

SAMACHAR

MAY 2012

KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN

IAK Sports Festival Summer 2012



As in previous years, IAK will organize a sports festival during the summer months. Before we decide on what tournaments to conduct this year, we would like to hear from you. In the past, we have conducted tennis, badminton, table tennis, chess, bowling. Should we continue the same tournaments? As you can see, most of these events focus on individual talent. Individual events tend to be highly competitive and reward outstanding talents in our community. However, a very small percentage of the community participate in these events because many of us may be self-conscious about their ability to compete as individuals in these events. Perhaps we can introduce team games in which more people can participate; for instance, volleyball or basketball or cricket. We could come up with teams based on the place of employment—Striker team, Pfizer team, WMU team, Pharmacists team, Borgess team, etc. This is just a possibility. If you have suggestions on other sports events or other strategies to increase community participation in the sports fest this summer, please contact Vijay Mehta as soon as possible.

Please keep in mind **two rules** that we have applied to individual tournaments in the past.

1. Participation in these competitions is free for IAK members. Non-members will have to pay **\$5.00 entrance fee** for each event.
2. If enough participants (a minimum of ten) do not sign up for any tournament the event will be cancelled and entrance fee returned to those who paid them.

If you are interested to take part in any of the events, please contact us before May 25. Contact persons-, Janaki Sunkara (372-3872), Kalpana Kumar (290-3537) or Vijay mehta (327-5456).

Make sure that you register before the deadline May 25th. We will make the final decisions on what tournaments to conduct, competition dates and venues on May 25th.

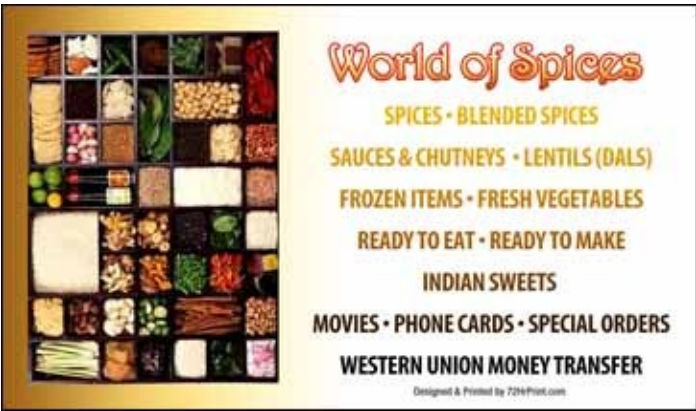
IAK calendar 2012

IAK Community Picnic	Aug 4
Music Night	Sept. 15
Navratri (Battle creek)	Oct. 20
Navratri (Kalamazoo)	Oct. 27
Diwali	Nov. 17

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**IAK MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
FORM**

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