

2013 ANKUR CALENDER

OCTOBER 5th to 10th Navratri at Ankur

OCTOBER 13th Viaya Dashmi Havan

OCTOBER 19th Sharad Purnima

NOVEMBER 8th Diwali Celebration (DATE CHANGE)

DECEMBER – 15th Annual General Body Meeting



ANKUR Navratri Garba

To add your name to Navratri Sponsors -
\$35 per family (prasad optional) please
contact Bharti Noticewala 563-2007 or
bnoticewala@gmail.com

Saturday, October 5th – 8 pm Mataji Sthapna and Aarti

Sunday, October 6th - 8 to 10 pm Garba Raas, Aarti & Prasad

Monday, October 7th - 8 to 10 pm Garba Raas, Aarti & Prasad

Tuesday, October 8th - 8 to 10 pm Garba Raas, Aarti & Prasad

Wednesday, October 9th - 8 to 10 pm Garba Raas, Aarti & Prasad

Thursday, October 10th - 8 to 10 pm Garba Raas, Aarti & Prasad

Friday, October 11th - 8 pm Aarti & Prasad

Saturday, October 12th - 8 pm Aarti & Prasad

Sunday, October 13th - 6 pm Vijaya Dasmi & Dasera Havan, Garba
Raas, Dinner \$5 per person

Saturday, October 19th - 7 pm Sharad Poonam Garba Raas &
Dinner, \$5 per person

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*Thanks to our beautiful new upper
floor, Ankur building has been
rented several times this year.*

DIWALI 2013:

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8th

At Elements Event Center

11974 Lebanon Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45241



Come
celebrate
Festival of
Lights!

Time: 7 pm onwards

Tickets: \$25 per person

(Free admission for children under 5 years)



*Please note: Change of Date & Venue due
to glitch with rental space.*

*If you know anyone who does not receive Ankur newsletters, email updates
and/or Evite invitations, please contact Shilpa Desai at anknewsletter@gmail.com*

2013 DIWALI *Gala Celebration*

NEW
DATE &
VENUE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8th

At Elements Event Center

11974 Lebanon Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45241

<http://www.elementseventcentre.com/>

Time: 7 pm onwards

Tickets: \$25 per person

(Free admission for children under 5 years)



Dress Code: Formal
Social Hour & Appetizers
Cash Bar
Festive Diwali Dinner
DJ Dance Party
Indian Fashion Awards



AWARDS! Dress to Impress! AWARDS!

- Best Dressed Couple in Traditional Indian Attire
- Best Dressed Couple in Contemporary Indian Attire
- Best Dressed Girl (Under 18 years) in Traditional Indian Attire
- Best Dressed Boy (Under 18 years) in Traditional Indian Attire

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Please make check payable to "Ankur Gujarati Samaj"

• *Active SENIOR at the age 93* •

• Who is He •

• -Poem by A C Sekhar •



Fifth November Nineteen- nineteen A boy was born frail lanky and lean
In a beautiful town called Nellore In India a land of plenty and more
A decision was taken then and there To place him under some foster care

There was a kind uncle and aunt Who were ready to fulfill the want
And raised the child to full boyhood With lots of joy and all that was good

In his teens he studied very very hard And made everybody very very glad
He was wanted again by his birth parents But he loved to be with his fostered parents

He knew not his own siblings Nor they understood his leanings
They met only occasionally With no attachment personally

In colleges He had brilliant academic career To one and all He made himself very dear
He later married a girl of his own choice And happily filled his life with lots of joys



In his twenties He traveled very widely To choose a prosperous career wisely
He selected the science of Wood Technology A combination of Physics, Maths and Biology

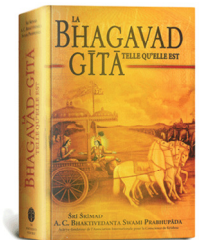
In his thirties He started a family life With ups, downs and full of strife
He was blessed with a handsome son A prodigy with fortune and lots of fun

In his forties He had very high agility With considerable professional ability
And participated in some conferences Of national and international references



In his fifties He started to prepare For retirement with ease and care
Retired as Director of Forest Products Research After working for thirty years in Wood research
In his sixties He worked as a Visiting Professor And as an industrial consultant and social advisor
He lived with people on his wife's side Helping and serving as a senior guide

Lack of a daughter in the family Was duly compensated quickly
With a daughter-in-law so charming And filled the gaps in social upcoming
She participated in many household events And proved a great help to the aging parents



In his seventies and eighties He plodded on With changing circumstances as they went on
His son and daughter- in- law went far away To study work and live then on in USA
His wife after a deadly disease passed away He remained brave and lonely all the way
He felt he was never lucky to get all he fully deserved But never felt wanting to get the minimum he desired
He moved to USA to live happily with his son Tried his best to be active, helpful and lead on
He was blessed with a lovely granddaughter To play and enjoy in her company hereafter
With some good new friends in need He felt safe, secure and happy indeed

When He reached ninety grand old age He started brooding over his heritage
He wondered why he was still living With no more purpose or meaning
And the whole life seemed a joke With God and Man in one yoke
Every one asked who is He The author said it was Me!



ATTENTION: ALL FOGANA FAMILIES & PARTICIPANTS!

- Phase 2 of Ankur Renovation is to commence shortly. This renovation includes the downstairs space, trophy cabinets etc. Ankur is offering our prized Fogana Trophies and Fogana Team pictures to anyone interested in taking these treasures as a family keepsake.

Pick up your favorite trophies and Fogana team pictures on

Please contact Rajal Bhutta at 791-0362
rajalbhatta@yahoo.com

- or Bharti Noticewala at bnoticewala@gmail.com or 563-2007

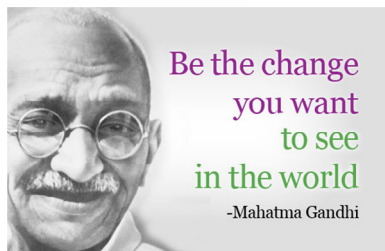
Ankur Gujarati Samaj regrets to announce the passing on Tuesday, October 1st of Chiman bhai Patel at his home in West Chester.

Our warmest condolences to Chiman bhai's wife Shobha, children Sachin and Shona as well as the entire Patel family.

Chiman bhai was a valued community member, loved and admired for his quiet leadership and selfless giving. His presence will be greatly missed.



ANKUR community thrives with on-going activities like Yoga, Pranayama, Bridge, Book Club, Silver Innings, Mahila Bhajan Satsang, Drop-In center lunch as well as youth events, social, religious and charitable events, thanks to a strong Ankur community. Your support and involvement is much appreciated.



What would you like added to Ankur community?
 Would you like to submit a recipe, activity idea, interesting article etc to Ankur newsletter?
 Please email your ideas and suggestions to Shilpa Desai at anknewsletter@gmail.com

THE elements
 CONFERENCE & EVENT CENTRE

Our Services:

- Weddings
- Catering & Events
- Off-Site Events & Rentals
- Corporate
- Special Events
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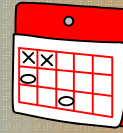
WeddingWire.Com's Bride's Choice Award
 2010, 2011, 2012

The Knot Magazine's Best of Award
 2011, 2012

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Ankur Activities



Monday Yoga with Herman Ranpuria at Ankur Weekly – Monday, 6:30 - 8 PM

YOGA



Saturday Yoga with Pallavi Patel Weekly – Saturday, 8.30 – 10 AM

September & October fees: Ankur Members \$35
Single class fees: Members \$5, Non Members \$6

Please contact Jyoti Mehta at 518-0677 or
jjmweare@gmail.com for more information.

September & October fees: Ankur Members \$25
Single class fees: Members \$4, Non Members \$5
Children of Ankur members (18 and under): \$3

Please contact Pallavi Patel at 733-8838 or
patelps@ucmail.uc.edu for more information.

2 month Yoga session: September & October

Please bring your own yoga mat

Please join Ankur Yoga and commit to a healthy mind and body.

*Seasoned yogis, beginners, and everyone in between is invited to attend **Ankur Yoga** taught by excellent Yoga teachers. Along with reducing stress, Yoga increases flexibility, strength, circulation and concentration.*



Mahila Bhajan Satsang

First Sunday every month: 11/3, 12/1

Date: Sunday, November 3rd

Time: 2 pm to 3:30 pm

Place: Ankur

Singers and avid listeners are most welcome to Ankur Mahila Bhajan Satsang.

To join Ankur Mahila Bhajan Satsang or for more information, please contact Pallavi Patel at 733-8838
patelps@ucmail.uc.edu or Rajal Bhutta at 791-0362 rajalbhatta@yahoo.com



Ankur Silver Innings

Thursday, October 17th

HORSESHOE CASINO trip organized by Suren Hegde & Friends



PLAN:

- 11 am: Meet for lunch at Curries Restaurant (11963 Lebanon Rd, Sharonville, OH 45241 (513) 956-5678)
- After lunch, carpool to Horseshoe Casino (<http://www.horseshoecincinnati.com/>)
- 4 pm: Leave from Casino
- 4:30 pm: Arrive at Curries Restaurant

A truly generous and dedicated group of Ankur volunteers - Haresh Hemani, Mehul Parikh, Julie Desai, Suren & Jyoti Hegde, Shashank & Pallavi Patel, Bharat & Meena Shah and friends put together interesting and interactive events for seniors in our community.

If you would like your name in the distribution list for Ankur Senior Events or have Senior events related questions, please send an email to Ankur.Seniors@gmail.com. **More details to follow via Evite**



Ankur Activities



Bridge

Weekly – Wednesday 6:45 PM – 10:30 PM

Bridge for beginners at Ankur.

Interested in learning Bridge? Come over to Ankur Bridge Club in a group of 4 players and Bhupen Joshi will teach the basics of this game for a nominal charge.

Anyone who enjoys **Bridge** is invited to come and play on Wednesday nights at ANKUR.

Players should arrive at 6:45 PM so everyone can help set up tables and equipment downstairs. The aim is to be seated with partners by 6:50 PM so play can begin. A prompt start is to achieve a timely finish. All bridge players are invited to come, play, and have fun. Join us!

Please contact Hari or Rekha Budev at 793-5951 or Bhupen Joshi at 489-1077 for more information.



PRANAYAMA

Weekly – Wednesday 7 to 8 PM

Come over to ANKUR for an hour of Pranayama, a deep breathing technique of yoga for optimum health. Jyoti Hegde brings a vast knowledge of Pranayama (breath control) for Ankur members every Wednesday.

Single Class Fees: Members \$3, Non Members \$4

Month Session Fees: Ankur Members \$ 20

Please pay Pranayama fees to Jyoti Hegde.



Drop-In Center – Homeless Shelter Lunch

**Monthly: Wednesday, October 9th
(Second Wednesday every month)**

For over 12 years, Ankur volunteers have quietly and consistently served at The Drop-In Center monthly lunch, traditional Thanksgiving meal, winter wear at Christmas as well as donations to those who are homeless in Cincinnati serving society and those in need.

A group of truly devoted Ankur volunteers donate, prepare and serve lunch to over 150 homeless people every month at The Drop-In Center which is Greater Cincinnati's largest homeless shelter, located in Over-the-Rhine

Thanks to these generous members of Ankur community led by Bharti Noticewala who donate funds, food items and time making these monthly lunches possible. A true spirit of charity!

To help serve lunch or donate food items or money, please contact Julie Desai 560-2232 or Bharti Noticewala 563-2007.



Ankur Book Club

Monthly, Wednesday, October 16th

Time: 2 to 4 PM

Venue: ANKUR

Ankur Book Club will be discussing the book "INFERNO BY DAN BROWN at the next meeting. Please contact Minal Patel at 234-0569 to join Ankur Book Club or for more information



Building Renovation Project 2012-2013



Following members have given their support and pledged/paid donation amounts to go ahead with Phase 2 of Ankur building renovation. Utmost gratitude for the generosity of these members of Ankur community. Please follow up your pledge with a check donation payable to "Ankur Gujarati Samaj" mailed to ANKUR, 9502 Highland Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45242 as soon as possible. Please contact Vijay Parikh at 733-0245 or Bharti Noticewala at 563-2007 if you have any questions. (Tax receipt number)*

<u>Name</u>	<u>Pledge</u>	<u>Status</u>
1. Bhutta, Pravin & Rajal	\$ 500.00	
2. Budev, Chandu & Manju - 129	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00 Paid
3. Budev, Hari & Rekha - 130	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00 Paid
4. Budhdev, Sharad/Kiran & Arti -120*	Front Doors	
5. Desai, Abhijit & Julie, Gokli, Hansaben	\$1,001.00	
6. Desai, Rajan & Shilpa - 101	\$ 501.00	\$501.00 Paid
7. Hegde, Suren & Jyoti	\$ 501.00	
8. Joshi, Bhupen & Dorothy - 102	\$ 500.00	\$500.00 Paid
9. Karamchandani, Khush & Mina - 103	\$ 501.00	\$501.00 Paid
10. Mehta, Jayesh & Jyoti	\$ 500.00	
11. Mehta, Monal & Kausha	\$ 500.00	
12. Mehta, Nalin & Ila - 104	\$ 501.00	\$501.00 Paid
13. Mehta, Arun & Sudha	\$ 500.00	
14. Noticewala, Chandrakant & Daksha - 123	\$501.00	\$501.00 Paid
15. Pai, Prakash & Sujata - 105	\$ 500.00	\$500.00 Paid
16. Parikh, Indravadan & Jyoti - 106	\$ 500.00	\$500.00 Paid
17. Parikh, Kishu & Kirti -126	\$ 500.00	\$500.00 Paid
18. Parikh, Narendra & Sarla - 107	\$ 151.00	\$151.00 Paid
19. Parikh, Tushar & Rasila - 108	\$ 101.00	\$101.00 Paid
20. Parikh, Vijay & Asha - 109	\$ 500.00	\$501.00 Paid
21. Patel, Dilesh & Neeta - 110	\$ 500.00	\$500.00 Paid
22. Patel, Jagdish & Nita - 122	\$501.00	\$501.00 Paid
23. Patel, Jayant & Kapi -124	\$ 501.00	\$ 501.00 Paid
24. Patel, Ketan & Mala - 111	\$ 501.00	\$501.00 Paid
25. Patel, Kishor & Kusum - 112	\$ 500.00	\$500.00 Paid
26. Patel, Minal - 113	\$ 701.00	\$701.00 Paid
27. Patel, Pradip & Kumud - 125	\$ 501.00	\$501.00 Paid
28. Patel, Rashmikanth & Jyoti - 114	\$ 500.00	\$500.00 Paid
29. Patel, Shashank & Pallavi	\$ 501.00	
30. Ranpuria, Hemansu & Preya - 115	\$ 500.00	\$500.00 Paid
31. Rathod, Hardas & Asha - 127	\$500.00	\$500.00 Paid
32. Sanghvi, Vijay	\$ 500.00	\$500.00 Paid
33. Shah, Bharat & Meena -116	\$ 500.00	\$250.00 Paid
34. Sheth, Uday & Nandita - 131	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00 Paid
35. Shukla, Amul & Smruti -117	\$ 500.00	\$500.00 Paid
36. Shukla, Chitu & Hema - 118	\$ 500.00	\$500.00 Paid
37. Stanley, Lilam- 119	\$ 500.00	\$500.00 Paid
Total pledges & Status	\$ 20,965.00	\$ 13,712.00



THANK
YOU!



A plea to Ankur community!

This is a great opportunity to invest in our community center by donating with an open heart. Phase 2 of Ankur renovation will be a reality with your solid support and generous donations.

