



Jain Center of Greater Boston

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President's Message:

Jai Jinendra

Michammi Dukkadam!

On behalf of Executive Committee, we ask for your forgiveness if we have knowingly or unknowingly hurt you by thoughts, action or words.

Our members celebrated & participated in Paryshana Purve and DasLaxan Maha Purve enthusiastically. We had 1 Maskshaman, 2 sixteen upvases, 3 ten upvases, 5 Athhai. Many students have performed upvases, ekasana, biasanas. We congratulate all Tapasvi for the extraordinary Tapascharya.

The center has been buzzing with various activities during the summer months and many activities have been planned before we get winterized. Please check our website for the upcoming events of Siddhachalam Yatra, Ayambil observation, Diwali celebration, Mahavir Nirvan Ladoo, New year's Manglik recital, Thanksgiving day Jap.

The election for the 2015-2016 term has been scheduled for December 7th 2014. Here are the details of the election. We encourage every one to come forward and take active part in the Executive committee. If you have any question please contact Arti Mehta @ 781-793-0687.

Arti Mehta

President, JCGB

Mark Your Calendar.....

Siddhachalam Trip September 27-28, 2014

Ayambil October 4th, 2014

Shram-Dan Shibir October 19th, 2014

Nirvan Ladoo October 23rd, 2014

New Year Manglik October 24th, 2014

Diwali Celebration October 25th, 2014

Notice of the JCGB Election of the Executive Committee and Board

The election for the entire Executive Committee and three members of the Board will be held **on Sunday, December 7, 2014.**

Nominations are invited for the Following Positions

2015-2016 Executive Committee
(Total 11 positions, 2- year term)

President (1 position)
Vice President (1 position)
Secretary (1 position)
Treasurer (1 position)
Director of Building Operations (1 position)
Youth Representative (1 position)
Member-at-Large (5 positions)

Board of Advisors

Member (3 positions) (4 years each)

All the **Board members** must have a minimum of 2 years of experience in Executive Committee.

Eligibility Rules

Member-at-Large: Must be a member of JCGB with voting privileges.

Youth Representative: Must be a member of JCGB with voting privileges and must be below 30 years of age at the beginning of the term.

President must have a minimum of 2 years' experience on the Executive Committee.

Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Director of Building Operations: Must have been a member of JCGB with voting privileges for minimum of 2 years.

Voting Privileges:

Every individual over 18 years of age, who has been a General Member for at least 1 year, and who lives within the five states of Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island and Maine, will have the voting privileges. Any family or individual over 18 years of age who fills out a signed membership application form and lives within five states of Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island or Maine will become a General Member. The membership period runs from January to December and coincides with the term of the Executive Committee. Members joining in the middle of the term will have to renew the membership for the next period. Every General Member must fill out a membership form every two years.

Election Committee

The Executive Committee of JCGB has appointed a three-member Election Committee to conduct and oversee the election process. The goal of the Election Committee is to coordinate the election in an unbiased, fair and democratic environment strictly following the guidelines outlined in the Constitution of the Jain Center of Greater Boston and rules set by the Executive Committee. The members of the Election Committee are:

Dilip Gandhi 13 Rosslare Road Framingham, MA 01701 H: (508) 872-6979 dilipgandhi@prodigy.net	Haresh Tamboli 1 Old Barn Road Shrewsbury, MA 01545 H: (508) 798-5353 htamboli@hotmail.com	Dharmendra Sethi 48 Mountain St Sharon MA 02067 H: (781) 626-1473 Dharmendra_sethi@hotmail.com
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Election Schedule and Process

Date: Sunday, December 7th, 2014

Time: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

During 24 hours prior to the election, you may also cast your vote in person in the selected ballot box at any of the Election Committee member's residence. On Election Day, the voting will take place from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Anyone interested to hold any positions should fill out the nomination form included in this newsletter; and return it to any of the Election Committee member.

Last day to accept nomination form for any of the above-mentioned position is November 7, 2014)

Apply for Any Position:

In person: To any of the Election Committee member.

By mail: Postmarked no later than November 7, 2014.

By email: End of the day November 7, 2014

Applications name and position contested is open to public record. You may call any Election Committee member for information. However, to respect the family need of every Election Committee member, please do not call after 9:00 PM. The Election Committee, in coordination with the Executive Committee, will publish the slate of the applicants about 3 weeks prior to the election.

Open Positions (Positions not yet contested for by November 8th, 2014)

Nominations will be accepted during a 3-day window, ending 48 hours prior to election i.e. from December 2nd – December 5th, 2014.

Membership Renewal:

All the memberships expire on **12/31/2014**. If you have not renewed already your membership for year 2015 & 2016 please renew it now. By renewing your membership, you will retain your voting rights and continue to be a part of this great organization.

Jain Center of Greater Boston
C/O Tarang Jain
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Email Communication:

We have updated our Email distribution listing. If you are not getting regular Yahoogroup Emails, Please Contact, Tarang Jain: (781) 210-7321
Supriya Doshi: (617)-386-3151

Distinguished Gold Donor Membership:

Where does JCGB, non-profit organization, get their resources for ever-increasing activities and the upkeep of the temple?

Well, bolis are the most visible means. In addition Distinguished Gold Donor Pledges are the constant flow of the income.

This is the commitment of \$250/year on an ongoing basis. The pledge is automatically renewed every year.

Though we would love to honor you as Distinguished Donor Member, once committed, the donor can optout at anytime for any reason just by sending a note or calling the Treasurer, Ashish Jain.

The executive committee would like to encourage the new comers and young professionals to pledge for Distinguisghed Gold Donor. If you need further information , feel free to call anyone of the Executive Committee member.

“Make a Pledge and become a Distinguished Donor”

Please Contact Treasurer, Ashish Jain @ jain01581@yahoo.com Contact No: (508) 330-1964

Ayambil Tapascharya:

Continuing the JCGB bi-annual tradition, we will observe a day of Ayambil Tapascharya on Saturday, October 4th. For those who are not familiar with this special austerity, it is typically a nine day of observance: Arihanta, Siddha, Acharya, Upadhayay, Sadhu, Jnan, Darshan, Charitraya, and Austerity. However, we will observe it at the JCGB temple for at least one day. It will be a partial fast for that day. The observant will eat only one meal at the temple. The only type of food that will be served are items made from grains and dried beans, and the only spices that can be used are salt and pepper. If you would like to participate, please Contact Pankajbhai or Meetaben Shah (508)-660-1053 or Ranjanben Shah (508)-660-9683.

Date and Time: Sunday, October 4th

From 12:00 pm until 12:15 pm Chaitya Vandan

From 12:15 pm until 1:15 pm Ayambil Meal.

Looking Back.....

As we look back, October 29th 2009 was a very important day in our history. It was the first day of the ownership of this building. Next month, October 29th 2014 will be exactly 5 years of the ownership of this property. We passed the papers, close on the property and became owner of this new home. We had celebrated the first day of the ownership by Jap and Stavans. Five years have gone by, it seems so surreal. What a memorable day and what a memorable these five years.

We are enjoying the property to its best. We have been performing pujas on a regular base and holding Pathshalas. It has become a good hanging around place after any program. We have created innovative combined puja and now it made its place at Siddhachalam.

We had many activities and many programs like Shibirs, Scholars lectures, pathshala camps, Padmavati maha pujan, Siddhachakra pujan, ShantiVidhans, Karma Dahan Vidhan and topped it off with a Mini Convention.

Now it is time to look ahead..... As promised, we waited five years before embarking any major project. We had studied the community's feeling about a Shikharbandhi deraser. The response was very positive. Now in the near future we will revitalize the project and will approach the members.

We had great first five years. I sincerely wish JCGB next 50 years even better.

Arti Mehta
President, JCGB

JCGB Election Candidate Application

Election Committee
 Jain Center of Greater Boston
 556 Nichols Street
 Norwood, MA 02062

Sir/Madam,

I, _____, am interested in serving on the Jain Center of Greater Boston Executive Committee or Board for the position marked below during the Years **2015-2016** ____ for a two or four-year term as appropriate. I am a Voting Member of JCGB and satisfy the requirements indicated below. I abide by the constitution of Jain Center of Greater Boston.

Check only one position below:

Position	Term Limit	Required Duration as Voting Member	Required EC Experience	Age Restriction
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (All positions are for a two-year term)				
President	Two consecutive terms. Can contest again after waiting one term	Two years	Two years	None
Vice President	None	Two years	None	None
Secretary	None	Two years	None	None
Treasurer	Two consecutive terms. Can contest again after waiting one term	Two years	None	None
Director of Property Management	None	Two years	None	None
Youth Representative	None	Must be a Voting Member	None	Younger than 30 Years
Member-at-large (five positions)	None	Must be a Voting Member	None	None
BOARD (All positions are for a four-year term, and are staggered two years so that two or three positions are contested every two years)				
Member (Three positions)	None	Four years	Two years	None

I have attached a one-page write-up¹ consisting of my biographical information and my goals in serving the Jain Center if I am elected.

Signed: _____
 Date: _____
 Address: _____

 Tel No: _____

¹ Please provide the write-up, preferably in electronic form, along with your photo, preferably digital, for publication in the JCGB newsletter, and posting on the JCGB website in connection with the election.

Election
December 7th, 2014

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Directions

The Jain Center is located at 556 Nichols Street in Norwood, about 12 miles from downtown Boston. From 128 south, take exit for Rt. 1 south (exit 15B). At first traffic light, turn right on Everett Street. At next traffic light turn left on Rt.1A south. Pass Norwood center but stay right on fork (continue on Rt. 1A). After third traffic light, turn right on Geo Willett Pkwy. Turn left on Nichols Street. The center is about half mile on the left.