



VPA 11 E-Newsletter

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THE COUNTDOWN HAS BEGUN!!!!

4 more weeks to go.

4....3.....2....1.... Here We go.

REGISTER TODAY !!!!!!!!!!!!!

Thank you for all the early Registrations

Book your air tickets now!!

It 's almost time to book your flights and the Hotel room.

Book your air tickets by

JUNE 10TH to get the 21 day booking deals.

VISWAMANAVA UPDATE:

We are dedicating our magazine to

SRI.K.P.POORNA CHANDRA

TEJASWI

He had a distinguished style of writing which heralded a new era in Kannada Literature.

Our Art Editor is busy designing our cover page.

WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOUR WRITING, SEND IN STORIES, ARTICLES, POEMS, TO:

Already Registered 250 & Counting.....

We are overwhelmed by your response & support

500+ attendees expected!!!

Scaling New Heights !!

Kavya Shivashankar, the New National spelling bee champ on the block. We are proud of our fellow Vokkaliga on her big achievement. VPA Congratulates Kavya and wishes her success in her future endeavors. Our Youth Committee has extended an invitation to Kavya and her family to attend the convention.



Kavya was declared the Spelling Bee champion after she correctly spelled "laodicean" at the end of the grilling championship finals which included 11 students from all across the country, seven of whom happened to be Indian-Americans. An eighth grader student from Olathe in Kansas, Kavya names Nupur Lala, the 1999 Scripps National Spelling Bee champion, as her role model and the inspiration for her spelling career. She looks forward to becoming a neurosurgeon. She participated in the 2006, 2007, and 2008 national finals-tying for 10th, 8th, and 4th place, respectively

THE 11th VPA Convention 2009 Presents Business Forum Speakers



DR. MADAI AH REVANA

Dr. Madaiah Revana grew up in rural India near the city of Bangalore where his family has been farming for generations. Dr. Revana balances a successful practice as a cardiologist in Houston, Texas with his commitment to winemaking. In 1997, while visiting the Napa Valley, Dr. Revana discovered a small parcel of prime vineyard land just north of the town of St. Helena. He immediately sensed the property's potential and thus began the now famous Revana Winery. His love for both wine and the rich tradition and culture of winemaking led him first to develop his estate Cabernet property in Napa Valley and then Alexana in Oregon's Dundee Hills.

Here is an Interview Excerpt [Interview with Dr. Madaiah Revana.](#)

ASHOK GOWDA, Ph.D. - Founder, President and CEO BioTex Inc. (Biotexmedical.com)

Dr. Gowda has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of BioTex, Inc. since its inception in April 1997. His roles at the Company include those of Inventor, scientist, and manager of technology development. Dr. Gowda has functioned as principal investigator on government and private foundation sponsored research projects to develop novel cutting edge medical technologies. Dr. Gowda currently leads NIH supported early stage efforts to develop improved laser delivery systems for treatment of cardiac arrhythmias, gastroesophageal reflux disorder, and focal cancerous tumors.

Dr. Gowda received his BE degree in Biomedical Engineering from Vanderbilt University in 1991 and the M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Bioengineering from Texas A&M University in 1998. Dr. Gowda's primary research interests are in the medical therapeutic device development with emphasis on laser-based thermal therapies.

More about Ashok Gowda, at

[http://www.visualase.net/;](http://www.visualase.net/)

[http://www.biotexmedical.com/;](http://www.biotexmedical.com/)

Singles Dilemma !

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Singles Meet:

Register on:

www.vpamatch.com.

**Check out Youth Forum
onFACEBOOK**

Group:

2009 VPA Youth Forum

1. I want to register now, but I may be the only one
2. I want to create a online profile, but I may be the only one
3. Maybe I will check out the singles meet at the 11th VPA Convention

Register Today and create your profile at www.vpamatch.com and be a part of the Singles meet ahead of time.

Note from the VPA National Secretary:
Please renew your annual membership dues
for 2009 to be eligible to vote in the
general body meeting.

We will be back with more soon.

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