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## Editorial

We are pleased to come to you online with your own Pravasi. We had interrupted the printed publication to make it an easily accessible online edition.

We owe it to our associates who had worked strenuously behind the scenes to make it a reality. Dallas Province had always been in the forefront in creating innovative ideas to bolster the image of World Malayalee Council, and I am extremely proud to be part of this group.

We encourage our associates from all Provinces to contact us with your suggestions and to contribute with news items and reports of provincial activities.

We join the families of our associates in congratulating the enterprising and hardworking children in their achievements as they graduate from High School. We hope that they will find the colleges of their choice and that they will find the transition to college a smooth and enjoyable experience.

Our feelings and prayers are with the families affected with the deadly fever in parts of Kerala. We hope that all of us will come to-

gether in supporting the efforts of Kerala Province in their relief efforts.

Together we can do a lot of good for each other, and for the needy in our communities, colleagues, and members of organizations that you belong to.

- *Kadavil*



## WMC Dallas web site

WMC Dallas has unveiled a new web site as

<http://www.wmcdallas.org>

Interested in advertising in the website? Contact secretary



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## Messages



Dear members,

WMC Dallas had an exciting year so far. We started 2007 with a New Year celebration joining our hand with North Texas province and followed by Family Night in May. We have kick started many ambitious new projects for 2007 and I request your cooperation and help to make each of our endeavors a success. Please call or write to me

Best Regards

*Pramod Nair*

President - WMC Dallas



Dear members,

It gives me a great pleasure to inform all of you that all our projects in 2006 were successfully implemented. 50 deserving college students in Kerala have been sponsored. We have many exciting new projects and events planned for 2007 and look forward to see each one of you fully participating in these.

Best Regards

*Aliaskutty Pathros*

Secretary - WMC Dallas

If you have articles / news to be published in Pravasi, please send them to the secretary Aliaskutty Pathros at [aliaspathrose@hotmail.com](mailto:aliaspathrose@hotmail.com).

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## WMC news

### Kerala Province heads relief efforts for victims of deadly fever.

WMC Kerala Province pioneers relief efforts for the victims of 'Chicken Gunia' and 'Dengi Pani'. Our associates have mobilized food and medicine for the relief of families affected by the virus. Food packets were distributed to over 200 families in Pathanamthitta District on June 16, 2007 by

a team headed by Mr. Ajay Kumar, coordinator of Nava Kerala projects. 'It is such a disheartening sight' says Mr. Ajay, on the plight of the affected families. As WMC assistance is delivered directly to the affected, it reaches them in a timely manner. Our assistance is greatly appreciated by the recipients.

Medicines were provided for patients in Kottayam District. Our timely support helped save the lives of a few. Reports from our associates indicate that there is request for help from other

affected parts of the state. As always, WMC hopes to rise to the occasion and should be able to reach as many people as possible.

For details please contact any member of our committee



TORONTO,  
CANADA,  
Philadelphia, NY  
joins World Malayalee  
Council

## Congratulations to all High School Graduates.

This summer hundreds of our children graduate from High School across America. High School graduation is the only time bound graduation ceremony in America as college courses are completed on a self paced manner. Ceremonies are held by families and communities in large scale and graduates are showered

with messages and presents. For many, it is a one of a life time experience. Malayalees go a step further from the mainstream community and support and encourage our children as they transition into the new life. Most children will be moving away from home into campuses across the nation. It should

be understood that they will be moving into campuses with student population over fifty thousand.

WMC Dallas hopes that our children will grab the opportunities presented to them and will excel in their fields of Education.

## New Provinces in America Region

June 24, 2007.

A new Province of World Malayalee Council has been formed in Toronto, Canada. America Region President Philip Thomas and Global chairman Andrew Pappachan were present on the occasion.

New province in Philadelphia, NY is also being added to growing province list under America Region.

WMC Dallas executive council welcomes new provinces and wishes all success in their operations and projects.



## WMC Dallas Project Updates

### Scholarship for 50 college students in Kerala, India

This In connection with the 50th Anniversary of Kerala Piravy, Dallas Province generated funds for providing scholarship for 50 college students and awarded the funds for the needy students selected from all Districts in Kerala. Kerala Province assisted in selection of students and the funds were distributed in 2006-2007 academic years.

### Dallas Provinces Establishes Thomas K. Thomas Memorial Cancer Support Fund

In memory of the late Regional President Mr. Thomas K. Thomas, Dallas Province launched a special fund to provide complete care for selected patients in Regional Cancer Center, Trivandrum. Deserving patients will be selected by Kerala Province and this year's recipients will be awarded to the patients around the 1st Anniversary of the demise of Mr. Thomas

K. Thomas on October 12th

WMC Dallas is planning towards making this a permanent fund so that needy cancer patients will be supported every year. Our cabinet is working diligently for raising funds for this special project.

Mr. Thomas K. Thomas was the first President of our province, and was an integral part of all our activities until his sudden demise on October 12, 2006.

<http://www.wmcdallas.org/CancerSupportFund.html>



*Tom K Thomas*

## Raffle Ticket Sale

Raffle ticket sale for WMC Cancer patient fund was inaugurated on May 6th by WMC Dallas Province president Mr. Pramod Nair during WMC family get together. Tickets are available with all executive committee members and also can be availed by sending a mail to

secretary / treasurer.

### Prizes :

1st: One 42" Plasma TV

2nd: One Laptop

3rd: One MP3 player

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*Thomas K Thomas*

*memorial fund*

*Raffle ticket sale*

*commenced*

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you wish to advertise in the  
journal or in the website*

## Coming events of 2007

- December 2007 Christmas Celebration
  - November 2007 Badminton Tournament
  - October 2007 Camping
  - October 2007 Award funds for cancer patients in Kerala
  - September 2007 WMC Family Annual Picnic
  - August 25 2007 Onam Celebration
  - July 28 2007 Medical Camp
- Contact Secretary for more details

## India draws closer to be the complete democracy

By declaring the candidature of Smt, Prathibha Patel for the President of India., UPA has drawn the country a step closer to the stake as the biggest and complete democracy in the globe. By placing a woman to the highest office of the country India will complete the democratic process of selecting a citizen irrespective gender and race to head the nation.



*Prathibha Patel*

Pravasi hopes that Smt. Prathibha Patil will complete the cycle of democratic evolution of the nation and will open up a new chapter of history

## WMC Dallas Province Executive Council



### World Malayalee Council

WMC was formed to network Malayalees around the world. The mission of WMC is to create a global Malayalee community able to communicate and co operate each other and continue the connection through generations thus maintaining the Malayalee identity for years to come. WMC is a movement of Malayalees propagating change in the attitude of a Malayalee to make them better human beings and demand the members to undergo the following five way tests.

1. Are you willing to help others
2. Are you concerned about the poor and the needy
3. Are you straight forward and trustworthy
4. Are you fair and impartial
5. Will you build friendship and good will

### Congratulations

Carrollton, TX-

**Bini Sebastian** received Martin Luther King award for painting.



Allen, TX -

**Ramya S Unnithan** received her MS in Software Engineering from University of Texas at Dallas.



### **Sibling drowned in freak accident.**

Houston, TX— Simpson(13) and Sharon (10), the only children of Simon Jacob and Cicily Thomas of Missouri City, Houston had lost their lives by drowning in Oyster Canal while trying to cross over to the Wal-Mart across from their home. The children were on their way to the Wal-Mart for spending some time while their mother was at work and their father was asleep at home. The children's disappearance was realized only when their mother came back from work in the evening. This incidence had shaken the spirits of the entire Malayalee community in Houston, and the entire United states.

## Technology News

### Google unveils new technology in maps

Google announced new innovations for Google Maps that offer a whole new perspective on search: Street View and Mappoints. Available on Google Maps at [maps.google.com](http://maps.google.com), Street View and Mappoints further Google's commitment to provide users with the most innovative maps available online and developers with new tools for creating and sharing geographic content.

Street View is a new feature of Google Maps that enables users to view and navigate within 360 degree street level imagery of various cities in the US. Street View provides users with a rich, immersive browsing experience directly in Google Maps, enabling greater understanding of a specific location or area. Street View imagery will initially be available for maps of the San Francisco Bay Area, New York, Las Vegas, Denver and Miami, and will soon expand to other metropolitan areas. By clicking on the "Street View"

button in Google Maps, users can navigate street level, panoramic imagery. With Street View users can virtually walk the streets of a city, check out a restaurant before arriving, and even zoom in on bus stops and street signs to make travel plans.



*Aim in high life  
and strive hard*

*- Swami Vivekananda*

## Management News

### What is Private Equity?

Private equity is a broad term that commonly refers to any type of equity investment in an asset in which the equity is not freely tradable on a public stock market. More accurately, private equity refers to the manner in which the funds have been raised, namely on the private markets, as opposed to the public markets. Private equity firms were commonly misunderstood to invest in assets which were not in the public market. However this is not necessarily the case---larger private equity firms such as KKR and Blackstone invest in companies listed on public exchanges and take them private. Passive institutional investors may invest in private equity funds, which are in turn used by private equity firms for investment in target companies. Categories of private equity investment include leveraged buyout, venture capital, growth capital, angel investing, mezzanine capital and others. Private equity funds typically control management of the companies in which they invest, and often bring in new management teams that focus on making the company more valuable. As they are not listed on an exchange, a private equity firm owning such securities must find a buyer in the absence of a traditional marketplace such as a stock exchange. The "exit" or "selling out" is often achieved by way of an initial public offering (IPO), i.e. floating the company on a stock exchange, trade sale or secondary/tertiary buy-

### Business Intelligence : an introduction

Business intelligence (BI) is a business management term, which refers to applications and technologies that are used to gather, provide access to, and analyze data and information about company operations. Business intelligence systems can help companies have a more comprehensive knowledge of

the factors affecting their business, such as metrics on sales, production, internal operations, and they can help companies to make better business decisions. Business Intelligence should not be confused with competitive intelligence, which is a separate management concept.

### Emerging technology—RFID

Radio-frequency identification (RFID) is an automatic identification method, relying on storing and remotely retrieving data using devices called RFID tags or transponders. An RFID tag is an object that can be attached to or incorporated into a product, animal, or person for the purpose of identification using radio waves. Most RFID tags contain at least two parts. One is an integrated circuit for storing and processing information, modulating and demodulating a radio frequency (RF) signal and perhaps other specialized functions. The second is an antenna for receiving and transmitting the signal. An emerging technology called chipless RFID allows for discrete identification of tags without an integrated circuit, thereby allowing tags to be printed directly onto assets at lower cost than traditional tags.



## WORLD MALAYALEE COUNCIL, INC.

(Completed form to be sent to the Province President/Secretary)



### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I wish to become a member of the World Malayalee Council and I submit this application for your favorable consideration. I have studied the bylaws of the WMC and I find myself fully qualified for its membership. I also affirm that I will abide by all the provisions of the bylaws and undertake the pledge as under.

**The prescribed fee for my membership is enclosed.**

**Full Name** : \_\_\_\_\_

Professional/Educational background: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth : (Optional) : \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

In USA

In India

**Address** : \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Tel No** : \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Family details**

**Spouse** : \_\_\_\_\_ **Birthday [MM/DD]** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Children** : \_\_\_\_\_ **Age** \_\_\_\_ **Birthday:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ **M/F:** \_\_\_\_

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**Signature of the Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommended by: Name** : .....

**Address** : .....

**Tel No** : .....

**E-mail address** : .....

**Membership Fee** : \$..... for the period from ..... to.....

**Check No:**..... (Drawn in favor of World Malayalee Council) [Annual membership \$25 and Life Member: \$250, Biennial fee]

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Checked/Verified eligibility / background of the candidate and found acceptable. An amount of \$..... has been received towards the membership for the period from ..... to.....

Mr./Ms/Miss/Dr..... is admitted as a Member of WMC in the Dallas Province of America Region of WMC.

**Signature of the President/Secretary of Province** : \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:**...../...../.....