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**Happy New Years to all Shree  
Kshatriya Association members**



**Christmas  
Party  
Review**



2007 Children's Christmas party was held on Saturday 15th December and was well attended. A professional entertainer was there to entertain the children with games and activities.

Around 50 children attended. Pass the Parcel, Musical Chairs and other games were played and all had great fun.

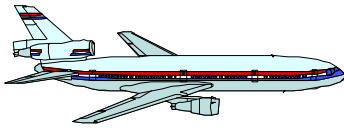
Jolly Santa Claus then came to hand out gifts to all the children. The children then tucked into their favourite Pizzas, cakes, crisps and drinks. Then everyone left with a gift and a smile on their faces.

The event was organised by the new SKY committee. SKA would also like to thank Rajesh Amratlal Khatri who, for many years has volunteered to be Santa Claus. **A very big thanks to all those who helped with this event.**

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## Bon Voyage & Welcome

### **London – India – London**

- Mrs Naina & Mr Pravin Shantilal Kapadia with Rajen & Jason
  - Mrs Prabhaben & Mr Harivadan Kantilal Kabawala with Neelam
  - Mrs Kalavati & Devidas Govind Billimora
  - Mr Kamlesh Ratilal Motiram
  - Mr Mahendra Mohanlal Khatri
  - Mrs Rekha & Mr Harendra Dhirajlal Khatri
  - Mrs Gita & Mr Jitendra Pravinchandra Khatri
  - Mr Chandrakant Laxmidas Adenwala
  - Mr Anil Amratlal Hazratwala
  - Mr Navin Jamnadas Khatri
  - Mr Girdharlal Bhanabhai Balsara
  - Mrs Jayaben & Mr Jayantilal Kantilal Parmar
  - Mrs Champaben & Mr Kantilal Motiram Jadav
  - Mrs Vanita & Mr Pravin Thakorlal Jarivala
  - Mrs Mita Dipak Khatri
  - Mrs Falguni Kamlesh Motiram with Monika
- Ravi Devidas Billimora – London – USA – London
- Mrs Anila & Mr Dilip Ratilal Motiram with Martin  
London – Toronto (Canada) – London

## Welcome to London

**Dipti Harish Khatri** – Boston – London – India – USA  
**Mrs Shardaben & Mr Manilal Vallabhbhai Kapadia** Poona – London - India

**NOTE:** Please inform the Editor of any visitors and guests you have from abroad so we can publish them in the newsletter for the benefit of our members.

## Useful Tips

### **1. Repair Small Holes In Glass.**

Plug holes with clear nail polish, let dry, repeat until filled.

### **2. Remove Labels From Bottles & Jars.**

Fill with hot water and then submerge in hot water and the label will just fall off.

### **3. Easy To Unglue Stamps & Envelopes.**

Put in freezer a few hours then slice off with knife.

### **4. Loosen Those Tight Fitting Shoes.**

Put some damp newspaper into shoes and leave for a few days.

### **5. Make Your Own Metal Polisher.**

Take a black board chalk and rub into cloth, then rub onto metal.

### **6. Keep Salt Moisture Free.**

Put pieces of (ink) blotting paper in shaker. It will absorb moisture. Or try uncooked rice.

### **7. Easy Clean Glass Doors & Mirrors.**

Just rub with a damp newspaper - they will shine.

### **8. Excellent Insomnia Formula.**

One tablespoon powdered milk, 2 tablespoon honey, 1 tablespoon brewers yeast, stir into cup of warm milk. Take before retiring.

## Giving Your All

The act of giving your very best to the needy can likewise cultivate the best emotional satisfaction in your heart. Whatever form of help you extend, be it service or something of value, you will undoubtedly receive something better in return.

Is there anything better than a simple "thank you" that is meant with sincerity? Is there anything better than an appreciation that makes you feel needed and important? Is there anything better than to see smiles on other people's faces for having made them feel equally important and cared for?

If your physical resources are limited, you can put your talent or creativity to work. Your urge to help those in need should inspire you to find ways in accumulating resources to actualize your intention. You can come up with ideas to generate more money through fund raising programs. You may also give more of your time doing volunteer service.

In the process of giving your all, your cooperation, attention, and entire being need not be strained. You may get physically exhausted; but emotionally, you will be charged with a heart full of compliments, making you feel all-important. You will feel revitalized and invigorated. You will become more enthusiastic. All these occur because you love what you're doing.

When you set your mind to work for a good cause, you are actually tapping and activating power that promotes health in every corner of your physical, psychological, and emotional being. Your emotions will run high in a positive manner. You will feel sentimentally contented with what you are doing. You will feel as though you're the highest paid executive in the business; not because you're being paid with money, but because you're being paid with your own sense of fulfillment.

**Oh yes.....when you give your all, the best will bounce back to you.**

# Maha Shivratri Satsang 2008



**On Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2008**  
from 3pm to 6pm at the SKA Hall.

We are pleased to announce the date for this religious event as 9<sup>th</sup> March. Please come to the Satsang, listen and sing along to the beautiful bhajans.

We look forward to seeing you all.



## Thank You

SKA would like to **Kiran Narhari Kapadia** for all his valuable work and support as a Member and then as Secretary of SKA.

## Social Evening

Due to refurbishment work being carried out at the SKA Hall, the Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March Social Evening has not yet been confirmed.

Please contact **Bharat Vakhari** before Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March to check whether this event will take place.

## Change of address:

**Jenny & Prashil B. Kesur**  
Ruislip, Middlesex HA4 6SS

## Flora London Marathon 2008 Update

Since the last newsletter my training for the London Marathon has been going really well. I completed Watford half marathon (in just over 2 hours) and have done couple of 17 miles training runs on Sunday.

Meantime I have been receiving a generous support from the Khatri community, friends and work colleagues. With all your help I have managed to raise over £4000.00. I would like to thank everyone who has sponsored me. You can now sponsor me online at:

**<http://www.justgiving.com/bhavinkhatri>** or please send me a cheque payable to 'Shishukunj' and send it to myself at: **75 Berkeley Road, Kingsbury, London NW9 9DH.**

As mentioned in the last newsletter that Shishukunj does excellent work for poor and needy children around the world and every penny raised would go a long way. Thanks for all your support. Next time you hear from me would be after the completion of the marathon so do look out for me on BBC1 on 13<sup>th</sup> April or may be you can come along on the day to provide your support...till then signing off.

*Bhavin Khatri*



## SKA Members in Navsari Sankrat 14 January 2008



This year I was fortunate to experience Sankrat in Navsari. It's the time of the year when many of our UK members are in India enjoying the various celebrations taking place around this date.

The day begins with groups of families and friends getting together for little parties and flying kites with barbeques sizzling away and bhajya's frying, everyone's eating, drinking and having fun. From high up on the balconies you can see thousands of people flying and cutting kites around the town. The youngsters dance to loud music and as the evening falls, fireworks light up the sky. What an amazing experience and awesome sight.



At the Navsari NRI Members Club



## Wedding Congratulations to:

**ROOPA** daughter of Mrs. Bharti  
& Mr Deepak Manilal Kapadia to  
**AMEET** son of Mrs. Damyantiben &  
Mr Manilal Nagindas (CA, USA)

on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2007 at VIP Lounge, London

*SKA would like to thank Mr & Mrs Deepak Kapadia  
for their kind donation of £25.00.  
We would also like to thank Mr & Mrs. Manilal Nagindas  
for their kind donation of £25.00.*

## New Baby Congratulations to

**Mrs Bhavna and Ketan Pranjivandas Khatri** on the birth  
of their baby boy called **ANISH** on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2007.

*We would like to thank Mr & Mrs Ketan Khatri  
for their kind donation of £ 25.00*



## 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday Party

Happy First Birthday to **Master Pranay Deepesh Khatri**

*SKA would like to thank Mr. Shashikant Ishverlal Khartri for  
his kind donation of £25.00 for his grandson First Birthday  
that was celebrated on 12 January 2008*

## 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

Was held on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2008 to celebrate the  
25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of

**Usha & Anil Amratlal Hazratwala**

At Baylis House in Slough

*SKA would like to thank Mr & Mrs Anil Hazratwala  
for their kind donation of £101.00.  
SKY would also like to thank them for their generous  
donation of £51.00*



# Sports

## Snooker Tournament

The event to be played :

**Snooker** – Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March 2008

**Start Time:** 11:30am

**Venue:** CHISWICK SNOOKER CLUB

111 Power Road, Chiswick, London W4 5PY



### Participation Fee:

Adults & over 16yrs – £6 each. For 10 to under 16's – FREE

**Application for Snooker** to be received by 29<sup>th</sup> February 2008 at the latest.

The draw will take place on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2008.

We are pleased to announce that the ever popular snooker competition for the year 2008 has now been finalised. The Snooker tournament draw will be held on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March and the competition will commence in earnest on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

The closing date for receiving application to participate in Snooker is 29<sup>th</sup> February 2008. Once your name is entered into the draw and if you are not present within 1 hour of the commencement time, you will be liable for the entrance fee and you will be automatically disqualified from the competition.

A minimum of 8 players are required to hold the said competition and in the event that this is not fulfilled the tournament will be cancelled.

The POOL Tournament dates will be in the next newsletter.

For further information and for you to confirm your participation, please contact:

**Raj Pravinchandra Khatri**

### Logic Puzzle

#### A Man and two doors

A man is trapped in a room. The room has only two possible exits: two doors. Through the first door there is a room constructed from magnifying glass. The blazing hot sun instantly fries anything or anyone that enters. Through the second door there is a fire-breathing dragon.

**How does the man escape?**

*If you cannot figure it out, find the answer below.*

## SKY Valentines Event

The SKY committee recently held a Valentines Party at Potions Bar in Hammersmith. Over 80 youth members attended. All proceeds after costs will go to charity. Members were asked to vote on which charity the events proceeds should go to.

The total amount raised was £400.00 which will be donated to Cancer Research UK.

There was also two iPod Nano's as prizes for the best dressed (and best dancing). The winners were picked by the owner of Potions Bar. After a six person dance of, the winners were eventually decided. Congratulations to Rajiv Mukesh Khatri and Deena Navin Khatri.

*Answer to puzzle: He waits until night time and then goes through the first door.*



## ૨૦૦૮ ની હાર્દિક શુભેચ્છાઓ

સર્વે ? !તિજનોને સાલ ૨૦૦૮ ના હાર્દિક અભિનંદન. આ વર્ષ આપ બધા માટે સફળ નીવડે એવી અમારી શુભેચ્છા. આશા કરીએ કે પરિવાર સાથે નાતાલની રજાઓનો ખાસ પીને ખુબ આનંદ માણ્યો હશે.

બાળકોની નાતાલની પાર્ટી ૧૫ ડીસેમ્બર ૨૦૦૭ ના રોજે મંડળના હોલમાં રાખવામાં આવી હતી, જેમાં સારી એવી સંખ્યામાં (૫૦) બાળકોએ હાજરી આપી હતી. શ્રી લુની બલુનીએ બાળકોને મનોરંજન કરાવ્યું હતું. તે સાથે બાળકો મ્યુઝીકલ ચેર તથા પાર્સલ, પાર્સલ પણ રમ્યા હતા. ફાઇવ દિસમસે સ્વંય આવી બાળકોને ભેટ આપી ખુશ કર્યા હતા. અંતમાં પીઝા ખાચ બાળકો ઘરે ગયા હતા. આ વર્ષની પાર્ટી સ્કાય દ્વારા આયોજીત કરવામાં આવી હતી તો તે બ?લ તેમનો આભાર માનીએ છીએ. ફાઇવ દિસમસ તરીકેની ભૂમિકા ભજવવા માટે શ્રી રાજેશ ખત્રીનો ખાસ આભાર.

તે સિવાય જે કોઈ ભાઈ બહેનોએ મદદ કરી હતી એમનો ધણોજ આભાર.

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### આભાર

સંસ્થા તરફથી શ્રી કિરણ નરહરી કાપડીઆનો, કે જેઓ ગત કારોબારી ના સભ્ય તથા મંત્રી હતા, અમે ધણો જ આભાર માનીએ છીએ. એમણે છેલ્લા ચાર વર્ષમાં સંસ્થાને સુંદર સાથ અને સહકાર આપી પ્રગતિ કરાવવામાં અમુલ્ય યોગદાન આપ્યું છે.

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### મહાત્મા વરા?ીનો સત્સંગ

સમય : બપોરે ૩ થી સાંજે ૭.

મહાત્મા વરા?ી નો સત્સંગ તા. ૯ માર્ચ ૨૦૦૮ ના રોજે બપોરે ૩ વાગે મંડળના હોલમાં રા? વામાં આવ્યો છે. આ?ા કરીએ કે આ સત્સંગ, ભજનના કાર્ય?મમાં મોટી સં?યામાં ? !તિજનો હાજરી આપ? .

સત્સંગ બાદ પ્રસાદની વ્યવસ્થા કરવામાં આવેલી છે.

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### સોશિયલ ? વનીગ

હોલમાં હાલે રીપેર કામ ચાલતું હોવાથી માર્ચ મહિનાની સોશિયલ ઈવનીંગ વિશે શ્રી ભરત વખારીઆનો ૩ માર્ચની આસપાસ સંપર્ક કરવો એવી નમ્ર વિનંતિ.

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### પુ? -પુ?ી જન્મ ?અભિનંદન

?ીમતી ભાવના અને ?ી કેતન પ્રાણજીવનદાસ ખત્રી, પુ? અનિશ તા. ૨ ડીસેમ્બર ૨૦૦૭. તેમના તરફથી સંસ્થાને ???? ની ઉદાર ભ ? મળી જે બ?લ તેમનો હાર્દિક આભાર માનીએ છીએ.

## ૨૫મી વેડીંગ એનીવર્સરી

શ્રીમતી ઉષા અને શ્રીમાન અનિલ મોહનલાલ હઝરતવાલાએ તેમની ૨૫મી વેડીંગ એનીવર્સરીની પાર્ટી તા. ૧૬ ફેબ્રુઆરી ૨૦૦૮ના રોજે બૈલીસ હોલ સ્લાઉમાં રાખી હતી. આ યાદગાર અવસરે તેમના તરફથી સંસ્થાને ?૧૦૧ ની ઉદાર ભે? મળી જે બ?લ તેમનો હાર્દિક આભાર માનીએ છીએ.

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### પહેલી વર્ષગાંઠની પાર્ટી

માસ્ટર પ્રણય દીપેશ ખત્રીની પહેલી બર્થ ડે નિમિત્તે તા. ૧૨ જાન્યુઆરી ૨૦૦૮ના રોજે રાખવામાં આવેલ પાર્ટીમાં ?ી શશીકાંત ઈશ્વરલાલ ખત્રી તરફથી સંસ્થાને ???? ની ઉદાર ભે? મળી જે બ?લ તેમનો હાર્દિક આભાર માનીએ છીએ.

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### લગ્ન ?અભિનંદન ?આભાર

?ીમતી ભારતી અને ?ીમાન દીપક મણીલાલ કાપડીઆની સુપુ?ી રૂપાના શુભ લગ્ન ?ીમતી દમયંતીબેન અને ?ીમાન મણીલાલ નગીનદાસ (અમેરિકા) ના સુપુ? અમીત સાથે થયા તેની ખુશહાલીમાં તા. ૨૨ ડિસેમ્બર ૨૦૦૭ ના રોજ વીઆઈપી લૉજમાં પાર્ટી રાખવામાં આવી હતી.

આ શુભ પ્રસંગે ?ીમતી અને ?ીમાન દીપક મણીલાલ તથા ?ીમતી અને ?ીમાન મણીલાલ નગીનદાસ તરફથી ?૨૫ ની ઉદાર ભે? મળી જે બ?લ તેમનો હાર્દિક આભાર માનીએ છીએ.

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### લંડન મેરાથોન

ગત ન્યુઝલેટર બાદ મારી મેરાથોનની ટ્રેનીંગ પુર જોરમાં ચાલી રહી છે. હાલમાં મે વોટફર્ડની હાફ મેરાથોનમાં ભાગ લીધો હતો. તે સિવાય રવિવારે ૧૭ માર્ચલ સુધી દોડી ચુક્યો હોવાથી આત્મ વિશ્વાસ વધી રહ્યો છે.

તે દરમિયાન જ્ઞાતિજનો તથા મિત્રો તરફથી મને દાનરૂપે ભરપુર સાથ મળી રહ્યો છે. આપ સર્વેને મને સાથ આપવા માટે ખુબ આભાર. જે કોઈને વધુ માહિતી જોઈતી હોય તો તેઓ મારો ૦૨૦ ૮૯૩૧ ૪૨૯૦ પર સંપર્ક સાધે. જો કોઈને ચેક મોકલવા હોય તો ચેક પર નામ શિશુકુંજ લખશો તેવી નમ્ર વિનંતિ.ઓન લાઈન માટે અંગ્રેજી વિભાગ વાંચશો.

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### સ્નુકર ટુર્નામેન્ટ

માર્ચ મહિનામાં સ્નુકર ટુર્નામેન્ટનું આયોજન કરવામાં આવેલું છે. વધુ માહિતી માટે અંગ્રેજી વિભાગ વાંચશો.



## The Free Ride

## Joke!

Ramjibhai was downtown with his wife and four little children when he decided to take a Rickshaw home. Approaching a Rickshaw driver, he demanded, "How much will you charge to drive us to Andheri ?"

"I figure Rupees 10/- a piece for you and your wife," said the driver.

"I'll take the four kids along for nothing." Ramjibhai turned to his children and said, "Jump in kids, and have a nice ride home.

Your Ba and I will take the train."

# Everest Challenge 2008



My name is Ritesh Khatri and together with my brother Tarun we aim to climb Mount Everest to an altitude of 6400m (21000ft), the summit being 8850m (29035ft), in April this year.

Our journey will begin in Kathmandu from where we will fly on a twin engine otter plane into a small remote village called Lukla in the Himalayan foothills; taking in the breathtaking views of the Himalayan mountain ranges and our first glimpse of Everest from the air. From here we follow an ancient route, the same as that taken by Sir Edmund Hillary and Sherpa Tensing in 1953, that will take us through tiny villages, across high mountain passes and through remote valleys and Buddhist monasteries such as the famous Tengboche monastery. We will trek along the banks of the Dudh Kosi, crossing this majestic river many times on exciting rope suspension bridges laden with prayer flags and finally to Gorak shep. We are now at foot of the Himalayan mountain range, and our first taste will be by climbing a mountain called Kala Pattar 5545m (18450ft), to capture the best view of Everest. By now we would have trekked a total of 85 miles at high altitude and finally we reach actual Everest base camp 5350m (17500ft). We will camp here for the night before we tackle the most dangerous part of Everest known as the Khumbu icefall and glacier, where many have met their fate. The glacier is moving ice with deep and sometimes hidden crevasses and need to be tackled with ropes and ladders. After climbing for almost 18-26 hours we will reach our goal of camp 2 also known as advanced base camp (abc) at an altitude of 6400m (21000ft). At this height the available oxygen is only 50% that at sea level, and temperatures can drop to almost minus 30 Celsius. We will spend a day or two at this camp before beginning our descent and our trek back to Lukla.

Many people ask us why we are taking on such a challenging and dangerous adventure, well we are doing it for our late mother Padmaben Khatri who suffered with an illness called Multiple Sclerosis for over 20years, and sadly passed away in May 2005.

Multiple Sclerosis is a condition which attacks the nerve linings, causing the nervous system to short circuit, hence stopping signals reaching from the brain to the limbs. As yet there is no cure; however the Multiple Sclerosis Society (MS society) does a wonderful job in research and helping sufferers and helpers with support and care and equipment. Often sufferers of ms are neglected and partners leave as they cannot cope, but we must say that our father Champaklal Khatri (Zanzibarwala) did a wonderful job looking after our mother. So our aim is to raise as much funds as we can for the MS society in memory of our mother.

We hope you will support us fully with your donations and your good wishes.

100% of all funds raised will be forwarded to the above charity so please make all cheques payable to either us, so we can forward as one lump sum, or to the ms society and please state your name on the reverse.

You can send your donations to us directly or if you have any questions/comments please contact us:

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**We like to thank you in anticipation, Jai Jalaram.**