



INNER WHEEL DISTRICT 323

2023 -2024

The Newsletter

Voilà

From Goals to Glory



REFLECTING ON A YEAR OF MILESTONES

A YEAR END NEWSLETTER

District Chairman
Arathi Narayanan

VOGUE District Conference



The Inner Wheel District 323 Conference VOGUE was held on January 25, 2024, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at Hotel ITC Grand Chola. The inaugural session was anchored by PDC Radha Rangathan and VC Fatima Nasira. The session commenced with the invocation song "Thu hi Ram hai" by all the Past District Chairmen of District 323, followed by the Inner Wheel Prayer by District Conference Treasurer President Udayalakshmi of IWC Madras Bay city.

Conference Chairman President Sheetal Satish of IWC Chennai Symphony delivered the welcome speech and District Chairman Arathi Narayanan gave her opening remarks, highlighting the projects and the successful event ODYSSEY South East Multi District Rally.

District Editor Hemalatha Mani rendered the foreword of the E-Souvenir VERDANT and Chief Guest Association President Preeti Gugnani released the E-Souvenir and addressed the gathering.

Senior members of the District who had served more than 40 years in Inner Wheel were recognised for their longstanding dedication and commitment to the cause. The inaugural session concluded with a vote of thanks by Conference Secretary President Ashwini Arunkumar of IWC Chennai Rhythm.

Following the inaugural session, a panel discussion on the topic "How do we measure Success?" was moderated by PDG Rtn. Subramanian, with panelists Ms HK Joshi and Dr. Malini Shankar. An interactive session well received by the delegates.

The Business Session commenced with reports of the District Officers followed by the charter presentation to IWC Gudiyatham Shine. Accounts and Resolutions were passed and PIIWP Kamala Ramakrishnan enlightened all about the importance of the International Convention scheduled for May in Manchester. Chief Guest Association President Preeti Gugnani presented her observations of the workings of District 323.

The Executive Committee for the year 2024-2025 was announced by District Chairman Arathi Narayanan and the Business Session concluded with the vote of thanks delivered by Vice Chairman Fathima Nasira.

The Rally following the Business Session enthralled the audience with a mime on "Power of A.N.G.E.R", a ramp walk on the "100 years of Fashion" and a tableaux on "Divine Rivers of India". Anchored by PDC Kala Ravichandran and Anitha Paramasivam, the Rally included a lucky draw for 30 winners.

In all the conference VOGUE was a showcase of solidarity amongst Inner wheel sisters of 323.



EC Meeting



Vogue - District Conference



CENTENARY PROJECT

Inner Wheel District 323's centenary project was the provision of 100 wheelchairs to deserving beneficiaries. The project was executed through two clubs – IWC Madras and IWC Madras Central.

IWC Madras distribution of wheelchairs is as follows:

- 29th February 2024 - IWC Madras donated 15 wheelchairs to Banyan (An NGO working for the welfare of destitute women who are mentally challenged and are abandoned by the families).
- 29th February 2024 - IWC Madras donated 15 wheelchairs to Vidyasagar (An NGO working with physically disabled people).
- 11th March 2024 - IWC Madras with the help of Chinmaya Organization of Rural Development, donated 15 wheelchairs to beneficiaries at Tiruvallur, a suburb of Chennai.
- 16th March 2024 - IWC Madras gave 2 Wheel Chairs to Ektha. An institute which has developed a paralympic sport Boccia which can be played by people with a wide variety of disabilities using wheelchairs. They are conducting State level and National level Tournaments.
- 18th March 2024 - IWC Madras gave 5 Wheel Chairs to Tamil Nadu Corporation. These will be provided at the Marina Beach for people with disabilities to enjoy the seaside.

IWC Madras Central distribution of wheelchairs is as follows:

- 29th February 2024 - IWC Madras Central donated 50 wheelchairs to Dr.P.Nimachandran, President of Tamil Nadu Differently abled Federation Charitable Trust. The aim of the Trust is to provide holistic rehabilitation of all persons with disabilities.
- 10 wheelchairs to beneficiaries in Chennai at Ramakrishna Mission Matriculation Higher Secondary School, T. Nagar, Chennai.
- The balance 40 wheelchairs were distributed in the following districts in Tamil Nadu. Madurai – 8, Thiruvarur – 5, Dharmapuri – 7, Cuddalore – 6, Coimbatore – 8, Gingee - 6

Total cost of the Project : Rs 4,00,000

No of Wheelchairs provided : 102

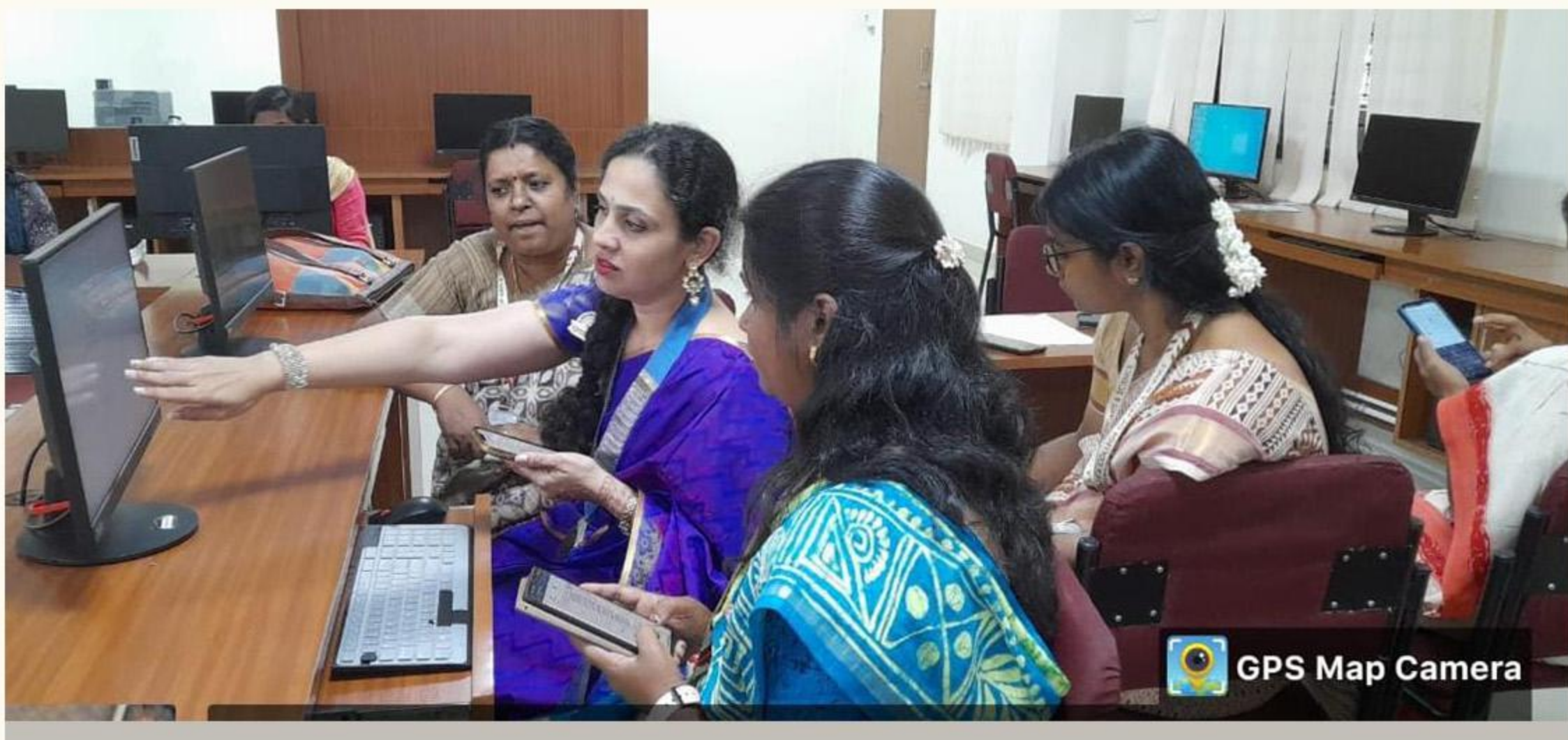
This project would not have been possible without the generous donations of major sponsors PDC Usha Saraogi of IWC Madras Central and Treasurer Ruchita Saraogi of IWC Madras. PP Kala Raghu of IWC Madras also contributed to the project.





CHAIRMAN'S VISIT

Delighted to announce the completion of official visits to all 64 Clubs.
Here's to the bonds we've strengthened and the impact we've made together!





CHARTER DAY CELEBRATIONS

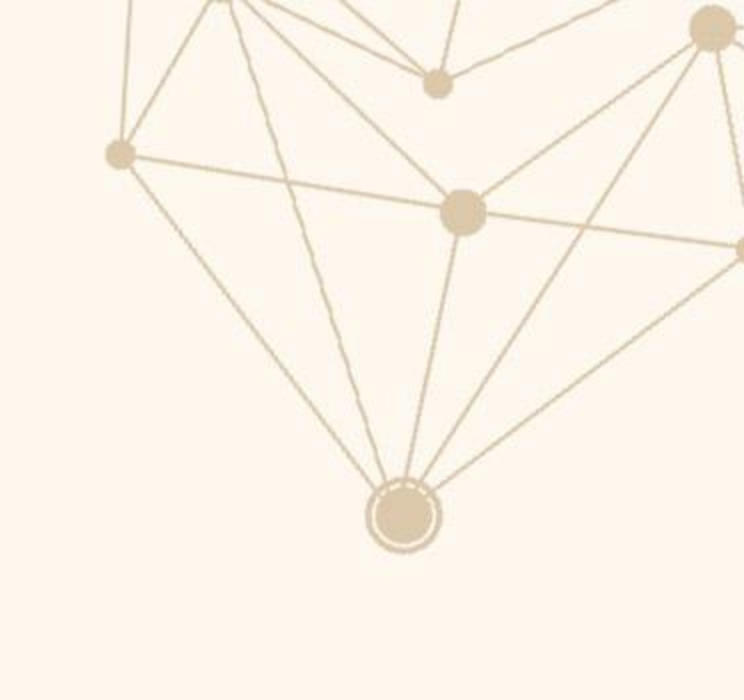
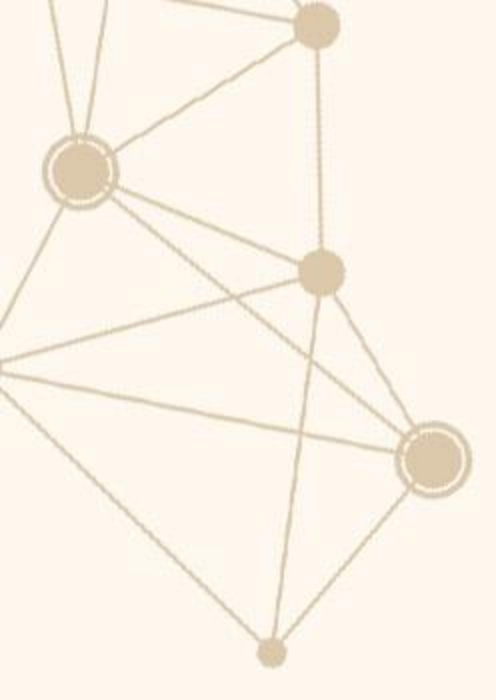
Happy to be part of countless club celebrations.



DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

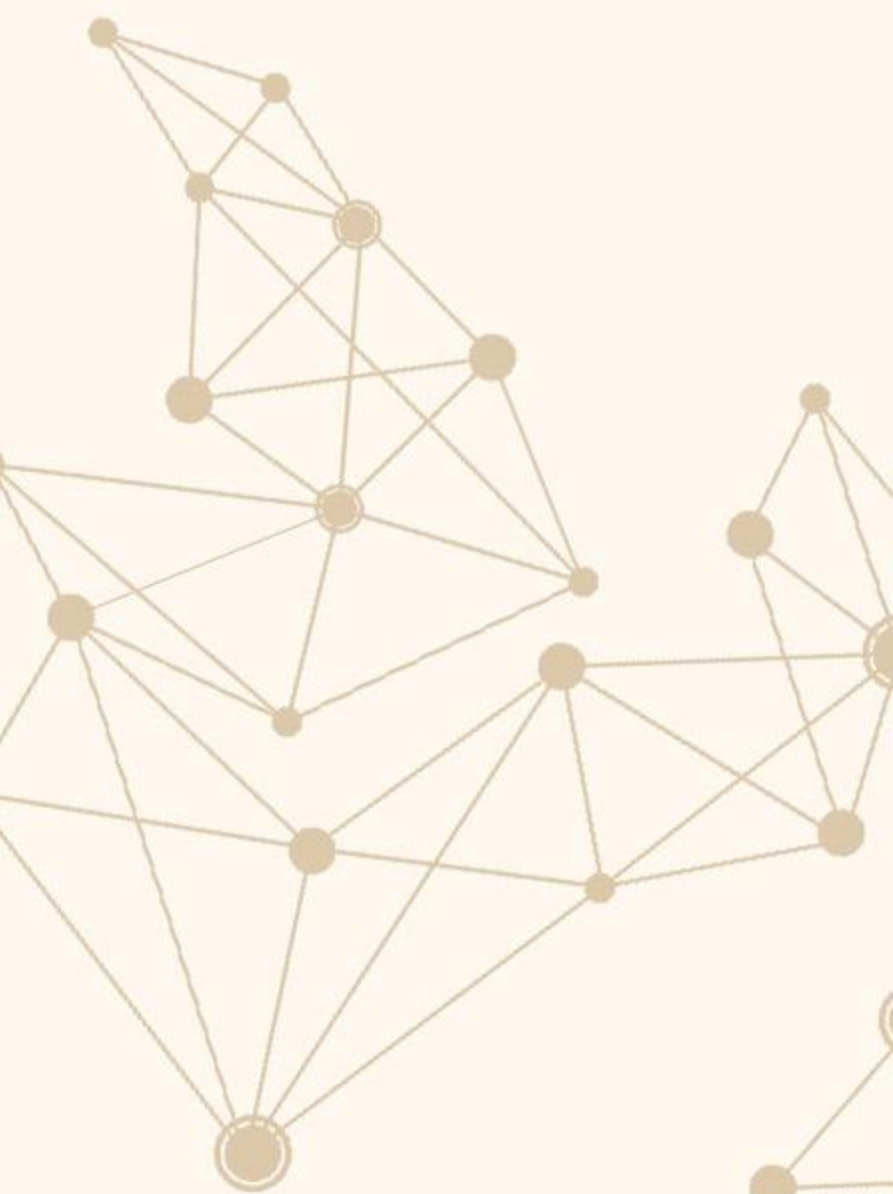
The five District Executive Committee meetings through 2023/24 were meaningful as in addition to the conduct of Inner wheel business, each of these provided the right platforms to report on performances. Invaluable inputs from all of our seniors enhanced the learning experience while business proceeded to fruitful conclusion.





TRAILBLAZER

Stats and facts as on 30th June 2024



Acronym	Assn Goals	Projects Spends (Rs)
T	Tech Empower E-vision a Tech Smart Inner Wheel of the digital age	1,04,742
R	Rising Strong Uplift & Empower women to rise up and take rightful place	35,14,899
A	Adopt & Build Dedicated to Senior citizens Homes & securing the “Golden Years”	44,56,191
I	IILM Shiksha 360	44,70,264
L	Launch Pad In pursuit of gender equality	46,04,946
B	Brand Identity Find the brand voice & create a visual identity for Inner Wheel	9,52,665
L	Lead the Youth Engage the youth in Inner Wheel	12,91,036
A	Adopt a Mission Give shape to a vision	98,70,071
Z	Zest for Zero Waste Go green – adopt a zero-waste lifestyle	6,50,483
E	Empower Girls Enrich the Nation Educate, Elevate & Evolve	21,58,682
R	Rights & Responsibility Rise as a true Inner Wheel Member	5,58,800
	Other Projects including Michaung Flood Relief Initiatives	11,44,398



Total No of Projects : 1873

Total No of Beneficiaries : 3,05,284

Total Amount Spent : Rs. 3,37,77,167

Membership : 2061

Total No of Clubs : 72

No of Functional Clubs : 69

No of Dormant Clubs : 3

No of New Clubs : 3

INSTALLATION CEREMONY – 49TH ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

The dawn of the second century of Inner Wheel began with the Installation of the 49th Association President on 16th June 2024 at Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia Krishi Vishwa Vidhyalay, Auditorium.

The previous evening, 15th June “Utsav Sankalp Ka” saw 4 Districts presenting various versions of the Qawali. Presentations were also rendered by the Association Executive Committee, Past Association Presidents, AC Members, District Chairmen, batchmates of the Association President and the host Club IWC Gwalior. The evening was confluence of various cultures.

The installation ceremony on 16th June, had International President 2024/25 Mamta Gupta as Chief Guest. Association President 2023/24 Preeti Gugnani presented the year-end review and installed Sunita Jain as the 49th Association President.

Association President Sunita Jain installed the Association Executive Committee. Yours truly was installed as Association Council Member along with 26 other immediate Past District Chairman.

Having PIIWT Azhagu Annamalai commencing her third year as Assn CCCC was a proud moment for District 323. The District Chairman 2024/25 were felicitated.

Various publications and events for the ensuing year were released. Past International President Kamala Ramakrishnan released the brochure for the South Zone Meet.

The ceremony was deftly anchored by Past International Treasurer Sarita Lunani.

The first AC Meeting following the Installation Ceremony was held on 17th and 18th June at Hotel Radisson, City Center, Gwalior. Association matters and District Reports were deliberated upon. The hospitality of the host District 305 was warm ensuring all loose ends were tied up. Attending this meeting was an enriching experience.



WHERE FRIENDSHIPS BLOSSOM, BONDS STRENGTHEN

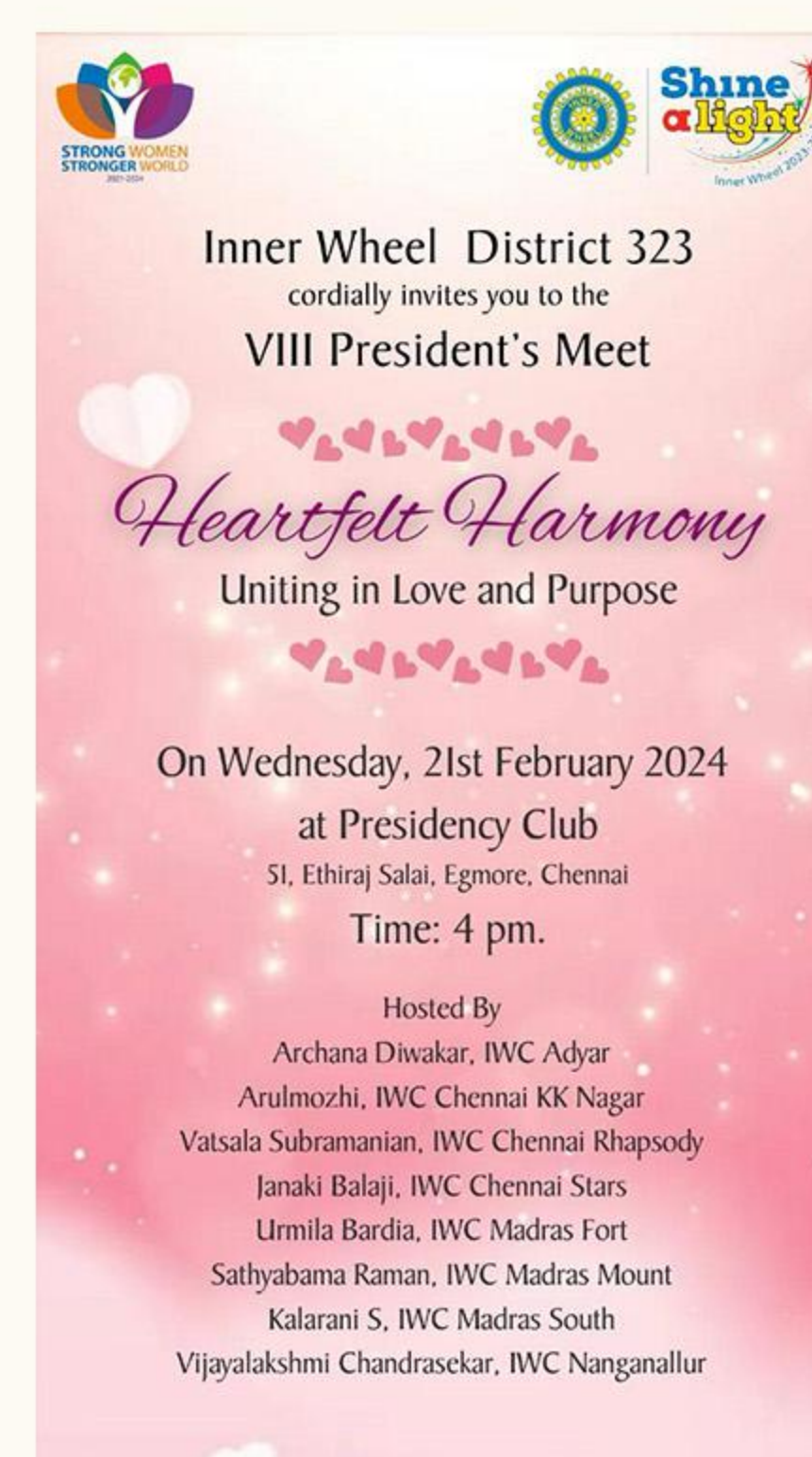


Vice Chairman
Fathima Nasira

VIII President Meet - Presidency Club

Theme - Valentine's day

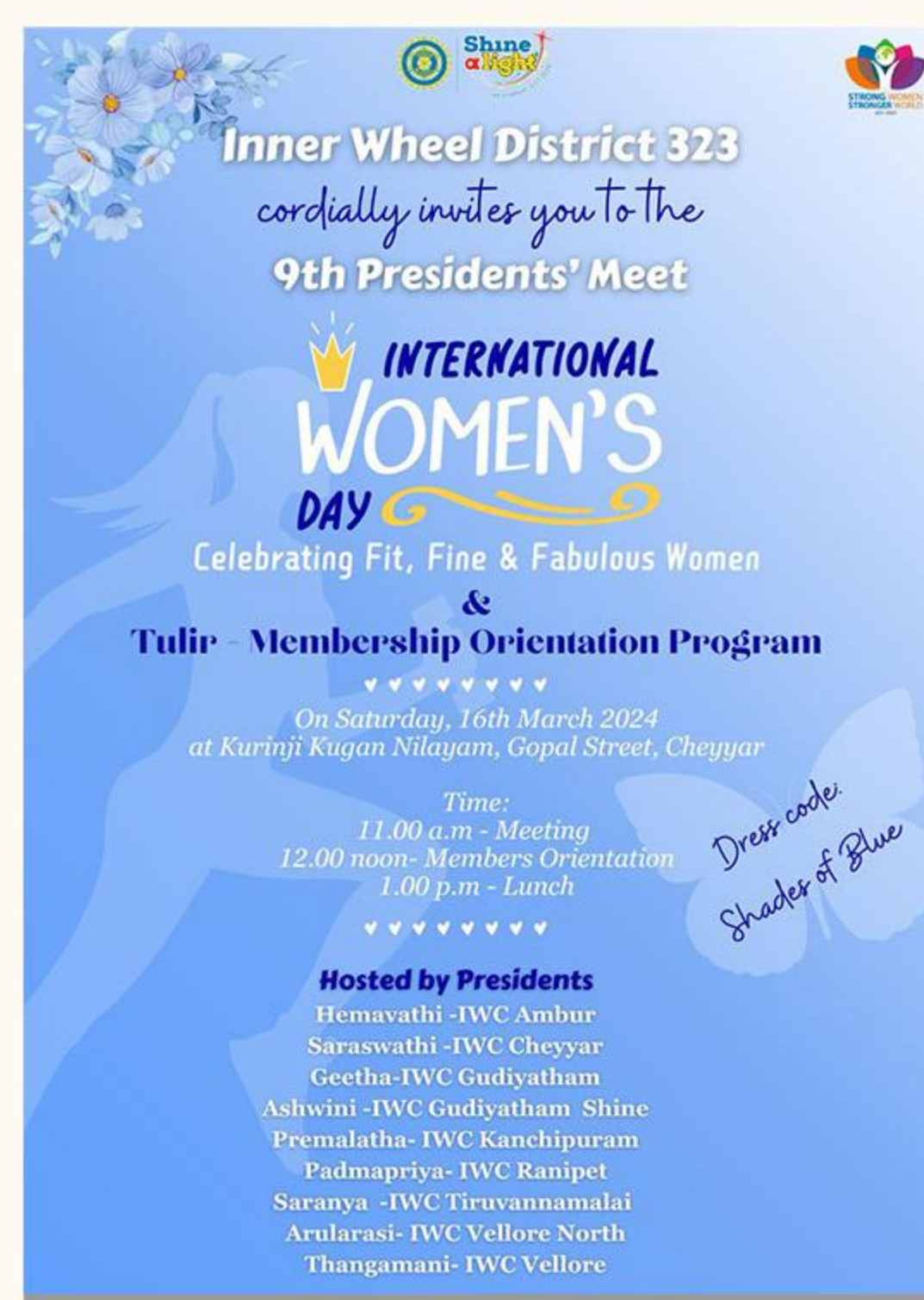
Tagline - Uniting in love and purpose



IX President Meet - Kurinji Kugan Nilayam

Theme - Women's day

Tagline - Celebrating fit, fine & fabulous Women



Completed 9 President Meets with countless memories, endless laughter.
Here's to friendship that never fades.



STEP INTO WELLNESS

CENTENARY YEARS WALKATHON AND HEALTH TALK PROGRAM

District Secretary
Supriya Sundararaman



Centenary Walkathon

In commemoration of its Centenary year, Inner Wheel District 323 organised a Wellness Walkathon, underscoring its dedication to community welfare and unity under the banner of Friendship and Service. The event unfolded at the picturesque Chetpet Eco Park, that boasts of a scenic walking track, a tranquil lake, an amphitheatre, and a charming aquarium. The turnout exceeded expectations, with an impressive 350 members actively participating. The event was coordinated by District Secretary Supriya Sundararaman and District ISO Sukanya Sriram ably guided by District Chairman Arathi Narayanan. The event was a multifaceted affair, featuring enlightening health awareness discussions, invigorating Zumba sessions, and an engaging Treasure Hunt, all aimed at promoting physical and mental well-being. A highlight of the occasion was the generous sponsorship by GEM Hospital, signifying a collaborative effort towards fostering healthier lifestyles within the community. Adding to the allure were esteemed guests, including acclaimed actress Dhansika and Dr. Senthilnathan from GEM Hospital, who graced the event with their presence. Attendees relished the delightful refreshments and cherished moments of togetherness, further enhancing the sense of camaraderie. Overall, the Wellness Walkathon stood as a testament to Inner Wheel District 323's unwavering commitment to nurturing both individual and collective wellness. Through such initiatives, the organization continues to exemplify its values of friendship, service, and community engagement, leaving a positive impact on all those involved.





Health Awareness Session

Following the successful Wellness Walkathon organized by Inner Wheel District 323 for health awareness, a special session was held to address important issues related to women's health. Dr. Delphin Supriya, a renowned Gynaecologist affiliated with GEM Hospital, led an insightful discussion on Cervical Cancer awareness. Her interactive approach engaged participants, addressing numerous queries effectively. Subsequently, PDC Radha Ranganathan delivered a session on Menstrual Cups and Hygiene, emphasizing eco-friendly practices. The aim was to raise awareness about healthy and environmentally sustainable menstrual hygiene practices. Attendees were encouraged to disseminate this knowledge within their respective clubs and affiliated schools. The event, held at Gandhi Nagar Ladies Club in Kotturpuram, garnered significant attendance and positive feedback from participants.



SESSION ON BASICS OF ACCOUNTING & GST

Sarada Ramani
District Treasurer



Yes!! You heard it right! The most needed program of the hour.

As we come to the end of the Financial Year, we as Inner Wheel Clubs have the responsibility of accounting the Receipts and Payments transactions done during the year. It is very much essential to know the basic concepts in accounting to avoid Flaws and ensure all the transactions are posted correctly.

This year with the support of District Chairman, Arathi Narayanan; District Treasurer Sarada Ramani organised a session on "Basics of Accounting & GST" for the benefit of the Club Members on 6th April 2024. This program was supported and well received by more than 64 Participants including PDC's, EC Members and Members from various Clubs.

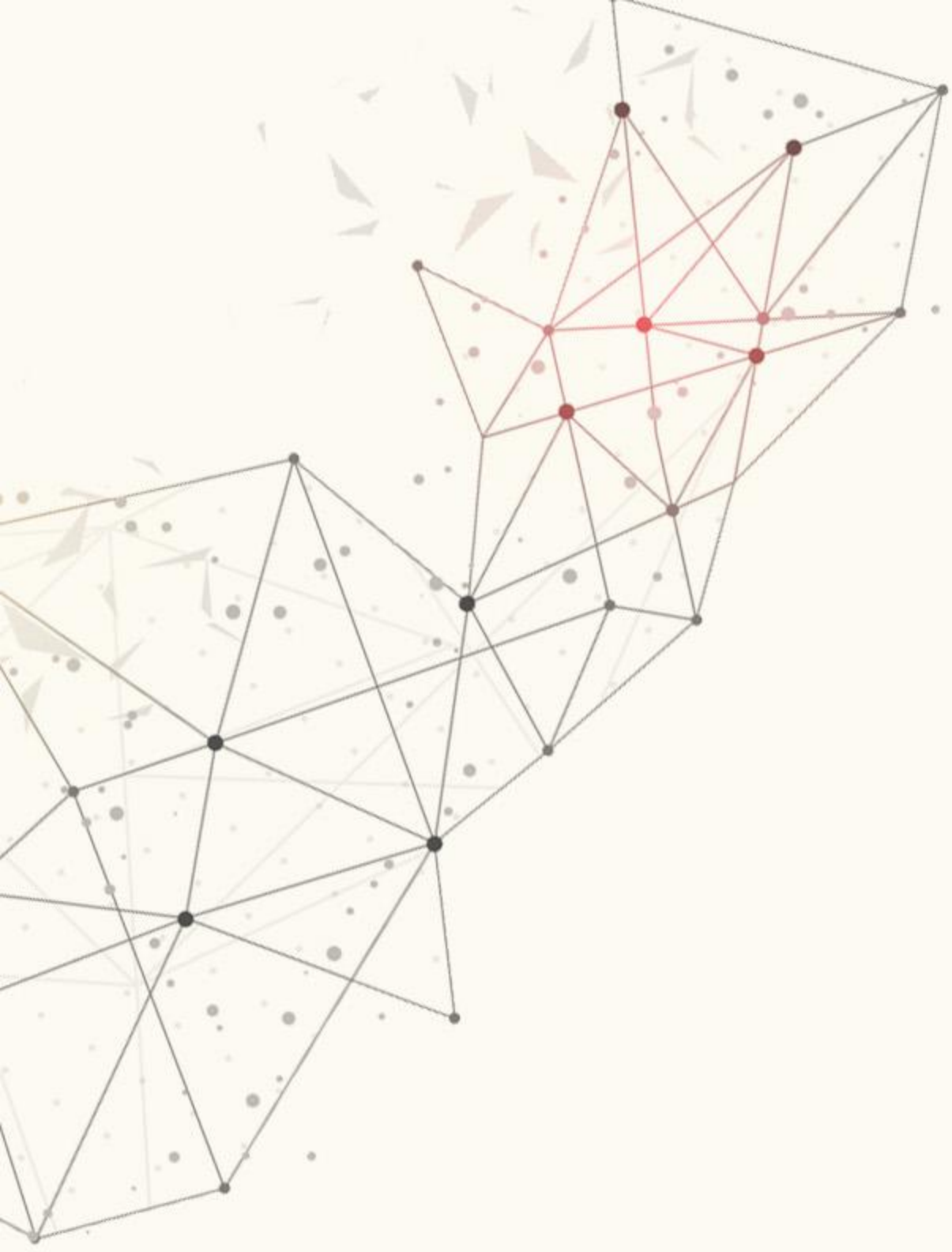
The session started with Welcome Address by District Chairman. Basics of Accounting session by Chartered Account Srividhya.K, member of IWC Chennai Thiruvanmiyur Club, Partner at SKLB & Associates was well received by the members. She explained briefly on what accounting is, why accounting matters, types of accounting, Assets & Liabilities, Income & Expenditure, Financial Statements, Balance Sheets, and Profit & Loss Account etc.

The next session was an very interactive session on GST by Chartered Accountant Nandhini.S, Member of IWC Chennai Sunshine, Cofounding Partner at SVRJNS & Co. The concepts like what GST is, types of taxes, Intrastate & Interstate tax, Value Added Taxes, Tax Exemption etc were well explained.

Last but not the least, session on Inner wheel & Accounting was rendered by Past IIW Treasurer & Association CCCC Azhagu Annamalai beautifully in her own style. Though a short session, she created awareness and why it is essential to have "transparency" the keyword for Inner wheel amongst the Members. She also touched few points from Club Level Accounting to International Treasurership Accounting.

Session concluded by Vote of Thanks.







INNER WHEEL DISTRICT 323



inviting you all to a session on

BASICS OF ACCOUNTING & GST



Sri Vidya K
Partner, SKLB & Associates
Chartered Accountant
IWC of Chennai Thiruvanniyur



Nandini S
Cofounding Partner, SVRJNS & Co.
Chartered Accountant
IWC of Chennai Sunshine

Inner Wheel and Accounting



Azhagu Annamalai
Past International Inner Wheel Treasurer
Association CCCC 2022-2025

Saturday, 6th April 2024
4.00 pm - 5.30 pm
followed by Hitea
Cosmopolitan Club
63, Anna Salai, 600 002

Arathi Narayanan
District Chairman – IWD 323

Sarada Ramani
District Treasurer - IWD 323



EVOLVE

HEIGHTS OF MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

ESO Devi Mathimaran



The second half of our District's journey in Membership growth, friendship and service embarked on two significant programs:

1. Tulir
2. Inauguration of New Clubs

Let us delve into the highlights of each endeavour:

Tulir – Membership Orientation Program at Cheyyar

Under the nurturing guidance of District ESO Devi Mathimaran, we welcomed esteemed guests, including District Chairman Arathi Narayanan, PDC Kamala Selvam, and members of the District Executive Committee, Presidents, along with our cherished new members. The program commenced with an insightful orientation by PDC Kamala for half an hour, adorned with interactive presentations and delectable treats, leaving all participants enriched with a deeper understanding of Inner Wheel's global impact and significance. It comprised of hierarchy, protocol and strength of Inner Wheel internationally.

A Panel Discussion on 'Self Gain from Inner Wheel' led by President Dr.Thangamani of IWC Vellore with panellists Past President Valliammai of IWC Ranipet, Past President Latha of IWC Cheyyar, President Premalatha of IWC Kancheepuram, Treasurer Sukanya of IWC Ranipet as club leaders, explored the myriad ways in which Inner Wheel empowers women and fosters meaningful connections locally, nationally and internationally. Stories on how Inner Wheel made members resilient, on gains for women who were relocated after marriage, awareness on women's rights, gender equality, self-care and many more subjects were discussed. Through personal anecdotes our panellists shared their transformative journey of self-discovery and growth through Inner Wheel.

The session concluded with an engaging quiz, testing our knowledge gleaned from the ESO manual, reinforcing our commitment to continuous learning and camaraderie within our esteemed organization.

District Chairman Arathi Narayanan added some unique questions that was icing on the cake, while emcee District ISO Sukanya Sriram steered the event smoothly. Vote of thanks courtesy District Secretary Supriya Sundararaman.



Inauguration of New Clubs

Amidst a radiant ambiance, the inaugural ceremony of a new gen club, Inner Wheel Club of Chennai Lumina, unfolded with grace and promise. Spearheaded by the dynamic leadership of President Jaya Ramesh and supported by stalwarts PP Latha Sekhar and PP Sudha Suresh, the event marked a momentous chapter in our Inner Wheel legacy.

As the ceremonial lamp illuminated the gathering, symbolizing enlightenment and unity, we welcomed the inception of this vibrant club with fervour and anticipation. The induction of new members, guided by the esteemed District ESO Devi Mathimaran exemplified the spirit of renewal and inclusivity that defines our Inner Wheel family.

Charter President Roshini Mahadevan's impassioned acceptance speech, coupled with the installation of her dedicated team by District Chairman Arathi Narayanan, heralded a new era of service and friendship. The felicitations and well-wishes extended by district dignitaries PDC Sushila Natraj and PDC Swarnalatha Jothikumar, underscored the significance of this milestone, propelling us towards a future replete with promise and purpose.



On the auspicious date of June 8, 2024 the inception of Inner Wheel Club of Chennai Sonnet unfolded, with 21 dedicated members in My studio.

At the helm stood the indomitable Charter President Preetha along with her executive committee and members brimming with fervor and zeal to steer the club towards success.

Sponsor club President Sheetal Satish and her seasoned club members promise of unwavered support and mentorship ensuring the clubs growth and seamless operation in the days ahead.

The inaugural ceremony captured the essence of camaraderie and legacy graced by the esteemed presence of PIIWP Kamala Ramakrishnan, ACCC Azhagu Annamalai, PDCs, members of IWC Chennai Symphony and Presidents of other clubs

The dawn of a new chapter of service and goodwill was felicitated by ACCCC Azhagu Annamalai, PDC Swarnalatha Jothikumar, PDC Sushila Nataraj, PDC Vasumathi Marimuthu, PDC Usha Saraogi, PDC Radha Ranganathan and PDC Kamala Selvam.

As we embark on this transformative journey, let us pledge to uphold the values of friendship, service, and solidarity that supports our Inner Wheel motto. Together, we shall nurture our new club, fostering growth, and camaraderie with unwavering dedication and enthusiasm.

Here is a future brimming with possibilities and progress!



MOVE, GROOVE AND EXPLORE

MAKING MEMORIES TO END THE YEAR

District ISO

Sukanya Sriram



POOVAR TRIP

The Padmanabha Temple, Poovar and The Elusive Pazham Pori

The ISO trip to Poovar was organised from the 15th to 19th of February 2024 and 29 members from the District including the District Chairman Arathi Narayanan, District Vice Chairman Fathima Nasira, District Secretary Supriya Sundararaman and District ISO Sukanya Sriram participated.

The entire group visited the Kovalam beach, the Padmanabha Swamy temple, the palace and the Ravi Varma museum and the boating on the picturesque Poovar lake was one of the best experiences of the trip. We connected to the sea, river and the backwaters at the same time.

This trip was beautiful and will be etched in our minds for long for the fun and camaraderie though the pazhampori remained elusive till the end.

Fabulous Friendship and Flag Exchange

Twelve members from District 321 visited the Poovar resort thanks to the fantastic efforts of DISO Maya Gomez who was full of enthusiasm from day one.

Their presence and the way they introduced themselves and exchanged flags with 323 members was truly memorable. We all had a great time singing and dancing, the highlight of course was District Chairman Arathi Narayanan who instantly picked up the dance steps of mohiniyattam and danced away to glory. District 321 members brought with them a lot of snacks and savouries of Kerala - it was an amazing gesture!

The few hours we spent with them was so full of fun and fantastic memories.





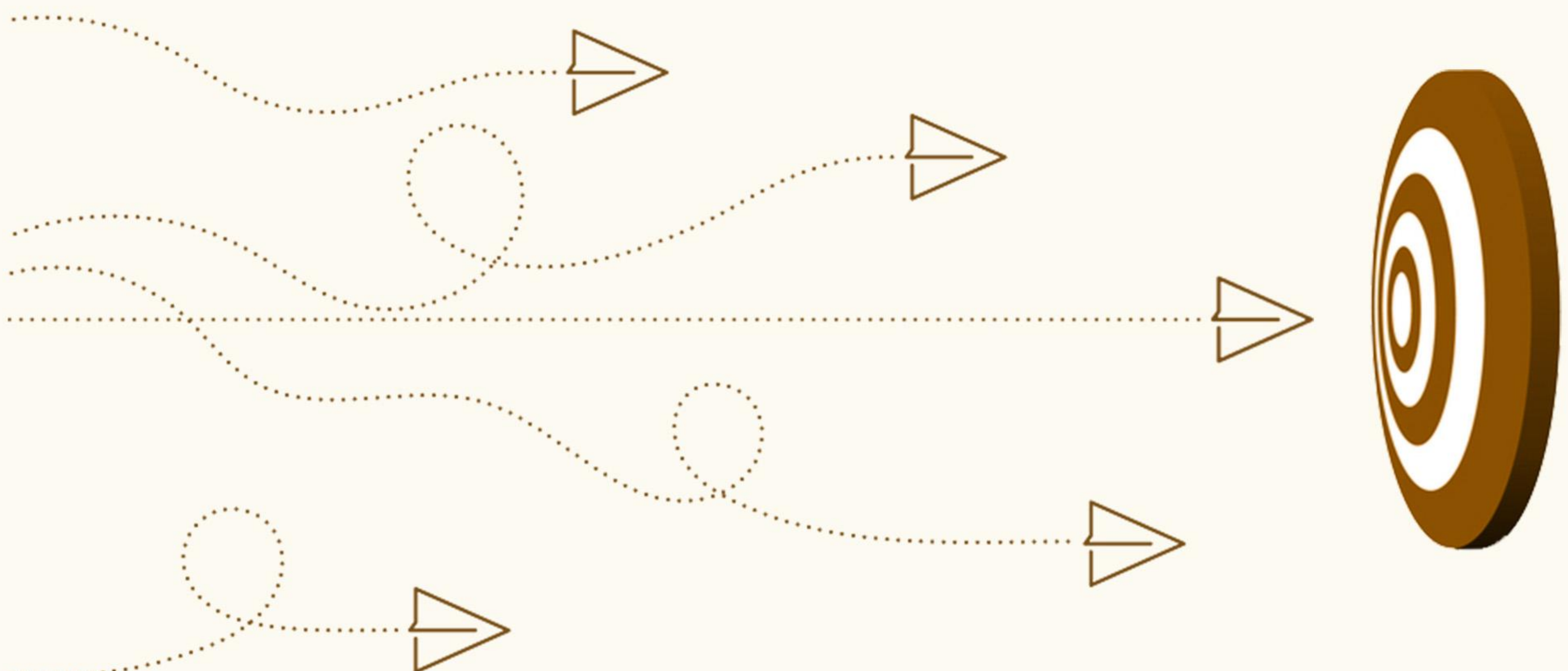
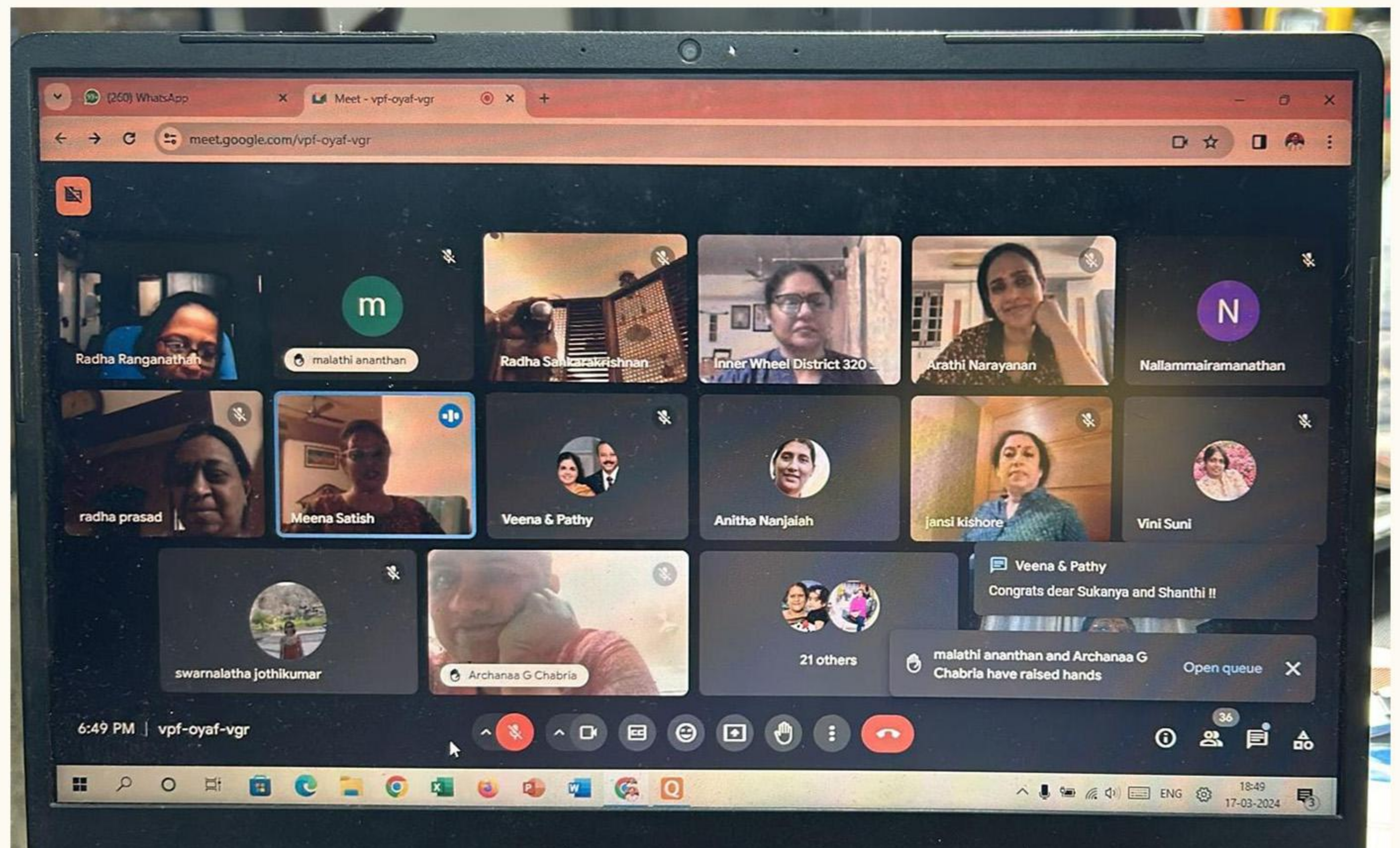
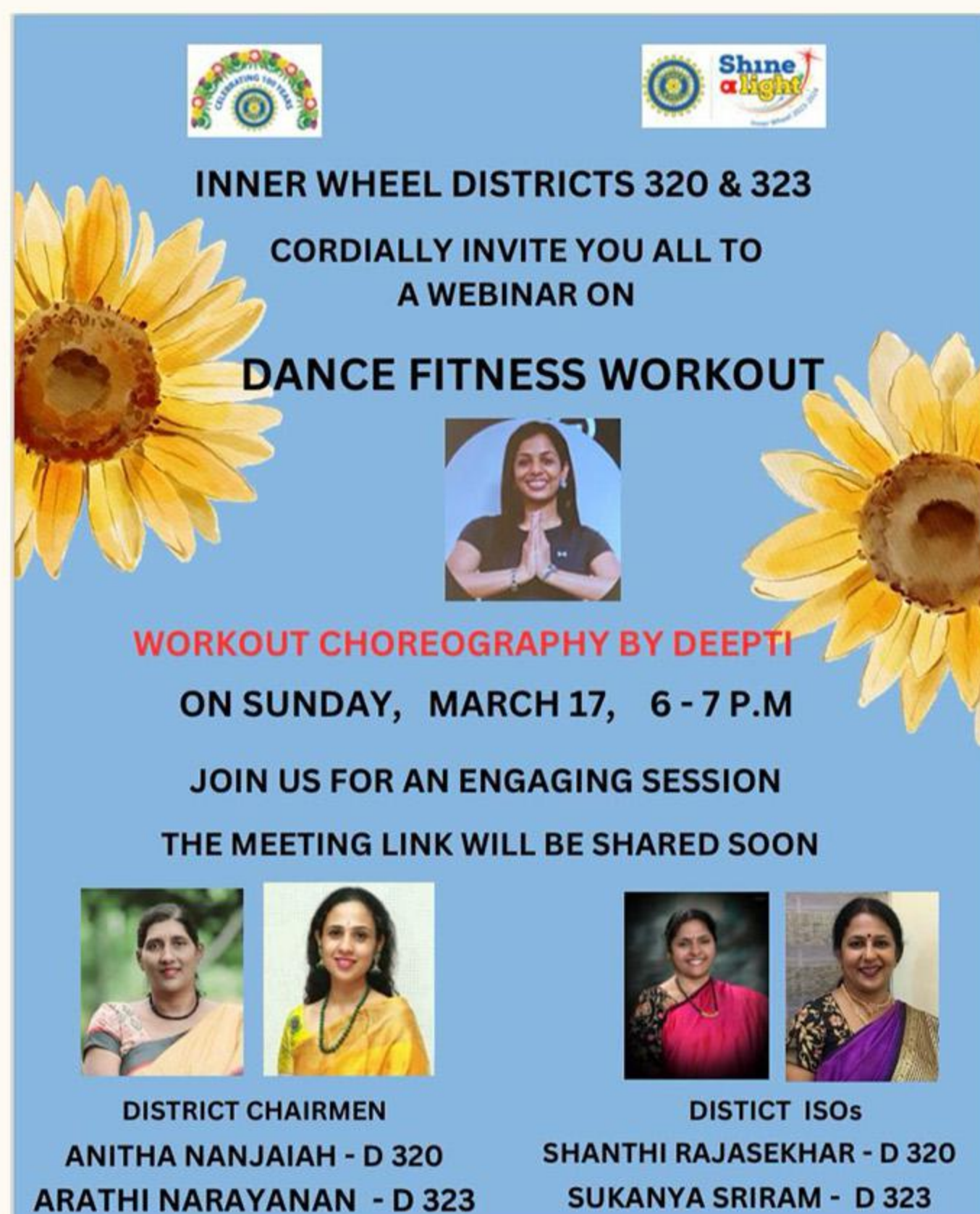
DANCE WORKOUT

An online 'Dance workout' program was jointly organised by Inner Wheel District 320 and 323 on March 17th 2024 between 6 and 7 pm.

The versatile 'Dancewithdeepti' choreographer was roped in for this webinar.

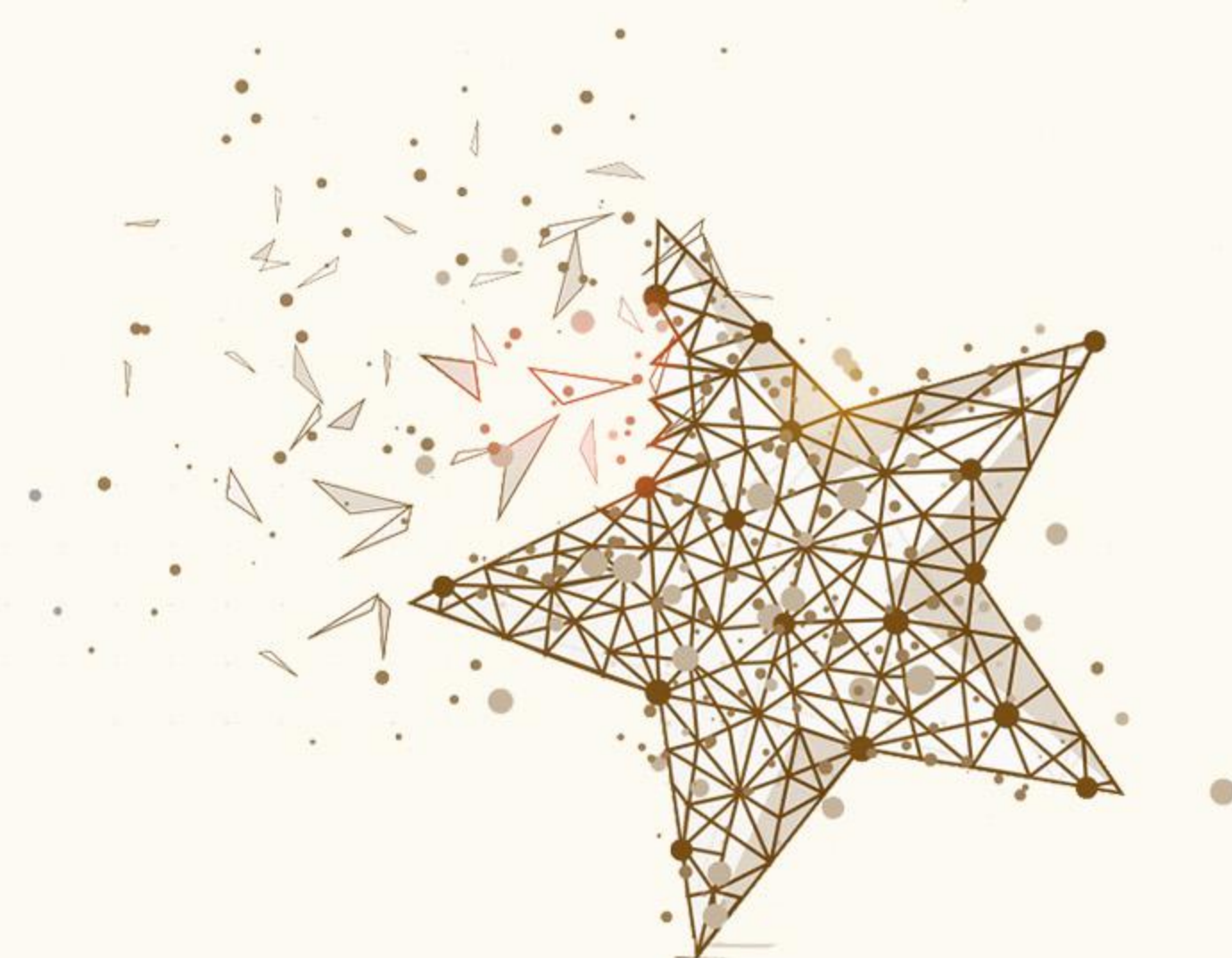
District ISO of 320 Shanthi Rajasekhar welcomed the online participants and District Chairman Anitha Nanjaiah of 320 and District Chairman Arathi Narayanan addressed the participants. The online video was played since the choreographer could not join due to technical reasons. The workout session was well received and all the participants enjoyed it thoroughly.

PDC Meena Sathish of 320 and PDC Radha Ranganathan of 323 gave an excellent and humorous feedback of the program and appreciated the DISOs for their effort in coordinating the program. The program ended with a formal vote of thanks by District ISO Sukanya Sriram of 323.



GLOBAL EDITOR'S MEET

District Editor
Hemalatha Mani



The Global Editor's Meet saw an attendance of up to 500 participants. Prabha Raghunandan, IIW Editor/Media Manager, curated a diverse program featuring speeches by IIW President Trish Douglas, a panel discussion with former IIW editors, slogans developed by clubs for IW, opinions from district communication officers, and a debate among national editors on the role of communication officers in shaping Inner Wheel's image.

Special guest IIW President Trish Douglas warmly thanked IIW Editor/Media Manager Prabha Raghunandan for organizing the event, acknowledging her tremendous efforts in its planning and execution. IIW President Trish Douglas addressed the upcoming Manchester conference, explaining the shift from "House of Friendship" to "House on Culture," emphasizing Inner Wheel's multicultural essence. She reflected on her global travels, expressing gratitude to hosts and highlighting the implementation of her theme "Shine a Light" worldwide, underscoring Inner Wheel's impact in brightening lives and addressing societal challenges like climate change and biodiversity loss.

IIW President Trish Douglas emphasized the Foundation's importance in swiftly aiding vulnerable groups such as street children and the hearing-impaired, urging decision-makers to approach discussions in Manchester with openness. She stressed the urgency of acting now to avoid delaying essential aid initiatives by another three years.



 **Shine
a light**
Inner Wheel 2023-2024

INTERNATIONAL INNER WHEEL
You are cordially invited to attend

GLOBAL EDITORS MEET
MARCH 27th 2024 9am GMT
on ZOOM

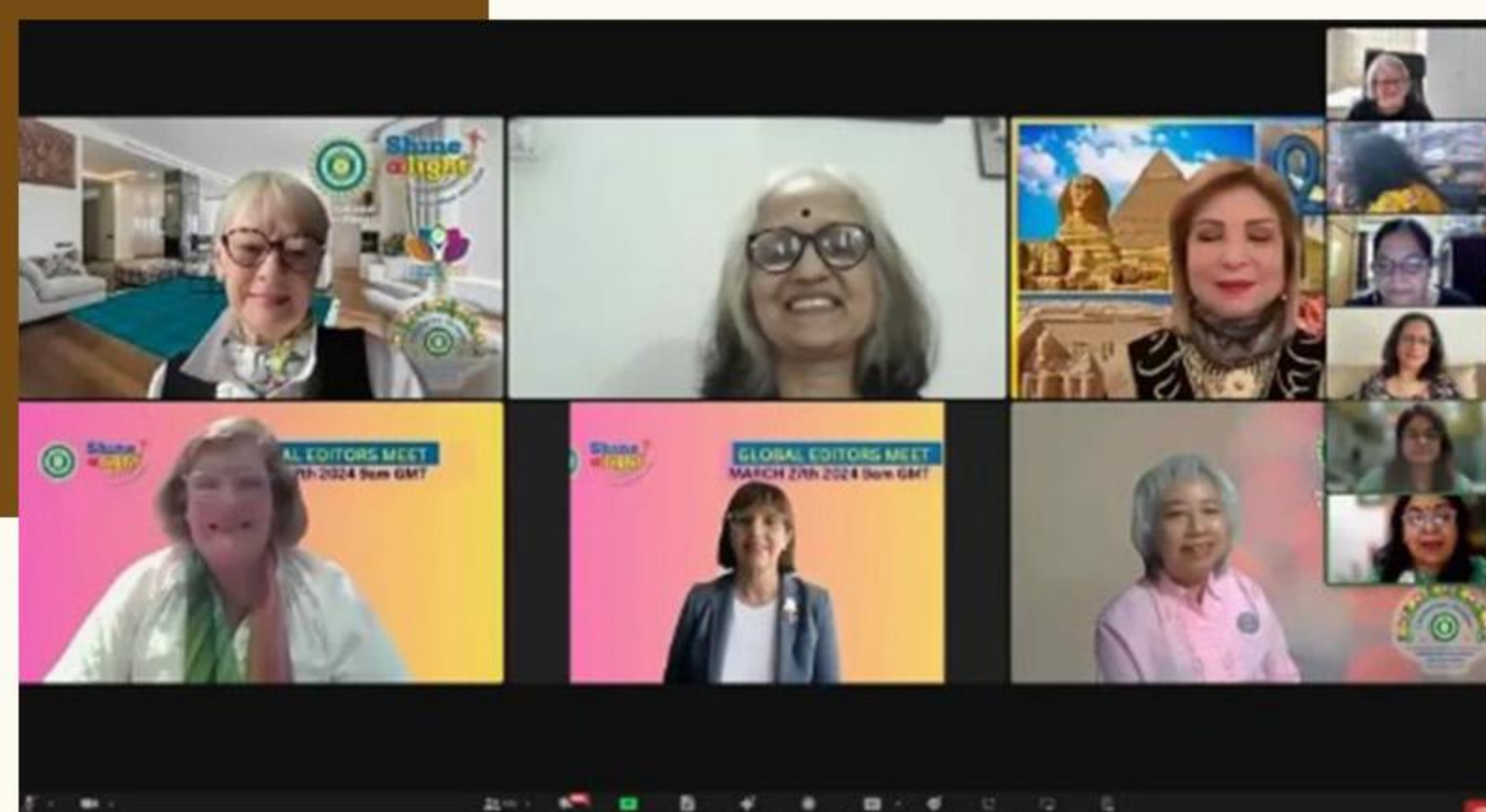
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*IIW President Trish Douglas
has kindly consented to be the Chief Guest*

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*Prabha Raghunandan
IIW Ed MM*



GUNAVATHY RAMACHANDAR FUND

PDC Sushi Natraj



IW turned 100 a few months ago. And was celebrated all over the world!

An erstwhile member of our District, also would have turned 100 a few months ago. It gives me genuine pleasure to talk about her and celebrate her legacy which we are proud to have safeguarded and administered for some years now.

Gunavathy Ramachander was a Past President of the IWC of Ranipet. When she passed away in 1980, she was the Association Secretary.

Her passion for social work and love for people were well known. She worked on the Social Welfare Board alongside Sarojini Varadappan and Mary Clubwalla Jadhav. She regularly provided meals and other help for Dr. Ramachander's needy patients. Even just before she breathed her last, she cooked a nutritious meal for an expectant mother.

She was ably supported by her husband, Dr. Ramachander, who was a highly respected member of Rotary, and instilled the ideals of service in the family.

All the four children have embraced the Rotary and Inner Wheel movement. Three of them Dr. Arun, Lalitha Rai and Rtn. Chandrabob and daughter-in-law Sujatha have been Presidents of their Clubs. We are hoping Dr. Sudha will follow suit one day! Rtn. Chandrabob is PDG of RI District 3231.

His daughter Aparna has also been President of the IWC of Ranipet, and his daughter in law is a member too.

A fund was set up in 1980 in memory of Gunavathy Ramachander. The interest accruing in the Fixed Deposits has been used to fund the education of deserving girls identified by our Clubs. We are currently able to fund 10 girls every year to the tune of Rs. 5000 each year. Different Clubs are given this amount each year, and the progress of the beneficiaries is followed up – progress reports are filed each year.

The coffers are strengthened very often by the excess amount left over after a conference. Other donors also keep this a robust fund. Every year the family makes a contribution too.

This year the children of Gunavathy have graciously decided to mark this special year with a donation to the fund, which will enable us to fund 70 girls next year! One girl child by each Club!



MANCHESTER CONVENTION

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

PDC Latha Mahalingam



International Inner Wheel Conventions are held once in 3 years to which all Inner Wheel members worldwide are invited.

Proposals to change the Constitution are debated, various reports presented and seminars held. A platform to showcase the service done by Inner Wheel members worldwide. Above all a place where new friendships are made.

The 19th International Inner Wheel Convention was held at Manchester, UK, the city where Inner Wheel was born a 100 years ago. A place where friendship and service was born amongst women around the world.

Between the 7th and 10th May, 2024 a 100 hundred years of IW Friendship and Service was celebrated. It was the Centennial celebrations !!

The evening of 7th May saw members from all over the IW world Meet and Greet each other over a cup of tea and cake.

The morning of 8th May Opening Ceremony where IIW President Trish Douglas welcomed the gathering . This was followed by a powerpoint presentation of Inner Wheels early history.

3 UN representatives spoke on topics of discrimination and goals to be reached and how Inner Wheel can be a part of it.

The Mayor of Greater Manchester Mr Andy Burnham and the President of Rotary International Rtn R Gordon R McInally addressed the gathering.

This was followed by a talk by Olivia Giles founder of charity "500 miles".

The last item on the mornings agenda was a traditional dance performance by dancers from India which our District Chairman Arathi Narayanan was a part of. There was also a choir and many other cultural performances.

The Business session followed after lunch. Past IIW Presidents Ebe Pannitteri Martines(2021-2022), Zenaida Farcon (2022-2023) and Trish Douglas (2023-2024) read the reports of their times. These were followed by reports from IIW Vice President Mamta Gupta, IIW Treasurer Sarita Lunani and IIW Editor/ Media Manager Prabha Raghunandan.

The evening was spent at a Friendship dinner held at various locations in the city.

The morning of 9th May started with the continuation of the Business session with discussions and debates on many proposals followed by online voting.

After a busy day the evening saw members gather at the Gala Dinner, with the theme "Roaring Twenties" It was an evening well spent.

The morning of 10th May started with the Business Session which ended with lunch.

The afternoon saw the Closing Ceremony which had IIW President Trish Douglas give her keynote address.

This was followed by entertainment by young children.

Before the close of the sessions IIW Vice President Mamta Gupta announced the theme with logo for the Inner Wheel year 2024-2025 "HEARTBEAT OF HUMANITY"

The social theme "REACH & INSPIRE" for the years 2024-2027 was also announced along with the logo. It was announced that the next Convention will be held at Philippines in the year 2027. With nearly 2300 members from around the world including 19 from District 323 the 19th IIW Convention came to a close.

Philippines here we come !!

In another 100 years from now, the world may be different but Inner Wheel will continue to serve .





LEMONADE SOIREE

THANKSGIVING DINNER

ISO Pavithra Udupa



A Thanksgiving Dinner" was held on 27th April at the Diamond Hall in Presidency Club, Egmore. Hosted by District Chairman Arathi Narayanan, the event celebrated the dedication and team-work of the District Executive Committee, the guidance and support from the Past District Chairmen, the centenary presidents of various clubs, and the love and support from her home club, IWC Chennai Verve.

Curated gift hampers were given to all those who attended, while special project certificates honoring the commitments of the centenary presidents were handed over to them.

Embracing a summer theme, guests arrived in their seasonal best, enjoying spontaneous flash dances by the centenary presidents in tribute to the District Chairman. Heartfelt poems by Presidents Sheetal of IWC Chennai Symphony and Sapna of IWC Chennai Sunshine added to the camaraderie, while videos and reels capturing behind-the-scenes moments from the past year evoked nostalgia.

A lively pop-quiz, curated and hosted by Vijay Sarathy, husband of PP Haripariya - a Chennai Verve member, saw enthusiastic participation from all attendees. The evening concluded with a DJ playing retro hits, accompanied by selected drinks and delicious food. Adding to the glamour, guests snapped photos in the thematic photobooth, encapsulating the memorable "Lemonade Soiree."

