



# Independence Day Greetings & Best Wishes

from

## India Association of St. Louis



You are cordially invited to

# MELA '10



## on Sunday August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010

at Mahatma Gandhi Cultural Center (717 Weidman Rd, Ballwin, MO 63011)

**Keynote Address:** by Missouri Attorney General, **Mr. Chris Koster**

**Invited dignitary:** Consul General, **Mr. Ashok Kumar Attri**, Indian Consulate (Chicago)

*Join the fun & festivity of India's Independence Day celebrations*

Assembly	11:00am	
Flag hoisting	11:30am	followed by keynote speech & opening of MELA
MELA	11:30am to 5:30pm	food, merchandize, info/ad stalls
Competitions	1:00pm to 3:00pm	essay writing, math, drawing competitions for kids [middle school (junior) & high school (senior)- 2 age group students]; flower arrangement & on-the-spot patriotic/ cultural theme digital photography competitions for adults
Cultural Program	4:30pm to 5:30pm	colorful folk, cultural & patriotic theme dances/ songs/ skits
Awards & Conclusion	5:30pm to 6:00pm	

**Attractions:** Indian Dresses, Costume Jewelry, Decorative Items & other merchandize; **Masala DOSA**, Idli, Vada, Bhel, Samosa, Tikki, Chaat, Gol-Gappe, Dahi-Vada, Veggie-Cutlets, Gulab-Jamun, Biryani, Pasta, Pakora, Lassi..... & tons of fun !!

*Admission to cultural program: Members- free; Non-members- \$5.00; Non-member Participants- \$3.00  
Putting up a food/ merchandize/ info/ Ad Stall- \$50.00 Participation in a competition- \$3.00*

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