

# MORA-WA NEWSLETTER

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#### A NOTE FROM PRESIDNET

Fellow Alumni Members & Friends:

I as the newly elected President of MORAWA, on behalf of the Executive and Working Committees would like to welcome you to our MORA WA Fraternity. The main goals of our association are to develop mutually beneficial, enduring relationships among alumnus and fellow community groups in WA. As your representatives, we are constantly seeking meaningful ways to fulfil your needs whilst building strong social network among MORA WA community.

I urge you to become an active alumnus and equally share responsibilities as well as benefits in the exciting activities we have lined up for the benefit of membership and wider community which includes all around us. There are variety of ways, you can show your appreciation and play a part for the success of our organization. This includes enthusiastic participation at our events, cheering for our teams, staying connected to each other and above all, donating part of your valuable time to be with our MORAWA. Nevertheless, for all walks of life and gender we'll always have something to offer you. The President and the Committee encourage you to share and use our web site as an important medium of communication to engage with the Alumni Association. We shall always keep you informed on our events throughout the year expecting your active and spirited contributions.

We are excited about the future and the opportunities ahead of our Alumni Association. As you all know, MORAWA is a well formulated paradigm for the exploitation of numerous opportunities for member benefit where we share resources and promote mutual respect. Therefore, be proactive and become an active member to support the growth of our Alumni Association while embracing all the opportunities this organization offers you. As members, show your sincere appreciation and support for the MORAWA course.

~ Padminda Biyagama; President, MORA-WA

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS ~2015**

#### ✓ MORA - PERA Family & Games Event

~29 March 2015 (Sunday)@Rushton Park in Kelmscott, Western Australia.

~Sub Committee Headed by : Mithra Mudiyanselage

The key objective of this event is to organize a **Cricket/Elle tournament** with PERA-WA as well as fund raising event, simultaneously achieving more harmonized networking opportunity for MORA WA members and families as well as with members and families of other parallel organizations.

#### ✓ MORA Paduru Patiya

~ 27 June 2015 (Saturday)@Beckenham Community Hall, Western Australia.

~ Sub Committee Headed by : Padminda Biyagama & Hemantha Rajamanthri

An entertainment event to be open for MORA WA community and its families to socialize and to show their talents of entertainment to the community.

#### ✓ Mora Family Night & Dinner Dance

~15 August 2015 (Saturday), Venue TBD

~ Sub Committee Headed by : Hemantha Rajamanthri

An entertainment as well as a fundraising event to be open for MORA WA community and its families to socialize and network.

## ✓ Professional and Career Development program

~ Sub Committee Headed by : Lakshman Jayasundera

Potentially a half day information session to support new migrants and unemployed ( Open to Non MORA WA community as well)

#### ✓ Toastmaster Sessions

~ Sub Committee Headed by: Senaka Welideniya Further information to be announced

#### RECENT EVENTS

## ✓ Biryani Stall at Food Fair in Kenwick Buddhist Temple ~18th Oct 2014

The Biryani Stall at Food Fair in Kenwick Buddhist Temple was a great success. This was fulfilling one of the MORA WA objectives of supporting other communities under the umbrella of "Social Event" subcommittee.

Thanks to all the members who voluntary involved contributing your invaluable support in various ways for this great event. Appreciations to our team ( Jayantha Thilak, Mahinda Amarasinghe and Indika Abeysinghe) for their support and coordination.

#### OFFICE BEARERS ~ 2014/15

President: Padminda Biyagama Vice President: Prasantha Suraweera Secretary: Mithra Mudiyanselage Treasurer: Tharanga kariyawasam

Ex Officio: Donald Sibera

#### **Committee Members:**

Senaka Welideniya , Hemantha Rajamanthri, Jayantha Thilak ,Laksman Jayasundara ,Nandika Mirihana Jayanthi Jayawardena,Indika Abeysinghe,Tharinda Yatagama, Nalinda Gunawardena ,Mahinda Amarasinghe ,Dumal Kannangara



Seated: L/R; Thranga Kariyawasam, Jayanthi Jayawardena, Mithra Mudiyanselage, Padminda Biyagama, Prashantha Suraweera,Nandika Mirihana & Donald Sibera

Standing: L/R; Mahinda Amarasinghe, Tharinda Yatagama, Indika Abeysinghe, Nalinda Gunawardena, Dumal Kannangara, Lakshman Jayasendera, Hemantha Rajamanthri, Tilak Jayantha & Senaka Welideniya

#### **COMMITTEE UPDATE**

#### Key highlights

- ✓ MORA WA Registration: Obtaining a document from University of Moratuwa to support MORA WA registration was discussed. Dr Jayanthi Jayawardena and Hemantha Rajamanthri were appointed to finalise the MORA- WA registration process.
- ✓ Fund Raising subcommittee was appointed and will be headed by Tharanga Kariyawasam. First event will be to organise selling MORA WA polo T- shirts during coming social events to help increasing MORA WA funds. Tshits design has been finalised and order will be confirmed soon.
- Review Member Data Base: The importance of reviewing and updating active member list was discussed.
- ✓ New appointments to manage Web/ Social Media (LinkedIn/Facebook) was decided
  - Web Coordinator: Nadika Mirihana
  - Face Book Coordinator: Nalinda Gunawardena
  - Web design support: Chamila Rathnayaka
- ✓ Committee Meetings and next AGM
  - Committee meeting to be held once in every 8 weeks, a Saturday on mid of the month.
  - Special committee and subcommittee meeting as and when required.
  - Next AGM to be scheduled to be held before 30th August 2015
  - Next committee meeting: Saturday 13th December 2014 at 5.30pm, Rostrata Family Centre, Prendwick Reserve, Prendwick way, Willetton



### PHOTOES FROM BIRYANI STALL















