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KCS announces the annual theme for 2021 "2021 - The year of the youth"

From the desk of KCS President

Dear friends,

My message in the last issue opened with a statement, but with a question mark. "The covid season is behind us ?" I answered " Yes and No." Unfortunately, 'No' happens to be the answer. We are in an uncontrollable pandemic situation. As the poet says, " The best schemes of o' mice an 'men. Gang aft agley." Or in plain English, the best laid plans of mice and men can still go wrong. We are in that situation.

As we lost a year without meetings and fellowships, our team was enthusiastically getting ready to usher in a slew of programmes to make up for the lost opportunities, starting with the AGM/EGM on May 29, Onam in August and KCS silver jubilee celebrations in December. Plans were being discussed with past presidents and other members for a grand musical night later in this year or early next year to commemorate the jubilee year and augment KCS finances. Unfortunately, there is a question mark hovering on our plans. We hope that situation will improve in a couple of months for us to meet during Onam get-together.

Accounts for the year 2020-2021 is done. Notice with a date for AGM/EGM will be sent depending on covid protocol. A state of the art KCS website is being installed, the features of which have been already informed to you all. The KCS directory will be on the web site. Available information already submitted by members must be vetted by them before entering the site. We request all members to send in their latest photos and family details as soon as possible which will be featured in the site as and when received.

The notice for subscription for the year 2021-2022 has been sent to all. According to the by-laws of our society the subscription is payable within three months of commencement of KCS year on April 1, that is by June 30. Cooperation of all is requested.

A pertinent question is raised. Is subscription payable as there are no programmes? In any club or even in churches monthly subscription is collected even when there are no activities due to covid. Besides, the monies collected help to improve the corpus of our society after meeting the expenses related to the maintenance of KCS office. I hope that it is a reasonable answer to the question.

Thank you all,

Regards,

EC Thomas President



KCS shall evolve into a premier organisation

- By instilling a sense of pride in being associated with it and thereby motivating the young and the old of the Kerala Catholic families to join the society wholeheartedly.
- By creating an image in the city of Chennai and elsewhere by initiating special projects for the community, working in tandem with similar organisations, if necessary.
- By utilising the inherent talents and strengths of all its members to initiate activities that will install a sense of belonging and promote fellowship.
- By creating an atmosphere for constant, innovative, and timely improvements in the organisation and its structure.

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From the desk of KCS Secretary

Minutes of the Sixth Governing Council Meeting of Kerala catholic Society held on 10th April 2021 at KCS House, 23 Halls Road, Kilpauk, Chennai - 10 at 6 pm.

- \checkmark The meeting started with a prayer by Mrs. Omana James.
- \checkmark The President warmly welcomes all the members.
- ✓ Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the GC held on 13.03.2021 was circulated and approved after discussion.
- ✓ Review of Accounts: Accounts for the month of March 2021 were circulated and approved after review.
- ✓ Web Site & KCS Members portal: The proposal submitted by M/s Trivam Anand for Rs.30,000/-, being the lowest, is approved and requested Mr. Oommen Abraham to do the needful to get the work completed and functional at the earliest.
- \checkmark Digital Directory: Details for the Directory be collected at the earliest.
- ✓ KCS News: Take ordinary black & white photostat copies and circulate only to regular members.
- \checkmark IT Demand Notice: Follow up with the Auditor to proceed with appropriate actions.
- ✓ New Incentive Scheme for 2021-22 on income from KCS House: New incentive scheme shall be finalised on the income generated from the KCS House for the year 2021-22 in the next GC meeting.
- ✓ Venue for AGM, Onam & Silver Jubilee celebrations: It is proposed to book the following venues for the AGM, Onam celebrations:

► AGM - 29.05.2021	: Free Mason, Egmore.
• Onam - 14.08.2021	: Sowbhagya Mahal, near Koyamedu,
	(Onam Sadhya from Kumarakom)
• Silver Jubilee - 18.12.2021	: ITC Fortune, R.K. Salai
	(Bishop's Mass at Santhome Cathedral - evening)

Thanks,

M S Abraham Secretary



Have you paid your annual Subscription for this year 2021-22 ? Your small contribution makes lot of difference. Please pay to continue our KCS activities. Date for major activities finalised and even advance paid to book venues.

Alfred and Augustine trying hard counting money again and again to meet the ends.

Let's support KCS by paying our annual subscription without any further delay

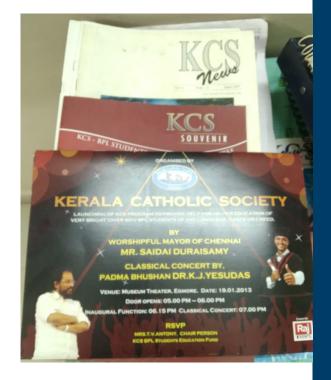


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Hi,

As Mr. E C Thomas, President mentioned in his message that we have initiated the process of getting our website base version ready by AGM. Member portal will also be ready soon. We are planning to digitise all the photos, articles available in KCS house for future quick reference and rekindle our good old memories of awesome bonhomie.

It seems that KCS website work was started in the year 2013 itself and for some reasons it didn't see the light then. However, Mr. C K Devassy, KCF No.14 retained the domain name <u>www.kcsmadras.com</u> by paying the annual domain fee personally all these years.





Mr. C K Devassy, KCF 14

AGM is scheduled on 29 May 2021, though the plan is to have physical meeting, we have to wait and see.

When some express their dilemma whether to pay subscription during pandemic since there is no activities, there is this gentleman who was paying the annual fee for the domain name all these years silently in addition to his KCS annual subscription. *Hat's off to you Devassy Uncle*



All the old KCS event photographs, old KCS souvenirs, are being organised. Some of them will be uploaded in to our website year wise event wise to kindle our rejoicing moments in the past.



KCS Onam Celebrations: Then our next major event planned is Onam on August 14th, Saturday at Sowbhagya Mahal, Koyamedu. All the entertainments will be "By the KCS family for the KCS family". So request all the Appachens, Ammachis, Uncles, Aunties, Chettans, Chechis and loving children to start practicing and prepare yourself to showcase your talents on the grand stage. Obviously the theme is "Onam" and a Kerala traditional touch is expected in all the events. Instead of worrying about Corona, spend quality time with family practising and celebrating life at home. *Thaalam okke pidichu, onnu suthi kaetti, kudumbamayittu vanthu nalla programme tharuka*.

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Those who would like to volunteer, may please contact me or any GC members. We want Committees for 1. Sadhya, 2. Reception 3. MC 4. Cultural Entertainment (Adhichipoli). No qualification, no age bar, no gender preferences, anybody bubbling with ideas and interest can volunteer. We will work together and make our KCS Onam celebrations a memorable one. Expecting our youngsters to lead since 2021 is the year of the youth for KCS. Don't miss it, apparum varuthapaduveenga.

Similarly for Silver Jubilee celebrations, we are making detailed plan to make it as the most memorable one for all of us. Again similar committees are required plus one additional Kuppi committee



Oommen Abraham, VP KCS

Before I close, let me summarise the substance

- 1. Let's pay our subscription before someone reminds us.
- 2. KCS website getting ready, share your memories
- 3. Thanks to Mr.CK Devassy for retaining the KCSmadras.com
- 4. AGM on 29 May, Saturday, participate and share your views.
- 5. Onam Celebrations on 14 August, 2021, showcase your talents and encourage your family members also, lets celebrate life
- 6. Volunteer yourself for various KCS committees and encourage your children to participate in KCS events.

send you comments, suggestions, feedback to <u>abraham@globalbesthr.com</u>, mobile 9840002731

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(Society Established in 1996)

- 1 Cyriac Jose Sunil & Ramya Sunil
- 5 K.F Manavalan & Kanchana Manavalan
- 5 Sheen Sunny & Bindu Sheen
- 14 Oommen Abraham & Nancy Oommen
- 14 PM Mathew & Marykutty Mathew
- 15 Joseph Philip & Annie Joseph
- 15 Alfy Mathew & Geena
- 16 Malcolm Joseph & Beena
- 16 Joseph Chacko & Marina Joseph
- 19 Verghese George & Geetha Verghese
- 20 KS Joseph & Thresia
- 20 Sam Paul & Lee Sam
- 20 George Joseph & Elsy George
- 23 Vitto Placka & Nimmy Vitto
- 27 Augustine Joseph & Mini Augustine
- 29 D Thomas & Celene Thomas
- 29 V Joseph George & Annie George
- 1 Achamma Jacob
- 4 Deepa Joseph
- 5 Sunny John
- 6 Gracey Alex Kadavan
- 7 David Perappden
- 8 Achama Roopesh
- 9 Joseph Prince
- 14 Lissy Joy
- 24 Alpho John
- 25 Annie George
- 25 Anita John
- 26 Regi Mathew
- 27 Jonamama Joseph
- 28 M S Abraham
- 29 Sheen Sunny Akkara
- 30 Princeson Jose
- 30 Cicily Itty
- 30 Dolly Pollo
- 31 Tresa Joseph
- 31 Swapna Joy
- 31 Jaya Johny
- 31 Paul George Chittilapilly
- 31 Geetha Job

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KCS Hot summer couples celebrating wedding anniversaries in the month of May



Wishing you a Birthday filled with joy and a year filled with success



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