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Editor's Corner

Jai Jinendra,

Brrr. Winter comes a'knocking!

It's already announced itself, but hopefully, you are prepared for it. Unlike me!

We had a pretty eventful October month. It started off with the bi-annual Highway cleanup, followed by a very special Halloween event - JSCNC-style! - and finally, what is becoming an annual event for JSCNC - the Raleigh CROP Hunger walk. We made some great memories and have some nice pictures to share on that.

For more details on all these, please read on, and ...

Stay warm!

Please also read on for an important announcement regarding lunch at the November monthly meeting.

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.

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

Note: Due to a sponsorship of lunch at this month's meeting, members who are assigned to bring lunch will **not** need to. Ajaybhai will coordinate further directly and as appropriate.

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

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING

Sunday, Nov 16

Discourse Topic

"TBD"

Speaker

TBD

2. Announcements

Committee 2015

JSCNC is blessed to have a very solid volunteer base. If you are interested in serving in the Committee next year, please forward your name to Anand Shah.

Highway Cleanup

Our center participates in Adopt-A-Highway cleanup twice a year. The statewide Adopt-A-Highway program was established in 1988 and is a joint effort between community volunteers and NC Department of Transportation to keep our roads clean. JSCNC adopted a stretch of Highway 54 in Cary between Morrisville Parkway and Airport Boulevard. This stretch is named in honor of Mr. Lalit Banker.

The tradition was continued this October 12th with the leadership of Priteshbhai Shah. A few captured memories for this at the link below:

<https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B2ai-3IEZNqUS3FsMHRnc1FSMzA&usp=sharing>

Thank you to Priteshbhai for leading this event and Harshadbhai for providing the pictures.

Crop Walk

JSCNC is one of the proud sponsors of Raleigh CROP Hunger Walk 2014. We had quite a good turnout from both individual sponsors and walkers.

Aside from the Walk itself, there were some other fun things to do prior to the Walk. All these were captured in pictures as well, and can be seen at the link below. I should also note, some lucky individuals actually even made it on the next day's news! Can you find them in the pictures?

<https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B2ai-3IEZNqUQk1Ka2NteHUtT00&usp=sharing>

Thank you to Ajaybhai and Jayshreeben Shah for leading this inspiring event. Thanks also, to all who participated, both in monetary terms, and as walkers, to help bring forth the awareness of, and to stop hunger in the world we live in.

Halloween - JSCNC-style!

That's right! A special JSCNC-styled Halloween! In the "spirit" (yes, pun intended) of Halloween, the Pathshala teachers came up with a plan on having our young come dressed up in various costumes - with a slight twist! To dress up as someone associated to our Jain religion. It was amazing to see all the different costumes. Better still, they came prepared with a description of who they were and what they are known for. The short, 15-minute event, also turned out to be a good learning tool of Jain History. Courtesy of Riddhish & Karishma Shah, we are able to bring to you some highlights of the event ...

https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B3YsfSBh_6ylc2pVRXk0bXNVWDA&usp=gmail

Panditji's and Shri Shrutpragyaji's discourses

Compliments of Kiritbhai Shah, we have received audio MP3s of Panditji's and Shri Shrutpragyaji's discourses from a few months ago. If you missed any of them or would like to hear them again, please download from the below link:

<https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B2ai-3IEZNqUaUEXeENDdFNjTDQ&usp=sharing>

Food Table

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

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

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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

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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