



THE JOSEPHITE



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Getting Started

By Valentine & Johnson

It is now three weeks since we started this group. It is exclusively designed to encourage Josephites spread throughout this vast nation to have a common forum. They will be able to share their thoughts, their college day memories, uplift and help one another in many ways, connect with long lost friends they never knew lived nearby etc, etc in this forum without any inhibitions whatsoever.

The response has been overwhelming and we have a good strength, but we know that there are many more out here from Saint Joseph's who have not got a word of this group. Suggestions are welcome from members to help the word reach across so others too can use this medium to exchange and share. Volunteers are encouraged to take administrative position within the group. So please come forward with ideas and your time, energy and effort to strengthen the group.

It was mooted that we host an inaugural picnic for the group in the Maryland area. Ideas are welcome for alternate venues and we will assess it as well. In the meantime let us look for good picnic spots to host our one day picnic in the Maryland area.

We are also looking at group reservations for Tamil movies that are screened in our area. Recently after the screening of the movie "Sivaji" it was suggested that we have ways to acquire group tickets for Tamil movies. The next big Tamil movie that will

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be screened in our area will be "Bheema" starring Vikram and Trisha. We have been informed from reliable source that Vikram and Trisha might visit the Washington area for the first show.

We do have a good network of well settled friends and they will be glad to assist you in your career advancing and job placement requirements should you need one.

There is a spate of greencard approval for many of our friends, we can share amongst us and assist other Josephites to guide in their search for a permanent residency.

Some of us who travel to India can carry and bring messages to and from our loved ones.

The opportunities are endless. So friends the advantages are many, we look forward to your participation to make this group a meaningful and yet resourceful one. Looking forward to hearing from you.

With warm wishes

Here are some quotable quotes

Compiled by Arun

“A Leader takes people where they want to go; A Great Leader takes people where they DON'T want to go but ought to be.”

-- Valentine Paulraj

“Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power.”

-- Abraham Lincoln

“He who never made a mistake, never made a discovery.”

-- Samuel Smiles

“Never mistake motion for action.”

-- Ernest Hemmingway

“It is better to know what you can't do, then what you can.”

-- Lucille Ball

“The more sand that has escaped from the hourglass of our life, the clearer we should see through it.”

-- Jean Paul Sartre

“Ever tried? Ever failed? No matter. Try Again. Fail again. Fail better.”

-- Samuel Beckett

“Failure is not a mistake, but a choice.”

-- Sarah Forbis

Recipe for your taste

By Lakshmi Shankar



Buy these vegetables first which are very important. They are

1. poosani kai
2. murunga kai,
3. senai kizhangu,
4. sepang kizhangu,
5. avarai kai,
6. beans,
7. pattani,
8. potato,
9. carrot,
10. chow chow etc

- Cook all vegetables adding salt.
- Then take coconut (half of coconut)
- with coconut add green chilies to your taste
- And little jeeragam.
- Grind it well adding water.
- It should be a fine paste.
- mix the paste in a bowl of thick curd (konjam pulipu thayir} and
- Add that mixture to the cooked vegetables after draining the water from the vegetables.
- Then keep it in the stove for two minutes.
- Add little coconut oil in the end.
- Put karuvepilai.

That is all. Avial is ready for eating.

Something to laugh

By Ravishankar

Skill Test

1. Put 400 bricks in a closed room.
 2. Put your new hires in the room and close the door.
 3. Leave them alone and come back after 6 hours.
 4. Then analyze the situation –
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- a. If they are counting the bricks, put them in the accounting department.
- b. If they are recounting them, put them in auditing.
- c. If they have messed up the whole place with the bricks, put them in engineering.
- d. If they are arranging the bricks in some strange order, put them in planning.
- e. If they are throwing the bricks at each other, put them in operations.
- f. If they are sleeping, put them in security.
- g. If they have broken the bricks into pieces, put them in information technology.
- h. If they are sitting idle, put them in human resources.

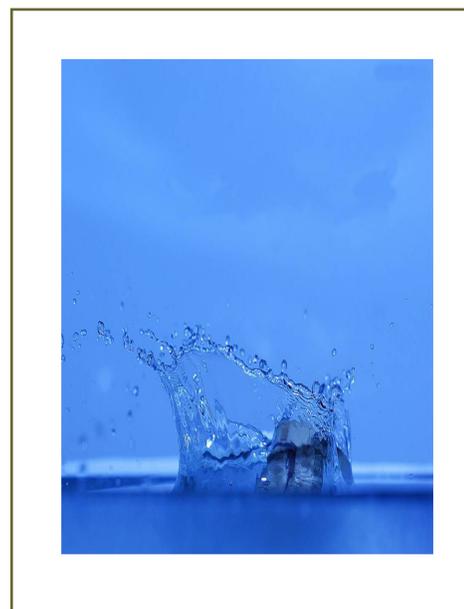
i. If they say they have tried different combinations, they are looking for more, yet not a brick has been moved, put them in sales.

j. If they have already left for the day, put them in marketing.

k. If they are staring out of the window, put them in strategic planning.

l. If they are talking to each other, and not a single brick has been moved, congratulate them and put them in top management.

Finally, if they have surrounded themselves with bricks in such a way that they can neither be seen nor heard from, put them in Congress.



The Flat and Transparent World

By Johnson Sab

Two years ago, when I was reading a book titled “The World Is Flat”, I realized how the twenty-first century technologies changed the whole world. The author Thomas L. Friedman a New York Times Columnist described hell lot of information which would convince the people that the world was so flat. However the author missed some more advancement that made the world as Flat and also as Transparent. I would like to share the author’s point of view and other technological history with in this article on every newsletter issue.

“Thirty little turtles in a bottle of bottled water. A bottle of bottled water held thirty little turtles. It didn’t matter that each turtle had to rattle a metal ladle in order to get a little bit of noodles.” Can you read the above tongue twister in an American Accent? You may ask the question why I should read. You probably tried failing and getting frustrated. If every body speak and interpret every language in the world, you would not know whether the person in the other end was from other third world countries. That’s very true when you are talking about the Flat world. When Scholars write history of the world twenty years from now and they come to the chapter “Y2K to June 2007”, what will they say was the most crucial development? The attacks on the World Trade Center and the pentagon on 9/11 and the Middle East War? Or the vengeance of technology events that allowed India, China and so many other countries to become part of the global supply chain of services and manufacturing, creating an explosion of wealth in the middle classes of the world’s two biggest nations and giving them a huge new stake in the success of globalization? And with this “Flattening” of the globe, which requires us to run faster in order to stay in place, has the world gotten too small and too fast for human beings and their political systems to adjust in a stable manner?

From Journal of Christopher Columbus on his Voyage of 1492, he wrote about spreading the Catholic Christian Faith by meting the princes and people and territories of India. But his Voyage ends to the God’s gifted place America. If he would have known today’s advancement, what does he feel?

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