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Monthly Newsletter

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Announcement

Introducing new board members

Manish Jain	President
Manish Jain	Vice President
Paresh Shah	Treasurer
Vandana Jain	Secretary & Communication
Ketan Sheth	Technology & Website
Nagarjun Jain	Cultural Team
Reshma Jain	Membership Team
Vaibhav Jain	Member Board
Nihal Jain	Give Back Team
Richa Jaini	Education Team
Valay Shah	Religious Team

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Message from the President



Jai Jinendra,

We have reinvigorated our mission to bring the community together and spread Jain Way of Life (JWOL) by focusing on the three pillars set by our founding fathers i.e. charitable, cultural, and religious. Internally, we are re-organizing JSS Board to ensure we progress on all fronts and serve every member of community based on their interests. During this year, you will see number of changes starting with our newly formed team of “Give-Back” that will organize charitable events and partner with other local non-profits in serving the community. We will continue to raise the bar on cultural events starting with “Mahavir Jayanti celebration” on April 18. Our Education Team is working tirelessly to bring new curriculum to preach JWOL to kids and conduct a Jain Shivar in the summer. Over the last 2 years, our Religious Committee has held the highest bar in maintaining Jain Jinalaya with daily Abhishek and Pooja, even in the times of snow blizzard, and they will continue to bring first of its kind programs’ this year. More details to come in the upcoming months!

I would also like to thank our Volunteers and Board Members who have been selflessly working in bringing the entire community together!

We are excited with the endless opportunities that lie ahead of us. Look forward for your partnership, volunteering, and feedback to make JSS a relevant organization in your life!

Manish Jain
JSS President



Highlights & New Initiatives

The Giving Campaign – Daan

We started the new year by our new initiative to support our community, our neighborhood by joining hands with local charities and other nonprofits in the area.

We have our first Giving campaign scheduled for Feb 22, 2020, at Northwest Harvest.

Focused on of the core Jain principle of “Daan”. There are four types of daan defined in our religious text.

Ahara Daan: Giving food to the hungry and poor.

Abhaya Daan: Saving the lives of other beings in danger.

Aushadha or Bhaishajya Daan: Distribution of medicine.

Gyana or Shastra Daan: Spreading knowledge.

Please look for signup sheets and details on individual events on whats app group, facebook group and email.

Here is the video of our last event:

<https://youtu.be/RHPXQU6PcVw>

Coordinator: Nihal Jain



Monthly Program is back in 2020

We are resuming our Monthly Program, every second Sunday like always. The evites will be in mail and will be posted on Whatsapp. Please do not forget to RSVP. Starting with Navkar dhun, Swadhyay, and kids activities, take advantage of our social hour and meet and greet Jain families in the vicinity.

If you are interested in sponsoring our monthly events please reach out to program coordinator.

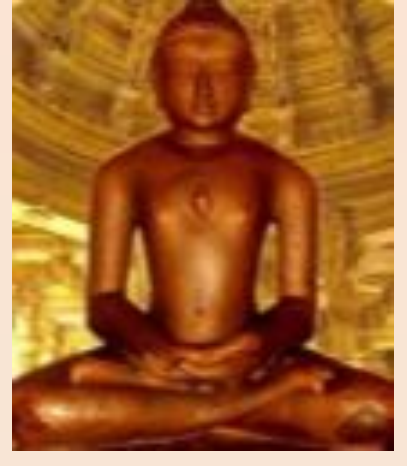
Coordinator: Reshma Jain

Jinalaya Activities

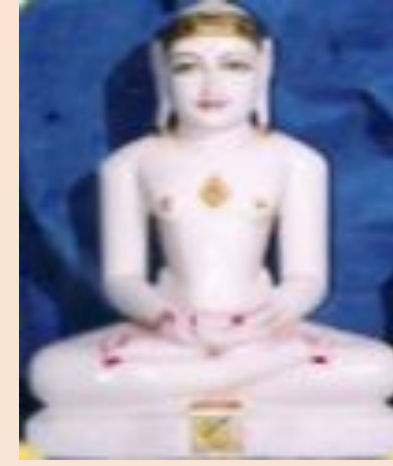
Religious committee started the New Year with Mahavir Bhagwan Pooja to give us all a great start into 2020. Please see more details about our daily Jinalaya activities on Page 4. We will have the religious events calendar published soon for 2020 to help you plan ahead. You can contribute by volunteering for daily abhishek and pooja. Even a commitment for once a month will benefit you to learn and get involved.

Coordinator: Valay Shah

In Focus



Mahavir Janam Kalyanak



This is one of our biggest events for the year, and we are heads down planning to ensure we provide a great platform for our entire community to come together and celebrate this occasion with grace and enthusiasm it deserves.

Schedule: April 6th, 8am: Pooja & Abhishek
April 18th, 2pm: Cultural Program

Registration for participation in cultural events is out. The participation registration closes March 10th. Link to register:

<https://jainsocietyofseattle.org/mahavir-janm-kalyanak-2/mjk-2020/>

Watch out for the registration information for attending the event.

Coordinator: Nagarjun Jain

Ahimsa Walk



To spread the principle of Ahimsa, we are planning to organize an "Ahimsa walk". This will be a 2K / 5K / 10K walk/run event open to the community. Tentative date for the event is May 16th, 2020.. More details to come!

Coordinator: Nihal Jain

Upcoming Events

February 2020

Feb 22 Giving Back Northwest Harvest – Registration full for this event.

March 2020

Mar 08 Ashatanika Parv. Details to come!!

Current Activities

Paathshala

1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

2 classrooms - Lil Jain (3years – 8Years)

- Young Jains (8 years – 12 years)

Coordinator: Richa Jaini

Daily Abhishek and Pooja

Weekdays 7:00 am & Weekends 8:30 am

Daily Aarti 7pm

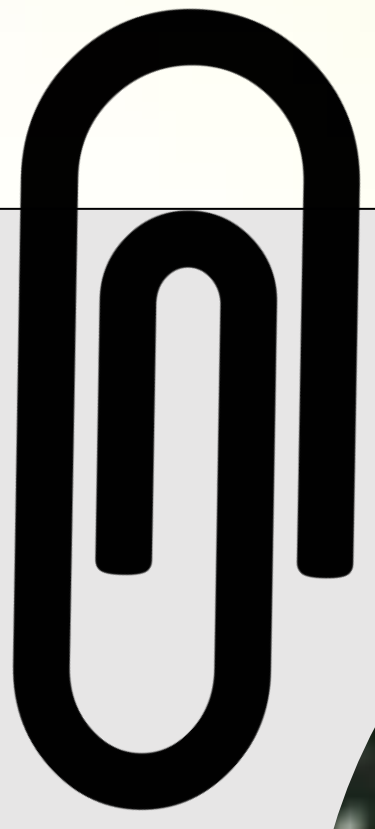
Coordinator: Vaibhav Jain

Monthly Program - Swadhyay and Social

Second Sunday of the month, from 2:30 pm – 6:00 pm.

Coordinator: Reshma Jain

Kudos to our Volunteers!!



Ravindra Nandawat

Ravindra ji has been supporting us in our Give-Back initiatives this year. Your contribution is highly valuable!!



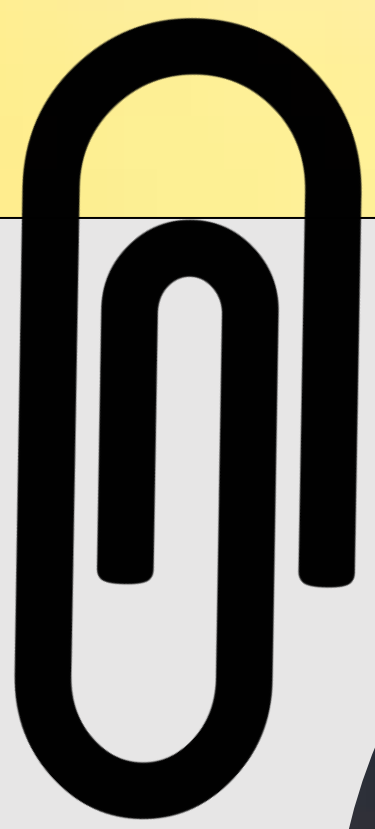
Tejal Shah

Tejal ji has been supporting our Food Committee. She brings along her great positivity and enthusiasm. Your contribution is appreciated!



Mahavir Chhajed

Mahavir ji is helping us with the cloth donation drive and upcoming Ahimsa-Walk. Appreciate your hard work and dedication!!



Raju Shah

Raju ji is helping with our daily abhishek and religious activities every Tuesday. Your enthusiasm and energy has been a great support for our entire team.



Hardik Jain

Hardik ji has been supporting us with our religious activities and abhishek every Saturday. Kudos to your efforts!



Mridul Jain

Mridul ji has been helping with our daily abhishek and religious activities every Sunday. Your efforts are truly appreciated!!