

# RECONNECTING BACK TO OUR ROOTS

By ROSHNI HANNON



A new year is often wrought with the visions of lofty goals, great expectations and slimmer waistlines. That's a lot of pressure for one person, not to mention a lot to accomplish in only 365 days. How many times have you met someone with that fresh-faced optimism in January only to see them half-way through the year, only this time they have one goal: get through the day. I am one of those people, a member of Overachievers Anonymous. My name is Roshni Hannon. I

am a wife and a mother with work, commitments and the overwhelming need to check things off my bucketlist. I am also the INDO-US Chamber's new Vice President of Communications. So why is any of this important? It's not, but it's relevant. I finally took the time to look up over my laptop, the mounds of laundry and dirty dishes to see that there is a treasure chest of motivated and successful and people worth getting to know in our community.



The INDO-US Chamber of Tampa Bay provides an active forum for Asian American professionals to exchange ideas, inspiration and business cards. The Chamber is also a place to explore new opportunities within a group of likeminded individuals with similar cultural values. The Chamber is essentially a wealth of opportunity just waiting for the right members to reach in and grab hold.

Let's face it, most people are not looking to add things to their "to do" list, but joining the Indo-American Chamber is a "must do."

Kamlesh Darji moved to Tampa from London, and like many, he was looking for a place to call home. "A decade ago, I moved hearth and home to Tampa and was looking for a place to network and regularly meet people. I attended my first Indo-US Chamber event and both the professionalism and epic educational content impressed me. Coincidentally, it turned out that the President at the time was an old schoolmate who had also moved to Tampa.

Over time, I have made some very valuable professional relationships as well as friendships. At events, you get to be in the room with these individuals who are extremely approachable as well as obliging. I have secured clients due to my association with the Chamber but ultimately it is all about relationship building."

The Chamber hosts monthly networking events and organizes several key fundraisers each year. The Banyan Ball and the Annual Golf Tournament are two of the most notable functions. Membership is free and the take-away is priceless.



Manoj Krishnappa, President and CEO, Emmrys Global Solutions

## MEET MANOJ KRISHNAPPA

Manoj Krishnappa is President and CEO of Emmrys Global Solutions based in Tampa which provides IT Recruitment and Consulting Services.

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## JANUARY NETWORKING EVENT:

### The Partner Trap: Avoiding and Escaping the Cons of Business Co-Ownership

JANUARY 21, 2015 • 6:30 PM



Sheryl Hunter, Esq.

Sheryl Hunter, the Entrepreneur's Attorney, Sheryl Hunter has over 19 years of experience as a business attorney. Hunter Business Law works exclusively with small business owners, from start-up to buy-out.

Part of Sheryl's law practice is devoted to preventing problems and resolving disputes that arise between business partners. The turmoil of a "business divorce" is common for entrepreneurs who fail to carefully select partners and plan ahead for challenges. As a result, Sheryl speaks on The Partner Trap: Avoiding and Escaping the Cons of Business Co-Ownership. Filled with real world examples and experienced insights, Sheryl's presentation will have would-be partners pausing to carefully consider their decision to say "I do" and taking steps to protect their interests.

A graduate of Georgetown Law Center (J.D.) and George Washington University (B.A.), magna cum laude, Sheryl has been a member of the Florida Bar since 1995.

### Started or starting a new Business?

If you have started a new business or planning to start one, chamber events are perfect places to share experiences and learn from others. Indo-US chamber events and the relationships built there provides access to entrepreneurs, seasoned and successful business people, and an open forum for you to discuss your ideas, expand on them and to collaborate. The events are free and so is the membership. We urge you to come out and be a part of it. Together, the future is ours.



## Upcoming Indo-US Chamber Event:

### Business & Networking Event

Date: Wednesday, January 21, 2015

Time: 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Location: HCI Ballroom, 5300 W. Cypress St, Tampa FL 33607

Speaker: Sheryl Hunter, Esq. Hunter Business Law

This is a FREE event. No RSVP required.

## INDO-US CHAMBER MISSION

"To provide an active forum in which Asian American professionals and business owners, through an exchange of ideas, with a unified voice, can communicate, interact, and secure a position within the business industry and become a source of inspiration by promoting professionalism and excellence through education and community involvement."

## INDO-US CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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- Shotgun Start: 1:00pm
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