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Dear Members,

Jai Jinendra and Happy New Year!

As we embark upon this New Year many new opportunities lie ahead. As a sangh, we are very fortunate to have many Varshitap Tapasvis among us. To celebrate their tapasyas, and to provide every member of our sangh an opportunity to appreciate their sacrifice, we have planned a special "Tapasvi Beasana" program on March 27, 2011. Please see the specific program details inside this newsletter and join us for this wonderful celebration.

Logistically, the Swamivatsalya RSVP system introduced last year will be fully implemented in 2011. As we have grown this system is necessary for operational and planning purposes. Please help us continue to provide the best programs at lowest cost to the Society by participating in this system.

By now, you must have all received your receipt for donations for tax filing purposes. Herewith, a financial summary as of 12/31/2010 is shared. For any questions, please contact our Treasurer, Hiteshbhai Shah, or Trustee, Kishorbhai Shah.

Looking back at the last quarter of 2010, we reached another important milestone by beginning to pay back our membership loans. In another testament to the generosity of the members of our society, we were pleasantly surprised to hear many of you say "Keep it for the Society". I want to personally thank all of you for this selflessness on behalf of the entire Board of Trustees and Executive Committee.

We are now in the process of verifying loans made through calendar year 2008. Members who made loans up until the end of 2008 will be receiving a letter from us very shortly regarding loan payback.

Looking ahead, we are finalizing plans for 2011 and hope that it will be as fruitful as 2010 was.

Sincerely,

Prabodh Vaidya, Chairman
Board of Trustees and Executive Committee
Jain Society of Metropolitan Chicago

Financial Status As of December 31, 2010

Cash On Hand	\$ 1,306,961
Account Receivables	\$ 1,732,718

Total Income generated during 2010	\$ 2,065,315
Total Operating Expenses in 2010	\$ 754,442
Net Income	\$ 1,310,873
Total Capital expenditure in 2010	\$ 411,198

Mortgage	0
Members loan as of Jan 1, 2010	\$ 2,202,957
Members loan received during 2010	\$ 2,221,752
Members loan returned during 2010	\$ 828,278
Total Members loan	\$ 3,596,431



JSMC Ski Trip **Saturday, March 5, 2011 – 8:30am to 4:30pm**

JSMC presents the Annual Ski Trip 2011. Get to gather for the best winter fun in the company of Family, Friends and Fellow Jains.

Where: Grand Geneva, 7036 Grand Geneva Way at Highways 50 East and 12 Lake Geneva, WI 53147

Registration Fee	JSMC Life Members	Non-JSMC Life Members	Non-Skiers
Before Feb 28	\$40/Skier	\$45/Skier	FREE
After Feb 28	\$50/Skier	\$55/Skier	FREE

Contact: Piyush Gandhi at **630-765-0872** or email at piyushgandhi@hotmail.com for more information

Please visit JSMC website to obtain registration form and guidelines.

Register: Mail or submit form with fees to: JSMC c/o Youth Secretary, P.O. Box 8326, Bartlett, IL 60103

Chaumasi Chaudas Pratikraman **Friday, March 18, 2011**

Chaumasi Chaudas Pratikraman will be conducted on Friday, March 18, 2011 at 6:30pm in Derasar. Please contact **Pramod & Parul Shah** at (847) 885-0233 for additional details.

Varsitap Tapasvi Biasna **Sunday, March 27, 2011**

For the first time in JSMC, we are conducting a 'Samuh Biasna' for all the Varsitap Tapasvis on Sunday, March 27, 2011. More details will be published via E-mail announcements. For Sponsorship & other opportunities, please contact **Prabodh Vaidya** or **Tejas Shah**.

Ayambil Oli **April 10 to April 18, 2011**

JSMC is privileged to have group Ayambils on **Sunday, April 10, 2011, Saturday, April 16, and Sunday, April 17, 2011**. Interested members are requested to register using RSVP. RSVP link will be setup and shared via E-mail announcement.

JSMC sincerely thanks **Jagdishbhai & Renukaben Mehta** for coordinating Ayambils. Assistance in the kitchen during the weekend will be highly appreciated.

Pat Darshan **April 16 & April 17, 2011**

On the occasion of Chaitri Poonam, Pat Darshan will be setup during the Mahavir Jayanti Celebration. Please contact **Tejas Shah** or **Vipul Shah** or **Rashmi Shah** at **(630)671-0001** for the sponsorship opportunities.

JSMC Pathshala Camp **March 26 to March 27, 2011**

JSMC is proud to announce a 24-hour Shibir (Camp), hosted at Jain Center for all day and all night. We invite JSMC youth, their Jain friends, and Young Adults to experience this unique opportunity.

Camp & Night-Out highlights:

- Sessions delivered by Experts on various topics such as Religious, Mentoring, Leadership, Interfaith, Meditation, Yoga, Jain Lifestyle
- Games
- Arts & Craft
- Movies

Lunch, Dinner and Snacks will be provided throughout the day and night

- **When:** March 26th 10:00am to March 27th 10:00am
- **Registration:** \$10 per person for Pathshala students and \$15 per person for others

For More details and registration form, please visit our website. Contact **Sunil Jain, Dr. Pradip Shah, and Vipul Shah** for more details.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THIS EVENT - CONTACT US IF YOU ARE INTERESTED.

Mahavir Jayanti Celebration April 14 to April 20, 2011

The first major event of the year will be celebrated with the Discourses, Declamation contest, and Cultural Program.

JSMC is pleased to inform that **Swamiji Shri Shrutpragyaji** has graciously accepted our invitation for the daily discourses during the celebration. Topics for the discourses will be published later via E-mail announcements. All members are requested to mark their calendars.

Sponsorship opportunities for Swamivatsalya are available for a minimal donation of \$3500. JSMC welcomes partial sponsorships of \$500 from multiple donors. Please contact **Vipul Shah** or **Tejas Shah** or **Piyush Gandhi**

Tentative Program Outline

Thu, April 14, 2011	Evening Lectures	
Fri, April 15, 2011	Evening Program	Pravachan & Cultural Program*
Sat, April 16, 2011	Morning Pravachan	
	Ayambil & Swamivatsalya	Sponsorship opportunities are available
	Afternoon Program	Declamation Contest**
	Evening Swamivatsalya	Sponsorship opportunities are available
	Evening Program	Pravachan & Cultural Program
Sun, April 17, 2011	Morning Pravachan	
	Ayambil & Swamivatsalya	Sponsorship opportunities are available
April 17 to 20, 2011	Evening Pravachan	

* Detailed guidelines for the cultural program will be published in the upcoming e-mail announcements.

**Please stay tuned for Contest Guidelines & Registration deadlines for the 13th Annual Declamation contest.

Contacts: **Dr. Pradip Shah, Dr. Mukesh Doshi, and Darshana Shah**

13th Annual Declamation Contest Topics

Group	Age	Topics
1	8yrs to 9yrs	Who is my Hero?
2	10yrs to 13yrs	Greed v/s Need
3	14yrs to 18yrs	Social Service and Jain way of life
4	19yrs and above	Spirituality, Health, and Healing

Youth Activities

JSMC is planning to conduct various youth activities during the event. JSMC also welcomes creative ideas for our youths. Please contact **Piyush Gandhi**

Shri Kanjishwami Janma Jayanti Sunday, April 24, 2011 (9:15AM)

Pujya Shri Gurudev Kanjishwami Janma Jayanti celebration will be held in Temple. Please contact **Kirit Shah** at (630) 497-8917 or **Pragnesh Shah** at (630) 975-3122 for program details and sponsorship opportunities.

Shrimad Rajchandra Samadhidin Sunday, April 24, 2011 10:30AM

Shrimad Rajchandra Bhakti will be held between 10:30am and 12:30pm. Please contact **Yashvant Shah** at (630) 295-5587 or **Ramesh Desai** at (847) 995-1015 for program details.

Shri Laghurajswami Samadhidin Sunday, May 15, 2011 8:00PM to 10:00PM

Shrimad Rajchandra Bhakti will be held between 8:00pm and 10:00pm. Please contact **Yashvant Shah** at (630) 295-5587 or **Ramesh Desai** at (847) 995-1015 for program details.

Varsitap Parna Celebration May 6 & May 7, 2011

Your presence with family is requested on the auspicious Varsitap Parna of the following Tapasvis:

- ❖ Shri Ashwin Bhayani
- ❖ Shri Manish Dagli
- ❖ Shri Pravin & Smt. Dakshaben Kantwala
- ❖ Smt. Indiraben Mehta
- ❖ Smt. Amiben Parekh
- ❖ Shri Atul & Smt. Dharmiben Shah
- ❖ Shri Kishorbhai & Smt. Rashmiben Shah
- ❖ Dr. Pravinbhai Shah
- ❖ Smt. Ritaben Shah

Tentative Program

Friday, May 6, 2011

Morning - Abhishek, Snatra Pooja

Evening - Bhavna/Pravachan

Saturday, May 7, 2011

Morning - Bhaktamar Poojan followed by PARNA

More details will be published via E-mail announcements



JSMC thanks all the Pāthashālā teachers and volunteers for their continuous support and dedication for our Pāthashālā. We are entering in a new decade, and looking forward to exciting events at JSMC.

Pāthashālā Curriculum and details Pāthashālā books for the year 2011 is posted on JSMC website:

<http://www.jsmonline.org/pathshala.asp>

Some of the books can be reused in multiple levels. Hence, please do not discard any of the books if your children are promoted to the next level.

Books will be distributed by the teachers. Please consult teachers if your child is in need of the required book(s).

Membership Update

JSMC is honored to welcome the following new life members.

Family Name	City	State
Roshani & Vikas Chokshi	Chicago	IL
Bhavana Ramankumar Jain	Naperville	IL
Sushil & Indra Jain	Granger	IN
Vasantlal & Champaben Parekh	Freeport	IL
Bhavik & Minal Shah	Streamwood	IL
Chandrakant & Kalavati Shah	Newburgh	IN
Himanshu & Pinal Shah	Streamwood	IL
Jalpa & Miral Shah	Naperville	IL
Rajesh Shah	Naperville	IL
Ravi Shah	Lombard	IL
Sunil & Yashomati Shah	Schaumburg	IL
Anil & Bindu Upadhyay	Chicago	IL
Kewalchand & Vijayadevi Vohra	Schaumburg	IL

- ✓ JSMC Life members, if you have a family member with the age of 27 or above, and is/are not a JSMC member we request you to register them as independent member (\$401 for Life Membership).
- ✓ JSMC Life members, if you have a family member with the age of 60 or above, and is/are not a JSMC life member, we request you to register them as Senior Life Member (\$101 for Life Membership).
- ✓ If you are a Pathshala student and have not registered for JSMC Life Membership, we request you to become a life member and be privileged with all the Life Membership benefits.

DATE	TENTATIVE PROGRAM	સંભવિત કાર્યક્રમ
Sunday, February 20, 2011	Pavagadh Pooja	પાવાગઢ પુજા
Friday, March 18, 2011	Chaumasi Chaudas Pratikraman	ચૌમાસી ચૌદશ પ્રતિક્રમણ
Saturday, March 26, 2011	Varshitap Starts	વર્ષીતપ પ્રારંભ
April 10 – 18, 2011	Ayambil Oli	આયંબીલ ઓળી
April 14 – 21, 2011	Shree Mahavir Jayanti Celebration	મહાવીર જયંતી ઉજવણી
Sunday, April 17, 2011	Chaitri Poonam - Pat Darshan	ચૈત્રી પુનમ પટ દર્શન
Sunday, April 24, 2011	Srimad Rajchandra Samadhidin	શ્રીમદ રાજચંદ્ર સમાધી દીન
Sunday, April 24, 2011	Shree Simandhar Swami Janma Kalyaanak	શ્રી સિમંધરસ્વામી જન્મ કલ્યાણક
Sunday, April 24, 2011	Shri Kanjishwami Janma Jayanti	શ્રી કાનજી સ્વામી જન્મ જયંતી
May 6-7, 2011	Varshitap Parna Celebration	વરસીતપ પારણા ઉજવણી
Sunday, May 15, 2011	Shri Laghurajswami Samadhidin	શ્રીમદ લઘુરાજ સ્વામી સમાધી દીન
Sunday, May 15, 2011	Shree Mahavir Swami Keval Gyan Kalyaanak	શ્રી મહાવીર સ્વામી જન્મ કલ્યાણક
June 24-26, 2011	Temple Anniversary Celebrations	દેહરાસરની વર્ષગાંઠ ઉજવણી
Thursday, July 14, 2011	Chaumasi Chaudas Pratikraman	ચૌમાસી ચૌદશ પ્રતિક્રમણ
TBD	Gurupurnima Atmasidhhi Bhakti	ગુરુપુર્ણિમા આત્મસિધ્ધી ભક્તિ
Sunday, July 31, 2011	JSMC Mela	મેળા
Sunday, August 7, 2011	Benshree Champaben 93 rd Janma Jayanti	બેનશ્રી ચંપાબેન ૯૩મી જન્મ જયંતી
Sunday, August 21, 2011	Shri Brahmchariji Janmadin	શ્રી બ્રહ્મચારીજી જન્મ દીન
August 25-September 2, 2011	Paryushan Parva	પર્યુષણ પર્વ
Sunday, August 28, 2011	Shree Mahavir Swami Janma Vanchan	શ્રી મહાવીર જન્મ વાંચન
Friday, September 2, 2011	Tapasvi Parna and Aalochana Bhakti	તપસ્વી પારણા અને આલોચના
September 2 – 11, 2011	Das Laxana Parva	દસ લક્ષણા પર્વ
Sunday, September 18, 2011	Tapasvi Bahuman	તપસ્વી બહુમાન
September 30 – October 1, 2011	JSMC hosted Garba	ગરબા
October 4 – 12, 2011	Ayambil Oli	આયંબીલ ઓળી
Sunday, October 9, 2011	Shri Vidyasagar Maharaj Janma Jayanti	શ્રી વિદ્યાસાગર મહારાજ જન્મ જયંતિ
TBD	Shree Manibhadra Vir Pooja	મણીભદ્ર વીર પૂજા
Sunday, October 16, 2011	Shri Atmasiddhi Namaskardin	શ્રી આત્મસિધ્ધી નમસ્કારદીન
Saturday, October 22, 2011	Poojan / Diwali Entertainment Program	પુજન / દિવાળી કાર્યક્રમ
Monday, October 24, 2011	Dhan Teras	ધન તેરસ
Tuesday, October 25, 2011	Shree Ghantakaran Vir Poojan	ઘંટાકારણ વીર પૂજન
Wednesday, October 26, 2011	Mahavir Nirvan Kalyaanak Laadu	મહાવીર નિર્વાણ લાડુ
October 26-27, 2011	Diwali & Garnu Ganvanu	દિવાળી અને ગરણું ગણવાનું
Thursday, October 27, 2011	New Year Day	બેસતું વર્ષ
October 24 – 27, 2011	Samadhimaran Mala	સમાધીમરણ માળા
October 30-31, 2011	Gyan Panchami	જ્ઞાન પંચમી
Wednesday, November 9, 2011	Chaumasi Chaudas Pratikraman	ચૌમાસી ચૌદશ પ્રતિક્રમણ
Saturday, November 6, 2011	Shri Brahmchariji Samadhi Din	શ્રી બ્રહ્મચારીજી સમાધી દીન
Sunday, November 13, 2011	Shrimad Rajchandra Janmadin	શ્રીમદ રાજચંદ્ર જન્મ દીન
November 10-13, 2011	Pat Darshan	પટ દર્શન
TBD	Maun Agiyaaras	મૌન અગિયારસ
TBD	Shree Parshvanath Kalyaanak	શ્રી પાર્શ્વનાથ જન્મ કલ્યાણક
Sunday, December 18, 2011	Pathshala Pot luck	પાઠશાળા પોટલક



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Weekly Activities

Every Sunday

9:15AM – Digambar Puja

Every Saturday

9:00AM – Yoga

Monthly Classes

First & Third Sunday

11:00AM – 1:00PM Pathshala

11:00AM – Gujarati Swadhyay

Second Sunday

11:30AM – 12:30PM Hindi Classes

Monthly Activities

First Tuesday

8:00PM – 10:00PM EC Meeting

Third Tuesday

9:00PM – 10:00PM BOT Meeting

First Sunday

11:00AM - Navkaar Mantra Jaap

12:00PM – Health Services

First & Third Sunday

11:15AM – 12:15PM - Shrimad Rajchandra

Bhakti

Third Sunday

11:00AM – Snatra Puja

Daily Activities

8:00PM – Aarti & Mangal Divo

JSMC welcomes suggestions/comments

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