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अहो! अहो! श्री सदगुरु, करुणासिंधु अपार
आ पामर पर प्रभु कयों, अहो! अहो! उपकार (१२४)

Thanks! the Holy True Teacher!
Unfathomable ocean of compassion;
I'm highly obliged; Oh! good Teacher,
The Pupil poor has no expression. (124)

शुं प्रभुचरणकने धरुं? आत्माथी सह हीन;
ते तो प्रभुअे आपियो, वर्तु चरणाधिन (१२५)

What should I offer to you, Lord?
In soul-comparison all is trifle;
The soul is gifted by the Lord,
I wish to act to your oracle. (125)

- Shri Atmasiddhi Shastra, Srimad Rajchandra -

We dedicate ourselves to ceaseless efforts of
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Jains,

Jai Jinendra.

I hope all is well with your family, friends, and loved ones during this time of turbulence in the world. Please be assured that JAINA is doing everything it can to promote peace and spirituality to Jains across North America, and welcomes any suggestions or comments that you may have. Well, a lot has happened since the last issue of Jain Digest...

First, I have a progress report on topics mentioned in the last issue:

- The Education Committee has planned a Pathshala Teachers conference. A standardized curriculum and set of books will be discussed. One of the main issues that will be addressed is, convenient mobility and transferability for students. For example, a student moving from one city to another would not have any difficulty joining the new city's pathshala class.
- Work has been progressing on the national JAINA library. It is shaping up to be ready for all member societies to participate and check out books. You may contact Virendra Shah at Jain Society of Southern Calif. For more details
- We have a confirmed plan to bring you the first of a series of guest lectures on Sunday April 28th on TV Asia, and possibly other broadcasting stations.

In new topics, we are working on ways in which all member societies can have access to highly acclaimed scholars from all over the world. I have requested all the Presidents of all large societies to provide some portion of the time for scholars to lecture at smaller societies in surrounding areas.

In other news:

The JNF_MIS participation activity, which was stated on computer during last convention, has been continued on jaina.org web site. Please browse on the web site and examine a variety of items available to you.

Additionally, we have started the Jaina Focus newsletter on the same web site. This newsletter is intended to get to you timely information with convenient access via the Internet. I urge all Jains to inform Mr. Samprati Shah for publication requests of any reportable achievement, which he and his committee will then evaluate with specific guidelines.

Furthermore, we have and are proceeding to consolidate various activities and reports to you on one and only one web site, namely, jaina.org.

Planning for the Convention 2003 in Cincinnati is going at full force. During the next Executive Committee meeting in Chicago, on March 23, 2002, we plan to discuss details thoroughly. For those of you who attended and enjoyed JAINA Convention 2001, please inform your friends and families about it. We encourage everyone to plan on attending JAINA Convention 2003 in Cincinnati.

The JAINA-sponsored "Vardhman Nagar" construction near Bhuj is progressing at full speed.

We want to come as close as possible to you. JAINA wants to be of service to you, and add value to the existing efforts by the leaders of your society. We have commenced a program of "JAINA Day" at as many centers as possible. One or more leaders of JAINA will be available to brief you about JAINA's efforts to enhance your way of living as a Jain.

Always ready to serve you,

Yours truly,



Bipin D. Parikh, President

Cover Photos: Left: Gujarat Governor performing Ground Breaking Ceremony. Centre: from left Acharya Chandnaji, Governor of Gujarat Mr. Bhandariji, Speaker of Gujarat Assembly Dhirubhai Shah and others, Right: Bachubhai Ajmera handing over Rs. 10 million (JAINA's contribution) to the Governor.

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Jai Jinendra !

The cover of this issue recognizes the ardent efforts made by Jaina World Community Services and its team under the leadership of Dr. Dhiraj Shah. This project will make the difference in the lives of many people.

We are pleased to add a new feature "upcoming events".beginning this issue. It will provide information on all major programe taken up by Jain Centres around the country.

The YJA is planning the next Youth Convention in the summer of 2002. Details are in this issue.

It takes a great deal of time and money to produce and distribute JAIN DIGEST to over 7500 families. You can help by becoming a JAINA Patron and or a Jain Digest life member. Please inform about any change of address and for adding new members to its mailing list at jainahq@aol. com.

We would like to hear from you, share your insights through letters to Editor. Feel free to send in any articles, information you may wish to share it with community at large.

Lata Champsee

JAINA Website is updated. Jaina information, YJA, YJP, Jain Network Forum, Jaina Focus, Jain Digest etc will be integrated in on database. Log on to: "www.jaina.org."

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JAINA MEETINGS AT SIDDHACHALAM

JAINA Board of Directors and Executive Committee Meetings were held on December 1, 2001 at Siddhachalam. Due to lack of quorum for JAINA Board of Directors meeting, Directors present participated in all items of the agenda, and the following is the summary of the discussion.

1. Meeting was started with Navkarmantra.
2. Observed 2 minutes of silence for victims of twin towers at World Trade Center on 9/11/01

3. Highlights of last phone meetings were read, and past minutes of meeting were circulated and approved by Executive Committee.

4. YJA Convention - This year's convention will be held on July 4th weekend in New Jersey. There will be 3 Age groups, 14-17, 18-24, and 25-29. The maximum number of registrations would be 700 and it will be on first come first serve basis and everyone will need to write short essay. Convention Souvenir will be distributed in the CD format. They requested \$25,000 from JAINA for the convention. JAINA may approve maximum of \$10,000, as a loan to be repaid if they turn in the profit, if not then that will be considered as a grant. With the current expenses and income, YJA may run into shortfall as high as \$75,000. They were requested to re-examine their expenses. They will be required to provide their accounting. Birud Zaveri is the chairperson of YJA convention.

5. Treasurer's Report - Mr. Girish Shah handed out the financial report. JAINA General Fund has just enough money for next issue of Jain Digest. JAINA needs about \$100,000 per year. Girish Shah proposed and Anop Vora seconded the proposal that JAINA should deduct 3% administration fee for all outgoing funds upon the receipt of the funds, rather than at the time of distribution of funds. This would allow JAINA with the immediate use of the funds. It will also simplify accounting procedures for the JAINA committees. JAINA committee would also have the clear-cut idea of their availability of the funds. The Executive Committee approved the motion.

6. JAINA Marketing Group: JAINA is facing financial crunch. There has been lack of enrollment in patron program as well as general donations. It was felt that we needed to form a group, whose main function would be to raise funds on an ongoing basis, till we can make Jain Digest financially independent. To meet this need, a group was formed for the sole purpose of fund raising and marketing of JAINA products. This group would be called as JAINA marketing group. The Executive Committee appointed their members as follows: Dr. Manibhai Mehta, Chairperson. Bipin Parikh and Dilip V. Shah. Their objectives would be: 1. Fund raising 2. Creating and maintaining JAINA awareness and 3. What can JAINA do for all Jain Centers, to make the difference?

7. JAIN DIGEST: In order to coincide publication of the Jain Digest with major JAINA functions, it was decided to change Jain Digest publication dates to the following new dates:

February 28th, May 30th, August 30th and November 30th
Dilip V. Shah is currently active in bringing national advertisements for Jain Digest. YJA & YJP will also help in bringing advertisements for the Jain Digest. Deadline for each issue will be 30 days prior to the publication date.

Mr. Naresh Shah will provide an article about his community services, such as Jain marriage procedures, poojas etc. Mr. Lalit Shah, past president of JAINA will distribute Jain Digest in India at his expense. We still do not have enough Jain Digest Life Members. Jain Digest life member's list was distributed to all regional vice presidents. They were requested to follow through their directors and local sanghs to recruit more life members.

8. JAINA 2001 Convention Report - Dr. Bipin Parikh circulated Financial Statements. We had 4,800 registrations, and we just about broke even. There are outstanding pledges of more than \$36,000. But he did not see any problem in collecting them. He also mentioned that he is working on 2005 & 2007 convention sites, possibly LA and Orlando. Dallas or Houston may want to participate in 2009.

9. JAINA 2003 Convention - Our next convention is finalized for Cincinnati, Ohio. Convention center has great sound system with 462,000 sq. feet area. He felt that between 4 days rental of the convention hall and services, JAINA's cost should not be more than \$100,000. This amounts to saving of over \$100,000 from Chicago convention. Mr. Anop Vora assigned following Executive Committee members for the convention:

Kirit Daftary and Kamlesh Amin as Secretary of Convention
Lata Champsee preferred to work in Souvenir Committee instead of Registration committee as suggested.

Kirit Daftary was added in Program & VIP Invitation Committee.
Sushil Jain's name was added in Publicity & P.R. Committee
Chandrakant Shah's name was added in Fund Raising Committee.

10. Reports From JAINA Committee Members:

Mr. Nirmal Dosi discussed about celebration of 2600th Birthday anniversary of Bhagwan Mahavir by Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan. April 13-14, 2002. This would be co-sponsored by JAINA and YJA. Dr. Bipin Parikh appointed Kirit Kapadia as JAINA representative to Bharatiya Vidhya Bhavan.

YJP: Dr. Bipin Parikh mentioned about combining data from MIS, YJA, and YJP. There are about 900 members, of which there are 100 paid members. Mr. Anop Vora discussed the over-lapping age issue of YJA and YJP. Their website is www.yjponline.org

HEADQUARTERS NEWS....

Education Committee - Mr. Sudhir Shah made presentation of Pathshala. Mrs. Anita Shah developed CD "Who Wants to be a Jain Scholar" for Pathshala children. They currently have 200 sets of Pathshala books available for the distribution. This can be purchased at a nominal cost of \$12 per set. He would like to have introductory classes for future Pathshala Teachers in next Convention. Mrs. Lata Champsee suggested that JAINA should certify the teachers for uniformity in teaching. Their website is www.anekant.org

MIS Committee - Mr. Anop Vora discussed about MIS committee. It was discussed to raise the fee for MIS advertising from \$25 to \$50. Kirit Daftary suggested that there is no reason for Hasmukh Shah to withhold \$15/per ad as his expenses. If he is spending \$15/per ad then we need to look at the way of reducing the cost. We are actually losing money on MIS ads. It was suggested that, those who get married through Jain Digest advertisement should donate \$151 to JAINA.

Database Work & Website Development: - Sunil Jain of Chicago and Mr. Girish Shah is working on updating JAINA website. This should be ready before next YJA convention. The data from YJA, YJP, MIS, etc., will be integrated in one database. Website will be updated within next 2 months.

V.R. Gandhi Committee - Mr. Pravin Shah discussed the activities of his committee.

Public Relation Committee - Dr. Sushil Jain was approached by the State Department to help them set up guidelines for visa qualification for scholars. He suggested that we need to develop guidelines for sick persons in the hospital, deathbed and funeral for American hospitals, clergies etc. They should have set of Prayers, reference material such as Tatvarth Sutra, etc. We should also make guidelines to create travel packages to be handed out at the disaster time. Senate will hold prayer on April 25, '02.

No Directors or President are authorized to speak to Media on behalf of JAINA. Dr. Sushil Jain will develop "Public Relations Guidelines".

11. JAINA Patron Program - Hasendra Shah is Patron Program Coordinator. We need to concentrate our efforts on increasing patron members of JAINA. JAINA Headquarters will send out the list of past Patrons to JAINA regional Vice Presidents.

12. JAINA Bulletin Board Service- It was decided to drop this committee since it has lost its purpose.

13. Smaller Jain Centers - Big Centers should help smaller Centers in Jain activities. Bigger Jain centers should schedule the scholar visits to the smaller centers day before or the day after the main event, so more Jain families are exposed to and have a chance to learn from the scholars.

14. Sadharmic Bhavans around North America - Bipin Parikh discussed the program. This will be a local program. JAINA can only promote and create guidelines.

April 25, 2002 will be the last day of the 2600th Birth anniversary of Mahavir Bhagwan. We are planning to have a lecture and a prayer on that day at UN. Gurudev Chitrabhanu may attend the function. Dr. Manoj Dharamsi (Mahavir Memorial Committee) will check out the possibility of holding such function.

JAINA has been approved as NGO, by UNO. There are only two Indian organizations, which have status of NGO.

Kirit Daftary formally invited JAINA Executive Committee to hold their next quarterly meeting of March 2002 in Dallas, TX.

The meeting was adjourned with Khamemi Save Jiva.

JAINS ON PBS

Jain Society of Metropolitan Washington's Swapna Ceremony was video-taped in its entirety by the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS), and an edited version of the same (along with some interviews taped earlier at the temple on the same day) was broadcasted by the PBS TV station throughout the nation twice on August 26, 2001.

2003 JAINA CONVENTION

JAINA has made a decision to hold the next **Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio during July 4-6, 2003.** Bipin Parikh, Anop R.Vora, Prabodh Vaidya, Kishor Shah, Keerti Shah visited Cincinnati on Sept.29, 2001 at the invitation of the Jain Sangh of Cincinnati and Dayton.

Cincinnati Convention Center is very impressive and has facilities to host as many as 10,000 visitors. It is surrounded by a number of well known hotels. JAINA'S decision is based upon the availability of an excellent spot at a reasonable cost and also on the interest level and enthusiasm shown by the local community of Cincinnati and Dayton. JAINA is thankful to Dr. Surendra Singhvi and Soha Shah, Convention Co-convenors, for arranging the trip.

Please mark your calendar now. The Convention is going to be the best ever. We will keep you posted as the developments unfold.

Anop R. Vora

Convener, 2003 JAINA Convention

JAINA DAY AT YOUR CENTER

Dilip V. Shah, Philadelphia, PA

This April, we will reach the end of a yearlong celebration of 2600th Birth anniversary of Bhagwan Mahavir. We now need to look around us to see how we will continue on the path shown by him. Fifty-seven Jain Centers throughout North America has done wonderful job of providing places of worship and studies. Our centers are focal point of Jain communities. They have built magnificent Temples and have Pathshalas for the coming generation.

The unifying force behind all our centers is JAINA. The one and only organization in North America representing all the Jains without regard to the language, cast or panth. JAINA is the legacy of Acharya Sushilmuniji and Gurudev Chitrabhanuji. Created in 1981 as an umbrella organization with three Sanghs is now representing 57 centers in USA and Canada and growing.

I for one cannot imagine sustaining our way of life in this adopted land without JAINA. The services JAINA provides are too numerous to enumerate here but let me name a few: JAIN DIGEST, a quarterly publication is sent to 8,000 Jain homes. JAINA education committee has produced teaching materials and books for our pathshalas. A picturesque and colorful Jain calendar decorates living room walls of Jain homes and soon every home will be equipped with a mini Jain library. Marriage Information Service is a blessing for hundreds of parents who have found suitable match for their children. Hundreds of Yattris have joined pilgrimage to our Tirthdhams. JAINA Book Store is now ready to quench thirst for religious knowledge. The Scholar visitation committee has facilitated visits of scores of speakers in most of the centers. The Scholar visitation committee helps centers obtain US or Canadian visas for visiting scholars. We have created North American Jain families assistance program. Senior Citizens committee is pondering retirement communities. And the list goes on.

JAINA Conventions held every two-year is the most visible sign of JAINA's efforts. Visitors from India marvel with tears in their eyes the sight of thousands of Jains under one roof celebrating their heritage, their faith and their traditions. Tomorrow's leaders are being trained at YJA and YJP. Their commitment to the cause of Jainism assures us that future of our faith is secure.

The World community Service of JAINA has worked tirelessly on many humanitarian projects in India and around the world. Of the nearly 1,400 Indian organizations in the US, JAINA is one of the only two organizations to have gotten NGO status at the U.N. JAINA is a founding member of World Confederation of Jains. JAINA and the Jain Center of Southern California organize Bidada Medical camp every year in Kutch. Within last six months, JAINA has sent two containers loaded with medical equipments to hospitals in India and more are on the way. Tirthodhar

Committee of JAINA has become Tirthrakshak of Lachhwar – Birthplace of Lord Mahavir.

Countless volunteers and just one part time Executive Director accomplish all this. Individual Jain families pay no dues to receive these services. Member societies pay dues of \$100 or \$200 per year and rest of the funds comes from generous benefactors of JAINA. Our Jain tradition of giving has continued here - thousands of miles from our homeland.

In this third decade of JAINA, time is ripe for some self-examination. Has JAINA touched your life? Have you benefited from the activities of JAINA? What would you like to see JAINA do? Would you like to volunteer your talents or time? Would you like to come to a town hall type meeting and ask questions of JAINA Executives? JAINA is ready when you are.

JAINA is proposing to observe a JAINA day at your center at a time suitable to your center. JAINA will send one of the past presidents of JAINA and one or more current member of the Executive Committee to address your concerns in open to all town hall type meeting. Regional Vice President and JAINA Directors from your region will also be invited so that you can establish person-to-person contact. If your center wishes, JAINA will arrange for a guest artist for a program of Bhakti Geets. The centers will decide on the precise format and will be in charge of the program. JAINA just wishes to come out and meet you.

First of this JAINA Day will be celebrated at Chicago on March 24th. Two other centers are discussing possible dates. If your center is willing to host JAINA DAY please contact the coordinator: Dilip V. Shah at (215) 561 0581 or by email: dilipvshah@aol.com

Maskhaman of Namita Mehta

Ms. Namita Mehta wanted to do Maskhaman for the last three years, but this year her parents gave her the blessing to accomplish it. Her younger brother Vishal accompanied her in fasting. He did Atthai, and so did her grandfather. Shri Babubhai Kadiwala and his two grandsons were invited to perform the Siddhachakra Maha Pujan and the whole Jain community of New York participated. New York's Jain community is very proud of her. This was the first Maskhaman of New York.

Namita is in the Honors program at the George Washington University. Presently she is studying at Oxford University as a junior. For her senior year she will be back in the U.S.A. Her dream is to become a corporate lawyer or go for International Law.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Second Jain Pathshala Teachers Conference May 25-27, 2002 Los Angeles, CA

“Jain Education for the Digital Generation”

Organized by - JAINA Education Committee
Hosted by - Jain Center of Southern
California Website - www.jaincenter.net

MISSION STATEMENT: To promote and enhance learning and teaching of Jain philosophy while fostering unity amongst all Jains.

OBJECTIVE: To offer a platform for communication among Pathshala teachers of various Jain centers, Jain scholars and authors, web site moderators, educationalists, and JAINA education committee. This will also be a great opportunity to share some effective teaching techniques and presentation styles that many of us are using successfully to educate the “Digital Generation”.

- FOCAL POINTS:**
1. Communication among Pathshala Teachers
 2. Review of JAINA Educational Material / Feedback
 3. Teachers Training/Qualification/Lesson Plan/Aid
 4. Creation of Reference Library (Books, CD's, Videos)
 5. Formation of Jain Educational Website
 6. Evolution and Growth of Pathshala
 7. Possible Future Youth Projects

CALL FOR PAPERS: Share your successful methodology, styles, techniques and ideas with others. This call for papers is an invitation for you to submit a proposal for presentation on one of a variety of possible topics relating to effective teaching and learning of Jainism. The presentation time slot is about 15 min. Proposal to be received before March 31, 2002.

Pravin K. Shah, Chairperson
JAINA Education Committee
Pkshah1@attglobal.net, 919-859-4994

REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION

Dates: Sat May 25, 2002 8:00am to Mon May 27th 2:00pm

Registration Fee: \$25

All meals and accommodations with host families.

Last Day of Registration – March 31, 2002

Registration form is available on **Website -**
www.jaincenter.net

Make check payable to: Jain Center Of Southern California,
Teacher's workshop 2002

For more information call Kiran & Rajul Vasa at
(562) 860-7273 or email @ RKVASA@AOL.COM

Jain Forum For Friendship A Gathering To Unite Jain Adults 21 and Older May 17-19, 2002, Los Angeles, CA

The Jain Forum for Friendship cordially invites Jain single adults, age 21 and older, to the first recreational weekend to be held at the Jain Center of Southern California (JCSC), Los Angeles, on May 17-19, 2002. The three-day event is dedicated to stimulating friendships and lifelong relationships.

We'll kick off the forum with a variety of activities consisting of icebreakers and night events. During the day, you'll get to enjoy the best of California outdoors and beach activities. After a full day of making new friends and touring the hotspots of Los Angeles, you will have the opportunity to listen to some entertaining realities of relationships from people that have been through it all.

Mark your calendars May 17th to May 19th, 2002 for a one of a kind weekend. Registration begins Friday, February 15th at www.jain21.com. Please visit our web site regularly for updates and travel information. Please forward questions to info@jain21.com or contact Mamta Jain, mamtajain45@hotmail.com or 202/607-5246.

Registration Form – Part 1

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____ **Middle** _____

Address1: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone Res: _____ **Bus:** _____

Cell Phone: _____

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____ **Sex:** M ____ F ____

Emergency Contact: Name: _____

Address1: _____

Phone: _____ **cell** _____

Part 2(optional)

Education _____ **Profession** _____

Visa Status _____ **Food Habits** _____

Special Needs _____

Interests _____

Part 3 – Registration Fees

Registration forms received

By March 15th \$175.00

By April 15th \$225.00

After April 15th \$275.00

Please make checks payable to Jain Center of Southern California and send to: Amisha Wadher, Registration Chair

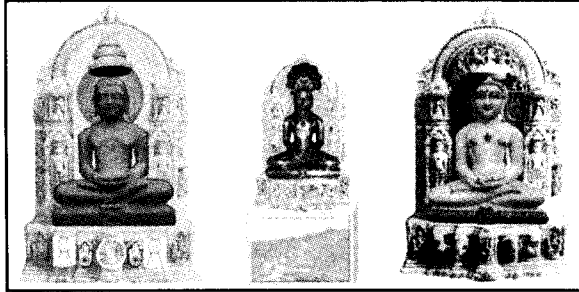
P O BOX 431, SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92402

Early registration is advised, as only 200 places are available. You may also register online at www.jain21.com. If you are unable to afford the registration fees, please contact Vipin Vadecha at 909/861-2677 or e-mail vadechav@juno.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Pratishtha Mahotsav, Boston, MA

June 7-9, 2002



Jain Center of Greater Boston (JCGB), Norwood, Massachusetts is planning for a Pratishtha Mahotsav on June 7-8-9, '02. The actual Pratishtha will happen on June 8th, Saturday.

JCGB was established in 1973. They have been in the existing building in Norwood since 1981. About 250 families from MA, RI, NH and MA are members of JCGB. They have done many pioneering work over the last 20 years, including National Directory project and starting of first Pathshala. JCGB has actively participated in various JAINA conventions by doing an exhibition, and presenting on Tattvarth Sutra, Gunasthanak, etc.

JCGB will maintain the existing murti of Parshvanath as the Moolnayak. On one side there will be a murti of Adinath in Meditation mode (in Digambar tradition) and on other side, a murti of Mahavir Swami in Pravachan mode (in Shwetambar tradition). JCGB is also planning to put a marble Namokar Mantra Shila on the right hand side wall.

Gurudev Chitrabhanuji, Bhattarakji Devendra Kirtiji, and Shri Babubhai Kadiwala will grace the Pratishtha ceremony. Sangh members are very enthused about the Pratishtha Mahotsav and are planning various activities.

JCGB would have liked to invite the broad community of Northern America; however, the space and parking limitations do not allow us to do so. The size of our temple and land, located in residential neighborhood, can accommodate only about 300 people. Hence, JCGB is appealing all the Jain brothers and sisters from other states to visit us after the Pratishtha. Our temple is usually open on every Sunday.

For further information please contact:
President, Suren Shah at 508-949-3914. or surensah@msn.com
Board of Advisors, Chairman, Chandra Khasgiwala, Tel: 978-470-0255. email: ckhasgiwala@yahoo.com

Pratishtha Mahotsav in Detroit

Twenty-four Tirthankar Pratishtha Mahotsav
August 16-18, 2002

Jain Society of Greater Detroit is pleased to announce the Pratishtha Mahotsav celebrations of Twenty-four Tirthankars during August 16th, 17th & 18th 2002. Religious leaders, scholars, lecturers and prominent dignitaries from the United States and abroad will be attending to bless these auspicious celebrations.

On behalf of the Jain Society of Greater Detroit, we extend a cordial invitation to you, your family and friends to join us during these festivities.

Jain Society of Greater Detroit will be honored by your presence during these auspicious festivities. Please mark your calendar now and plan to be part of these holy and joyous celebrations.

Please visit our web-site" www.jaintemple-detroit.org " for additional information.

For any questions, please contact any one of the following members.

Praful L. Shah	(248) 851-1978
Nalin J. Shah	(248) 689-8296
Niranjan H. Shah	(248) 553-7327

We would appreciate, if you send us information on the form below and help in planning of the program.

(Detach and mail the bottom portion)

Name: _____

Address1: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone Res: _____

E-mail: _____

_____ Yes, we would like to attend the Pratishtha Program in Detroit during Aug. 16-18th, 2002.

_____ The number of people planning to attend is _____ (adults) & _____ (children).

_____ No, sorry we could not attend the program. But please accept our contribution towards the Pratishtha.

Please send your donations to Jain Society of Greater Detroit and mail checks only to:

Jain Society of Greater Detroit

C/o Mrs. Charu Parekh

4065 Golf Ridge Drive

Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302-1795

UPCOMING EVENTS:

2nd Annual Shibir July 4-7, 2002

to coincide with 5th Biennial YJA Convention

Walking the Path of Adhyatma To Get Rid of Mithyatva

It gives us immense pleasure to invite you, your family and friends to the Second Annual Shibir organized by the Jain Adhyatma Academy of North America (JAANA) at

Ramada Plaza Hotel & Conference Center
3050 Woodbridge Ave. • Edison, New Jersey 08837

For all of us the 1st annual shibir was an everlasting memory. We assure you that this 2nd Annual Shibir will be equally rewarding to all of us. We have invited Pandit Dr. Hukumchandji Bharill, Pandit Abhaykumar Shastri and Pandit Dhirajbhai Mehta from India. Prof. Parasmal Agrawal and our youngest scholar Mr. Prakash Jain will join them.

**Experience 3 days of total internal peace while
learning about Jain Adhyatma**

**Lectures • Panel Discussions • Bhakti • Social
Spaces are limited First come first served basis.**

Cost: \$69 + tax per day with two double beds (up to 4 persons)

Meal cost: \$20 per person per day (3 meals + afternoon tea)

Shibir Registration: No charge (please fill out the form and fax)

Please note: hotel has shuttle service to and from Newark Airport.

Name _____

Address _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Arriving by Flight _____ by Car _____

Who Will Attend the Shibir? **No of**

adults _____ **kids** _____

I would like to

☐ share room with others and divide the costs

☐ have my own room and pay for it

☐ Local registrant. Count me for meals only

Note: The rates mentioned above are subject to increase after May 20, 2002.

Please fax at 972-424-0680 or mail to
Jain Adhyatma Academy of North America
601 West Parker Road, Suite 106, Plano, TX 75023 or
email: info@jainadhyatma.org

Camp Inside Out

July 28th- Aug 3rd, 2002

Siddhachalam, NJ

Camp Inside Out is a camp that was created by youth for youth to teach the core values of Jainism and to give young Jains entering 6th, 7th, and 8th grades a forum to meet others who share a similar background. Similar retreat was held at Siddhachalam in Blairstown, NJ in August 2001. The success of last year's camp was a true indication for need of such a Camp.

The camp is reminiscent of the spirit of Acharya Sushil Muniji's commitment to educating the next generation of Jains in America. Catered specifically for youth, this retreat interfaces the philosophical fundamentals and the practical applications of Jainism in an environment filled with creative, social, and physical activities for the mind, body and spirit.

A day in the life of Camp Inside Out

Education

- Yoga
- Meditation
- Discussions of Jain principles and values in everyday life
- Jain teachings from Subhamji
- Social Activism

Social Activism Social Activities

- Sports & Physical Activities
- Arts and Crafts- self expression through creativity

Camper's Corner

Here's what the camper of 2001 had to say about the Camp
The best summer I ever had was at Camp Inside Out. I got to meet new people and learn interesting things about my religion. I also learned how to handle certain situations and deal with different kinds of dilemmas.
-Ankita Modi

Interested in Camp Inside Out 2002?

Camper Qualifications: Age 10-14, entering 6th, 7th, or 8th grades

When: July 28th - August 3rd

Where: Siddhachalam Blairstown, NJ

How to Register: visit our website at www.jaincamp.com to print out registration forms. Registration begins April 15th.

Interested in being a counselor?

Please contact Parag Vora at parag.vora@aya.yale.edu or Deepen Vera at deepenv@aol.com Counselors must be 21 or older.

By Dr. Dhiraj H. Shah – Project Manager,
Vardhman Nagar

GUJARAT EARTHQUAKE AND JAINA

It is a matter of great pride and pleasure to inform all of you that the Federation of Jain Associations in North America (JAINA) has raised in excess of US\$550,000.00 to help victims of the Gujarat Earthquake. JAINA sincerely appreciates the generosity of all the Jain Sanghs and 569 Jain families who donated such a large amount to alleviate the pain and suffering caused by this massive natural calamity.

JAINA'S RESPONSE:

With your financial and moral support, JAINA was able to respond to this disaster in an immediate fashion. JAINA was able to respond, NOT within months, weeks or days; but within HOURS. Immediately after the earthquake, JAINA set the wheels of relief in motion by distributing over 500 blankets, 10,000 food packages, 10,000 mineral water bottles, 1,000 flashlights and many other survival essentials.

SHORT-TERM RELIEF EFFORTS:

With the immediate effort and problems of food and recovery essentials being addressed, JAINA now turned its attention toward the short-term community goals. JAINA built a temporary school at Samakhyaali so those children would not go without an educational environment for an entire year. JAINA also donated ten computers to Veerayatan Vidhyapeeth, Bhuj for the students whose education was threatened by the earthquake. JAINA also shipped 100,000 lbs. of clothes, 100 wheelchairs, 50 walkers, 100 crutches, 100 canes and medical supplies to the earthquake affected area within a few days after the earthquake.

LONG-TERM RELIEF EFFORTS:

JAINA has now turned its resources and attention to addressing the more long-term and permanent issues to rehabilitate the victims of the earthquake. JAINA is building a township, namely Vardhman Nagar, near Bhujodi, Kutch – 6.3 kilometers to the

east of Bhuj. The township will include 250 houses (each unit comprising 367 square feet), a school (primary, middle, and high school will be included), a library, a community center, a medical clinic, and a computer and science center. The houses are targeted to those who are most needy. JAINA intends on allocating the houses to those who have lost everything and have no source of current income. For example, JAINA plans on offering the houses to widows with child or children, widower with child or children who have lost their means of livelihood, the physically handicapped, and to elderly couples who do not have family members to provide support.

SPONSORSHIPS:

Each house will cost approximately \$3,000 of which JAINA will contribute 50% and local NGOs (Non-Governmental Organizations) will provide other 50%. JAINA, the JAIN center of America, New York, NY and the Indian Earthquake Relief Organizations of Michigan are sponsoring the entire Vardhman Nagar Township.

The primary school is sponsored by the Jain Society of Toronto. The middle school is sponsored by Tulsa Jain Sangh and the High School is sponsored by the Jain Center of Greater Boston. The science and computer center is sponsored by the Gujarat Disaster Relief Fund of Rochester, NY. The community center and medical clinic are sponsored by the Jain Society of Metropolitan Chicago. The major road going through the Vardhman Nagar Township is sponsored by the Jain Center of Southern California. The library is sponsored by the India Cultural Center of Triple City, New York.



Photos: Top: Bachubhai Ajmera, JAINA representative at the ground breaking ceremony; Centre scenes from ground breaking ceremony; Bottom: North American Youth & Adults on January 7th, 2002 for their Shramyatra.

JAINA wishes to thank all the donors for their generous contributions to help the victims of Gujarat Earthquake. All amounts listed are in US dollars JAINA apologizes for any omissions or misspellings of any name. Please inform Prakash Mehta at 703-352-8340 or Email Pmehta@psiint.com to rectify our mistakes.

1 Jain Center of America Inc. Elmhurst, NY	\$96,000	54 Dr. Lodha, Suresh, Vimla, Santa Maria, CA	1,000
2 The Jain Society of Metropolitan Chicago, Bartlett, IL	56,921	55 M&T Charitable Foundation, Buffalo, NY	1,000
3 ICC (Gujarat Disaster Relief Fund) Rochester, NY	39,001	56 Dr.Mehta, Pravin, Niagara Falls, NY	1,000
4 Jain Center of Southern California, Buena Park, CA	25,001	57 Merchants Mutual Insurance Co., Buffalo, NY	1,000
5 Tulsa Jain Sangh, Tulsa, OK	25,001	58 Nanula, Eileen, Getzville, NY	1,000
6 India Religious & Cultural Center, Corel Springs, FL	25,000	59 Nathan, Sathia, Grand island, NY	1,000
7 Jain Society of Houston, Houston, TX	20,000	60 Newman II, R.B. Williams, NY	1,000
8 Jain Vishwabharti Orlando, Orlando, FL	15,000	61 Pahade, Ravi, Pramodini, Getzville, NY	1,000
9 The Hindu Temple of Toledo, Sylvania, OH	15,000	62 Dr.Pai, Raj, Radha, Parsons, KS.	1,000
10 Jain Center Of Cincinnati\Dayton, West Chester, OH	13,639	63 DrParikh, P.K., Niagara Falls, NY	1,000
11 Jaina Charitable Trust, Amherst, NY	10,000	64 Patel, Kaushik, Divya, Gaithersburg, MD	1,000
12 Jain Society of North Texas, Richardson, TX	10,001	65 Russer Foods Buffalo, NY	1,000
13 Hindu American Religious Institute,N Cumberland, PA	10,000	66 Shah, Gaurang, Sonal, Chelmsford, MA	1,000
14 India Cultural Center of Triple City, Vestal, NY	10,000	67 Dr.Shah, Ramesh, Kumudini, Joplin, MO	1,000
15 Jain Center of Greater Boston, Norwood, MA	10,000	68 Shah, Kaushik, Gita, Buffalo, NY	1,000
16 Jain Society of Metro Washington, Silver Spring, MD	9,727	69 Dr.Shethi, Avani, Edmond, OK	1,000
17 India Center of Westchester, Inc, Scarsdale, NY	7,226	70 Dr.Somayaji, Prabhakara, Niagara Falls, NY	1,000
18 Shah, Dr. Dhiraj and Pratima, Grand Island, NY	7,001	71 Tejani, Mahendra, Tejani, Indio, CA	1,000
19 Jain Center of South Florida, Miami, FL	5,392	72 Foundation for Jewish Philanthropic Fund, Buffalo, NY	1,000
20 Jain Center of Greater St. Louis, Chesterfield, MO	5,068	73 Trivikram, A.T., Padmaja, Grand Island, NY	1,000
21 Hindu Temple Society, Allentown, PA	5,000	74 Shah, Rahul, San Francisco, CA	942
22 Jain Society of Greater Cleveland, N.Royalton, OH	5,000	75 Shitut, Prashant, Varsha, Laflin, PA	865
23 Jain Center of Central Ohio, Columbus, OH	3,500	76 Desai, Narsinh, Hira, Park Ridge, NJ	850
24 Jain Study Center of NC, Raleigh, NC	2,501	77 Faux, William, Lynn, Pittston, PA	806
25 Jain Study of NC, Cary, NC	2,500	78 Mehta, Nemishh, Shilpa, Vineland, NJ	751
26 Mehta, Ketan, New York, NY	2,500	79 Jaini Ttee, Padmanabha, Shashi, Kensington, CA	625
27 Gala & Associates, Charlottesville, VA	2,250	80 Desai, Dilip Port Charlotte, FL	600
28 International Jain Sangh. Inc., Ocean, NJ	2,100	81 Dr. Patel, Satish, Neela, Shavertown, PA	551
29 Par Foam Products, inc., Buffalo, NY	2,070	82 Bakhai, Yougesh, Smita, Williams, NY	501
30 Jain Center of Minnesota, Maple Grove, MN	2,001	83 Cindy's Cleaning Services Tonawanda, NY	501
31 KOJAIN, Hazlet, NJ	2,000	84 Jain, Lalit, Abha, Batavia, NY	501
32 Nova Casualty Co., Buffalo, NY	2,000	85 Jasani, Kanti, Hansa, Harrisburg, PA	501
33 Regional Indo-American Comm Center, Kingsport, TN	2,000	86 Mehta, Mahendra, Deena, Fort Myers, FL	501
34 Mehta, Parag Bellmore, NY	1,500	87 Shah, Rahul, Tejal, Liverpool, NY	501
35 Shah, Hasmukh, Nalini, N Philadelphia, OH	1,500	88 Arthurs, Glenn, Youngstown, NY	500
36 Chase Manhattan Foundation, New York, NY	1,377	89 Automotive Sales Group Inc. Troy, MI	500
37 Dr.Shah, Naresh, Mrudula, Shavertown, PA	1,104	90 Baemler, Bernice, Kenmore, NY	500
38 Gunderia, Dhruvkumar, Mita, Williams, NY	1,100	91 ELI LILLY & Co. Indianapolis, IN	500
39 Turakhia, Jit, Manda, Liverpool, NY	1,002	92 Foamex Arcade, NY	500
40 Mehta, Pravin, Niagara Falls, NY	1,001	93 Jain, Pratap, Kusum, Glen Rock, NJ	500
41 Parekh, Kamlesh, Aruna, Burke, VA	1,001	94 Jain, Piyare, Sulakshna, Williams, NY	500
42 Patel, Suman, Daksha, Moosic, PA	1,001	95 Jain Society of Greater Cleveland Westlake, OH	500
43 Dr. Smith, Rodney, Ann Arbor, MI	1,001	96 Kamdar, Raj, Madhukanta, Randolph, NJ	500
44 Arthurs Philanthropic Fund, Buffalo, NY	1,000	97 Mehta, Hemal, Sunnyvale, CA	500
45 Bailey's Express Inc., East Hampton, CT	1,000	98 Michael, Virginia, Pt. Reyes Station CA	500
46 Barham, Elena, Memphis, TN	1,000	99 Rosenfield, Clare, Hartsdale, NY	500
47 Batavia Metal Products Corp., Batavia, NY	1,000	100 Shial, Ramesh, Kusum, Midlothian, VA	500
48 Bhuta, Ishwarlal, Usha, Montgomery, AL	1,000	101 Singh, Joginder Islein, NJ	500
49 CD Van Deusen Foundation, Columbus, NC	1,000	102 Tanous, James, Constance, Elma, NY	500
50 Essex Homes of Western NY, Clarence, NY	1,000	103 Vomero, Elizabeth, Highland Mills, NY	500
51 Fleet Providence, RI	1,000	104 W.J. Cox Associates, inc. Clarence, NY	500
52 Dr. Gardi, Rashmikant, Chandrika, S. barrington, IL	1,000	105 Wright, Edward, Michele, Hamburg, NY	500
53 Hudson Advisor Services, Inc., Buffalo, NY	1,000	106 Illinois Toll Works Foundation Glenview, IL	453

107 Eilenberg, Natasha, Cornwall Bridge, CT	400	164 Jain, Nirmal, Ute, Irvington, NY	200
108 Hein, Jane, Scarsdale, NY	400	165 Jain, Nirmal Irvington, NY	200
109 Jain, Kewal, Usha, Williamsville, NY	400	166 Dr.Kinkhabwala, Mahesh, Rohini, New City, NY	200
110 Gujarati Association of Buffalo	361	167 Konecke, Ron, Melita, Wyoming, PA	200
111 Mehta, Smeet, Sayreville, NJ	351	168 Mouridy, Glenn, Debra, Bridgewater, NJ	200
112 Wyoming Seminary Lower School, Forty Fort, PA	350	169 Patel, Nanu, Clewiston, FL	200
113 Shah, Harshad, Bharati, Mokena, IL	302	170 Dr.Patel, Raj, Webb City, MO	200
114 Jain Study Group Charlotte, NC	301	171 Shah, Ramesh, M.R., Dyer, IN	200
115 Parekh, Prashant, Varsha, Marlton, NJ	301	172 Shah, Bharat, Rochester, NY	200
116 Patel, Pravin, Bina, Batavia, NY	301	173 Shelawala, Hemant, Panna, Williamsville, NY	200
117 Payne, Arthur, Kerrville, TX	301	174 Dr.Tomedi, John, Dallas, PA	200
118 Shah, Santosh, Bhakti, Greta, LA	301	175 Vora , Manish, Nirmala, Gaithersburg, MD	200
119 Andrea, Isabelle, Boulder, CO	300	176 Vidal, Clara, , Bronx, NY	186
120 Kushalraj, Pukhraj, Susheela,, Joliet, IL	300	177 Doshi, Satish, Smita, walnut Creek, CA	151
121 Rofe Family Foundation New York, NY	300	178 Hathi, Mananlal, Manjula, E. Amherst, NY	151
122 Young, George, New York, NY	300	179 Momaya, Pratixa, Silver Spring, MD	151
123 Sanford Rose Assoc. Williamsville, NY	275	180 Patel, Rajan, Harsha, Port St. Lucie, FL	151
124 Acharya, Arun, Harsha, East Amherst, NY	270	181 Patel, G.I., Joplin, MO	151
125 Ajmera, Ajay, Aarthi, Oakton, VA	251	182 Patel, Rajnikant, Neelam, Orchard Park , NY	151
126 Patel, Jash, Tara, Amherst, NY	251	183 Shah, Lax, Kirtida, Pembroke Pine, FL	151
127 Patel, Paresh, Niagara Falls, NY	251	184 Shah, Pramod, Usha, Skokie, IL	151
128 Shah, Chandrakant, Shobhana, Jeff Station, NY	251	185 Tajpuria, N.L, M.N, Darien, IL	151
129 Shah, Paresh, Kishori, Loughkeepsie, NY	251	186 Cummins, Joan, Jamaica Plain, MA	150
130 Shah, Pravin, Harsha, Canton, OH	251	187 EDMAC Winston-Salem, NC	150
131 Shah, Rupal, Hillsboro , OR	251	188 Dr.Ignatius, Patrick, Niagara Falls, NY	150
132 Shah, Dipen, Hemal, Monroeville, PA	251	189 Dr.Jhaveri, Sangam, Rita, North Hill, NY	150
133 Shangvi, Rajendra, Anita, West Palm Beach, FL	251	190 Mehta, Praful, Chanda, Rochester, NY	150
134 Dr. Sheth, Gaurang, Ashwina, Williamsville, NY	251	191 Sanford Rose Assoc. Williamsville, NY	150
135 Butani, Shail, Alexandria, VA	250	192 Shah, Mukund, Charu, Monroe, LA	150
136 Cohen Swados Wright Bradford & Brett Buffalo,NY	250	193 Chudgar, Rasik, Latham, NY	125
137 ComputerMicro Mesa, AZ	250	194 Mehta, Pushpak, College Station, TX	125
138 Dalal, Bipinchand, Anjana, Fairfield, Ct	250	195 Patel, Bhagu, Jasu, Bowie, MD	125
139 Dedhia, Harakh, Anuja, Morgantown, WV	250	196 Playmouth Rock Motel Neosho, MO	125
140 Domachowski Kempisty & Salvatore, Clarence, NY	250	197 Kenia, Maneesh, San francisco, CA	121
141 Jain, Raj, Krishna, Potomac, MD	250	198 Shah, Shilpa, Decatur, GA	121
142 Jain, Indra, Kirkland, WA	250	199 Shah, Kantilal Trust, West Bloomfield, MI	121
143 Keystone College DR Ned Boehm, La Plume, PA	250	200 Parekh, Arun, Bharti, Springfield, VA	111
144 Open Arms Christian Ministries Fords, NJ	250	201 Gangar, Kantilal, Silver Spring, MD	110
145 Patel, Bharat, Manjula, Williamsville, NY	250	202 Dr. Parikh, B.M, Meena, Lynnfield, MA	102
146 Raja , Desingu, Kalyani, Charleston, WV	250	203 Bhavsar, Dipika, Beaverton, OR	101
147 Seneca Industrial Ass. Buffalo, NY	250	204 Budger INN Tonawanda, NY	101
148 Shah, Niles, Vijal, Franklin Park, NJ	250	205 Dr. Chellappa, Danu, Janaki, Joplin, MO	101
149 Stone Container Corp. Alton, IL	250	206 Dedhia, Harakh, Jayawanti, New Orleans, LA	101
150 Anemones	222	207 Desai, Naranbhai, Bakulaben, Houston, TX	101
151 Chakravarti, Shrikar, Nirupama, East Amherst, NY	201	208 Dhindhwal, Ramesh, Indra, Princeton Inc., NJ	101
152 Gangar, Kavita Joplin, MO	201	209 Gandhi, Harish, Pratibha, Morgantown, WV	101
153 INDIAM, Inc. New York, NY	201	210 Jain, Saroj, Yorba Linda , CA	101
154 Shah, Dilip Philadelphia, PA	201	211 Jain, Sushil, Indra, Granger, IN	101
155 Todega, Praveen, Vandana, Clifton, VA	201	212 Dr. Jain, Mukesh, Rachana, Newton, MA	101
156 Turakhia, Gopaldas, Sudhaben, Fairport, NY	201	213 Dr. Jain, Asha, Hazlet, NJ	101
157 Ann Rosil,, Grace, Las Cruces, NH	200	214 Jain, Kewal, Usha, Williamsville, NY	101
158 Bhandari, Narendra, North Brunswick, NJ	200	215 Jain Dave, Usha, Grand Island, NY	101
159 Franks Joseph, Patricia, Wilkesbarre,, PA	200	216 Jain, Atul, New York, NY	101
160 Dr.Gavankar, Sharad, Shalini, Joplin, MO	200	217 Dr. Jain, Arun, Jean, Williamsville, NY	101
161 Dr. Hari, M.S., Kamala, Joplin, MO	200	218 Katira, C.H., Manju, East Amherst, NY	101
162 Herbert J. Heimeral, Jr. Hamburg, NY	200	219 Kothary, Rajesh, Bhamini, Burtonsville, MD	101
163 Jain, Neal, Asha, Easton, CT	200	220 Kuvadia, Yogesh, Sunanda, Chicago, IL	101
		221 Mahavir Jain Charitable Santa Ana, CA	101

222	Mehra, Sukh, Kalyan, Redlands, CA	101	280	Muhlbauer, Erwin, Anita, Bear Creek, PA	100
223	Mehra, Dilip, Smita, Land O Lakes, FL	101	281	NRE Associates Annapolis, MD	100
224	Mehra, Hasmukh, Pramodini, Forest Hill, NY	101	282	Oakley, Theresa, Franklin Park, NJ	100
225	Mehra, Mukesh, Neeta, Herndon, VA	101	283	Paravastu, Padma, Alexandria, VA	100
226	Naik, L. R.C., Chattanooga, TN	101	284	Parikh, Suresh, Krishna, Buffalo, NY	100
227	Patel, Kanubhai, Bhadraben, Piscataway NJ	101	285	Parks, Dawne, Plymouth, PA	100
228	Patel, Kirankumar, Jaimina,	101	286	Patel, Nikunj, Orchard Park, NY	100
229	Phade, Vijaykumar R. , Bluefield, WV	101	287	Patel, Pravin, Madhu, Cheektowaga, NY	100
230	Sanghvi, Jayantilal, Naples, FL	101	288	Patel, Alpesh, Ruma, Lockport, NY	100
231	Shah, C.S, Kumud, Seaford, DE	101	289	Pine Pharmacy & Home Care Niagara Falls, NY	100
232	Shah, Ashok, Jyoti, Evans, GA	101	290	Raghu, Bellamkonda, Aruna, East Amherst, NY	100
233	Shah, Nilesh, Manna, Burtonsville, MD	101	291	Rajan, Ram, Mamta, Potomac, MD	100
234	Shah, Nealesh, Gaithersburg, MD	101	292	Rana, Mahendrasinh, Nayana, East Amherst, NY	100
235	Shah, Sachin, Monica, Minnetonka, MN	101	293	Rebars & Mesh Inc. Haverhill, MA	100
236	Shah, Mitul, New York, NY	101	294	Dr.Reddy, V.J., Coffeyville, KS	100
237	Shah, Mahesh, Ramila, Liverpool, NY	101	295	Dr. Riscoe, James, Kathryn, Joplin, MO	100
238	Dr.Shah, Shirish, Rekha, Sylvania, OH	101	296	Roberts, Kathleen, Murphy, NC	100
239	Shah-Thar, Bindu Commack, NY	101	297	Schmidt, Richard, Mildred, Amherst, NY	100
240	Sheth, Dilip, Urmila, Grove Coeur, MO	101	298	Shah, Ashok, Usha, Naperville, IL	100
241	Sheth, Rakesh, Neena, Woodbridge, VA	101	299	Shah, Ashok, Nirmala, Morton Grove, IL	100
242	Suresh, Dorairaj, Rathi, Joplin, MO	101	300	Shah, Dhanji, Wichita, KS	100
243	Tarandi Foundation Fulton, NY	101	301	Shah, Harshad, Amita, Huntingtown, MD	100
244	Teli, Hemant, Yamini, East Hartford, CT	101	302	Shah, Mahesh, Shakuntala, Beltsville, MD	100
245	Varia, Nita, Shimir, Lawrenceville, NJ	101	303	Shah, Mansukh Syracuse, NY	100
246	Vhkr & Assoc. Inc. , New Orleans, LA	101	304	Shah, Vinay, J., Kingston, PA	100
247	Yagalla, Marata, New York, NY	101	305	Shah, Upendra, Ramila, Livicon, RI	100
248	Amin, Kaml, Hasumati, Getzville, NY	100	306	Shaller, David, Kingston, PA	100
249	Amphon, Paul, Kitti, Cerritos, CA	100	307	Sharma, Anant, LaPlata, MD	100
250	Aneja, Krishan, Rita, Laflin, PA	100	308	Sirwala, Viren, Jyoti, East Amherst, NY	100
251	Ardigo, Linda New York, CA	100	309	Small, Andre, Silver Spring, MD	100
252	Bavishi, Ashok, Saroj, Overland Park, KS	100	310	Smith, William, Ruth, Wilkes Barre, PA	100
253	Bhakoo, Bhim, Hemlata, Williamsville, NY	100	311	Soni, Ramesh, Saroj, Diamond Bar, CA	100
254	Chandrasekhar, Anjana, Amherst, NY	100	312	Dr. Subramanian, S., Carthage, MO	100
255	Cockayne, Derek, Leslie, AR.	100	313	Thomson, John, Molly, Lockport, NY	100
256	Columbia Diagnostic Imaging	100	314	Vaidya, Jitendra, Gita, W. Amherst, NY	100
257	Davis, Aleathia, Alexandria, VA	100	315	Vakani, Vinay, Vimala, Oradell, NJ	100
258	Doshi, Anand, Chhaya, Oakdale, MN	100	316	Dr. Valls, Luis, Gloria, Amherst, NY	100
259	Dudkikar, Kishan, Savithri, Rockville, MD	100	317	Vandeusen IV, Courtland, Niagara Falls, NY	100
260	Ernst, Frank, Williamsville, NY	100	318	Dr. Warren III, Joseph, Lansing, MI	100
261	G & P Factory Outlet Corp Miami, FL	100	319	Weeda, Penelope, Montgomery, MD	100
262	Galante, Frances, Pittston, PA	100	320	Wiggins, Midred, Buffalo, NY	100
263	Gambhir, Arun, Ratna, Evans, GA	100	321	Wilton, Frank, East Aurora, NY	100
264	Goel, Vinod, Sudarshan, Glenn Dale, MD	100	322	Yarmey, Richard, Jeanne, Fort Fort, PA	100
265	Goradia, Manju, Lakewood, OH	100	323	Patel, Jash, Tara, Amherst, NY	85
266	Hope Assembly No 12	100	324	Nelson, Thomas, Charlotte, NC	75
267	Howell, Roger, Caroline,, Dallas, PA	100	325	Shah, KirtiKumar, Hansa, Charlotte, NC	75
268	Hunter, James, Murphy, NC	100	326	Sheth, Bhupat, Aruna, Sterling Heights, MI	75
269	Jain, Kushal, Mankunwar, Sterling, VA	100	327	Steinhaus, Mila Jean, Atlanta, GA	75
270	Jain, Anil, Vienna, VA	100	328	Cooper, Diana, New York, NY	70
271	Jones, Lori, Joplin, MO	100	329	Segail, Susan, Pittsburgh, PA	69
272	Khoudary, Raymond, Kingston, PA	100	330	Desu, Manavala, Amherst, NY	65
273	Kleinschmidt, Becky, Ann Arbor, MI	100	331	Mehra, Jiv, Asmita, Edmonton, Canada	65
274	Koreishi, Faruk, Munira, Williamsville NY	100	332	Tolles, Harry, Robbyn, Reno, NV	60
275	Lehrer, Kalista, Newfane, NY	100	333	Baphna, Kanaiyalal, Rukmini, Kettering, OH	51
276	Lerman & Lerman Miami, FL	100	334	Chheda, Kokila, East Amherst, NY	51
277	Mehra, Atul, Asha, Mahwah, NJ	100	335	Chudgar, Vinod, Mina, Martinez, GA	51
278	Mehra, Rajendra, Neeru, Buffalo, NY	100	336	Desai, Anil, Meera, Fort Myers, FL	51
279	Morris III, John, Dallas, PA	100	337	Desai, Anjana, North Potomac, MD	51

338	Dhadoti, Deepak, Boulevard, NY	51	396	Jordan, Yashoda, New York, NY	50
339	Dhakad, Madhu, Padam, Charlotte, NC	51	397	Junker, Dorothy, Dobbs Ferry, NY	50
340	Doshi, Bhavesh, Germantown, MD	51	398	Kapadia, Nirmal, Bindu, Cheltenham, PA	50
341	Ghelani, Jitu, Daksha, Richardson, TX	51	399	Kay, Jack, Dorothy, W. Palm Beach, FL	50
342	Harms JR., Gerard, Joplin, MO	51	400	Madrecha, Kundan, Rita, Naperville, IL	50
343	International Marker Kenner, LA	51	401	Mahure, Janrao, Shshama, Joplin, MO	50
344	Jain, Mohan, Leela, Willow Brook II	51	402	Mehra, Purnima, San Jose, CA	50
345	Jain, Rajesh, Nimisha, Liverpool, NY	51	403	Dr. Michelstein, Richard, Kim, Kingston, PA	50
346	Jain, Sanjiv, Jyotsna, Staten Island, NY	51	404	Mullings, Paul, Janice, Princeton, NJ	50
347	Jain, Kantilal, Bhagwanti, Canton, OH	51	405	Nayyar Rup, Amrit, Gaithersburg, MD	50
348	Jain, Amolak, Usha, Hampton, VA	51	406	Nicolella, Roberta, Wasington, DC	50
349	Mehta, Vijay, Indu, Martinez, GA	51	407	Orwoll, Lucinda, Ann Arbor, MI	50
350	Mehta, Vijay, Floral Park, NY	51	408	Patel, Punam, Chandrica, Amherst, NY	50
351	Mehta, Anil, Snehal, Glendale, WI	51	409	Phillips, Louis, Mona, Basking Ridge, NJ	50
352	Nagda, Jairaj, North Brunswick, NJ	51	410	R&W Transport, Inc. Pittston, PA	50
353	Sanghv,i Girish, Mayuri, Bristol PA	51	411	Reinke, Clemens, Zulema, Jersey City, NJ	50
354	Shah, Shantilal, Gainesville, FL	51	412	Roychaudhuri, Amal, Kalpana, Joplin, MO	50
355	Shah, Kirit, Harshida, Lake Worth, FL	51	413	Sanderson Nancy, Wilkers Barre, PA	50
356	Shah, Pramod, Parul, Schaumburg, IL	51	414	Schneckenburger Anna, Baravia, NY	50
357	Shah, Pradip, Darshana, Bourbonnais, IL	51	415	Shah, Ilesh, Hogansville, GA	50
358	Shah, Jayesh, Parul, Des Plaines, IL	51	416	Shah, Jayant, Pravina, Marietta, OH	50
359	Shah, Haresh, Nutan, Schaumburg, IL	51	417	Shah, Chandrakant, Gita, Lynchburg, VA	50
360	Shah, Rajendra, Meena, Roselle, IL	51	418	Sheth, Pankaj, Ketki, Vienna, VA	50
361	Shah, Vipin, Meena, Mt. Laurel, NJ	51	419	Sheth, Upendra, Harsha, Federal Way, WA	50
362	Shah, Vinod, Urmila, Clifton, NJ	51	420	Simonovich, Berard, Audrey, Luzerne, PA	50
363	Shah, Saumil, Suchita, Piscataway, NJ	51	421	Splendido, Erin, Forty Fort, PA	50
364	Shah, Rvindra, Shaila, Flushing, NY	51	422	Spulecki, Thomas, Cheryl, Blasdell, NY	50
365	Shah, Indralal, Karuna, Woodside, NY	51	423	Subbanna, S.N, Padma, East Amherst, NY	50
366	Shah, Rashmikant, V.R., Toledo, OH	51	424	Thomson, David, Niagara Falls, NY	50
367	Shukla, Ram, Manda, East Amherst, NY	51	425	Twist, David, Patricia, Kenmore, NY	50
368	Turakhia, Pratima, Grand Island, NY	51	426	Vij, Raj, Hem, Burke, VA	50
369	Vira, B., Sejal, Jacksonville, FL	51	427	Waszak, Audrey, Lockport, NY	50
370	Barkker, Margaret, Shavertown, PA	50	428	Weissberg, Ellen, New York, NY	50
371	Barwick, Joshua, Baldwinsville, NY	50	429	Wagner, Carl, Dallas, PA	35
372	Bashyakarla, Rajeeva, Neeta, Joplin, MO	50	430	Yaffe, Steven, Falls Church, VA	35
373	Beswick, David, Sandra, Forty Fort, PA	50	431	Young, Cathleen, Oakland, CA	35
374	Borkmanis, Andris, Marga, Grand Island, NY	50	432	Quality Used Appliances Laurel, MD	31
375	Brenner, Thomas, Ruth, Kingston, PA	50	433	Vasa, Niles, Shruti, Matthews, NC	31
376	Britton, Lisa, Niagara Falls, NY	50	434	Flaxman, Ruth, Berkeley, CA	30
377	Campbell, Roy, Corliss, Mountaintop, PA	50	435	Lorck, Mary, No. Tun, NY	30
378	Caprio, James, Jean, Grand Island, NY	50	436	Dr. Scacewater, Rick, Deborah, Joplin, MO	30
379	Choy, Steven, Lesley, Silver Spring, MD	50	437	Dr. Sheth, Jitu, Lackawanna, NY	30
380	Clark, Lois, Nanticoke, PA	50	438	Alvillar, R.E. Jean, Carl Junction, MO	25
381	Dasa, Satyam, Plains, PA	50	439	Armillay, M. Kerry, Taylor, PA	25
382	Doshi, Kishore, Jenne, Lake Zurich, IL	50	440	Berdine, Marlene, Tonawanda, NY	25
383	Doshi, Akshay, Hita, NJ	50	441	Bhatnagar, Shashi, Gathersburg, MD	25
384	Duani, Indulal, Hansa, York Town Hts, NY	50	442	Biasi, Pauline, Duryea, PA	25
385	Eidam, John, Elaine, Kingston, PA	50	443	Cease, Ronald, Jean, Larksville, PA	25
386	Elienberg, Natasha, Cornwall Bridge, CT	50	444	Cherry, Vivian, New York, NY	25
387	Frasier, Virginia, Gasport, NY	50	445	Chinu, Chinu, Purina, Bedford, OH	25
388	Garcia, Stella, Brooklyn, NY	50	446	Clarke, Laurie, Howard Beach, NY	25
389	Gillan-Doyle, Lorraine, New York, NY	50	447	Deloe, Anagha, Pittsburg, KS	25
390	Greenwald, David, Kingston, PA	50	448	Dennis, Allen, Pauline, Mountaintop, PA	25
391	Griesmer, Elizabeth, Shavertown, PA	50	449	Detoro, Sharon, Sewaren, NJ	25
392	Haddad, Marlene, Ashley, PA	50	450	Donner, Miriam, Boca Raton, FL	25
393	Henderson, Douglas, Nancy, Lockport, NY	50	451	Dziedzic, Teresa, New York, NY	25
394	Jain Kamal, Indu, Littleton, MA	50	452	Etheredge, Mary, Fort Washington, MD	25
395	Jain, Adish, Asha Springfield, NJ	50	453	Flanigen, Mary, Blasdell, NY	25

454 Foster, Barbara, Pittston, ,PA	25	512 Aquirre, Theresa, Springville, ,NY	20
455 Gandhi, Nitinkumar, Atlantic city, ,Nj	25	513 Berger- Parent, Cynthia, Northampton, ,MA	20
456 Rabbie, Gelberman, Joseph, New York, ,NY	25	514 Biscotti, Mary, Wyoming, ,PA	20
457 Gonzalez-Hogan,, Richard, Gwendolyn, Tonawanda, ,NY	25	515 Brown, Elizabeth, Marblehead, ,MA	20
458 Hill Contracting Germantown, ,MD	25	516 Feldman, Sandra, Edwardsville, ,PA	20
459 Hosey, Ruth, Mountaintop, ,PA	25	517 Galante, Jennie, Pittston, ,PA	20
460 Dr.Jain, M.K., Chandra, Martin, ,TN	25	518 Kloc, Bertha, Bladell, ,NY	20
461 Karkala, John, New York, ,NY	25	519 Lampe, Raymond, Glendale, ,NY	20
462 Karpova, Anna, Staten Island, ,NY	25	520 Mehta, Bharat, Saryu, Wolcott, ,CT	20
463 Kinney, Joan, Buffalo, ,NY	25	521 Mehta, Dipali, Washington, ,DC	20
464 Knoff, Norman, Barbara, Davie, ,FL	25	522 Mines, Rebecca, Trucksville, ,PA	20
465 Kopec, Thomas, Larksville, ,PA	25	523 Oswald Emily, Plains , ,PA	20
466 Kotalik, Elmer, Wilkes Barre, ,PA	25	524 Overby, Heidi, Amherst, ,MA	20
467 Kothari, B., Dover Plains, ,NY	25	525 Panznella D., Tonawanda, ,NY	20
468 Dr. Kuhn, Merrily, James, Hamburg, ,NY	25	526 Santos, Teofila, Felipe, College Station, ,TX	20
469 Landmark Internal Medicine Memphis, ,TN	25	527 Schmidt, Harold, Eileen, Sugar Notch, ,PA	20
470 Marques, Rene, Miami, ,FL	25	528 Shah, Bhadrrik, Dipti, North Stonington, ,CT	20
471 Mcgrath, Margaret, Duryea, ,PA	25	529 Shah, Hina, Lake Mary, ,FL	20
472 Metzger, Robert, Mary Anne, Mountaintop, ,PA	25	530 Topps, Billy, Jacqueline, Sanborn, ,NY	20
473 Millace, Diane, Cheektowaga, ,NY	25	531 Garcen, Paul, New York, ,NY	18
474 Miller, Richard, New York, ,NY	25	532 Levin, Harold, Brooklyn , ,NY	18
475 Njekam, Emerencia, Olney, ,MD	25	533 Schanzer, Lakshyan, Providence, ,RI	18
476 Nogid, Carol, East Meadow, ,NY	25	534 Misc Donation	350
477 Patel, Arti, St. Louis, ,MO	25	535 Anonymous	155.49
478 Patton, Mary, Duryea, ,PA	25	Total	\$552,164.49
479 Payssa, Lee, Depew, ,NY	25	in addition	
480 S.J. Sales & Assoc. Inc. Streamwood, ,IL	25	Jain Society of Toronto,Toronto, Canada	CDN \$30,000
481 Sclover, Catherine, Wilkes-Barre, ,PA	25	Kantharia,Arun, Nutley,NJ	Rs. 5,000
482 Shah, Shruti, Atlanta, ,GA	25		
483 Shah, Manu, Hanover, ,MD	25		
484 Shah, Bharati, Cherry Hill, ,NJ	25		
485 Shah, Ashok, Ragini, Flemington, ,NJ	25		
486 Shah, Bharat, Malini, North Plainfield, ,NJ	25		
487 Shah, Ravindra, Vestal, ,NY	25		
488 Shah, Kantilal, Madhu, Houston, ,TX	25		
489 Shah, Naresh, Indira, Nitro, ,WX	25		
490 Smith, Irene, Clarence, ,NY	25		
491 Spitaletto Sr., Theodore, Irene, Hazlet, ,NJ	25		
492 Stegman, Cheryl, Boulder, ,CO	25		
493 Taneja, Charan, Sarla, Annandale, ,VA	25		
494 Tankiewicz, Ronald, Marilyn, Edison, ,NJ	25		
495 Thompkins, Kenneth, Charlotte, Niagara Falls, ,NY	25		
496 Toczylowski, Albert, Corinne, Dupont, ,PA	25		
497 Varadaraj, Srikishan, Jyoti, Elgin, ,IL	25		
498 Wahl, Thomas, Teresa, Wilkes-Barre, ,PA	25		
499 Weidaw, Audrey, Hunlock Creek, ,PA	25		
500 Weir, John, Mary, Wyoming, ,PA	25		
501 Weisberger, Daniel, Gladys, Kingston, ,PA	25		
502 Zarkowski, Steven, Valerie, Eatontown, ,NJ	25		
503 Ziatts, Pauline, N. Tonawanda, ,NY	25		
504 Zucker, Andrew, Arlington, ,VA	25		
505 Joshi, Pradyuma, Shobhana, Depew, ,NY	21		
506 Dudkikar, Meena, Baltimore, ,MD	21		
507 Jain, Yogesh, Asha, Merrick, ,NY	21		
508 Salvi, Anil, Diamond Bar, ,CA	21		
509 Dr. Shah, Jagdish, Shobha, Oak Brook, ,IL	21		
510 Shah, Pravin, Ranjan, Cincinnati, ,OH	21		
511 Shah, Hema, Fairfax, ,VA	21		

Statement of Account as of 01/31/02

Receipts:

Donations	\$	552,164.49
Interest Income		5,682.72
Subtotal Revenue \$		557,847.21

Disbursements:

Vardhman Nagar	(Note 1)	\$	208,799.28
Samkhiali School - Bhachau, Kutch			7,000.00
Mandvi Jain Sangh			3,000.00
Veerayatan	(Note 2)		5,000.00
Shipping Charges	(Note 3)		12,367.16
Postage & Printing			1,136.40
Bank Charges			80.25
Total Disbursement			237,383.09

Balance \$ 320,464.12

Notes:

1. 1st Installment against building Vardhman Nagar in Kutch.
2. Purchased Computers to help students, Victims of earthquake
3. Shipment of four 40 ft. containers to earthquake victims. Items included Wheelchairs, Walkers, Crutches, Medicines, Canes, Medical Supplies & Equipment, Dental Chairs & Cloths etc.

(WCS).. **Wheels of Hope (Asha Chakra)**

*"You are NOT here to SAVE the WORLD,
But to TOUCH the HANDS that are in YOUR REACH."*

•Geeta 22 years, lost one hand in earthquake; now with artificial hand she can do all major activities for daily living.

•Amin 26 years lost her leg in earthquake; she is married and has a child of 3 years old. With artificial leg, wheel chair and crutches she can move around and do most of things by herself.

•Three young boys from Ahmedabad, lost their legs in earthquake. Bidada performed the surgeries, provided artificial limbs and are providing rehabilitation exercises. *To our surprise, they did garba and Raas Dandia. They also can jump and play basketball.*

Under this program we have shipped 300 Wheel Chairs, Crutches and Walkers to help earthquake victims. Also, we have shipped 10 boxes of Prosthetics and Orthotics. This month again 100 more chairs will be shipped.

Under this program we have established relationship with **10 non-profit organizations** in Greater Cleveland area to get all kinds of medical equipment and supplies for **operation rooms, laboratories and small clinics.**

We have shipped items like bandages and surgical needles in huge quantity and also big expensive items such as mammogram and x-ray machines. All in all we have shipped more than **2500 different items.** We also have shipped hospital furniture- Beds, Mattresses, Cribs, Chairs, Stretchers, Wheel carts etc. In December 2001, we received truck full of prosthetics and orthotics.

Where did the supplies have gone so far?

1). Bidada Sarvodaya Trust, Mandavi 2) Atmavallabh Hospital, Idar 3) Ujjain Charitable Trust, Ujjain 4) Rajkot Blood bank, Rajkot 5) Bhagawan Mahavir Jain Hospital, Bangalore

Beauty of this program is:

- All items are donated; most of them are New.
- For every \$ we are able to ship **\$50-\$70** worth of supplies
- For **FEW** Man-hours of our work in USA, we are helping **LOTS** of needy, sick people in INDIA.

JAINA has set up a system for exporting under US aid agency license and importing in India with license from Indian Government without any custom duties and then warehousing until medical supplies are picked up by recipient hospital.

Would you like to join in this exciting opportunity to:

- HELP and MAKE a DIFFERENCE?
- BRING SUNSHINE in SOMEBODY'S LIFE?
- TO BRING HOPE to HOPELESS?

Call Wheels of Hope: Jaya and Ramesh Shah 440-442-4596
(jshah6138@aol.com)

JAINA Youth Completes 1st 'Shrama Yatra'

"You may not be able to do great things, but you can do small things with GREAT LOVE."-Mother Teresa

Could you imagine yourself living in extreme cold and heat of Kutch, outside under the sky in a demolished hut for **one whole year** since devastating earthquake of January 2001? Virbai 90 years and Sonbai 60 years, mother and daughter had to endure extreme heat, cold and rain until their home got finished after **one year.** It was heart breaking experience for Jain youths from USA to sit with them, touch their loving, kind and caring hands and receive their **blessings.**

Our youth mixed the cement, sand and water in prescribed proportions to make mortar and plaster the walls of the home of these women. What a **joy, honor and an opportunity** to finish this house and get them sheltered in their permanent home! We also helped with several houses under construction by Vivekanand Research and Training Institute (VRTI). We also did lift heavy stones and helped in the foundation of another house.

The houses in this village are two room cement 300 square feet houses with steel bar reinforcement around windows, doors and corners to withstand worst of the earthquake. VRTI in **Mota Bhadia** is building 54 houses and United Way of Baroda is funding the project. Most of the houses are built on the owners' own land. VRTI buys the material in the bulk, delivers to the site and provides technical and engineering supervision; villagers are providing construction labor to build the houses (similar to Habitat for Humanity concept). Manish and Hetal also helped with children at Veerayatan school in Bhuj set up by Sadhvi Shilapiji.

In the beginning, NOBODY, NOBODY- VRTI, Bidada Trust and local village people - believed that our Jain Youth have come here to work with their hands, that we have taken time out of our busy and comfortable life and travel on our own to help the people **10,000 miles** away. In India, this kind of work is still looked down as a "**Veth**" and professional people do not do these kind of voluntary services. **Our youth did make a lasting impression.**

JAINA World Community Services with the help of Bidada Sarvodaya Trust and Pilgrimage Committee designed this unique program "**Panchadham Shrama Yatra**" (**Pilgrimage with Labor of Love**) to assist with rehabilitation efforts in Kutch. This program united the "**Bhakti**" aspect of pilgrimage with "**Karma Yoga**" aspect of labor of love as evidenced in the world renowned **Habitat for Humanity.** Here was a chance to put Lord Mahavir's message, "**Service to the poor is Service to Me.**" in action. We also did visit few temples, especially **Bhadreshwar and 72 Jinalaya.**

We were eight in this Shrama Yatra: Hetal Mehta, Manish Kenia, Nishali Mehta, Ronak Vora, Dr. Mahesh Varia, Dr. Nitin Mehta, Ramesh Shah and myself.

Shilpa Shah

Colour Science of Namokar Mantra

Acharya Shri Shushil Muni

Namo Arihantanam - White Color:

Arihant is a perfect human being. White color represents Arihant. The white color is the mother of all colors; it is a blending of all colors. It represents pure knowledge. White shows purity, selflessness, and cosmic consciousness. White has protective power against psychic attack. This power should not be used for personal gain. White light removes the diseases from body, mind, and soul. White blood cells protect the body from disease. It controls the energy center at the top of the head (Sahasr Chakra).

Namo Siddhanam - Red Color:

Siddha is a pure consciousness or a soul without any Karma attached to it. Both Arihant and Siddha are known as Gods in Jainism. Red color represents Siddha. The red color is the great energizer. Red controls the energy center of command (Ajna Chakra or third eye center located at center of the forehead), which when awakened, will directly affect the sensual energy center (Muladhar Chakra). This center governs the vitality of the physical body, particularly the creative, procreative, and restorative process. Red light causes red blood cells to multiply and invigorate of circulation.

Namo Airiyanam - Yellow and Orange Color:

Acharya is a head of the Jain congregation. It symbolizes the organizational power, self-control, and discipline. Yellow or orange color represents Acharya. Both Yellow and Orange show wisdom, power to accomplish the goal, and discipline or strong will power in the life.

Yellow stimulates the Solar Plexus and controls the digestive processes in the stomach. It strengthens the nervous system and awakens reasoning facilities. It controls eliminative action on the intestines and liver.

Orange assists in assimilation, distribution, and circulation of body functions. It acts mentally on assimilation of new ideas, relieves repression, and combines physical energy and wisdom. It controls the Manipura Chakra.

Namo Uvajjhayanam - Green and Blue Color:

Upadhyay is a teacher, which shows how to awaken powers and maintain balance of body, mind, and soul. Green or Blue color represents Upadhyay.

Green is the color of balanced strength and of progress in the mind and body. It controls the energy center of heart (Heart Chakra). It has a soothing influence on the nervous system. It is tonic for the body, mind, and soul.

Blue is the color of truth. It controls the energy center of

throat (Throat Chakra), the greatest creative center in the body. It gives power of speech. It is relaxing, soothing, and healing. Blue rays bring calmness and peace to the mind. It is the color of religious aspiration and devotion. Blue rays can transmit thought energy. Blue effects the development of spiritual and psychic powers. Both blue and green are also the colors of vital energy (prana).

While yellow is the color of wisdom (mind), and blue is the color of truth (soul), green is the combination of the two, offering a balance between the two.

Namo Loe Savva Sahunam - Black Color:

Sadhu (monk) is a spiritual practitioner. The practitioner must be protected from worldly attachments and must destroy negativity. Black color represents monk. Black is the absence of all color. It is receptive, consumes negativity, and gives the strength to fight negativity. It controls the sensual energy center (Muladhar Chakra) of the body.

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profession to welfare of patients and promotion of health may be seriously undermined. Death requests are often made under distressful circumstances, and may progress from those incurably ill, to extremes such as genocide.

Suicide refers to death in the nature of self-destruction, rather than just that other than homicide. Death can be with or against one's will. However, knowledge of the deadly consequences of the action should be the fundamental factor in deciding that death is suicide.

Adoption of the vow should be spiritual and non-temporal. The vow itself should be a religious duty, voluntarily adopted and joyfully observed. There must be full faith in religious and acquired clear knowledge of the principles. The moment of death should be awaited for calmly, with engrossment in deep meditation, complete detachment, and inward concentration. Consequences of death should be neither hurtful nor sorrowful, as all ties have been terminated with common consent. Holy death (ie. that without an increase in build up of passions) is considered free from desire, anger, or delusion, and hence, is not suicide. Hence, the only similarity between sallekhana and suicide is death.

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Sallekhana (*santharo*, *samadhi*, or *samnyasa-marana*) is the facing of death by an ascetic or house-holder voluntarily when nearing the end of normal life according to religion is not possible due to unavoidable calamity (*upasarga*), old age (*jara*), incurable disease (*nihpratikara ruja*), or severe famine (*durbhiksha*). This involves subjugation of all passions and abandonment of all worldly attachments, by observance of austerities gradually abstaining from food and water, and by simultaneous meditation of the real nature of the self until the soul parts from the body.

The underlying principle is that the householder or sage should have complete peace of mind after voluntary acceptance of the vow, consistently with the pious life of self-restraint and austerities. Calmness, patience, and a mind undisturbed by emotions of joy or fear will conduce to purgation of karmas. Mental peace will lead to liberation from karma, new and old, in life, so during the controlled death, one should have equanimity of mind and die while engrossed in deep meditation, as the final step for further liberation from bondage of karma. In fact, the entire spiritual life of a layman is preparation for a sacred death.

Those who adopt the vow should, with a pure mind, give up friendship, enmity, company, and possessiveness. While *samayika* and *pratima* partially prepare house-holders for voluntary termination of life, six-fold essentials (*sadavasyakas*) take one to the threshold of meditation-unto-death. Five transgressions should be avoided:

1. Wishing for procrastination of death
2. Wishing for hasty death
3. Entertaining fear of death
4. Remembering friends & relatives
5. Wishing for particular rewards

Precautions are recommended to ensure external peace during the period of vow. Passions and afflictions should be conquered preliminarily to adoption of the vow. There are three methods of attaining nirvana that increase in expectations:

1. *bhaktapratyakhyana marana*
2. *itvara/ingita marana*
3. *padapopagamana/paoavagamana*

There are different kinds of deaths:

1. *bala marana* – death of an individual who has right faith but who does not possess self-control
2. *bala-pandita marana* – house-holder who has reached the fifth stage of his spiritual progress, who is unable to abstain from himsa of one-sensed beings, but has abstained from himsa of two-sensed beings and is still in state of indecision in matters of self-restraint

3. *pandita marana* – death of an ascetic who has attained pure knowledge While Hinduism condones *sati* and *mahaprasthana*, Islam has neither advocated nor sanctioned voluntary deaths. At extremely holy places like Prayaga, Sarasvati, and Beneras, drowning with the desire of securing release from *samsara* were allowed. Similarly, a man guilty of Brahman murder was allowed to commit suicide by entering into fire or water.

Christianity also forbids voluntary deaths, saying “thou shalt not kill, neither thyself or another”. However, earlier Fathers approved of suicides committed to secure martyrdom, avoid apostacy, or protect virginity. Buddhism condemns suicide but there are stories of individual monks having committed suicide in a heat of passion by hanging.

Although it is certain that all religions condemn suicide as unethical and opposed to religion, different faiths have their own reasons to approve of voluntary deaths in different forms motivated by acquisition of religious merit or hopes of having a better life in the next birth. Most Eastern religions allow escape from the cycle of births and rebirths, and, in fact, it is the aspiration of religiously-conscious individuals to free themselves from fetters of karma by leading life of nobility, austerity, and meditation.

Faiths have different beliefs over what stage and manner life can reasonably be considered to have attained spiritual purity so as to permit individuals to resort to austerities for release from the physical body. The ultimate decision for whether any particular voluntary death is suicide depends upon the motive, means adopted, and consequences ensuing thereafter.

Suicide (*atmaghata* or *atmahatya*), on the other hand, is killing oneself, by means employed by oneself. All living beings have fondness for their bodies and take care by adopting methods or modes to keep sound health. Psychological and physical features often include emotional stress, overpowering feelings, hope to escape from consequences, lack of religious or spiritual considerations, use of weapons, suddenness, secrecy, and subsequent misery and bereavement.

Changing societies encompass changing notions of objectionability. Law is dynamic and changes with concepts, forbidding revolting and immoral sentiments of society.

Euthanasia (good death) refers to deliberate and direct killing of a sufferer (mercy killing) in order to relieve pain. However, distinctions should be made between voluntary and involuntary, active and passive, omission and commission, and acting and refraining. Assisted suicide is controversial, yet proponents argue that distinctions are spurious; they feel termination of treatment and direct killing are morally the same. Dedication of the medical

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WHAT YOU SOW, SO YOU REAP

Subhash Jain, Iowa City, Iowa

The doctrine can be also stated that one bears the consequences of his deeds. Several questions arise about the procedure, including the question of its implementer. One can invoke a superpower for implementing the procedure (the role of the superpower will become clear later). It implies that the superpower follows a procedure. What could that procedure be? An attempt is made herein to understand this procedure.

A relation between deeds and its consequences implies the existence of universal and eternal laws. The procedure must follow these laws.

The process of doing deeds follows a continuous course; hence the procedure also must be continuous.

There is a time gap between the time of award and the time of execution; the procedure must take care of this time gap.

This contemplation implies life after death. The procedure must apply to the present and future lives.

Only souls transmigrate from one life to another; the procedure must be such in which the unexecuted consequences migrate with souls.

Another common observation is that repentance affects one's life. This contemplation implies that the present and future deeds affect the unexecuted consequences. The procedure must allow modifications in the unexecuted consequences.

Before we explore the procedure, let us understand the terms deeds and consequences. Deeds involve the action of mind, speech, and body (*mana*, *vachana*, and *kaya*) and they are governed by "desires", which in turn give birth to attachment and aversion (*raag* and *dwesha*) and ultimately to passions (anger, pride, deceit, and greed). In other words the deeds are controlled by passions and actions of the mind, body, and speech. With the advent of the computer, it is not difficult to perceive a procedure that involves matter, as matter has tremendous energy and can travel very fast, and the soul who is the doer of the deeds. It is not unthinkable to imagine that the space in the cosmos is filled with very fine particles of matter; let us call these fine particles as "kroton" similar to other subatomic particles like proton, electron, neutron, etc., except that krotones are much finer than the known subatomic particles. If krotones can attach, and detach with the worldly souls, it is then possible to conceive a procedure that utilizes the notion of attachment and detachment of the krotones with souls.

The procedure can be summarized as follows. Due to passions and actions of the mind, body, and speech, the krotones are attached to the soul and are transformed into different species. Good actions cause the attachment of beneficial species and evil actions cause the attachment of harmful species. The different

species of the krotones remain attached to the soul for different duration and detach from the soul after executing the consequences.

This procedure raises a question. How do krotones transform into different species with different durations? The transformation of krotones into appropriate species and durations is similar to the process familiar to every individual. It is a well known fact that particles of food (matter) gets transformed into different constituents of the body, and none of the food particles (particles of matter) know that it should get transformed in this particular way. Similarly, the krotones, attached to the soul due to passions and actions of mind, body and speech, get transformed into different species with different durations. All transformations take place according to universal and eternal laws.

The last requisite is easily fulfilled allowing the procedure to modify the attached krotones. As the sentence of a prisoner is reduced by his good conduct, similarly the species and durations of the attached krotones are modified by good conduct.

The procedure is based on the doctrine of *Karma* propounded by Jainism. This doctrine includes an additional feature that allows the soul to escape from the cycle of reincarnation. The soul gets liberated from this cycle when all the krotones attached to the soul are detached from it. According to the Jain philosophy, the space in the cosmos is filled with infinite number of fine particles called karmic particles (*karman* *vargana*), not krotones. Due to passions, the different species of the karmic particles get attached to the soul for different duration and detach from the soul after fruition. The attachment of the karmic particles to the soul is called *Bandha*. All living beings continue to migrate from one body to another through the process of birth and death as long as the karmic particles remain attached to the soul. The condition is achieved by stopping the inflow of new karmic matter into the soul, referred to as *Samvara*, and shedding the already attached karmic particles from the soul, referred to as *Nirjara*. *Jiva*, i.e. living substance.

1. *Jiva*, i.e. living substance.
2. *Ajiva*, i.e., non-living substance.
3. *Asrava*, i.e., the influx of karmic matter into the soul.
4. *Bandha*, i.e., the bondage of karmic matter by the soul.
5. *Samvara*, i.e., the stoppage of influx of karmic matter.
6. *Nirjara*, i.e., the shedding of attached karmic matter.
7. *Moksha*, i.e., the attainment of complete freedom from karmic matter.

A firm conviction in the seven principles or *tattvas* leads to Right Belief (Samyag-darsana), Right Knowledge (Samyag-jnana), and Right Conduct (Samyag-charitra) which together constitute the path to salvation.

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REGIONAL NEWS....

SOUTH WEST

Jadavji Kenia, Regional Editor

NORTH TEXAS (DALLAS AREA)

Diwali was celebrated on November 18, 2001. Mahavir Nirvan Pooja was followed by children's program. Young children sang Namokaar Mantra and songs including "Japiye Chovish Jinavar Naam." Children ages 9-13 made a power-point presentation covering various Jain topics. The older group presented a dance-drama depicting Chandanbala's life and how she helped end Mahavir Bhagwan's fasting of 5 months and 25 days.

Weekly Swadhyays and monthly poojas and other meetings are continuing as usual and there is a definite interest and increase in the number of young students attending Pathshala classes. JSNT contact is our current president Swatee Kalamkar 972-530-7356, email: swateek@yahoo.com

PHOENIX, AZ

Some of the highlights of the Swamivatsalya 2001 function were: Variety shows put together by pathshala children and teachers, Tapasvis' bahuman, Jain Art Gallery, report by executive committee and general body meeting.

Guru Jayanti celebration was attended by a large number of families. The program included recitation of the "Atma-Siddhi" and other stavans. Religious leaders from many other religions (Islam, Sikh, Christian, Buddhist, Bahai, Hindu, and Jain) participated and talked about the importance of a "Guru" in their religion.

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NORTHEAST

Dinesh Chheda, Regional Editor

PITTSBURGH, PA

Like every year Jain Society of Pittsburgh had very spiritual swadhyays from seven scholars. The scholars were, Rajnibhai Shah, Nirmal Doshi, Dhirubhai Pandit, Samanji Sthit Pragyaji, Samanji Shrut Pragyaji, Sunandaben Vohra, and Tarlaben Doshi. We are looking forward to Padmanabhan Jaini's talk on the Mahavir Nirvan Day. During Paryushan Parva we had many tapasya, including three atthai, three chhath, six attham and many more upvas.

Children of our Society have been participating in the Jaina Academic Bowl competition since 1995. This year, at the Chicago convention, our team was second place trophy winner. The participants were Girish Jain, Neha Mehta, Ravi R. Mehta, Ravi V. Mehta, Rishi Mohnot and Kunal Rambhia. Open book examinations were held in Gujarati and English this year. Pratikraman book by Dhirajbhai Mehta in Gujarati and two select books by Manubhai Doshi in English were used for test questionnaire. More than forty youth and adults participated in these competitions. Our adults and youth were also winners of second or third place essays and recipients of awards.

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WASHINGTON, DC

Our Sangh went on Panch Teerth Yatra. About 45 members visited temples at Cherryhill, Caldwell, NJ; Siddhachalam, Allentown; Vraj; and Harrisburg. A lecture by Dr. N.P. Jain was held on August 3. Jain society took a leading role in the celebration of Diwali Mela which is organized annually by the United Association of Hindu and Jain Temples of Metropolitan Washington. Over 15000 persons attended

the Diwali Mela. Jain Society representatives also attended the various interfaith activities held in the Washington area.

Members' directory was published in November, 2001. This directory also provides information on our activities, our history. The directory contains a complete listing of Jain temples in North America along with directions to temples within 300-mile radius.

At Annual general meeting of December 9, 2001, following persons have been elected for the year 2002.

President: Kanta Dharamsi, Vice-President: Dhiraj Shah Sec: Niru Shah, Jt. Secretary: Ashok P. Shah Treasurer: Manu J. Shah, Jt. Treasurer: Ashok R. Shah, Members: Atul Bakliwal, Sushil Jain, and Kamlesh P. Shah, and Past President: Pravin Dand

Board of Trustees: Arvind Shah, Chairman, Bachubhai Ajmera, Manoj Dharamsi and Bhavi Jain; Youth Committee Coordinator: Hemal Jhaveri (703-922-2734), and Youth Committee Members: Sonali Bhavsar, Nisha Jain, Amol Shah, and Pathik Shah.

WEST

Chandrakant Parekh, Regional Editor

LOS ANGELES, CA

Jain Center of Southern California (JCSC) has a new Board of Directors which includes Dr. Nitin Shah, President; Ramesh Doshi, Vice President; Ashvin Sheth, Secretary, Ashok Savla, Treasurer, Narendra Maniar, Public Relations; Amrit Bhandari, Directors: Vijay Chheda, Dhiraj Dedhia, Divyaben Gangar, Ushaben Mehta, Gordhan Patel, Pradeep Shah, Vipul Shah, Virendra Shah, and Nitin Vora

The largest ever JCYC winter camp held at the Wrightwood Campsite in San Gabriel Mountains was attended by 181 participants. The theme of the camp focused on Mahavir's Life Story. The course included

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eleven hours of instructions concluding with a test.

A historic groundbreaking ceremony scheduled for February 18 will mark a major milestone for the Jain Bhavan Expansion Project, which has been in planning since 1998. The construction is scheduled to begin in April 2002.

Nearly 200 participants attended a two-day Jainism conference organized by Professor Tara Sethia at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. Scholars from USA, India, UK, Guam, Japan, Scotland and New Zealand addressed the conference theme of *The Lessons of Ahimsa and Anekanta for Contemporary Life*.

Second Jain Pathshala Teachers Conference is being held at the Jain Center of Southern California May 25-27. For information, please contact Kiran or Rajul Vasa at 562/860-7273 or rkvasa@aol.com.

A convention for single Jain youths, age 21 and over, will be hosted at the Jain Center of Southern California from May 17-19. Registration information is available at www.jain21.com website or by contacting Vipin Vadecha at 909/861-2677 or vadechav@juno.com or Rashmi Shah at 310/541-8367 or krushmi@aol.com.

Information for all the upcoming events is available on JCSC's website at www.jaincenter.net. For information, contact Nitinbhai Shah, JCSC President, at 714/506-6699 or nitin.shah@med.va.gov.

SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Samanijis Charitrapragyaji and Shardaprajanaji are in the Bay Area till April. The Samanijis are giving a series of lectures on various topics four days a week as well as actively participating in children's pathshala classes at Jain Bhawan.

Nearly 140 children participated in a second annual sleepover at the Jain Bhawan. The children took part in discussions and also played quiz games including "Who wants to be a Jain Scholar?" JCNC partici-

pated in the Bay Area Veg Fair organized by VegNews, North America's monthly vegetarian newspaper. Information about the Jain Bhawan, Jainism, Jain food and the benefits of a vegetarian way of life was made available at the JCNC's booth.

Information about forthcoming programs and regular activities are posted on JCNC's website at www.jcnc.org. Most recent newsletter can also be downloaded from this website.

SACRAMENTO, CA

Jain Center of Greater Sacramento (JCGS) elected a new executive. Mohini Jain, President; Sunil Jain, Secretary; Raman Jain, Treasurer; and Manoj Desai, Value Administrator. JCGS has adopted new set of bylaws, which has a provision to elect two out of four executive members every other year. JCGS organizes a number of activities, religious celebrations, and lectures by visiting dignitaries. Contact person contact Mohini Jain at mohini_jain@msn.com.

SAN DIEGO, CA

Regular activities organized by Jain Society of San Diego (JSSD) include - a monthly Jainshala for children, adult classes, swadhyay by Girishbhai Shah, and a weekly pooja every Saturday at Shri Mandir. For additional information, please contact Kokilaben Doshi at 858/679-7645 or email: kdoshi@sandiego.edu.

SEATTLE, WA

Members of the Jain community in Seattle area meet on a monthly basis. Jain Pathshala is held on the 1st Saturday of the month and is conducted by Aleena. For additional details, call Aleena at 206/236-0170. For information about Jain programs please contact Mukesh Jain at 425/706-9697 or email: mukeshj@microsoft.com.

CANADA

Dr. Mahendra Mehta, Regional Editor

TORONTO: ON

The winter of 2001-2002 has been unusually quiet as more of our members prefer to spend cold months in India pursuing their 'swadhaya' or traveling to various places of pilgrimage or visiting their families.

Diwali Celebrations: The executive committee put up a well organized and fully subscribed Diwali event that earned great appreciation from all members of the Society. The 'sit-down' dinner and the quality of program showed our Society has come of age.

The Diwali Mithai Competition was a novel idea and it proved very successful. The event brought out hidden culinary talents in our community. There were many letters of appreciation to the Editor of our Newsletter and this attests to the popularity of the event.

The new Jain Society Directory was published last month and well received by all members. It is very well organized with updated addresses, easy to follow and has a very attractive cover of Bhagvan Mahavir's Kalyanak.

A quick glance at the directory shows that our Society has undergone a record growth in last two years. More than 100 new families have joined our Sangh and this is reflected in greater attendances at Snatra Puja, Paryushan, Swami Vatsalya and other societal functions and festivities.

The Seniors Meetings: This has become another fixture of our regular activities and many senior members look forward to this get together. Bhartiben Ghatalia organizes these meetings.

The Youth activities: The young Jains have regular activities every few months and for the winter, they have organized Ski Camp 2002 at Mansfield Outdoor Centre.

CINCINNATI & DAYTON, OH

The Jain Center of Cincinnati & Dayton had the following major activities;

1.The following executive committee members were elected for 2002: Vijay Doshi, President, Kishore Parekh, Vice President, Bhavin Shah – Secretary, Hemant Shah- Treasurer, Kalpana Parekh – VP Education, Jaya Shree Baphana –V.P. Hospitality, Ramesh Shah –VP Facilities, Haren Punatar –VP Membership, Mitel Shah – V.P. Youth, Dr. Surendra Singhvi and Vir Singh Jain as JAINA directors for two years.

3.At the January 2002 General Body meeting, Ms. Soha Shah and Dr. Surendra Singhvi were appointed as the co-conveners for the next JAINA convention to be hosted in Cincinnati. Twelve committees have been appointed to plan and organize the convention on July 4-6, 2003. Anyone interested in helping the Center should contact Dr. Singhvi at 937-885-7414 or Ms. Soha Shah at 937-773-3906.

4.The Center participated in the third annual Interfaith Peace meeting on December 31, 2001, which included representatives from eight different religions in the local area.

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

The Jain Society of Greater Atlanta elected Deepak Shah, President, Madhuben Sheth -vice president. Other executive committee members are: Bharat Shah, Treasurer, Anil Shah, Secretary, Sameer Shah - youth Secretary, Indravadan Bhavsar and Niraj Shah as executive members.

The Phase II construction of the building has been completed. In this phase, classrooms, Library, kitchen and dining facilities were added. These additional facilities have allowed expanding activities such as yoga, language and SAT class.



YOU TOO CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

As a Jain, you steadfastly believe that serving the poor is a supreme form of Bhakti, but the pursuit of American dream leaves no time for such work. Here is an inspiring story of a 22-year-old Niyati Sheth.

A senior at University of Central Oklahoma majoring in Opera Performance/Pre-medicine she has been active in YJA as their Oklahoma City representative for six years. She is President of her music fraternity – Sigma Alpha Iota and performed abroad in countries such as Italy, England and Ireland with choir and chamber ensembles/ active in Presidential leadership council.

At the JAINA convention in Chicago last July, she met me and I spoke to her about the school and medical clinic Teerthodhar Committee was helping to build in Lachhawar – Birth place of Lord Mahavir at an estimated cost of \$90,000 under the guidance of Acharya Chandanaji. Acharya Chandnaji has reported that by April 25th, they would have 10 rooms ready. This would have classes up to 8th standard. They will continue working to expand the school to hold classes up to matriculation. Their current enrollment is over 700 students. There is plan to educate women. Children will also be taught love for animals, ahimsa, cleanliness and abstinence from bad habits.

JAINA has contributed over \$20,000, but we are still looking to raise additional \$70,000. For more information, please refer to last issue of Jain Digest. Acharya Chandnaji mentioned that entire Jain Samaj is celebrating 2600th birth anniversary of Bhagwan Mahavir, but to her knowledge nothing comes close to building school at Bhagwan Mahavir's birth place. Veeraytan is formally inviting all Jains to attend the inauguration of the school. All arrangements will be made for lodging and boarding. You will get the privilege of visiting Rajgir, Pavapuri and Shikharji. The whole town of Lachhawar is looking forward to meet Jain Sangh who has done so much for them.

Niyati decided to help. She set a goal of raising \$15,000. She planned a 2-day Yoga & Meditation workshop featuring Shree Amrendra Muni for Mid October. But the September 11 tragedy forced cancellation of the camp and no future date was set. No one asked for a refund of the registration fee and she convinced others to contribute for her project. She raised \$5,100. In a town with only four Jain families this young girl, in spite of the obstacles created by the September 11 tragedy persevered, juggled her education, hobbies, family and social life to achieve a noble goal. She is still continuing her efforts to meet her goal - she has unique idea of helping her favorite charity when she needs to give a gift to someone. Niyati sends the intended dollar amount to the charity fund. The charitable organization sends thank you card to her friend. The recipient of the card gets exposure and awareness of the good cause. The idea mushrooms and the cause get more funding and more supporters. Teerthodhar committee will send Gyan Daan gift cards on your behalf to anyone who wants to donate for this school. You can send these cards to your friends and families for any occasions. Donations received from you will be tax deductible and we will send acknowledgment card to your recipient. You both will be blessed for Gyan Dan to students of Tirthankar Mahavir School. \$100 will pay for books and supplies for one student for one year and teachers salary for three months. \$500 will pay for education and one sewing machine, \$1000 will buy them a computer. \$5000 will pay for library project.

For more information on the Tirthankar Mahavir School, please visit <http://home.hot.rr.com/jaintirth/>. or contact Kirit Daftary Phone: 254-776-4209 (Resi), E-mail: netrat@att.net

AFFILIATE NEWS...

KACHCHHI OSWAL JAIN ASSOCIATION

KOJAIN has collected more than \$430,000 for Kutch earthquake. So far they have disbursed the fund in Kutch as follows:

KVO Seva Samaj (Housing)	\$61,000
Veerayatan (near 72 Jinalaya) School Project	\$50,000
Bidada Sarvodaya Trust (KOJAIN families)	\$50,000
Bidada Sarvodaya Trust (Physiotherapy Dept.)	\$50,000
Bhojay Sarvodaya Trust (Mota Ratadia School)	\$35,000
Yusuf Meherally Foundation	\$30,000
Ramania school	\$25,000
Ratadia Ganeshwala Buniyadi School	\$25,000
Abhiyan: Sushma Ayangar	\$20,000
Bhujpur Hospital (thru' VRTI)	\$20,000
Kutch Development Fund (KVC Krushi Vigyan)	\$12,000
Kutch Ekam (KDO)	\$11,000
Lion Charitable Trust, Bhuj (rehabilitation)	\$11,000
Shri KVO Jain Mahajan, Bhuj (Housing)	\$11,000
KDO Shikshan Prasarak Samiti	\$4,000
JAINA Transportation of Rehab Equipments	\$2,000

KOJAIN members elected the following office bearers for 2002-2004, along with 11 regional directors. More information can be obtained from the KOJAIN website: www.kojain.com

<u>President:</u>	Kalyanji Mota	(714) 956-0405
<u>Vice-president:</u>	Navin Dedhia	(408) 629-1723
<u>Secretary:</u>	Ila Shah	(562) 947-7018
<u>Treasurer:</u>	Hema Savla	(508) 856-9630

Congratulations: The Association of Indian Physicians of Northern Ohio (APINO) honored **Dr. Chandravadan Haria** as Distinguished Physician of the Year Award for 2001. Dr. Haria and his family have lived in the Cleveland area since 1973 and have been actively involved in the social, political and cultural arena through many local and national organizations.

One of KOJAIN members, Nitin Shah has become the first Asian member of the Georgia Governor's Round Table. Only 100 CEO's are included. Among these are CEO's of Coca Cola, Delta, Georgia Pacific etc.

Jayesh Shah 1963 -2001: Jayesh S. Shah of Edgewater, NJ, lost his precious life at the young age of 38 in the World Trade Center disaster of Sept. 11th. His family and friends have established the "Jayesh Shah Memorial Education Fund", please send your tax deductible contribution to the fund and make your check payable to KOJAIN (and, please mention - For Jayesh Shah M/E Fund) and mail it to **Mangal Shah, 16 Donna Drive, Unit 36, Norwalk, CT 06854, USA**

SIDDHACHALAM

The international community celebrated the 2600th birth anniversary of Lord Mahavir on 2nd November, 2001, at the Church Center for the United Nations in New York. The celebration was sponsored and organized by International Mahavir Jain Mission (IMJM) and The Temple of Understanding, both of which are NGO members of United Nations.

More than one hundred and twenty-five persons, drawn mostly from the United Nations NGO community and from Inter-faith community attended the event.

Dr. Narendra Parson, Vice-Chairman of IMJM, said that it was significant that IMJM and The Temple of Understanding were jointly sponsoring the celebration. 'This accords with the concept of Anekantvad, as taught by Lord Mahavir', said Parson.

The celebration started with a rendition of spiritual music with Bina Kalavant on Sitar and Rahman Khan on tabla. This set the mood for the afternoon.

Inter-faith prayers were recited by representatives of many faiths. Dr. Nawang Rabgyal, the representative of His Holiness the Dalai Lama in North and South America recited a Buddhist prayer. He was followed by Sister Joan Kirby who recited a Christian prayer. Professor Ephraim Isaacs, who was to recite Jewish prayers was unable to attend because of other commitments. He did, however, send in his good wishes for the event. Muslim, Hindu, Jain and Sikh prayers were also recited. Pundit Maujiram, of IMJM, could not attend the event but sent his blessings and prayers for the event. Richard Rosenkranz of the Inter-faith Call for Religious Freedom and Human Rights flew out of Florida to attend the event and to recite a prayer by Mahatma Gandhi.

John Miller, Co-Chairman of the Temple of Understanding spoke on Ahimsa, Love, Compassion. He inspired the gathering with an account of his own spiritual experience and understanding of Ahimsa, which is love and compassion.

Shantichandra Shah, President of IMJM spoke on the subject, Conflict Resolution as taught by Lord Mahavir.

Dr. Narendra Parson spoke about Message of Mahavir. He emphasized the practice of the teachings and stressed meditation. Lord Mahavir meditated for twelve and a half years and he prescribed 'dissolve yourselves' and meditation as the path to liberation. Neeta Karani and Roma Patel, both students of Alka Sama, performed a dance 'Satyam, Shivam, Sundaram'.

This was followed by chanting by disciples of Acharya Sushil Kumarji, Shanti Jain Smith, Kathy Kellogg, Sue Graves and Rick Pezzullo. Pezzullo explained the effect of sound and mantras before the group recited the mantras.

Sister Joan Kirby of the Temple of Understanding proposed a vote of thanks to conclude the celebrations.

AFFILIATE NEWS...

JAIN MEDITATION INTERNATIONAL CENTRE

This is an excerpt of the speech given by Pujyashri Chitrabhanuji on September 23, 2001 in the aftermath of the tragic events of 9\11th in New York City at The World Trade Center and in Washington, D.C. at The Pentagon.

PRAY FOR PEACE AND UNDERSTANDING

September 11th has been a tragic day not only for America but for the whole world, because such savage violence diminishes all of mankind. We often pray for our selfish and greedy needs. We need prayer. Prayer brings introspection. The events of September 11th represent an attack on these rights. We need to pray so that we remain sensitive to Universal Aspirations. Let us pray for the blessing of the less blessed.

The only answer to distrust and suspicion is understanding. Let us pray for that. Gandhi rightly warned us, "An eye for an eye makes the whole world blind." Let us pray for such understanding and peace that abides. Let us start every new day cherishing our blessings. We resolve to see good around us, to hope for a bright future. Let us think of peace, let us feel love, and let us practice compassion. Let us look forward to each day's imagining and contemplating in a positive way for health, happiness and harmony.

CITATION PRESENTED TO GURUDEV CHITRABHANUJI

The Senior Citizens Association of Powai felicitates you for your untiring contribution towards a better world:

You are the luminous inheritor of the lineage of Tirthankars, the supreme messengers of Peace, Non-violence and Compassion. This is Mother India's unique gift to the world. In your bold efforts to spread this message of Non-Violence and Peace, beyond the borders of our country, you created history. Your numerous books and poems in several languages show the path of Peace and Self-Realisation, both to the young novice and the sophisticate. This message you have tirelessly conveyed to the World Community at the United Nations, the U.S. House of Congress, and leading Universities and at Inter-Faith Meetings.

Finally, to quote you, "Man is a threat to man and animals, and often is ready to murder in the name of religion, culture, country and belief." Now more than ever, all mankind needs to heed your message, to leave a better world for posterity.

JAINA PARTICIPATES IN 28TH MEDICAL CAMP

"A Person who serves the poor and sick, serves Me."

– Lord Mahavir

- A man lost both his arms in an electric shock cutting a branch that got entangled in an electric wire. Both arms had been amputated and replaced by prostheses, and he lost his livelihood. One of his dream is for his son to complete high school education.
- 17 year old boy who had fallen of a canal and fractured his bones several months ago. He didn't have medical care available at that time, so his bones set themselves at an odd angle, giving the appearance of another knee.

Most of the cases seen by Dr. Indu Varia, Psychiatrist, and Shilpa Shah, Social worker involved depression, anxiety, or post traumatic stress disorder. Several were prescribed anti-depressant or anti-anxiety medication. *Will they receive follow-up care for medication or counseling?*

28th Camp was inaugurated by Honorary Consul General of USA, Frank Good from Mumbai on January 2nd, 2002. The camp was over by January



22nd. 20,569 patients were treated for various sickness and diseases, 771 operations were performed; 800 eye surgeries will be performed in next 3 months; 182 patients were referred to Nanavati and Maru hospitals in Mumbai for advanced surgery and care. This camp covers all medical specialities, and this year Bidada started Rehabilitation Center for earthquake victims and amputees. More than 50 medical doctors from USA gave their services.

BIDADA camp is unique in number of ways:

1. Hospital though located in remote corner of Kutch in a small village, is neat, clean and professionally managed mostly by volunteers.
2. Medical Practitioners visiting from USA is given round trip tickets to Gandhidham, Kutch. from Bombay. A separate clean room with good lodging facility is assigned for everyone of them. All meals- are being served by them at NO COST to participants.
3. Vijay Chheda, Trustee spends 6 months in USA and 6 months in India and he provides professional liaison between USA participants and BIDADA Hospital. Communication is excellent.

JAINA BOOK STORE.....

JAINA DIGEST LIFE MEMBERS UPDATE

It gives us immense pleasure in welcoming you to Jaina Book Store. The mission of Jaina Book Store is to provide Jain religion books and materials to members at a reasonable Cost. The following Books are now available by mail.

Title	US\$
Bhaktamara Stotra (G,H,E) + CD & VCD	\$20
Tirthankara Bhagawan Mahavira (G,H,E) +CD	\$20
Tirthankara Bhagawan Mahavira (G,H,E) +VCD	\$20
Bhaktamara Darshan (Chitra, Rahasya, Aradhana Darshan) G,H,E	\$45
Shri Kalpasutra (Shri Barasasutra)	\$45
Jain Symbols (Pramoda Chitrabhanu) {E}	\$ 5
Set of Five books by Pandit Dhirajlal D. Metha on	
1) Karma Philosophy	
2) KatmaVipaka	
3) KarmaStava	
4) BandhaSwamitvanama	
5) Shadshiti	
Paribhashik Shabdakosh (all in G}	\$20
Set of Two books by Pandit Dhirajlal D. Metha	
1) Navsmarana	
2) Aath	
Dhrasthini Sajhai {all in G}	\$10
Set of Two books by Mr. Herman Kuhn on Tattvartha Sutra	
1) The Key of The Center of The Universe	
2) Karma - The Mechanism (both in E}	\$30
Jain Shaasan-na Chamaktaa Sitaraa	
108 Jain Stories (V. V. Shah) {G}	\$5
Jin Shaasan-Ka Chamakte Hire	
108 Jain Stories (V. V. Shah) {H}	\$5

Languages: H= Hindi, G =Gujarati, E=English:

Minimum Order \$10, No cash please. All Price includes S&H

Please make Check Payable to **JAINA BOOK STORE**

ROHIT DOSHI, 505 AFRICAN ROAD, VESTAL, NY 13850

email: Rohit Doshi <doshi505@yahoo.com>

Please ship requested books to:

Name_____

Address_____

City State Zip_____

Phone_____email_____

622 U	Janak K. sheth	Metaitrie	LA
623 U	Kiran and imple Zaveri	Kenner	LA
624 U	Ramesh and Indu Shah	MissouriCity	TX
625 U	Kantilal and Madhu Shah	Houston	TX
626 U	Chirantan V. Parikh	Glendale	CA
627 U	Suresh and Nita Shah	Friendswood	TX
628 U	Bhupendra and Priti Sheth	MissouriCity	TX
629 U	Ramesh and Rashmi Shah	Houston	TX
630 U	Bhavar and Gita Purohit	Houston	TX
631 U	Rajesh and Nita Desai	Houston	TX
632 U	Umesh and Harsha Shah	Lexington	NC
633 U	Rajula N. Shah	Lynchburg	VA
634 U	Kishor and Sohini Shah	Humble	TX
635 U	Bina Shah	Houston	TX
636 U	Ashok and Ujwala Shinghvi	Houston	TX
637 U	Barry and Sallye Thomas	Clute	TX
638 U	Ajay and Madhu Jain	Houston	TX
639 U	Rambhai Bhakta	Odem	TX
640 U	Harshad and Ramila Gandhi	Mableton	GA
641 U	Shanti and Geeta Gala	Katy	TX
642 U	Lalit and Niru Shah	Sugarland	TX
643 U	Rajeev and Nita Daga	Sugarland	TX
644 U	Yogesh C Jain	Merrick	NY
645 U	Bhaves and Malini Adani	Edison	NJ
646 U	Girish and Kokila parikh	Stow	OH
647 U	Kirti and Nayana Shah	La Palma	CA
648 U	Hasendra and Bina Shah	Cerritos	CA
649 U	Bhavik P. Vasha	Newbury Pk	CA
650 U	Rahul K Shah	New York	NY
651 U	Ramesh and Naina Shah	Diamond Bar	CA

This is a list of new Jain Digest life members whose dues were received upto Jan 31, 2002. Please send your \$101.00 Jain Digest life membership dues to

Keerti Shah,
842 Lakeside Drive, Bartlett Illinois 60103,
Phone: 630-837-8716.

Financial Statement Convention 2001

2001 was the first time JAINA took the complete responsibility of Convention. Hosted by Jain Society of Metropolitan Chicago, 11th Convention did suffer because of the less than expected attendance due to mid week dates and the cost of building replica of Jal Mandir. But in the end, JAINA did break even. Thanks to all of you for lending helping hand. Thanks to the members of Jain Society of Chicago who worked diligently to make the convention a success.

Revenue:

	\$	
Donations	167,417	
Jalmandir	65,197	
Loan	60,401	
Registration	460,290	
Exhibition/Booth	32,000	
Souvenir & Program books	80,078	
Interest	4,434	
Total		869,817

Receivables

Donation	6,000	
Jalmandir, Souvenir	3,200	
TOTAL REVENUE		879,017

TOTAL EXPENSES	878,844
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SURPLUS	\$ 173
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Bipin Parikh
Convenor

Keerti Shah
Treasurer

Parag Shah
Internal Auditor

Expenses:

Loan Reimbursement	56,901
Food & Supplies	152,361
Food Service	125,000
Telephone, Postage & shipping	13,484
Travel	16,790

Convention:

Registration Cancellation	12,181
Facilities-Conv. Center	152,974
Jal Mandir	74,030
Cultural	17,977
Security	15,366
Insurance	4,254
Programing	53,531
Exhib.& Souv. Refunds	3,000
Registration	10,348
Audio, Video	28,534
Advertising	6,881
Printing	50,852
Office & Admin Exp.	19,535
Youth Activities	34,798
Reg Refund Credit card	4,840
Credit Card Fees	8,995
Bank Charges	5,112

Total Expenses	867,744
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Payables

Loan	3,500	
Food	3,500	
Programming	4,100	878,844

Notes: 1) All amounts are rounded off to nearest dollars
2) This is internally audited statement only.

FEDERATION OF JAIN ASSOCIATIONS IN NORTH AMERICA APPEAL

I want to help retaining Jain identity and culture by supporting JAINA and I want to be a proud Jain!

Please fill out this form and support JAINA.



**Mail this completed form and your financial contribution to:
JAINA Headquarters
PO Box 700 Getzville, NY 14068**

- ☐ I want to be a Trustee of JAINA Charitable Trust and will donate \$500 every year
- ☐ I want to be a JAINA Patron and will donate \$251 every year
- ☐ I want to be a Life Member of JAIN DIGEST and will donate \$101
- ☐ I want to subscribe to JAIN DIGEST for one year (Winter 2001 to Fall 2002) for \$11
- ☐ other amount: ☐ \$10 ☐ \$25 ☐ \$50 ☐ _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone () _____

Email _____

Please make checks payable to JAINA. Your donation is tax-deductible. Please advise if you wish to remain anonymous. 950 Jain families have already done so, would you not do so? If not for you, do it for your children and grandchildren.

MIS REGISTRATION FORM - PAGE 1

Send this completed form, a check in the amount of \$25 and a recent, full-length photograph of yourself with your name printed on the back to:

Hasmukh M. Shah, 304 Tall Oak Trail
Tarpon Springs, FL 34688-7711 Phone: 727-934-6141 / 3255
hasmukh33@yahoo.com

Name (please print): _____

LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Address: _____

STREET CITY STATE ZIP

Phone: () _____ Fax: () _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____

Are you a vegetarian? YES NO Do you smoke? YES NO Do you drink? YES NO

Have you been married before? YES NO

If yes, indicate the name of your divorced spouse. _____

Your visa status in the USA/Canada? _____ When did you enter the USA/Canada? _____ MONTH/YEAR

What languages do you speak? _____ What is your religion? _____

What languages do you read? _____

What languages do you write? _____

Education: _____

DEGREE YEAR RECEIVED MAJOR NAME OF UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE

Work experience: _____

COMPANY'S NAME POSITION DURATION

Father's Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Brother(s) and/or Sister(s) _____

NAME(S) AGE(S) EDUCATION OCCUPATION

Do you have other relatives living in the North America? _____

NAME RELATIONSHIP OCCUPATION ADDRESS

Other relevant information (use additional paper if necessary): _____

Candidate's signature: _____ Date: _____

Important Considerations:

It is important to remember that the MIS is a non-for-profit, voluntary community service. The MIS and JAINA assume no responsibility or liability for the accuracy or authenticity of the information furnished in the ads or any consequences resulting thereof. The entire responsibility rests with the candidates themselves. All information furnished to the MIS is confidential. Only those who are sincerely interested in looking for a Jain life partner should send a Registration Form. While matching, photographs will not be passed on to the candidates by the MIS. Parents/guardians should communicate with the candidate before placing ad and assist them in making a final decision.

MIS REGISTRATION FORM - PAGE 2

1. Two references who are members of the Jain Community or other Indian organizations.

A. Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Member of: _____

ORGANIZATION'S NAME

B. Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Member of: _____

ORGANIZATION'S NAME

2. Indicate your personal preference of these criteria for the match.

Age: Between the ages of _____ and _____ or open.

Height: Between the height of _____ and _____ or open.

Weight: Between the weight of _____ and _____ or open.

Education: ☐ Bachelor ☐ Masters Degree ☐ Other

Major: _____

Vegetarian: YES NO Work experience: YES NO

Residence: (state) _____

Visa Status: _____

Length of time in North America: _____ years.

Language. English: YES NO

Other (specify): _____

Congratulations!

Female: 122, Male: 111 (Married / Engaged)

JAINA would like to congratulate all couples who have come together with the help of the services of the MIS. JAINA wishes to thank them for their generous donation. More and more Jains around the world are not only appreciating this much needed service, but are also taking advantage of it. Simultaneously, the flow of ads in JAIN DIGEST is gradually increasing.

Guideline to all perspective participants

Be positive, constructive, creative and friendly! No match is going to be "perfect." Complement and support each other practicing respect, sharing, acquire knowledge and maintaining your uniqueness while keeping an open mind. These are the qualities that make for human perfection.

MIS INFORMATION: THIS IS HOW IT WORKS

Our world is shrinking and we are a global village and life is not always easy. However, we can carry our philosophy and our value system that is very worth while, with us. Accept the challenge and make your choice be a worth while one.

Placing an Ad and Registration with MIS

Anyone wishing to place an ad and register with the MIS must follow these instructions carefully:

1. Fill out the attached Registration Form Page 1 and Page 2. The registrant must fill out this form. *Do not leave anything blank.*
2. Mail the the completed form + a check in the amount of \$25 payable to Hasmukh M. Shah. Leave the Memo or For column blank.
3. a recent, full-length photo of yourself with your name printed on the back.
4. Upon receipt of this information the MIS will draft an ad for you and it will appear in the JAIN DIGEST—but only once. Remember, JAIN DIGEST is a quarterly publication.

Placing an Ad Only

If you do not wish to register with the MIS and wish to draft an ad yourself, you may do so in 30 words or less. Remember that the MIS reserve the right to edit all such ads. Follow step 2 above, but submit your own ad with phone number instead of a completed form and photo. **Full Name, Address, Phone number of the candidate must be furnished with the ads for MIS records, without which MIS will not be able to process the ad for publication.**

Responding to an Ad (only if contact info isn't available).

If the phone number or address is not given in the ad, then you must contact the candidate through MIS. Follow these step-by-step instructions. Place your bio-data and a recent photograph of yourself in a sealed, stamped envelope with your return address in the upper left-hand corner and the MIS ad reference number in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope. Leave space on the envelope for an address. Place this envelope in another envelope with your return address in the upper left-hand corner and mail it to Hasmukh M. Shah. Upon receipt of these responses the MIS will place the ad holders address on the inner envelope and mail it. Remember, MIS is not responsible for responses that do not conform to these instructions.

Please notify the MIS

Please notify the MIS when an engagement or marriage has been announced. This helps us to know if this community service is working to help maintain our traditions. Please note that if a successful alliance has taken place, both parties will agree to donate what ever amount they wish to JAINA to help defray the cost of publication.

MATRIMONIALS - MALE

M489: Gujarati parents invite responses for their handsome, fair, talented, vegetarian, US born son, March 71, 5'9", 155 lb, MS Comp. Engg. (Cornell Uni.), successful computer consultant, from pretty, cultured, educated Jain girls. Call: 410/771-0251. or ketan_mehta@yahoo.com

M638: Jain parents invite proposals for very handsome, accomplished, vegetarian, US raised son, born Feb 72, 6'0", MD (neuroradiology), from pretty, cultured, vegetarian, educated girls. Call: 763/559-1061. Email: kjain105@hotmail.com

M772: Alliance invited by Jain parents (Intl. Business Family) for Swiss born / Citizen, handsome, vegetarian, non-smoker, non-drinker, talented son, March 74, 5'10", CFA, MBA, well positioned in CitiBank Corp. Fin., from well educated, cultured girls. Ph: 0041-22-8850355. Email: sanghvigeneva@yahoo.com

M802: Gujarati parents invite proposals for handsome, talented, family loving, US born son, Feb 75, 5'5", 145 lb, MD (3rd year NeuroSurgery Resident), from cultured, educated girls. Call: 215/699-2317.

M813: Gujarati parents invite proposals for very handsome, fair, accomplished, vegetarian, US born son, Jan 75, 5'7", 155 lb, MS (EE), very well positioned with reputed co., from cultured, educated, pretty girls. Call: 281/955-8224. Email: paras_shah@email.com

M864: Gujarati parents invite proposals for very handsome, fair, brilliant, vegetarian, vivacious, US born son, Oct 76, 5'11", BS (civil engg), well employed as Quality Engineer, from cultured, educated, pretty girls. Call: 334/283-5340. Email: jaygosalia@hotmail.com

M902: Gujarati parents seek responses for handsome, bright, vegetarian, US born son, Oct 75, 5'11", BA, well employed, from cultured, educated girls. Call: 408/245-7883. Email: vinu42@aol.com

M892: Jain parents invite correspondence with biodata / photo from professional, vegetarian girls, for very fair, handsome, Canadian born son, Nov 73, 5'10", 150 lb, MD, Final year resident: Gestrointrology. Email: sandyjain99@hotmail.com

M897: Gujarati parents invite responses for US raised, good looking, intelligent, vegetarian son, born March 1974, 5'10", 150 lb, BS (Biochemistry), well employed in Biotech firm, from cultured, educated, pretty girls. Call: 408/733-1328. Email: vcshah1@yahoo.com

M898: Gujarati parents seek alliance for handsome, talented, vegetarian US raised son, born Aug 74, 5'8", 150 lb, MS (EE), well employed, from cultured, professional (preferably MD, Pharmacist or R. Nurse girls). Call: 414/476-3137. Email: saumit@execpc.com

M899: Gujarati parents invites proposals for handsome, fair, accomplished, vegetarian, US born son, June 76, BS, JD (Law), started clerkship in CA, from cultured, educated, vegetarian girls. Call: 330/773-4741. Email: aishah@babcock.com

M907: Gujarati parents invite responses for very handsome, dynamic, successful, smart, vegetarian son, born, Aug 77, 5'10", 160 lb, Physical Therapist, very well positioned in reputed Hospital, from pretty, cultured, educated girls. Call: 917/756-9037.

M912: Gujarati parents invite proposals with biodata/photo from vegetarian, educated, cultured, pretty girls, for good-looking son, born Dec 72, 5'10", 155 lb, BS (business/ finance), studying MBA. Call: 917-647-3575. indian1972@hotmail.com

M916: Alliance invited for dynamic, talented, vegetarian, Gujarati boy, born Jan 75, 5'11", 160 lb, MD, doing 3rd year residency in Internal Medicine at NY based hospital, from educated, vegetarian, Gujarati girls. Email: usmd2002@yahoo.com

M917: Alliance invited for good looking, intelligent, vegetarian, Jain boy, born Sept 74, 5'3", 145 lb, MS (EE), well employed in a reputed co., from cultured, educated, vegetarian girls. Call: 937/435-6171. Email: mjain22@aol.com

M918: Alliance invited for very handsome, talented, vegetarian, teetotaler, Gujarati boy, born Oct 74, 6'0", BS (comp science / financial / economics), working as Sr. Analyst with Goldman Sachs (NYC), from virtuous, beautiful, family oriented girls. Call: 718/347-3083. Email: zealous_rafter@yahoo.com

M919: Gujarati parents invite proposals for handsome, fair, intelligent, successful, vegetarian, US born son, Oct 75, 5'4", 130 lb, DDS, Dentist, doing specialization in Orthodontics, from cultured, educated, vegetarian girls. Call: 732/329-0589. Email: vinods0413@aol.com

AM253: Jain parents invite proposals for handsome, outgoing, accomplished, US born son, March 74, 6'2", BS (IE), MBA, well employed with multinational co., from pretty, cultured, educated girls. Call: 810/750-0999. Email: deelpkumar@aol.com

AM295: Gujarati parents invite proposals for very very handsome, athletic, financially successful, vegetarian son, born Oct 75, 5'11", 160 lb, BBA, Financial Analyst, well employed, from pretty, cultured, educated girls. Call: 718/482-8779.

AM338: We are interested in having our son get to know open minded and outgoing girls. He is handsome, vegetarian, well employed Software Engineer, US born Nov 73, 5'7", 130 lb, Please contact us at: - mkshah@enteract.com

AM347: Alliance invited for handsome, talented, vegetarian, India raised, Gujarati boy, born Feb 77, 5'8", 143 lb, BS (comp sc), well employed as Software Design Engineer, from cultured, educated girls. 972/424-6667. vrvora@usanetmail.com

MATRIMONIALS -

AM354: Gujarati uncle invite responses for handsome, brilliant, vegetarian, US born nephew, June 75, 6'0", 140 lb, BBA, well employed as Analyst, from cultured, educated, vegetarian girls. Call: 732/940-0717. Email: ashah723@yahoo.com

AM358: Gujarati parents invite proposals for handsome, brilliant, vegetarian, US born son, April 75, 5'6", 150 lb, MD, 2nd year resident: internal medicine, planning cardiology fellowship, interested in music, Indian culture, from caring, well educated Jain girls. Call: 410/771-0251. Email: sbm_1975@yahoo.com

FEMALE

F216: Sister invite proposals from well-settled professionals for very beautiful, attractive, slim, cultured sister, 30 yrs / 5'2", 110 lb, MBBS, Physician in Bombay, visiting USA during January 2002. Phone: 763/416-5949. Email: radhika_mehta55@hotmail.com

F233: Alliance invited by Gujarati Jain parents for beautiful, charming, talented, caring, affectionate, virtuous, vegetarian, US raised daughter, born July 66, 5'5", BS (chemistry), very well employed, from well educated, professionals. Call: 919/776-9091.

F623: Agarwal / Jain parents invite proposals with biodata from professional, cultured, non smoker boys, for vegetarian, pretty, fair, canadian born daughter, Oct 74, 5'1", 115 lb, Dip. Business/ network, pursuing BA (final) (sociology), employed full time in Fortune 500 Co., Call 905/459-4357. Email: melmilap74@hotmail.com

F653: Gujarati parents invite responses for pretty, talented, successful, US born daughter, Sept 71, 5'3", DMD, practicing as Dentist, from well educated, cultured, professionals. Call: 502/239-4973. Email: ayk1971@hotmail.com

F703: Alliance invited for beautiful, talented, slim, caring, US citizen Gujarati girl, 35 / 5'3", BS (Chemistry), MLT (ASCP), well employed, issue-less divorcee, from cultural, educated match. Call: 847/776-0191.

F762: Jain Gujarati parents invite responses for talented, beautiful, slim, vegetarian, US raised daughter, born Nov 75, 5'8", 125 lb, pursuing MBA, well positioned with Deloitte consulting, from well educated, professional, US raised boys. Call: 248/347-4576.

F773: Alliance invited by Jain parents (Intl. Business family) for Swiss born / citizen, beautiful, fair, charming, cultured, vegetarian, physician daughter, Oct 76, 5'6", MBBS-Geneva, doing internship, from well educated, professionally settled, handsome boys. Tel: 0041-22-8850355. Email: sanghvigeneva@yahoo.com

F790: Gujarati parents invite proposals for beautiful, fair, slim, attractive, virtuous Daughter, born Nov 77, 5'1", BS, pursuing MS (Comp), cultured, educated, vegetarian boys. Currently she is in India and willing to settle in USA. Call: 631/423-9647 or 717/532-7311. Email: bipinkmehta@hotmail.com

F795: North Indian Jain parents invite responses for very beautiful, tall, slim, charming, talented, US born daughter, Nov 73, 5'4", 110 lb, MBA from a top school, very well employed with multinational co., from cultured, professional boys. Call: 860/429-8520.

F834: Gujarati parents invite correspondence with biodata / photo for US born, beautiful, charming, cultured, virtuous daughter, Nov 73, 5'6", 118 lb, MD, doing 3rd year residency in OB / GYN, from educated, vegetarian boys. Call: 513/563-5013. Email: mehta@fuse.net

F835: Uncle invite alliance for very pretty, charming, slim, talented, Gujarati Jain niece, born Aug 75, 5'4", 110 lb, BS Physical Therapy, employed as Physical Therapist, from well educated, cultured boys. Call: 908/222-1038. Email: jenn819@hotmail.com

F841: Gujarati family invite proposals for beautiful, slim, attractive, virtuous, vegetarian daughter, born July 79, 5'6", 105 lb, BS (Com), pursuing Masters, from cultured, educated boys. She is currently in India and willing to settle in USA. Call: 305/595-3833. Email: meghal28@yahoo.com

F854: Gujarati parents invite correspondence for pretty, attractive, successful, vegetarian, US citizen daughter, born Dec 70, 5'5", BS (Intl business), very well employed in a reputed co., from cultured, educated boys. Call: 631/385-0797. Email: bobby@tsiny.com

F880: Gujarati parents invite responses for pretty, slim, cultured, vegetarian, virtuous daughter, born Feb 75, 5'1", 100 lb, BS EE (Johns Hopkins Uni), well employed with reputed co., from cultured, educated boys. Call: 410/551-9098. Email: sg22181@yahoo.com

F900: Uncle invite responses for pretty, slim, vegetarian Gujarati niece, born July 71, 5'5", 110 lb, Bcom, Dip. Broadcast animation, innocently divorced, No issue, from suitable cultured, educated match. Call: 573/756-9521.

F901: Gujarati parents invite alliance for beautiful, slim, vegetarian, accomplished, US born daughter, Aug 74, 5'0", 85 lb, MS, JD (law), working as lawyer in a reputed firm, from well educated, cultured, vegetarian boys. Call: 516/334-2299. Email: mkshah@rosenman.com

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F903: Alliance invited for pretty, fair, slim, vegetarian, never married, Gujarati girl, born Aug 64, 5'3". 110 lb, MPhil, MCA, employed as Scientist, from cultured, professional boys. Call: 703/352-2042. Email: inashah@hotmail.com

F904: Gujarati parents invite responses for pretty, slim, vegetarian daughter, born March 76, 5'1", 97 lb, Bcom, Computer Graphic Designer, from cultured, educated boys. Call: 714/999-5949. Email: sonalit@hotmail.com

F905: Alliance invited for pretty, charming, accomplished, India raised, vegetarian Gujarati girl, born April 69, 5'5", 130 lb, MD (Pediatrics), Physician in CA, from cultured, well educated vegetarian professionals. Call: 408/260-7064. Email: meh69hem@hotmail.com

F906: Gujarati uncle invites responses for beautiful, caring, vegetarian, India raised niece, born Jan 81, Bcom, 5'0", 100 lb, currently visiting USA, from Gujarati Jain, cultured, educated, vegetarian boys. Call: 931/723-7835.

F908: Correspondence invited for Gujarati Jain, vegetarian, beautiful, fair, values both cultures, talented, US born girl, July 77, 5'8", BS (I E), pursuing MBA, well employed with reputed co., from well educated, vegetarian, cultured boys. Email: shah_amp@yahoo.com

F915: Correspondence invited for charming, outgoing, intelligent, vegetarian, US born daughter with Indian values, June 74, 5'6", BBA (accounts / MIS), from well educated, vegetarian boys. Call: 248/371-3184.

F910: Jain family invite proposals for attractive, fair, slim, vegetarian, India raised girl, born Dec 76, 5'0", 86 lb, BCom (Finance), Gemologist, employed with Jewelers, from cultured, educated boys. 832/567-9331. Email: khyati2312@usa.net

F911: Gujarati parents invite proposals with biodata / photo, from professional vegetarian boys, for pretty, charming, slim, vegetarian, US citizen daughter, born Jan 72, 5'5", 110 lb, BS (ME), MS (Telecom), Consulting Engineer. Call: 917/647-3575. Email: bombayraw@hotmail.com

F913: Gujarati parents invite correspondence with biodata / photo for attractive, intelligent, cultured, vegetarian, dynamic daughter, 25 year, 5'5", Masters in Health Sciences, employed in public health. Email: mvp_can@hotmail.com

F914: Responses invited for beautiful, vegetarian, well rounded, fun loving, sociable, Gujarati, India born girl, Jan 76, 5'3", MS (Fine Arts) (NY), BS, Bombay, well employed with reputed co., from similar valued vegetarian professionals. Call: 201/692-9877, 630/985-9144. Email: ami_doshi@hotmail.com

F909: Gujarati parents invite proposals with biodata / photo, for very beautiful, accomplished, vegetarian, spiritual, US born daughter, May 75, 5'2", currently doing MBA from Ivy League University, from well educated, cultured, family oriented boys. Email: jaindigest@hotmail.com

AF171: Alliance invited with biodata / photo by Gujarati Physician, for beautiful, fair, attractive, US raised daughter, born 72, 5'5", MD, finishing OB / GY residency in June 2002, from well educated, professional boys, including MD. Call: 419/868-7476.

AF251: Jain parents invite proposals for their pretty, slim, accomplished, virtuous, US born daughter, March 76, 5'6", BS (Chem Engg), pursuing MS, well employed as Chemical Engineer with multinational co., from cultured, well educated, professional boys. Call: 810/750-0999. Email: deelpkumar@aol.com

AF278: Gujarati parents invite correspondence from suitable, cultured, educated match for their beautiful, fair, slim, talented, caring, US born daughter, May 74, 5'5", 125 lb, BS (Nutrition), R.D., well-employed as Registered-Dietitian, presently pursuing master's degree. Call: 908/757-7424. Email: jaivais@hotmail.com

AF298: Alliance invited for pretty, slim, attractive, vegetarian, well rounded, eastwest balanced, US raised daughter, born Oct 75, 5'5", 110 lb, MBA (Fin), well employed, from cultured, professional, vegetarian, non-smoker boys. Call: 718/454-4069.

AF303: Gujarati Jain parents invite correspondence for pretty, athletic, successful, never married, US born daughter, Sept 67, 5'2", MS (Engg), aerobic instructor, from handsome, intelligent, Gujarati boy. Call: 703/758-9547. Email: meera@erols.com

AF304: Correspondence invited by Gujarati parents for attractive, talented, outgoing, US born daughter, June 76, 5'7", MS (Engg), from handsome, sociable, intelligent, Gujarati boy. Call: 703/758-9547. Email: meera@erols.com

AF307: Gujarati family invite responses for pretty, fair, charming, vegetarian daughter, born Jan 76, 5'5", MBA (Fin), working with Fortune 500 Co., in a senior position, from cultured, professional boys. Call: 610/317-8027.

AF328: Alliance invited for pretty, caring, highly accomplished, convent educated, never married, Gujarati girl, born July 63, 5'1", MS, Business consultant, from suitable match. Currently she is in India and willing to settle in USA. Email: truptishah@yahoo.com Ph: 91-281-237773.

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AF345: Jain parents invite responses for their slim, charming, accomplished, vegetarian, gifted pianist, US born daughter, April 77, 5'3", 105 lb, MS Chem Eng., well employed from cultured, educated, professional boys. Call: 781/449-3297.

AF346: Shvetamber Oswal Jain parents invite proposals for 24 / 5'3", very beautiful, accomplished, MBBS, US citizen daughter having best combination of east and west values. Call: 972/644-2504. Email: matrimonial11@hotmail.com

AF349: Shvetamber Oswal Jain parents invite proposals for their very beautiful 26 / 4'11", US Citizen, Physician daughter. Call: 972/824-6546. Email: matrimonial26@hotmail.com

AF350: Jain parents invite proposals with biodata, for pretty, US born / raised daughter, Dec 72, 5'2", MD Internal Medicine Resident (Bay Area), from USA born & raised MD professionals (Veg. & Non-Smoking). Email: yogeshcjain@hotmail.com

AF351: Jain parents invite correspondence for their very beautiful, Physician daughter, 38 / 5'2", MD, very brief marriage annulled. Contact by Email: Htnt@hotmail.com

AF352: Correspondence invited for beautiful, family-oriented, intelligent, sophisticated, vegetarian, US citizen daughter, Nov 78, 5'7", working with Fortune 500 co., from well educated, handsome, tall, professionals, preferably US citizen. photo: jainfamily2003@yahoo.com Call: 651/735-4775

AF353: Gujarati parents invite proposals for beautiful, charming, talented, vegetarian daughter, born Aug 75, 5'3", BS (MIS), well employed, from well educated, cultured boys. Call: 847/255-1532. Email: shahpinakin@hotmail.com

AF355: Alliance invited by Jain family, for pretty, slim, talented, convent educated, vegetarian girl, born Oct 74, 5'4", BS (comp sc), PGDHRM (Symbiosis Inst. of bus. mgt), worked as project leader in IT co., from cultured, educated boys. She is in India and willing to settle in USA. Call: 916/923-9701. Email: kawediya@intel.com or sujatabafna@hotmail.com

AF356: Well established Gujarati Jain family invites responses for attractive, fair, slim, accomplished, caring, virtuous, US born daughter, Nov 76, 5'2", 105 lb, very well employed as Financial Analyst, from well educated, cultured, vegetarian, US born Jain boys. Call: 978/635-5380.

AF357: Well settled Jain (Digamber) brother in US invites responses for beautiful, slim, talented, family oriented, sister, born 77, 5'6", MS, practicing Nutritionist, from educated, cultured, vegetarian boys. She is in India and willing to settle in USA. Call: 917/860-2617.

AF359: Responses invited for beautiful, slim, fair, vegetarian, US born daughter, Nov 77, 5'6", BBA (MIS), working at multinational company. Email biodata / photo. Email: teal326@hotmail.com

F920: Alliance invited by parents for pretty, caring, virtuous, talented, vegetarian, US citizen daughter, born Sept 75, 5'6", BA (business admn), MBA in progress, well employed as Manager, from cultured, educated, professional boys. Email: ajiyer@aol.com

AF360: Alliance invited for beautiful, fair, attractive, slim, caring, vegetarian Gujarati daughter, born May 80, 5'3", 110 lb, BCom, Dip.Gemology, studying MS (all in english medium), from cultured, vegetarian, educated boys. She is currently in Bombay and willing to settle in USA. Call: 586/978-2484. Bombay Ph. 6486825. Email: sandip3@hotmail.com or dips11@hotmail.com

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

The events of September 11 shocked the world. But as New Yorkers, we were even more directly affected. The security and freedom we enjoyed in this country were challenged. We could no longer take these privileges for granted. Along with our own fears, our sense of compassion and humanity influenced our actions as we felt the need for involvement in the recovery efforts from this disaster. Even our children felt that same need. They all expressed deep sorrow for families, much like their own, whose lives would be changed forever. Our children felt the need of direct involvement in order to satisfy their sense of community responsibility. A monetary contribution did not serve that purpose for them.

From here, our idea began. We arranged a fundraiser for the American Indian Children of Westchester with the goal that they would feel a sense of community responsibility and they could understand how each and every one, regardless of age, can play a role in reaching out to those in need. The fundraiser consisted of 5 sports activities for which the children had to receive pledges from their family and friends. The fundraiser, named Kids Helping Kids 2001 was held on November 17, 2001 and approximately 70 children participated. The event was a huge success and the total amount collected was \$5116! The money was then donated to Volunteers of America Kids for Kids Relief Fund. This relief fund was created especially for children of victims of the World Trade Center disaster. Seeing the response from our community and the children's enthusiasm in helping others, we would like to continue events such as this one in the future. If you are interested in holding a similar fundraiser, we would more than happy to assist you. Please contact

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Jai Jinendra,

Young Jains of America (YJA) is proud to unveil its 5th biennial convention in Mahwah, New Jersey from July 4th to July 7th. This auspicious event will bring together close to 1000 Jain youth from all across North America and the rest of the world. Realizing that today's youth need more than knowledge, they need application—YJA presents *Walking the Path of Jainism* as its theme in this year's convention.

With complete online registration, instantaneous session selection, and an educational CD souvenir, YJA Convention 2002 promises to be the most technologically advanced to date. In addition, the convention site, Sheraton Crossroads – Mahwah, offers the most spacious and secluded premises to provide for our new, diverse, and entertaining programs. *Walking the Path of Jainism* guarantees to be the most exciting, educational, and eye opening experience.

In addition to this grand convention, YJA has been working diligently with local youth groups to participate on a national level. Selected cities all across the country have been participating on national projects to better their community and YJA. Highlights include a vegetarian restaurant guide, listing franchise restaurants and a collage of Jain youth groups and centers in America.

YJA has also given a brand new facelift to its website – www.yja.org. The new website provides a fresh feel and an exciting new start of the great things to come. To name a few, YJA will now post regular regional updates, leaders in action spotlights, a Jain Holiday calendar, and a youth discussion board.

Finally, YJA has teamed up with Habitat for Humanity to build houses all across America for those less fortunate. This one-week long program enables youth to give back to their local community while create lasting friendships. For more information, please visit www.yja.org/h4h.

YJA hopes you will participate in some of its major activities. YJA has had a great year and with your help, we hope to build on these successes in 2002. To register for the upcoming convention, please visit www.yja.org. Registration has already begun and spots are filling up fast. For any question, comments, or concerns please contact YJA Co-Chair Chintan Shah at 608-217-4807 or via e-mail at chintan.shah@yja.org. We appreciate your support and we hope to see you at the convention!

Chintan Shah & Ronak Shah
Co-Chairs
Young Jains of America 2002

Young Jains of America (YJA) is the umbrella youth organization of the Federation of Jain Associations in North America (JAINA). The mission of YJA is to be recognized nationally and internationally as an umbrella youth organization for establishing a network to share Jain heritage and religion through youth.

YOUNG JAINS OF AMERICA



Jai Jinendra,

I hope all is going well for you in work, school, or whatever you have found to keep you busy. As you all may know, YJA has put together an exciting project in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity (H4H).

YJA is providing you the opportunity to build inexpensive shelters for the less fortunate in cities across the US. Working along side other Jain youth in a small team, YJA members will work in a hands-on setting to BUILD A HOUSE for one week during the Summer.

Sites in the area include:

Portland, OR	Aug. 4-10
Mt Vernon, WA	July 21-July 27
San Francisco, CA	Aug. 4-10
South Bay, CA	July 28-Aug. 3
Hartford, CT	Aug. 4-10
Bridgeport, CT	July 28-Aug. 3
Baltimore, MD	Aug. 4-10
South Philadelphia, PA	Aug. 4-10
Battle Creek, MI	July 28-Aug. 3
Cleveland, OH	Aug. 4-10
Austin, TX	June 2-8
York, PA	July 21-July 27



The registration deadline is MARCH 15 so register ASAP because sites are FILLING UP QUICKLY!!!
For detailed information, including financial costs, specific sites, and registration, please contact me, or visit

<http://www.yja.org/h4h>

Sincerely,

YJA-H4H Committee

YJA CONVENTION 2002

Mahwah, NJ · July 4th-7th

YJA has commenced its exciting journey for the 2002 YJA Convention. But, we need your help to make this convention the best yet.

Bringing together youth from across the country, biennial conventions remain YJA's greatest and strongest asset in providing a forum for youth to learn and share our wonderful heritage. Youth walk away with a tremendous amount of knowledge, many new friends, and a strong motivation to learn more about their religion.

YJA Convention 2002 showcases over seventy unique educational sessions to participants under the banner Walking the Path of Jainism. This exciting theme focuses on teaching youth how to apply the principles of Jainism in their daily lives. Participants will learn the importance of Pratikraman, incorporate the power of Ahimsa, and understand the meaning behind our bhavanas.

But, this convention cannot happen without your vital support. Parents have been our biggest advocates and strongest supporters since YJA's inception in 1991. You have recognized the importance of our mission and have donated generously in the past. We hope that you will recognize this opportunity to help us once again.

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Young Jain Professionals (YJP)

We are a network of Jain professionals whose mission is to increase the awareness and understanding of Jain principles and heritage by promoting networking among our members and taking an active role in our community.

Our objectives are:

- * To raise awareness of Jain principles through educational and interactive discussions
- * To promote the application of Jainism in the professional and social aspects of our lives
- * To engage in community service at our events and promote personal involvement in community service
- * To provide mentorship to younger Jains, and collaborate with other Jain organizations
- * To provide opportunities for leadership development
- * To facilitate peer networking

We have hosted many successful events that many of you have attended, but there are many of you who may not have heard of our organization. With that in mind, this year we are embarking on a renewed mission to increase the awareness and presence of our organization so that a much larger audience can take part in our activities and initiatives. We want to elevate YJP to a vocal and active organization that will have local/national presence and will interact closely with similar international organizations.. Here are some initiatives that will help us reach our goals for the year:

New YJP Website: On February 15, we are launching a newly designed website (www.yjponline.org) to provide on-line membership and easy access to information about our initiatives and events.

Periodic YJP eNewsletter: We will be launching a periodic newsletter in March that is designed to the particular needs of YJP audience.

Local Leader Program (LLP): We are rolling out our Local Leader Program in March that will have a local leader who will coordinate and manage our initiatives at the local level. **Events Planning:** We will be leading/ contributing in the up-coming YJA convention and planning our biggest annual YJP convention in October.

Membership Fee re-structuring: We have made our membership free to reach out and increase our membership base.

Check out our new website www.yjponline.org and join us!!!

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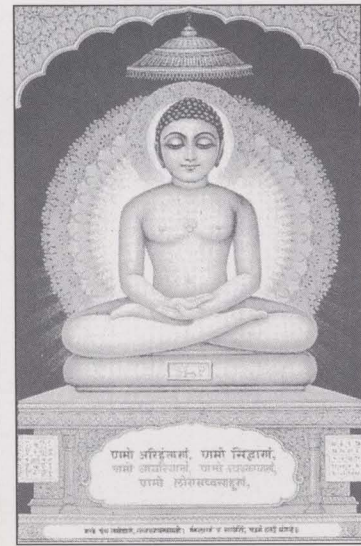
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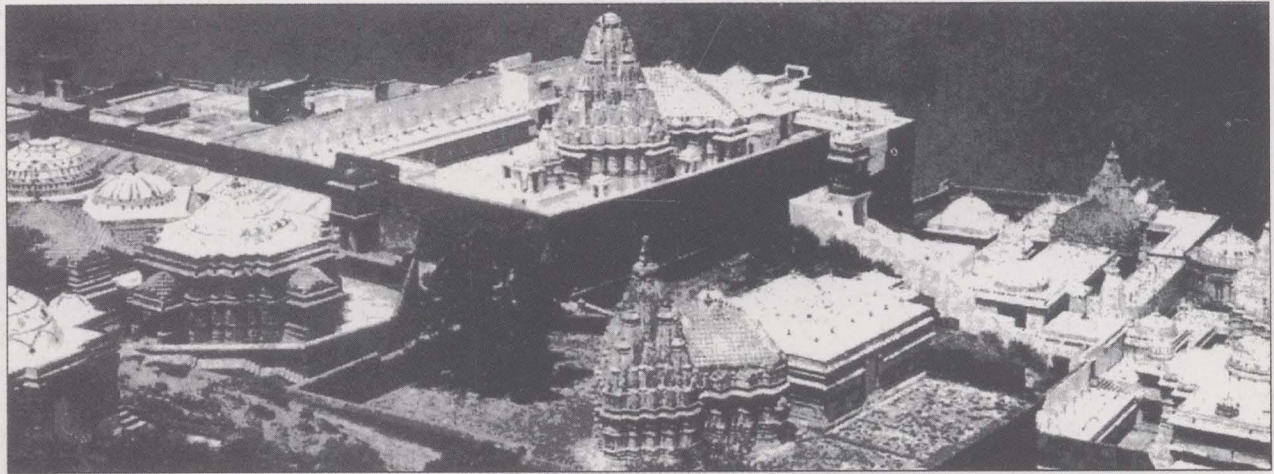


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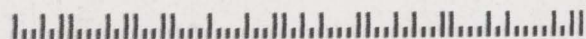
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