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Jai Jinendra,

We have completed one more year, 2007, with a lot of achievements and ready to welcome another new year with challenges and to serve our Sakal sangh with keeping the principles of Janism in mind.

**Jain Center of America is proud to announce celebration of
2606th JANMAKALYANAK MAHOTSAV
of BHAGWAN MAHAVIRSWAMI
on Sunday April 6th, 2008
at Forest Hills High School in Forest Hills.**

To participate in this event please fill out the enclosed form by the deadline – January 19th, 2008 and return to the cultural committee coordinators or at the JCA office.

We request all parents to encourage their children to participate as this helps our next generation to have stronger values for Jainism.

Kindly note the dates for Dadagurudev poojas and Sthanak monthly Samayik.

| <i>GURUDEV POOJAS</i> | <i>SAMAYIK</i> |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Tuesday, January 1 st | Sunday, January 13 th |
| Sunday, February 24 th | Sunday, February 10 th |
| Sunday, March 23 rd | Sunday, March 9 th |
| Sunday, April 20 th | Sunday, April 13 th |

FREE SAT CLASS

We request all our Members to encourage their children to participate actively



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Jan 8, 2008

Sadharmik Brothers and Sisters:

Jai Jinendra,

It is our great pleasure to inform you that all carved marble Pats are installed in Mahavirswami Temple on second floor, Adinath Temple on third floor and precious stone Navkar Mantra in Upashraya on second floor.

We are planning a grand opening ceremony around Mahavir Jayanti in April 2008. We would like all members to participate in this ceremony. Inauguration of all Pats and Navkar Mantra will be done in this ceremony. It will be a great honor to do the Inauguration of these marble Pats and precious stone Navkar Mantra, which has been installed first time in North America at our Temple. We request all of you to participate in such a rare occasion.

Following are the descriptions of the Pats and Navkar Mantra:

MAHAVIRSWAMI TEMPLE

MARBLE PATS:

There are six- three inch thick Marble Pats carved on one piece white Marble in India.

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Shri Delvada Tirth (Abu) | 60"X36" |
| Shri Girnar Tirth | 52"X36" |
| Shri Shetrunjaya Tirth | 52"X26" |
| Shri Samet Sikhar Tirth | 52"X36" |
| Shri Pavapuri Tirth | 52"X36" |
| Shri Ranakpur Tirth | 60"X 36" |

SILVER PATS

There are two silver Pats engraved on silver sheet

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Shri Champapuri Tirth | 70"X30" |
| Shri Shankheswar Tirth | 70"X30" |

ADINATH TEMPLE

There are four-three inch thick marble pats carved on one piece white Marble in India.

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|
| Shri Kundalpur Tirth | 60"X30" |
| Shri Mahaveerji Tirth | 60"X30" |
| Shri Sravanbelagola Tirth | 60"X30" |
| Shri Mangi Tungi Tirth | 60"X30" |



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NAVAKAR MANTRA

Following is the brief description of the Navakar Mantra:

Language: -

Prakrit

Size: -

Four feet (4) wide X Seven feet (7) high

Side Crystal Plates: -

8 inch high and 48 inch wide

Words cut in Gem Stones: -

4 inches in Height, Total 68 words- Nine Lines

Inlaid as well as Embossed

(9 Main Plates + 10 Side Plates + 3 arches. Total weight 836 pounds)

Following are the Precious Gemstones used and colors used as per the Scripture

| | Color | Nature of Gem stone |
|--------------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| Line 1: | White | Onyx |
| Line 2: | Red | Ruby |
| Line 3: | Yellow | Aventurine |
| Line 4: | Green | Malachite |
| Line 5: | Black | Obsidian |
| Line 6 to 9 | Blue | Lapis |

Ashta Mangle on Both sides:

4 inches X 4 inches (Carved in Crystal)

Three Arches:

Main central arch – **Kalash**

Carved in one piece Ruby

Two Side arches- **Om and Rhim**

Carved in Gem stone

General Carving all around: - All flowers and leaves (Painted Gold)

There will be Gheebolis for each carved marble Pat and Precious Stone Navakar Mantra for opening ceremony. Members can send their Gheebolis to the following by e-mail or by phone call:

Jaymik Shah, President

718-465-6500, e-mail- jspjca@yahoo.com

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Final Adesh will be given during Mahaveer Jayanti program in April 2008 followed by opening ceremony on following Sunday morning. There will be Puja in the morning followed by Swamivatsalya.

Board of Trustees and Executive Committee request all of you to participate in this event.

Jia Jinendra

Jawahar A. Shetti, Chairman