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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THE VOLUNTEERS OF THE GUJARATI SAMAJ OF BALTIMORE WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY A VERY HAPPY, PEACEFUL AND ENJOYABLE DIWALI SEASON AND A VERY HEALTHY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

We are delighted and very grateful for the enthusiastic support and cooperation we have received from our members and guests in the past year and for over 38 years of our proud existence in the Baltimore area and all over the State of Maryland.

SUMMARY OF VERY SUCCESSFUL EVENTS OF 2013

<u>Navratri Programs:</u> Our most popular, very famous and some of the best Navratri Rass-Garba programs in Maryland were held on October 5, 12 & 19, 2013 at Meadowbrook Athletic Complex in Ellicott City. We are pleased to announce that this year the attendance at our Navratri Raas-Garba programs was the highest we have ever seen. We are thankful and we appreciate the participation and enthusiasm of the people of all ages who attended these Navratri programs.

<u>Vaikunth Yatra:</u> This yatra to the Vaikunth Hindu Jain Temple in Egg Harbor City, New Jersey was the first time Gujarati Samaj organized a trip to this temple. Over 135 persons, majority of them seniors took part in this yatra and they were very pleased by the excellent organization and service provided by the committee members and volunteers of Gujarati Samaj. We are thankful to Dharmesh and Rupal Shah & Nimesh and Preeti Shah for their generous \$1,000 donation.

Falu Live In Concert: We presented this concert on September 8, 2013 with the Greater Baltimore Temple. This unique and delightful concert was held for the benefit of BalVihar program at the temple and was very well received by the audience.

In addition, Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore organized a very enjoyable picnic at beautiful Centennial Park in Columbia and a Bhajan Program by famous classical singer Sachin Limey at the Greater Baltimore Temple.

The committee members and the volunteers of the Gujarati Samaj work hard to make every event successful and enjoyable. Please attend our programs and events in the future and we guarantee you excellent programs at reasonable prices.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Diwali Music Program & Dinner: Saturday, November 23, 2013 at New Town High School, Owings Mills.

Please do not miss this outstanding music program by very famous artists Samir Date and Deepali Somiya. In addition, we will provide you with a very delicious evening dinner catered by the Chowpatty Restaurant of New Jersey. Most of all, you will get an opportunity to meet & greet your friends and us in this festive Diwali season at an exceptional event. We are looking forward to seeing you at this program. Please book your tickets on-line at gsbaltimore.org. More information about this program is included in this Newsletter.

General Body Meeting: Sunday, November 24, 2013. Members are invited to attend the General Body Meeting of the Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore. More details of the meeting and election process is included in this Newsletter.

We encourage you, especially, our younger generation to volunteer for Gujarati Samaj. If you would like to be a volunteer for Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore please contact any committee member or me.

If you are not in our e-mail list please provide us with your e-mail address. Also, visit our website gsbaltimore.org regularly to get up to date information on our events and a wealth of other information.

I want to thank our members, guests, committee members, volunteers, donors and advertisers for their unwavering support and cooperation. Together, we will continue our rich tradition, our cultural activities and our success for years to come.

Thank you & hoping to see you soon.

Hament Patel

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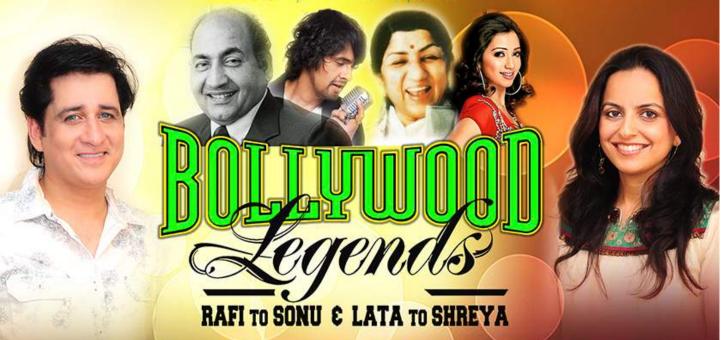
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For additional information please contact:

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Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore Elections for year 2014-2015 Board of Trustees

Rules:

- Mr. Shailesh (Sly) Patel will be appointed as a President for years 2014 and 2015 according to our bylaws. He will appoint 3 members to the Board of Trustees according to our bylaws.
- The nominating person and the nominee shall be the members of the Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore for the past year (2012) and the current year (2013).
- A member/family cannot nominate more than one person for the same position.
- A member can nominate a person for more than one position. If a nominee is elected to
 more than one position then the nominee shall select only one position. The other
 positions will be awarded to the remaining nominees receiving highest number of votes
 for those positions.
- A member can select nominees for one, more or all positions.
- Members cannot nominate themselves.
- Nomination forms should be mailed to the following address and received by November 12, 2013. Forms mailed to other addresses or hand delivered to any board member will not be accepted.
- Nominating Committee may recommend a slate of candidates for any positions for which no nominations are received.

Election (if necessary) will be held from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Sunday, November 24, 2013 at Ramada Inn, 1721 Reisterstown Road, Pikesville, MD 21208-2915. If there is an election, the names of candidates will be posted on our website gsbaltimore.org after November 12, 2013. Members are required to vote in person at the election site. Proxy voting is not allowed.

There will be a General Body Meeting after the elections. Light refreshments will be served.

Hament Patel, acting as an Election Officer, will install the new Officers of the Association with the effective date of January 1, 2014.

Please mail the nomination forms to:

Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore P.O. Box 687 Owings Mills, MD 21117

For additional information, please call any members of the Nominating Committee:

Hament Patel (443) 974-0344, Shailesh (Sly) Patel (443) 865-2525, or Payesh Jhaveri (919) 697-9189.

NOMINATION FORM FOR GUJARATI SAMAJ OF BALTIMORE, INC. BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR YEARS 2014 & 2015.

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B	Joint Secretary	
J	Treasurer	
5	Joint Treasurer	
5	Auditor	
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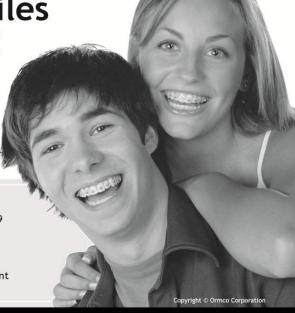
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Dr. Patel, then practiced General & Cosmetic Dentistry for 4 years treating all phases of General Dentistry. Dr. Patel, formerly, served as a Clinical Instructor, Department of Oral Medicine, Temple University, School of Dentistry, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Dr. Patel, completed his Specialty training in Orthodontics & Dentofacial Orthopedics in 1994 at the Howard University, College of Dentistry, Washington, D.C.

Dr. Patel has been published in the "American Journal of Orthodontics & Dentofacial Orthopedics" and the "Journal of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery".

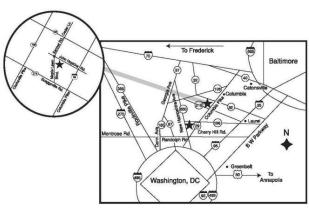
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Best Wishes on Diwali and New Year from Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore

May the festival of lights be the harbinger of joy and prosperity. As the holy occasion of Diwali is here and the atmosphere is filled with the spirit of mirth and love, here's hoping this festival of lights brings your way bright sparkles of contentment that stay with you through the days ahead.

"WISH U A VERY HAPPY DIWALI AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR" નુતન વર્ષાભિનંદન

Gujarati Samaj of Baltimore welcomes the following new life members:

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2013 EVENTS CALENDAR

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Falu Live in Concert, New Town HS, Owings Mills	Sunday, September 8, 2013
Yatra to Vaikunth Hindu Jain Temple, New Jersey	Saturday, September 14, 2013
Special General Body Meeting, Meadowbrook Athletic Complex	Sunday, September 29, 2013
Navratri @ Meadowbrook Athletic Complex	Saturday, October 5, 2013
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