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17th. August 2010

Dear Members,

The MC would like to thank all members and their families for making the recent Parent's Day cum Appreciation Nite a tremendous success. The support from all members was indeed awesome. We also witnessed the successes of our children in the major Exams. Congratulations to Alysha J. Panchamia for being awarded The Smt. Champaben Shantilal Avalani Challenge Trophy for the most outstanding student in the SPM / GCE 'O' Level category.
A big Thank You & May God Bless You.



'Dear brother,It's a small thread , that has travelled a long way, From pulling each other's leg, to growing into the best of friends.....Today its paused, at yet another milestone, on the journey of friendship and love.'
"May this small thread bind us forever"

What exactly is the power of this thread and what does Raksha Bandhan mean? Raksha is the Sanskrit term for protection and Bandhan signifies a tie or relationship, so Raksha Bandhan in effect signifies a bond of protection between the two.

According to the Hindu legends, Sri Krishna was once injured on his hand and blood was oozing out when Draupadi, the wife of the Pandavs, tore a portion of her garment and tied it around his wound. Lord Krishna, realizing her affections and concern about him, declared himself bounded by her sisterly love. For Krishna this signified Raksha Bandhan and he immediately took Draupadi as his sister. In fact, it was Sri Krishna, Draupadi called out to when she was being derobed by the Kaurav (second cousins of the Pandavas and their sworn enemies) prince Dushashan in the middle of the court after her husband Yudhishtir gambled and lost her in a game of chess. And ultimately Krishna protected her honour.

*'You don't stop laughing because you grow old,
you grow old because you stop laughing'*

Your MC takes pride in announcing the auspicious celebration of Raksha Bandhan to commemorate the everlasting bond between brothers and sisters, in an enchanting evening of a colourful cultural and religious play. This drama promises to keep you glued to your seats as the performers take you on a journey of religious, musical and cultural bonds. So come and enjoy a night of 'Rakhi...the bond between Krishna and Draupadi'

Exclusively brought to you by GAWPS Youth

on:

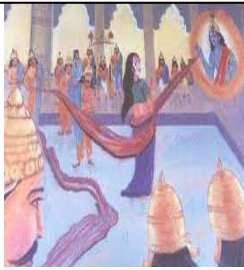
Tuesday, 24th. August, 2010

at:

Kalamandapan, Jalan Scott, Brickfields

Programme: 6.30pm to 8.00pm : **Dinner**

8.00pm to 10.00pm : **Raksha Bandhan Celebration**



** Please bring along your own thali, diva, rakhi and sweets for the rakhi-tying ceremony. Please be punctual and dress colourfully for the occasion.

JANMASHTMI
(Birth of Bhagwan Shree Krishna)
Thursday, 2nd. September 2010
CUM
MATA SARASWATI POOJA

***COME AND BE BLESSED WITH GOOD HEALTH, WEALTH AND PROSPERITY BY
BHAGWAN SHREE KRISHNA and MATA SARASWATHI***

Janmashtmi is the joyful celebration of Lord Krishna's birth. Major celebrations of Krishna Janmashtmi takes place at midnight as Krishna is said to have made his divine appearance in that hour. Sri Krishna is considered to be one of the most endeared human incarnations of Lord Vishnu. Born more than 5000 years ago in Mathura city, the revered God of Hindu religion and his teachings hold immense relevance till date.

At the same time, GAWPS is organizing a pooja of Maa Saraswati for ALL especially students. We encourage ALL to come and participate in this Pooja and seek the blessings of the divine Mata, Goddess of Learning, the deity of Gayathri, the fountain of fine arts and science, for gaining knowledge, to sharpen the intellect and improve memory,

** Please bring along your own thali, diva, Mata Saraswati's photo, books, pencil boxes etc.

'A beautiful life does not just happen, it is built daily by prayer, humility, sacrifice and love. May that beautiful life be yours always'

The MC welcomes all members together with your family for the “Janmashtmi and Mata Saraswati Pooja” celebrations on:-

Date: Thursday, 2nd. September 2010

Time: 8.00pm – 10.00 pm

Venue: Samaj Premises (Supper will be served)

Programme: There will be Raas Garba, Dandiya, Bhajans & Aarti of Lord Krishna

**SHREE MAHAVIRAY NAMAH
JAIN PARYUSHAN FESTIVAL
Sunday, 5th. September to 12th. September 2010**

We wish to inform all members that the ‘Jain Paryushan Festival’ will commence **on Sunday, 5th. September to 12th. September 2010**. We are very fortunate to have in our midst during the Paryushan Festival, two very learned and knowledgeable orators, both in Gujarati and English,, Samani Rohit Pragyaji and Samani Vikas Pragyaji.

Samani Rohit Pragyaji has a M.A. in Philosophy and Comparative religion from JVB Ladnun University. They have been conducting camps, seminars, workshops, conferences & conventions in Jain Philosophy, Practice & Conduct, Yoga & Preksha Meditation, Values development and many other aspects. They have travelled to USA, UK, Switzerland, France, Belgium, Italy, Cyprus to impart their valuable knowledge. Samani Vikas Pragyaji will be rendering melodious stavans every night followed by religious discourse.

| Date | Time | Programme | Venue |
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| Sunday, 5 th . September 2010 to Saturday, 11 th . September 2010 | 8.30 a.m. – 10.00 a.m. | Religious lectures/ Bhakti Geet | Lalitaben Harsukhlal Kamdar Jain Mandir |
| | 8.30 pm – 10.00 pm | Religious lectures/ Bhakti Geet | Samaj Premises |
| Sunday, 5 th . September 2010 to Saturday, 11 th . September 2010 | 6.30 pm – 8.00 pm | Pratikraman | Lalitaben Harsukhlal Kamdar Jain Mandir |
| Sunday, 12 th . September 2010 | 8.30 am. – 10.00 am | Religious lectures/ Bhakti Geet | Lalitaben Harsukhlal Kamdar Jain Mandir |
| | 10.00 am – 11.30 am | Shree Alovana | |
| | 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm | Shree Samvatsari Pratikraman | Shree Lakshmi Narayan Temple |

- The learned Samani Rohit Pragyaji and Samani Vikas Pragyaji’s accommodation will be at Ms Neesha Rajesh Avalani’s residence at 76, Jalan Limau Kasturi, Bangsar Park, 59100 KL.
- We need your fullest co-operation to serve this personalities in welcoming them for meals at your home. Please contact **Shri Mahendrabhai P. Malani Tel: 012-2199577** to book your convenient day and time.
- We urge all members to come along with your family to gain religious knowledge and uplift your spiritual awareness during this ‘ Parvahiraj Paryushan’. Do not miss any of the events.
- Any member who would like to give “Prabhavnas” (after the evening lectures) please contact Shri Bhashkar P. Chitalia at Tel No: 012-2104395 with an amount of RM 101.00.
- We also wish that during this auspicious festival, the community will be blessed with record Tapasyas.
- **Let us all begin and end the Paryushan Parva with Kshmapana – Day of True and Sincere Forgiveness.**

SANGH BHOJAN
Sunday, 19th. September 2010

All members (Jain & Non-Jains) are cordially invited for the Sangh Bhojan.

Date : Sunday, 19th. September 2010
Time : 11.00 am onwards (Special Programme)
Venue : Samaj Premises

- Come in full force with your family.
- We need your wholehearted support & assistance in cooking, serving & cleaning.
- We also need your generous financial contribution. Please come forward on your own and contribute generously.

In return we sincerely pray that the Al mighty will shower his choicest blessings on you and your family.

To All The UPSR & PMR Students

'Sail in the ship of ambition and
anchor at the harbour of success.....

Go confidently in the direction of your dreams'

We are sure and confident that you will be able to meet
these challenges with full zeal and be able to achieve the
great success! The President and the MC wishes all of
our children the very best of luck in their upcoming
Government exams.

HUMBLE APPEAL
(ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION)

We observe some of our dear brothers due to their busy schedule may have overlooked to forward their 2010 annual contribution. The Association needs your financial support. Your President and Treasurer may call your good self to seek your co-operation. A special counter to collect the contribution will be open on Raksha Bandhan Day.

All cheques must be made payable to

Gujarati Association Wilayah Persekutuan and Selangor

Thank You for your gracious understanding.

'We are so often caught up in our destination that we forget to appreciate the journey, especially the goodness of the people we meet on the way. Appreciation is a wonderful feeling, don't overlook it.'

THE MAGIC TOUCH

Welcome to Religious classes, a gateway to gain knowledge of Jainism/Hinduism. Encourage yourself, your friends & family to join this classes to bring rich culture & peace at home and in the society.

'The Magic Touch' teaches children about Jain/Hindu Principles in a participative learning environment which is fun too. Learning religion at an early age provides a foundation for moral values which will stay with them throughout their lifetimes. We encourage everyone to attend the Pathshala classes. The Magic Touch will inculcate values through story telling/puppet show etc.

A mock class on the style of presentation will be held on
Friday 27th. August 2010 at 8.30pm at our Samaj Premises.

All Parents together with their children who are between the age of 5 to 8 years are invited to attend and experience the fun way of learning our Hindu/Jain spiritual stories. (Flyer attached for more details)

GUJARATI GAMES CARNIVAL Malacca 2011

Our Association which has emerged as an overall champion during the GGC 2001,2003, 2005 and 2009 would like to once again win back the prestigious title in GGC 2011. Our success depends upon each and every member of our big GAWPS family. We are commencing our preparations towards the games in 2011 which has been scheduled for **11,12 and 13th. March 2011 in the Historical City of Malacca.** We request support and participation from all players and supporters. Once again, we want to excel in every sport while maintaining the true spirit of sportsmanship.

We welcome both our experienced and aspiring new sportsman/sportswoman to come forward and represent our Association. We request the support of all participants, players and supporters included. A special briefing will be held for ALL the games on:

**Friday, 3rd. September 2010
At 8.30pm at our Samaj Premises**

Please attend in full force and show the GAWPS SPIRIT ... '*Together it's Possible*'

For further details, please contact any of the sports committee which comprises of:

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| Prakash Mehta | 019 – 3808017 | Sailesh Kamani | 019 – 3351654 |
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We look forward to your full participation together with your family in all the events.

Yours in Community Service,

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Dipak V. Damani
(Hon. Secretary)

