



ಒಕ್ಕಲಿಗರ ಪರಿಷತ್ತು, ಅಮೇರಿಕ
Vokkaligara Parishat of America (VPA)
www.myvpa.org



Non-Profit Tax ID: 31-1529941

13th VPA National Convention, Eaglewood Resort, Chicago, Illinois July 4-6, 2013

VPA President

Shiva Shankar – 630-670-7040

VPA Midwest President

Deepak Bangalore – 847-344-6002

Convention Chairperson

Vasanthi Gowda – 630-963-0923

VPA Secretary

Renu Nagaraj – 630-455-1972

Convention Treasurer

Thribhuvana Murthy – 630-430-4012

VPA Treasurer

Lakshmana Mittur – 847-867-1415

Dear Vokkaligara Parishat of America Members,

On behalf of the 2013 VPA Convention Committee, we would like to wish you and your family a Happy New Year.

The VPA 2013 Convention will be held at the Eaglewood Resort and Spa in Itasca, Illinois on July 4-6, 2013. The hotel rooms and convention activities are all located under one roof. We were able to secure the hotel rate for VPA guests at \$99 per night (plus taxes and fees). Please take a look at the Eaglewood Resort and Spa website for more details and to book your rooms: <http://www.eaglewoodresort.com/>. The VPA 2013 Convention Group code is "VOKK0705" to get the discounted rate.

The three-day convention will be showcasing the talents and heritage of Vokkaligas. It will be an exciting event filled with entertaining cultural programs, as well as a woman's forum, business forum, and lectures given by prominent doctors in CME. All attendees will also be offered authentic cuisine for breakfast, lunch, and dinner from top Indian restaurants and caterers.

This is a great opportunity for Vokkaligas to meet and mingle under one roof and get to know each other better. In addition, it provides a chance for VPA's younger members to socialize with their peers and gain the community spirit needed to strengthen our community bonds.

Our committee members are already hard at work to make this a memorable convention for you all. **Registration is now open.** Please register using the convenient secured online registration which is available at: <http://myvpa.org/2013/VPAConvention.html> or you can also download the registration form for mail-in registration.

Please contact us if you would like to bring a program from your home state, write an article or submit an advertisement for the Souvenir, or to get involved in the numerous other convention activities such as CME, Women's Forum, or Business Forum.

We are confident that you and your family will enjoy your long weekend here in Chicago. Thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you all next summer.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Vasanthi Gowda
Chairperson, VPA Convention 2013

Mr. Shiva Shankar
President, VPA