



NEWSLETTER- NOVEMBER 2015



*May the lamps of joy illuminate your world
and bring you health, wealth and prosperity*

Wishing you a Happy Diwali!

*Wishing all Ankur members and the
community a Happy Diwali*

*Ankur Members and the Community celebrated
Diwali on November 8th 2015 . Special thanks to
community for their involvement , Jay Bedi of
Elements Event Center, Naren Patel of Tandoor
Restaurant, and performance participants for their
effort, help and generosity in making this event a
memorable one.*



ANKUR members celebrated Navratri and Sharad Poonam with great fanfare. Here are some pictures that speaks for itself....





Thanks to all the Sponsors & Attendees for joining us in Navratri celebration, providing flowers , prasad and contributing generously to this years Navratri & Sharad Poonam event .



Our special thanks to Bhartiben & Nayanbhai Noticewalla for their exemplary contributions and efforts in organizing the navratri event and making it a grand success.

List of Navratri sponsors & details of collection

<i>Names of the Donors</i>	<i>Amount</i>		<i>Names of the Donors</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Virendra and Uma Asher	191.00		Sub total b/f...	2,575.00
Minalben Patel	151.00		Jaydeep and Ketki Modi	35.00
Monal & Kausha Mehta	151.00		Jaykumar & Binita Desai	35.00
Padmasen & Krishna Kanani	101.00		Kalpesh & Jagruti Khandihadia	35.00
Anil & Shobhana Marfatia	51.00		Kishore & Sushila Mehta	35.00
Chhotubhai and Madhu Bhakta	51.00		Kartik & Shweta Desai	35.00
Jagdish & Meena Mistry	51.00		Krishanakumar and Kirti Parikh	35.00
Jagdish & Savita Patel (KY)	51.00		Kusumben Doshi	35.00
Jayesh & Jyoti Mehta	51.00		Lilam Stanley	35.00
Ketan & Mala Patel	51.00		Mulraj and Rekha Gandhi	35.00
Manubhai and Daviben Patel	51.00		Mehul and Nita Parikh	35.00
Narendra & Panna Patel	51.00		Nalin & Ila Mehta	35.00
Rashmikanth and Jyoti Patel	51.00		Nalin & Taruna Damani	35.00
Sunita & Anita Pema	51.00		Narendra and Sarla Parikh	35.00
Vijay and Asha Parikh	51.00		Natver and Bharti Noticewala	35.00

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<i>Names of the Donors</i>	<i>Amount</i>		<i>Names of the Donors</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Jayant & Kapi Patel	50.00		Natubhai & Neela Patel	35.00
Kishore & Kusum Patel	50.00		Niranjan & Vina Shah	35.00
Pradip and Kumud Patel	50.00		Nitin and Kashmira Bapat	35.00
Chitu and Hema Shukla	45.00		Nutan & Pushpa Shah	35.00
Abhijit and Julie Desai	35.00		Pankaj & Dipti Joshi	35.00
Ajitkumar and Nayana Trivedi	35.00		Prakash and Parul Dalal	35.00
Ajay and Daksha Munsif	35.00		Pramod and Veena Jhaveri	35.00
Ambrish and Mona Bansal	35.00		Triguna Jani	35.00
Ajay and Veena Bansal	35.00		Pravin & Rajal Bhutta	35.00
Akshay & Kalpana Buch	35.00		Raj & Sheela Mehta	35.00
Amitabh & Anita Raturi	35.00		Rajan and Shilpa Desai	35.00
Amul and Smruti Shukla	35.00		Ramesh & Induben Patel	35.00
Anami & Hansa Patel	35.00		Ramesh & Savita Patel	35.00
Anil & Kanchan Rajadhyaksha	35.00		Rashmi Aparajit	35.00
Arun Karnik	35.00		Ravi Berry	35.00
Arun and Sudha Mehta	35.00		Rupak & Shweta Swali	35.00
Atul & Jolly Purani	35.00		Sagoon & Sushmi Patel	35.00
Babu & Bharti Lengde	35.00		Shashank and Pallavi Patel	35.00
Bhaidas & Usha Patel	35.00		Shwetal & Sangita Deesai	35.00
Bhal & Jyoti Desai	35.00		Sudhir and Geeta Matani	35.00
Bharat and Meena Shah	35.00		Suresh & Jyotsna Patel	35.00
Bhupen and Dorothy Joshi	35.00		Tushar and Jignasa Desai	35.00
Bhupen Joshi	35.00		Tushar and Rasila Parikh	35.00
Neha Joshi	35.00		Tushar N Thakor	35.00
Bhupen & Kalpna Joshi	35.00		Sushila Patel	35.00
Chandu and Manju Budev	35.00		Vaishali Shah	35.00
Devas & Meena Desai	35.00		Vasudha Kale	35.00
Dilesh and Neeta Patel	35.00		Vikram & Nayna Parikh	35.00
Govind and Lata Gupta	35.00		Vijay Sanghvi	35.00
Harshad and Asha Mehta	35.00		Vijay & Purnima doshi	35.00
Hardas & Asha Rathod	35.00		Vinayak & Anuradha Kulkarni	35.00
Haresh and Geeta Hemani	35.00		Vinod & Bharti Rawal	35.00
Hari & Rekha Budev	35.00		Yogesh Sudevi Shah	35.00
Hansa Thakkar	35.00		Bharat & Pravina Bhakta	25.00
Indravadan and Jyotika Parikh	35.00		Raghavan & Bhargavi Pandalai	21.00
Itishree Panda	35.00		Total dontations from Sponsors	4,266.00
Jaykumari Thaker	35.00		Total Aarti Collection	429.00
Jayant & Nayana Patel	35.00		Dassera Havan Dinner	450.00
Jayesh & Meena Ruparel	35.00		Sharad Purnima Dinner	435.00
Sub Total C/f...	2,575.00		Dandia Rental	250.00
			Total Navratri Collection	5,830.00

Uncle A.C Sekhar on his 96th Birthday this November has shared a lovely Poem expressing his feelings on turning 96.

Crossing ninety-six

**On crossing ninety-six
I am in a very great fix
How long more to live
And how best way to live
Without any sort of disability
To the best of sinking ability
Some say Happy Birthday
And many returns of the day**

**Not being useful to any body
But being loved by everybody
I have nothing to look forward
Nor regrets looking backward
There is much change in the world
With more comforts for the old
Life seems to be nothing but a joke
With God and Man in the same yoke**

**Praying God for a peaceful end
No trouble to anybody till the end
Anybody born on earth any day
Must have a happy end some day
What happens to the Soul is not visible
But Energy Matter are inter-convertible
This is the cyclic law of Cosmic Eternity
Under Holy spell of Universal Divinity**

**A.C.Sekhar
5 Nov 2015)**

You did it!
Congratulations



PRAMOD "PJ"
JHAVERI
BLUE ASH CITY COUNCIL
WARD 3

Pramod Jhaveri a founding member of Ankur Gujarati Samaj defeated 20-year councilman Rick Bryan for the Blue Ash City Council Ward 3 seat. Mr. Jhaveri received 54 percent of the votes.

Pramod Jhaveri came to USA in December of 1968 for further education in mechanical engineering and worked in Chicago's Ethicon company as project design engineer. He has been living in Blue Ash since 1980 and is married to Vina (Shah) Jhaveri. He is blessed with a daughter and a son who, now manages his diamond jewelry business. In the spirit of giving back to the community he contested the Blue Ash City Council elections and was elected.

Ankur Gujarati Samaj and the community is very proud of this achievement and wishes him success in this endeavor.

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 December 20, 2015 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))



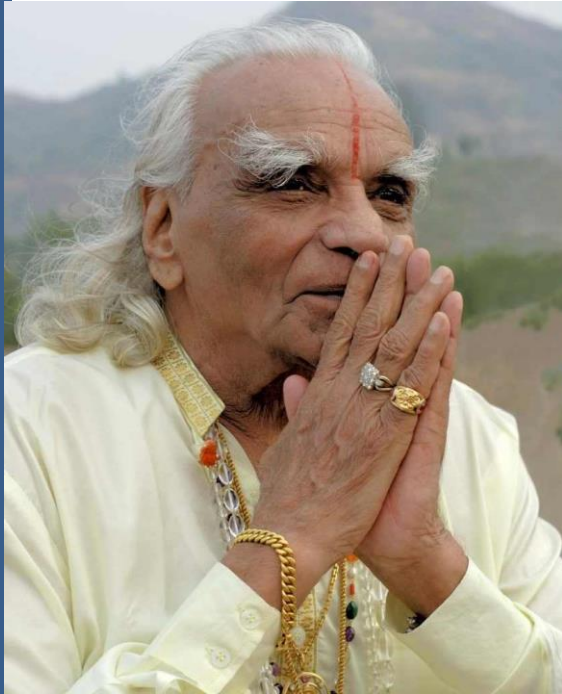
Ankur Activities



Yoga with Herman Ranpuria

(Monday 6:30 to 8:00 PM)

Yoga for all levels and abilities from complete beginners to the most advanced – All are welcome



B.K.S. Iyengar
1918 - 2014

“Health is a state of complete harmony of the body, mind and spirit. When one is free from physical disabilities and mental distractions, the gates of the soul open.”

“Yoga teaches us to cure what need not be endured and endure what cannot be cured.”

“Words cannot convey the value of yoga – it has to be experienced.”

BRIDGE

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.



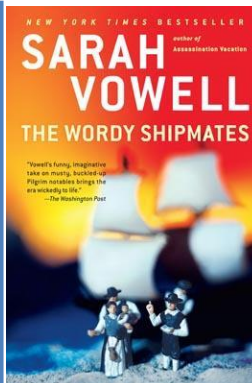
Ankur Book Club

Monthly:

The book club will meet on December 10th 2015 at 2.00 PM at Ankur to discuss the book “The Wordy Shipmates” by Sarah Vowell

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

**DEC 10th,
2015
2:00 PM
Ankur**



**The Wordy Shipmates”
by Sarah Vowell**



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 contact anknewsletter@gmail.com

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