

## **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR 2011**

### **Membership**

Membership Vidyaranya Kannada Kuta is open to all who support the objectives of the organization. Knowledge of the Kannada language, and, being born in Kamataka, are not prerequisites. Any person who is 21 years or older, has paid the annual membership dues and agrees to abide by the objectives of the Kuta, is eligible to become a member.

### **Types of Membership**

There are four types of membership: Family, Student and Individual, Senior.

Family Membership: Member with a Spouse, dependent children below 22 years of age as well as parents of the member and spouse. Student Membership: For students aged 21 years or above and who are full-time students.

Individual members: All others are considered as individual members.

### **Membership Dues**

Membership Dues for the year 2011 are as follows:

Family Membership:	\$80.00/annum
Individual Membership:	\$50.00/annum
Student Membership:	\$25.00/annum

There will be an entrance fee for guests for each function.

### **Membership Period**

Annual membership begins in January of 2011 and will be valid till the end of the calendar year.

However, the membership will remain valid until Ugadi function of next year (2012) for situations including signing petitions to call special General Body meetings, exercising voting power in special General Body meetings, and admission to special functions, which may be held before the Ugadi function. A person may also become a member of the Kuta after Ugadi function. The membership in such cases will expire on December 31, 2011.

### **Membership Privileges**

A person holding a family membership will be eligible to bring that member's spouse, parents (of both spouse and member) and children of member and spouse below 22 years to the four "family get-together" activities without paying additional fees. These four activities are Ugadi , Annual picnic, Ganesha festival and Deepavali/Kannada Rajyotsava. Non-members who wish to participate in any function of the Kuta shall be considered as guests and shall be required to pay guest charges.

Membership dues must have been paid by October 1st of a given year for exercising voting franchise in the same year and to be elected as President or to be selected as members of the Executive Committee for the next year .

**To be elected as President or members of Standing Committees, candidates must be "members in good standing".**

For more information, please refer the organization's constitution or call an executive committee member