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Navjivan Vadil Kendra

(Monthly Newsletter)

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Seasons Greetings & Happy 2013

We wish all our members a very Happy New Year – May they all have good health, lots of joy and happiness in the coming year.

Sponsors for November / December

Chas :

1. For November - sponsored by Asha & Jitendra Mehta in memory of their father Bhupatrai.
2. For December - sponsored by Manjulaben Chotai.

Biscuits :

1. Rasilaben & Prabhudasbhai Shah
2. Dhanlaxmiben & Himatlal Mehta
3. Home made biscuits from anonymous donor.

Donations :

- **£25.00** – from Urmila Dhirendra Sanghrajka on her birthday. Our best wishes on her birthday.
- **£101.00** - from Chimanbhai Sheth on his 70th birthday to sponsor lunch for Diwali.
- **£50.00** - from Woodcock Care Home as thanks for inviting and entertaining them on Sewa Day.
- **£125.00** – from Dhanlaxmiben & Himatlal Mehta (our joint treasurer) on the occasion of their 66th wedding anniversary. Our best wishes to the couple.
- **£25.00** - from Anil Trambaklal Shah on his birthday. Our best wishes on his birthday.
- **£101.00** - from Navinchandra Vaid and Gauri Sheth in memory of their mother Narmadaben who passed away a year back.
- **£101.00** - from Damyanti Bhogilal Mehta on her 75th birthday. Our best wishes on the occasion.
- **£51.00** – from our President on the occasion of his wife's 85th birthday on 12th December and his son Hasmukh's 66th birthday on 13th December. Our best wishes to both.
- **£22.50** - from Adarsh Gujaral. Thanks.

Lunch Sponsorship : Lunch on 12th December was sponsored by our president Pranlal Parekh on the occasion of his wife and his son's birthdays.

Lunch

Celebrating a special birthday, or wedding anniversary! Or in memory of some one dear! Then *Sponsor* a lunch for **£225.00**.

Guest Members:

£5.00 is payable by guests.

Our Condolences : The news of the demise of our member Surekhaben Rupani (age 69) came as a shock to us all. Surekhaben and her husband Bhogilal are members of NVK. We convey our deepest sympathy and condolences to Bhogilalbhai and their family members and pray that they get the strength to overcome this loss. May her soul rest in peace.
Om Shanti Om Shanti Om Shanti.

Diwali Bhet : NVK gave Diwali bhet of £25.00 to each of the two staff of Sattavis Patidar Centre, Meera driver, Komal (who had been working for us for some time), and £10.00 to Harsha (our present cleaner).

Programs – November & December

1. 8th November – Diwali was celebrated with Rangoli competition where many members took part. Winner prizes were donated by Rama Doshi & Adarsh Gujral. The hall was decorated for the occasion. Special Diwali lunch was enjoyed by members, and this was followed by bhajans, a short play and a hilarious poem. The lunch was sponsored by various donors whose names were given in last newsletter.
2. 15th November – NVK for the first time arranged ANKUT on the occasion of Diwali and it was a success. Our members brought a wide variety of dishes for the Ankut. This was followed by a Quiz program.
3. 22nd November – talk by Jay Lakhani on “Philosophic Challenges to Religion.”
4. 29th November – a talk on organ donation and transplant by Jeremy Brown & Cara Murdoch.
5. 6th December – Antakshri.
6. 12th December – We tried a “Jumble Sale” for the first time and it was very successful. Members brought lot of things to sell, and most of the things were sold out by end of the day. All the proceeds went to NVK funds which amount to **£167.50**.
7. 20th December – Whist Drive.
8. 27th December – Closed due to Christmas.

Success of Rangoli Competition, Ankut and Jumble Sale has given NVK few more annual programs to celebrate.

Mukund Mala

It was our first attempt to buy a show in an outside venue, sell the tickets and arrange for food. As we were not sure we took only half the theatre for the showing of Mukund Mala at Bhartiya Vidya Bhavan. But members supported us well and we sold all our tickets for half the theatre. However, the other half of the show was taken by another organization who failed to sell many tickets and nearer the show they cut the price to half to sell the tickets. Our price was based on the costing we did for the show and the lunch and there was no attempt to make a profit. We are disheartened and displeased that tickets were sold at half price whereby many members felt that we had overcharged them.

Membership 2013

Most of our members have renewed their membership for 2013. Only a few have decided not to renew their membership. We are also taking a few new members based on “special need & circumstances” basis. We have received a few applications and the committee will decide which application to accept. The committee has decided to increase the membership to 390. A few vacancies we will have will be offered to those on the waiting list.

New Year & Our 6th Anniversary.

On Thursday 3rd January we celebrate our 6th Anniversary and the onset of the New Year. There will be special lunch with music program. There will be no yoga. Please note that the program is full and we will not be accepting any guests or members on the event day who have not taken the tickets.

Lasting Power of Attorney

Why does one need Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA)? When a person becomes incapacitated either mentally or otherwise, and is unable to make decisions or act upon them then if Lasting Power of Attorney is given then that person can act on behalf of the affected person. If one does not have a LPA, it is not the end of the world BUT then the person taking over decision making will have to go through lengthy legal process before the person is able to do anything.

I am in the process of making LPA for myself. It is not difficult to make. It costs £130.00. If any NVK member is interested in doing LPA then I am willing to guide and help.

Wills :

We all know how important it is to make a Will. Making a simple Will is a simple process and one does not need to go to a specialist or a lawyer for that purpose. If any member is interested in making a simple Will I am willing to help and guide on the subject. (We have also some other members who can also help) The member does not have to divulge his personal matters and details. I can provide guidance on drafting and dealing with the process of completing the Will.

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