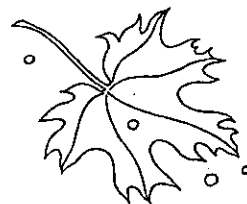


NOTE: Carole McNeill now has a FAX machine, you can now fax items direct to her for the Newsletter. Please phone or fax on (02) 560 6921 before 6.30pm on Thursdays.



Michael

Mark Brazda is from Czechoslovakia Republic and will be in Sydney for 10 months till December. He has a student visa which allows him to work maximum of 20 hours per week. He has been a kitchen-hand and a waiter, does not mind hard work. If you have work for him or know of anything suitable please contact Mark Brazda after 5pm on Phn 938 6326.

WORK WANTED:



Best wishes from all of us at Croydon

After hearing the news from Sri Mataji earlier this year that we must work on our collective in Australia, Croydon ashram decided that each night at 9PM we would all shoe beat and then meditate together. We are all aware of the powers of shoe beating but we were amazed at the difference it made. Problems we had for months literally disappeared over night. The vibrations were really strong and our morning meditations also improved a great deal. Last week we suggested to the Sydney collective that they also try this. Now we would like to suggest that yogis from all around Australia join us with our desire to remove as much negativity as possible, that we are all in the best of vibrations before our Holy Mother arrives in this land of Sri Ganesh in just a few weeks time.

COLLECTIVE SHOE BEAT AND MEDITATION

A one only program prior to Sri Mataji's visit will be held at the Stanton Library 234 Miller St Nth Sydney on Tuesday 8th March at 12.30pm to 1.30pm. All yogis welcome.

NTS SYDNEY LUNCH TIME PROGRAM

SHRI MATAJI'S TOUR - GIDGEGANNUP W.A. 1994

Dear Sahaja Yogis,

The Perth Collective extends to all an invitation to share our enjoyment of Sri Mataji's visit to Gidgegannup - the gateway to Ganesh's land - during the weekend of March 26, 27, - 28th, 1994. There will be a public programme on Sunday 27th at the Octagon Theatre, University of WA, Nedlands. Posterers welcome! Those of you who have already been to Gidgegannup will know the experience is like a mini-India Tour - the dust is the same colour and accommodation will be camping style, undercover, in the partially completed ashram.

Average March temperature: max 28C min 16C

Sunshine: 8.9 hours per day

There are swimming and boating facilities nearby as well as plenty of bushwalking and places to sit in the 8.9 hours of sunshine and catch up with the news. Wildlife is friendly. The site of Gidgegannup is approx 45 minutes drive from Perth city and is a very auspicious place with beautiful vibrations, which will increase considerably as more of our brothers and sisters visit.

We look forward to enjoying your company during Mother's Tour.

REGISTRATION and TRANSPORT

The camping space within the Ashram will be available from Friday 25th March. Anyone wishing to come early and stay later will be accommodated in Perth and have transport arranged for them to Gidgegannup. It is important that you send us your arrival/departure details so that we can ensure you are picked up on time. You will need to bring camp style bedding.

COST: \$50

All enquiries to Jo Reid (09) 574 6100
Please make all cheques payable to Life Eternal Trust.
Registrations to be received by 7.3.94

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME/S

Enclosed: \$..... (\$50/person)

Send REGISTRATION FORM to:

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PO BOX 442
STH. PERTH WA 6151
Fax: (09) 367 1580 Ph (09) 474 1583

TRANSPORT NOTICE

NAME/S

Arrival date: time: Flt. no.

Departure date: time: Flt. no.

Send TRAVEL NOTICE to:

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CAN YOU HELP?
Volunteers are needed during the next few weeks prior to the arrival of Sri Mataji, during her stay with us and for the follow up programmes.
The following are the people who can be contacted in the different areas of activity:

Please phone Sue Williams (Phn. 799 3418) if you can assist.
Michael

The celebration of Sri Mataji's 71st Birthday will be held at Burwood on Friday 18th March at 7.30pm.
Everyone is invited to participate by bringing flowers or prasada or by helping in the preparations. There will be no rostered duties for this occasion so that it will be a truly collective evening; neither will there be a puja meal in the usual sense. This is on account of the busy programme of work that will be going on at Burwood on the following two days of the weekend.
Please phone Sue Williams (Phn. 799 3418) if you can assist.
Michael

Shri Mataji's Birthday Puja.

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THE CLOWN'S PRAYER

As I stumble through this life, help me to create more laughter than tears. Never let me become so indifferent that I will fail to see the wonder in the eyes of a child. Never let me forget that my total effort is to cheer people, make them forget, at least momentarily, the unpleasantness in their lives. And in my final moment, may I hear You whisper: "When you made My people smile, you made Me smile."

From "A Lesson in Laughter" by Ruth Chaddock.



Canberra's Annual 10 Day Festival commences soon - starting on the 12th March it runs through to the 21 March (Canberra Day). As always there will be plenty of activities going on.

** This year for the first time the Sahaja Yoga Music Group will be performing during the week of the Festival. The concert is set for Saturday evening 12 March 1994 at the Ralph Wilson Theatre located at Gorman House. As you can imagine we are already busy poster for this event!

Details of the performance are set out in the advertisement above.

** We are also hopeful that they will be able to perform, outdoors in Commonwealth Park on the following weekend of 19th and 20th March 1994.

Whatever their contribution we know it will help create the vibrations needed to attract seekers to Sahaja Yoga and Shri Mataji's program.

** On the evening of the 19th March 1994 some seven Canberra Sahaja Yogis/Yoginis will be performing in the annual Kailash School of Dance Mudra '94 at the Hawker College, Murrumbidgee Street, Hawker. Bookings are essential and the phone number is (06) 2589422. Tickets are \$12.00 for adults and \$8.00 general concession; starts at 6.00pm. This is a must for all devotees of Indian classical dance.

** Canberra Day (Monday 21 March 1994) will see Sahaja Yoga involved in the ACT Alive event which will give us an opportunity to hold a stall on the lawns of the Old Parliament House between 10am and 5pm. Naturally we hope the stall attracts a lot of seekers desirous of receiving their self realisation and coming to Shri Mataji's programs a few weeks later. Of course if you can take time out from your busy schedules then feel free to come to these activities being held during Canberra's Annual 10 Day Festival.

Chris Lee
Canberra
2 March, 1994

NOTICE OF MEETING OF DHARAMSALA PARENTS

A meeting will be held after the puja at Burwood on Friday 11th March to discuss and plan the return of our children to school in India.

In addition, we understand that Sri Mataji wishes to speak to all parents of children at the school in India when She is in Australia. Probably the best time will be at the Easter weekend at Bundilla.

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In around 325A.D. the Bishop Eusebius of Caesarea wrote in his HISTORIA ECCLESIASTICA, that the King of Edessa, who ruled from 9-46A.D., had sent a messenger to Jerusalem and invited Jesus to come to Edessa to heal him of a chronic rash. Eusebius refers to an alleged correspondence between Jesus and Abgar (King of Edessa) which he had obtained from the Archives of the Edessan king. According to the correspondence, Jesus was not able to make the journey himself but sent a messenger with a MYSTERIOUS PORTRAIT. Through the wondrous power of this portrait of Jesus, the king was healed instantly, and immediately converted to the teachings of Jesus.

From "Jesus lived in India" by Holger Kersten.

A SHORT NOTE ON SOUTH INDIA TOUR (JAN 1994).

South India Tour was a very deep and intimate experience compared to the huge international tour of North India.

The south of India is the seat of the Indian tradition and culture, being relatively unaffected by the aggressive and less spiritual Moghuls who, as descendants of Genghis Khan, invaded North India and influenced the culture of the northern region quite significantly.

The people of South India are very centred, their hearts are simple and one feels a deep sense of innocence. However, being the seat of cultural traditions many thousands of years old which have been practised continuously, the seekers are very much conditioned by rituals and intellectual understandings of scriptures.

Nevertheless they received realisation very easily.

Bangalore Shri Mataji was very happy with the growth of Sahaja Yoga there, saying that if it continues to grow at the present rate then false Sai Baba based near there will be finished for good. Public programme saw about 1,500 people attend with very beautiful vibrations.

Madras Shri Mataji explained that when Madras works out all of India will. Public Programme attracted at least 2,500 people crammed into the hall and the foyer.

Hyderabad Public programme attendance was in the region of 10-12,000 people! Shri Mataji said "all of Hyderabad is here!" The next day was Raja Rajeshwari Puja.

Pune Some 15,000+ came to the public programme, One of the largest appearances throughout the whole India Tour.

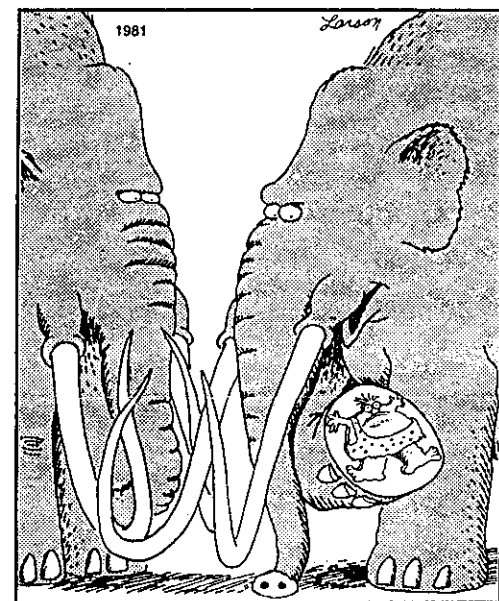
Overall it seemed to be a successful and vibrant tour, Shri Mataji will return in 1995!

Shri Mataji will be visiting Brisbane for three/four days as part of her 1994 Australasia tour. She will be staying at Her property at Lot 13 McClintock Av. Wamuran, 70 km to the north of Brisbane (15 km from Caboolture - see maps held by Judy James), where a new ashram is to be built. There will be a public program at Brisbane Town Hall on the night of Fri 15, and maybe some music on the property on Saturday night. We are hoping to welcome many of our interstate brothers and sisters for this occasion.

We will be organising accommodation, India tour style, on the property, and would like to know how many interstate visitors will be staying so that we can organise food, etc. Visitors should bring a ground mat and sleeping bag, torch, cup etc. You may also wish to bring your own tent. The cost will be \$90 a head for the four nights, all inclusive (Thursday night dinner to Sunday lunch). Children over three will cost \$20 a head. Please send acceptances and cheques as soon as possible to either -Philip Lewis, 10 Princess St Bulimba 4170 ph 07 899 0950 or -Sousas Bhasale 7/12 Helensvale Rd Helensvale 4210 ph 075 734730

Because of the distance from the city centre (and airport), it will unfortunately not normally be possible to pick up visitors. Although Caboolture can be easily reached by fast train from Brisbane centre, the bus runs only twice a day to Wamuran from Caboolture station. If arriving by air, take airport bus to city and train from Central station or Roma Street Station. If people are coming by bus, train or plane, it may be advisable to pool resources and hire a car for the duration of the visit, for ease of transportation to and from the property and for transport into Brisbane for Shri Mother's public program. The local yogis will do their best to help people out, but it may not be possible to carry everyone. (See Bev Bugden's letter on transport on SY Newsletter of 22.2.94.)

Water is limited on the property, and showers will be by bucket. There are no on-site laundry facilities, but there is a laundromat at Caboolture (15 kms). P.S. There are two unfenced dams on the property, one very near the pendle site. Young children will need to be supervised at all times.



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