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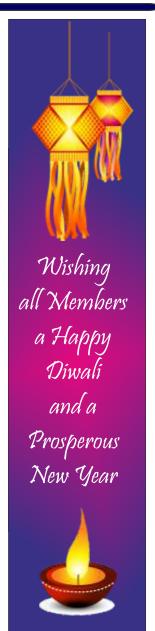
56th Annual Mahotsav Review



The 56th Annual SKA Mahotsav was held on Sunday 28th August 2016 at the Watford Colosseum, Rickmansworth Road, Watford under the Honorary Presidency of Mr Harivadan Dhansuklal Gohil, Mukhaya Mehman is Mrs Bharti Harivadan Gohil and Vyakti Vishesh Mr Jayantilal Ranchordas Solanki.

At the packed venue on the Bank Holiday weekend, we were delighted to welcome lots of overseas guests, mostly Pramukh's family and friends. Everyone was treated to an entertaining programme consisting of Cultural dances, Garba, Bollywood Mix Songs as well as Tap Dance performances. On the completion of the programme, members were able to purchase alcoholic drinks at the bar before completing the evening with a vegetarian buffet meal.

Once again SKA set up a very successful twitter feed for the Mahotsav by which the attendees provided on-going feedback and photos on the proceedings. The photos and messages were then regularly projected onto a wall and read out to everyone. This social media presentation was set up and presented by Hitesh Kalidas and Varsha Sandeep Khatri.





This year's Children's Christmas Party will be held at the SKA Community Hall on

Saturday 10th December 2016 from 4 - 6pm.
All children 11 years or under are invited to attend

and play games, have fun and be entertained.

Food, drinks and presents for all the good boys and girls will be provided.

To avoid the hall getting over crowded, it is politely requested that parents drop off their children on time and collect them by 6pm.

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Mahotsav 2016

The Mukhaya Mehman started the 56th Mahotsav at around 12.30pm with the lighting of the divo to Shri Ganeshji asking for his blessings for the success of the Mahotsav. The Prathana "Everybody Loves Sai" and Swagat Geet "Swagatam Swagatam" welcoming the dignitaries with bouquet of flowers presented by their grand and great grand children.



Then followed the introduction of the Honorary President Mr Harivadan Dhansuklal Gohil and Mukhaya Mehman Mrs Bharti Harivadan Gohil by their son Dipesh Harivadan Gohil in English. The introduction of the Vyakti Vishesh Mr Jayantilal Ranchordas Solanki was made by his granddaughter Heena in very well spoken "sudh" Gujarati.



A two minutes silence was observed as we remembered those who passed away and prayed that their souls rest in peace. Ganesh Deepak Khatri and Naresh Amratlal Kapadia read out the good wishes and greetings from various Kshatriya Mandals around the world, as well as messages from relatives and well-wishers for the Mahotsav to be a great success.



The entertainment began with dance "Prem Leela". The Secretary Ganesh Deepak Khatri gave a special announcement about the forthcoming AGM and SKA Committee's proposed resolution to allow non-SKA members to attend Navratri functions and a resolution on alternative option for when no SKA Committee member is able to attend a funeral. Everyone was encouraged to attend the forthcoming 2016 AGM to debate the issues.





This was followed by a Donation appeal speech given by Anisha Hitesh Tailor including the announcement that it was now possible to instantly donate at the Mahotsav electronically with your payment card.



Entertainment continued with dance "Little Stars" by young children, a welcome presentation of a beautiful traditional Indian classical dance (Bharatha Natyam) "Colours of Janmashtami" celebrating the Hindu festival Janmashtami, when a two year old Bhavik 'natkat kano' stole everyone's heart!; followed by dance "Bajirao Mastanis".



It seems like a tradition now to have tea break which is enjoyed with a biscuit and muffin. While stretching your legs it provides a great opportunity to catch up with family and friends, purchase raffle tickets and make donation pledges.





The programme continued with the floral presentation to the Honorary President, Mukhaya Mehman and Vyakti Vishesh. The dignitaries then gave their informative and enlightening speeches expressing their views and thoughts. SKA President also made a speech congratulating the dignitaries.

Wishing everyone a Happy Diwali & a Prosperous New Year

Best Wishes from:
Naina & Pravin Shantilal Kapadia
Dipti & Rajen P. Kapadia + Dhiyen
Neelam & Jason P. Kapadia + Ania + Liana
Mangla Shantilal Kapadia

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Dipika & Naresh Shantilal Kapadia Poonam & Jiten N. Kapadia Pritesh N. Kapadia

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74-80 Markfield Road London N15 4QF Tel: 020 8493 1060 **Acknowledgements of academic & sporting achievements were announced**; and all those who participated in the performances were reminded to collect their Gift Vouchers. General Acknowledgements we made thanking all participants and volunteers.

The entertainment continued with dance "Fusion Girls", garbo "Deewani Main Shyam Ki", a great performance by the senior ladies of our community, and dance "Nacho". Followed by a Open Speech session delivered by Sudhir Dayaram Khatri, Bharat Jagjivan Vakharia, Mayur Anil Hazratwala and Bhavin Shantilal Khatri.

As a wonderful and unique tap dance presentation of "Singing in the Rain" got people feet tapping. Followed by dances "Double Act" and "Humma Humma". Continuing the Mahotsav tradition we had a special treat with the President's Family members also from abroad performing the very aptly named dance "We're Back...and Reloaded" (mix of Hindi cinema songs).

Always the eagerly awaited raffle draw was announced, with the following great prizes presented to the winners with the lucky tickets.

1st Prize: Apple iPad Air Wi-Fi 16GB White

2nd Prize: Spa Day for Two

3rd Prize: Two tickets to Manchester United v Middlesborough (Donated by Nilesh Ramesh Patel,

Hitesh Kabawala, Aaron Thakorlal)

4th Prize: Two tickets to Asha Bhosle's Farewell Tour **5th Prize:** Remote Controlled Drone with HD Camera **6th Prize:** Dolce Gusto Coffee Machine with selection of coffee **Bonus Prize (5 winners!):** Case of Goa Premium Beer (24 bottles) (Donated by Rajesh Jasraj)

Winners:

1st Rajiv Jadav 2nd Naina Pravin Kapadia 3rd Nayana Chandrakant Damania 4th Sonia Jitendra Khatri 5th Mukesh Khatri 6th Kevin Kapadia



Finally, the British and the Indian National Anthems were sung to end the entertainment segment of the day. The evening continued with members purchasing a drink or two with Bharat Gangaram Caterers serving the vegetarian buffet.

THANK YOU

SKA would like to thank all those who participated in the performances for their time and dedication devoted to the many hours of practice. Without you the Mahotsav just would NOT be possible. All performances were outstanding and a pleasure to watch. So encourage your family members to participate because it is also **great for personal development to perform on stage!**

And a BIG thank you to all those volunteers who have selflessly helped before, during and after the Mahotsav. Your help is, as always, greatly appreciated and is indeed most welcome.



SKA are extremely proud to announce the academic and musical achievements of the young members of our community after their undoubted efforts in their studies. Please join us in congratulating them for their worthy accolades. Well done to all.

Professional Award

Akash Upendra Khatri - Chartered Certified Accountant (ACCA)

Ganesh Deepak Khatri - Solicitor for England and Wales

Degree

Bhavik Vinod Khatri - Bachelor of Science with upper 2nd Class Honours in Accounting and Finance **Bhavini Satish Khatri** - Bachelor of Laws with upper 2nd Class Honours in Law with Management and Integrated Professional Training

Jyoti Satish Khatri - Bachelor of Science with upper 2nd Class Honours in Economic and Business Finance with Professional Development

Karan Yogesh Goldenwalla - Bachelor of Engineering with 2nd Class Honours.

Keval Bhupendra Damania - Bachelor of Science with $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ Class Honours in Economics and Accounting

Sanjay Kamlesh Motiram - Bachelor of Art with 2nd Class Honours in Accountancy and Finance **Trushna Bhavin Khatri** - Bachelor of Arts with 2nd Class Honours in Events Management

A -Level

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Jasmine Pravin Khatri: A - Psychology, B -

Biology, B - Mathematics

Karan Naresh Kapadia: A* - Physics, A*-Mathematics, A - Further Mathematics

Kevin Dipesh Tailor: A* - Government and Politics, A – Geography, A - History

Rahul Pramod Khatri: A* - Mathematics, A - Further Mathematics, B - Physics

Shiv Dharmesh Khatri: A - Mathematics, A - Further Mathematics, B - Chemistry

Diploma

Pritesh Ketan Goldenwalla - BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in I.T. with a triple grade distinction

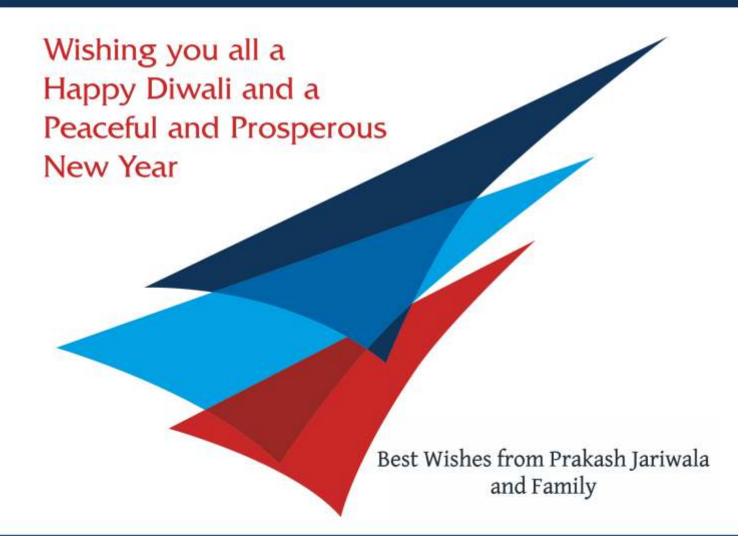
Tanisha Upendra Khatri - NVQ Level 2 and 3 Diploma in Business and Administration

Music

Priya Hitesh Tailor - Grade 6 Flute Sonali Satish Khatri - Grade 7 Piano



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2016 Annual General Meeting - Review





















The Annual General Meeting was held at 4:40pm on Sunday 25th September at the SKA Hall 2A Villiers Road, London NW2 5PH. We are very pleased to say the AGM was well attended and the SKA matters were briskly discussed/debated.

The following agenda items were discussed:

- 1. Approval of Previous AGM Minutes - APPROVED
- 2. Approval of the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2016 - APPROVED
- 3. Re-Appointment of Auditors APPROVED
- 4. Approve the following Resolution: 'From and including Navratri 2016, SKA members shall be permitted to bring nonmember friends from the wider Gujarati community to SKA Navratri. Non-member attendees shall be charged an entrance fee of £3.00 per person per day.'
- 5. Approve the following Resolution: 'In the event that no member of the Executive Committee is able to attend at the funeral of an SKA member, the Executive Committee may ask an SKA member to attend at that funeral and deliver a Eulogy on behalf of the Executive Committee'
- 6. Any Other Business

The Meeting concluded at 6:00pm. The SKA Committee would like to thank all those who attended and indeed participated; and request that Members continue to support and engage in future AGMs and participate in the lively discussions and decision making that affects

Further details will be in the forthcoming AGM minutes. However, regarding the above resolution number 4, after informative debate, the resolution was passed with amended wording: "From and including Navratri 2016, SKA members shall be permitted to bring non-member friends from the wider Hindu community to SKA Navratri. Non-member attendees aged 16 or over will be charged an entrance fee of £3.00 per person per day."

Resolution 5 was discussed/debated with considered opinions and decided that it was not a resolution but the point was accepted as an internal option available to the Executive Committee should an occasion arise. The following 4 people have kindly offered to be on the volunteer list to deliver the Eulogy on behalf of SKA if required. If you would also like to be included in this list please contact Ganesh D Khatri at secretary@skauk.org or call 07709 150898.

Mukesh Vallabbhai Khatri, Kamlesh Ratilal Motiram. Bhavin Shantilal Khatri, Mahendra Jagmohan Gohil.

Experience In Nicaragua

by Karishma Nitin Khatri







Last year during June-August 2015, I took part in a 10 week voluntary ICS (International Citizen's Service) programme in the small rural village of San Marquena in Nicaragua. Here, I completed a Natural Resource Project, in which we produced 14 sustainable Eco-stoves and 12 Eco-latrines with the help of our community using mudbricks and raw materials like sand, rocks, or even horse manure!

For some of my team members having reduced privacy, a language barrier, and no 'normal' bathroom was a lot to take in. However, I was surprised at how quickly I could adapt and felt comfortable within the first two weeks once I had picked up some basic Spanish and learnt the daily routine of the work and community.

In the 10 weeks we were in Nicaragua, it only rained twice, although this should have been their rainy season. The brunt of western civilisation's actions could be widely felt, and it really made me realise how detrimental climate change is if we do not reduce our emissions.

What I enjoyed most about this trip was getting to know my host family. They had the basic essentials such as water storages, some electricity, and lodgings, or at least could share with another house who had access to these. Playing evening card games, helping to cook their traditional meals of tortilla and frijoles (beans), or doing household chores, made it all feel instantly like a home. There was a real effort to communicate and make us feel welcome. We also had a great relationship with the children, and hosted several youth awareness sessions on littering, healthy living, and sex education.

Reflecting back, what I really took away from my time there was perspective on the similarities and differences we all share universally. Whilst we have so much in common, we also have so much we could learn from each other. I found the people in San Marquena had an admirable inner strength and independence from a very young age, and were, above all, grateful. For me, living a simpler and more organic life was a beautiful thing to have been able to experience.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the SKA community who donated, and took interest in this project. I am grateful to be part of such a supportive community, and thank you for enabling me to have this wonderful experience.

Lots of love, Karishma

Navratri and Aarti Thali Competition

















This year's Navratri Festivities were held over 5 days 1st 2nd 8th 9th October at the sports hall and 15th October at the main hall of the Queens Park Community School. There were some exceptional fast performances on the Dhol culminating in a climatic crescendo performed by our regular Navratri drummer Jeetesh.

Great to see so many participating and enjoying the Garba & Raas; but would always welcome more of our community to attend to keep this great cultural tradition going. We may see how passionate others are about their culture, and we can only maintain and justify continuing if all of us try to attend at least most of the 5 days and be just as passionate. It is one of our BEST/FUN cultural events for ALL the family; and a wonderful way to exercise to LIVE music regaled in your finest outfits.



SPECIAL NOTE:

To encourage greater attendance a major resolution was passed at this year's AGM to allow Hindu friends of Members, from outside our community, to attend at a cost of £3. Please see the AGM article for further details.

On 9th October (Sudh Atham) the ever popular Aarti Thali competition was held, with many people entering. It was truly amazing to see the creativity and effort that was put into producing the beautiful entries. We are all grateful to be able to enjoy the colourful display; but of course it made the judging difficult. This year the judges were Jitendra Pravinchandra Khatri, Mita Dipak Khatri and Shobhna Mukesh Khatri.

The winners were:

1st Kalpana Ashok Kapadia. (£35 voucher) 2nd Rakhee Praneel Thakorlal (£25 voucher) 3rd Kalpana Kiran Khatri (£15 voucher)

We would truly like to thank all who attended, participated in the dancing, participated in the amazing Thali competition, singers and musical performers on the stage, and all volunteers who assisted at this year's Navratri festival.



















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WEDDING

Congratulations to:

HINA daughter of Gita &
Late Girish Motiwala
and SACHIN son of
Mrs Neetaben & Mr Mukeshbhai Patel.
They were married on 28th May 2016 in London

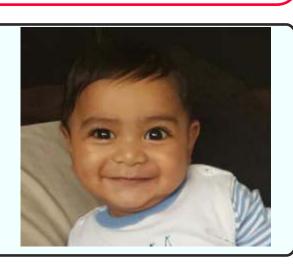
SKA would like to thank Gita Motiwala for her kind donation of £51.00

NEW BORN

Congratulations to

Amisha & Manesh Jayantilal Parmar on the birth of their son **DRUV**, who was born on 1st April 2016

SKA would like to thank Mr & Mrs Manish Parmar for their kind donation of £25.00



NEW BORN

Congratulations to

Yogini & Ajay Jamnadas Kapadia on the birth of their daughter **KHUSHI**, who was born on 11th July 2016.

SKA would like to thank Mr & Mrs Ajay Kapadia for their kind donation of £21.00



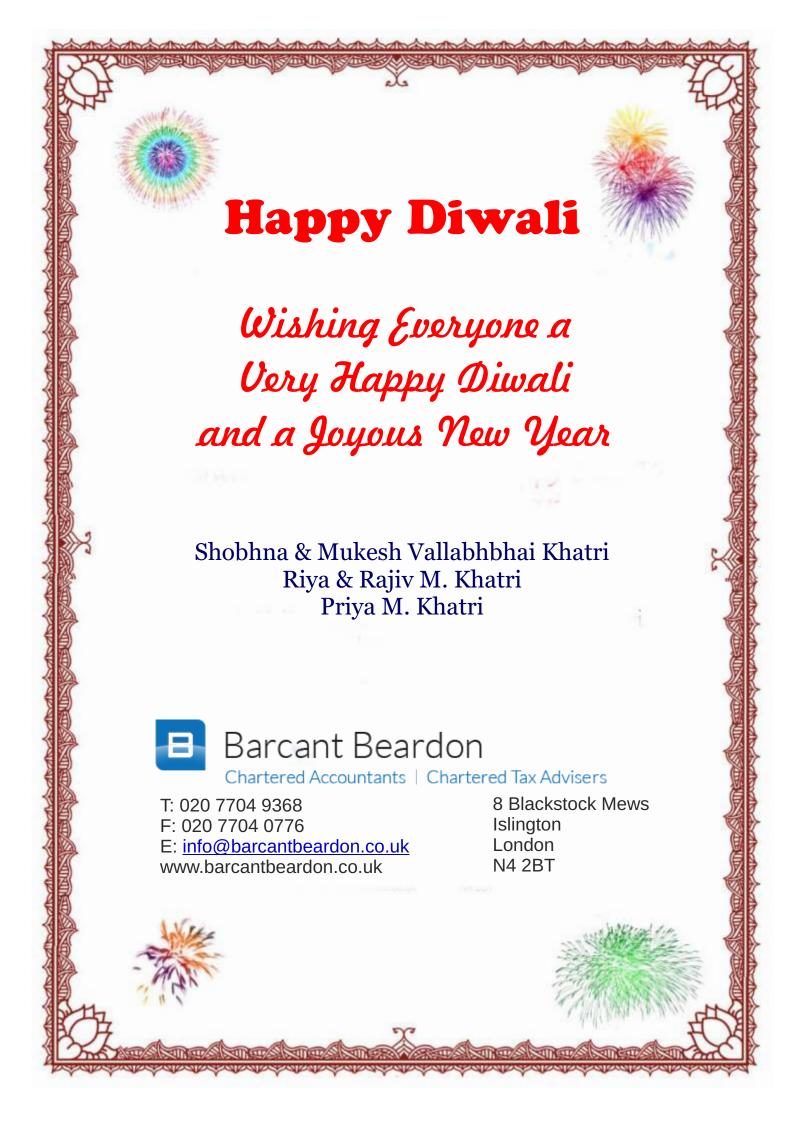
NEW BORN

Congratulations to

Dipti & Rajen Pravin Kapadia on the birth of their son **DHIYEN**, who was born on 15th August 2016

SKA would like to thank the grandparents
Mr & Mrs Pravin Shantilal Kapadia
for their kind donation of £25.00







Important Announcement for 2017 Mahotsav

The **57th Mahotsav** will be held on Sunday 3rd September 2017, once again at the **Watford Colosseum**, Rickmansworth Road, Watford WD17 3JN

We are also pleased to announce the Pramukh for our 57th Mahotsav will be **Mr Pravinchandra Mohanlal Khatri.**



5-A-Side Football Tournament Review

5-A-Side Football

We are happy to announce that this year's tournament was held on Sunday 11th September 2016 at Power League, near Wembley Stadium.

Thank you to all the 5 teams for taking part and making this event a healthy success. All those hours of training makes it worth it in the end. Bit of competitive exercise is good for team building and preparation for a possible trip to Fiji in 2018!

Congratulation to the winners...Mayur Mohanlal, Nitesh Khatri, Nayan Patel, Kushal Kanani, Nilish Parmar, Vishal Khatri and Hitesh Kapadia.

Runner up... Nilesh Patel, Chetan Khatri, Aaron Thakorlal, Mitesh Kapadia, Hemal Bhikabhai, Javin Solanki, Jai Solanki



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Diwali / New Year Party 2016

on Friday 4th November 2016

Venue: The Kadwa Patidar Centre, Kenmore Ave, Kenton, HA3 8LU Time: 7pm to 10.30pm.

Get together to meet and greet family and friends, wishing them

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Diwali Greetings to all community members from Mrs Devmani Amratlal Hazratwala and family

Bon Voyage & Welcome

Indira Naresh Khatri with Bianca - Sydney -Melbourne - Brisbane + Dubai Urvashi & Hemant Solanki with Bhavin -San Francisco - Los Angeles - Las Vegas Indira & Ishwar Laxmidas Khatri - Australia, New Zealand, Fiji & Hong Kong Mahendra Mohanlal Khatri - Valsad Hiral & Hinesh Mahendra Khatri - Valsad Bharti & Harivadan Dhansukhlal Gohil – Navsari Harish Gangaram Khatri - Navsari Javantilal Ranchod Solanki - Navsari Anil Amratlal Hazratwala – Singapore – Philippines **Norwegian Cruise:**

Anila & Dilip Ratilal Motiram Veena & Navin Jamnadas Khatri Pramilla & Kishore Mohanlal Parmar Mediterranean Cruise:

Falguni & Kamlesh Ratilal Motiram Bhanuben & Ratilal Motiram Ranjanben & Pravinchandra Mohanlal Khatri Kantaben & Amratlal Govind Khatri Hansa & Navin Kantilal Parmar

Welcome to London:

From India:

Hiralal Khatri - Valsad - Mediterranean Cruise Hasmukh Kapadia - Chikhli Jayantilal Premji Raja – Valsad - USA

From Toronto - Canada

Anita Hemant Kapadia

Harmany & Mitesh Hemant Kapadia

Heena & Paresh Jamnadas with Hiren

Jaina & Jateen Bulsara with Diyana & Liam Neeta & Nilesh Ishvarlal Khatri

with Roshni & Krishiv

Sangita & Paresh Balsara with Riya & Isha

From USA:

Naina Harish Khatri - Boston Javna & Jatil Chandrakant Damania - NJ Chirag Harish Khatri – Seattle Jayvanti & Uttam Chauhan – Jensen Beach, FL Hemlata Kapadia – San Francisco Hiten Kapadia with Bhavik - San Francisco Sarla & Pravin Kapadia - Houston -Texas

From Australia

Niketa & Viren Arvin Khatri with Monique & Elise Kundan & Ghanshyam Kapadia – Sydney

Members' Events Diary Weddings - Party's - Functions

2016

4th November - Diwali / New Years Party 10th December - Children's Party

2017

29th April - Wedding - Kettering (Northampton) Bhavin Praful Narottam & Payal Jitendrabhai Patel 30th April - Reception - London

Payal & Bhavin Praful Narottam

17th June - Wedding - London

Atish Dilip Khatri and Tejal Anilbhai Raval

8th July - Wedding - London

Kunal Milan Dadarwala and Nidhi Anup Marwaha

15th July - Wedding - London/Stevenage Mayur Sudhir Khatri & Bhavisha Raminkbhai Nariapara

16th July - Reception - London

Bhavisha & Mayur Sudhir Khatri 26th August - Wedding - London

Deepesh Mahesh Narottam to Riddhika Hitesh Joshi 27th August - Reception - London Riddhika & Deepesh Mahesh Narottam

3rd September - SKA 57th Mahotsav 7th October - London Reception

Vishmit Hemant Gohil & Esha Ranchhod

Please contact or email editor@skauk.org of any function you wish to put on this Events Diary which will be continually updated in future newsletters and on www.skauk.org website. This helps other members plan their function and avoid clashing of events.

Change of Address

Hemina & Vimal Mahesh Narottam

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Bhavish and Shilpa Jitendra Patel Kenton, Harrow HA3 0EF

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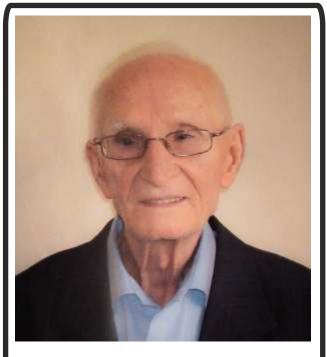
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ॐ Obituary



In loving memory of Late

Mr Jekishandas

Ambaram Khatri

who passed away on 5th September 2016 in London at the age of 89 years.

He was the Husband of the Late Maniben Jekishandas Khatri and father to son Hitesh (London) and daughters Meenaxiben, Chandanben, Hemlataben and Nilaben (India).

Our deepest sympathies and prayers go out to their family and friends and pray that his soul rests in eternal peace.

SKA would like to thank Hitesh Tailor & Family for their kind donation of £51.00



In loving memory of Late **Gsv Parvatiben Kahandas Khatri**

who passed away on 4th October 2016 in London at the age of 83 years.

She was wife of the Late Kahandas Gangaram Khatri and mother of Ramesh and Bharti.

Our deepest sympathies and prayers go out to their family and friends and pray that her soul rests in eternal peace.

SKA would like to thank Ramesh Khatri & Family for their kind donation of £51.00

Social Evening

The next social evening will be held on:

Friday 2nd December 2016.

If you wish to attend, please book by contacting Nilesh Patel on 0794 915 8095 on or after 15th November ONLY.

SPECIAL NOTE:

Due to popularity with many people wanting to attend, a rule change was announced at this year's AGM: Bookings will only be accepted from 15th of a month for the following month's Social Evening. So, for December bookings will only be accepted from 15th November (and not before!).

News in Gujarati

એસકેએ ન્યૂઝલેટર ૧૫૭

એસકેએ પડમા મહોત્સવ ની સમીક્ષા

એસ.કે.એનો પદ મોં વાર્ષિક મહોત્સવ ૨૮ ઓગસ્ટ ૨૦૧૬ના રોજ શ્રીમાન હરીવદન ધનસુખવાલ ગોહીલના પ્રમુખ પદે, મુખ્ય મહેમાન શ્રીમતિ ભારતી હરીવદન ગોહીલ અને શ્રીમાન જયંતીવાલ રણછોડદાસ સોવંકીના વ્યક્તિ વિષેશ પદે વોટફર્ડ કોલોસીયમમાં ઉજવવામા આવ્યો હતો. જેમા મોટી સંખ્યામા જ્ઞાતિજન હાજર થયા હતા અને મહોત્સવમા અનેક મનોરંજક સાંસ્કૃતિક નૃત્યો, ગરબા અને બોલિવુડ મિક્સ નૃત્યના કાર્યક્રમનો આનંદ માણ્યો હતો. કાર્યક્રમ પરિપૂર્ણ થયા પછી દરેક સભ્યોએ શાકાહારી ભોજનનો લાભ લઇ મહોત્સવની પૂર્ણાંફૃતિ કરી હતી.

મુખ્ય મહેમાન શ્રીમતિ ભારતી હરીવદન ગોહીલએ ગણપતિ પાસે દીવો પ્રગટાવી મહોત્સવની સફળતા માટે આશીર્વાદ લીધા. આ સાથે ૧૨.૩૦ વાગે પ્રાર્થના "એવરીબડી લવ સાંઇ" સાથે પદ્દમા મહોત્સવની

શરૂઆત થઇ. અને પછી સ્વાગત ગીત "સ્વાગતમ સ્વાગતમ " અને ત્યારબાદ બીજા કાર્યક્રમ પ્રસ્તુત થયા. માનદ પ્રમુખ શ્રીમાન હરીવદન ધનસુખલાલ ગોહીલ અને મુખ્ય મહેમાન શ્રીમતિ ભારતી હરીવદન ગોહીલનો પરિયય તેમના પુત્ર દીપેશ હરીવદન ગોહિલ દ્વારા ઇંગ્લિશમાં આપવામા આવ્યો હતો વ્યક્તિ વિષેશ શ્રીમાન જયંતીલાલ રણછોડદાસ સોલંકીનો પરિયય ગુજરાતીમા તેમની પૌત્રી હીનાએ આપ્યો હતો.

ત્યાર બાદ મૃતજનની યાદમાં બે મિનિટ મૌન અવલોકન કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું અને પ્રાર્થના કરી કે પ્રભુ તેમના આત્માને શાંતિ અર્પણ કરે. ગણેશ દીપક ખત્રીએ દેશ-પરદેશથી આવેલી શુભેચ્છાઓ અને વિશ્વમાં વિવિધ ક્ષત્રિય મંડળ તરફથી આવેલા સંદેશાઓનું વાંયન કર્યું.

મનોરંજનની શરુઆત થઇ ડાન્સ "પ્રેમ લીલા" સાથે, પછી એસ.કે.એના સેક્રેટરી ગણેશ ખત્રીએ આગામી વાર્ષિક સામાન્ય સભામા સમાવેશ કરેલા મુદ્દાઓની માહિતી જાહેર કરી. ૨૦૧૬થી નવરાત્રિમાં પરજ્ઞાતિનાં સભ્યને પ્રવેશ આપવાની મંજરી અને કારોબારી કમિટીના સભ્ય સંજોગવસાત મરનારની અંતિમ યાત્રામાં હાજરી ના આપી શકે તો, જ્ઞાતિનાં કોઇ પણ સભ્યને કારોબારી કમિટીનાં પ્રતિનિધિ તરીકે હાજરી આપવાની મંજૂરી. દરેક વ્યક્તિને મુદ્દાઓની યર્યા કરવા માટે આગામી વાર્ષિકસભામાં હાજરી આપવા પ્રોત્સાહન આપ્યું હતું. અનિષા ખત્રીએ મહોત્સવ ખાતે દાનની અપીલની જાહેરાત કરી અને કહ્યુ આ વર્ષે તમે તમારા બેંક કાર્ડ સાથે તરત જ ઇલેક્ટ્રોનિક દાન નોંધાવી શકો છો. ત્યાર બાદના મનોરંજનમાં સમાવેશ હતોઃ ડાન્સ "લિટલ સ્ટાર્સ", એક સુંદર પરંપરાગત ભારતીય શાસ્ત્રીય નૃત્ય, "જન્માષ્ટમી રંગો" હિન્દ્ર તહેવારની ઉજવણી અને નૃત્ય "બાજીરાવ મસ્તાની". મનોરંજનનાં અલ્પ-વિરામમાં દરેકે યા અને બિસ્કિટનો આનંદ માણ્યો.

આ ઉપરાંત માનદ પ્રમુખ શ્રી, મુખ્ય મહેમાન અને વ્યક્તિ વિષેશને ફુલહાર અર્પણ કરીને કાર્યક્રમ આગળ યાલુ રાખ્યો. પછી આ મહાનુભવોએ તેમના માહિતીપ્રદ મંતવ્ય અને વિચારો વ્યક્ત કરી ભાષણ આપ્યા. પછી શૈક્ષણિક અને રમતગમત સિધ્દ્રિઓની જાહેરાત કરવામાં આવી હતી અને જે બધા એ મનોરંજનમાં ભાગ લીધો હોય તેમના ભેટ વાઉયર એકત્રિત કરવા માટે યાદી આપી. અને બધા સહભાગી અને સ્વયંસેવક આભાર વ્યક્ત કર્યો. મનોરંજન યાલુ રહ્યુ ડાન્સ "ફ્યુઝન ગર્લ્સ", મહિલાઓ દ્વારા રજુ કરાયો ગરબો "દીવાની મેં શ્યામ કી", અને નૃત્ય "નાયો" વ્યક્તાઓ ના ભાષણ-સુધીર દયારામ ખત્રી, ભરત જગજીવન વખારીયા, મયુર અનીલ હઝરતવાલા અને ભાવન શાંતિલાલ ખત્રી દ્વારા રજુ થયા.

ત્યાર પછી ટેપ ડાન્સ "સીંગીંગ ઇન ધ રેઇન", નૃત્યો "ડબલ એકટ" અને "હમ્મા હમ્મા આવે છે. પછી મહોત્સવની પરંપરા પ્રમાણે પ્રમુખ શ્રીના પરિવારે રજુ કર્યો ડાન્સ "વી આર બેક..એન્ડ રીલોડેડ" (મિક્સ હિન્દી સિનેમા ગીતો).

હંમેશા આતુરતાથી રાહ જોવાય રહેલા રેફલ ડ્રોની જાહેરાત કરવામાં આવી હતી. આ વર્ષના ઇનામોની યાદી નીયે પ્રમાણેઃ

૧ એપલ આઇપેડ એર

ર: બે વ્યક્તિ માટે સ્પા દિવસ

૩: બે ટિકિટ માન્યેસ્ટર યુનાઇટેડ અને મીડલ્સબરો વચ્ચેની ૨મત જોવા માટે- (નીલેશ ૨મેશ પટેલ, હિતેશ કાબાવાલા, આરોન ઠાકોરલાલ દ્વારા અનુદાનિત)

૪: રીમોટ કંન્ટ્રોલ ડ્રોન -એયડી કેમેરાં સાથે

પ કોકી મશીન

બોનસ ઇનામ (૫ વિજેતા!): ગોવા પ્રીમિયમ બીયર (૨૪ બોટલ કેસ) (રાજેશ જસરાજ દ્વારા અનુદાનિત) છેલ્લે, બ્રિટિશ અને ભારતીય રાષ્ટ્રગીત, અને શાકાહારી ભોજન સાથે મહોત્સવ ની પૂર્ણાંહુતિ થઇ.

<u>૨૦૧૭ ના મહોત્સવ માટે મહત્વપૂર્ણ જાહેરાત</u>

૫૭મોં મહોત્સવ વોટફર્ડ કોલોસીયમમાં 3જી સપ્ટેમ્બર ૨૦૧૭ રવિવારે યોજાશે.

૫૭ મા મહોત્સવના માટે પ્રમુખ પદે વિરાજમાન શ્રી પ્રવીણયન્દ્ર મોહનલાલ ખત્રી થશે.

વાર્ષિક સામાન્ય સભાઃ

વાર્ષિક સામાન્ય સભા એસકેએ હોલ રએ વિલિયર્સ રોડમાં રવિવાર ૨૫ મી સપ્ટેમ્બરનાં રોજ રાખવામાં આવી હતી, કાર્યવાહી બપોરે ૪.૩૦ ખાતે શરુ થઇ હતી. અને ધણા સભ્યો એ એજીએમમાં હાજરી આપી હતી અને નીયેની બાબતો ઉપર યર્યા કરવામાં આવી હતી

યર્યા ના મુખ્ય મુદ્દા ઓ નીચે મુજબ હતાઃ

૧. ગત વર્ષની વાર્ષિક સામાન્ય સભાની નોંધ ની મંજૂરી-

૨. ૩૧ માર્ય ૨૦૧૬ સુધીના હિસાબ ની મંજૂરી-

૩. ઓડીટર્સની નિમણુક-

૪. ૨૦૧૬ થી નવરાત્રિમાં પરજ્ઞાતિ ના સભ્ય ને £ ૩.૦૦ માથા દીઠ/રોજ પ્રવેશ આપવાની મંજૂરી-

પ. કારોબારી કમિટી ના સભ્ય સંજોગવસાત મરનારની અંતિમ યાત્રામાં હાજરી ના આપી શકે તો, જ્ઞાતિના કોઇ પણ સભ્યને કારોબારી કમિટીના પ્રતિનિધિ તરીકે હાજરી આપવાની મંજૂરી-

૬. અન્ય વિષયોની સભા સાંજે ૬.૦૦ વાગે સમાપ્ત થઇ હતી.

ઉપરોક્ત ઠરાવ નંબર ૪ સંબંધિત: માહિતીપ્રદ યર્યા

બાદ, આ ઠરાવમાં સુધારો કરી પસાર કરવામાં આવ્યો હતો: " નવરાત્રિ ૨૦૧૬થી એસકેએ સભ્યોને એસકેએ નવરાત્રિ માટે, હિન્દુ સમુદાય માંથી બિન-સભ્યોના મિત્રો લાવવા પરવાનગી આપવામાં આવશે. બિન-સભ્યોને ૧૬ કે તેથી વધુ ઉંમરની વ્યક્તિ દીઠ £ ૩.00 દિવસ રોજ પ્રમાણે પ્રવેશ ફી યાર્જ કરવામાં આવશે.

મુ<u>દ્દા પ માટે</u> યર્યા કરી હતી અને એ મંજૂર કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું કે. નીયેની યાદી પ્રમાણે ૪ વ્યક્તિ સ્વયં-ઇચ્છાથી મરનારની અંતિમ યાત્રામાં એસ.કે.એનાં પ્રતિનીધી તરીકે હાજરી આપશે.

૧.મુકેશ વલ્લભભાઇ ખત્રી, ૨.કમલેશ રતિલાલ મોતીરામ, ૩.ભાવિન શાંતિલાલ ખત્રી, ૪.મહેન્દ્ર જગમોહન ગોહિલ. સમાજની બીજી કોઇ વ્યક્તિ આ યાદીમાં જોડાવા માગતી હોય તો સંપર્ક કરે ગણેશ ડી ખત્રીનો- ૦૭૭૦૯૧૫૦૮૯૮ અથવા ઇમૈંલ કરો – secretary@skauk.org

નવરાત્રિ અને આરતી થાળી સ્પર્ધા

આ વર્ષે નવરાત્રિ ઉત્સવ ક્વીન્સ પાર્ક કોમ્યુનિટી સ્કૂલના હોલમાં ૧, ૨, ૮. ૯ અને ૧૫ મી ઓક્ટોબરના રોજ યોજાય હતી. ઘણા સભ્યો એ ગરબા અને રાસ ની મજા માણી હતી. આ મહાન સાંસ્કૃતિક પરંપરા યાલુ રાખવા માટે આપણા સમુદાયના સભ્યોને અમે હંમેશા આવકારીએ છીયે. તમે આ દિવસો દરમ્યાન આ સાંસ્કૃતિક તહેવારમાં હાજરી આપી સંસ્થાને સહયોગ આપો એવી અમારી વિનંતિ છે. ૯ ઓક્ટોબર ના રોજ લોકપ્રિય આરતી થાળી સ્પર્ધા યોજાઇ હતી. ઘણા લોકોએ આમાં ભાગ લીધો હતો. આમાં ઘણી સર્જનાત્મક અને સુંદર થાળીઓ નો સમાવેશ હતો. અમે બધા આ રંગબેરંગી પ્રદર્શન રજુ કરવા માટે દરેક પ્રતિયોગીના કૃતજ્ઞ છીએ.

આ વર્ષે નિર્ણાયક હતાઃ જિતેન્દ્ર પ્રવીણયન્દ્ર ખત્રી, મીતા દીપક ખત્રી અને શોભના મુકેશ ખત્રી. અને વિજેતા હતાઃ

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- ર. રાખી પ્રણીલ ઠાકોરલાલ (£ ૨૫ વાઉચર)
- ૩. કલ્પના કિરણ ખત્રી (£ ૧૫ વાઉયર)

આ વર્ષે નવરાત્રિ દરમ્યાન જેમણે હાજરી આપી હતી, સુંદર થાળી સ્પર્ધામાં ભાગ લીધો હતો, સ્ટેજ પર સંગીત અને ગાવામાં મદદ કરી. એ બધાના અમે ખરેખર આભારી છીએ.

આગામી સોશિયલ ઈવનીંગઃ

શુક્રવાર ૨ જી ડિસેમ્બર ૨૦૧૬ના દીન રાખવામાં આવશે. બુકિંગ કરવા માટે કૃપા કરીને ૧૫ મી નવેમ્બર પછી જ આ નંબર ૦૭૯૪૯૧૫૮૦૯૫ પર નિવેશ પટેલને સંપર્ક કરશો.

<u>ખાસ નોંધ:</u>

ધણા લોકોની લોકપ્રિયતાના કારણે વર્ષે આ એ.જી.એમ.માં જાહેરાત કરવામાં આવી હતી, અને નિયમ મા ફેરફાર કરવામાં આવ્યો છે. હવે પછી સોશિયલ ઈવર્નીંગ માટે બુકિંગ મહિનાની ૧૫ તારીખ થી સ્વીકારવામાં આવશે. તેથી, ડિસેમ્બર બુકિંગ માટે માત્ર ૧૫ નવેમ્બરથી બુકિંગ શરૂ થશે.

૨૦૧૬ બાળકો ક્રીસમસ પાર્ટી



બાળકો માટે, આ વર્ષે ક્રીસમસ પાર્ટી એસકેએ કોમ્યુનિટી હોલ ખાતે શનિવાર ૧૦મી ડિસેમ્બર ૨૦૧૬ સાંજે ૪.૦૦ વાગ્યાથી ૬ વાગ્યા સુધી રાખી છે. ૧૧ વર્ષ અથવા એની હેઠળ ના બધા બાળકો હાજરી આપવા વિનંતી છે. અમારી દરેક વાલીઓને નમ્ર વિનંતી છે કે, ફપા કરી ૪ વાગે બાળકો મુકી જવા

અને ૬ વાગે લેવા માટે આવવું. દરેક માતા-પિતાના હોલ પર હાજર રહેવાથી હોલમા ભીડ વધી જાય છે.

દિવાળીઃ

દિવાળીના તહેવારના સંબધે આધ્યાત્મિક અર્થ જોઇએ તો આપણું સ્વરુપ દિવ્ય ચૈતન્ય છે જે પરમ શુધ્ધ અને અખંડ છે. અંતરના



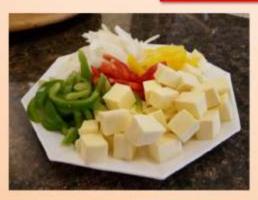
પ્રકાશની જાગૃતિ, સ્થૂળ શરીર અને યંયળ મનને પેલે પાર પણ કશુંક છે જે અજર, અમર અને અવિનાશી છે, તેને આત્મતત્વ કહે છે, આ આત્મતત્વની જાગૃતિ એટલે જ દિવાળી, જેને જાણી લેવાથી અંદરનો અજ્ઞાનરુપી અંધકાર દૂર થાય તેવા આ પરમ તત્વના જ એક અંશ એવા

આત્માની અનુભૂતિ થતા સમગ્ર સૃષ્ટિ માટે કરુણા, પ્રેમ અને માંગલ્યની ભાવના જાગે અને ઉચ્ચ દિવ્ય જ્ઞાન પ્રાપ્ત થાય એવો પવિત્ર અર્થ ધરાવતું પર્વ એટલે દિવાળી. દિવાળીનો તહેવાર એ પ્રકાશનું પર્વ છે. આ તહેવાર વિશેષ મહત્વ ધરાવે છે. એક ચિંતકે આ પર્વ સબંધે સુંદર સુત્ર આપ્યું છે. 'અપુર્ણને પુર્ણ બનાવે તે પર્વ, ખાલીને ભરે તે પર્વ, પાપની પરંપરા તોડે તે પર્વ.' દિવાળીના તહેવારની ઉજવણી માટે સૌ કોઇ અનેક રીતે આયોજન ગોઠવતા હોય છે. આ દિપોત્સવીનો તહેવાર છે જે અંધકારને દુર કરે છે, આપણામાં રહેલ અપુર્ણતા અને તૃટીઓને દુર કરે એવો છૂપો સંદેશ પણ રહેલ છે. આ પર્વ આપણી આધિ-વ્યાધિને દુર કરનારું છે. પ્રકાશનું પર્વ એટલે અંધકાર પર પ્રકાશનો વિજય!

દિવાળી અને નવા વર્ષની હાર્દિક શુભેચ્છા સાથે પ્રત્યેક ધરમાં ખુશી ના દીપક પ્રગટે તેવી શુભકામના પાઠવું છું તેમ જ આવનારું નવું વર્ષ આપણા દરેક ના જીવનમાં ખુશીઓ અને સમૃદ્ધિનો ભંડાર લઈને આવે.

યાલો, આજે આવતા નવા વર્ષે નાનો પણ સુગંધી સંક્લપ કરીએ કે. કોઈ પણ અપેક્ષા વગર બધાનું સારું કરવા પ્રયાસ કરીએ... કેમ કે, કહેનારાએ સાયું જ કહ્યું છે, કે જે સુગંધી કુલો વેંયે છે. તેના હાથમાં સુગંધ રહી જાય છે.....

Chilli Paneer from TailorCooks





Ingredients

- •250g Paneer
- •1/2 White Onion
- •½ Red, green and yellow pepper
- 4 Cloves garlic
- •2 Green chillies
- •120ml Passata
- 2 tbsp Ketchup
- 2 tbsp Light soy sauce
- 1tsp Dark soy sauce
- •3 tbsp Brown sugar
- •1 tsp Salt
- 1tsp Pepper
- •2tbsp Sunflower oil

Method

- 1. Fry Paneer in 2tbsp of oil till golden and crispy. Once cooked put into a bowl of cold water to stop the paneer from becoming chewy.
- 2. Add the garlic and chillies to the pan with the oil used to cook the paneer and fry for 1minute.
- 3. Add the onion, peppers and salt and cook till softened.
- 4. Add passata, ketchup, light soy, dark soy, brown sugar and pepper.
- 5. Once this mixture thickens add the paneer and make sure the paneer is coated in the sauce.
- 6. Enjoy! ©

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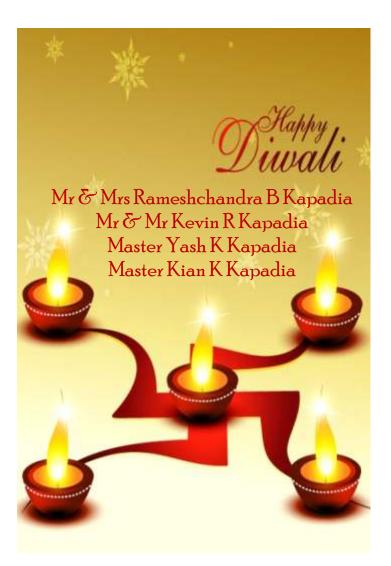
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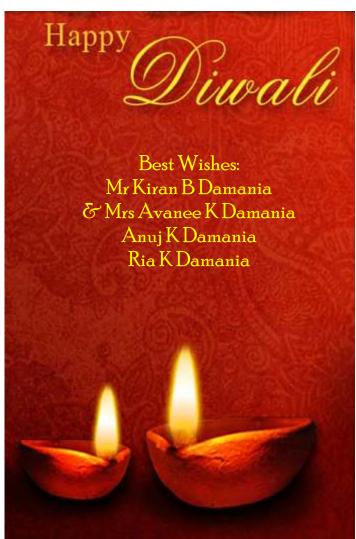


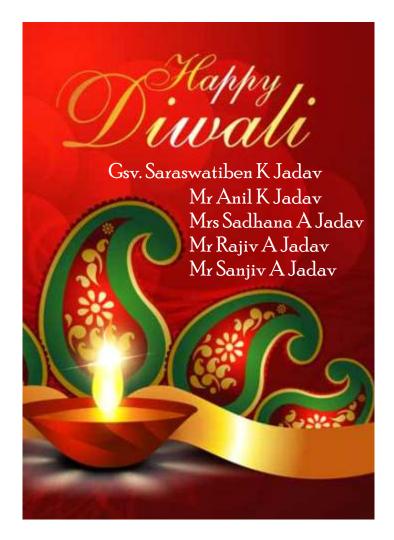


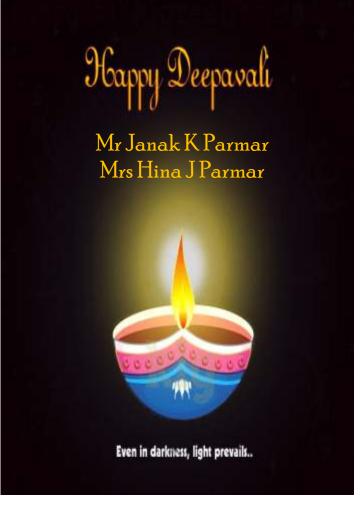


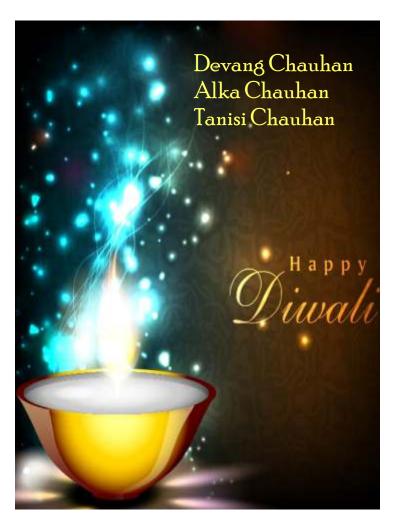


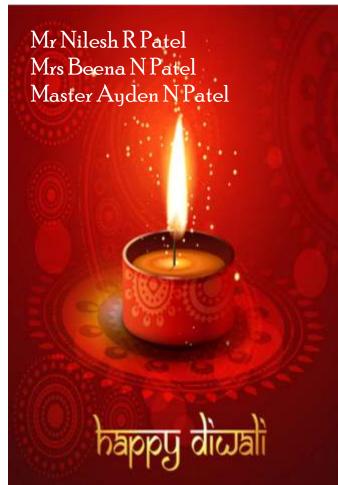


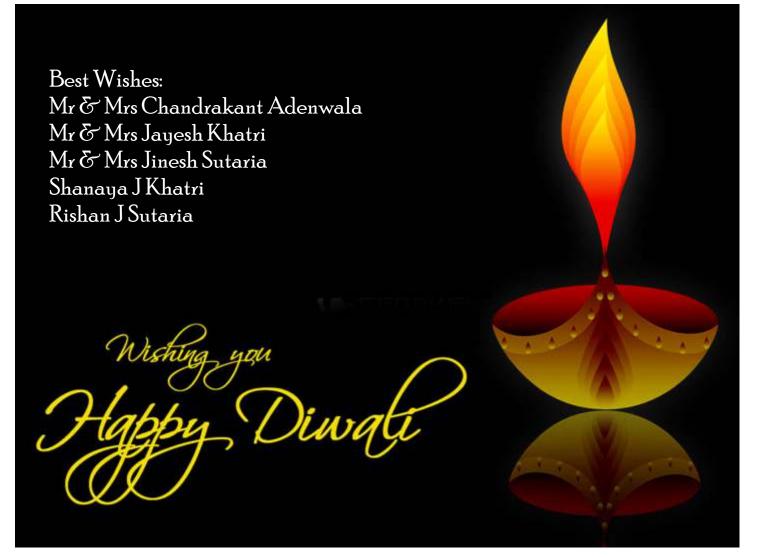














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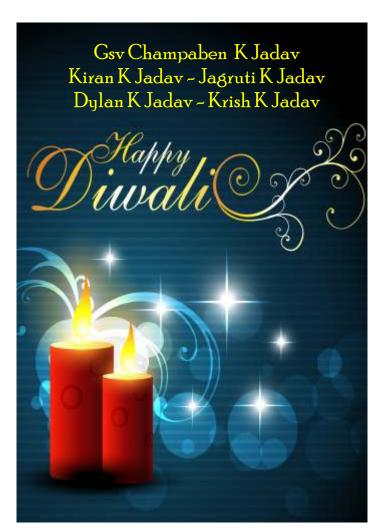
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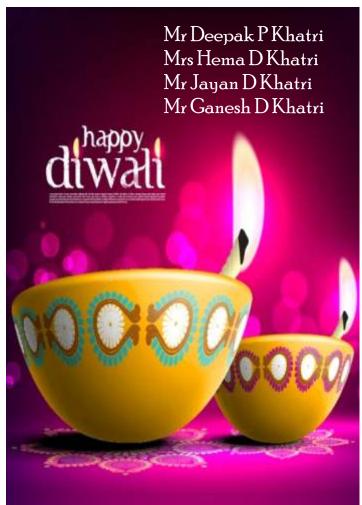


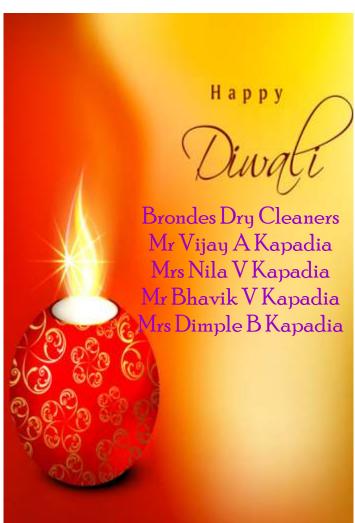
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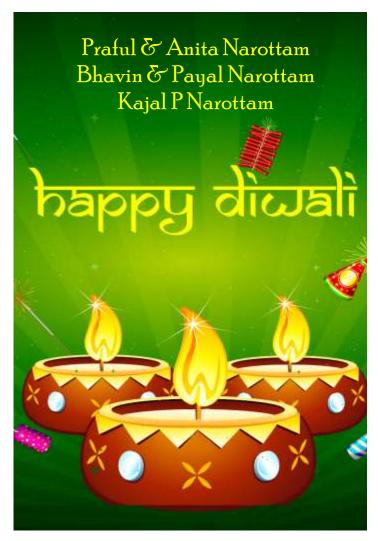
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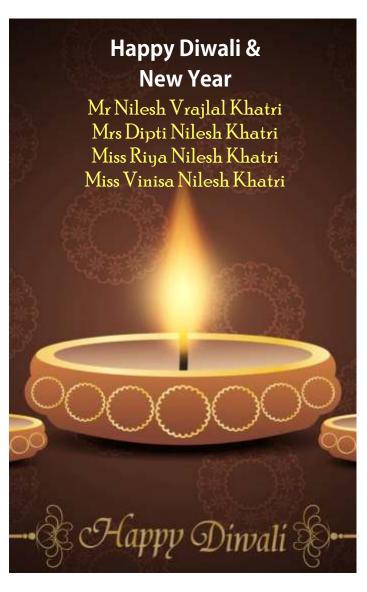
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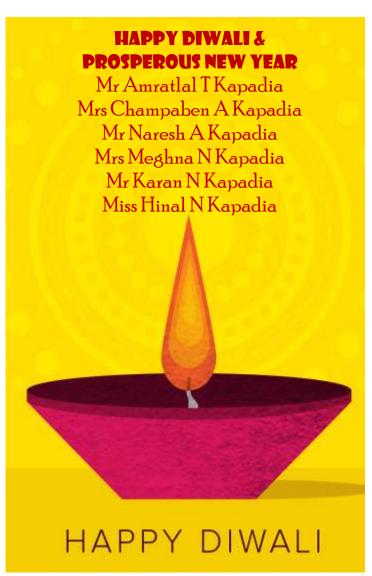
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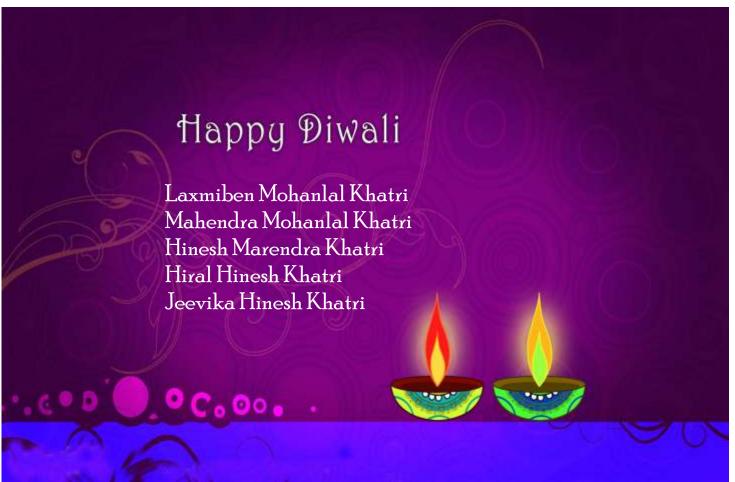
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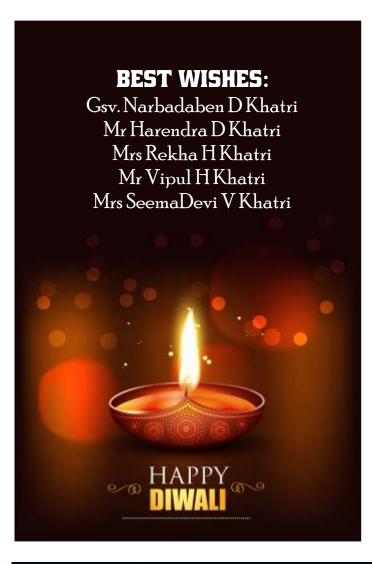
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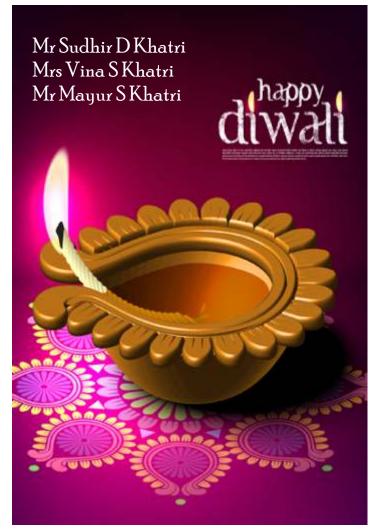




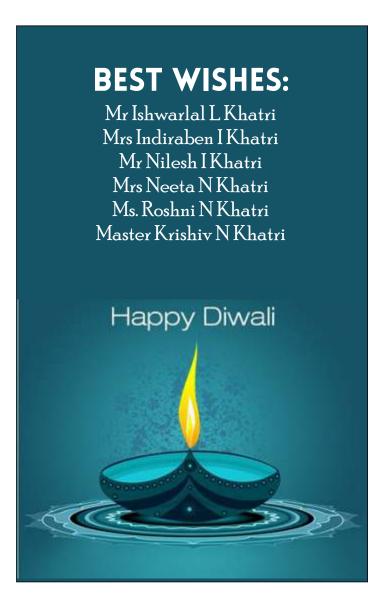


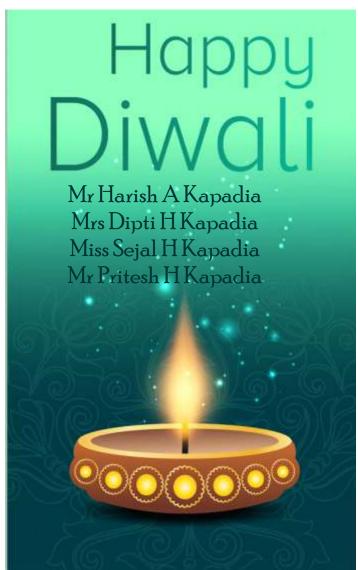




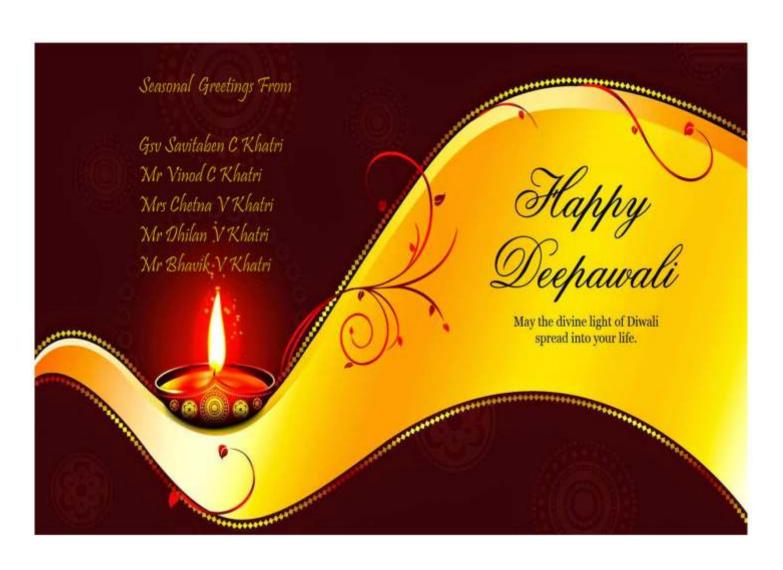








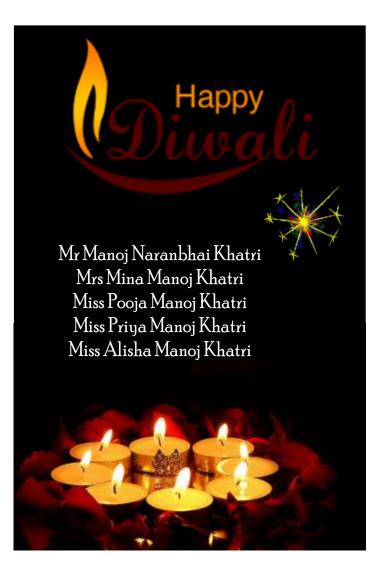


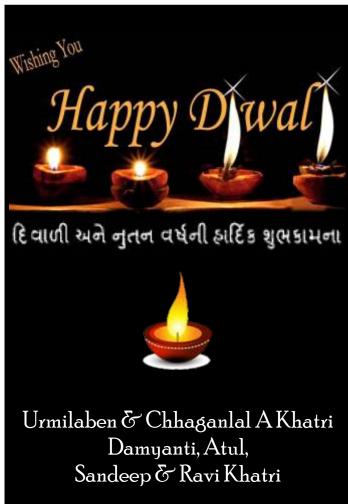




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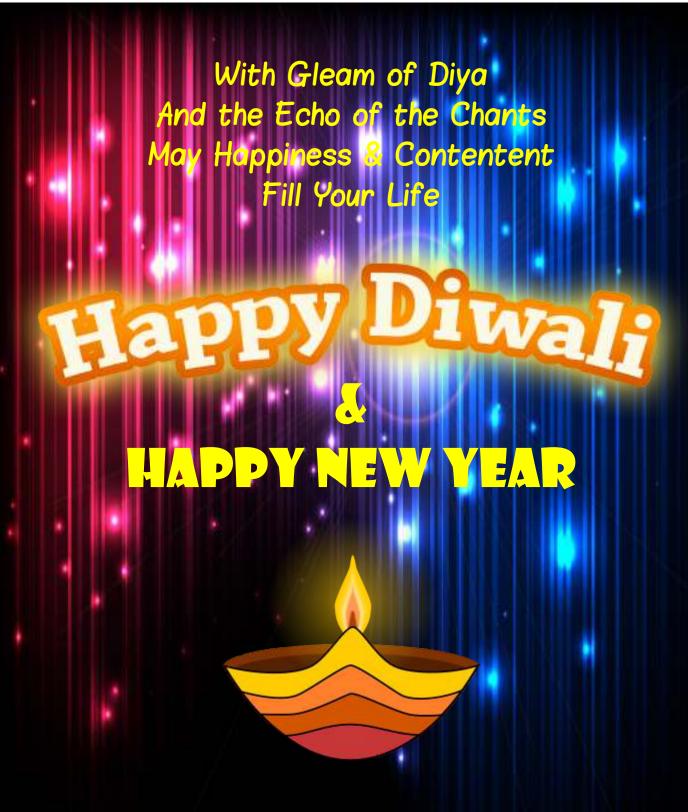
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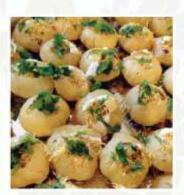


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