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APPRECIATION

Jain Digest, as a vehicle of JAINA FEDERATION was founded in 1985. The person who put his best efforts, skills and ideas was Mr. S. A. B. Kumar, the first editor-in-chief of *Jain Digest*.

Mr. Kumar has now undertaken some very useful activities for the Jain community. JAINA is indebted to his services and dedication to the continuance of this newsletter. I as new editor-in-chief express my wholehearted thanks to Mr. Kumar on behalf of JAINA FEDERATION.



From the Editor.....

Jai Jinendra! As the new editor-in-chief of the *Jain Digest*, I would like to say hello to all our members.

As desired by the executive committee, I have implemented some pleasant changes to the style, quality, and printing of our digest. These changes include a revamping of how the digest was organized.

We now have five sections consisting of: 1) National-International news; 2) A calendar of events; 3) Education and library; 4) Marriage services; and 5) Youth corner, besides some general articles.

We feel that this new organization and look will allow for a more readable and enjoyable *Jain Digest*. I would like to invite comments and letters concerning these and other matters related to the digest.

I encourage you to send relevant national/international news items to me. Items related to education and library should be sent to Dr. Premchand Gada, 4410 Fiftieth St., Lubbock, TX 79414. Material regarding matrimonial matters should be sent to Mr. F. J. Dalal, 9001 Goodluck Road, Lonham, MD 20706, and articles regarding youth activities to Ms. Urmila Talsania, 5 Yellow Star Court, Woodridge, IL 60017.

I hope that you enjoy the new format of this quarterly publication and I welcome all letters regarding improvements and other feedback.

Surender K. Jain
Editor-in-Chief

Since this issue has appeared in April, the next two issues will come out in July and October.

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News and Announcements

❖ **January 25** marked the Nirvana celebrations of Bhagwan Rishabh Devi Ji at the University of Delhi. The function was inaugurated by Shri Lal Krishan Advani, President, BJP, and was attended by several distinguished guests.

❖ On **March 2**, Dr. S. P. Patil delivered two lectures on "Exponents of Jainism -- Ajitasenacharya and Chavundaraya" at the Department of Jainology of the University of Madras.

Also on March 2, a seminar on "Bhagawan Parswonatha Tirthankara" was presented.

❖ The Asian Jain Conference was held in Singapore with the theme "Towards Greater World Peace" on **March 3, 4**. A large number of scholars and philosophers, including Acharya Shri Sushil Kumarji, Shri Chitrabhanuji, Shri Charukeerthi Bhattaraka Swamiji, were invited to participate.

❖ On **March 8**, the Department of Jainology of the University of Madras held their Annual Lecture Series with Dr. J. A Yajnik, professor of philosophy, Gujarat University.

Topics included: Jain Theory of Soul and Modern Scientific Experiment; Jain Theory of Samsara and modern physical research; and Jaina Sadhana and the dream of a non-violent divine world.

Also on March 8, Dr. Hampa Nagarajaiah, professor of Kannada, Bangalore University, lectured at the Mahasati Tarabai Swami Endowment Lecture. Dr. Nagarajaiah's topics included: The story of Charudatta in Kannada Jaina literature; and the Influence of Prakrit literature on Kannada literature.

❖ **March 20** marked the Great American Meatout!!! This day also celebrated St. Patrick's Day and Lent by the Cincinnati Vegetarian Society. These events were celebrated simultaneously since traditional Irish diets had very little meat in them and Lent is a period of abstinence from meat.

PRATISTHA DAY

The Jain Sangh of Tri-State (New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware) is approaching a PRATISTHA Day on May 27 and 28. Dharma Gurus will deliver lectures about Ghee-Boli for Pratistha, Abhishek and various Pujas. To sponsor Swamivatsalya, call Mahesh Shah (609-772-0910) or Shashi Shah (609-424-4897).

The Jain Sangh also plans to publish a directory and welcomes everyone to advertise. Call Mahesh Shah for more information.□



Shri Chitrabhanuji To Guide Mahavir Jayanti Celebration

In a gesture of unity, the different London Leicester Jain organizations will be celebrating Mahavir Jayanti collectively, as one group, with Shri Chitrabhanuji guiding and inspiring them in their practice of the Jain heritage from April 6-9.□



Shri Chitrabhanuji To Speak

Shri Chitrabhanuji will be a keynote speaker at The Vegetarian World Conference in Tel Aviv, Israel from April 17-21.□



Animal Protection Day Recognized

The first Sunday in October is now recognized as the animal protection day.

This year, six to eight million animals will die every month in our nation's laboratories.

The experimentation is often unnecessary, unreliable and undeniably cruel, says the AOC. For further information concerning Animal Rights Day, contact Dr. D. C. Jain, MD, Head of Dept. of Neurology, Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi 110016, India, or contact World Society for Protecting Animals, 106 Jermyn St., London SW1Y6EE.□

Jain Society of Washington D.C.

ELECTION RESULTS

The newly elected members of Jains of Metropolitan Washington's Executive Society Committee are: Dr. Manoj Dharamsi, President; Mr. Ramnik Sanghvi, Vice President; Mr. Kanu Doshi, Secretary; Mr. Dhiraj Shah, Treasurer.

Members at Large: Mr. Pravin Dand, Mrs. Rama Desai, Mr. Rajni Gosalia, Dr. Niren Nagda, Mrs. Aruna Shah, Mr. Ashok Shah, Mr. Kamlesh Shah.

Youth Committee members: Saurabh Dalal, Parul Dand, and Sonal Gangar. □



Classes Offer Instruction For Youth and Adults

CHILDREN'S CLASSES

The Jain Society of Washington, D. C. reports that religious classes for children have been held for the last three years. The goal of the Jain Sunday School is to offer an opportunity for youngsters and young adults to learn fundamentals of the Jain religion and to encourage them in following Jain principles in their day-to-day life.

About 25 to 30 students between 8 and 21 years old have participated in the school. The format is similar to that used in elementary and middle school education in the U.S.

Dr. Hukumchand Bharill's Balbodh Path-mala series is used in a "unit concept". Each unit, which includes two or three lessons, relates material in class with an assignment sheet and homework. Homework includes answering fill-in-the-blank or multiple choice questions with a limited amount of effort-related remembering studies, prayer songs, etc. When a student completes a unit, he must take a one-page quiz that is given in class.

ADULT CLASSES

Monthly adult religious classes have also been running for three years. These classes are held in parallel with the children's classes on

the second Sunday of each month. Two topics are generally covered, taken from Dr. Hukamchandji Bharill's books on Jain principles.

To aid in learning, a game called "Jain Super-bowl" is played after all the topics of a book have been studied. In a second session, a multiple choice exam is given to all participants and correct answers are discussed after the exam. □



Protest For Animal Rights Held in Cincinnati

Recently, the Animal Rights Newsletter, Information & Events reported that ARC has had two successful demonstrations. The first at Hyde Park Square on February 3 had local and national television coverage. On February 24, the animal rights group protested Procter & Gamble.

The group also explained urgent need of protest against The Ringling Brothers & Barnum & Bailey Circus which came to Cincinnati, March 20-25. The newsletter states, "This means cruelty and degradation for the animals involved. They must travel year round, spending their time chained or in tiny cages... Sadly, when they don't perform properly, they are often beaten. They have no one to help them besides me and you."

This protest marks the beginning of the ARC's Animal in Entertainment Campaign and urges anyone having information about cruel animal shows to contact Diane Kallmeyer at (513) 662-4400. ARC also recommends the books *Slaughter of the Innocent* which documents animal experimentation, and *Diet for a New America*. □

Animal Rights activists include: Bob Barker, Kim Basinger, Christie Brinkley, Carol Burnett, Steve Martin, Paul McCartney and River Phoenix.

Dr. Bharill To Offer Summer Lectures

Pandit Dr. Hukamchandiji Bharill, Jaipur, India will visit North America in Summer 1990. If you wish to organize his lectures in your city or attend his seminar in Washington D. C., call M. Rajni Gusalia (301) 464-5947, M. Dhioru Sham (516) 586-7878 or M. Niranjan Shah (312) 635-7780.



Hindu-Jain Temple Nears Completion

September 29 will mark the Grand Completion of the Hindu-Jain Temple. Construction of the Shikhar was completed in 1989. For more information concerning contributions or other matters about the temple, contact The Hindu Temple Society of North America, 615 Illini Drive, Monroeville, PA 15146.



Oil Paintings of Bhagwan Mahavir

At the 5th JAINA convention in Toronto in July 1989, Mr. Suresh Jain of Delhi and vice president of all India Digamber Jain Mahasabha announced to donate (at his personal cost) hand paintings of Bhagwan Mahavir. Nine small oil paintings of size 4'x6' have been received and there are more being distributed to some Jain Centers in North America. JAINA thanks Mr. Suresh Jain for his donation and dedication. We hope similar and further donations will enable JAINA to send these kinds of painting to all the other remaining Jain Centers. □



Elderly People who were taught Transcendental Meditation lived longer than their peers, new research at Harvard University says. The technique also worked better than two others for lowering blood pressure.

Calendar of Events

April 1990

- Mahavir Jayanti, Jain Society of Metropolitan Washington, April 7.
- Mahavir Jayanti, Jain society of Detroit, April 7.
- Mahavir Jayanti celebrations, Jain Center of Northern California (Fremont) April 7.
- Jaina Executive Committee Meeting hosted by Jain Society of Detroit, April 21-22.

May 1990

- "Yoga" Seminar in Toronto organized by Jain Society of Toronto. Bandhu Triputi will teach meditation at the seminar, May 18-21.

June 1990

- Jain Yoga Camp for adults with H. H. Bandhu Triputi, Jain Society of Metropolitan Washington, June 30 - July 7.
- Jain Yoga Camp for children, Jain Society of Metropolitan Washington, June 30 - July 4.
- Triputi Bandhu will be with the JSMC during Paryushan Mahaparva. The JSMC will also conduct the upcoming Summer Camp on June 15-16.

August 1990

- Paryushana Maha Parva, Jain Center of Northern California, August 18-26.
- Paryushan ceremonies, Jain Society of Detroit, Northwest Unitarian Church, 23925 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, Michigan, August 17-25.



The JCYC 4 day winter camp was held at Paradise Valley Range in Hemet, CA from December 26 to 29. Sixty-nine children attended.

The camp activities included 12 Jain religion classes, 4 hours of meditation and prayers, 2 hours of musical programs, 4 hours of hiking and several hours of free time for games, play and fun with friends.

The children were divided into three groups with the three teachers following an 82-page syllabus specially prepared for the camp. A test was given on the last day. □

JAINA Executive Committee Visits India

By Dr. Sulekh Jain

In December 1989 and January 1990, several members of the JAINA Executive Committee and Board of Directors visited India. Among them were Sulekh Jain (JAINA president), Niranjana Shah (First V. P.), Prem Jain and Manhor Sheth (V. P.), Prem Gada (Director and Chairman JAINA Library), Surender K. Jain (Associate Editor, *Jain Digest*), and Jagat Jain (Director). The purpose of this team, amongst many things, was to meet prominent Jain leaders of Jain organizations in India and thus develop a common awareness alongside other programs and plans. The team individually and sometimes collectively visited many Jain places such as Delhi, Jaipur, Ladnun, Ranakpur, Mt. Abu, Ahmedabad, Palitana, Baroda, Bombay, Bangalore, Srayan Belgola, Humcha and Moodbidri Jain Mutts, Dharmasthala, Mysore, Madras, Manddya, etc. In these cities/places, the team met many Dharamgurus, Acharyas (Acharya Tulsi Ji, Yuvacharya Mahapragya Ji, Acharya Padam Sagar Ji) and prominent Jain leaders.

Public meetings and functions were organized in Delhi, Jaipur, Ladnun, Bombay, Srayan Belgola, Moodbidri, Mysore, and Madras. The president of JAINA and other members of the North American team addressed many of these gatherings and gave detailed descriptions of various Jain community activities in North America as well as an overview of their own roles. An overwhelming reception greeted the team everywhere. Many discussions were held on cooperative programs and areas of common interest.

Daily newspapers such as 'GUJARAT SAMACHAR' and 'TIMES OF INDIA' of Ahmedabad and Bombay gave coverage of these gatherings. The visit and the dialogue which ensued proved very beneficial and provided an opportunity for understanding and cooperation.

The discussion during the trip centered on various topics. Many offers of help were received. It is not possible to give a complete

detailed picture of the achievements made during the visit. However, some of the major highlights are as follows: (JAINA Executive Committee is now in the process of putting together plans to follow up on many of the items.)

- Publication of Jain holy books in English
- Publication of introductory books on Jainism (16-64 pages) in English
- Production of short video tapes on various topics of Jainism
- Harvard University Jain Studies to create
 - 1) Permanent Jain Chair
 - 2) Exchange of scholars
- Visits of Jain Scholars/monks from India to North America for an extended period of time
- Donation of Books for
 - 1) JAINA Library
 - 2) College and city libraries in the US and Canada
- Coordination for collection of books in India and shipment of books to JAINA Library
- Youth exchange programs
- Jain pilgrimage and tours
- Availability of films, audio and video tapes on Jainism from India
- Large paintings of Bhagwan Mahavir and others on canvas for use by Jain Centers in North America.
- Collection of news items for Jain Digest
- Availability of small scale models of famous Jain temples in India (to display in various Jain Centers)
- Organizing workshops and seminars in North America and India
- Preparation of a uniform Jain calendar
- Donation of small Jain idols and other items of worship

The above list is quite long, but as progress is made details regarding those items will be published in the Jain Digest regularly. □

1990 Youth Camp

JAINA, in association with the Jain Center of St. Louis, will be hosting the first youth summer camp in St. Louis during July 5-8 for children, ages 12-18. The camp will involve religious studies, outdoor games, and other activities. One of the main objectives is to bring closer the children and adults of various Jain centers within the US and Canada. For further information please contact Satish Naik, (314) 394-3195. □



New Young Jain Society

A newly formed organization named **Young Jains of America** is pleased to announce the names of its young leaders. The purpose of this organization is to provide socio-cultural-religious opportunity to young Jains by:

- a) Creating a local youth forum with each Jain center/society;
- b) Exchanging ideas with other youth forums by organizing visits among them;
- c) Taking an active part in a biennial convention, addressing their concerns and finding solutions.

The names of the leaders are:

Ushma Shah, Box 1236, Knox College, Galesburg, IL 61401

Vikram Sanghani, 901 S. Ashland Ave., Chicago, IL 60607; (312) 243-2843

Amar Salgia, 1296 Clear Lake, Manchester, MO 63011; (314) 227-6144

Navita Kumar, 4665 Moccasin Trl., Mississauga, Ontario L4Z 2W5, Canada; (416) 890-3368

Nancy Jain, 76 Hilldale Rd., Toronto M6N 3Y2, Canada; (416) 763-4782

Reshma Shah, 5586 Crestview, Fairfield, OH 45014; (513) 874-4270

Seema Singhvi, 145 Lamonwood Ct., Springboro, OH 45066; (513) 748-2569

Jina Shah, 5705 Kimbark, Chicago, IL 60637; (312) 947-8290

Suketu Khandhar, 6112 Leyte St., Cyprus, CA 90630; (714) 894-2930

Sonal Gangar, 1813 Longmead Rd., Silver Spring, MD 20906; (301) 598-3093

Rita Morbia, (514) 284-601, college; (519) 254-3504, home

Tushar Shah, 382 Bluefield Dr., San Jose, CA 95136; (408) 281-1668

Nanita Dedhia, 6094 Ostenberg Dr., San Jose, CA 95120; (408) 997-7323

For details, please contact Urmila Talsonia, 5 Yellow Star Court, Woodridge, IL 60517 or call (312) 969-8845.



Youth Announcements/Events

❖ Houston Youth Club will be visiting the Dallas youth club, **April 14-15**. Both youth clubs will have religious discussions of mutual interest. Also, intellectuals from Buddhism, Hinduism, Christianity and Islam will speak to these groups.

Essay Competition 1990

❖ The Jain Center of Greater Boston is pleased to announce Essay Competition 1990. The essays can be on any topic related to Jainism including comparative study of religion. Contestants may also write stories from Jain Scriptures including their moral. The essays should be in English and should be typed or handwritten neatly. Please attach a separate sheet with your name, age, parent's names, and address. Children and youths of all ages can participate in the competition. The deadline is **August 15** to the following address: Jain Center of Greater Boston, 83 Fuller Brook Rd., Wellesly, MA 02191. Phone: (617) 237-5997.

The results of the Essay Competition 1989:

Group A (ages 12 & under)

1st: Shilpa V. Sejal D/O Vasant & Prabha Sejal, Burlington, NC

2nd: Nirav Shah S/O Narendra & Damini Shah, Livonia, MI

3rd: Ami Shah D/O Suresh & Indira Shah, St. Louis MO

Group B (ages 13 to 15)

1st: Shweta Shah D/O Pravin & Arti Shah, Cary, NC

2nd: Rajat Fofaria S/O Ramesh & Chetana Foraria, Garner, NC

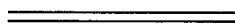
3rd: Avani Doshi D/O Mahendra & Indira Doshi, Troy, MI

Group C (ages 16 & up)

1st: Sacheen H. Mehta S/O Hasmukh & Usha Mehta, Manchester, MO

2nd: Seema Singhvi D/O Surendra & Sushila Singhvi, St. Louis, MO

3rd: Nirav K. Vora S/O Dinesh & Saroj Vora, Seven Hills, OH



❖ The First Youth Cultural Program under the auspices of the Jain Center of Northern California was held on February 24, 1990. The program was attended by over 300 people. The whole program was arranged, coordinated and orchestrated by the youths and about 45 youths participated in various programs. Besides various religious activities, a play was performed on the life of Lord Mahavira.

A bus trip was also arranged for the children to visit Jain Bhavan in Bueana Park, California, on March 10-11. This was the first bus trip organized by the Jain Center. Thirty-eight children and 10 adult volunteers participated in this trip.

Sumit Vora Honored Eagle Scout Award

❖ Sumit Kumar Vora of Seven Hills, Ohio, son of Dinesh and Saroj Vora, has been honored for achieving the prestigious Eagle Scout, the highest honor in the Boy Scouts of America. Sumit is a follower of Jainism, and is a recipient of many awards as well.

Forgiveness

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following piece was given by the 12 year old Umang Dosi, daughter of M. Dosi, of the Jain Society of Rochester.

At the February meeting of the Jain Society of Rochester, Umang Dosi, discussed forgiveness. She refreshed that forgiveness is considered a very high virtue in Jain religion because it helps in controlling two of our worst enemies: anger and ego. She mentioned two aspects of forgiveness. The first was to forgive other persons for their confusion, mistakes or ignorance which controls organization of the anger emotion and also provides time-element or patience that is essential in developing better communication and understanding. The second aspect equally important was to seek forgiveness from others for your own confusion, mistakes or ignorance. This helps in conquering over personal ego and enhances several desirable interpersonal qualities of being humble, considerate, thoughtful, kind and consciously open and clear.

The former aspect is usually implied when one talks about forgiveness. Umang exemplified the latter aspect by telling a story about Gautam Swami, chief disciple of Lord Mahavir and Anand, a rich merchant and farmer who had given up worldly pleasures in pursuit of eternal peace while continuing with his household duties. Anand, respectful of Gautam Swami, enquires if a householder can attain supreme divine knowledge. Gautam Swami responds affirmatively to this, but refuses to believe Anand who claims to have attained such divine knowledge. On this, Gautam Swami asks Anand to observe repentance for not being truthful. Gautam Swami further confers with Lord Mahavir on this incident. But Lord Mahavir finds Gautam Swami wrongful in his thinking masked by ego. The moment Gautam Swami realizes that he is being too proud of his knowledge, he immediately goes back to Anand and apologizes.

In the story, Umang explained how Gautam Swami conquered his ego and swallowed his humility by seeking forgiveness from Anand.

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International News

Jain Philosophy and Religion on TV

The Jain Society of Toronto, Canada and IMJM Canada have arranged to have Jain philosophy and religion broadcasts on television. As of January 6, 1990, a thirteen week pilot project has begun which focuses on Jainism. It will be available on cable, specifically on your local Vision Television station in Canada and Anik D2 in the US. In Toronto and vicinity, it will be on every Saturday from 2:30 - 3:00 pm. Support for this venture is solicited by Ramnik Kothari, Chairman of Television Programming, Jain Society of Toronto.□



Acharya Sushil Kumar Ji Still Striving for Solutions

Acharya Sushil Kumar Ji is again in the limelight for attempting to find a solution to the dispute about Ram Janam-Bhumi and Babri-Masjid. A dispute which has unfortunately taken many lives. He has made some attempts previously to solve the Punjab problem. Although those results were not encouraging, Acharya Sushil Kumar Ji has renewed confidence that he will be able to help in solving this dispute with his new team.□



Jain Pilgrimage to India

The Jain Adhyaatm Study Circles Federations in collaboration with JAINA is now offering to the members of JAINA a pilgrimage, sightseeing, and spiritual workshop tour to India. Such a pilgrimage tour will be carefully crafted and tailored to the needs and tastes of US Indians, blended with Tirth Darshan, sightseeing, and Jain food will be provided. Also, expert guides and servants will accompany the group throughout the tour. The cost of such a

tour is roughly estimated at \$25 a day for budget passengers and \$40 a day for more affluent passengers with a minimum cost to both of \$200 and \$300, respectively, for any short tour. For more details contact Dr. Sulekh Jain, 9831 Tall Timber Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45241.□



Matrimonial News and Announcements

Jain Marriages by

F. J. Dalal

A number of inquiries have been received since Marriage Information Service (MIS) was announced by Federation of Jain Associations in North America (JAINA). Forms along with the appropriate information have been mailed to all Jain centers/societies. Some societies have copied the forms and mailed them to all their members, while others have made an announcement in their circulars/newsletters. However, many societies have ignored the circular and deprived their members of the services provided by JAINA. Officers/Executive Committees of such societies are requested to inform their members about MIS at an early date.

MIS is open to anyone in the Jain community including places as far away as Singapore, Tokyo, Bombay, London, and Jerusalem. Compatible marriages among Jains are a must for preserving Jain traditions and values around the world. From a long term point of view, the future of Jain societies/temples will be in the hands of coming Jain generations, particularly in the western world, mainly USA, Canada, and England.

I strongly urge the parents and their children of marriageable ages to discuss and communicate regularly on matrimonial matters and related topics. Durable marriage, vegetarian food habit, non-smoking/drinking lifestyle, and active participation in Jain activities will lead to healthy physical, mental and philosophical personalities.

Matrimonial Column

EDITOR'S NOTE: Please send matrimonial material, preferably on the prescribed form, with a fee of \$15 (payable to MIS) as a registraton fee to F. J. Dalal, 9001 Goodluck Road, Lanham, MD 20706 (phone: (301) 577-5215). Responses should be addressed to Mr. Dalal along with the appropriate MIS reference number.

❖ Jain parents invite matrimonial correspondence for their bright, beautiful, 24-year old, daughter who holds BS in Biology and is 5' 5". She is strictly vegetarian, has a strong religious background and believes in family values. Please contact: Dr. N. C. Jain, 3206 Cutter Pl., Davis, CA 95616. Tel: 916-758-4745 or 753-8367.

❖ Charming Jain girl, age 23, 5' 3", 95 lbs, US citizen, working towards degree in Computer Science. Well connected family invites correspondence from Gujarati speaking vegetarian well settled graduates. Ref: MIS-1

❖ A professional girl, age 26, 5' 4", 115 lbs, MS clinical Microbiology, working for well-known hospital, invites correspondence from Gujarati speaking vegetarian doctors/PhD. Ref: MIS-12

❖ 26 year old boy, 6', 160 lbs, BS Computer Science, working towards MBA (1991), employed by state government, invites correspondence from Greencard holding Gujarati vegetarian girls. Ref: MIS-17

❖ 22 year old girl, 5' 4", 102 lbs, working towards degree in Accounting, employed, invites correspondence from Gujarati vegetarian well-settled boys. Ref: MIS-18

❖ 23 year old girl, 5' 3", 105 lbs, BSc Microbiology, working for a medical college, invites correspondence from Gujarati Jain boys, well-settled. Ref: MIS-19

❖ 25 year old boy, 5' 8", 145 lbs, non-vegetarian, BS Electrical Engineering, well employed,

invites correspondence from Gujarati girls. Ref: MIS-21

❖ 28 year old boy, 5' 6", 130 lbs, vegetarian, employed, invites correspondence from Gujarati girls. Ref: MIS-20

❖ Gujarati Jain parents invite correspondence for daughter, 24, 5' 4", US business graduate. Call (203) 775-0814

❖ Gujarati Jain parents invite correspondence for daughter, 24, 5' 4", US business graduate. Call (203) 775-0184

❖ Parents seek Jain vegetarian, handsome, tall and an ambitious professional for beautiful daughter. She is 23, 5' 3 1/2", BS in management. US permanent resident. Excellent family. Send biodata and returnable photo to: Dr. Jagat P. Jain, 66 Viscount, Williamsville, NY 14221 or call (716) 688-0104.

❖ Correspondence invited for nephew, Gujarati Jain. Vegetarian, 25 years old, 5' 8", MS in polymer engineering. Seeking suitable, educated match. Send recent returnable photograph and biodata to S. Ghelani, Box 834, Missouri City, TX 77459 or call (713) 438-6197.

❖ Correspondence invited for our two daughters. 1) Arati, age 30, 4' 10". B. Com. Has professional job in accounting in New York. 2) Sonal, age 28, 5'. B. Com. Professional job in Accounting. We are parents from Ahmedabad, Gujarat, and living in the US since 1981. Please phone F.J. Dalal at (201) 653-1126.

❖ Gujarati Jain, professional parents living in USA, vegetarians, seek suitable match, preferably MD/FRCS, or PhD for their charming, sober, home loving daughter, M.S. (Medical Science), 25 yrs, 5' 4". Reply with biodata and returnable photo to: Box #71, Emigsville, PA 17318-0071.



Library & Education

JAINA Library Established

Premchand B. Gada, Chairman of the JAINA Library, announces with great pleasure that the JAINA Library will start functioning on April 7, 1990, the 2589th birthday of Lord Mahavira. The start of a project like this on such an auspicious day will give anyone who is interested in His teaching a chance to find what they are looking for. Our dream of having a JAINA Library has come true. The library will be available for use to all individuals regardless of cast, religion or country of origin, who are interested in Jain principles and teachings.

Also, the JAINA Library, Canadian branch, has been established with Mr. Hansraj Jain as a librarian at C/O Makino Metal Ltd., 2360 Midland Ave., Unit 16/14, Scarborough, Ontario, Canada M1S 1P8. Mr. Jain can be contacted at (416) 291-9721 or (416) 291-8716.

Many of our Jainbandhus, Americans, and other people wanted the Jain literature, but the local centers could not meet their needs. To overcome this shortcoming and to provide additional facilities even to the areas where there are no local centers, a central library now exists.

JAINA Library will serve the various needs of anyone interested in Jainism. About 400 books are available through the library, in English, Gujarati and Hindi. Children's books, audio and video cassettes as well as slides are also available. Jain magazines and journals will be added.

A list of these books and other items can be obtained by calling (806) 793-8555 or by writing to 9-9 Medical Clinic, Lubbock, Texas 79414. Mr. Gada will be pleased to help you.

The library is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, Sunday and holidays. You may call during regular library hours or during other times if necessary.

Mr. Gada expresses his sincere thanks to all

those who have helped make our dream come true. A special thanks to Sulekh Jain, president of JAINA, and Malookchand R. Shah of Ahmedabad who have inspired and helped in building this library. □



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Book Review

By Dr. Sulekh Jain, Cincinnati

Jainism- The Path of Purity and Peace by Ken Oldfield with illustrations by Mike Nicholson of the U.K., is a 36 page book that is easy to understand. It has many photos and sketches and is written for a Western audience. It contains an excellent introduction to Jainism and the contents include the following topics: Why Study Jainism; An Outline of Jain History; The Life of Maharvira; Jain Life Styles; Jain Art and Architecture; Jains in Britain; Non-violence - The Universal and Eternal Law; and Bibliography for further studies.

This book is highly recommended for our youngsters as a beginning book. The book is published in a very high class, quality print and style.□

EDITORS NOTE: JAINA has ordered 100 copies from the U.K. and 1 to 2 copies of this book will be sent to each Jain Center in North America. For further information on ordering, please contact Dr. Prem Gada at (806) 794-4777.



Religious books of Jains to be published in English

About 1 1/2 years ago, the Duke of Edinburgh announced the establishment of a trust for the translation and publication of holy books in English of various world religions. At that time, Jainism was not included in his announcement.

Thanks to the dedication and efforts of Jains in the U.K. and the Oshwal Jain Samaj of London, in particular, this trust has now agreed to include Jainism as well. Oshwal Jain Samaj, JAINA and many other organizations and Jain leaders throughout the world endorse and support this project.

Many Acharyas, munis, Bhattarakas and Jain scholars have been contacted. A permanent trust committee to oversee this project and enter into a legal contract with the Duke of Edinburgh's Trust is in formation.

The first book selected may be *Tattavartha Sutra*. The most heartening news is that as a result of personal appeals by Sulekh Jain (JAINA President), Nemu Chanderia and many other prominent Jains in the U.K., U.S. and India, Shri Shrenik Bhai of Ahmedabad, (one of the most prominent leaders of Jains), has given full support to this project with a commitment of a sizeable contribution, organization and leadership.

We are all grateful to Shrenik Bhai for this encouragement and generous offer.□

Navkar Mantra

by Narendra Sheth

Namo Arihantanam:	I bow to the ARIHANTs (who have won over enemies residing in heart, such as hatred, jealousy, greed, anger, pride, sex, intrigue, and etc. passions).
Namo Siddhanam:	I bow to the SIDDHAs (who have achieved complete liberation from cycles of births and deaths, by getting rid of all the Karmas).
Namo Ayariyanam:	I bow to the ACHARYAs (who are accepted as heads of the society, and who practice knowledge, character and penance).
Namo Uvajjhayanam:	I bow to the UPADHYAYs (who learn and teach religious scriptures).
Namo Loe Savva Sahunam	I bow to all the SADHUs (who give up their family lives, wealth and worldly comforts for seeking the true-self of the soul, that is, liberation).
Eso Panch Namokkaro:	The recitation of these five bows,
Savva Pavappanasano:	Capable of destroying all the sins;
Mangalanam cha savvensin:	Among all the Mangals (sin-eliminators),
Padhamam Havai Mangalam:	Is the first Mangal (to recite).

Navkar Mantra is the most unique prayer of all the prayers. Written in Ardhamagadhi language, it expresses the whole summary of Jainism in a nutshell. Instead of asking for material favors, in this prayer we meditate upon the virtues that we should be developing. Our aim is to uplift our own soul, through reminder of the noblest qualities of our great Tirthankars, Sadhus, etc. We do not pray to any one specific person, but we salute to the qualities of each and every great soul.

The word Mantra means Prayer with Spiritual Powers. The word Namo means "Bowling, I submit myself to you." With an understanding of these words, let us learn the significance of the rest of the Mantra, and let us find out what kind of spiritual powers are hidden in it. We would also learn many more words while doing that.

Ari means enemy, and hant means destroyer. So the word Arihant means destroyer of enemy. But what kind of enemy? With many friends of other people we have problems, but as the time goes, the problems get forgotten or resolved. Then those people again become friends, so we cannot call them enemy forever.

But if jealousy (for example) takes over us, there would be no way of jealousy making peace with us! So it proves that jealousy is an enemy forever! Winning over jealousy is far more difficult than winning over people. So we respect the ones who do not get jealous. Thinking about those who do not get jealous helps us to overcome our own jealousy. It is the same way with greed, anger, pride, etc. If our car battery is weak, we jump start it with a stronger one. Similarly, when we are spiritually weak, we should seek connection to those who are strong. Arihants are also known as Jinas, signifying winners. There are 24 Arihants, including Mahavir as the last one. They all reestablished religion, so they are also known as Tirthankars, implying church founders.

Siddha means accomplisher, who has successfully reached the goal. We all have different goals at different times. Some goals are easier to attain than others. The most difficult one is to get rid of all the Karmas. A Karma is our own good or bad deed. The fruit of accomplishing this goal is Moksha, where there is happiness forever. All souls in Moksha are liberated from the cycles of incarnations (births

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and deaths). Until this liberation comes, we have to go through a long cycle of reincarnations in different forms. These different forms of life are animals, insects, vegetables, amoebas, etc. Among all these, life as a human being are very rare, hence it is the most important one. This chain of incarnations is known as life-ocean, of which Moksha is the shore. In Moksha, there is no death, no sickness, no poverty, no insults, or any of the fears that we have in this world. In Moksha, there is limitless knowledge, power, peace and bliss. In order to reach this goal of Moksha, we need to pay our homages to those who have reached there, so we bow to them in the second line of Navkar Mantra.

The third, fourth and fifth line pertain to people still living with us in our society. They are all Sadhus at different levels. In the lowest level, an individual renounces family life: giving away home, money, jewelry, wealth and walking away from parents, brothers, sisters, husband or wife, children and all the other relatives. He/she takes five great vows to completely follow (1) non-violence, (2) truth, (3) non-stealing, (4) celibacy and (5) non-possession, for the rest of the life. He/she devotes all the time learning scriptures and meditating. Meditation is a state of standstillness of the mind, speech and body, and putting the whole attention on Atma. (Atma is the Indian word for soul.) He/she is called Sadhu/Sadhvi (from Sadhak, the one who is attempting). He/she is also known as Muni, for (if) taking a vow or not (or little) talking (maun). He/she tries to control all the senses (hearing, sight, smell, taste and touch). His/her self-control extends to his/her body, speech and mind. He/she is very careful not even to think or desire bad for anyone. He/she always focuses on noble thoughts.

After learning a certain number of scriptures, a Sadhu may rise to become an Upadhyay. Naturally, as all students do not become professors, all Sadhus do not become Upadhyays. Every Sangh (society of male and female Sadhus and householders) has a leader sadhu as an Acharya. The characters of all the Acharyas are of highest humanly possible levels. They teach

us from the Jain scriptures with Anekantvad, without dogmatism. Anekantvad means "many viewpoints," or in different words, "I think I am right, but you also may be right," or, in still different words, "This is the way I interpreted, but your interpretation also may be right."

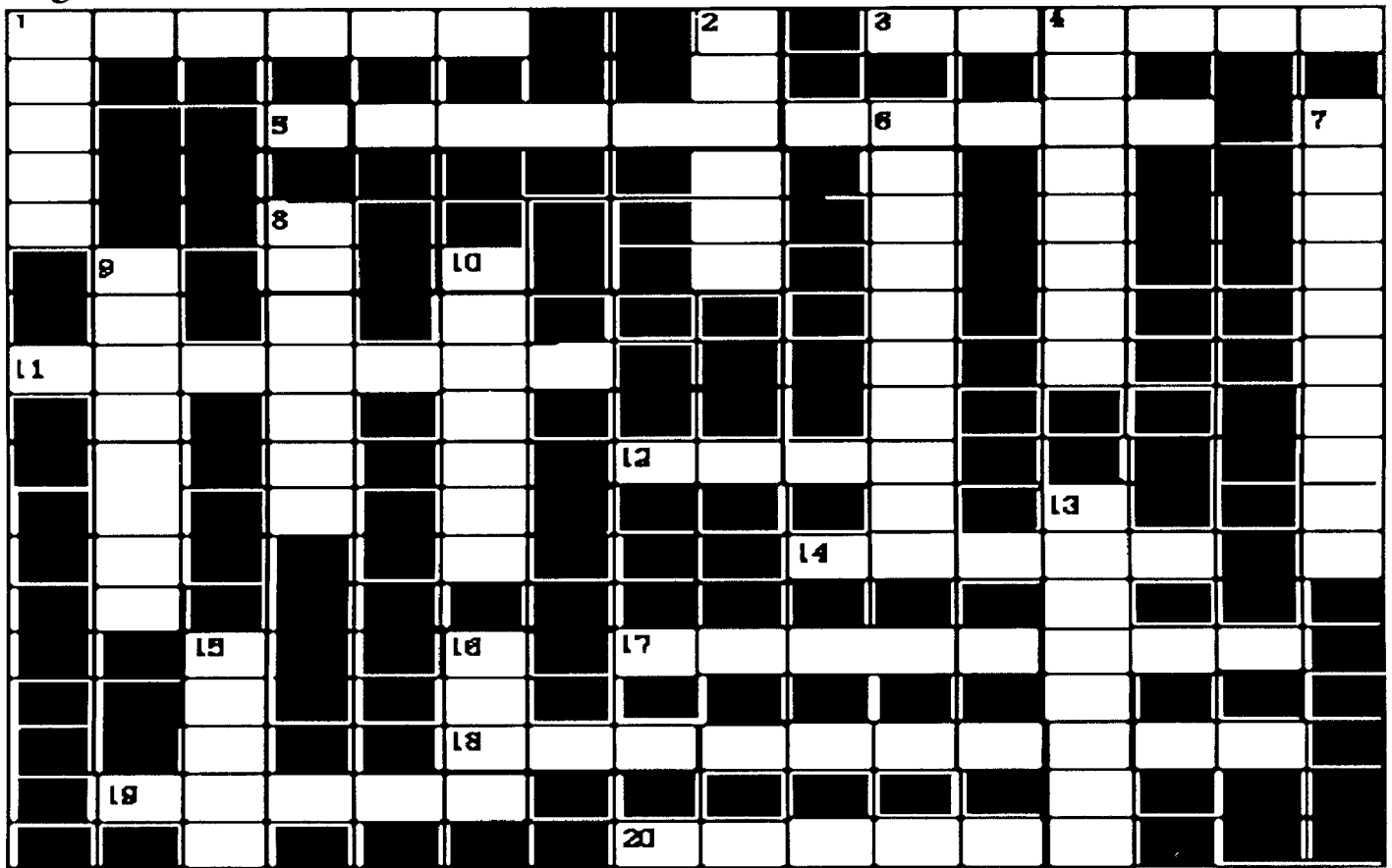
So in the third, fourth and fifth lines, we bow to all the Acharyas, Upadhyays and Sadhus. They keep the messages of Tirthankars alive, and they follow them. In the absence of Tirthankars, only they can bring the messages to us. That is why we have more line (three) for them than for Arihants and Siddhas (two) in Navkar Mantra.

Altogether there are five lines for bowing to five entities. That is why the Navkar Mantra is also known as Panch Parameshthi (five supreme beings) Mantra. Because of bowing in it, it is also known as Namaskar (bowing) Mantra. Some also call it Maha (great) Mantra. The rest of the four lines are added only to clarify the significance of the above five lines, as their meaning implies.

But still one question may remain. "Why pray?" Well, first of all, the prayer links our mind to the ones who are perfect, pure and peaceful. A prayer is the most common thread among all the religions. Praying for even a single moment does not go unrewarded. It generates such a great spiritual energy, that we can ward off any unwanted evil thoughts with it. In addition, it also brings out our humility and politeness. While praying, we recognize our limitations. A prayer is an act of reverence and respect. So we should recite the Navkar Mantra every day, first thing in the morning and last thing at night.□

(Forgiveness from page6)

Anand on the other hand did not get angry and forgave Gautam Swami in his own heart. He viewed Gautam Swami as a very noble person with integrity, and maintaining his own humility he also begged forgiveness from Gautam Swami.□



Use the Navkar Mantra Story To Find The Answers To This Crossword

Answer Key Will Be Published in the Next Jain Society Digest

ACROSS

- 1 A _____ is liberated from the cycles of births and deaths.
- 3 We always recite the _____ Mantra first, and regard it as the most auspicious one.
- 5 _____ means an act of taking a birth.
- 11 Name of the last Tirthankar was _____.
- 12 An act of bowing with submission is pronounced as " _____ ".
- 14 _____ always prevails, and not speaking so is forbidden as the second vow.
- 17 The monks practice _____ as their fourth vow.
- 18 In _____, everything comes to a standstill.
- 19 Our own deed, good or bad is known as _____.
- 20 We should always be very thoughtful for every _____ being.

DOWN

- 1 A _____ gives up family life, wealth, comforts, etc. to achieve emancipation.
- 2 A _____ eliminates sins.
- 4 Our first vow is to avoid _____, or any act of hurting, killing or making other unhappy.
- 6 There are _____ Tirthankars.
- 7 _____ means an act of keeping instead of giving, due to greed, prohibited as fifth vow for monks.
- 8 An _____ heads a society and follows the vows completely.
- 9 An _____ learns for himself and teaches the scriptures to us.
- 10 Another word for Tirthankar, implying victor of vices, is _____.
- 13 An act of taking some property that does not belong to you is _____. The third vow prohibits it.
- 15 A _____ life does not come very easily in the life-ocean, so it is called the most important one.
- 16 _____ is the Indian word for soul.

New Harvard University Jain Studies Center Update

Prof. John B. Carman and Dr. John E. Cort of Harvard University's Center for the Study of World Religions traveled to India in December 1989 and January 1990 in connection with Harvard's proposal to raise four million dollars and one million rupees for a program in Jaina Studies. They met with both monks and leaders of the Jaina community in Delhi, Ahmedabad, Bombay, Madras, and Ladnun. Everyone was most supportive of the Harvard proposal, and Acharya Tulsi, Yuvacharya Mahaprajna, Acharya Padmasagarsuri, Muni Jambuvija, and Gurudev Chitrabhanu all gave their blessings to the project.

They also visited several Jain research institutes, including the B.L. Institute of Indology in Delhi, the L.D. Institute of Indology and Mahavira Aradhna Kendra in Ahmedabad, Jain Vishva Bharati in Ladnun, and the Research Foundation for Jainology in Madras. They also met with trustees of the P.V. Research Institute of Varanasi.

On the afternoon of January 16, a public meeting was organized in Bombay. The meeting was inaugurated by Gurudev Chitrabhanu, and chaired by Dipchand Gardi. In attendance at the meeting were leaders of the entire Jain community. Professor Carman and Dr. Cort spoke concerning the long history of the comparative study of religion at Harvard, the details of the proposed Harvard Jaina Studies Program, and the specifics of the funds needed to institute the program. It was agreed by everyone present that Dipchand Gardi should head the international effort to raise the funds needed. Mr. Gardi said that he would establish a coordinating committee in India which would then try to establish similar committees among the various Jain communities outside of India to coordinate the fundraising.

An agreement to raise the funds within the following time frame was made: \$2 million for the professorship by June 1991, and the remaining \$2 million and Rs. 1 million for student scholarships and library endowment within five years.

Prof. Carman and Dr. Cort also met with Dr. Nathmal Tatia, the Director of Jain Vishva Bharati in Ladnun to work out the details for Dr. Tatia's Visiting Professorship at Harvard for Fall semester 1990. Dr. Tatia will teach a special course entitled "Three Traditions of Meditation in India: Patanjali's, Buddhist and Jaina." At Ladnun, plans were discussed for Dr. Gary Tubb, a scholar from Harvard, to visit Ladnun in the summer and fall of 1990 to pursue research on the role of Jain scholars in Sanskrit poetics. This exchange of scholars may be the first step in a long-term program of scholarly exchange between Harvard's Center for the Study of World Religions and Jain Vishva Bharati and other Jaina research institution in India.

Anyone who can help in the efforts to continue Harvard's Jaina Studies Program should contact Dr. Sulekh Jain, President of JAINA.□



Boston Jain Center Hosts Reception For Harvard JAINA Workshop

On March 23, the Boston Jain Center gave a dinner reception to the participants of the Harvard University's first Jaina workshop. Many Jain scholars from the U.S., U.K, Scotland and Canada doing research on Jainism attended the dinner at the Jain Temple in Boston.

Dr. Chander Khasgiwala, president of the Jain Center of Boston, Mr. Dinesh Dalal, Drs. Rajinder Jain, Vinay Jain, Sanjay Shah and many noted Jain leaders and their families welcomed the guests. Dr. Sulekh Jain, president of JAINA, gave an account of Jaina activities and spoke how the Jain community in North America and various scholars on Jainism can work together and benefit mutually. Dr. John Cort and Prof. Carman from Harvard University gave details of their current and future plans to encourage and expand Jaina studies at Harvard.

Many thanks to the Boston Jain center for hosting this event and making it a worthwhile experience.□

Harvard Hosts Jain Workshop

On March 23-25, Harvard University's Center for the Study of World Religions hosted a Jain Studies Workshop. The workshop provided an opportunity for scholars who specialize in Jaina studies and those who have a secondary interest in Jainism to meet in a semi-formal setting to discuss each other's work and identify areas for fruitful future research. Nine scholars from the United States, Canada, and Great Britain presented their research before a specially invited audience of twenty scholars.

As part of the workshop, on Friday, March 23, Professor Padmanabh S. Jaini of the University of California, Berkley gave a public talk entitled "Gender and Salvation: Jaina Debates on the Salvation of a Nun." This talk was based upon his book on the same subject which is forthcoming from the University of California Press. Paul Dundas, Lecturer in Sanskrit from the University of Edinburgh, was also invited to the workshop.□

ATMA VALLABH SANSKRITI MANDIR by Kantilal D. Kora and Raj Kumar Jain

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is only an excerpt from a preprint of an 8-page article.

Vijay Vallabh Smarak, as it is popularly known, is a classic memorial situated at the 20th Km. point on G. T. Karnal Road (Highway No. 1) within the Union Territory of Delhi on about 20 acres. This monument is a part of a multi-purpose educational, cultural, and research project to perpetuate the sacred memory of His Holiness Jain Acharya Vijay Vallabh Suriiji Maharaj (1870-1954). This memorial complex is so designed that visitors get a full glimpse of the shrine, the Statue of Vijay Val-

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labh Suriiji, and the idol of Bhagwan Parshvanath at a glance right at the front entrance. This ambitious project is the brain child of Jain Sadhvi Mahattra Shree Mrigavatiji and a symbol of Her complete dedication towards Her Master and Mentor Acharya Vijay Vallabh Suriiji Maharaj.

A separate but elegant Devi Padmavati (Adhishtattri Goddess of 23rd Tirthankar Parshvanath) Temple has been constructed within the Smarak Complex in tune with Jain architectural canons. The beautiful and enchanting marble image of Devi Padmavati with Lord Parshvanath on Her head adorns the Sanctum.

The Complex is also equipped with a Medical Aid Center. To begin with, a free homeopathic dispensary was set up, which is serving the residents of the Complex and neighboring villages. Later on an allopathic diagnostic center, along with X-ray facilities will be added.□

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As you see, this issue of Jain Digest is different from previous issues. Our aim is to continuously enhance its quality to meet your needs. More than 5000 copies are individually mailed to homes in North America and abroad. It costs more than \$11,000 yearly. An appeal for donations was made by JAINA in December 1989. As a result, many people sent in contributions, several of which were \$100 or more. We are delighted with this response and express our thanks for their support. However, the response rate was only about 2% of the total mailing list. To put Jain Digest on a financially firm footing, we need this support and appeal to those who have not yet responded to send their tax deductible contribution. Please do so now. □

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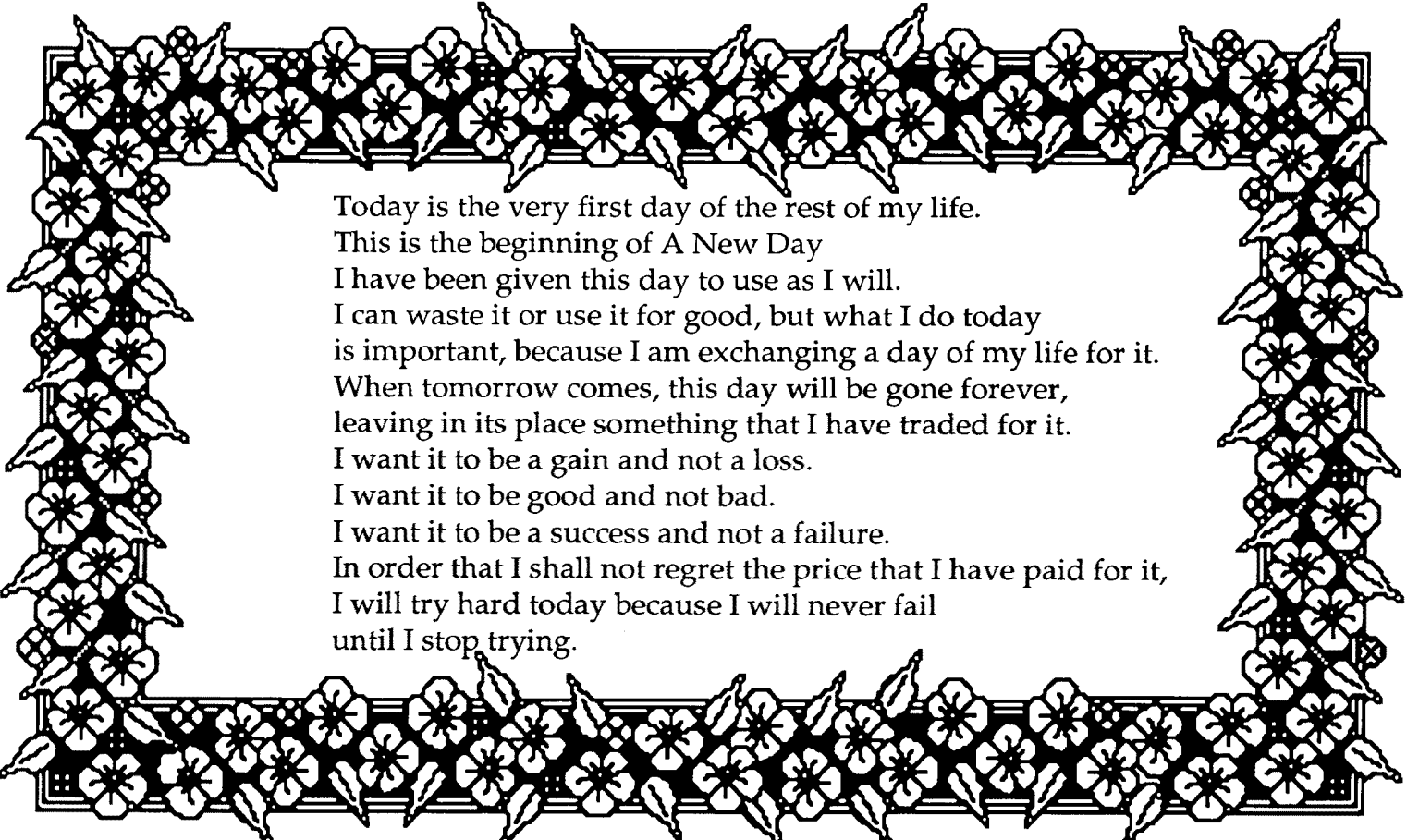
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