

Ankur Newsletter - January, 2015

## WISHING YOU

BEAUTIFUL MOMENTS, TREASURED MEMORIES, AND ALL THE BLESSINGS A HEART CAN KNOW.



Special thanks to Ankur 2014 operating Committee for a spectacular job performed during 2014 and their continued support to Ankur and the community

- Bharti Noticewala
- Rajal Bhutta
- Hema Shukla
- Julie Desai
- Geeta Matani
- Nita Parikh
- Smita Patel
- Shilpa Desai
- Rupal Patel
- Sangeeta Desai

The 2014 committee thanks the community for support, help and good wishes that were a blessing for the successes during 2014 and welcomes the 2015 Operating committee

### **2015 Operating Committee**

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Call out to the community!

Please step up, get involved and volunteer to assist the ANKUR Committee

Many Thanks to Monal Mehta, Pallavi Patel, Bharti Noticewala, and Pravin Bhutta, Kamlesh Kothari, Mayur Kadakia, Nayan Noticewala, Rajan Desai and Shashank Patel for fundraising and successfully executing the phase II renovation of Ankur building.

## **2015 ANKUR CALENDAR**

Add these dates to your calendar

February 6th 2015

15 An evening with your

**Friday** 

**Valentine** 

Venue: Ankur Samai

Dine with your Valentine

\$10.00 per couple, Cash bar.

**April 12th 2015** 

**Hindi Comedy Play** 

Sunday

Ladi Ke Latke Aur Jasu Ke

Venue: TBD

Jatke

May 17th 2015

**Mother's day Dinner** 

Sunday

Venue: Ankur Samai

June 21st 2015

Father's day Picnic

Sunday

Venue: TBD





## **Midwest Regional FOGANA 2015**

Inviting Choreographers and Participants for all groups – Minor, Junior, Senior and Adults to participate in the competition!

Please contact: Nita Parikh <u>nitamehtaparikh@yahoo.com</u> or call 513-237-3757 for any questions regarding Fogana participation and registration.

Fogana meeting planned on March 1<sup>st</sup> 2015, Sunday 2:00 to 4:00 PM to form groups and meet choreographers.

2015 Ankur Annual Membership (January to December 2015) is now due.

**Annual Membership:\$35** 

Life Membership: \$501

Please mail your membership check payable to "Ankur Gujarati Samaj" and membership form (attached) to: ANKUR, c/o Jagruti Khandari, 4446 Wilderness Way Mason, OHIO 45040.

Please contact Jagruti Khandari at 513-253-9004 or email @ K jagruti@hotmail.com







## **Ankur Activities**







## **YOGA**

Monday Yoga With Herman Ranpuria Weekly- Monday, 6:30 - 8:00 PM



Thursday Yoga With Dilruba Rahman Weekly- Thursday, 6:30 - 7:30 PM

January & February fees:

**Ankur Members \$35** 

Single class fees:

Members \$5, Non Members \$6

Whole Year Session fees:

**Ankur Members \$150** 

For additional information contact Jyoti Mehta at 513-518-0677 or jmweare@gmail.com



Please bring your own Yoga mat

January & February fees:

**Ankur Members \$25** 

Single class fees:

Members \$4, Non Members \$5 Whole Year Session fees:

**Ankur Members \$100** 

For additional information Contact Dilruba Rahman at 513-519 0631 or dilruba6120@gmail.com

Seasoned yogis as well as beginners are invited to attend Ankur Yoga taught by excellent certified Yoga instructors. Yoga reduces stress, increases flexibility, strength, circulation and concentration. Join Ankur Yoga and commit to a healthy mind and body.



## **BRIDGE**

Weekly – Wednesday 7:00 PM – 9:30 PM

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

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 7:00 PM so play can begin. A prompt start is to achieve a timely finish.

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



## **Ankur Book Club**

Monthly: February 5<sup>th</sup> and March 26<sup>th</sup> 2015

Ankur Book Club meets once a month at Ankur or Minal Patel's residence. Book club is led by Minal Patel. The following is the reading plan and schedule

February 5<sup>th</sup> 2015 – 2:00 -4:00 PM

"The Tortilla Curtain" by T. C. Boyle

Venue: Ankur

March 26<sup>th</sup> 2015 - 2:00 -4:00 PM

"Girl In Translation" by Jean Kwok

**Venue: Ankur** 

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 and Rashmikant Patel 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

To help serve lunch or donate food items or money, please contact Julie Desai 513-560-2232 or Bharti Noticewala 513-563-2007.

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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