

*2012 Annual General Body Meeting*

**2011 Events and Activities**

Delivered by Thayumanasamy Somasundaram at the 2012 Annual General Body Meeting

*Saturday, January 28, 2012 2:00 PM Meeting Room A, [Leon County Public Library](#), 200 West Park Avenue, Tallahassee, FL 32301.*

Good Afternoon members and the general public,

Welcome to the 2012 Annual General Body Meeting of the India Association of Tallahassee. I also welcome our new Executive Committee members, Trustee Mr Krishnan Viswanathan, other Trustees, current Executive Committee and members of the [India Association of Tallahassee](#), and their families. It is my pleasant duty to report to you about the events and activities of the last year (2011). On behalf of my team, while not discounting the efforts of previous committees, I would say the Cultural Glimpses of 2011 was one of the best organized events of IATLH. We also successfully produced and distributed DVD of the program, in response to several members' requests. We tried to expand our member-base by offering many exciting programs and constantly engaging the members, I am happy to report that our membership status is very good is around 200 families, highest number so far. This is directly attributable to coordinators, performers, parents, and volunteers. Similarly due to extraordinary efforts of my team, especially Dastagiri Mettuapalli, we were able to secure several Premier, Platinum, Gold, Patron level sponsors for Glimpses 2011. I would like to take an this opportunity to thank all those sponsors. Without you a successful Glimpses is very difficult to achieve. Now a brief recap of last year's events.

**IATLH Events**

1. January 2011: Art Contest Republic Day Annual General Body Meeting
  - 100 people attended
2. March 2011: Holi Festival
  - 150 people attended; dozen groups volunteered and prepared food
3. March 2011: International Bazaar with CGE
4. April 2011: Springtime Tallahassee Parade with ACT

- Seven people participated; several people came to witness.
5. May 2011: Asian Awareness Month
    - Several members were invited to the Governor's mansion.
  6. May 2011: Sports Day
    - Over 100 people participated
  6. August 2011: India Day and Utsav
    - Over 200 participated.
  7. October 2011: Experience Asia Festival
    - One group performed for this full-day event with 12,000 attending.
  8. November 2011: Glimpses of India 14th year
    - Twenty-four separate events with well over 1000 people attending the program.

### General Items

1. Slowly moving to on-line payments for membership and DVD
2. Used a commercial company to produce DVD
3. Used Form-stack to allow on-line registration
- 4.** Good working relationship with other associations (ACT, FSU-IC, G Samaj)
- 5.** Three Premier Level, Two Diamond Level, Nine Gold Level and Fifteen Parton Level Sponsors

Finally I want to thank the IATLH Members with out whom we neither exist nor prosper. I request your continued participation and financial support. I pledge to continue the work of the Association.

Sincerely,

Thayumanasamy Somasundaram

President of IATLH (2010-11)