

ENewsletter

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CHRISTMAS

I have always thought of Christmas time, when it has come round, as a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable time; the only time I know of, in the long calendar of the year, when men and women seem by one consent to open their shut-up hearts freely, and to think of people below them as if they really were fellow passengers to the grave, and not another race of creatures bound on other journeys.

~ Charles Dickens

COMING ACTIVITIES

4TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date Saturday, 8 January 2011
Time 12:30am to 1.30pm
Venue Fika Swedish Café & Bristol (Halal), 257 Beach Road

AGENDA

- President's Report
- To receive and approve reports of Standing Committees for 2010
- To receive and approve the audited accounts for the year ending 31st Dec 2010.
- To appoint auditors for Term 2011
- To approve Activities for 2011
- Induction of new members with presentation of membership kit

IWFCIS INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2-9 MARCH 2011

The event shall be held at Orchard Central from 2nd to 9th March, 2011. Women enterprise from Vietnam, Cambodia, Pakistan, Australia, Taiwan, Sri Lanka shall be invited to celebrate International Women's Day. It is also to witness the launch of Xtradinary Women Award 2011.

Exciting activities are being lined up with a marketplace, entertainment, exhibition, exercise, grooming & cooking workshops, health talk, fashion shows, networking and much more.

Come and network with VIPs, celebrities and women entrepreneurs from the various participating countries. Help us search for the 21st Century Xtradinary Women Entrepreneur who is concern with health, culture, social graciousness, contribute to the community and is financial independent.

Contact us for more information

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Ms Mandy Leena Tan
Ms Carolyn Seet
Ms Hamidah
Ms Noor Jamilah Bt Ramli
Ms Hsu Shee Hui
Ms Saniff Hariatee
Ms Surayah Begum Kashmadi
Ms Kelly Teoh
Ms Sharon Kam
JR NaturalCare Pte Ltd

WORK-LIFE BALANCE WORKSHOP



Ms Angelica Mistica, Principal Consultant of HR Division, Australia, was our guest consultant for the Work-life Balance Workshop held on 2nd Oct 2010.

She shared with members and participants at the workshop, the evolution of stressors which we faced throughout our life-cycle, eight examples of age and stage specific stressors and challenges.

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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN AFFAIR 2010 @ ORCHARD CENTRAL

IWA 2010, the first of a week-long marketplace for women entrepreneurs to promote their businesses at malls was launched by GOH, MP for Marine Parade GRC Assoc. Prof Fatimah Lateef at Orchard Central. The event, held from 21st to 27th Oct was participated by 25 women entrepreneurs selling ladies fashion & accessories, health-care, educational material and environmental friendly lifestyle and consumer products at the marketplace. The week-long event attracted more than 20,000 shoppers and audiences. Health talks, cooking & grooming workshops, dancing and singing performances and fashion shows entertained the shoppers and audience which included sponsors, donors, Ambassadors from Pakistan, Cambodia and Myanmar, MPs, local celebrities. VIPs, friends and supporters.

The event was aimed to provide a platform for women entrepreneurs to promote their business and to raise fund for the Business Incubation Programme for Women which help spearhead financial challenge women in establishing a business and for Pakistan Flood Relief Mission.



IWFCIS IN PAKISTAN ON A FLOOD RELIEF MISSION

Chairman, Mrs Ann Phua and two board members visited Karachi, Pakistan from 11th to 16th Nov, 2010 for the Flood Relief Mission. The unpleasant bomb incident near their hotel when they arrived did not deter the ladies from their mission.

They travelled 5 hours from Karachi to Hyderabad, visited and stayed at the villages in Khaja Gothi and Manzorabad. Ann introduced the water system to the villages. The team and the local NGO distributed the water filter system, blankets, milk powder and biscuits to the villages. It was rather chaotic as they did not anticipate an overcrowding gathering. People from the nearby villages walked more than 3 kms in the muddy dirt track hoping to receive some supplies, unfortunately they went back dismayed as we run out of supplies.

The journey to the villages was very emotional seeing the grievances and hardship the villages have to endure as a result of the flood. We hope to continue the mission making another trip in April 2011 with more aids.



IWFCIS WELCOME VIETNAM WOMEN UNION DELEGATION

Members of IWFCIS welcomed 14 delegates from Cooperative Union and Women Union of Hai Duong Province, Vietnam on 23rd November, 2010.

The delegation was on a Business Trade Mission to meet and exchange experiences of management model with organisations in the region.

Chairman, Mrs Ann Phua, gave a presentation of IWFCIS to the delegation. Both organisations shared best practices of running an organisation. Members also had the opportunity to exchange business trade followed by lunch, gift exchange and photo taking.



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