

Son #1 bought her a 15-room mansion, thinking this would surely be the best that any of them could offer her.

Son #2 bought her a beautiful Mercedes with a chauffeur included, thinking this would surely win her approval.

Son #3 had to do something even better, so he bought her a parrot that he had been training for 15 years to memorize the entire Bible. You could ask the parrot any verse in the Bible, and he could quote it word for word. What a gift that would be.

Well, the old lady went to the first son and said, "Son, the house is just gorgeous, but it's really much too big for me. I only live in one room, and it's too large to clean and take care of. I really don't need the house, but thank you anyway."

Then she confronted her second son with, "Son, the car is beautiful. It has everything you could ever want on it, but I don't drive and really don't like the chauffeur, so please return the car."

Next, she went to Son #3 and said, "Son, I just want to thank you for your most thoughtful gift. That chicken was delicious."

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A man died and went to The Judgment. St. Peter met him at the Gates of Heaven and said, "Before you meet with God, I thought I should tell you -- we've looked at your life, and your really didn't do anything particularly good or bad. We're not at all sure what to do with you. Can you tell us anything you did that can help us make a decision?"

The newly arrived soul thought for a moment and replied, "Yeah, once I was driving along and came upon a woman who was being harassed by a group of bikers. So I pulled over, got out my tire iron, and went up to the leader of the bikers. He was a big, muscular, hairy guy with tattoos all over his body and a ring pierced through his nose. Well, I tore the nose ring out of his nose, and told him he and his gang had better stop bothering the woman or they would have to deal with me!"

"I'm impressed," St. Peter responded, "When did this happen?"

"About two minutes ago," came the reply.

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**JUNE....** and the monsoon is with us and how! Landslides, torrential winds and a deluge - we have everything! School is in, the kids are back, our revellers are back after a cruise-more on that later! And at Roland Garros, Rafa rolled back the years and rolled over Wawrinka to make it ten French opens- that's just ridiculous, isn't it? What a player!



We regret to inform you of the passing of two of our members Mr. Jos D'Souza and Mr. A.J. Coelho.

**Housie** will held on the 17<sup>th</sup> by the poolside, as the AC hall is undergoing renovation. Do come in large numbers!

**Rummy tournament** will be held on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June at 10 30 AM.

**KNOW YOUR CHEF**



This week we feature Ravindra Salian. Ravindra is from Bantwal and, like most Indian males, loves playing cricket!

Born in 1973, he has recently joined our kitchen. He has 25 years of experience and calls himself an all rounder cook, using a cricket metaphor! His specialty is Punjabi chicken dishes and chicken Multani.

The Mangalore club picnic was a tremendous success and MC Today had a gorgeous roving reporter ringside- this is her report!



## THE JOLLY CRUISERS

Well , dear friends, here's the story of one crazy trip  
This year , the Mangalore Club picnic, was on board a cruise ship.

The Royal Carribean's majestic 'Voyager of the Seas' was she  
Organised by Cox and Kings, Singapore, Penang and Phuket, we did see  
With twenty six adults and six kids, a happy bunch were we.

This eventful journey at Mangalore Airport did start  
Even the distant seat numbers on the plane, couldn't keep us apart.

The Immigration staff at Singapore may have stopped us at the gate  
If only they knew, that week,how much the alcohol consumption would escalate!

On board the ship,we got comfy and found a place to hang out, a hub  
We invaded the Piano Bar and re-christened it 'The Mangalore Club'.

While we ladies and kids, from one deck to another, did dart  
Our men stayed put and stole the Ukranian barmaid's heart.

From then on there was no looking back  
The spirits kept flowing till we hit the sack!

The next few days from shows to pool parties to karaoke, we did prance  
Watching the handsome performers, all the dainty ladies were in a trance  
Each night in the nightclub, till four a.m. we did dance.

The food was divine-sumptuous and absolutely great  
For that big a spread ,it seemed like too small a plate  
And now the MC gym is full of cruisers wanting to lose that weight!

Dancers, singers, drinkers and jokers, we had them all  
With our talent, many a fellow passenger we did enthral  
Together we laughed, made merry and had an absolute ball.

In Singapore, at Universal Studios and Water World, the kids had a blast  
The child in us emerged as we reminisced about the past  
There was a lot of spinning and screaming as the rides went really fast.

The foodies amongst us travelled a great distance by cab  
And were finally satisfied when they found the perfect pepper crab.

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The night before we left , at Clarke Quay, we decided to rock  
Emptying out the nightclub's precious 'stock'  
And leaving the bartenders in a state of shock!

Thus was our holiday, filled with so many memories  
We sure could write a book with all our stories!

In conclusion I'd like to say - we were all so different and yet united as one  
To which I must add, that on a holiday, I haven't ever had so much fun.

Cheers to good friends and good times, may the 'spirits' always remain high  
Looking forward to the next MC picnic, signing off for now - goodbye!

**Ramona Mathias**



**LAUGHTER**

A man was driving home late one afternoon above the speed limit. He noticed a police car with its red lights in his rear view mirror. He thought, "I can outrun this guy," so he floored it and the race was on. The cars were racing down the highway at 90 miles an hour. Finally, as his speedometer passed 100, the guy figured, "What the heck," and gave up. He pulled over to the curb. The police officer got out of his cruiser and approached the car.

He leaned down and said, "Listen mister, I've had a really lousy day, and I just want to go home. Give me a good excuse and I'll let you go." The man thought for a moment and said, "Three weeks ago, my wife ran off with a police officer. When I saw your cruiser in my rear view mirror, I thought you were that officer and you were trying to give her back to me!"

The officer let him go.

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There was a little old lady who was nearly blind, and she had three sons who wanted to prove which one was the best to her.

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