



Wishing all Ankur members and the community a Happy Holidays !!!



Diwali Celebration Moments !!!





Bridge Club Holiday Celebration

The Ankur Bridge Club celebrated a Holiday party. Nearly forty people came to the party, which recognized contributions of the organizers, who were presented with Bengals caps.

Nalinbhai provided new tips for improving bridge skills. Every one had fun at the party.



UPCOMING **EVENTS**



ANKUR GUJARATI SAMAJ ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The board of trustees and the operating committee hereby gives notice of the annual general meeting of Ankur Gujarati Samaj which will held on Sunday January 10, 2016 at 4.00 pm at Ankur Gujarati Samaj, 9502 Highland Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio, 45242.

Board of Trustees and the committee members and other interested members of the Organization are invited to participate.

Agenda for the meeting:

- 1) Report on the activities of the organization during the year**
- 2) Discuss draft /Preliminary annual accounts**
- 3) Appointment of New Committee and any other matters that the board and committee intends to discuss**

If you are interested in volunteering and be a part of the Operating Committee or BOT Committee Please email at anknewsletter@gmail.com or Call Bharti Noticewala ([513-563-2007](tel:513-563-2007)), Rashmi Vyas ([513-368-1668](tel:513-368-1668)), Ajay Munsif ([859-803-4432](tel:859-803-4432)) ,Nita Parikh ([513-237-3757](tel:513-237-3757))



Ankur Activities



Yoga with Herman Ranpuria (Monday 6:30 to 8:00 PM)

BREATHE...breathe in, breathe out. You just did yoga.

Join us on Monday night to take another step in the right direction. Breathe deeply, find space and calm within yourself, join a welcoming community of people who are open, smiling, and bettering themselves.

Laugh as you attempt to balance on one foot (which perhaps you have not tried lately), enjoy the sensation of your body moving in new ways, oxygenate your cells. Relieve the stress of the day, resonate with the positive energy of a room of people pushing for a better version of themselves.

I leave you with an inspired quote from our own Mahatma Gandhi – Be the change you want to see in the world. Start with a few deep breaths and stretches on Monday with Herman and make the world a better place.

Join the leaders of the world in doing yoga to make yourself and the world a better place.

OR

These friendly faces are there to welcome you.

Happy Holidays !!!!



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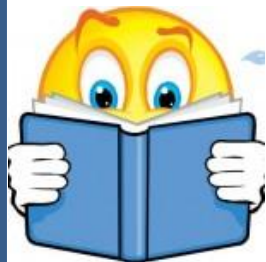
Weekly – Wednesday 7:00 PM – 9:30 PM



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

Interested in learning Bridge? Please contact Bhupen Joshi at 489-1077 (bhupenjoshi1@gmail.com) for more information.

Ankur Book Club



Monthly:

The book club will meet on March 17th 2016 and will read three books.

- Everyone Hanging out without me? by Mindy Kaling
- The dressmaker of Khair Khana by Gayle Tzenach Lemmon
- The heart of the sea by Nathaniel Philbrick

Please contact Minal Patel at 234-0569 to join Ankur Book Club or for more information.



Drop-In Center – Homeless Shelter Lunch Monthly: 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 led by Bharti Noticewala, Induben Patel , Neelaben Patel with help from Mehul Parikh 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.

Special thanks to Shilpa Desai, Julie Desai, Geeta Matani, Uma Shah, Mehul Parikh Induben & Neelaben Patel & Raji Prasad for their continued help and support to the community



thank
you!



**To help serve lunch or donate food items or money, please
contact Bharti Noticewala 513-563-2007.**

2015 Ankur Annual Membership

Membership fee for January to December 2015 is now due.

- Annual Membership:\$35
- Life Membership:\$501



Members other than life members are requested to send their annual membership check payable to “Ankur Gujarati Samaj” and membership form* to: ANKUR, c/o Jagruti Khandhadia, 4446 Wilderness Way Mason, OHIO 45040.

Please contact Jagruti Khandhadia at 513-253-9004 or email @ K_jagruti@hotmail.com

**2015 membership forms can be downloaded from Ankur web site @ http://ankurcinci.com/images/2015_Ankur_Membership_Form.pdf*



Fully renovated Ankur Facility @ 9502 Highland Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242 is now available on rent for parties and other occasional events

Please Contact Building Rental Manager for information
Bhartiben Noticewala @ 513 -563-2007
bnoticewala@gmail.com

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 Parul Dalal at anknewsletter@gmail.com

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Please step up , get involved and volunteer to be a part of the 2016 Ankur operating committee or Board of Trustees.

Please contact anknewsletter@gmail.com

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