



JAIN CENTER OF CENTRAL OHIO



President's Desk

Jai Jinendra! Hope that everyone is in good health! We are almost to the last quarter of this year! This year took quite a unforeseen turn, however, we have been able to have a continued connection with our Sangh, with events and communications. We hope that the Sangh feels the same way! Our Swapna Darshan Program during Paryushan was a great success! A lot of planning and preparation went behind this, more so since this event was telecasted virtually. Our community participated joyfully and generously and for that we are very grateful to you!

I also wanted to mention here that we now have close to 30 families that are Prime Members. We continue to encourage more members to join, as there are quite some benefits to this, including, participating in taking Swapnas, in various Pujas during our anniversary program and also children of the families joining Pathshala at no cost! For a full list of benefits, keep reading this newsletter!

Please do check out our upcoming events in this newsletter, as we have quite a few planned, for the rest of the year.

Also please notes, we continue to keep the temple open for limited hours on Sunday, at the least, until the end of this year, due to the ongoing pandemic.

We hope you enjoy reading our temple news as you sit back, and relax!

Did you know?

Why do we need to do Jinpujā ?

Jinpujā is a spiritual ritual designed for Shrāvaks. The presence of the image of Tirthankar provides mental peace and harmony and encourages one to detach his/her self from the worldly desires. The forum that Pujās provide, help people discipline themselves. It is considered to be a simple, preliminary step towards the attainment of Moksha. We pray and /or worship to pay our respects to the Tirthankars because THEY have attained liberation, THEY have explained the path of liberation and inspire us to become like THEM.

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Community News

This July, JCOCO conducted virtual Bhavna in lieu of the delayed Temple Anniversary Program with music and singing, live from a socially-distant studio at JCOCO.

We also had an excellent celebration of Paryushan Parva with Swadhyay, Tapascharya and Swapnadarshan program.

This year, we had 40 plus Tapascharya from kids to adults, at our own Jain Center during Paryushan.

(Anumodna to all Tapasvis)

We came together again, even though apart and made this Paryushan Parva 2020 a memorable one!

JCOCO is accepting and looking for families to join our Prime Membership!

Below is a list of benefits. So what are you waiting for? Reach out to any EC members and become a Prime Member today!

- ◆ **Starting with Just \$1,080 per annum for a family**
- ◆ **One Swapna Darshan labh during Paryushan**
- ◆ **One Abhishek Labh during Adhaar Abhishek Pujan**
- ◆ **One Puja labh during Sattar bhedi Pujan**
- ◆ **Annual Pathshala and Language Class membership included**
- ◆ **Get a personal security code to have access to temple 24x7**



Pathshala Corner

Jai Jinendra all, another exciting quarter of learning has passed at PLC. As you know we are continuing with virtual Pathshala for all levels. Currently Hiteshbhai is taking online classes for PL2 & PL3 combined. These classes are helping kids learn not only the sutras but also practical life experiences and thorough understanding of the sutras.

PL1 classes are being held online by Mamtaben Doshi. Mamtaben used to be our Pathshala teacher several years back took a break after. JCOCO is obliged and excited to have Mamtaben back. She has connected very well with kids and has already started doing many projects with them. Along with learning sutras, stories, and basic Jain principles, working on projects has made this class very engaging for kids.

Hoping to continue these virtual classes for kids to keep learning about the religion till we are back in class. Anumodna to all JCOCO teachers for working so hard and diligently.



Jain Recipe

Tofu Bites for snack

Use extra firm tofu drain with weight for 30 mins

Cut in small cubes add seasoning like italian or pavbhaji masala plus salt , red pepper and 1 tbs oil mix it up and in oven 25-30 mins at 375 temp or desired crispness

Enjoy those as quick snack or add in salads

Spotlight

JCOCO donated \$5,000 USD to Mid-Ohio Foodbank to help with the current COVID-19 crisis.

We really appreciate your kindness and generosity towards the cause to support our community in these hard times. Mid-Ohio Bank matched our donation to purchase fruits and vegetables.

Thanks you letter received from Mid-Ohio FoodBank

Jain Center of Central Ohio Friends,

On behalf of the many hungry people in central and eastern Ohio who have access to fresh, healthy fruits and vegetables, we want to thank you again for your most generous gift.

Thanks to your kindness and generosity to Mid-Ohio Food Collective with our COVID19 Emergency Meal Match, we are able to provide up to \$90,000 worth of healthy, fresh food and to hungry families, children, seniors, veterans and homeless people in our community.

You make it possible for Mid-Ohio Food Collective to feed hungry neighbors during this unprecedented time. We couldn't do this work every day without your partnership, Friends. Thanks for all you do for others!

Upcoming Events

Date	Event
10/17/2020	Anniversary Program- Sattarbhedhi Puja/Dhwaj Aarohan
10/23/2020	Ayambil Oli 10/23- 10/31
11/08/2020	General Body Meeting- Virtual
11/14/2020	Diwali- Kumar Paad Aarti Celebration
11/29/2020	Chaumasi Chaudas Pratikraman