian Pacific Minnesotans.

There are many, many dedicated members who have invested a lot of their time and energy to the Fil-Minnesotan Association. The future holds many challenges for this 35-year old organization. There will always be formidable challenges in the years ahead, but the Fil-Minnesotan Association is gracefully getting wiser as it grows stronger and older. Members should be proud of themselves for having come this far!

THE FIRST YEARS OF THE FIL-MINNESOTAN ASSOCIATION



First Officers - The "Big Four" Nena Fortich, Lucille Paradela, Lily Salcedo, and Rene Dawis



The officers together with other members of the newly-formed organization



Rene Dawis giving a speech at a Fil-American Club dinner



A 1957 Official Souvenir Photo



Association members attending a meeting at the University of Minnesota

Get-togethers at Christmastime





... and

other family occasions





Ric Labayen accepts a congratulatory handshake from the Minneapolis Aquatennial Commodore for the Association's participation in the annual summer event

The Filipino - Minnesotan Association

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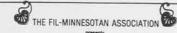


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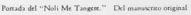
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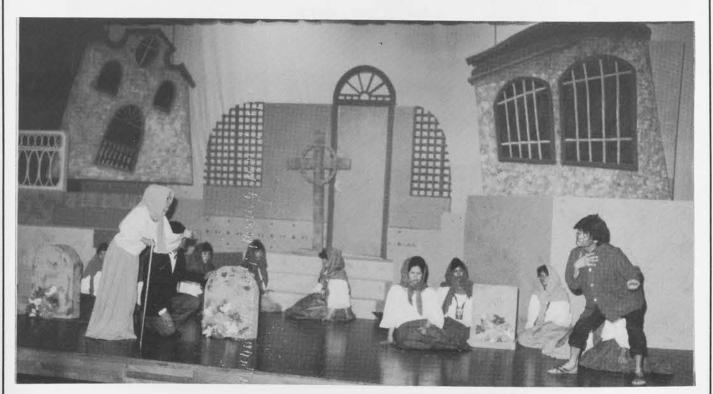












PLAYWRIGHT'S NOTES

It took me a year to adapt Jose Rizal's novel, "Noli Me Tangere," into the stage.

It wasn't a small task. I realized the work before me was monumental. I knew, as a writer, I was confined. I had to move within the context of Rizal's theme, plot and milieu. I had to capture the mood, the tone, and the dialect of his characters. And, most importantly, I had to be faithful to his intention and objective.

Jose Rizal was a patriot. "Noli" was written to expose the political and social ills of Spanish-colonized Philippines. The question then was: In this framework, is a play based on "Noli" relevant to present-day American society?

It is. Consider the spirit behind the novel. Rizal's immediate goal was to uplift the Filipino's pitiful condition under the Spaniards. His long-term objective was to rekindle the Filipinos' trampled sense of dignity so they can function as self-respecting individuals at all times, under all circumstances.

Certainly, Rizal's concept of national dignity transcends territory. Today, the Filipinos are in the mainstream of American society. They constitute a fiber in the fabric that makes America a great nation. As such, they have to be strong. To be strong, they have to be understood. To be understood, they have to understand themselves. To understand themselves, they have to know their roots.

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"Noli Me Tangere" is a good conduit to this understanding.



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PASKONG PILIPINO AT WESTWOOD DECEMBER 13

Paskong Pilipino, the annual family-oriented christmas celebration will be held on Saturday, December 13 at Westwood Junior High, 2025 Texas Ave.S., St. Louis Park at 1:00 p.m. A donation of \$1.00 will be requested for the adults.

This yuletide festivity was first sponsored by the Fil-Minnesotan Association back in December of 1976. It provided a medium for the children of Filipino-American families to get a glimpse of a typical christmas celebration-Filipino style. Since then, the Association continues the tradition of putting the spotlight on the younger set who are featured in the entertainment.

There will be a children's caroling contest this year. (Continued on page 2)



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Wednesday, November 2nd, 1983 7:30 p.m. Meetinghouse, Colonial Church of Edina 6200 Colonial Way, Edina, Minnesota







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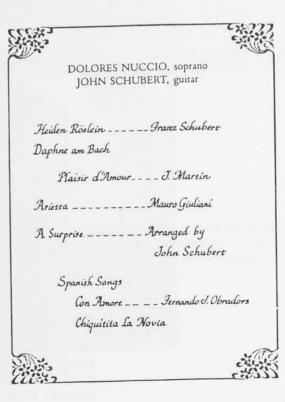
Emcee of the 1975 roadshow tour group of stage performers and celebrities giving an introductory comedic speech



Members of the world-famous Bayanihan Dance Company entertaining a crowd in a suburbian shopping mall



John Schubert and Dolores Nuccio with Miss Fil-Minnesotan Mary Rose delos Reyes after the Ordway concert



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Lita Malicsi gracefully executes coy movements of the "Kuratsa" with partner Noli Celestino



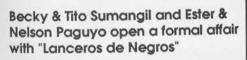
Charito Ramos-Breen holds a delicate balance of three lighted candles in "Pandanggo sa llaw"



Marvin Alcantara and Mena-Li Canlas portray Crisostomo Ibarra and Maria Clara of Rizal's "Noli Me Tangere"



V-Keeh Magsalin demonstrates effortlessly the intricate footwork of the "Tinikling" bamboo dance







Miss Fil-Minnesotan Loida Magana and her court of honor at the Aquatennial Summer Parade

FIL-MINNESOTAN MUSES



Miss Fil-Minnesotan Rogelia (Roger) Arpa Ibanez with Fred and Nellie delos Reyes at the annual dinner



Outgoing Muse Loida Magana pins sash to newly selected Muse Emily Jovellana-Palis



Muse Zeny Gloria-See atop FMA float during the Minneapolis Aquatennial parade



Mary Rose delos Reyes



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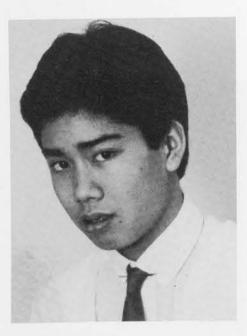
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FMA RECEIVES GRANTS AND COMMITMENTS

The association started recently to receive grant commitments and contributions for Filipiniana V ("Noli Me Tangere") and other projects. So far, commitments and checks received from First Bank System Foundation, SICO, Inc., First Bank St. Paul and Northwestern Bank-St. Paul amount to about \$2,000. More grants are expected to come before the year-end and the early part of 1983. The Fund Raising Committee, headed by Tito Sumangil, approached a number of Minnesota foundations and corporations this year. The committee expects to raise enough funds to finance Filipiniana V, Seminar on Improving Family Relationship in a Bi-cultural Family and research on historical ties between Minnesota and the Philippines. The other members of the committee are Rahim Rahiman, Dennis (Boy) Diaz and Ernie Venegas.



Lloyd Brandt, President of the First Bank System Foundation, hands over a check to Amador Frances while Fundraising Chairman, Tito Sumangil, looks on



Dennis Diaz presents a check donation to Reverend Cliff Danielson of the Cebu Shelter for Children, from proceeds of the Mercedes Benz Raffle



FMA 2nd Mercedes Benz Raffle

Annual Meeting

Hotel Sofitel November 22, 1986



The Kabayaos hand over their donation to Nelson Paguyo



Amador Frances presents a major prize at the annual meeting raffle event to Mena-Li Canlas



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PRESIDENT CARTER DECLARES HERITAGE WEEK

President Carter recently proclaimed the seven-day period beginning on May 4, 1979, as the "Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week" and called upon the people of the United States, expecially the educational community, to observe that week with appropriate ceremonies and activities. The proclamation of the Heritage Week is in recognition of the contributions made by Asian Americans to the culture of the United States. The first week of May was selected because of the two significant dates in the history of the Pacific/Asian Americans—on May 7, 1843, the first Japanese entered the United States and on May 10, 1869, the first transcontinental railroad, built largely by Chinese laborers, was completed. The coalition of Asian American organizations who worked for the passage of the law called upon Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders to take advantage of the Heritage Week to inform the public and themselves about not only their contributions in history, but, also, about contemporary issues affecting their communities.



Governor Al Quie after signing the MN State Proclamation



Governor Rudy Perpich signing the 1986 Proclamation of Philippine - Minnesotan Heritage Week



Proclamation

WHEREAS: There are now over 2,500 Philippine Minnesotans in the state who have distinguished themselves in their various professional endeavors such as accounting, education, engineering, business, insurance, law, medicine, sciences, arts, drama, music and the ministry and contributed towards the economic growth and development of the state; and

WHEREAS: Philippine - Minnesotan Artists, through their individual and collaborative efforts, have produced outstanding projects to further the cause and advancement of the Minnesota arts community; and

WHEREAS: Direct historical ties exist between the State of Minnesota and the Philippines, most notable when the 13th Minnesota Regiment saw action in the Philippines in 1898 during the Spanish-American War;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the second week of June to be

PHILIPPINE - MINNESOTAN HERITAGE WEEK

in Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this eleventh day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-six, and of the State the one hundred twenty-eighth.

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Congratulations for all the great and worthwhile accomplishments!

The enthusiasm of the Fil-Minnesotans, and the willingness to contribute valuable time and energy, secure the future of ongoing cultural and educational programs the Association so feverishly worked for. Have faith and the courage to continue. More challenges await, and bigger things are yet to be achieved.

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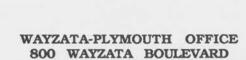
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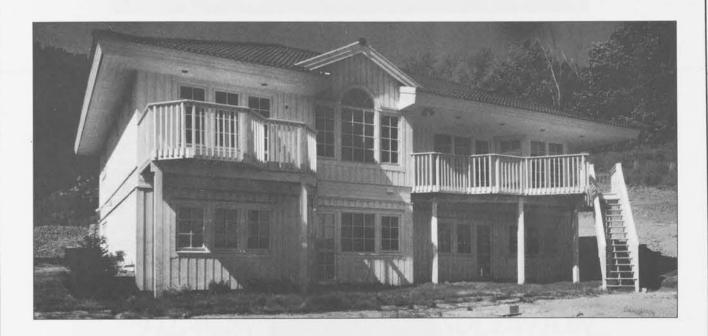


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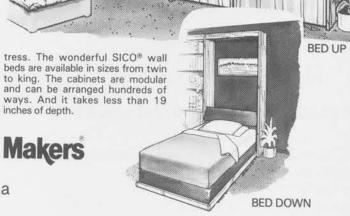


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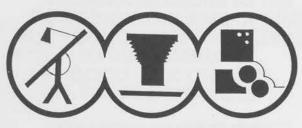
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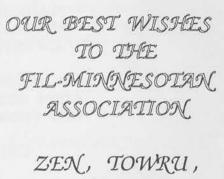
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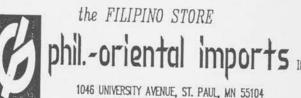
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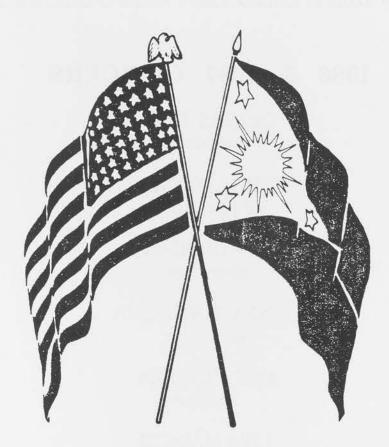
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