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Editor's Corner

Jai Jinendra,

Wow - the summer just seems to be flying by! I hope everyone has been taking some time off, enjoying some of the cool weather that visited us recently, and not thinking about the school that's about to start for the kids. But, alas, you have to - preparations have to be made for the start of school. To all the kids out there, best of luck in your upcoming year and as Jains, make us proud by continuing to follow the Jain principles in your everyday lives.

The next two months are going to be somewhat busy. As school gets kicked off, we will also observe Paryushan during the latter part of this month, and in September, the Jain Camp.

IMPORTANT: Please see the Meeting Section for a change in venue for the upcoming Monthly Meeting.

Details for all these in the following sections.

Regards,

Bhairav Shah

(Secretary, JSCNC)

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1. Monthly Meeting

The community holds its monthly meetings at the Hindu Temple in Morrisville, NC. We invite everyone to attend the monthly meetings.

Please note this month's meeting will be held at the Mini-Hall in the Main Building. This is the Hall on the left as one enters the front doors of the Main Building. Also note that this is the 4th Sunday of the month (instead of the usual 3rd).

Please contact any of the Committee members if there are any questions or clarifications needed.

For planning purposes, **Please inform our Food Coordinator, Mr. Ajay Shah**, if:

- a) You are not a regular attendee of the monthly meetings, but *are* planning to attend ... OR ...
- b) You are a regular attendee of the monthly meetings, but are *not* planning to attend

Monthly Meeting Format

10:45 a.m.	Prayer/Stavans
11:00 a.m.	Item(s) / Presentation(s) by Pathshala children
11:20 a.m.	Administrative/Committee Activities
11:30 a.m.	Adult Discourse/Discussion & Children Pathshala
12:30 p.m.	Discourse Q&A & Administrative Announcements
12:45 p.m.	Aarti
01:00 p.m.	Lunch

2. Announcements

Paryushan Maha Parva - 2014

Jain Study Center of North Carolina will observe Paryushan from **Aug 23 - 30**. Please note that these dates are different from traditional Paryushan dates [Aug 22 - Aug 29]. The Committee is planning a number of activities to be held in this period. A detailed Paryushan planner will be sent out as soon as all the dates/events are finalized.

During this Maha Parva, we would like to send our good wishes to all those who are planning to do *tapasya*. Please

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING

*Sunday, August 24
(4th Sunday)*

Discourse Topic
Das Lakshanas (yatidharma)

Speaker
Dr. Mahesh Varia

Venue
(Change for this month only)
Mini-Hall in Main Bldg.

bring to our attention any *tapasvis* by sending a quick email to Bhairav Shah (bhairavshah@gmail.com). All *tapasvis* will be recognized in the next newsletter.

Finally, during the auspicious occasion of Paryushan, please consider donating towards Jiv Daya, Scholar Fund, Pathshala / Children's activities, or the General Fund. All contributions to JSCNC are tax-deductible. Please make your checks payable to "Jain Study Center of North Carolina" or simply "JSCNC", and either hand them to any Committee member, or mail them to the Treasurer at:

Mr. Pratyush Mehta
207 Forsyth Drive
Chapel Hill, NC 27517

Note: Please include the specific Fund name in the memo.

Camp Lalit - 2014

JSCNC organizes an overnight camp each year. The committee is working on setting up a registration and payment system and will publish it soon. Please be on the lookout for a separate email with instructions on how to register.

Details:

Dates	Sep 20 - 21 (Saturday morning through Sunday afternoon)
Deadline to register	Sep 10
Place	Camp Laphio, Umstead Park, Raleigh
Guest Speaker	Swami Shrutpragyaji
Dues	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$60 for families (2 Adults and 2 Children)• \$20 for individuals• Children 6 and under are free

Scholar Visits for 2014

JSCNC is fortunate to host 2-3 scholars each year even though we are a relatively small center. Last month, we had Shri Nirmal Sagar Ji visit our center and the committee would like to thank Shri Kiritbhai & Jyotiben Shah for hosting them and also arranging engaging discourses. The following link shows some of pictures captured by Harshadbhai Shah during that event.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B2ai-3IEZNqURlB2eGJuYnVCSUU/edit?usp=sharing>

As we announced previously, we will have Saman Shrutpragyaji visit us during the camp & Shri Dhirjlal Panditji visit us after Paryushan.

We want to thank everyone who contributed to the Scholar Fund earlier this year. During the auspicious occasion of Paryushan, consider supporting the Scholar Fund. You can reach out to Anand Shah or Pratyush Mehta.

Food Table

Please continue to refer to the below link for your assignments.

http://www.jscnc.org/docs/JSCNC_2014_Foodtable.pdf

3. Upcoming Activities

Please visit <http://www.jscnc.org> and click Events. The calendar has the most up-to-date listing of all confirmed activities for the year. All the tithis (Lunar Days) are also posted on the online calendar. Here is a list of some key dates:

Event	Time	Location	Contact
Weekly Swadhyaya (Mondays)	5:30 pm	HSNC Temple Hall Library	Mr. Harshadbhai Shah
Weekly Mahavir Puja (Saturdays)	10 am	HSNC Temple	Mrs. Rekhaben Banker
Paryushan Parva	Aug 23 - Aug 30	TBD	
Paryushan Bhavana	Aug 28	TBD	
Camp Lalit	Sep 20 - Sep 21	Umstead Park	Mr. Kamleshbhai Shah

4. Pathshala Corner

Pathshala classes are held every first Sunday of the month from 12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the Hindu Temple Cultural Hall AND on 3rd Sundays during the monthly meeting. If you plan to attend and/or need more information, please contact the Pathshala teachers at JSCNCpathshala@yahoo.com.

5. Supporting our Center

You can support our Center by:

- Becoming a member if you are not already: Please print a form from our website: <http://jscnc.org/docs/MembershipForm.doc>, complete it and mail it by following the instructions
- By making a generous donation for Education Fund, Jiv Daya, Mahavir Jayanti or General donation. Follow this link <http://jscnc.org/HowToMakeADonation.php> to learn how to make a donation.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

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