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17th Annual National Convention

Welcome to **THAMIZHAR THIRUVIZHAA – 2004!**

July 2, 3, 4, and 5

IN THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA

Convention Venue and Program Details will be announced soon. FeTNA is the apex body of Tamil Sangams of North America. The name FeTNA stands for Federation of Tamil Sangams of North America. It has been instrumental in organizing annual Tamil Conventions for the last 16 years. Conventions are usually organized during the July 4th long weekend (Independence Day in USA) in a major city in USA each year.

FeTNA conventions bring Tamils all over USA and Canada and also eminent Tamils from Tamil Nadu and all over the world. Eminent Tamils from different fields, including Tamil scholars, orators, poets, artists from various fields like cinema, drama, Bharatha Natyam, folk dances, music and last but not least Tamil political leaders grace the convention. During last year's grand convention in New Jersey, audience had the unique distinction of participating in a live teleconference with Hon. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, President of India. Last year's convention was treated to an orchestra by cine playback singer Shankar Mahadevan and troupe, drama by cine stars Manivannan, Sneha and Mayilsamy, Pattimanram by Solomon Pappaiya, Kavi Arangam, Nandan Kadhai musical drama by a troupe from Tanjavur Tamil university, speech by Radio Veritas personality Fr. Jegath Gasper Raj etc. It was a memorable weekend. Audience is treated to a variety of entertainment programs, food for thought and when they are hungry they are treated with delicious food also! The three-day convention makes people feel as though they have made a trip overseas to our motherland!

Past conventions have attracted luminaries from various fields. A sample of names is given below:

Poets: Abdul Rahman, Sirpi Balasubramaniam, Arivu Mathi

Cine personalities: Kamal Hassan, Sivaji Ganesan, Sathyaraj, Bharathi Raja, S.V. Sekar, Revathi, Kushboo

Music: Anuradha Sriram, Harini, S.P. Balasubramanian, Susheela, Unni Krishnan, Ilayaraja

Political leaders: Vaiko, Kumari Anandan

Tamil Orators: Suki Sivam

Tamil writers: Jayakanthan, Sivasankari



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