

# MAYA PUWATH

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#### THANK YOU!

Our hats off to our amazing Fundraising Chairperson

# Nadeeka Gunasekera Ranasinghe!

Nadeeka worked so hard in calling the members, mailing the raffle tickets to the membership, selling tickets to many friends and family, collecting the money and counterfoils. All this work was done within a short time. She finished the job before the deadline and we were so fortunate to have collected about \$1,200 for our planned activities for this year. Thank you members for your support. Every cent counts!

#### VANCOUVER-- A TRAVEL DESTINATION

# Vancouver Researched!

The reason for my heading is that the information in my article is all research & not experience talking!! So if any of you really visit the below mentioned attractions & don't find them as I describe it...please refrain from cursing poor me. But of course if you find them to be all what I say & more & you all enjoy yourselves immensely, don't forget to remember me during your great vacation!!!! Vancouver is the largest City in the province of British Columbia & the third largest city in Canada. It is a city that is proud of it natural beauty & can boast of no less than 190 parks. The beauty of each park is only out done by a another park which would only be because it is bigger in size & therefore able to give greater attractions. The mild weather we experience thru out the year is said to be a major factor in maintaining these parks in such pristine condition. Stanley Park is one of the biggest with 400 hectors to boast about. Look out for the "Rose Garden", the "Lost Lagoon Nature House". The Theatre Under the Stars. And for the kids during the summer ,The children's water park and the miniature railway. They also have a golf course & tennis courts .I will mention one more park, The Queen Elizabeth Park. This park is located at the highest point of the city of Vancouver .From the many look out you have a 360 degree view of the Vancouver skyline. This is the VanDusen Botanical garden......it looks so beautiful that I had to include one more picture of a garden!! Another must see place is Granville Island. A place with lots to do for the whole family. This is part of downtown Vancouver and there are other places within a short distance like Gastown, Chinatown, Canada place & Robson Street. Robson street is a great place to do all your shopping.





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Sent by Nazrana Caffoor

### **SCHOLARSHIP**









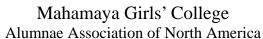














# 2006-2007 Undergraduate & Graduate Scholarship Program

This scholarship is intended to provide cost of books and material for a single semester for Mahamaya Girls' College alumnae pursuing undergraduate or graduate studies in the United States and Canada.

> The scholarship award may range from \$250.00 to \$300.00, depending on the avaiability of funds. The scholarship will be awarded to (a) student(s) demonstrating outstanding academic achievements, leadership ability, participation in extracurricular activities, and a significant level of financial need.

> > Relatives of the Board of Directors and Officers of MGCAANA are eligible to apply, if they qualify otherwise. APPLICATION PERIODS AND DEADLINES:

Spring Semester: November 1 – January

**AWARD NOTIFICATION:** 

Fall Semester: September 15 Spring Semester: January 31 **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:** 

Please visit our website at <a href="http://www.mahamayaalumnina.org">http://www.mahamayaalumnina.org</a> to view and download the scholarship application

> \*.Be sure to read the 'Directions and Requirements' carefully before completing the application. If you have any questions about the MGCAANA

Undergraduate & Graduate Scholarship Program, please contact the Scholarship

Selection Committee at Mahamaya alumnae@yahoo.com.

All application information is for selection purposes only and will be strictly confidential. Thank you very much for your interest in the Mahamaya Girls' College Alumnae Association of North America Undergraduate & Graduate Scholarship Program.

We look forward to receiving your completed application











#### **CONGRATULATIONS! NEW ARRIVAL!**



Kaushalya Premachandra and Rajnish Vandercone celebrated the birth of their baby daughter Lihini Vishvika Vandercone on July 8th, 2006 in Missouri. A warm welcome to Lihini and we wish Kaushalya and Rajnish much joy with their new bundle of joy!



#### CHILDREN.....

Your children are not your children. They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing for itself.

They come through you but not from you, And though they are with you yet they belong not to you.

You may give them your love but not your thoughts,

For they have their own thoughts.

You may house their bodies but not their souls, For their souls dwell in the house of tomorrow, which you cannot visit, not even in your

You may strive to be like them, but seek not to make them like you.

#### IF.....

If you can keep your head when all about you Are losing theirs and blaming it on you; If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you, But make allowance for their doubting too; If you can wait and not be tired by waiting, Or, being lied about, don't deal in lies, Or, being hated, don't give way to hating, And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise; If you can dream - and not make dreams your master; If you can think - and not make thoughts your aim; If you can meet with triumph and disaster And treat those twoimposters just the same; If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken

You may strive to be like them, but seek not to make them like you. For life goes not backward nor tarries with yesterday.

You are the bows from which your children as living arrows are sent forth.

The archer sees the mark upon the path of the infinite

and He bends you with His might that His arrows may go swift and far. Let our bending in the archer's hand be for gladness:

For even as He loves the arrow that flies, so He loves also the bow that is stable.

Kahlil Gibran- From The Prophet

Submitted by: Chathuri Nugawela Munasinghe

If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools, Or watch the things you gave your life to broken, And stoop and build 'em up with wornout tools; If you can make one heap of all your winnings And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss, And lose, and start again at your beginnings And never breath a word about your loss; If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew To serve your turn long after they are gone, And so hold on when there is nothing in you Except the Will which says to them: "Hold on"; If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue, Or walk with kings - nor lose the common touch; If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you; If all men count with you, but none too much; If you can fill the unforgiving minute With sixty seconds' worth of distance run -Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it, And - which is more - you'll be a Man my son!

Submitted by Chathuri Nugawela—Munasinghe

# **Rudyard Kipling**

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