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We welcome you to the Generation OM Annual Fundraiser Banquet, Generation OM's stated aim is to provide scholarships to American Hindu undergraduate students while providing them with tools and activities that support their education and understanding of Hinduism and its values. College scholarships will be awarded initially to students based in Central Florida.

Earlier this year in September, Generation OM's Board of Directors awarded three Scholarships to outstanding American Hindu students, based in Central Florida. One of them has begun her quest for an undergraduate degree at the University of Central Florida, one at The University of Florida and one at the University of South Florida. The successful applicants had achieved very strong GPAs and had been involved in numerous community volunteer projects. Reading their Generation OM scholarship applications and responses to being a Hindu in America along with their answers to the summary points of view was indeed a pleasure. Once the Board of Directors had a chance to interview the candidates, they all knew that they were on the right track of attracting the best of American Hindu students residing in Central Florida who would be the ideal Youth Ambassadors'.



You will soon meet the successful American Hindu students who have been awarded the Generation OM's 2010 academic scholarships amounting to \$6,000.00 each.

We do need your help in meeting this goal. With your help, we can build a better tomorrow, a better life and a better society. Your donations will be used to provide scholarships to American Hindu students who are undertaking undergraduate degrees and help them gain a better understanding of Hinduism and it's far reaching effects on all aspects of life.

American Hindu students who receive scholarship grants will also be expected to adhere to the Generation OM Mission statement and become Youth Ambassadors for the organization, taking an active part in our events. They will exemplify a life of peace and harmony with all communities in America and become role models for the Hindu community; they will show how to function in "America's Society," and retain their ethnic Hindu identity and culture.

Donate generously and help us educate our American Hindu students, preparing them for the changes and challenges of the 21st

century and the quest to make our world a better and peaceful place.

Mission Statement

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.

Sir Winston Churchill

I came across the above quote many years ago while reading the life and teachings of Swami Vivekananda. Recent research has revealed that this quote was in fact by Sir Winston Churchill (British politician 1874 - 1965). This quote has significantly influenced my thoughts and outlook on life, hence the choice for it being the Mission Statement for Generation OM. We each have our own interpretation of what message the quote conveys. John Maxwell in his book Your Roadmap to Success summarizes his understanding as:

Helping others is something you can start doing today, whether it's spending more time with your family, developing an employee who shows potential, helping people in the community, or putting your own desires on hold to benefit your team.

The key is to find your purpose and help others while you're pursuing it. As entertainer Danny Thomas said: "All of us are born for a reason, but all of us don't discover why. Success in life has nothing to do with what you gain in life or accomplish for yourself. It's what you do for others."

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Anil Deshpande, president of Deshpande, Inc., is a prominent businessman in the United States and India. He and his wife Chitra have supported UCF programs related to India and other international initiatives during the past several years. They were eager to help the university enhance its connections with India.

"The United States is the superpower, and India is an emerging power. Both are important democracies of the world," Anil Deshpande said. "We have made this endowment to enable the creation of a program that promotes understanding and expanded relations between the two."

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Generation OM, a nonprofit organization, received some excellent applications for the CY 2010 Generation OM Scholarships Awards. The Board of Directors and External Board Advisors reviewed the applications in detail and conducted detailed interviews with selected Applicants, After careful consideration and deliberation, the Board of Directors of Generation OM selected three successful applicants and awarded them with the Generation OM Scholarships.

The Generation OM
Awards Ceremony at Chinmaya
Mission was attended by well
over 100 students and parents. It
was really nice to hear one of the
parents relay to the Generation
OM Board of Directors that her
son, who is 8, asked her if he
could apply for the Generation
OM Scholarship when he
graduates High School. We
certainly hope so. This all
happens with your kind support.
Thank you.

The Scholarships were awarded on Sunday Morning September 5th. 2010 at the Chinmaya Mission, Casselberry, FL

Generation OM is a
Florida based 501 (c) 3 nonprofit organization that rewards academic excellence to college bound high school students while providing resources to help students develop a better understanding of their Hindu culture and family values. This organization is supported by community donations and by a dynamic Board of Directors and External Board Advisors who all believe in the Mission Statement.

The successful applicants are:



Mathivadana Selvamani aka Veena

Graduating senior at Paul J. Hagerty High School, Oviedo College:

University of Central Florida



Nikita Vinod Patel
Graduating senior at Tavares High
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Saturday, August 6th 2011

Generation OM Annual Fundraiser Banquet & Scholarship Awards Night

Genertation OM participates at MyShadi Bridal Expo

Sunday September 12th. 2010

The Board of Directors of Generation OM would like to sincerely thank Aruna and Raj Shah of Desh-Videsh for providing Generation OM a complementary booth at the forth coming "MyShadi Bridal Expo being held this Sunday, September 12th, 2010 at the Hilton Orlando, 6001 Destination Pkwy, Orlando, FL.

Aruna and Raj Shah had provided Generation OM with a complementary booth last year as well. We were able to spread awareness of Generation OM and it's activities as well as raise funds for the Scholarships.