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INDIA CLUB OF GREATER DAYTON

432 Bentley Oak Lane, Centerville, OH 45458



SAMACHAR

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To

LET'S MAKE IT HAPPEN

October 11	Chess Tournament
October 24	Carom Tournament
October 25	Golf Tournament
November 8	Diwali Celebrations



**India Club of
Greater Dayton**

invites you to celebrate

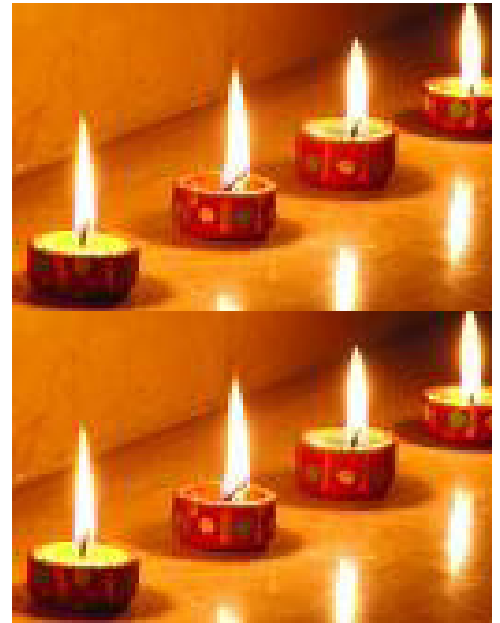
**Diwali
The Festival of Lights**

On Sat. Nov 08, 2008

Dinner: 5:00 – 6:45 PM

**Cultural Program:
7:00 – 10:00 PM**

**@ Northmont HS
Auditorium**



Northmont High School, 4916 National Road, Clayton OH 45315

Directions: From I-75 to I-70 West. Take Hoke Road exit. Turn right at exit. At the "T" junction, turn left.

Northmont High School is on the left within 1/2 a mile.

DIWALI EXTRAVAGANZA

From the desk of Cultural Chair

The Executive Committee of India Club of Greater Dayton met with all interested choreographers on September 7th to discuss the plan for the upcoming Diwali cultural show. Based on our meeting, the choreographers are currently planning a thrilling evening packed with sheer entertainment for all ages!! It is with great pleasure we invite all members to join us for a fun filled, spectacular night. Come and enjoy our Diwali Extravaganza on Saturday November 8th, 2008 at Northmont High School.

Entertainment: 7.00 – 10.00pm

Diwali Vendor Booth Rate

Standard Booth (includes two Tables and two Chairs) - \$200

Diwali Program Booklet Advertisement

India Club of Greater Dayton is inviting advertisements for its Diwali program booklet. The last date for providing such advertisements is **Oct. 31, 2008**. So, hurry up and make use of this opportunity to reach out to over 1200 people who will be enjoying Diwali celebrations being organized by the Club on Nov. 8, 2008. You may contact us via email at secretary@indiaclubdayton.org. The advertisement rates are as follows:

Description	Size	Price
Full Page	8 X 10	\$100
Half Page	8 X 5	\$75
Quarter Page	4 X 5	\$50

Diwali Dinner Tickets

Attention all members...

Get your discounted Diwali dinner tickets before October 31, 2008. Ticket prices are as follows:

Members (Advance purchase) : \$5 / ticket (Limit 4 per family)
(2008 & Life members only)

Additional tickets (Advance purchase) : \$8 / ticket
(2008 & Life members only)

Non-members (Advance purchase) : \$10 / ticket

Pizza for children : \$1 / slice

Please order for Pizza while ordering your dinner tickets.



1. Verify your membership status by clicking the link "**My Membership Status**" at the club's website www.indiaclubdayton.org

2. Based on your membership status, order tickets by clicking the link "**Diwali Dinner Tickets**" at the club's website www.indiaclubdayton.org and make the payment.

To pay via Credit Card, make use of the shopping cart at the link "**Diwali Dinner Tickets**" at the club's website www.indiaclubdayton.org.

OR

Call or mail your check to following EC members per your last name as mentioned below:

Last name between A and H – Ravi Swaminathan
432 Bentley Oak Lane, Centerville, OH 45458
(937) 312-9858

Last name between I and P - Ravi Pichu
10119 Gallatin Ct, Centerville, OH 45458
(937) 558-0463

Last name between Q and Z – Deepika Reddivari
10589 Willowbrook Rd, Centerville, OH 45458
(937) 885-2943



Your order will be processed after receiving the payment.

Contact any EC member, if you have questions.

Full-price tickets may also be purchased at the following businesses:

- Sri-G Grocers
- Mirch Masala
- Amar India Restaurant
- Jeet India Restaurant
- Kohinoor Restaurant



Last date of providing your tickets orders is **October 31, 2008**. Thereafter, tickets may be purchased @ 10 per ticket for members as well as non-members.

A Day to Remember...

India Club's Executive Committee was on a panic mode on Friday Sept. 12, 2008... "What will mother nature bring for us with rain in the forecast?" was the thought that was lingering on all their minds. A change in venue was inevitable to make picnic 2008 a success was the general consensus. Hence we switched to Weller elementary school in Centerville, a short distance away from Stubb's park.

With delicious Chole/Bhatura (We thank Pawan Kumar of Kohinoor Palace for the service) and pizza to satisfy the hunger and plenty of water and chai to quench the thirst, everyone eagerly awaited the Governor's visit. Hon. Ted Strickland and Jay Goyal made the picnic very interesting by meeting with many of our members and enjoying the festivities of the evening.

The executive committee of the India Club thanks all the musicians and other talented folks that entertained the visitors. Kudos goes to all those that served pizza, made popcorn and cotton candy for everyone. Our sincere appreciation goes to Mrs. Vanaja Swaminathan for making the beautiful garlands for Governor Strickland and Rep. Jay Goyal. Last but not least, our sincere gratitude goes to all the volunteers that came early and stayed back to help with set up and clean up. It was an evening to remember thanks to everyone's participation and help in making it a success.

Membership information

I thank those members who renewed their 2008 membership.

All members are encouraged to renew their membership and update their information before Nov 1, 2008 to reflect current status in our website and our records.

For your membership renewal or to become new member, please visit our website at www.indiaclubdayton.org. Now you may pay **your membership dues by using PAYPAL or Other Credit Card Payment Options online. Other option is to download the membership form, fill it out and mail it with your dues OR contact any of the committee member.**

Sincerely,
Deepika Reddivari
Membership Chair

Sports Samachar

UPCOMING SPORTS EVENT

❖ Chess :

Saturday, October 11, 2008

Venue: Stonelake clubhouse, Centerville

Time: 2 PM

We will divide the tournament in three age groups

Ages 6 through 10

Ages 10 through 14

Ages 14+



❖ Carom:

Friday, October 25, 2008

Venue: Stonelake clubhouse, Centerville

Time: 2 PM



❖ Golf

Saturday, October 25, 2008

Venue: Yankee Trace, Centerville

Time: 11 AM Sharp

Cost: \$55, includes prizes, range balls, green fee, cart, lunch and drinks.

Payment must be made on or before October 18, 2008. No Exceptions

Use Paypal from our website to pay.



For more information regarding sports activities and to volunteer for any of the activity please contact our sports chair **Raj Kulkarni** by email sportschair@indiaclubdayton.org. Please log on to www.indiaclubdayton.org for more information.

Community Events

In order to spread awareness of the risks and dangers of heart diseases widely prevalent in our community, INDIA TEAM is participating in the annual Greater Dayton Heart Walk, sponsored by American Heart Association. The Walk is set for Saturday, September 27, 2008 at Eastwood Metro Park, 1385 Old Harshman Road, Dayton. Walker registration begins at 8:00 AM and the Walk begins at 9:15 AM. Advance registration @ www.heartwalk.kintera.org/daytonoh. Please join India Team in this worthy cause. If you cannot walk, please make a generous donation to American Heart Association. Our goal is to have at least 25 walkers and raise \$3,000 (\$2475 already raised). For more information, call: D. Patel (434-6976), Hema Balwally (434-2568) or Jyothi Singri (426-6210)

Congratulations to youth members in our community

Sushmitha Ravikumar has won the 1st prize at Level 2 - intermediate instrumental, playing Violin in the 2008-09. Carnatic Music Competition, conducted by Chicago Tyagaraja Utsavam the Hindu Temple of Greater Chicago Auditorium, Lemont-Chicago, Illinois on September 20, 2008. For more details of this organization please check at: <http://tyagaraja-chicago.org>

India Club wishes the best of best for the following young scholars who are National Merit Semifinalists:
Deepak Chona, Vidya Gogineni, Amrita Mukhopadhyay, Shuvro Roy, Neel Patel, Akshay Rajendran



Nominating Committee 2009

Individuals interested in serving in the Executive Committee of the India Club for the year 2009 are encouraged to contact or send a letter of interest with information about them to anyone or all of the following members of the nominating committee by October 15, 2008:

Chairperson

Bhanu Raghavan

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Bellbrook, OH 45305
(937) 657-0226

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Note: Please include chairperson on all correspondence.

Community Service Awards

Each year the India Club of Greater Dayton recognizes members of the Club for their dedicated service to the community at large. Please send information to substantiate your nomination of any member in the community that deserves this prestigious recognition. Please mail your letter detailing all the accomplishments of the individual that you wish to nominate by **October 15, 2008:**



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Full Page (8.5"x11")	\$200/issue	\$1000 for six issues

If you have any news to share with the community about your loved ones, please email to secretary@indiaclubdayton.org