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Monday - Saturday
9:30am - 12:30pm
5:30pm - 8:00pm

Sunday

8:30am - 12:30pm
5:30pm - 8:00pm

Aarti & Mangal Divo

11:30am & 7:30pm

Pakshal Puja

Monday – Saturday 9:30am
Sunday 8:30am

Respected members,
Jai Jinendra,

Paryushan is right around the corner. We hope that everyone is eagerly awaiting the Paryushan. A complete Paryushan schedule is included in this Jain Vani. Shri Nirmalsagarji will be the guest scholar during the Paryushan program. The lectures will start on August 24th (one day before Paryushan).

The Swapna Darshan fixed gheebolis signup sheet has been posted at the temple. We request everyone to RSVP for the Swapna Darshan Swamivatsalya lunch on the Temple web site. The Ekasana and Ekasana Sponsorship signup sheets have also been posted at the temple.

On this occasion, members of the Board of Trustees (BOT) and the Executive Committee (EC) ask for your forgiveness if we have hurt your feelings. **Michhami Dukkadam to the Sakal Sangh!!!**

New parking lot construction is in progress and the completion is expected soon. Please do not block any of the construction areas and follow posted signs and safety precautions. During the Paryushan program, please car pool and park only in the designated areas.

We thank Kalpanaben Ravani & Veenaben Sheth and Sudhaben Jain & Ashaben Jain and their team for taking the lead for food preparation on the occasion of Swapna Darshan and Das Lakshana respectively. Decoration during the Paryushan has been done by Reepal Shah, Hemali Doshi and Anuja Shah. We appreciate their efforts.

We thank the entire Parna Sponsors team for taking the lead and planning a grand Parna for the Tapasvis.

Shri Nautambhai Vakil will be delivering Swadhyay lectures on various Jain topics from Wednesday August 17 thru Monday August 22, 2011. Daily lecture topics are listed in this Jain Vani.

We thank Pravinbhai and Surbhiben Shah for hosting Nautambhai. We also thank Bipinbhai and Sohiniben Shah for hosting Nirmalsagarji during Paryushan.

Navanu Prakari puja was performed on July 31st - it was attended by 85 people. Many thanks to Savita Anil Jain and Hema Vijay Shah for volunteering in the kitchen.

Under the guidance of Vinaybhai & Snehaben and Vastupalbhai & Varshaben Shah, 71 Society members completed Panch Tirthi Yatra to Farmington Hills, Louisville, Atlanta, Augusta and Cincinnati temples from August 12 to 14. It was well

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coordinated and executed. We appreciate their efforts. The enthusiasm of hosting sanghs was commendable.

Clarksville, NC sangh will be visiting our temple on Sunday, September 4th. About 50 people will be arriving on Sunday around noon and leave for Chicago at 2.30 pm. Please plan on giving them a warm welcome at noon. Many thanks to Jeet and Rama Sanghvi for sponsoring the lunch. We request members to kindly volunteer in the kitchen to help in food preparation for our guests. On Sept. 17 (6.00 pm) – Sept 18 (9 am), NJ Pathshala group of 50 children and parents plan to visit our temple. They will be performing a drama at our temple on Saturday evening. We highly encourage all Society members, especially the Study Class and JOY kids to attend this event.

Dr. Manishbhai Mehta was re-elected as JAINA Vice-President (Midwest USA). Ajay Dagli was honored with a JAINA Youth Leadership Award for his achievements and dedication to YJA programs and motivating Detroit youth in getting involved in YJA. We congratulate both on their achievements.

The 2012 Annual Fund Raising event will be held on Saturday March 24, 2012. Please mark this event on your calendar.

As communicated earlier, our Society will be bidding for the 2013 JAINA convention. A committee of volunteers, led by Vastupalbhai Shah and Niranjambhai Shah, is preparing the bid package. The bids are due to JAINA in September 2011.

Michhami Dukkadam to the Sakal Sangh!!!

Thank you & Jai Jinendra!

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Nautambhai Vakil's Swadhyay Schedule			
Date	Day	Time	Topic
8/17/2011 – 8/19/2011	Wednesday - Friday	07:45 PM - 09:15 PM	Aatur Pratyakhyan (Types of Durdhyan)
8/20/2011	Saturday	10:00 AM - 12:15 PM	Kalyan mitra Madanrekha
8/21/2011	Sunday	10:00 AM - 12:15 PM	Amichand ni Ami Drashti
8/22/2011	Monday	11:00 AM - 12:15 PM	Aatur Pratyakhyan (Types of Durdhyan)
		07:45 PM - 09:15 PM	

BOT Corner

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JAINA – 2013 Convention

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- One of the keys to a strong bid is the availability of volunteers at the host site, their commitment and experience level. We are fortunate to have dedicated members, and, therefore, our Society will be in a strong position in this category.
- The host sangh will not have any financial liability or gain from the convention. But the local Sangh will be actively working with JAINA to raise funds for the convention.
- Some seed funding will be required which will be reimbursed back to the Host Sangh.
- JAINA is expected to make a decision on the convention location in the fourth quarter of this year.

New Parking Lot status:

- New parking lot construction is in progress and the completion is expected soon. Please do not block any of the construction area and follow posted signs and safety precautions.

JOS (Jain Organization of Seniors):

- JOS is meeting on a monthly basis, on the first Tuesday of the month from 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm at the Temple. Next meeting will be on September 13.
- The meeting includes a variety of events, both to have fun and learn. Topics so far have included medical care, financial management, and estate planning.
- Please contact Bipinbhai Shah (248-442-9474) or Vastupalbhai Shah (586-323-2015) to join the group. You will be notified of the meetings by e-mail.

Shri Shatrunjay Mahatirth 99 Yatra 2011

The federation of Jain associations in North America is proud to announce it has CONFIRMED AND FINALIZED the ninety-nine yatra event, which will take place at Palitana in India from NOVEMBER 10, 2011 through JANUARY 9, 2012. This is a unique opportunity to participate in this historic, once in a lifetime event for members of Jain Society's all across North America. This is an event that has never been organized before for Jains in North America. The ninety-nine yatra will be performed under the guidance of Acharya Bhagawant and Shri Narendrabhai Nandu's group.

Detailed Program information, Registration forms, sponsorship of the yatra, travel arrangements etc. can be found in the attachment that is sent along with the electronic copy of the Jain Vani. The attachment can also be found at www.jaina.org website.

NOTE: THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS "31-AUGUST-2011". We urge all members to take advantage of this unique event and register early to avoid disappointment.

For further information, please contact: Arvind R. Shah (JAINA 99 Yatra Project President.)

Email: Ashah_1941@yahoo.com

Phone: (248)-828-1736 (H), (248)-835-7395 (C)

ONE A DAY - Anukampa Daan Drive

On the auspicious occasion of Paryushan, let us all join as a Jain Sangh to help those in need in our local community of South East Michigan. It is an opportunity to show compassion, practice non-possessiveness, and serve the community we live in.

Each day during Paryushan, everyone, adults and kids alike, are requested to donate one item from their home. Collection bins will be set up in the temple lobby. All donations will be delivered to South Oakland Shelter in Lathrup Village. You may donate new or gently used clothing, household items, toys or the like. A list of suggested items will be sent via JSJD Yahoo Groups message.

Guidelines for Donation:

- Items need to be in good condition. The test is will you will use it yourself?
- Cash donations are discouraged
- It will not be feasible to provide donation receipts

Following Society members have volunteered to conduct the drive and deliver donations.

For questions or more information, please e-mail or call

- Bharti Shah (bshah_hm@hotmail.com) 248-539-3856
- Mamata Maheshwari (iammamata@yahoo.com): 248-488-1332
- Chirag Shah: 551-580-8355
- Nilesh Karani: 248-687-8354

DONATE ONE-A-DAY. TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Shri Chandrashekhar Vijayji Maharaj Saheb attained Kaal Dharma

Jain community worldwide was bereaved by Kaal Dharma (passing away) of one of the great Jain Acharyas of modern times, Acharya Param Pujya Shri Chandrashekhar Vijayji Maharaj Saheb on 8th August at Ahmedabad at the age of 79. At the age of 18 he took Diksha and became a Jain monk. He gave diksha to 87 disciples. He had authored 275 books. He was strong believer in Indian culture and sanskar. He was instrumental in creation of Tapovan vidyapeeths that offered alternative education in Indian style.

During eight days of Paryushan, all slaughter houses in Gujarat are closed. Maharaj Saheb was instrumental in convincing the government to pass this law. His main contribution was to attach the Jain youths with Jain faith. He organized numerous youth camps and created channels through which youths came closer to their faith. Jain community will certainly miss this fiery but charismatic orator and forthright speaker of his mind. We pray that his atma stays on an ascending path to the ultimate liberation and attains inner peace and eternal bliss.

Ekasana at the Temple during Paryushan

JSJD has organized daily Ekasana at the temple during Paryushan. Bharatiben Doshi and her team are coordinating the food preparation. All Tapasavis planning to do Ekasana are requested to follow the guidelines below:

1. Please provide your name and the days you will be doing Ekasana on the bulletin board at least one day in advance or call our Pujari, Rajnibhai (248-851-5246) to put your name.
2. Members are requested to bring their own plates, bowl, spoon, glass, etc. for Ekasana and should clean them and take them back.
3. No Boxed lunch will be provided to the members doing Ekasana at home.
4. If you are planning to do Ekasana on Swapna Darshan day please RSVP at the temple website – <http://www.jain-temple.org/rsvp.shtml>
5. All seniors attending the morning program at temple during Paryushan are requested to take lunch at the temple.

RSVP for Swapna Darshan and Das Lakshana Swamivatsalya Lunch

JSGD is pleased to announce that we have planned for a Swamivatsalya lunch on the auspicious Swapna Darshan day, **Saturday, August 27th**. All members are requested to **RSVP** by Wednesday August 24, 2011 using the temple website <http://www.jain-temple.org/rsvp.shtml>

The Hindi Puja group of JSGD will be performing Das Lakshana Dharam Puja on **Saturday September 10th** at 10:00 AM at the temple. The Puja will be followed by Swamivatsalya lunch. All members are invited to attend the Puja and the Swamivatsalya. Please RSVP using the link that will be provided on August 28th.

JAIN SOCIETY OF GREATER DETROIT, INC.

2011 UPCOMING EVENTS

DAY	DATE	TIME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	COMMENTS
Wednesday to Monday	08-17-11 to 08-22-11	11:00 am-12:30 pm 07:45 pm-09:00 pm	Swadhyay by Shri Nautambhai Vakil	Weekend timings may change
Sunday	08-21-11	10:00 am-11:30 am 11:00 am-01:00 pm	Hindi Puja Study Class	
Wednesday	8/24/2011	07:45 pm - 09:30 pm	Lecture	By Nirmalsagarji
Thursday	08-25-11	09:30 am-11:00 am	Snatra Puja, Aarti, Divo& Kalash	Paryushan Purve - Day 1
		11:00 am-12:30 pm	Lecture	By Nirmalsagarji
		12:30 pm-02:00 pm	Ekasana	
		06:15 pm-07:15 pm	Pratikraman	
		07:30 pm-08:30 pm	Lecture	By Nirmalsagarji
Friday	08-26-11	08:30 pm-10:00 pm	Bhavna, Aarti and Mangal Divo	
		09:30 am-11:00 am	Snatra Puja, Aarti, Divo& Kalash	Paryushan Purve - Day 2
		11:00 am-12:30 pm	Lecture	By Nirmalsagarji
		12:30 pm-02:00 pm	Ekasana	
		06:15 pm-07:15 pm	Pratikraman	
Saturday	08-27-11	07:30 pm-08:30 pm	Lecture	By Nirmalsagarji
		08:30 pm-10:00 pm	Bhavna, Aarti and Mangal Divo	
		09:00 am-10:00 am	Snatra Puja	Paryushan Purve - Day 3
		10:00 am-02:00 pm	Swapna Darshan	
		02:00 pm-04:00 pm	Ekasana & Swamivatsalya Lunch	
Sunday	08-28-11	06:15 pm-07:15 pm	Pratikraman	
		07:30 pm-08:30 pm	Lecture	By Nirmalsagarji
		08:30 pm-10:00 pm	Bhavna, Aarti and Mangal Divo	
		09:30 am-11:00 am	Snatra Puja, Aarti, Divo& Kalash	Paryushan Purve - Day 4
		11:00 am-12:30 pm	Lecture	By Nirmalsagarji
Monday	08-29-11	12:30 pm-02:00 pm	Ekasana	
		05:30 pm-08:00 pm	Chaudas Pratikraman	
		08:00 pm-09:00 pm	Lecture	By Nirmalsagarji
		09:00 pm-10:00 pm	Bhavna, Aarti and Mangal Divo	
		09:30 am-11:00 am	Snatra Puja, Aarti, Divo& Kalash	Paryushan Purve - Day 5
		11:00 am-12:30 pm	Lecture	By Nirmalsagarji
		12:30 pm-02:00 pm	Ekasana	
06:15 pm-07:15 pm	Pratikraman			
07:30 pm-08:30 pm	Lecture	By Shri Nirmalsagarji		
08:30 pm-09:30 pm	Bhavna, Aarti and Mangal Divo			
08:30 pm-09:30 pm	Youth Lecture in English	By Shri Nirmalsagarji		
09:30 pm-10:00 pm	Children Prabhavana			

DAY	DATE	TIME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	COMMENTS
Tuesday	08-30-11	09:30 am-11:00 am	Snatra puja, Aarti, Divo, Kalash	Paryushan Purve - Day 6
		11:00 am-12:30 pm	Lecture	By Shri Nirmalsagarji
		12:30 pm-02:00 pm	Ekasana	
		06:15 pm-07:15 pm	Pratikraman	
		07:30 pm-08:30 pm	Lecture	By Shri Nirmalsagarji
		08:30 pm-10:00 pm	Bhavna, Aarti & Mangal Divo	
Wednesday	08-31-11	09:30 am-11:00 am	Snatra puja, Aarti, Divo, Kalash	Paryushan Purve - Day 7
		11:00 am-12:30 pm	Lecture	By Shri Nirmalsagarji
		12:30 pm-02:00 pm	Ekasana	
		06:15 pm-07:15 pm	Pratikraman	
		07:30 pm-08:30 pm	Lecture	By Shri Nirmalsagarji
		08:30 pm-09:30 pm	Tapasvi Bahuman	
		09:30 pm-10:00 pm	Bhavna, Aarti & Mangal Divo	
Thursday	09-01-11	09:30 am-11:00 am	Snatra puja, Aarti, Divo, Kalash	Paryushan Purve - Day 8
		11:00 am-12:30 pm	Barsa Sutra Vanchan	
		12:30 pm-02:00 pm	Ekasana	
		05:00 pm-09:00 pm	Samvatsari Pratikraman	
		09:00 pm-09:30 pm	Aarti and Mangal Divo	
Friday	09-02-11	07:00 am-08:30 am	Snatra puja	Parna Day
		08:30 am-09:00 am	Tapasvi Procession	
		09:00 am-12:00 pm	Sakal Sangh Parna	
Saturday to Monday	09-03-11 to 09-05-11	10:00 am - 11:30 am	Das Lakshana Puja	
		10:00 am - 11:30 am		
		10:00 am - 11:30 am		
Saturday	09-10-11	10:00 am - 12:00 am	Das Lakshana Puja	
		12:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Swamivatsalya Lunch	
Sunday	09-11-11	10:00 am-12:00 pm	Das Lakshana Puja	
		11:00 am-01:00 pm	Study Class	
Sunday to Saturday	09-11-11 to 09-17-11	11:00 am-12:30 pm	Swadhyay by Shri Bhadrabahuji	Weekend timings may change
		07:45 pm-09:00 pm		
Sunday	09-18-11	11:00 am-01:00 pm	Study Class	
Sunday	09-25-11	02:00 pm-06:00 pm	Study Class Annual Day Program	

Message from 2011 Paryushan Purve Parna Team

2011 Parna Sponsors are inspired and enthused by the tapasvis and would like to invite the entire sakal sangh for parna on Friday, September 02, 2011.

They have requested all tapasvis to perform pooja at derasar and do Parna with all Tapasvis after Manglik recital. They have planned a grand welcome ceremony for all tapasvis at 8:45AM, after varghodo which will commence at 8.30 am.

Humble request to all Tapasvis: Do not do parna at home.

Parna timing: 9.00am – 12.00 pm

Many members have enthusiastically come forward to help as Volunteers and have been assigned specific task and time slot. If you would like to volunteer, please talk to Parna sponsor team for specific assignment before volunteering.

Thank you

2011 Parna Sponsors

Detroit delegation at 2011 JAINA Convention

About 3000 Jain adults and youths from North America, India and other foreign shores gathered in Houston, Texas on July 1-4 at the 16th Biennial JAINA Convention, organized with the theme “Live and Help Live”. Nearly 25 representatives from the Detroit area participated, including 3 JAINA Directors, past leaders and youth members of JSGD and 2 members from Lighthouse Center. Over a four-day period, attendees had many opportunities to learn and reinforce their knowledge of Jain Way of Life by:

- Listening to inspiring lectures on self-improvement and making a difference that were delivered by leading US thought leaders, Jain religious and academic scholars
- Exhibiting and exchanging best practices in societies and temples (e.g., a Detroit-led poster exhibit on “JSGD Going Green” has attracted several inquiries from other Jain centers)
- Networking and reuniting with families and friends from across North America
- Showing cultural and educational talents to celebrate Jain heritage and pride
- Enjoying sessions in yoga/meditation and nutritious *satvik* and vegan meals.



2011 Jaina Convention

Those us who attended the 2011 JAINA Convention in Houston have only one word to describe it! WOW!!

It was a fabulous convention in all aspects. About 3000 people attended the program. Houston has set a very high new bar for future conventions. Substantial amount of funds were raised thru sponsors, businesses, souvenir book etc. Overall, just fantastic 4 days in Houston.

Facilities:

•Hugh convention center with attached hotel • Many rooms (about 30+) of varying capacities for simultaneous sessions • Large area for meals - Multiple buffet lines • Excellent theater style auditorium for cultural programs and popular lectures • Excellent facilities at Hilton

Food:

• Delicious food prepared by local Swaminarayan group • Wide variety of menu items • Many volunteers • Multiple sponsors for meals

Program contents:

•Multiple simultaneous sessions/programs from 6:30am till midnight every day • Variety of subjects/lecturers • Separate parallel sessions for young adults and kids • Gandhi before Gandhi drama • Raas/Garba till 1pm on Friday with live music • Jains Got talent • Bollywood music program • Excellent Cultural program by Houston families and also other Jain Centers.



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New LIFETIME members since August 2010:

- * Anil & Savita Jain
- * Apurva & Maitry Doshi
- * Bhikamchand & Sushila Mehta
- * Sanjay & Manisha Bhandari
- * Sharad & Elizabeth Jain
- * Thierry & Jyoti Guimberteau

New ANNUAL members since August 2010:

- * Anil & Vidya Munot
- * Sanjiv & Ujwala Mehta
- * Amit & Unnati Kothari
- * Samar & Purvi Teli
- * Amit & Mohini Shah
- * Pramod & Sandhya Jain
- * Kritesh & Hiral Mehta
- * Bhavesh & Shivani Shah
- * Lokesh & Sweety Nagori

We welcome the new annual and life time members and thank them for their support.

Health Fair – September 2011

The BEAUMONT CANCER INSTITUTE, MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICIANS OF INDIAN ORIGIN (MAPI) and BHARATIYA temple (Troy) will hold their 11th Annual Health fair on 11 SEPTEMBER 2011 from 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon. A health awareness seminar related to cancer and healthy life style will take place from 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.

The fair is free and is open to all members. However, for blood testing, you must register by contacting the Bharatiya temple at (248)-879-2552 or visiting the temple website www.bharatiya-temple.org before 27-August. (The blood testing is limited to first 250 people.) Registration is not necessary to attend the seminar. Physicians will be present for general questions and answers.

For further information, contact the Bharatiya Temple at the above phone number or the website.

Jain Study Class Corner

- **WORRYING** does not take away tomorrows' TROUBLES; it takes away todays' PEACE.

- A short walk is so difficult,
when no one walks with you.
But a long journey is just like few steps
when you walk with someone
who loves and cares for you.

2011 Essay Competition – The essay competition scores are in and the prizes have been distributed to the students. The final results are tabulated and posted on JSGD website.

- This year the first prize winner is Samveg Shah (s/o Pragnesh and Jigar Shah) – The subject of his essay was “12 Bhavnas”.
- This essay has been posted on the bulletin board and on JSGD website.
- The first prize of \$500 has been sponsored by Mahendra and Linda Kapadia family.
- The rest of the prizes (total \$570) has been sponsored by Dr. Subir Shah (one of our past student and s/o Bipin & Sohini Shah).
- Our sincere thanks to Hemesh Shah for coordinating this competition and work with judges to finalize the scores – **A GREAT HELP.**

Teachers and Volunteers – About 3 months ago, couple of volunteers approached us and said they can help us by setting up the study class before the class time. We were so glad to hear this – these 2 are none other than **Jaimik Shah and Dipen Shah**. Please welcome them in our volunteer team. Also, to help with any task related to study class, please feel free to contact us.

Few weeks ago, Shitalben and Bhartiben approached us with some good news and some bad news. Shitalben will be grandma pretty soon and hence will have to take some time off and Bhartiben has been busy with her move – and hence they both will be taking time off from study class starting October 2011. We are hoping they will come back once they get settled.

Also, Ashmiben has decided not to continue teaching from October 2011.

We have few new teachers joining the team and hence there will be some changes coming up in teaching team starting October.

Sutra and Stavan Recital – This year the recital by study class students will be held on Saturday, October 22, 2011.

2011 Students Annual Day – This year, the Annual Day program will be held on September 25th. More information will be in future newsletter.

Gujrati Story Book – We have received Gujrati Story Books from JAINA and is available – if you need one, please stop by during study class day – the cost is \$5.00.

Error made in last Jain Vani – In last Jain Vani, the sponsors were listed erroneously. Please accept our apology. The correct sponsors for July are listed below.

Class sponsors for the month of July were – Bimal & Rupal Shah, Savitaben Doshi (Satish & Arti Doshi), Hemendra & Sangeeta Shah, Shailesh & Jyoti Jain, Mayur & Rita Lodaya, Dipak & Tarlika Dhabuwala, Rajiv & Mamata Maheshwari, Dinesh & Sunita Dagli, Sam & Pia Reddy, Pravin & Surabhi Shah and an Anonymous Family.

Class sponsors for the month of August are – Mahesh & Kirti Vora, Lalit & Bharti Shah, Sudhir & Kashmira Shah, Sagar Shreyas Shah, Amit Jain (Pradeep & Madhu Modi), Dhanraj & Sadhna Sheth, Jitendra & Rama Sanghvi, Pravin & Jyotika Sheth, Kasturiben Z. Dedhia (Sanjay & Anjana) and Amit & Mohini Shah.

Sponsorship Update – As of today, we have 114 Life Time sponsors.

Lifetime sponsorship is \$1001 and you can select a month of your choice for lifetime. The monthly sponsorship is \$125. For sponsoring study class, please contact Vinay C. Shah at 248-641-5975 or email vcshah5@yahoo.com.

Study Class Dates for 2011

Time 11 AM to 1 PM

August 21
October 16
November 20

September 11
October 22 (**)
December 4

September 18
October 30

September 25 (*)
November 6

* = Students' Annual Day Program – 2:00 PM

** = Sutra and Stavan Recital – 2:00 PM

JOY UPDATE

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **August 20: JOY Board Elections Application deadline**
- **August 24: JOY Board Elections absentee voting deadline**
- **August 27: JOY Board Elections**

Jai Jinendra!

JOY had an amazing summer filled with great fun, memories, and bonding. We started off our summer with the temple clean up on June 17. We removed weeds, planted new flowers, and also helped clean the bhandaaars in the main temple. JOY Board would like to thank all members who joined us with the cleaning.

Also, on July 30, JOY got the great opportunity to help volunteer at the World Medical Relief center in Detroit. World Medical Relief is an organization that helps people in medical need locally and around the world. This time, JOY packaged together toothbrushes, soaps, towels, and shampoos to distribute to local homeless shelters. Their goal was to make 3,000 packages in one month, and just in the span of two hours, JOY was able to make 200 packages! We had so much fun, that we plan on going again very soon.

JOY ELECTIONS:

Joy Elections are coming up! If you have been a member of JOY for two years you are eligible to run for the following positions: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Internal/External Public Relations, Publications, and Media Manager.

If you notice, JOY has added the position of Secretary and has divided Public Relations into Internal and External. JOY hopes to have more participation in board for next year and thus extended the position. If you are interested in running, please contact any JOY member, and we will be more than happy to send you an application. The applications are already on Facebook and will also be sent via email. Applications are due by August 20 including the required one page essay. Elections will be held at the temple on August 27 but if you will not be able to come to the temple, please notify a board member and you will be sent an absentee voting ballot by e-mail which will be due by August 24. The requirements for being on JOY is 13 years of age or older, and a \$5 dollar fee for yearly member. A \$15 onetime fee is required for life-time members. The more members, the more exciting JOY will become, so we hope you join today!

Invitation for Yatra in India

Rajesh and Vanitha Mithalal along with their other family members are sponsoring a 800-people yatra in India. The dates for the yatra which will start from Chennai is from Nov 14th thru Dec. 4th, 2011 and will cover all major tirths in India. They have extended the invitation to the entire Detroit Sangh. Five families from Detroit are already planning on joining this yatra. If you would like to join, kindly contact Rajesh Mithalal at 989-220-5621 or Anand Bora at 248-497-9078.

On behalf of JSGD, we appreciate and thank them for the invitation.

Recipe of the Month

Soonth

INGREDIENTS:

4 tsp. wheat flour
125 gm. Jaggery grated
1 tbsp. ginger powder (soonth)
1 tbsp. large crystals of goondh
1 tbsp. grated dried coconut
1 tbsp. almonds pounded coarsely
1/2 tsp. cardamom powder
4 tbsp. ghee

Making time: 25 minutes

Makes: 3 -1/2 - 4 cups (approx.)

Shelf life: 3-4 weeks

METHOD :

1. Heat half ghee in pan, add flour, and gum crystals.
2. Allow crystals to pop well, stirring continuously.
3. Empty, keep aside.
4. In same pan, add remaining ghee, add jaggery, mix.
5. Cook till all jaggery has melted to a smooth paste.
6. Do not overcook or soonth will become hard.
7. Remove from fire; add all ingredients, including popped gum.
8. Mix very well. Cool to room temperature.
9. Store in moisture proof container, pressing down lightly while filling.
10. The mixture should be crumbly, chewy and dry.

Volunteer for leading the Ayambil cooking for Ahimsa Day

We need your help to lead the cooking of ayambil food on Ahimsa Day, Oct. 2nd, Sunday. If you are interested, kindly contact one of the EC members. Thank you.



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2. **Platinum Level** (Half Page) – \$800 for full year
3. **Gold Level** (Quarter Page) – \$500 for full year
4. **Silver Level** (1/8 Page - business card size) – \$300 for full year
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Upcoming Events

Swadhyay by Shri Nautambhai Vakil	Aug 17-22
Study Class / Hindi Puja	Aug 21
Lecture by Shri Nirmalsagarji	Aug 24
Paryushan Purve	Aug 25-Sept 1
Parna Day	Sept 2
Das Lakshana Puja	Sept 3 – 11
Study Class	Sept 11
Swadhyay by Shri Bhadrabahuji	Sept 11-17