

A letter of recommendation by Kochumon to his Boss at Bombay

Antony, my Assistant Manager, can always be found hard at work in his cubicle. Antony works independently, without wasting company time talking to colleagues. Antony never thinks twice about assisting fellow employees and he always finishes given assignments on time. Often Antony takes extended measures to complete his work, sometimes skipping coffee breaks. Antony is a dedicated individual who has absolutely no vanity in spite of his high accomplishments and profound knowledge in his field. I firmly believe that Antony can be classed as a high-caliber employee, the type, which cannot be dispensed with. Consequently, I duly recommend that Antony be promoted to executive management and a proposal will be sent away as soon as possible

Sd/
KOCHUMON

A fax was soon sent following the letter to the Boss:

That stupid idiot was reading over my shoulder when I wrote the report sent to you earlier today. Kindly read every alternate line (i.e. 1, 3, 5, 7, 9.....) for my true assessment of him.

Regards

Sd/-
KOCHUMON

EDITORS NOTE:

This can be an eye opener for those members who do not pay there dues/ contributions in time, and you can expect Kochumon sending similar notes to you

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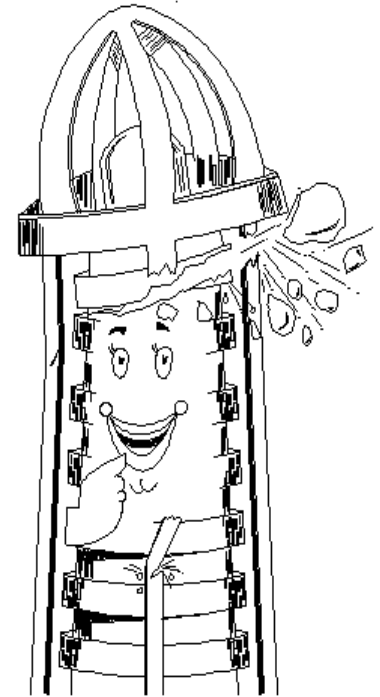
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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

India is in the grip of "Fast Food" wave and our city of Chennai is no exception. With the mushrooming of fast food counters on almost all "salais", and some of them on wheels, the life style of Chennaites has completely changed, especially of the younger generation. Food items are displayed under various foreign names, the meanings for which have to be referred to a dictionary. Self service is the order of the day for which nobody grudges except the older generation, who finds difficulty to balance the food trays. Hamburger, one of the fast food items is available as vegetarian or non-vegetarian. While I do not know the contents of the vegetarian hamburger, the non-veg hamburger does not contain "ham" even though the name indicates so. In most of the Western countries, it contains "beef" only. But then why is it called hamburger? Actually, it derived its name from the town Hamburg in Germany, where it was very popular and introduced by the German immigrants to UK & USA. Then it was known as "hamburger steak" or "Hamburg steak" indicating the meat inside. Now it is reduced to "burger". The original hamburger steak was just ground beef, and was not kept in a split bun. Nowadays it is served in a bun. Similarly, "frankfurter" which is a kind of smoked sausage gets its name probably after the German city of Frankfurt.



This reminds me of a friend of mine, who had just returned from USA, telling me that he really relished the "Ham-steak" served in the restaurants, not knowing that pig's meat is a taboo for him according to his religion.

According to the latest intelligence reports from the fast-food circles, availability of "Canin-burgers" on special orders is not far off. No wonder, the population of our street dogs is dwindling very fast. When exhausted, it could be switched over to "cat burgers" or "crow burgers". Bye, till the next month.

Yours Y'sly,
See Zee Work-Is
Editor

NEWS

INTERNATIONAL

Y'sm Ingvar Wallin advises the following in his letter of 10th February 2000:

- The rate of participation in the voting process was 50% for India Area, compared to 45% in the previous year. South India Region forwarded 20 valid votes (no invalid votes) when they had 42 clubs. Central India and Mid West India had a high percentage of invalid votes.
- IEO has selected Tony Rajan Mathew (son of Ysm Rajan Panikker of Trivandrum) from among nine applicants as the sixth Youth Intern to work at International Head Quarters at Geneva, beginning August 2000 until July 2001.
- ISG expects reply to his Questionnaire which was distributed to all the Clubs. A high response rate is expected giving all the information required.

AREA

Ysm Jacob Cherian (Chackochan) will be the Area President with effect from July 1 2000. His project for the year is "Mother and Child Care".

REGION

The Third Regional Council Meeting is scheduled to take place at Bangalore on March 5, 2000. All members of our Club who are Council members are planning to be at Bangalore to attend the meeting. Let us see as to how many will show up at Bangalore.

Ysm Mohan Punnen RDE is busy planning for the Regional Convention on June 24 & 25 to be held at Hotel Ambassador Pallava. He called for a meeting of the Convention Committee and it's office bearers, at Kilpauk YMCA on Sunday 27-02-00 which was largely attended. The Convention Committee Treasurer presented a budget for a little over Rs.5 lakhs. Ysm Mohan Punnen requested the committee members to start work right now to obtain advertisements for the Souvenir and for liberal donations. Dr. Rama Rao presided over the meeting

DISTRICT

The Sports Committee arranged sports and various games at the Malayalee Club on Sunday, February 6th.

The District picnic was held at the Hindustan College of Engineering, Padur. This was also considered as the monthly Club Meeting of Mylapore Club. Unfortunately, the attendance was very thin compared to the

previous year's picnic to Mamallapuram. Billiards, Volleyball and other games were open for picnickeers, apart from a round of Tambola. Ysm KCG Verghese arranged the transport of members from the City and back. Ysm CZ Verghese represented Anna Nagar Club. A few clubs completely stayed away from the picnic, for reasons best known to them.

CLUB

The Board Meeting was held on Friday, 11-02-00 at the Presidency Club hosted by Ysm Philip Tharakan & Mte Susheela. This was a meeting of short duration as indicated in the agenda.



Ysm Mohan Punnen explained about the strategies to be followed for the success of the forthcoming Regional Convention at Chennai and he appealed for the whole hearted support of the Club in bringing out the Souvenir at that time. He advised that a meeting of the Souvenir Committee will be held shortly. The meeting ended with fellowship and dinner. It was

announced that Ysm Jose Mani-LRD will officially visit our club during the March Club Meeting. RD's official visit will take place during April.

The Club meeting was held on Saturday 26-02-00 at the Kilpauk YMCA. The inclement weather was responsible for the slight reduced attendance. Ysm. T.J. George and Ysm. Ithapiri hosted the fellowship and dinner.



Many happy returns of the day !

February

Birthdays

- 02 Ymt Deepa Satish Thomas
- 05 Ysm A A Ithapiri
- 08 Ysm Mohan Punnen
- 13 Ysm T J George
- 16 Ymt Preetha Koshy Thomas
- 18 Ysm K G Paul
- 19 Ysm Joseph Ranjit Koshy
- 22 Ylg Rohith George Vergese
- 22 Ymt Leena Ravi George
- 23 Ylg Rohan George
- 26 Ylg Anna John Mathew
- 27 Ysm Joy Mathew
- 28 Ysm K Jacob (Roy)
- 28 Ysm Thomas George

No Wedding Bells rang in February