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BAV mourns the death of one of its beloved members.....

On 22nd January 2010, Anusuya Bhattacharya, a beloved member of our community lost her long battle with cancer. Anusuya's death has left a vacuum in the hearts of many who knew her.

Anusuya is remembered for many things – her beauty, her talents, her personality, and most of all, her unsurpassed enthusiasm to make things happen.

BAV gratefully remembers the contribution she made as a member of the executive committee and for all her contributions over the years and as an enthusiastic member of our association. She participated in many cultural events and some of the notable ones were Balmiki Protibha, Tasher Desh and Ballabhpurer Roopkatha. Many of the other events would not be a success without her tireless efforts behind the scenes. Her beautiful voice and her innate acting abilities made a deep impression on the audience every time she performed. She also took an active role in BAV's other activities like the *Pujo* celebrations where she was a familiar smiling face in the kitchen making sure the *kichhudi* was cooked to its perfection, or preparing *loochi* and *mishti* for the *prosad*.

Anusuya came out with flying colours with whatever she set out to do. Whether it be performing on the stage, or doing a gig at a friend's birthday party, or even cooking up culinary delights for her guests, she was always on top. People loved her company as she was full of fun and laughter. Nothing seemed impossible for her; rain, hail or storm, Anusuya was there for everyone.

Anusuya in our hearts you will always stay, loved and remembered every day. Words cannot express the sadness we continue to feel with your passing.

COMING EVENT

Annual General Meeting

31st July 2010

At

Mulgrave Community Centre

**355 Wellington Road
Mulgrave**

Melway 71 C12 /80 D1



This year Saraswati Puja was held on 23rd January at Brandon Park Community Centre. The pandal was built at Shamik Bera's home with the help of many spirited volunteers. BAV's annual publication Sankalan was available for sale on the same day. Thanks to the community members who contributed with their article and also for editing, proof reading, compiling the Sankalan. The community members at Saraswati Puja sadden by the news of untimely passing away of Anusuya Bhattacharya. Members from ISKON performed bhajan and prayer for peace of soul of Anusuya. Bengali movie Tintoretar Jishu (based on the Felu Da adventure story by Satyajit Ray) and directed by Sandip Ray was shown in the afternoon.

The Cultural programme in the evening was partly sponsored by City of Monash. The main attraction of evening programme was the dance performance by the famous Shiamak Davar group. They captivated the audience with rhythmic music and movement. However, the attendance at Saraswati Puja was low this year, particularly in the evening.

The next event is Annual general Meeting as we are preparing to hand over to the next committee. Separate invitation will be sent to members only for nomination the attendance for the meeting. We wish all a very happy and prosperous Bengali New Year 1417.

From BAV Committee



MEMBERSHIP APPEAL
PLEASE RENEW YOUR BAV
MEMBERSHIP FOR THIS YEAR

Family: \$30
Single: \$20
Full-Time Students: \$10

There are many long term members who have not renewed their membership for this year.

Bengali books at Mount Waverley Public Library

It appears that Mount Waverley Public Library will reduce the shelf space for Bengali books due to lack of transaction and allocate the space to other language books. This is not a good news for Bengali community.

So please visit Mount Waverley Public Library, borrow and read Bengali books. The details of Mount Waverley Public Library:

41 Miller Cres. Mount Waverley, 3149. Melway 70 E1
Tel: 9807 5022 Fax: 9809 5074
Monday to Friday 10.00 am - 8.30 pm
Saturday 9.00 am - 4.00 pm
Sunday CLOSED
Closed Public Holidays Mount Waverley Station: 50 metres

Library Sub-committees

We would like thank Dr. Pratish Bandopadhyay for volunteering to head the Library Sub-committee. He will liaise with City of Monash on Bengali books/ CDs etc. in the Mount Waverley Public Library.

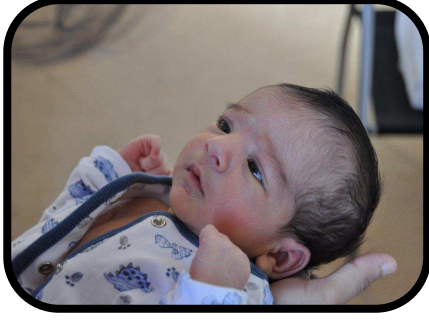
Appeal for Old Records for Electronic Archive

We are currently working on scanning old BAV documents, newsletters, photos and collecting electronic copies of similar document and hoping to post some of them in the website. So please send either hard copy or scanned copies of old photograph, newsletter etc. to committee members. Your co-operation will be much appreciated.

Sankalan for Sale

There are many unsold copies of Sankalan are still available for sale. Please let us know if you are interested. Price - \$ 5 only.

New Arrival - Ishaan



Congratulations to Shamik (Roni) and Melissa (Rupa) for becoming parent for the first time of Ishaan, born on 9th April 2010 and also to the first time grandparents Shankar Ghosh, Subhra Ghosh, Shibu Ghatak & Mitu Ghatak

Double Blessing – Romila & Raika



Sarmistha & Rajan Chanda have been blessed with twin daughters Romila & Raika, born on 12 October 2009. They have just had their annaprashan in Kolkata.

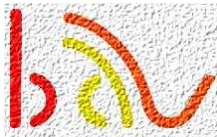
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২ আষাঢ়	জামাই ষষ্ঠী	17 June 2010
২৮ আষাঢ়	রথ যাত্রা	13 July 2010
৭ ভাদ্র	ঝুলন/ রাখী পূর্ণিমা	24 August 2010
১৫ ভাদ্র	জন্মাষ্টমী	1 September 2010
৩১ ভাদ্র	বিশুকর্মা পূজা	17 September 2010
২৩ আশ্বিন	মহালয়া	7 October 2010
২৬ আশ্বিন	ষষ্ঠী	13 October 2010
২৭ আশ্বিন	সপ্তমী	14 October 2010
২৮ আশ্বিন	মহা অষ্টমী	15 October 2010
২৯ আশ্বিন	নবমী	16 October 2010
৩০ আশ্বিন	বিজয়া দশমী	17 October 2010
৪ কার্তিক	লক্ষী পূজা	22 October 2010
১৮ কার্তিক	কালী পূজা	5 November 2010
২০ কার্তিক	ভাই ফোঁটা	7 November 2010
২৮ কার্তিক	জগদ্ধাত্রী পূজা	15 November 2010
২৪ মাঘ	সরস্বতী পূজা	8 February 2011
১৭ ফাল্গুন	শিব রাত্রি	2 March 2011
৪ চৈত্র	দোল যাত্রা	19 March 2011



YOUR SAY Send your comments/suggestions to info@bavwebsite.org.au

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