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# BENGALI ASSOCIATION OF GREATER ROCHESTER NEWSLETTER

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## 2009 - 2010 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- ❖ Lilly Mitra (President)
- ❖ Avijit Dasgupta (Secretary)
- ❖ Falguni Bagchee (Treasurer)
- ❖ Anita Banerjee
- ❖ Nilanjan Dasgupta
- ❖ Ranu Ghosh
- ❖ Indrani Mitra

## 2010 - 2011 PRESIDENT ELECT:

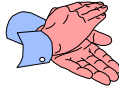
- ❖ Soumyaroop Bhattacharya

## General Body Meeting



The annual general body meeting took place on 28<sup>th</sup> April at ICC . The outgoing president, Peter Paul, presented the State of the Association including financials. The outgoing secretary, Kunal Bhowmick gave a good summary of last year's activities. This was followed by a general body discussion and election for the next committee. The new office bearers are as shown to the left. ♣

## Thank you 2008 committee!



Kudos to the 2008-09 BAGR committee for a very successful year and a big thanks for providing the community with a memorable year. Under the able leadership of Peter Paul, we have seen all events go very smoothly and have greatly enjoyed every event, thanks to the hard work and dedication of all the committee members ♣

## Bivash Submissions

Thanks to Anita Banerjee and Indrani Mitra who have agreed to take the lead on getting the compilation for Bivash together. Please submit all articles to Anita or Indrani at [indy.banerjee@gmail.com](mailto:indy.banerjee@gmail.com) or [indrani@rochester.rr.com](mailto:indrani@rochester.rr.com) respectively ♣

## Noboborsho Celebration



The general body meeting was preceded by the *noboborsho* program. The fun-filled program comprised a wonderful childrens' dance recital – thanks to Raka Ghosh for her tireless efforts in putting the recital together. Additionally there were some splendid impromptu songs rendered by Julie Paul and the U of R student choir group led by Simantini Ghosh.

To top off the evening festivities was the excellent food fare that was prepared by members of the community. Thanks to all of you for making the event a success! ♣

# Summer Picnic



## MEMBERSHIP FEES

The membership fees are as follows. Please send your membership dues (check payable to BAGR) to Falguni Bagchee, 11 Coachside Lane, Pittsford NY 14534.

- ❖ Family - \$125/year
- ❖ Single - \$60/year
- ❖ Student Family - \$40/year
- ❖ Student Single - \$20/year
- ❖ Guest - \$20/event
- ❖ Guest Family - \$40/event
- ❖ Student Guest - \$7/event
- ❖ Student Guest Family - \$15/event

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### SUMMER PICNIC

WEBSTER PARK, LAKE VIEW SHELTER #2  
JULY 11, 2009 SATURDAY  
12 NOON

### BUFFALO DURGA PUJA

LAST WEEK OF SEP, 2009 (EXACT DATE WILL BE NOTIFIED BY EMAIL)

### BIJOYA CELEBRATIONS

ICC  
OCTOBER 17, 2009 SATURDAY

### SARASWATI PUJA

ICC  
JANUARY 23, 2010 SATURDAY (TENTATIVE)

### NOBOBORSHO CELEBRATIONS

ICC  
APRIL 24, 2010 SATURDAY (TENTATIVE)

Please reserve **Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> of July** in your calendar ASAP! The BAGR summer picnic will be held at the **Webster Park, Lakeview Shelter #2**

(<http://www.monroecounty.gov/Image/Webster%20Park.pdf>) and we look forward to a wonderful fun-filled day. Attached is a map of the facility. Several fun events have been planned and of course, to top it all, we plan to have great food and some wholesome *adda!*♣

## Community News



- ❖ The BAGR community was saddened at the demise of Anjan Bagchee's mother, Lilly Mitra's mother, Dinesh Tyagi's mother, Indrajit Banerjee's father and Sanjay Palit's mother. Our thoughts are with the Bagchee, Mitra, Tyagi, Banerjee and Palit family.
- ❖ Congratulations to Saurabh Ghosh, son of Ranu & Amitabha Ghosh for graduating from high school. Saurabh joins SUNY Buffalo to pursue his undergraduate studies.
- ❖ Congratulations to Subrata Das, daughter of Mamata and Sudhakar Das for graduating from SUNY Buffalo. Subrata joins Syracuse University to pursue her career in medicine.
- ❖ Congratulations to Shabnam, Akib, Zoya & Intekhab Alam on their new home.
- ❖ Congratulations to Indrani & Shyamal Mitra on their new home.
- ❖ Congratulations to Christina and Subhasis Mukerjee on the birth of their daughter Anika Niki Mukerjee.
- ❖ Congratulations to parents Amit and Urvashi Saha and grandparents Dr. Sushil and Sabita Saha on the birth of Ariana and Roshan Saha.
- ❖ A warm welcome to our new community members Dipti and Sagar Ghosh Dastidar and their son Sanjoy.

Please send all community news to Avijit at [avidasgupta@gmail.com](mailto:avidasgupta@gmail.com) for inclusion in the BAGR newsletters.

Looking forward to a great year ahead for the Association! ♣

# বেঙ্গলী এ্যাসোসিয়েশন অফ্‌ গ্লেটার রচেষ্টার

## সমাচারপত্র

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### কমিটি

প্লেসিডেন্ট : লিলি মিএ

সেএটোরি : অভিজিৎ দাশগুপত

ট্লেসারার : ফালগুনী বাগচী

সদস্য-সদস্যা :

অনিতা ব্যানার্জী, নীলানজন দাশগুপত, রানু ঘোষ, ইন্দ্রাণী মিত্র

নির্বাচিত প্লেসিডেন্ট : সৌম্যরুপ ভট্টাচার্য



বিগত ১৮ই এপ্রিল নববর্ষ উদযাপনের সাথে বেঙ্গলী এ্যাসোসিয়েশনের নতুন কমিটি কার্যভার গৃহণ করেছে। রাকার ঘোষের পরিচালনায় একটি মনোরম নাচের আসর পরিবেশিত হল। রাকাকে এবং নাচে যারা অংশগ্রহণ করেছিল তাদের সমিতির তরফ থেকে অভিনন্দন জানাই।

বিগত কমিটির সবাই সারা বছর অনেক পরিশ্রম করেছেন বছরটিকে আনন্দময় করে তুলতে। যাঁরা এগিয়ে এসে সব কাজে সাহায্য করেছেন তাদের সবাইকে জানাই ধন্যবাদ।

আগামী ১১ই জুলাই পিকনিক হবে। সকলকে দুপুর ১২টায় আসবার জন্য অনুরোধ জানাই। নানারকম খাবার এবং খেলাধুলোর আয়োজন করা হবে। নতুন কমিটির তরফ থেকে সবাইকে আসার জন্য অনুরোধ করছি।

বিভাসের লেখা এখন থেকে পেলে খুব সুবিধে হয়। অনুগ্রহ করে কমিটির যেকোন সদস্য অথবা সদস্যকে লেখা পাঠিয়ে দিলে বাধিত হবে।

অন্য সব খবর ইংরেজি অংশে দেওয়া হল।





# MONROE COUNTY'S WEBSTER PARK

Maggie Brooks  
County Executive





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## Trail Information

### If you have rented a Lodge...

Stop at the park office and a park employee will follow you to the lodge and open it for you.

### If you have rented a Shelter...

A park employee will stop by to check your permit.

### Webster Park Hours and Rules

Webster Park is open everyday from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. The shelters and lodges are reserved by calling 753-PARK (7275) and are available from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. daily.

Our County Parks are **Carry-In Carry-Out**.

Please take all garbage with you to dispose of after you leave. Keg Beer is permitted if stamped on your rental permit. Recreation fields are available on a first come / first serve basis if the fields are not rented. **Pets must be leashed.**

**Bicycles are not allowed on trails.**

**Youth Camping is available by permit only by calling 872-5326.**

**Webster Park Family Campgrounds** is open seasonally May 15th through October 15th. 40 campsites include electric and water with nearby rest rooms, showers and a new playground. For information and reservations call 872-5326.

**Monroe County's Park Staff Assistance:**  
872-0083 or 509-2828

**Information & Reservations:**  
753-PARK (7275)  
www.monroecounty.gov

### Ridge Trail

This trail is an easy 1.4 mile walk over gently rolling terrain. Most of this trail follows a mowed lane bordered by ash, cherry, maple, locust, box elder and cottonwood trees. There are a variety of shrubs including several species of dogwoods, multi-flora roses and honeysuckle. Since the path is fairly wide, it receives a good deal of sunshine, so look for seasonal wildflowers. The loop portion of the trail passes through white and red pines, oak, black cherry and spruce trees. A highlight of this trail is the old field on the west side of the trail. It has a large variety of wildflowers and is a great place to look for insects, butterflies and birds. While in the area, check out the fishing pier and great views of Lake Ontario from the observation points across Lake Road.

### West Loop

This is an easy to moderate 1.6 mile trail with a few hills. It is a great trail any time of the year so don't be discouraged by the road portion because you will be rewarded with beautiful woodlands. A highlight of this trail is the West Field portion on the northern portion of the loop. This field is in the secondary stage of succession with a variety of shrubs, wildflowers and trees, which makes it a great area for birding especially during migration. It is especially beautiful in fall when brilliant purple asters and a variety of goldenrod wildflowers are blooming. You will pass through a large stand of spruce trees, so look for red squirrel middens. As you pass along the creek, look for ferns and seasonal wildflowers. There is also a large stand of white and red pine trees which makes this a beautiful cross-country ski or snowshoe trail. Another highlight of this trail is the portion through hardwoods of oak, maple, and beech trees, which make this a spectacular fall hike. Don't forget to look up because some of these trees are more than 75 feet tall. This is also great habitat for wild turkey. Along the gravel road portion of the trail there are maple, beech, black cherry, oak, pine and ash trees. Across from the entrance to the campground see if you can find the larch trees.

### Valley View

This is an easy .6 mile walk over gently rolling terrain. Before starting down the trail, stop by the park bench and enjoy the view of the valley. Much of this trail passes through a former orchard as there are Seckel pear, apple, crabapple, and cherry trees. Since there are also dogwood shrubs, wild grapes, and oak trees this trail is good for birding and wildlife viewing especially in late summer and fall.

### Ryan's Point

This is a moderate .5 mile trail with several hills. Much of the trail meanders through pine and spruce woods, making it a pretty cross-country ski or snowshoe trail. Portions of the trail pass through woods with cherry, oak, maple, and birch trees amongst the conifers. Look for several kinds of ferns and seasonal woodland wildflowers.

### Orchard Trail

This is a easy to moderate .8 mile trail. For the most part the trail is over gently rolling terrain and follows Mill Creek. Getting down and back up again from the creek is the moderate portion of the trail. Be sure to check out the observation point just west of the trailhead around Orchard shelter. There is a collection of unusual trees, including basswood, horsechestnut, sycamore, birch, oak, and maple. The trail is a pleasant walk along a portion of Mill Creek through ash, oak, maple, cherry, pine and spruce trees. Look for ferns and seasonal wildflowers.

**Please be aware of seasonal changes in trail conditions and be prepared for natural environment such as mosquitoes and poison ivy in some areas.**