

News & Notes

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HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

The Enigma's knot is tied in human kind.
A lightning from the heights that think and plan,
Ploughing the air of life with vanishing trails,
Man, sole awake in an unconscious world,
Aspires in vain to change the cosmic dream.
Arrived from some half-luminous Beyond
He is a stranger in the mindless vast;
A traveller in his oft-shifting home
Amid the tread of many infinitudes,
He has pitched a tent of life in desert Space.
Heaven's fixed regard beholds him from above,
In the house of Nature a perturbing guest,
A voyager twixt Thought's inconstant shores,
A hunter of unknown and beautiful Powers,
A nomad of the far mysterious Light,
In the wide ways a little spark of God.
Against his spirit all is in dire league,
A Titan influence stops his Godward gaze.
Around him hungers the unpitying Void,
The eternal Darkness seeks him with her hands,
Inscrutable Energies drive him and deceive,
Immense implacable deities oppose.
An inert Soul and a somnambulist Force
Have made a world estranged from life and thought;
The Dragon of the dark foundations keeps
Unalterable the law of Chance and Death;
On his long way through Time and Circumstance
The grey-hued riddling nether shadow-Sphinx,
Her dreadful paws upon the swallowing sands,
Awaits him armed with the soul-slaying word:

SAVITRI, Book III, Canto IV:

The Vision and the Boon.

Across his path sits the dim camp of Night.
His day is a moment in perpetual Time;
He is the prey of the minutes and the hours.
Assailed on earth and unassured of heaven,
Descended here unhappy and sublime,
A link between the demigod and the beast,
He knows not his own greatness nor his aim;
He has forgotten why he has come and whence;
His spirit and his members are at war;
His heights break off too low to reach the skies,
His mass is buried in the animal mire.
A strange antinomy is his nature's rule.
A riddle of opposites is made his field:
Freedom he asks but needs to live in bonds,
He has need of darkness to perceive some light
And need of grief to feel a little bliss;
He has need of death to find a greater life.
All sides he sees and turns to every call;
He has no certain light by which to walk;
His life is a blind-man's-buff, a hide and seek;
He seeks himself and from himself he runs;
Meeting himself, he thinks it other than he.
Always he builds, but finds no constant ground
Always he journeys, but nowhere arrives;
He would guide the world, himself he cannot guide,
He would save his soul, his life he cannot save.

SRI AUROBINDO

*The
Ponder
Corner*

*The Divine is always
seated in your heart,
consciously living in you.*

The Mother

ref. Words of The Mother, vol.14, p.374

Funds and Assets Management Committee (FAMC)

August 2014 Report

Regular members: Ashoke (Sri Aurobindo International Institute of Educational Research), Daniel (Working Committee), David (Forest group), Iyanar (Farm group), Juergen (Land Resources Management), Michael (Auroville Unity Fund), Rathinam (Budget Coordination Committee), Satyakam (Housing Service), Sauro (L'avenir d'Auroville), Toby (Auroville Board of Services), Ulli (Auroville Board of Commerce), Shri. N. Bala Baskar (Secretary, Auroville Foundation), and Mr. Srinivasmurty (Finance & Administrative Officer, Auroville Foundation).

Mr. Bala Baskar attended the 1 and 8 August meetings before his retirement on 16 August [there was no meeting on 15 August in observation of India's independence and Sri Aurobindo's birth anniversaries].

TRUST & UNIT TOPICS

The Auroville Board of Commerce (ABC) had no objections to the appointment of an additional executive, Ms. L. Jayalakshmi, at Auroville Press. The current executives are Christine and Luisa. *This was approved.*

FINANCE TOPICS

The ABC informed the FAMC that Mawite, Auroannam executive, requested a Rs. 2 lakh loan. Upon closer inspection the ABC stated that it believes the unit is basically insolvent and will not be able to recover. The FAMC members agreed with the ABC statement who were informed of the same. The ABC were requested to share the FAMC response, and shared ABC-FAMC perspective, with Mawite. Also a 1 March 2013 FAMC written follow-up with Mawite, after a one-on-one talk with her, was reiterated again in writing with four precise points, namely: 1. [FAMC] ask that you remember the agreement from 2010 that you would stay in Auroannam "for the time being" while the adjacent land exchanges are taking place; 2. The finalization of the various land exchanges is imminent; 3. The restaurant activity you've started to develop in Auroannam needs to be moved to a more appropriate location. We recommend you contact the Bharat Nivas group, as the campus of Bharat Nivas may very well be an excellent place for such a restaurant/cafe; if that does not work out, we ask you to contact L'avenir for assistance in identifying a suitable location; 4. Furthermore [FAMC] ask that you do not create any new activity at Auroannam.

The ABC informed the FAMC that the Auroville Transport Service asked for a Rs. 2 lakh loan. The ABC then made a request to the FAMC "...that the unit be closed as soon as possible to avoid further losses." FAMC had previously advised that the unit be closed, however Saroja and Mani, managing the unit, did not respond. It was decided to contact Saroja and Mani again, expressing agreement with the ABC decision to not give a loan, and reiterate the FAMC recommendation that the unit be closed. This was done at the beginning of August and there has been no response.

Sumark requested a Rs. 40 lakh loan, to be made available in instalments, for continuing the work on the Invocation 4 housing project. Initially the FAMC asked a few clarifying questions, which the project holders answered clearly and in a timely manner. Some of the salient facts are: Phase 1 has 6 apartments: 4 are taken; 1 is in process; 1 is available. Phase 2 has 6 apartments, none of which are reserved. The members expressed concern about the financial viability of Phase 2. Is there a need for apartments like these? The Housing Service was asked to provide data on the feasibility of the Phase 2 apartments being occupied. The Housing Service report was submitted and reviewed within the following week. It is not certain how much money is required to complete Phase 1 only. FAMC may decide that Phase 2 should not continue even though the foundation and ground floor walls are already done.

Viability of Phase 2 remains a critical question. It was finally agreed to invite the project holders Kevin and Peter to have a dialogue with Satyakam, Toby, and Ulli (and Amy). This conversation took place on 2 September and was fruitful. *The outcome will be detailed in the September report.*

In accordance with the current Leaving Auroville Allowance process the Auroville Council (AVC) created an 'ad hoc group', ie. "pool" in which Cecilia, Chali, Danny, and Vani (BCC) reviewed a request made by Varadha. Due to a medical condition, she voluntarily will return to France. The pool's recommendation was to provide: 1 way ticket (Rs. 41,500/-), and money for 6 months to get settled (Rs. 555,535/-). The recommendations were approved. FAMC asked that the AVC explain to Varadha that this means her name will be removed from the Master List, and if she wishes to return in the future she will have to go through the usual process with the Entry Service. She will be asked to sign a statement of understanding. The discussion brought up the fact (again) that there are many grey areas in the entire process. As one next step it was agreed to ask the Working Committee (WC) to create a legal document for the leaving Aurovillians...that they understand they will lose their Aurovilian status, for example. *The FAMC wrote to both the AVC, and the WC.*

There were two Government of India (GoI) Plan grant advance requests: 1. Bharat Nivas for Rs. 8,00,000/- and; 2. SAIIER for Rs. 15,00,000/-. At the end of August there as yet has been no clear answer from the Auroville Foundation office regarding the 2014-15 GoI Plan Grant total funds allocation and when the money will be available. In principle the advances for both Bharat Nivas and SAIIER were approved, however release of funds depends entirely on a confirmation of how much and when the GoI funds will be released. The Auroville Unity Fund had requested confirmation from the Foundation and will do so again with a copy to the FAMC and WC. FAMC contacted Mr. Srinivasamurty, and individual members were encouraged to talk to him directly. RamaNarayana, attending on behalf of SAIIER, was advised to ask Sanjeev to also speak directly with Mr. Srinivasamurty.

Members expressed some concern in response to the Savi volunteer contribution announcement. It was noted that in an email from Vani on behalf of the Budget Coordination Committee around mid-month it sounded like the contribution parameters are already being reviewed due to a lot of feedback from the residents. It was agreed to ask the BCC to share the new draft paper with both the FAMC and the ABC Support group so that they can give input as well. On a related topic, WasteLess expressed some hardship from this new practice on their activity. The FAMC decided to forward the WasteLess email to the BCC and recommend a waiver.

HOUSING TOPICS

The project holders for Courage Phase 3 asked if the project could be exempted from the tender process. It was confirmed that a project of Rs. 1 crore or above is subject to tender. Considering the costs, including infrastructure, this project is over Rs. 1 crore. They were reminded that Auroville has established a 'restricted call' to Auroville construction units, and this is the option earlier agreed to by them. FAMC reiterated this option to them.

LAND TOPICS

Back in May the FAMC asked Otto, for a short period, to co-sign Land Resources Management (LRM) checks to keep the work flowing. It was believed then that the disharmonious atmosphere which had developed in the team would be resolved soon. By August it was still not resolved and Otto informed the FAMC that he would no longer co-sign LRM checks. The untenable situation in LRM resulted in the FAMC deciding to: a. freeze all non recurring expenses until further notice; insist that all wood sales from the LRM yard, and

Matrimandir site, be stopped immediately. The LRM team were notified immediately.

The FAMC met with Arun from the LRM. Arun expressed agitation and frustration about emails written by Paul Vincent alleging wrong-doing in wood sales against Arun. He asked the FAMC to do something while acknowledging he knows the 'working groups' can't do anything. He requested the FAMC to state in writing what it is willing to do. He was told that allegations could be answered if transparent, clear wood sales information was available. He invited members to check the records in the LRM office. He also asked why the FAMC decided to freeze non-recurring expenses and wood sales. He was reminded of all the various ways the FAMC has tried to encourage the team to work together harmoniously, but there hasn't been any change. Arun was requested to write the process of tracking wood sales from both the LRM and Matrimandir yards. After Arun left the meeting Michael volunteered to check the records in the office, with someone of his choice, afterward FAMC received a written reply about the process.

The Town Development Council (TDC) re-proposed to use a portion of New Farm for Eco-Service sanitary land filling. Several members were not in support of allocating a portion of New Farm for this particular use; it was asked if there was not another, less valuable, closer plot that could be used. It was agreed to invite Eco-Service, and Cristo from TDC, to make a presentation so the members could ask questions and have more information. Auralice, Jayamoorthy, and Gillian attended from Eco-Service; Cristo came from TDC. It was clearly noted that New Farm already has been used for landfill purposes in 2011. It was confirmed that the immediate area needed, to move the waste from the Eco-Service site near Verite, is approximately 10x10 metres, (about 16 tons). The need of the hour is concerning the immediate removal of the waste at Eco-Service that has been accumulating since January 2013. TDC assured those present that a long-term site is being actively pursued. The next week the members agreed to allocate at New Farm only the space required to remove the waste from Eco-Service near Verite and with three clear conditions: a. TDC will identify the previous location of landfill at New Farm; b. TDC will clearly mark a new section of 10 x 10 metres directly adjacent to the previous location, or as close as possible; c. this allocation is only for the immediate removal of collected waste from the Eco-Service site near Verite. FAMC approved this under the condition that TDC will find a permanent solution in the next 6 months to 1 year. It was acknowledged that future waste collected will have to be kept at Eco-Service for the time being.

Rishi recently became steward of 12 acres of land in the Northern greenbelt (Kamataru). He requested assistance with fencing 750 metres to protect it. It was decided that the protection of this land is a priority and to immediately sanction funds for the fencing. It was acknowledged that the Land Resources Management team does not necessarily have to be the one to do the work. It was then agreed to sanction Rs. 4 lakhs directly to Rishi who will choose who to work with. Estimates were provided, and bills will be submitted after the work is finished.

OTHER TOPICS

When the FAMC talked to the Sri Aurobindo International Institute of Educational Research (SAIIR) about reallocation of the Last School buildings it brought up two questions: 1. once an organization like SAIIR has control of a place like the Last School Campus, do they have control of it for ever? Is there a time when it should come back to a larger forum for reallocation? During a reflection in August the members started working out some details concerning immoveable asset reallocation. *This is a work in progress.*

The AVC proposed an interactive meeting of the residents with the FAMC. The update to the FAMC mandate - the salient changes - would be highlighted. Each member would express how they see their role in the FAMC as a representative of

their respective working group. The proposal was accepted and the meeting planned for 12 September.

Following up from previous FAMC reports:

As previously reported, in July the Auroville Institute of Integral Health (AIIH) team presented an update of the project works. They requested an 'allocation' of Rs. 15 lakhs to finish the project which would make it functional. At that time the FAMC requested the project holders to submit an analysis which compares the original estimate with the current one, and to include clear reasons for the difference and changes. In August, they submitted a cost increase report, and asked for an 'interest-free' Rs. 25 lakhs loan to keep the construction going. They offered to repay the loan within 2 years. The FAMC approved a loan of Rs. 25 lakhs with a 6% contribution on the outstanding amount. Further, the team members were advised to contact the Resource Mobilization team, and the Project Coordination Group (PCG) to apply for a fund-raising request via the website and other possible donors.

In June the FAMC mentioned here that it was following-up with L'avenir about land requested by AuroSpirul to expand its production. In August FAMC were informed that there were no objections to the site permission announcement. Furthermore, a report had been submitted which raised some further concerns, therefore an environmental assessment was requested to be conducted by Jan I. Towards the end of the month the report and recommendations were submitted to L'avenir and shared with the FAMC. L'avenir said they would send the report and recommendations to the Farm group, who earlier expressed concerns, and ask the members to respond within a certain timeframe. The recommendations are 'do-able', per L'avenir. *The FAMC will continue to request updates on this land allocation.*

Earlier it was reported by the FAMC that some support to Martuvam is being explored. In August there was a verbal update: the Arka management team has expressed a willingness to guide Martuvam Ayurveda activities. Arka is under SAIIR so they asked how this activity fits in with Arka. It was stated that the topic would be discussed at the SAIIR Board meeting in September. There were some questions then about the allocation and utilization of the immoveable assets at Martuvam. A review of the information is necessary for further discussion. *This is pending.*

Previously it was shared here that the FAMC informed the Sanjana project team that their fees need to be changed. In the month of August the conversation continued and the FAMC decided to ask the architect and project managers to write a justification for their requested fees within about 1 week. In the middle of the month the Sanjana management team and architect requested to postpone their reply until October, citing other priorities. The members agreed that Sanjana should submit the justification *as soon as possible*, or at the latest at the beginning of October.

FOREST GROUP MEETING

Fertile Field 05th September 2014

Present: Diego, Cristo, Shivaraj, Boobalan, Julia, Glen, Rita, Biggie, Ananda, Klaus, Shayan, Mada, Auronevi, Fabian, Achilles, Hans, P. Elumalai, Kannyappan, David, Sergio, Ilango, Balu, Thanajayan, Kumar, Yuval, Jan, Jana, Jasmin, Ayyanar, Shona

Topics discussed

Forest Budget:

Diego announced that the Forest Budget has been increased by 10%.

Additional Maintenances:

The Forest Group members were reminded that there are no additional maintenances available. New maintenance requests need to be shifted and accommodated within the existing budget.

Planting requirements:

Glenn reminded the individual group members to inform him about their planting requirements.

Hermitage request for financial support to continue rain-water harvesting work:

Glenn informed the group about a request of the steward of Hermitage for financial assistance to continue the ongoing work of rain-water harvesting (partially on Peromboke land). The Forest Group felt it appropriate to support this work with 30% of the requested amount given the overall financial situation. The steward is requested and encouraged to look for additional options for fund raising (it being partially about upgrading government land and schemes for this work being available). Details to be worked out between Glenn and Bernd.

Adventure Playground / Cricket field:

Kumar updated briefly on the current situation of the playground next to Adventure (see last month's notes). No action has been taken by LRM and the situation has not changed, i.e. gambling and drinking continues. No further resolution has been taken in today's meeting.

Nine Palms:

Klaus explained that some work to improve the canyon area near Shivaji's house is required. The work scope is approximately 20 hours of JCB. The Forest Group agreed to accommodate and support this request.

Klaus mentioned in detail his situation of working on and caring for the land for the last few decades - typical for many of his age who have been stewarding the land in Auroville - and requested an additional maintenance to support him. As there are no additional maintenances available the Forest Group said that even though the group is very sympathetic to his situation and his request there is no possibility to accommodate this. It was nevertheless agreed that his request is very justified and the Forest Group appeals to the Human Resource Team HRT to support him.

This topic brought a wider and emotional discussion on the impossible economic situation of Auroville. It was mentioned that ideally the Auroville Council together with the Socio-Economic Development Coordinator of the TDC/L'Avenir d'Auroville should urgently initiate participative processes to openly discuss this most important topic in the larger community. Everyone agreed that the present situation is not a workable model. The Forest Group will send a letter in this regard to the Auroville Council and the Socio-Economic Development Coordinator of the TDC/L'Avenir d'Auroville.

"Acres For Auroville":

Biggie informed the group that she was approached and asked if she wanted to join the initiative. She asked the FG if someone would like to do the fundraising for the greenbelt. Rishi recently has given

a good example. We need more space for young spirited pioneers (Newcomers, Auroville born young adults) who would be supported by all land working groups and entrusted with settling on new land. No further resolution.

Forest Group representative to the Housing Board:

Yuval will become the representative to the Housing Board at least for the next three months.

Forest Group interaction with the Governing Board:

While discussing the Governing Board's decision to have one unified land group instead of several seemingly not very coordinated groups (see meeting notes of the Governing Board meeting published on the Intranet and the News & Notes) the Forest Group felt it a general problem that the Governing Board hardly ever has the time to interact with the Aurovilians on the ground and understand the many facets of protecting and caring for the land and the day-to-day difficulties. It was also mentioned here that in conflicts regarding the land, the stewards and Auroville can hardly ever count on support from the AV Foundation. Also there has been no Government Survey for two years now which is another impossible situation.

It was then thought a good idea that a smaller group of Forest Group members - ideally from different areas of Auroville's Greenbelt - forms to discuss the topic in more detail and decides on ways of engaging the Governing Board in more meaningful ways than a standard 5-minute report/presentation.

Everyone is welcome to participate.

Fence around Siddhartha Forest:

The steward needs help in finally fencing the Auroville land in this area. Money and the assistance of the LRM are available. Boobalan, Diego and Yuval will follow the topic with the LRM.

Fence around Siddhartha Forest:

Ilango, who has for two years been staying in Island's house in Espace (with the agreement of Dominic, the actual steward), recently got into domestic trouble. This was reported to the Working Committee and Auroville Council; on their request Ilango explained the incident to both working groups. He explained this to the Forest Group at the meeting.

Diego has written a mail to WC/AVC that the situation is under control at Espace and also that the Forest Group has a system by which people are given stewardship of land / assets, even on a temporary basis.

Mango Field Sewage Sludge deposit:

The topic has not been discussed further (as stated in last month's Forest Group meeting) as no one directly involved was present.

The next meeting will be on Friday, 3rd October 2014 at Samridhi.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

General Meeting at Unity Pavilion: 4 October 2014, 4h30 to 6pm.

Presentation of the results of the Workshop on "feedback & code of conduct"- (Preparation for the RA Event (vote) that will be held from 5th to 12th of October 2014)

Presentation of the amendments made by the Study group on "Participatory Working groups".

AV Council

ID CARDS for Aurovilians LAST ROUND

This is to remind you that the deadline for registration of an ID card is till 30 September. Make sure that your photo has been done for those who have recently applied for an ID Card. No photo - No ID Card!
This applies also for those from Round 1& 2 who have not arranged for their photos.

The names below are from the first two ID rounds who have not picked up their ID card and it has been ready for 6 months to a year!
So please come! And bring a proof of Identity along with you.

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| 1) Glenn BALDWIN - Anusuya | 15) Ashok RAVI - Aspiration |
| 2) Amudha SUNDARAVINAYAGAM - Kottakarai Farm | 16) Mahesh SUNDARAMOORTHY - Auromodele |
| 3) Patha ERICHAPPAN - Fraternity | 17) Mala VAHULA - Auromodele |
| 4) Grace NAGAPPAN - Pump House | 18) Nirmala KUMAR - Windarra |
| 5) Sundaram MUNUSAMY - Ganesh Bakery | 19) Jothi RAJAN - Promesse |
| 6) Sundar MURUGESAN - Auromodele | 20) Periyasamy VASUDEVAN - Kottakarai |
| 7) Satyawadi KANNAN - Lakshmpuram | 21) Kuppan SUBRAYAN - Aspiration |
| 8) Usha HARIKRISHNAN - Courage | 22) Pratiba CHAUHAN - Promesse |
| 9) Vijaya PERUMAL - Celebration | 23) Gnanavel ALLIMUTHU - Lakshmpuram |
| 10) Mahalingam SANGUKRISHNAN - Fraternity | 24) Saravavaraman EKAMBARAM - Centre Field |
| 11) Subash MADURAI SUBBIER - Creativity | 25) Garima DIWAN - Maitreye |
| 12) Anbu VELAYUTHAM - Windarra Farm | 26) Subasri SANKAR - Auromodele |
| 13) Jothi RAVI - Aspiration | 27) Elena CHEPURNAYA - Invocation |
| 14) Segar DEVARASU - Brihaspathi Farm | 28) Maria USUNARIZ LAKIDAIN - Prarthana |

Timings: 10:30 - 12:30 pm Monday through Friday/02:00 - 04:00 pm Mon - Wed - Fri/Phone: 2622-222 (Aurora)
Note: ID photos will only be taken in the afternoons from 2:00 to 4:00pm

Auroville Foundation

Update from AVC

Dear friends,
We want to share with you the perception and "particular" energy present that pushes us to question even more the sense of AV and the structures more apt to embody it.
We've seen such reflection(s) at the recent FAMC meeting and Aurovilians question the overall present organizational set-up(s). We, in the Auroville Council, are naturally receptive and alert of individual and collective positioning, being ourselves taken by a need for change.

Thus, some questions arise naturally:
Would the community still like to have separate GMs and look at each mandate & policy on its own, or is an overall approach necessary to reconnect and rediscover together what fits better our emerging Spirit?

We ask for your feedback through the existing media and want to reassure you of our commitment to facilitate at our best, with the help of our RAS friends, any process bringing more clarity and dispelling fears, doubts and insecurities that block our collective growth.

The following Working groups GMs' are in our agenda for the next few months:

**Entry policy and mandate in October,
Housing policy and mandate Oct/Nov,
Matrimandir policy and mandate Nov/ Dec.**

We'll publish the exact dates in advance and again encourage you all to examine the relevant texts and to inform and prepare yourselves for participation.
At present, the Auroville Council is involved in discussions regarding the requirement that Auroville creates a new Land Board by Oct 1. We are working with the Residents' Assembly Service to ensure that the process whereby this new 'Super-group' is formed is transparent and inclusive. Despite resistances, our key words remain openness, transparency and inclusiveness.
For the Selection Process of the Working Committee, the Council is working along with the Study Group to wrap up the fine-tuning of the proposal. The process of "Feedback, code of conduct and eligibility criteria" is coming to an end, and the summary created along with the Resource Persons will be published soon.

The Council takes this opportunity to invite you to the workshop on "Code of Conduct and Feedback", on Saturday the 20th of September, from 9 am to 5 pm. We invite all of you to come and participate, as some essential questions need to be answered, for the effective application of our new participatory structure.

(All members) The Auroville Council

Update on Sludge

Dear friends,
Following the General meeting on "Sludge disposal in Auroville" and the petition demanding a "stay order for sludge disposal", the outcome of meeting ensured that the RA does need to go for a vote on the petition, as a collaborative solution was found in the spirit of Auroville. Tom and Bindu (representing their sides of the petition) came to the agreement that an alternative site needs to be found, and that they can work together to find a possible plot for further sludge disposal in Auroville.

It was agreed that the community be asked to not contact PTW for de-sludging, unless it is an emergency situation (such as toilet back-up), for tentatively the next 2 weeks. In the meantime, efforts are being made to find an appropriate site. Tom and Margherita have also agreed to work together to better the current system of sludge disposal at the Mango Field in Forecomers.

We would like to thank the people involved in the topic for their efforts and spirit of collaboration.

An update on this topic will be published again next week.
Sincerely, Matripasad, Sindhuja for the Auroville Council

Security concerns

Dear Aurovillians, Youth, Guests and Volunteers,
As you must be aware, safety is becoming an issue in Auroville, especially (but not limited) for single women travelling alone at night. Under these circumstances, we request you to:

- Make yourselves aware of safety issues in and around Auroville
- Look out for others needing help, if you happen to be outside late at night, if you see someone/ something suspicious, contact the Security guards immediately

- Refrain from bringing in people from Pondicherry or anywhere outside Auroville at night
- Refrain from using non-Auroville establishments within Auroville city area, which brings in more people from outside into Auroville who are not concerned with the city or its ideals (see the initiatives like the Visitors' Centre which has recently open Le Zephir and a Dosai/Parotha corner to serve as safe meeting place for social interaction.)
- Respect the speed limits within the city; respect the laws of India, such as no driving under influence, driving with proper papers, license etc., even if it is only within the Auroville city

It would be most helpful that units, services and guest facilities that welcome volunteers inform them about the above.

We are sure you understand the need to maintain a certain atmosphere within Auroville, which brings inspiring people from all over the world.

It is up to each one of us to take the responsibility of contributing towards making this city a welcoming and safe place for those who, like us, seek to be part of the City the Earth Needs.

Thank you for you co-operation, *Sincerely, the Auroville Council*

Very Important Note

from Residents Service

When you get a New Passport or a New Visa, please come to the Residents Service as soon as possible, because you need to be registered within 14 days at the RRO in Pondicherry. Please keep safely with you the Registration Certificate / Registration Permit and your Stay Visa, even if they are expired.

Residents Service Team

TDC - L'avenir d'Auroville

TDC - L'avenir d'Auroville has decided to bring the following Site Applications to the News & Notes for feedback.

- On plot IR 424/1A in the Certitude Service Zone, bordering the Certitude road on one side and the internal service road in the other. (A map showing the position will be published on Auronet): Development of Foodlink / Farm Group food processing and distribution.
As a first stage, one component of the project is ready to start: a temporary building (estimated time life 5 to 10 years) for a cafe/ eatery (The project holder are: Balu, Chali, Fabienne, Renu)

- Individual house site for Nolly in Samasti near the Sharnga Road on plot BO60/1

TDC asks for feedback from the residents of Auroville within two weeks from the date of publication. If anyone wishes to have detailed information, feel free to contact TDC - L'avenir d'Auroville office: 262-3568 or come personally to the Building Application section.

Message from AV Security Service

We would like to inform you that there has been a recent increase in theft in several areas of Auroville. The preferred method seems to be cutting through mesh and then opening doors/windows from the inside.

We urge residents and guests to keep all cash and valuables somewhere safe and away from windows and to inform your neighbors and community members.

We also recommend residents and guests to lock their doors and windows and remove the keys from locked (mesh) doors and windows.

Please call AV Security immediately upon discovery of a theft on the following number: 9443090107.

FROM THE ENTRY SERVICE - N&N NO- 565 dated 20.09.2014

We would like to inform the community that our team decided to recommend the following persons as Aurovilians and Newcomers. We will wait two weeks for Newcomers and Returning Aurovilians and also one month for Aurovilians from this publication for your feedback before making our final decision.

AUROVILIANS:

Laura O'CONNELL (British) - Staying at Realisation, working as a public relations and media co-ordinator at Eco Femme.

Chris O'CONNELL (American) - Staying at Realisation, working as a cook at PTDC and also working at LE ZEPHYR.

Giulio Di ANASTASIO (Italian) - Living at Ami, working in Geographic Information Section/mapping and survey at L'Avenir.

Stefania (Estee) MAZZONE (Italian) - Staying at New Creation, working as part of the Matrimandir petal duty and chamber team and also working as mother of 5 children.

Nishanthi Raj KANNAPPAN (Indian from Chidambaram) - Staying at Inspiration, Working as nurse at Kailash Clinic.

CHILD OF AN AUROVILIAN:

Kai Surya O'CONNELL (American) - born on 06/11/2009, studying at Kindergarten.

Gregorio CORCIONE (Italian) - born on 24/11/2001, studying at Transition School.

India CORCIONE (Italian) - born on 31/01/2003, studying at Deepanam

Guglielmo CORCIONE (Italian) - born on 13/09/2004, studying at Transition School.

Constanza CORCIONE (Italian) - born on 15/09/2007, studying at Deepanam.

Luce CORCIONE (Italian) - born on 11/03/2011, studying at Kindergarten.

NEWCOMERS:

Elena IASHINA (Russian) -Staying at Newlands, working as maintenance team for the petals at the Matrimandir.

Frederic POYET (French) - Staying at New creation, working as receptionist at Matrimandir and also working as part of the team at French Pavilion.

Gaurav CHHABRA (Indian from Haryana) -Staying at Bharat Nivas, working as event coordinator at Kalakendra.

Sandjivy DEVARAJAN (Indian from Pondicherry) - Staying at Kalakendra, Bharat Nivas, working as caretaker at kalakendra, Gallery square circle.

We have identified a lack of clarity in the communication and confirmation of status, as the announcements done in the News and Notes are for FEEDBACK ONLY, and sometimes, after announcement, there can be either an extension of status, or a decision to stop the process overall. We are adding another section of confirmation to avoid further confusion.

CONFIRMATION OF NEWCOMER STATUS:

Ayyanar (Mani) MANJINI - (Bommayarpalayam from TN)

Julie PLOT (French)

Karim CORNIC (French)

Annalisa CASELLATO (Italian)

Gianpietro COLLA (Italian)

Irene BOUGUERRA (French)

Nicolas LAGARRIGUE (French)

CONFIRMATION OF NEWCOMERS TO AUROVILIANS AFTER ANNOUNCEMENT IN N&N AND DUE CONSIDERATION OF THE FEED BACKS RECEIVED FROM RESIDENTS:

Maya BERGGREEN (Swedish)

Gildo PIVETTA (Italian)

We are ready to soon invite you to fill in the B-Form request for meeting with the AV Foundation Secretary for interview and inclusion of yours names in the Register of Residents.

PEOPLE WHO HAVE LEFT AUROVILLE ON THEIR OWN:

Ben Asher WISE (USA)

Rosemary MERAN (USA)

Child of left AV - Soham Diamond wise MERAN - (USA)

Note:-Dear Newcomers, the Entry Service team would like to inform you of the new timing designated specifically to you to either collect or submit the Newcomer kit. Please pass by our office in Town hall, during these hours **Wednesday & Friday 2 pm to 4 pm** Looking forward to seeing you,
The Entry Service Team

TEAM MEMBERSHIP: The Entry Service is looking for new committed members.

Working towards a long term presence, prior experience in communication skills, relay with communication, human relation, interviews. Fluent English, skill such as typing minutes, email follow up, listening, understanding and give information on entry at the desk and during interviews.

INFORMATION ON JOINING AUROVILLE

Our office is open to general public on **Monday, Wednesday, and Friday** from 10 to 12 am and **Thursday** afternoon from 2 to 3 pm on appointment regarding B-Forms and Recommendation letters.

Please notice that the last week of each month we are closed for public. We will use this time for studies, field visits and internal office work.

The Entry Service team (Chitra, Eva, Ishita, Kavitha, Kripa, Muthu, Umberto).

O B I T U A R Y

Kireetbhai



It is with deep feeling that we inform the community that, early in the morning of Sunday 14 September, Auroville's highly esteemed friend, supporter, father and teacher Sri Kireet Joshi, left his body at the age of 83 in the Ashram Nursing Home to proceed to his true home.

In the afternoon of the same day his remains were cremated at Pondy's Lawspet Mandappam, with many Ashramites and Aurovilians attending.

We salute him with utmost gratitude for the role he has played in Auroville's unfolding.

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KIREETBHAI - he'll always inspire us

The Auroville International community will always remember Sri Kireet Joshi with love and deep gratitude for his immense contribution towards Auroville's unfolding. Some of us were fortunate to meet Kireetbhai in person and experience his wide awareness of Auroville's global importance, which was nurtured by his experience in overseas UNESCO missions.

Kireetbhai's broad-mindedness is mirrored, for instance, in his invaluable literary creations of educational virtue, like his editing of the monograph series on personalities who shaped the course of human history, from Joan of Arc to Jean Monnet and more.

His dedication and spirit will keep on inspiring us!

Friederike on behalf of Auroville International

F O R Y O U R I N F O R M A T I O N

LOE-CHU Research: why 'laboratory of evolution'?

This was the name that Kireet Joshi gave in 1984 to this new Centre, in his eyes very important. He suggested creating it along with the Trust, SAIER that would serve as a legal umbrella for all educational and cultural units, already existing or, like the LOE, to be created within Auroville.

That name I liked immediately very much, as a researcher: of course it was Auroville as a whole that Mother had called a 'living laboratory', but if as Aurovilians we all are indeed voluntary guinea-pigs (!) in that laboratory, still some of us need to be, at the same time as guinea-pigs, also the researchers who in a specific place document and study the new experiment going on!... For this too was found necessary by Mother: after the Supramental Manifestation of 1956 she said this was the first time on Earth that a New Step in Evolution could be watched by terrestrial beings (us, the humans...) conscious of it and able to study how it was happening, right while it was happening; she added, this was a wonderful, unique opportunity for documenting and studying what would happen and how the Evolutive Force would make it happen, by what means, or even methods, if they could be identified. She herself was trying to understand the overall process regarding the cells, and was overjoyed to find other

persons here and there around the world in whom the Force seemed to follow a similar process as in her own body.

All this means of course that although Auroville is the only city altogether dedicated to this evolutive purpose, it doesn't exist in isolation; as the years pass, there are more and more other spots where individuals or groups are also trying to evolve consciously; as Mother predicted fifty years ago, Sri Aurobindo's Vision is now all-pervasive in humanity's collective consciousness; the entire planet is becoming a still vaster 'laboratory of evolution', to be studied as well, at least to some extent. Many of the books in our Specialized Library bear witness to this planetary awakening, and conversely through the very same Library (Mediatheque actually), plus our blogs and workshops here or abroad, all in the LOE-CHU spread the knowledge of Sri Aurobindo and Mother's Integral Yoga.

So anybody interested in this kind of research could join our team, or contribute to this work in whatever way s/he feels inclined to contribute. There is so much to do!

P.S.: This was written before Kireetbhai passed away. All our respectful gratitude goes to him...May our work for the LOE, this great brainchild of his, be the best testimony of our love for him!

Bhaga



One finds Auroville International's tribute to Sri Kireet Joshi elsewhere in this NewsandNotes. Here follow the more regular updates:

UK = The new AVI UK team brought out its newsletter and it's an interesting read. After an article commemorating the passing of Vijen Manek, founder of the UK Auromira Centre, the letter straightaway dives into the land encroachment in Auroville's city area and the 'Acres for Auroville' land campaign, accompanied by pertinent statements from **Mary King** (Professor of International Politics & Special Adviser to the University for Peace, UN, and former member of Auroville's IAC) and **David Brouwer** (co-founder of the environmental movement, founder of Friends of the Earth, recipient of Blue Planet Prize, Tokyo), both long-term acquaintances of Auroville. This is followed by a conversation by mainly Dr Manilan with Sri Aurobindo on giving money to the Divine. The International Zone events of last February and further developments in the area are described in detail, leading to a reflective article on the pro's and con's of having a masterplan for the zone, coupled to a **European proposal**. The newsletter also covers AVI UK's proposal for a starter **British Pavilion**, and highlights Auroville's critical water situation, offering a first mention of a funding option for the 'Auroville Water Project'. Aurohost is explained and there are some fine personal sharings from folks outside and inside the City of Dawn.

The newsletter can be downloaded from <http://aviuk.org/newsletter.htm> or received from the Centre's secretary via angiras@aviuk.org. Enjoy!

CANADA = AVI Canada conveys with proud delight that it has completed the housing funding for the first 2 newcomers via its **Vision Future** project, initiated two years ago. The project works in collaboration with Auroville's Housing & Entry services and aims toward financially helping young newcomers to get settled. **Thank you, AVI Canada!**

AUSTRALIA = Jan Allen, AVI Australia's liaison person, wrote us about a possibly interesting, artistic development involving a composer/pianist who is "keen to make contact with the wider Aurobindo/Mother/Auroville community here in Sydney regarding a creative project I've been developing over the last year or so. . . . I have been setting the poems of Aurobindo to music." The composer will be working with 5-6 singers across two weeks in October in order to "really start exploring and realizing the songs in depth", which may lead to an informal presentation concert down in Wollongong on the afternoon of Friday October 17th: "It would be great to have some people in that audience with a strong connection to Aurobindo's philosophy and legacy to provide feedback on how well the songs might be working in communicating his ideas and energies in this new way." Jan has consented to meet with the ensemble during the rehearsals and to attend the concert, and will undoubtedly report back on the same.

RUSSIA = Alexey, one of the two AVI Russia liaisons, tells us that the inauguration of the **АУРОВИЛЛЬ / Auroville café** in St

Petersburg went very well with many people attending. More information will be forthcoming.

For all AVI matters, please refer to Vani via vani@auroville.org.in

This column is maintained by mauna@auroville.org.in

News from the Oli Montessori School

In Tamil, "Oli" means "light", and we are so pleased with this name! It was chosen by the school's team of teachers after 4 years in the New Creation-Free Progress premises, with Ana as school coordinator, and André, Marie-Claire and Yves as the first support group.

Many believe that everything gets established in a child before he or she is six years old; the 85 children in our school are all in that age range from two and a half to 6. During the past four years, we have tried to create a certain atmosphere in the school - a school which is dedicated to serving children from the villages. We feel that this type of school has a very important role in developing the bond between Auroville and the villages. These children are part of our community at large, and Auroville needs to develop in harmony with them.

In agreement with André, we decided to leave New Creation, and started the search for a new home for the Daycare Center along with the Oli School. We are grateful to SAIER which gave us their trust and offered us Last School. We also thank Suryagandhi and Ness, who share the building with us, for their generosity. We also want to thank everyone - and there are many - who supported us in any way since the beginning.

Of the 110 children who were at New Creation, 85 have followed us here. The team has expanded to include Palani, Carlos and Guy for oversight, accounting and site upkeep. Marianne provides the liaison with the French association which is our main means of support. Marie-Claire who initiated the project is still very active in the school.

Right now, we're moving in and creating our own space! We still need to fence off the garden for the children's safety (this is being done with the help of our neighbours Walter and Kalya), and we're setting up the outdoor work spaces (dining hall and playground).

A budget of an additional 4 lakhs is needed to carry out this first phase of work for our new quarters. To make this project grow, we still need help and funds. All contributions are welcome (even small ones!) - Here's our account number: 255256

You are all very welcome every Wednesday morning from 9:30 to 10:30 to come and visit us to discover Oli School. Be part of it!

With Gratitude,
The Support Team. Ana, Marie-Claire, Carlos, Guy, Marianne, Palani

Oli school's phone: 2623321	Oli school's email:
olishakthi@gmail.com	
Marianne's phone: 2623336	Marie-Claire's email:
auromarieclaire@gmail.com	

POSTINGS

Dangerous swimming at Repos beach

Recently, an Aurovilian badly cut his leg on a steel bar sticking out from the debris under the water in the shallows that now extend quite far into the ocean. It is important to understand that a swimmer has very limited control when he is being pushed by a strong wave on the way to the shore. The debris are slowly being moved to the north but have not yet come close to the entrance to Waves, where it is still safe to swim. While many Aurovilians are aware of the above, the guest

house managers have to inform the visitors to Auroville about the situation at Repos.
Ruslan D

Baby born

Balu and Nithiya are happy to announce the birth of their son "SANTHRISH" on September 6th, 2014, at Cluny Hospital (Pondy). Love, S.Balu & B.Nithiya [Azhagu-Bhoomi forest]

Auroorchard: new eggs coming soon...



Our young pullets have started laying a few days ago. Eggs are still small, but they are very good, with a dark yellow and tasty yolk.
Christian

Guided rides - change of timing

Evergreen horses guided rides (for children up to 7 years) timings will be at 3 pm instead of 5 pm, every Saturday from 27th of September onwards. Sorry for any inconvenience.
Evergreen horses team

From Nandini Tailoring section

No order taken from Thursday 25 to Tuesday 30 of September. We start again on Thursday 2nd of October. Don't forget to bring your bag with your new order. *Anne and Vidya*

A V A I L A B L E

Bulbs of "Prayer"

Bulbs of "Prayer" plants (Rain lilies), in several colors, are available in the Matrimandir Nursery. Please come mornings: 9 am to 11:30 am or from 1 pm to 4 pm, Monday to Saturday.

Matrimandir Nursery Team

Mobile phone

We have two mobile phones that we are happy to offer for an exchange of any kind. Nokia 225 - it can take dual SIM, brand new and Samsung E2120, simple basic functions. Pls get in touch: Office@upasana.in

Sooth and ribbed plate Table Grill

A Philips HD4419 2300-watt Sooth and ribbed plate Table Grill-never used, totally new- - Contact Andre New Creation tel 0413-2622909

Evergreen horses classes

Hi everyone,

We have a space which opened up in our classes (for information about them check our web site: evergreenhorses.com) so if your child is between 8 and 13 (even above) and wants to join give me a call at 9489145177 or send me a mail at: sara@evergreenhorses.com
Hope to hear from you soon :) - *Sara*

Auroville Architecture book

Prisma has just completed a new edition (5th edition) of the Auroville Architecture book. This latest 216-page edition contains around 700 photos, the vast majority in 4 colours. The price is Rs. 750/ per copy. The book is available in Auroville from Information Service, Auroville Papers, Freeland Book shop and outside Auroville at SABDA, VAK bookshop, Boutique d'Auroville - *Prisma*, Aurelec, Ph: 2622296

The Wellpaper Special Sale continues!

If you look for gifts or you need some baskets and accessories, we would like to offer you Wellpaper's products at very low prices! Almost out of stock! Timings: from the Monday to Fridays from 09:30 am till 16:00 pm. Directions: The sale will

take place in Well cafe Sve-Dam and at the Wellpaper workshop in Kottakarai, located close to the Bamboo center at the Mangalam site. Mid-way from the town hall "mushroom" and the Ganesh bakery, turn left toward the Kali temple, follow the road till the Wellpaper arched building. Please call us on 2622219 for any assistant or additional information; you are all welcome, *Wellpaper team*

Samsung Galaxy

Tab 2, hardly used, Call *Andre Deplechin* 9943312755

Web designer

I create websites with any modern features and functionality you may require, using Joomla CMS. I also develop online stores, and in particular, I specialize in Magento. Contact: *Susan*, 94432 77081, susanp@auroville.org.in

A Kenstar microwave

In good working condition and a record player. Contact *Aneeta* 9445100465.

Honda Bike

Honda unicorn 2007 model with self-start, in good condition. Honda Activa scooter 2011 model in good condition - *Chris*: 9750661134/9025153069

End of Summer Sale from Aurovelo

Sale on all in-stock Giant and Bergamont bicycles until the end of September. (10% off MRP) / Also on sale: Decathlon Child Trailer (carry 2 children safely behind a cycle) 50% off MRP. *Aurovelo Cycle Shop, Reve* [Monday-Saturday, 9am to 5pm. 0413-262-2380]

Two female Siamese cats

They are 9 months and 4 months old. Very loving and really good with dogs and children. Ideally re homed together as they know each other, plus Siamese cats do not live well alone. My telephone number is 8940568461, email address: shelleybreakell@gmail.com. *Shelley*.

L O O K I N G F O R ...

Props

Dear friends,

Here is a selection of the props list we, the Odd Couple theatre project staging on December in Bharat Nivas, need in order to build the performance and go on scene. Please let me know in a short time if you have any of these props. I will come to your place and gather them. Contact me at francesca@auroville.org.in / Thanks, Love and lots of smiles, *Francesca*

1. Pillows
2. Man's rain hat
4. Cigarettes boxes
5. Ash trays (metal)

6. Plastic trays
9. One decanter
10. Old electric fan (practical)
11. Airplane or naval toy

12. A doll
13. Stereo set, with speakers
14. Collection of record albums
15. Suspenders
16. Typewriter
17. Two or more empty cigarette cartoons
20. Three empty pepsy bottle
21. Three empty coca-cola bottle
22. Kitty box
24. Glasses (many and old, simple)
26. Three bowls
28. Beer cans (empty) as many as you can
29. Man's socks
30. Man's shoes (one pair black)
31. A laundry bag (or a laundry basket)
34. A big picture frame
35. An empty milk cartoon
36. Ice bucket
38. A tie
40. A dial phone
41. Empty coffee containers

42. Telephone book
43. Vase
44. Raincoat for man
45. 2 pots of dead ivy
46. Dishes
47. An old TV set
48. A pair of man's pajamas
49. pure-a-tron
50. Saucers
51. Coasters
52. Corkscrew
56. A ladle
57. A pan
58. Cooking glove
59. Apron
61. Many living and nice plants for the 2nd act
64. Tablecloth (nice)
65. Candles (high and nice)
67. Bottle of wine in paper bag
68. Forks and spoons

Help for my mother

Looking for a qualified person to take care of a 93 year old lady, Celine Weinberger (Swar's mom) in eastern France, Alsace region. Should speak French (Alsatian and/or Swiss German wouldn't hurt either). Room and board provided. Salary negotiable. Live in situation, you will have your own room. Duties include cooking, cleaning, playing scrabble! If you are interested, or know someone in this region who might be interested, please write to Swar on whatsapp:

063421414191 or swaran50@gmail.com. Or call his sister Lilly at: 0041794396067, 0041613315252. Thanks, *Jill*

Electrical start bike

I am looking for an electrical start bike for myself. It can be a scooter or a 100cc bike - pls contact me at: umah@auroville.org.in or sms 09443362384

A P P E A L

10 days left! "ONE ASIA 2014 in Taipei"



Our fundraising campaign for "ONE ASIA 2014 in Taipei" through IndieGoGo is finishing on 29th of September.

Please help us to make further steps through your donation. We accept USD.

Please visit our campaign site from: <https://www.indiegogo.com/projects>

[/one-asia-2014-in-taipei](http://one-asia-2014-in-taipei)

Or, from the link on www.auroville.org

We welcome your support to this event which is especially dedicated to the Five Dreams of Sri Aurobindo.

Thank you very much for your support.

Jyoti -Swayam- for ONE ASIA project

Funding for AV based social projects

Help us open the door to more funding for AV based social projects by joining our campaign online.

At UnLtd Tamil Nadu we now support 10 innovative organisations doing social good, 5 of them run by Aurovillians. I hope you've heard of the amazing work being done by Wasteless, Komali MeDi Clown Academy, Koodam, Sankalpa and EcoFemme.

To support many more social entrepreneurs like them, we are participating in the Global Giving Challenge, which means we have to raise \$ 5,000 from 40 unique donors this month. Winning this challenge will help open the door to all other Auroville projects, FOREVER.

They can then use this portal which raised \$150 million from 4 lakh donors so far (!).

Please view our campaign here: <http://goo.gl/emVVg6>.

We already raised \$1000 from 20 people. Can you help us mobilise the rest? Please consider a donation or refer a friend with a credit card, and help us get a foot in the doorway to Global Giving :)

Thank you so much!

Gijs [UnLtd TN is a program under AV Village Action Trust. For more info /comments / suggestions: gijs@auroville.org.in]

T A X I S H A R I N G

September 19th: To Chennai Airport. I will be arriving at 11:20 am - best sharing on the way to airport as I may have work in Chennai on the way back. Mobile: 094435 35058 / ajit@auroville.org.in. Thanks, -*Ajit*

September 22nd: Leaving for Chennai city (via airport) around 6 am, returning to Auroville same evening, same way - pl call:) 262 2656 or 948 848 3348 / peter@auroville.org.in

September 24th: Looking for taxi to be shared from Chennai Airport to Auroville on 24th of September at 1 pm. Please

contact me under 9487833736 or e-mail nausheenbari1@gmail.com. Thanks, *Nausheen*.

September 28th: I'm leaving Auroville around 7.00 am to be at the airport at 10.00 am on September. 28th - Who wants to share, arriving or leaving around the same time? Contact: *Ulrich*, Creativity, ulrich@auroville.org.in, 94433-62398, 2622625

September 29th: A taxi will leave late night on Monday September 29th at 10 pm from Auromodel, Going to Chennai

Airport. If you want to share with *Varada*, please call her at 2623 138 or 78 67 99 86 90.

September 29th: Leaving Auroville around 2.30 am September 29th to Chennai airport. Contact *Chantal* 2622830 or Email: chantalpisani@gmail.com

October 1st (or Sept. 30th): Hello, I'm looking for a taxi share to go to Chennai to catch a flight on October 1st at 8 am. I'm also open to going on September 30th. perineaualexia@gmail.com or 76 39 374738. Thanks! *Alexia*

October 1st: leaving Auroville 7.00 a.m. from Maitreye Community to Tiruvannamalai, arriving 9.30am. If you would like to share the taxi trip, please call or sms 9443385563 - ldim@gmail.com. Thanks Luca Di Meola

October 3rd: To Chennai - Taxi going empty, leaving Auroville at about 1:30 pm on Friday 3rd of October. Back with one passenger, pick up at about 4 pm at Chennai Airport. Contact Sabine: babylone1999@yahoo.com or 9786775818 -Thanks.

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

Join us at Upasana

At Upasana we have the following jobs. We are interested in Aurovilians taking these jobs on a part time, full time or volunteering basis.

Stock room manager

Someone who is meticulous with material arrangement. Skills: Tamil, English.

Project coordinator

Good with communication and coordinating things, being with people, planning action with a team and following up. Computer skill required.

Production coordinator

Good with coordinating things, planning action with a team and following it up. Computer skill required.

All jobs above are open for part time if required. Pls write to: Office@upasana.in

Regarding resources for Translation and Narration.

BookBox is a social enterprise that produces AniBooks (animated stories) for children to help improve language learning and reading skills. We use a concept called "Same

Language Subtitling" (SLS) innovated by our not-for-profit partner, PlanetRead.org. SLS has been scientifically tested and implemented for mass literacy development in close coordination with the Government of India and is being considered for national policy implementation.

Our mission is to make reading available to every child in his/her language. We have till date created more than 40 AniBooks in a mixture of more than 35 languages from all over the world. All our AniBooks are completely FREE on our YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/bookboxinc, which has over 13 million channel views and more than 60,000 subscribers. You may also visit our website www.bookbox.com and <http://www.bookbox.com/free-stuff/> to view and sample more content that we have created.

We are looking for good native language experts who can help us create more content in German, Spanish and French. We need translators and narrators. We will give credit to all those people who help us on a voluntary basis. People interested can write to: jemina@bookbox.com, sweta@bookbox.com and parthibhan@bookbox.com for further details.

Thanks a lot, *Submitted by Emanuele*

HEALTH

Acupressure, active stretch, lymph&belly massage and reflexology

I work with all techniques according to what is best for your needs - It helps to relieve your pain, headache and stiffness, improve blood, lymph circulation and flexibility, reduce cellulite, improve metabolism etc...there are lots of benefits!

You will not only receive treatment but also get tips which you can do by yourself at home. I generally work for village people, but now I would like to start for all of you.

Only by appointment, please call or SMS 7867998956 Thanks! *Minori*(Registered Nurse in Japan)

AUROVILLE RADIO



Fundraising Drive: The Auroville Radio is halfway through its month-long fund drive toward being able to pay its basic operating costs for the next year. This includes, most importantly, being able to offer a maintenance for two people who have been working with (mostly) thankless dedication. Please consider supporting the Radio in its efforts to continue its offerings to Auroville and the rest of the world.

We would like to thank our latest contributors to the Fund drive from Delhi, Auroville France, Brazil and in Paris. Who have added Rs 75,655 to our Fund Drive. We have achieved 50% of our target goal for the year, and we still have 2 more weeks (or half way) to go. Thank you, Dhanyavāda, Nandri, Merci, Obrigado and Danke schon to all of you for this amazing global and local support! We are overwhelmed with gratitude.

More Ideas: Would you like to animate a discussion with your commentary or impressions of meetings, events or happenings in AV? You can participate every Fri from 10 am to 10.30 by

calling us at 262-3331 or join us in the studio around 9.45 to comment or participate.

Meanwhile: We are still looking to purchase (or be gifted a used answering machine) to capture your messages, and we are still looking for Aurovilians and Newcomers to join the radio team, where you will receive training as a radio producer. We are also looking for a computer technician who can spend some time to maintain the equipment. If you want or have these skills pls drop by or email us a@aurovillerradio.org

These are the latest programs published by AurovilleRadio this week. All the recordings are available in CD or ready to be copied on your memory stick at the AurovilleRadio premises in Town Hall, opposite the Financial Service.

Where, How to Dispose Our Sludge (Ecology Awareness 11/09/2014)

At the General Meeting to Discuss Sludge Disposal yesterday at Unity Pavilion, it was clear to everyone that this topic is urgent. -[English, 126 Minutes]

Importance of International Zone (News from Auroville 11/09/2014)

Today GM on sludge, tomorrow on revised FAMC mandate. International Zone Coordination Team GM 15th. -[English, 13 Minutes]

Selections by Gangalakshmi-5 (Integral Yoga 10/09/2014)
Selections by Gangalakshmi -5. A weekly series (in French) from selected works by the Mother and Sri Aurobindo. - [French, 13 Minutes]

Une très bonne nouvelle (Educational Centers 08/09/2014)

L'association Auroville International France vient de faire un don de 500 euros -[French, 8 Minutes]

General Meetings, Peace (News from Auroville 08/09/2014)
Two General Meetings this week - one where and how to deposit sludge, the other on revised FAMC mandate -[English, 13 Minutes]

You can listen to all of the programs and more on www.aurovilleradio.org. For more info call 0413-262-3331 or email a@aurovilleradio.org

S P O R T S

Auroville Triathlon

The annual Auroville Triathlon, open mainly to Aurovilians and Newcomers, will be held on November 9th.

Anyone interested in participating, please contact lyle@auroville.org.in with TRIATHLON in the subject field. He will provide you with details.

Thank you,
Lyle

E A T I N G O U T

Goyo a new Korean Restaurant

Goyo, is a tiny, silent Korean restaurant serving typical Korean food like Bibimbap, Kimbap and Jabchea along with kimchi, different side dishes, desserts and tea.

Goyo is open for lunch three days a week: every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 12:30-1:30 pm.

Participants are asked to wait in the garden under the trees until the ringing of a wood block!. Before having lunch, people will listen to a short saying, as food for thought. During the meal we keep silence to eat with consciousness.

Space is limited to a maximum of 10 people: 8 inside, 2 outside. Please reserve before one day by SMS 9489693809, goyo@auroville.org.in

GOYO food is organic as much as possible and vegetarian, except for the eggs. Please let me know whether you can eat eggs so that this can be considered in the preparation for the day. GOYO have some stock of fine Korean green tea. If any lovers of green tea need some, please contact with GOYO. Oriental painting materials also available: brush, ink, ink stone, paper, etc... After lunch, from 1.30 onwards these items can be bought.

Looking forward to seeing you soon in GOYO, located on the ground floor of Luminosity.

Wonja Kim

G R E E N M A T T E R S



Marching and Singing for the Climate

A watershed moment for Planet Earth

Even those of us who are not 'committed activists' tend to get our daily fill of emails with environmental petitions and fundraisers, as communities in every corner of the world cry out against oil drilling and fracking, tar sands, coal and nuclear power plants, dams, mining and mountain top blasting, deforestation, poaching, and the replacement of farming by agro-industry, to name but the most prevalent onslaughts on mother Nature. And it is not always easy to avoid feeling overwhelmed by the magnitude of the destruction, or to keep a positive outlook on climate politics, such as the upcoming **UN landmark climate summit in New York on Tuesday 23rd September**. 125 heads of state will gather to discuss, and hopefully agree on, real and urgent actions before it is irreversibly too late. Ban Ki-moon's words are emphatic:

"Time is running out. The more we delay, the more we will pay. All around the world it is plain that climate change is happening and that human activities are the principal cause...The world's top scientists are clear. Climate change is affecting agriculture, water resources, human health, and ecosystems on land and in the oceans. It poses sweeping risks for economic stability and the security of nations. We can avert these risks if we take bold, decisive action now."

As the warning signs multiply, so does the groundswell...All over the world, marches and rallies are being prepared to raise awareness and call for change, on or around **Sunday 21st September**. In New York alone at least 100,000 people are expected to march through Manhattan on that day, including about a thousand organisations - **the biggest climate rally in human history**. Maps on the internet (www.350.org) make it easy to find events in many parts of the world. In India, Hyderabad alone will host at least 7 events, and marches will take place in dozens of cities and towns, from Bihar to Kerala, Rajasthan to Odisha, Delhi to Tamil Nadu. Closest to us is a climate march on **Chennai's Marina Beach on Sunday 1 pm** (any events in Pondy?), and at 5pm a **Pachamama ceremony in the International Zone** here in Auroville.

Meanwhile, one of the most positive and effective powers for collective change is through song. It is said that South Africa's liberation was largely won through the people's irrepressible singing, which kept spirits high even in the darkest of times, turning a nation's grief and anger into the positive energies that fostered its values, its faith and identity, until the songs of resistance turned into celebrations of freedom. Another famous example is 'Bella Ciao', the Italian partisan song which became the anthem of the nation's resistance against fascism during the Second World War. It is this song that was taken up two years ago by a collective of artists in Belgium and, fitted with new lyrics, became a hugely popular national movement. A very moving impression of this surge of grassroots power is the internet (singfortheclimate.com or youtube), with glimpses of hundreds

of thousands of children and grown-ups singing and dancing for the Earth. It was this experience, which spread to countries around the world that prompted Aurovillian Jo to propose to sing the song in our community, as a contribution to the global call for action. "Do it Now" will be sung collectively, led by the children's choir, on this and the following Saturday - see posters around town - at the Farmers' Market and Solar Kitchen respectively. Do come and join!

A powerful reality check, and compelling wake-up call, is the documentary 'Disruption', released at the beginning of this month and screened world-wide during this week. Two showings have been organised for Auroville, on Wednesday 17th and Thursday 25th September (see box for details, and synopsis in the last N&N). Definitely a must-see!

The 'landmark climate summit' in New York coincides exactly with the day of the equinox. May the special energies of this moment help us to collectively shift gears and 'tip the balance'!

Meanwhile, India is preparing for yet another collective movement. The week from 2nd to 9th of October is

named the *Joy of Giving week*, or *Daan Utsav*. 'A festival, not an organisation', this is a time for individuals, families, schools, companies, and civil society to celebrate the art and joy of Giving, in innumerable ways - traditional and creative, organised and spontaneous, big and small. The festival is growing more popular every year since its start in 2009, and has a truly joyful, dynamic feel to it. Farmers are donating milk to children in need elsewhere in the country, villages In Tamil Nadu are starting to participate, and thousands of events - volunteering, collecting, fundraising, awareness-building, etc., bring people together in growing solidarity. For many inspiring details of this week, which will also be celebrated in Auroville, see www.joyofgivingweek.org.

One may wonder how the *Joy of Giving* is related to 'green matters? We believe it has everything to do with it. For it is only when we feel, thank and act from a consciousness of unity that our lives will be truly sustainable. Then we will be able to transit from fear to trust, from scarcity to abundance and prosperity, in the inexhaustible joy of a living Oneness.

Auroville events Around the UN Summit on Climate Change:

Disruption - the documentary
 Wednesday 17 Sept - 8 pm at MMC
 Thursday 25 Sept, 8 pm at Visitors Centre

"Do It now" - Singing the Climate song
 Saturday 20 Sept, 12.30 at Farmers Market, YC
 Saturday 27 Sept, 12.30 at Solar Kitchen

The Auroville Green Center invites you to share 'anything green' for a healthy Auroville, Bioregion and planet Earth.
avgreencenter@auroville.org.in

For AV Green Center: Jasmin, Lisbeth & Bridget



Dear friends!

For those of you who would like to eat local/organic/healthy, and move towards Zero Waste in your food consumption habits, FoodLink currently offers the following dry goods in bulk :
 Rice (all varieties), Broken Rice (all varieties), Flour (complete rice, red rice, varagu, ragi, corn), Peanuts (red), Varagu (polished/unpolished), Cowpeas, Ulundu/Urad dal (white split), Green Gram, Karamanni, Sesame (white/black), and Samai Rava.

Some items need to be ordered in advance or may have a minimum quantity. Stop by and check with us anytime from 9-3 ! Looking forward to meeting you, and your reusable containers ... :)

- The FoodLink Team



Song of the inner being!

I could see, I could be,
 Who am "I"?
 I could hear, I could fear,
 Who am "I"?
 I could smell, I could smile,
 Who am "I"?
 I could taste, I could waste,
 Who am "I"?
 I could feel, I could deal,
 Who am "I"?
 I could cry, I could try,
 Who am "I"?
 I could understand, I could misunderstand,
 Who am "I"?

I could realize, I could analyze,
 Who am "I"?
 I could question, I could listen,
 Who am "I"?
 But still who am "I",
 To ask who "I am"?

Jyothi.M (C. Manikandan) 8489414946

Kireet Joshi

I was asked by Eric of the Working Committee to write a few lines so that Aurovilians who may not know much about Kireet Joshi, who has just left us, would understand better how important he has been in Auroville's life. The problem is that I cannot just write a bland piece describing his work for Auroville. So I hope you will pardon me when I become quite personal.

For those who may not know, Kireetbhai came to the Ashram at the age of 25, having resigned from government service. After only two years, in 1958, Mother made him the Registrar of the Centre of Education, a position which he would continue to hold till 1975. He was then called to work as Educational Advisor to the Central Government in Delhi by the then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi. She had been told by The Mother, whom she deeply respected, that it would be good if Kireet could work for her in the future. He became quickly quite close to the Prime Minister. This is how Kireetbhai could help Auroville when the need arose in 1976 and during twelve long years thereafter.

The work he accomplished for Auroville, often in difficult circumstances, is truly phenomenal. Like a few others, I have been a close witness of this work.

The most obvious and most difficult work was to secure for Auroville a safe status. A few weeks ago, I was happy to present him with a booklet dedicated to him which was the English translation of a talk about the genesis of the Auroville Foundation Act, in which he has been the central actor. When one sees the formidable odds that had to be surmounted from 1976 till 1988 one feels that Kireetbhai was truly a miracle worker. There was fierce opposition at every step, and till the last moments in 1988 there were chances of a final adverse result of all these efforts.

I remember vividly one circumstance in 1987 where I was sitting with him in Delhi and he was telling me that the Auroville file had to be taken from him due to too many negative letters having been sent to the Minister. Of course, on our side, we had forgotten to write supporting messages. When I blurted out that he must feel bad about our ingratitude, I remember him nearly jumping out of his seat and say with such joyful élan, "Oh no, oh no, what a wonderful privilege we had to work for the Mother; you and me, we have seen miracles happening, oh no, I feel so grateful..." he was literally bubbling with enthusiasm and joy. It made such a profound impression on me; I can still see the scene.

I had the privilege for many years during the 1980s for the SAIIER work to often sit in his office at Shastri Bhavan when he was in charge of the Department of Higher Education (which included all the universities, colleges, many research centres, a tremendous charge). And yet he was adding to it by working toward devising new policies for education through two large education commissions of which he was Member-Secretary, and he was the originator of two major research centres, one on Philosophy and the other on Sanskrit. (He was able to speak in Sanskrit. I remember numerous occasions when, hearing it spoken by him, I realized it was such a beautiful language to listen to.) And of course he managed many other major works that I would not know about. Despite all that, his office was an oasis of calm. It was a ceaseless work, which he would continue at home late at night. I remember sitting with him while he was dealing with piles of files.

But he was always ready to work for Auroville whenever needed. Mother's work was a priority. He had to manage the Auroville case in the Supreme Court of India in 1981 and 1982, a period he remembered as being particularly heavy because he had additional preoccupations and work. In addition, there was a very difficult beginning of the case. From 1983, he initiated the creation of SAIIER, as he was very concerned with the development of education in Auroville. Soon large grants were made available supporting teachers' maintenances and the development of educational facilities, such as Transition School, from 1984.

During this period, the mid 80's till the mid 90's, we would hold large workshops with him in Delhi for research on value-oriented education. We would come by train, 15 to 20 of us, for at least one week and would sit with him during the late afternoon and at night when he managed to free himself. All those, and there are many, who participated in those workshops will remember the light and joyful atmosphere, the creativity, and, above all, how much Kireetbhai deeply enjoyed these moments. These workshops resulted in the production of three books, *The Aim of Life*, *The Good Teacher and The Good Pupil* and *Mystery and Excellence of the Human Body* as well as preparing the ground for further research work in the form of monographs for vital education.

During the same period, immediately after the successful outcome of the Auroville case in the Supreme Court, his preoccupation with a permanent solution for Auroville which would guarantee its autonomy became prominent, for which he was continuously consulting experts, friends and various government officers as well as Aurovilians. I remember meeting him in Geneva for 3 days sometimes in 1984, during which we worked on a kind of mock-up of an Auroville Act. After many twists and turns, and many anxious moments when the chances of success looked very dim, the Auroville Foundation Act ended up being passed by the Indian Parliament on September 5th, 1988. It was the end of three amazing weeks during which Frederick, Krishna Tewari and myself could see the miraculous workings of Mother's force.

Later, somewhat unexpectedly, Kireet became Chairman of the Auroville Foundation, from 1999 till 2004. Among his preoccupations, besides education, Auroville's internal governance was high. He participated in a collective research in Auroville as a place for divine anarchy. But it soon became overshadowed with the difficulties around Matrimandir which created a painful controversy. This weighed heavily on him and saddened the end of his tenure. Nevertheless, it was during this period of his chairmanship that he initiated the making of a large development plan for Auroville. This resulted in a sizeable increase of the yearly financial allotments from the Central Government for the development of Auroville, opening a new and larger channel for funds to flow to Auroville.

After a stint from September 2008 as Educational Advisor to the then Gujarat Chief Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, during which he promoted the development of a vast educational programme, including a Children's University, following some health problems he had an inner command to come back to the Ashram. He responded immediately in June 2010. He was happily living in a small room of the Care hospice of the Ashram when in 2013 he unfortunately developed a throat cancer. He waged a courageous battle against it and had to suffer many very difficult moments. Those who had the privilege to assist him would, I am sure, testify to the beautiful atmosphere of surrender and peace around him. And the blessing of his beautiful smile, to the very end.

Quite recently Kireetbhai told me, as I believe he had said to quite a few other people, "Whenever I think of Auroville, I feel happiness in my heart". It was not the first time that he had told me this or something similar.

Kireetbhai was —is— a great lover of Auroville.

Alain Bernard

Unprecedented move: no feedback from the community!!!

"The feedback will be analysed by the RAS, Members of WC and AVC who will not continue to hold office, the Study Group, Koodam and members of the Open Platform Group." - Unprecedented move: no feedback from the community!!!

The preceding paragraph is how "Next steps for the ratification of the new AVC and WC", posted last May in the Auronet by the "Organisation study group", commenced. The FAMC reminded them of the same in their first email (the second email concerned a candidate). These are the premises on which the RA voted and, as these were not honoured, rejected all the WC candidates. But there is a concentrated attempt to violate again this pledge; the sovereignty of the RA must be reasserted, including vetting the WC candidates.

The AvCouncil had called two study groups: One to reformulate the WC election/selection; the other to present a policy on feedback/eligibility criteria/code of conduct. If the candidate doesn't fit into the eligibility criteria cum code of conduct, the name is scraped automatically. But the disordered influx of people, their obstructionist tactics disregarding the basic etiquette common to any functional study group made all opponents walk out. At last the AVC facilitator and I abandoned the first study group; then I left the second too, on most heavy ground [<http://www.auroville.org.in/article/44192>]. They wanted to erase all infractions and offenses, "prescription"!

Announcing the workshop on September 20, the list of eligibility criteria, preliminary to the election/selection process, was posted; the code of conduct, growing more and more detailed, played a major role. BUT..One more attempt to scrape all this comes from the anonymous "Working Committee Selection Model Proposal" which the Council has not even seen, submerged among the links to the workshop on the code of conduct. If endorsed, this would annihilate the code of conduct & the eligibility criteria.

Every time rejected, out of many others also rejected, this deceitful proposal is the outcome of everybody made to abandon the two study groups called by the Av Council, so that only hard core fundamentalists & pals of the original "Organization study group" are left. We are not here to endorse new age obsessions. What count is honesty, integrity, capacity, trustworthiness, accountability and other qualities which that "study group" never mentioned. And these are beyond gender, nationality or other divisive arguments.

But what makes the proposal compulsorily unacceptable is that it strips off the RA's right, and duty, to give feedback and analyze it, as voted by the RA. Instead, after electing 50 people without any feedback, the name of those who accept the candidature would be submitted EXCLUSIVELY to the AVC and WC, and appointed by them, excluding the RA from the entire process. This unprecedented move is to be unconditionally rejected:

1. Feedback from the community is eliminated altogether. It is not for the AVC, WC or any other group to hijack the feedback, whose responsibility rests with the RA as a whole, and to whose authority all groups are subordinate. Whereas here, the feedback/selection depends exclusively on the AVC/WC!
2. In the AVC too there are people who got negative feedback. The members offered to submit themselves to the scrutiny of the community at large, but the "Organisation study group" vetoed this, so the suspense remains.

"At the centre there is a being free, vast and knowing, who awaits our discovery and who ought to become the active centre of our being and our life in Auroville." But where is the psychic being, if we break the inner and outer laws that should govern us?

Our organization is the mirror of what we have done with ourselves. To find again that "**being free, vast and knowing**" we must assume the responsibility for all that we have messed up, and undo it, it is our dharma. It is for each of us (the sum of individual entities constituting the RA) to elect/select who is to represent us - psychic being to psychic being. We don't need chaperons. Alone with our own consciousness, or what's left of it, finding the way back to the centre.

PS. To abide by the law is mandatory, the Mother made it clear; it is not an option but a duty. What is debatable are the countermeasures we take, according to the seriousness of the case. As someone suggested in the Auronet to ensure that the person is clear we should go back 10 years. If the offense is unmistakably proven, yet the person refuses to apologize and amend it, someone's reply applies as well: not even in 50 years is such a person eligible.

Paulette (Vikas)

A Deepest Ecologist

"Everything can reach the perfection through the inaction" (Lao-Tse, about 600-530 BC, "Tao-Te-King").

My cat discovered Latin America in February this year. A guest from Holland, Maria Christina, presented me 2 kg of cat food from Brazil, she bought it in Pour Tous for about Rs 520. In July Marie Horassius, a guest from France, gave me 1 kg of Brazilian food for the cat, price in Pour Tous Rs 275. The dwellers of the ancient Rome said: "Pax hominibus bona voluntatis!" - "Peace for people of good will!"

How many cats in Auroville received food for Rs 800 during this year? I'm sure that my one is unique. It reached moksha (nirvana) under the Buddha tree near my house. The Buddha received enlightenment under such a tree in Bodhi Gaia, now Bihar State. This plant has many names: Peepal, Baddhi tree etc. The botanical name is Ficus religiosa, it became sacred in Hinduism and Buddhism.

My cat can live in Heaven among apsaras and devas. But it desired to incarnate in the Utopia City, Aspiration community, to be a living example of a deepest ecologist. It prays to the Lord: "Thank You that I have no money, motorbike, computer, mobile. I'm a part of Nature but people created the awful industry - the mighty enemy of Biosphere. Oh my God!

If anybody cares about me, I give him (or her) health - its name is "felinotherapy". Nature can give health to mankind but now there is an ecological crisis: the nature of the planet is very seriously destroyed by the human beings. They are mostly hyperactive without enough time for meditation but dream constantly about profit in their business, the great money and supercomfort. Their life isn't natural. For example they use electrical light at nights and forgot about the stars".

A good school for the receiving the elements of true ecological consciousness can be the Auroville's Nature Camp with the ecofriendly trekking instead of using petrol vehicles. The children and adults start to love the wilderness; it has a lot of astonishing charm.

Boris

Open Sharing of my personal view on the feedback process for the WC selection process

1. Aim:

- To grow together...

We are feeding each other by expressing our feelings on the action of another person

2. Tools :

- We are meeting each other...to listen to our concerns.

- We can ask help from other people (friends, neighbours, Koodam team)

- to be present to hold the space for growing
- to help us to listen to each other
- to help us to clarify the issue by looking at the act, what has happened and not only on the story that we made out of it
- to help us to turn our instinct of shooting back into a healthy action by remembering that we are in a safe space (Her hands)

3. Time:

Any action of one of us can be the reason why people would like to give feedback to us...no need for making a list of what is more important or less hurting the collective.

Auroville can give an example of a space where we find trust back to each other with the help of feedback...Whenever needed...because expressed...not because it is small or big...just because it is expressed. So that the involved people can solve it...without judgment from others.

By investing time and love in this feedback process we are avoiding rules and regulations, ending up in court cases, which are not solving the problem and never possible to be implemented because forced on us.

There is no hurry, there is no short cut...Auroville gives us the safe space and the freedom...it is for us to have the courage to explore it...eye to eye...heart to heart

Love, Inge. Angiras Garden

For your calendar



AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

Welcome to the Thursday weekly meditation
Listening to Mother's reading of Savitri on Sunil's music

Timing still from 5.30 pm to 6.00 pm

"Please note the change of timing for the new season: 5.30 to 6.00 pm -instead of 6 to 6.30 pm-"
(From Thursday 18th of Sept.)

Let's enjoy the beautiful open space under the vast sky, the special light of the setting sun
and heavenly music in the very center of Auroville!

(Dear Guests, please carry your Guest Card - please no photos there.
Access only for the Amphitheatre from 5.15 pm to 6.15pm. Thank you!)

Amphitheatre Team



Concentration for Kireet Joshi

All are invited for a concentration for beloved Kireet bhai under the Banyan Tree, Matrimandir,

On Sunday, 21.9.2014 at 5.30 pm.

Shanti! Shanti! Shanti!

Singing for the climate 'Do it Now'

On Saturday 20th of September at 12:30 pm at Youth center
 On Saturday 27th of September at 12:30 pm at Solar Kitchen parking place

This is to sing for the Climate song 'Do it Now". It took place in Belgium on the 22nd and 23rd of September 2012 when 80,000 Belgians sang from 180 town squares for the climate. A month later 725 schools organized a Sing@school, 300,000 school-kids sang "Do it Now" on the playground. This is how 380,000 people voiced their support for the climate. Auroville is the first to participate in this campaign "sing for the climate" in India.

The first event will take place on Saturday 20th of September at 12:30 pm at Youth center/ on Saturday 27th of September at 12:30 at Solar Kitchen parking place.

Please come and sing together! We will welcome everybody.

AV SINGING FESTIVAL 2014 team - Jo, Ananda, Minseon

Sri Aurobindo Centre for Advanced Research

Organises "Living Within" Study Camp
 November 18 to 23, 2014

"Concentration and Meditation: Process and Purpose"

Venue: SACAR, 39, Vanniar Street, Puducherry
 Facilitator: Ananda Reddy
 For Registration please contact: sacarstudycamps@gmail.com
 9443019172, 9994190403

Submitted by Anandi A.



We are waiting for you on Sunday the 5th October at 3pm at Upasana to celebrate with us the success of SmallSteps!

Bring your old bag and get one for free!
 (Even if you don't have one yet ☺)

Tea and biscuits will be served!
 Come and have fun!



LOCALICIOUS AUROVILLE

re-connecting to what our Earth grows

Dear friends!
 Come celebrate local food and creativity with us at our third Weekend Farmer's Market this Saturday, Sep 20 at the Youth Center.

A call to all farmers, cooks, handicraft artists, volunteers, and the rest of us!
There will be a sound system, MC and an open mic, for you to share your song and music talents too.
 Featuring a performance by the AV Singing Festival at 12:30, singing "Do It Now" (The Climate Song).

Joining the March for the Climate 's Change all over the World

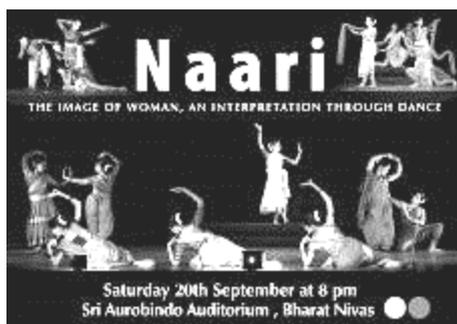
"Pachamama Ceremony" - Ceremony to the Mother Earth - In the Circle of the Latin American Countries in Auroville. The City of the Human Unity, we will do an offering to Mother Earth, thanking for all that she gives us, and finishing with a bonfire.

21st of September at 5 pm.

At the Latin American Circle, opposite the Canadian Site, near the International Guest House and the Tibetan Pavilion.
 Bring some food or drinks to offer to the Pachamama (the Mother Earth)

Everybody Welcome
Anandi Realization

CULTURAL EVENTS



Devasmita and Madhumita Patnaik and group invite you for a dance performance

NAARI THE IMAGE OF WOMAN Saturday 20th of September at 8 pm Sri Aurobindo Auditorium, Bharat Nivas

Link on you tube for a short extract of this dance programme

Devasmita and Madhumita Patnaik - Naari

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E9swwDLnjDA>

CLASSES, WORKSHOPS

WRITE DANCE TEACHER TRAINING STARTING NOVEMBER 1ST

What is Write Dance: Write Dance is a progressive movement and music programme for the development of pre-writing and writing skills in children age 3 to 10. This innovative programme introduces handwriting by using music, movements and exercises. The dynamic and creative experience involves dancing and movements, music, rhymes and songs, games, stories, role-play and many different sensory experiences using a wide range of materials. The huge variety of different exercises leads to remarkable results. Not only in improved handwriting but also enhancing social and emotional development and strengthening the brain coordination and motor skills.

It greatly stimulates the imagination and creative expression power both in written and verbal language. But above all it's a lot of fun! It opens the mind, helps to improve self-confidence and creates a positive body image. This makes it useful in both group activities as in individual sessions. Write Dance is being successfully instructed in many countries such as England, Germany, Sweden, Norway, Holland and Belgium.

Profile of facilitator: Helena Hutte is an Aurovilian, a teacher and therapist from the Netherlands. She has been involved in education as a teacher and teacher-trainer since many years in her own country and abroad. She is specialised in arts, remedial teaching and school counselling. She conducts a variety of trainings and workshops for adults and children. For the last few years she has been teaching Write Dance in 4 different Auroville schools.

For further information and illustrating photos visit her website: www.rainbowriverstone.com, page Write Dance

Training: This will consist of 6 Saturday mornings from 8.30 to 12. Dates are: November 1st, December 6th 2014, January 10th, February 7th, March 14th, and April 4th 2015.

Meant for all those who work with children in Auroville and like to learn a more creative way of teaching and acquire new teaching skills. We will use the different Write Dance books, Cd's and DVD's. There will be introductions to the different themes and levels, space to exchange experiences after trying out what we learned in the own working situation and tips about organisation. It is a very practical training, including the possibility of personal individual assistance.

Maximum number of participants is 15 / Subscription: directly to helenahutte@hotmail.com - Venue: details will follow later

INNER SPACE - OUTER FORM - PART TWO: VAASTU FOR ADVANCED STUDENTS

7-11 October 2014

For the second time a 5 day workshop on the ancient Indian science, Vaastu Shastra for buildings, will take place at Bharat Nivas in Auroville, led by architect Sashikala Ananth, Chennai.

Sashikala is a trained Vaastu practitioner (under Ganapathy Sthapathy). She has published 3 books on Vaastu - (Penguin Guide to Vaastu, Penguin Pocket book, Roli - Vaastu a path to harmonious living) and one book on Sculptural traditions (Indian Sculpture & Iconography - Sri Aurobindo Ashram Press). Sashikala Ananth was the principal author of an award winning documentary on the Vaastu tradition called the "Living Tradition - A Shilpi speaks".

Dates: 7-11 October 2014 (Tuesday - Saturday) - **Timings:** 9:00 - 12:00 and 2:00 - 5:00pm

Tentative Programme:

7, 8th: study of the original Galaxy master Plan with respect to Vaastu Shastra

9th to 10th: visit to Kumbhakonam, Darasuram and Gangaikondacholapuram to study the temples and meet some living legends on Vaastu shastra

11th: concluding session in Auroville.

The workshop is partly funded by the SdZ via the Project Coordination Group. Preference will be given to those who attended the first workshop but there may be a possibility for serious participants to join. Aurovilians and Newcomers will be given preference.

It is necessary to attend all the days.

If interested please contact *Mona (Yantra)* mona@auroville.org.in, 2622 900, who is coordinating the workshop, at the earliest.

AWARENESS THROUGH THE BODY - ATB 1 - ATB 2

Saturday 27th of September to Wednesday 1st of October

An opportunity to explore ourselves, so we can better understand and integrate the complexity of our being, and enter into a deeper, more intimate contact with our inner world. The themes we are going to work with are: attention, concentration, sensory awareness, breath, exploration of emotions and awareness about contraction and relaxation. It will be a journey of introspection interspersed with fun.

Facilitator: Rosa

Place: ATB Hall at Transition School

Schedule: 9 am to 4.30 pm

Registration is required previously at: rosa@auroville.org
<http://awarenessthroughthebody.wordpress.com/workshops-classes/>

AWARENESS THROUGH THE BODY (ATB) WITH AMIR

Provides a space where one can go within and come in contact with the different planes that form the being, offering the possibility to enter in contact with the wider self.

ATB2 - A series of 6 weekly sessions every Saturday morning starting 4th October at the ATB hall, Transition school, Auroville from 9 am to 1 pm.

This workshop focuses on revisiting, deepening and better integrating the basics of ATB:
opening and refining the senses
exploration of emotions
group dynamics through collective games
awareness of the physical structure: conscious control over contraction and relaxation in the body.
while exploring the ability to cultivate the observer within.
These sessions are open to those who are acquainted with the ATB practice.

For more information visit the ATB website: <http://awarenessthroughthebody.wordpress.com/> sign up: By mail atbwithamir@gmail.com or feel free to call 9751257709.

LEELA THE GAME OF THE SELF-KNOWLEDGE

Come discover the game of your life. The karmic dice will help you understand your evolutionary path and will guide you to your divine being. With this universal tool, 3000 years old, you will play your role on the large board of dharma. Finally a game where everyone is a winner!

Every Sunday, 9.30 am, at Svedame, Butterfly Barn (please park outside of the community) Bring a small object that represents yourself and a notebook. (In English, German, Spanish, Russian and Français)

Contact *Véronique j.* for information: 948 85 12 678

INNER-WORK-WORKSHOP

Introduction to the Integral Yoga of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother

24th September (Wednesday)

• Overview with multimedia presentation • Questions and Answers • Practice in Daily Life • Complimentary Concentration Exercises

• Creative Arts, Interactive Games • Life of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother • Introduction to the Reference Books

Focus this week on: 'Practice - the Sunlit Path'

These Workshops are conducted every Wednesday, each week with a different focus. Study, play and creativity go hand in hand with various inner exercises.

Place: Savitri Bhavan. Time: 9 am to 12.00 Noon (pl be present by 8.55 am)

Led by Ashesh Joshi. Contact: 9489147202, 2622922

No Registration required (except for groups) Fees: Voluntary Contribution

All are welcome

For details on the Integral Yoga and the upcoming workshops: please visit www.integralyoga-auroville.com

EXPLORING MEDITATION

With the help of techniques from different traditions we will bring awareness to the Now.

No need for previous meditation experience but if you have none please come 5 minutes before we start.

Pavilion of Tibetan Culture, International Zone - Wednesday 16:30-17:30 Friday 8:30-9:30

Thanks, *Yahalom*

YOGA INDIVIDUAL CLASSES IN CREATIVITY

Class Timings: Monday and Wednesday - 5 to 6.30 PM

Hall of light - Creativity Maximum - 10 students

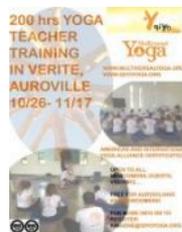
Starts on Monday September 15th.

About the yoga teacher: Sergio Martinez has been practicing Yoga for the past 16 years. From 2002 to this very day, Sergio has been an ongoing devoted student of Acharya Venkatesha, founder of Atma Vikasa Yoga Institute in Mysore. He got the approval to teach Yoga in the year 2003 and since then, Sergio

has been one of the best ambassadors of this system of Yoga. He has taught Yoga to students from all around the world. Sergio's teaching takes you deep in the understanding of every aspect of Yogasana.

His classes are inspiring to help you overcome your limitations and go further to grow into a better practitioner. He guides every one with care, dedication and loving attention. Even as the classes are in group, you get an individual sequence adapted to your needs. In this style of teaching, anyone can come from beginners to advanced practitioners and fit into the group, getting the required attention and the right guidance. Welcome.

200 HOURS YOGA TEACHER TRAINING IN VERITE



Course: 09:00 am at Verite

Qi Yo Multiversal Yoga is back to Auroville! They will hold a 200 hours yoga Alliance approved yoga teacher training in Verite from October 26th to November 17th.

If you are interested, please email to: ariadne@qiyoyoga.org

You could also visit their website: www.multiversal-yoga.org

Welcome to this FREE program! Namaste "

THE POWER OF AWARENESS - THE SPECTRUM OF OUR CONSCIOUSNESS

3 Day workshop with Sandhya - Oct. 3rd - 5th

How can we walk our talk in the midst of all the turmoil we experience in our daily lives?

This challenge brings us easily back to our shadows and conditioning. The workshop will offer tools for a deeper understanding of ourselves. We will discover powerful ways which allow us to move forward in our evolutionary process. We will look at how the mass-consciousness influences us and how we can shift and establish a higher consciousness within ourselves and therefore on planet Earth.

We enter into this deep inner transformational process by using powerful tools from great teachers. The playful and also serious attempt implements dance, meditation, art and nature, as well as mind-opening new concepts based on ancient wisdom.

Sandhya's passion is to develop our consciousness and self-empowerment and to spread energetic healing techniques and principles. In recent years, her focus has moved towards humanity's evolutionary process and therefore to a deep understanding of the huge healing process which humanity is drawn to. Many of the contemporary teachers she's inspired by refer to the teachings of Sri Aurobindo.

She invites the community, volunteers and guests to participate in this (r)evolutionary emerging process, which helps us to understand what it means to be in the present moment and to truly act from the heart.

Venue: Sunspace at Windarra, Timing: Oct. 3rd- 5th, 9am - 5pm (1h lunch break)

Bookings & Infos: sandhya@auroville.org.in, cellph Sandhya: 944 36 19 403, Petra 9790 582 139

LOCALLY GROWN VEGETABLES - SESSION 4

A series of "learning to cook, prepare and taste sessions"

The second session will be on 20th of September 2014

(Saturday) at 10.30 am, at Life Education Centre, opposite

Isaiambalam School. It will focus on the preparation of cooking / raw Banana. These sessions are being conducted by Buvasundari.

Life Education Centre team

SCHEDULES

VERITE

INTEGRAL HEALTH & HEALING with Dr. Geeta Auropremi
Wednesday workshops: Sept 24th from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm
 A holistic approach to understanding the self and maintaining health, including yoga, ayurveda, diet, pranayama, meditation and naturopathy. Lifestyle guidance is also available for managing specific health issues such as diabetes, hypertension, arthritis, obesity and any type of pain.

DR. GEETA AUROPREMI has 30 years of experience in Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy. She has an MD in Gynecology and Pediatrics, a YTTC certificate and diploma in Yoga, and Post-Graduate degrees in Yoga & Naturopathy. She specialized in prenatal and couple education in the government of Gujarat, has offered seminars all over India and in Brazil including the teachings of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother, massages, meditations, purification methods and more.

(FAMILY) CONSTELLATION WORKSHOP with YUVAL

Fri & Sat, Sept 26 & 27 from 9 am to 5 pm

Fate or Choice?

*An episode in an unremembered tale
 it's beginning lost, it's motive and plot concealed
 a once living story has prepared and made
 our present fate, child of past energies*

-Sri Aurobindo, Savitri

In our lives Hidden Dynamics can cause results we never intended. Unconsciously these Dynamics create our Fate. To become aware of them, can bring back Choice. Applying (family) constellation techniques we can, in an intuitive way, find the insights and energy to choose consciously for the changes we want.

YUVAL is a life & business coach.

BASIC ASPECTS OF PRANAYAMA with Oleyasa

Fri, Sept 26 from 5 to 7:30 pm and Sat, Sept 27 from 9 to 11:30 am

Introduction to asanas preparing our body for pranayama and essential techniques of breathing.

OLEYSA studied at the Iyengar Yoga Institute in Pune, India, and taught in Moscow for 7 years.

Please contact Verité to register for the following workshops: 0413 2622045 or programming@verite.in. Contributions requested from guests/volunteers (volunteer reduction by advance application only)

Pitanga News

BKS Iyengar remembered and evening of sharing and the film Samadhi:

Tuesday, September 23rd at 6.30pm (tea and snacks provided)

We welcome you to an evening of reflection on the life of BKS Iyengar, his Aurovillian students gather to share their experience and stories of being with Guriji and how his teachings helped shaped them. A beautiful, 15 minute film will follow, made when he was at his prime at the age of 59 in 1977. The film includes an incredible Vinyasa with transitions from Ardho Mukha Svanasana straight to Bakasana, an individual practice of balancing poses from Sirsasana II and footage of Iyengar in practice with a small advanced class.

Books missing

We are missing the following books from the Pitanga library and would like to get them back to support mothers in Appie's class - Yoga for Pregnancy, on Thursday's at 9.30am.

"Pregnancy for Birth with Yoga" - Jeneka Blaskus and a red book for midwives by Diana

Pitanga, Samasti community, Tel: 0413-2622403, email: pitanga@auroville.org.in

ARKA WELLNESS CENTER - SEPTEMBER- 2014

THERAPIES

WHAT WE PROPOSE	WITH WHOM	WHEN
Acupuncture	Dr. MOHAMMED SAHEL ANSARI by appointment 9994208068	Monday, Wednesday and Friday
Body Logic, Soft Massage and Deep Tissue Massage	PEPE by appointment 9943410987	
Yogic Healing Therapeutic Massage	BASU - by appointment 9443997568	Monday to Friday 8 to 9:30 am & 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Saturday & Sunday Mornings
Reiki, Mind Therapy, Foot Reflexology, Courses of Reiki & Ayurvedic Massage. (Also Individual)	GIANNAKA by appointment 9487629648	
Thai yoga massage	Mark-by appointment 8940001088	
Psycho Spiritual Tarot, Deconditioning Self-Inquiry, Innervoice Dialogue, Graphology	ANTARJOTHI By appointment 0413-2623767 or Email : antarcalli@yahoo.fr	Also in French.
Siddha Treatment (Discover the traditional Medicine)	Shivaraj - 93454 54232	Monday, Wednesday and Friday From: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm by appointment.

BEAUTY PARLOR

WHAT WE PROPOSE	WITH WHOM	WHEN
Holistic Reflexology, Face Massage, Cleaning, manicure, pedicure, threading, waxing, henna & hair coloring.	MEHA by appointment 9443635114	Monday to Saturday
Beauty care (Herbal facial). Dieting/Nutrition consultation. Hair cuttings for Indian hair only.	Semantini by appointment 9943387428	Tuesday and Thursday mornings
HAIR DRESSING	ONGKIE - by appointment 9843930178	Monday to Friday
Hair dressing	LADINA (Certified Hairdresser) appointment - 9787337465	Monday to Saturday
Hair dressing	YUVAL appointment 7639291546	Monday to Friday

REGULAR CLASSES IN THE MULTIPURPOSE HALL - 1ST FLOOR

WHAT WE PROPOSE	WITH WHOM	WHEN
Acro-yoga	Mark 8940001088 email-mark@auroville.org.in Damien - 9047722740	Sunday morning at 8:00 to 10:00 am
VOCAL YOGA VY®	Clare Fanning 9442318775 & Giridev	Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 7:30 am to 9:00 am
Hatha yoga	Ankur -9159834055	Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri at 5:00 to 6:15 pm

INTERNET FACILITY IS AVAILABLE IN ARKA MONDAY TO SATURDAY - 9:00am TO 5:00pm.

FILMS



CINEMA - Bharat Nivas - AUDITORIUM
FRIDAY 26 SEPTEMBER - 7:30 PM (Film show starting at 7.45 sharp)

"JACQUOT DE NANTES"

Director: Agnès Varda - France, 1991

With: Philippe Maron, Edouard Joubbeaud, Laurent Monnier...

Synopsis: Jacquot Demy is a little boy at the end of the thirties. His father owns a garage and his mother is a hairdresser. The whole family lives happily and likes to sing and go to the movies. Jacquot is fascinated by every kind of show (theatre, cinema, puppets). He buys a camera to shoot his first amateur film...An evocation of French cineaste Jacques Demy's childhood and his vocation for cinema and the musicals.

A year after the untimely death of her husband and fellow filmmaker Jacques Demy, director Agnès Varda produced this film based on Demy's memoirs, focusing on his childhood - Original version in French with English Subtitles - Duration: 1h.58'



"The Eco Film Club"

Sadhana Forest, September 26th, Friday at 7.00 pm

THE END OF THE LINE

2009 - 85 minutes. Director: Rupert Murray, English
Nominated for 3 Awards

Is it true that by 2048 the oceans may no longer have anything left in them to fish? Documentary filmmaker Rupert Murray examines the devastating effect that overfishing has had on the world's fish populations and argues that drastic action must be taken to reverse these trends. Simply put, if you watch this film you will never look at the oceans the same again.

Before the movie at exactly 16:30 you are welcome to join us for a full tour of Sadhana Forest and an update of our most recent work!

After the film you are welcome to join us for a free 100% vegan organic dinner!!

Free bus service to the TOUR OF SADHANA FOREST and the ECO FILM CLUB - DEPARTURE SOLAR KITCHEN: 16:00 and RETURN FROM SADHANAFORREST: 21:30

Free bus service to the ECO FILM CLUB - DEPARTURE SOLAR KITCHEN: 18:00 and RETURN FROM SADHANA FOREST: 21:30

The bus service is operated by Sadhana Forest. For more information about the bus service please contact Sadhana Forest at 2677682 or 2677683 or sadhanaforest@auroville.org.in

Visitors' Center Movie Show

Thursday 25th September 8 pm

Documentary: DISRUPTION (CLIMATE CHANGE)

A new fast-paced cinematic journey through the wild world of climate change. The science, the politics, the solutions and the stories that define the crisis at this pivotal point in human history

Directed by: Kelly Nyks & Jared P.Scot / Duration ; 53 minutes

Friday 26th September 8 pm

EDGE OF TOMORROW (2014)

Genre: Sci-fi/Action, Rated: PG13, Language: English, Subtitle: English, Dur: 1:50 min

Dir: Doug Liman / Cast: Tom Cruise, Emily Blunt, Bill Paxton

Storyline: An officer finds himself caught in a time loop in a war with an alien race. His skills increase as he faces the same brutal combat scenarios, and his union with a Special Forces warrior gets him closer and closer to defeating the enemy.

Hindi Movie at Le Zephyr

Visitors Centre upstairs - Every Thursday at 8 pm

Thursday the 25th

THE FAULT IN OUR STARS

Time: 126min (English)

Hazel and Gus are two teenagers who share an acerbic wit, a disdain for the conventional, and a love that sweeps them on a journey. Their relationship is all the more miraculous given that Hazel's other constant companion is an oxygen tank, Gus jokes about his prosthetic leg, and they met and fell in love at a cancer support group.



Cinema Paradiso

Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium

Film programme 22 September 2014 to 28 September 2014

"Our contemplations of the cosmos stir us. There is a tingling in the spine, a catch in the voice, a faint sensation, as if a distant memory of falling from a great height. We know we are approaching the grandest of mysteries... In the last few millennia, we've made the most astonishing and unexpected discoveries about the cosmos and our place within it. We're now about to begin a journey through the cosmos.It's a story of our own planet and the plants and animals that share it with us. And it's a story about... Come with me..." Carl Sagan. Don't miss - this Carl Sagan's Cosmos Series

Carl Sagan's Cosmos - Monday 22 September, 8.00 pm:

COSMOS: EPISODES 1 & 2

UK-USA, 1980, Dir. Adrian Malone w/Carl Sagan, 120mins, Documentary, English w/English subtitles, Rated: G

Episode-1: The Shores of the Cosmic Ocean: Carl Sagan opens the program with a description of the cosmos and a "Spaceship of the Imagination". The ship journeys through the universe's hundred billion galaxies, the Local Group, the Andromeda Galaxy, the Milky Way, the Orion Nebula, our Solar System, and finally the planet Earth. Episode-2: One Voice in the Cosmic

Fugue: Sagan discusses the story of the Heike crab and artificial selection of crabs resembling samurai warriors, as an opening into a larger discussion of evolution through natural selection (and the pitfalls of intelligent design).

Carl Sagan's Cosmos - Tuesday 23 September, 8:00 pm:
COSMOS: EPISODES 3 & 4

UK-USA, 1980, Dir. Adrian Malone w/Carl Sagan, 120mins, Documentary, English w/English subtitles, Rated: G
Episode-3: Harmony of the Worlds: Sagan follows the development of astronomical observation. Beginning with constellations and ceremonial calendars (such as those of the Anasazi), the story moves to the debate between Earth and Sun-centered models. Episode-4: Heaven and Hell: Sagan discusses comets and asteroids as planetary impactors, giving recent examples of the Tunguska event and a lunar impact described by Canterbury monks in 1178.

Carl Sagan's Cosmos-Wednesday 24 September, 8.00 pm:
COSMOS: EPISODES 5 & 6

UK-USA, 1980, Dir. Adrian Malone w/Carl Sagan, 120mins, Documentary, English w/English subtitles, Rated: G
Episode-5: Blues for a Red Planet: The episode, devoted to the planet Mars, begins with scientific and fictional speculation about the Red Planet during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Episode-6: Travelers' Tales : The journeys of the Voyager probes is put in the context of the Netherlands in the seventeenth century, with a centuries long tradition of sailing ship explorers, and its contemporary thinkers (such as Constantijn Huygens). Their discoveries are compared to the Voyager probes' discoveries among the Jovian and Saturn systems.

Carl Sagan's Cosmos - Thursday 25 September, 8.00 pm:
COSMOS: EPISODES 7 & 8

UK-USA, 1980, Dir. Adrian Malone w/Carl Sagan, 120mins, Documentary, English w/English subtitles, Rated: G
Episode-7: The Backbone of Night: Carl Sagan teaches students in a classroom in his childhood home in Brooklyn, New York, which leads into a history of the different mythologies about stars and the gradual revelation of their true nature. Episode-8: Journeys in Space and Time: Ideas about time and space are explored in the changes that constellations undergo over time, time dilation in Albert Einstein's theory of relativity, the designs of both Leonardo da Vinci and spacecraft that could travel near light speed, time travel and its hypothetical effects on human history, the origins of the Solar System, the history of life, and the immensity of space.

International - Saturday 27 September, 8:00 pm:

THE FAULT IN OUR STARS

USA, 2014, Dir. Josh Boone w/ Shailene Woodley, Ansel Elgort, Nat Wolff, and others, 126mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG-13

Hazel and Gus are two teenagers who share an acerbic wit, a disdain for the conventional, and a love that sweeps them on a journey. Their relationship is all the more miraculous given that Hazel's other constant companion is an oxygen tank, Gus jokes about his prosthetic leg, and they met and fell in love at a cancer support group.

Children's Film - Sunday 28 September, 4:30 pm:

ICE AGE: CONTINENTAL DRIFT 4

USA, 2012, Dir. Steve Martino & Mike Thurmeier w/ Ray Romano, Denis Leary, John Leguizamo, 88 mins, Animation-Adventure-Comedy, English, Rated: G
Manny, Diego, and Sid embark upon another adventure after their continent is set adrift. Using an iceberg as a ship, they see new sea creatures; battles pirates explore a new world.

Luchino Visconti Film Festival @ CINECLUB

The films of Visconti are among the most stylistically and intellectually influential of postwar Italian cinema. Born a scion of ancient nobility, Visconti integrated the most heterogeneous elements of aristocratic sensibility and taste with a committed Marxist political consciousness, backed by a firm knowledge of Italian class structure. Considered one of the founding fathers of the Italian neorealism film movement, he produced more lavish films that spanned a range of historical periods. Visconti was one of the greatest international film directors that emerged from the post-war Italian cinema.

Ciné-Club - Sunday 28 September, 8:00 pm:

• SENSO

Italy, 1954, Dir. Luciano Visconti w/ Alida Valli, Farley Granger, and others, 118mins, History-Romance, Italian w/English subtitles, Rated: PG
In the midst of war between Italy and Austria, Italian Countess Livia Serpieri finds herself swept off her feet by Austrian officer Franz Mahler. Filled with guilt, betrayal, and selfishness, Livia follows a romantic affair with tragic implications. A masterful film, with opulent, expansive sets and a bold soundtrack along with its own evocative music adorns the film. The early scenes, set in a Venetian theatre, use the performance as a backdrop to introduce the films central relationships and conflicts.

Rating codes we often use are from Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA): G=General Audiences, PG=Parental guidance suggested, PG-13=Parents strongly cautioned, R=Restricted (equivalent to Indian rating: A i.e. for Adults), NR=Film Not rated, Rating awaited, or Rating not available.

Kindly do not bring food, drinks, snacks, munchies or your pets into the auditorium. As a courtesy to fellow viewers please be sweet and stop chatting after the film starts.

For scheduling programs at MMC/CP venue: please email us at mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in.

We appreciate your continued support. Thanking You, MMC/CP Group Account# 105106, mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in

Important information about News & Notes (Absolute deadline for submissions or cancellations: Wednesday 11 am)

The contents of News & Notes are a reflection of the growth process of this community towards its ideals of harmony, goodwill, discipline and truth. Editing of submissions, mainly for reasons of space and clarity, is done according to an established policy.

How to submit material: Material (no pdf files, please) may be sent (in English only) to the N&N email address (below).

NB: Messages with large attachments (more than 1 MB) will not reach our inbox.

Please try your best to send your announcements, reports, film schedules whenever they are ready.

The Wednesday deadline (11am) is absolute as the News is given to the printers by Wednesday 2 pm.

Any modifications of the submitted News items have to be sent to the editors before Wednesday.

We regret not being able to attend to visitors on Wednesdays due to work pressure.

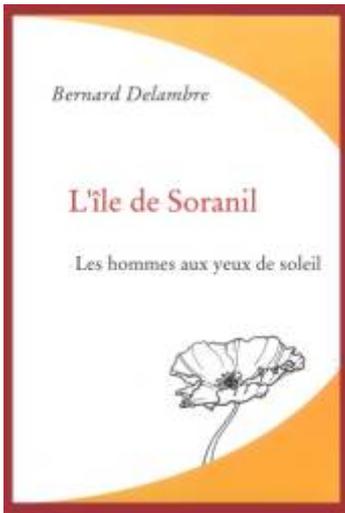
Articles for the Notes section should ideally be no longer than 500 words. All articles need to reach us by Tuesday noon.

Work groups please note: Long reports (more than one page) or reports that contain graphs or have specific requirements, need to reach the N&N desk latest by Tuesday noon. If such a report comes on Wednesday morning without prior notice, the editors cannot guarantee placement the same week.

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The French Pavilion
www.pavillon defrance.com



Invitation:

“L’île de Soranil”

Janaka will sign his book on Saturday September 20th, at the Morgan, where tea and snacks will be served from 3:00 to 5:00 pm.

This book is now available in Auroville: Freeland, Seagull (Visitors Centre), in Pondy: Focus and Auroville Boutique.

“La Kabbale et le langage des cellules”

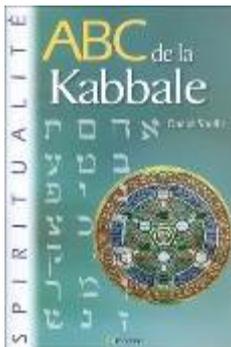
An exceptional documentary: a talk in French.

(Filmed during the congress on the quantum physics in Reims in November, 2013)

Daniel Souffir

Author of “ABC de la Kabbale”

“A delight for your cells, as in Mother’s Agenda when she speaks to her cells.”



Long criticized, distorted by centuries of ignorance and darkness, Kabbalah knows an unprecedented renewed interest today. Thousand year old and secret science, once transmitted from master to disciples by word of mouth, Kabbalah is before anything else, the science of to RECEIVE (in Hebrew “KIBBEL”: receive and “Kabbalah”: received, welcome).

Properly understood, the Kabbalah sacred science explains the universe while acting on it. It is thus not only the synthesis of the physical and metaphysical worlds, but it provides us with the instructions for use.

For an hour, Daniel Souffir spoke of our cells with simplicity and intelligence, with the heart and makes this complicated field understandable.

How to speak to our cells with consciousness?

“What is true for the Divine is true for us,
 What is true for the Divine and us is true for our cells”

Saturday September 20th, 2014 at 5pm.
Cinema Paradiso, Town Hall

« La Revue d'Auroville »

N° 37 just came out:

An article about water management in Auroville with interviews of Gilles Boulicot, Tom, Kireet and Cristo.

Including an article about Auroville International France.

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