

# JainTimes

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Dear Members,

Jai Jinendra,

We are very excited to announce that we will be celebrating Mahavir Nirvaan Pooja followed by a Bhajan Sandhya and Poojan on Saturday, October 24. On Sunday, October 25 we will conduct Bhaktamar Poojan.

Bhajan Sandhya and Bhaktamar Pooja will be led by the famous vidhikar Shri Narendra Nandu and his group. We also will have the bolis for various up-karans needed for our Temple at the same event. The details for bolis and Bhaktamar yantras will be sent in a few weeks.

Shri Narendra Nandu and group are famous for their skills in conducting major poojas and other Jain ceremonies. They have done many pratishthas in India and in USA - Chicago, New York, Los Angeles among them. They are routinely invited to these Centers for pratishtha anniversary events and are heavily booked.

**On October 24 we will also be have our General Body meeting for which we need your attendance.** Please note the timings of all the different events. Also please note that the functions will be celebrated at different locations on Saturday and on Sunday. Since there are many parts and many things that need to take place, timing will be very important. Please make sure to be on time as all parts of the day will conclude on time.

Also, as we begin to plan our upcoming year, we are looking for interested and hard-working people who would be interested in serving on the board of trustees. Three positions will be open for election. (See sidebar.)

Thank you for all the support and enthusiasm you continue to give to our community. We would not be as successful as we are without your dedication.

Thank you,  
Minesh Shah

330-659-3169

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES POSTIONS

If you are interested in serving on the JSGC board of trustees for the next term, please contact the nominating committee, Chhagan Bapna at 440-248-6016, Shailesh Nanavati at 440-835-8408 or Atul Shah (440) 974-8486.

This position would require a three-year commitment per the code of regulations.

*Happy Diwal*



## MAHAVIR NIRVAAN/DIWALI CELEBRATION , ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING, BHAJAN SANDHYA and BHAKTAMAR POOJA



Please see the schedule below for details of our upcoming program. Read carefully for time and locations. **Please note that all events will start promptly so that the days festivities can be concluded in a timely manner.**

**Please plan to attend and call Sunit Jain at 330-904-4912 or email [sun.jain@yahoo.com](mailto:sun.jain@yahoo.com) to confirm your attendance for better planning of the Swamivatsalya events.**

### Saturday - location Seven Hills Community Center

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| Light Lunch (please note lunch will not be served after 12:30) | 11:30 - 12:30 |
| Nirvaan Pooja, aarti   | 1:30 - 2:30   |
| Jain Center Update   | 2:45 - 3:30   |
| General Body Meeting   | 3:30 - 4:45   |
| Swamivatsalya  | 5:00 - 6:00   |
| Bhajan Sandhya and Bolis for Upkarans                          | 6:30 - 10:15  |
| Closure  | 10:15 - 11:00 |

### Sunday - location Mentor Senior Center Hall

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| Arrive and Prepare for Bhaktamar Yantra | 12:00        |
| Bhaktamar Poojan                        | 12:30 - 5:00 |
| Swamivatsalya                           | 5:00 - 6:15  |
| Closure                                 | 6:15 - 7:00  |

**PLEASE RSVP TODAY!**

#### SPONSORSHIPS NEEDED:

Total expenses for the program are estimated at \$13,000.

We are requesting sponsorships of \$2,500 each for the dinners Saturday and Sunday. We are also requesting \$1,500 for the lunch on Sunday. We also are requesting general sponsorships of \$250.

Please call Minesh Shah at 330-659-3169 or Sunit Jain at 330-904-4912 with your sponsorship commitments.

### DIRECTIONS

#### **For Saturday**

**Seven Hills Recreation Center  
7325 Summitview Dr  
Seven Hills, OH 44131**

#### **FROM THE EAST:**

Take I-480 W toward I-480 W/  
CLEVELAND/TOLEDO/I-480 E/I-271  
S/COLUMBUS.

Merge onto I-77 S via EXIT 20A toward  
AKRON.

Take the PLEASANT VALLEY RD exit,  
EXIT 153, toward INDEPENDENCE/  
SEVEN HILLS

Take the ramp toward SEVEN HILLS.  
Turn LEFT onto E PLEASANT VAL-  
LEY RD.

Turn RIGHT onto BROADVIEW RD/  
OH-176.

Turn RIGHT onto HILLSIDE RD.

Turn RIGHT onto SUMMITVIEW DR  
7325 SUMMITVIEW DR is on the  
LEFT.

#### **FROM THE WEST:**

Merge onto I-90 E toward CLEVE-  
LAND.

Take the I-71 S/OH-176 S exit, EXIT  
170B, toward COLUMBUS

Merge onto JENNINGS FWY/OH-176 S  
toward PARMA/DENISON

Take the exit on the LEFT toward I480  
W/TOLEDO

Turn RIGHT onto BROOKPARK RD/  
OH-17/OH-176

Turn LEFT onto BROADVIEW RD/OH-  
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Turn LEFT onto HILLSIDE RD.

Turn RIGHT onto SUMMITVIEW DR.  
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### For Sunday

**Mentor Senior Center Hall**  
**8484 Munson Road,**  
**Mentor, OH 44060**

#### From the East Side:

Merge onto I-271 N toward US-422 W/ERIE PA.

I-271 N becomes I-90 E. 6.3 mi

Take the OH-615 exit, EXIT 195, toward CENTER ST/KIRTLAND HILLS/MENTOR

Turn LEFT onto OH-615/CENTER ST. 3.8 mi

Turn RIGHT onto MUNSON RD. 0.2 mi

8484 MUNSON RD is on the RIGHT.

#### From the West Side:

Merge onto I-90 E toward CLEVELAND. 10.9 mi

Merge onto I-90 E via EXIT 170B toward CLEVELAND/COLUMBUS.

Keep LEFT to take OH-2 E via EXIT 185 toward PAINESVILLE. 10.2

Take the OH-615 exit toward MENTOR. 0.1 mi

Turn LEFT onto OH-615/CENTER ST. 1.0 mi

Turn RIGHT onto MUNSON RD. 0.2 mi

8484 MUNSON RD is on the RIGHT.

## GENERAL BODY MEETING

### Agenda:

- Approval of previous GBM minutes (11-16-08 which have been posted on the website for review).
- Review of JSGC activities of 2009
- Treasurer's Report
- Election of Board of Trustees
- Any other proper business

2009

### Here are the main events that took place in the past year.

- Mahavir Jayanti, on April 25 at the Solon Community Center
- Jain Picnic, on June 28, at the Solon Community Park.
- The following scholars visited Cleveland:
  - Shri Dhirajbhai Pandit
  - Shri Shrainikbhai
  - Shri Tarlaben Doshi
  - Shri Narendra Nandu
- Paryushan Parva, from August 15 - August 23.
- Mahavir Janam Vancham and Swapna Darshan, on August 22, at the Highland Heights Hall.
- Das Lakshan, August 24 - September 4, celebrated on August 30 at the American Phillipines Hall.
- Diwali program and Bhajan Sandhya celebrated October 24 and 25.

## ONGOING PROGRAMS

- **Jain Study** - usually on second Sunday of each month from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the residence of host families. Please come with family and friends to participate in the interactive learning to enrich your knowledge in Jain dharma.

#### Date

October 11

#### Host Family

Chandra and Koyal Jain

For directions and additional information, please contact the hosts or the co-coordinators, Chandrakumar Jain (440) 248-5562, Hansa Sutaria (440) 582-

6503 or Nalini Shah (330) 339-4513.

- **Adult and Children's Patshala** - All adult's and children's Patshala sessions are held the first and third Sunday of the month. The next Patshala will take place on October 4, and 18. Interested parents, please call Ashwin Turakhia at (440)526-5807.

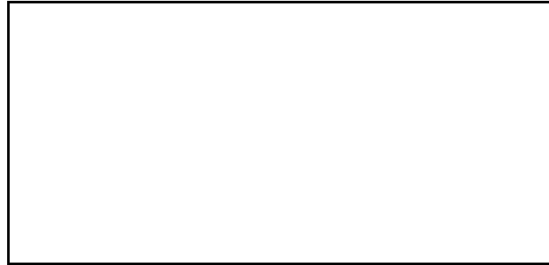
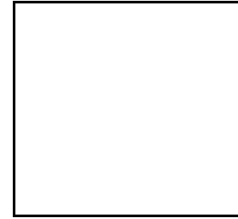
- **Mahila Mandal** - The Mahila Mandal meets twice a month. The mandal learns various religious rituals and meanings behind the rituals. The meetings are held at Mayurika Shah's residence. Please call Mayurika Shah

at (440) 397-4575 for more information. The next few dates are October 21, and November 3.

- **Pakhi Pratikamans** - Pakkhi Pratikamans are being held on every "Chaudas" at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Atul and Neela Shah in Mentor (440) 974-8486 and at the residence of Drs Vinod and Hansa Sutaria in North Royalton (440) 582-6503. If interested, please call the hosts to confirm specific dates and times. The next few dates are October 3, 17, November 1 and 15.

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