Thank You Seniors!

Want to give a shout-out to all the Seniors! You guys will never be forgotten, what you guys helped do was so incredible and amazing. We cannot thank you enough for what you guys have had to go through, and what you have done. We are here, all because of you. And the association and all the members' thank you for everything.

You guys laid the foundation and your new team mates built on it. IDA Kochi is now back as a great branch. Thank you for the all the blood, sweat and tears you have shed to help make it happen. Thank you!

With your support and guidance, we are here to take our branch forward as one of the best branches which empowers the members and the society.

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BIDA KOCHI

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With changing times and trends, IDA, Kochi Branch is acquiring and adopting new ideas to have a wider acceptability for its activities, especially the publication. The quarterly issue of BIDA, Kochi has been rechristened as JIDA, Kochi (Journal of Indian Dental Association, Kochi), from January -March 2012 issue onwards. BIDA, Kochi will continue as a periodic publication of IDA, Kochi Branch. BIDA, Kochi will be mainly a news bulletin which will also contain the highlights of the branch activities as well as several useful information. We have an excellent and well-maintained website which contains all the activities and useful information about IDA, Kochi. Please log on to www.idakochi.org. There are several links available which will take the browser to the site of their choice. There are also several downloadable web contents such as the IDA Membership Form which will be of use to the members. Efforts are being made to make the publications of IDA, Kochi to be made available in the website. You can also expect several new changes to happen in the web portal. IDA, Kochi is also planning to launch IDA, Kochi Matrimonial Column where the members can post their matrimonial advertisement free of charge. Members and their family are requested to kindly make use of this useful and innovative venture. Please let us know your suggestions and criticisms.

Dr. Pramod John

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Free Dental Clinic - Chalikkavattom

IDA Kochi is running a Free Dental Clinic (FDC) at Chalikkavattom, in a space provided by corporation of Cochin. With the heartening attitude and unyielding dedication, Dr. Saji K K has provided the much needed impetus to our FDC in 2011 -2012. IDA Kochi congratulates the efforts of our FDC Representative in revolutionizing the treatments that could be carried out at the FDC.

Hero & Zero!

The Cricket match between IDA Kochi and Al Azhar Dental College was a totally one sided contest with our branch being reduced to mere spectators in front of the dazzling showcase of power hitting by the students of Al Azhar! The hero was Dr. Rajesh Kottooran who piles up 74 runs for the IDA Kochi, where as the team was a total zero in front of the youngsters!!

Media Awards!

IDA Kochi together with IDA Kerala State celebrated this year's Dentist's Day at Hotel Mercy on the 6th of March. Shri. Salim Kumar was the Chief Guest and Ms. Leela

Menon was the Guest of Honor. Print and Visual media which supported the cause of spreading Medical and Dental health awareness were awarded by IDA during this grand function. Amrita college students added the much needed charm to the program.

Participation!

In spite of having good programs with free entry or less registration fee, the office bearers of IDA Kochi found it really difficult to attract our members for the programs. We request our members to kindly make yourself available for the programs whenever possible as the idea behind conducting them is for all of us to come together, enjoy each other's company, learn as in a CDE program or enjoy as in a family get together.

MOVIE CLUB!

Has the interest died down!! Guess, it's time for movie goers to plan together and go for a movie!

Unlawful Advertisements!

Restrain yourself from getting embroiled into any wrong doing with regard to advertising or making controversial articles in magazines or newspapers! Dental Council is looking into these issues and hence stay Ethical.

IDA HO Training Centre!

IDA HO is conducting various programs in Kochi. Every month a particular topic will be chosen and a two day program is held at IMA house. One day for theory and one day for hands on. Those who are interested, kindly contact Dr. Alias for details- 9447017455

Why Choose Dentistry? Students Tell Their Reasons

"A big part of my decision came because I am a woman," explains first-year dental student, Ms. Anju (names changed). "I think that dentistry is becoming an occupation that many women are looking into right now because it's OK to take time off. You're your own boss." Receiving a MDS gives one the options of academia, research, and practice, or it can be a 9 to 5 job that you can take vacations from if you want, Anju says. For women who aim to have children someday, this is a significant issue.

CONGRATULATIONS!



Master Harishankar G Menon of class IX, Chinmaya Vidyalay, Vaduthala came 1st in the 4 x 400 m

relay, 2nd in 200 m race and 3rd in 100 m race in the state CDSE sports meet held at Chalakudy. Hearty Congratulatons to you.....

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Pictures, Paintings, Achievements, Dental Jokes—Those who wish to have interesting articles, pictures, paintings to be published in BIDA, please send them to pramodjohn@hotmail.com or to drkattookaran@yahoo.co.uk

For Voracious readers -

You can let us all know the good books which you have read so that your peers and their family can read them.

Do Check on: The Greatness Guide- Robin Sharma (Inspiring ideas, thoughts and stories to greatness)

New Kids on the Block!

Dr. Sunil Mathew and Dr. Neetha Kovoor has been blessed with a baby boy
Dr. Jojo John and Dr. Neethu has been blessed with a baby girl

Become A Member / Renew Your Membership

IDA Kochi Office requests all its members to renew their membership immediately. The annual membership renewal fee is Rs.1000/-.For new membership Rs.1300/- and for life membership renewal Rs.350/-.

Kindly send the cheque in favor of idakochi with your name written behind it to the secretary or the treasurer.

The last date for registrations as good standing members is June 15th 2012

IDA HOPE : Help Offered to Professionals in Emergencies

IDA HOPE a subcommittee of IDA Kerala State was formed by combining the SSS (Social Security Scheme) & PPS (Professional Protection Scheme) of IDA Kerala State on 02/09/2007.

IDA HOPE Constitution, Report & Proposed case sheet available in IDA Kerala State Website: www.idakerala.com

New Members are requested to apply with original HOPE APPLICATION FORMS. Photocopies or printouts are not accepted. If you have not joined, you are indeed making a big mistake!

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