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Announcement of Gurudev 126th Janma Jayanti at Tampa, Florida (May 22 – 25, 2015) And Accomplishment of 2014 Four days Adhyatmic Seminar & Gurudev 125th Janma Jayanti at Tampa, Florida

Four days Adhyatmic Seminar (May 23 - 26, 2014) on event of 125th Janma Jayanti of Gurudev Shri Kanji Swami was accomplished with grand success. Jain Swadhyay Mandir Songadh in USA, a Non-Profit Tax Exempt Religious Organization, arranged the event. Venue was Sheraton Suites, Tampa, Florida. Event was sponsored by Dr. Siddharth H. Shah, Dr. Rakesh P. Shah, (both from Tampa, FL). Drs. Ramesh & Jyoti Shah, (Wilkes Bare, PA), Mrs. Jayshree Mahendra Shah, NYC, NY. Many Mumukshus from North America participated the event with great enthusiasm.

To view glimpses (pictures & videos) of above event, please click on the following links.

(1) **Videos / photos-**

<https://plus.google.com/photos/112694610227861696117/albums/6011270238499647985>

(2) <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?v=10202493066270469>

(3) [125th janma jayanti celebration of Pujya Gurudevshree Kanjishwami...](https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?v=10202499929082035)

<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?v=10202499929082035>

This Organization is arranging four days Adhyatmic Seminar at different places in North America on occasion of Gurudev Janma Jayanti during Memorial long Week End every year.

For more information visit our web site: WWW.ATMA-DARSHAN.ORG

ANNOUNCEMENT

Gurudev 126th Janma Jayanti event with Four days Adhyatmic Seminar at Tampa, Florida (From May 22 to 25, 2015).

Venue: SHERATON Suites, Tampa Airport West shore

(A Five Star Hotel in Tampa Bay Area)

4400 West Cypress Street, Tampa, Florida 33607

Phone: Toll Free 1-888-627-8261/ Fax: 813-877-6766 www.sheraton.com/tampaairport

(Complimentary shuttle service from Airport to Hotel and vice versa available)

Call: 813-873-8675, Sheraton Suites.

Airport is within One mile vicinity of Hotel.

With great pleasure, we are happy to announce that JAIN SWADHYAY MANDIR Songadh in USA has organized Four days Adhyatmic Seminar while celebrating GURUDEV SHRI KANJI SWAMI 126TH JANMA JAYANTI during Memorial Day long week end, From Friday, May 22 to Monday, May 25, 2015.

During this four days of Adhyatmic Seminar, We have planned Adhyatmic lecture series by invited Eminent Scholars, Pooja, Gurudev's CD tape Pravachans, "Janm Vadhamana" – celebration, cultural program by children & Ladies, Gyan Gosthi and Dev-Guru Bhakti. We will also have parallel classes for young Jains.

Sponsors of above Event:-

In Sacred Memory of:

RAMA HASMUKH SHAH

By her Sons: Dr. Siddharth H. Shah / Samir H. Shah, Tampa, Florida

Jain Swadhyay Mandir Songadh (JSMS) in USA

Warmly invites you all to participate this auspicious occasion. Please plan to attend and take advantage of this 125th Janma Jayanti Event with Grand celebration and Adhyatmic Swdhayay by the eminent Scholars..!!

We are excited to celebrate this grand event and hope, your presence in record number will make the event a grand success.

We shall invite eminent scholars from India / USA and one of the Scholars will be dedicated for Young Jains to teach them. All parents are requested to encourage their young ones to accompany them.

A detailed time table of the program will be published at a later date.

Three Ways to Register

1. Lodging and Boarding both:

(From Friday 5/22 night to Monday 5/25 noon) (Includes 3 nights hotel stay and all the Meals) \$135.00 per person (\$270.00 for two persons) (Room: double occupancy)

2. Only Meals for all the days:

From Friday 5/22 evening to Monday 5/25 noon – Only Meals (No Hotel room) - \$85.00 per Person


3. Only Meals per day:

(Friday 05/22 - \$20.00 per person)

(05/23 & 05/24 – Saturday and Sunday \$35.00 per day per person) and

(Monday 05/25 - \$20.00 per person)


Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Charges
5/22/2015	5/23/2015	5/24/2015	5/25/2015	

A	Mumukshu who wants to Participate 126th Janma Jayanti (Friday To Monday)	(3 Nights Hotel Stay & all the Meals) 	\$135 per Person
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Mumukshu Who wants to stay home and participate all the Programs:



B	Mumukshu who wants to Participate 126th Janm Jayanti (Friday To Monday) ONLY MEALS	(All Meals -- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Tea (twice)) 	\$85 per Person
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C	Mumukshu who wants to Participate 126th Janm Jayanti (Friday To Monday) ONLY MEALS	(All Meals -- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Tea (twice))				Per Day Rate - Only Meals
	Per day rate	Friday Only	Saturday Only	Sunday Only	Monday Only	
		\$20	\$35	\$35	\$20	
		per person	per person	per person	per person	

Accommodation for out of town guests

Please visit the above web site of Hotel to know about the amenities available in Hotel and also, map / direction from Tampa Airport. As soon as you arrive at Tampa Airport please call Sheraton Hotel for Free Shuttle Service. Phone: 813-873-8675

Reception at the Hotel (Friday May 22, 2015 between 3-00 PM to 6-00 PM in Hotel Lobby)

Before this, please make sure to mail in your attached registration form with check before the due date: March 10, 2015.

We have limited Rooms available in this five star Hotel, with offer of \$135.00 per person, which include lodging boarding for all the days' event.

As such First come First served will be the criterion.

If you are driving from out of town, please arrive at Hotel during the reception time, which is between 3-00 to 6-00 PM on 05/22/2015..

Gurudev Janma Jayanti / Vadhamana will be celebrated on Sunday May 24, 2015

Between 10am - 12pm.

All registered Guests will be provided with Wrist band and a name ID Badge.

Please mail in your Registration Form with check in favor of:

“Jain Swadhyay Mandir Songadh” before March 10, 2015

At following address:

Samir Shah

16218 Muirfield Dive

Odessa, Florida 33556

Phone: 813-649-8979

Please download the attached registration form, Fill out completely and send with appropriate check as soon as possible at the above Address.

As per Hotel regulations: For incidental charges such as if purchases made from the Hotel facility/ making long distance calls / View TV movie etc., you are advised to provide your Credit Card information to the Hotel Management while checking in on Friday 5/22/2015. In view of this please do bring your Credit Card with you.

Membership for JSMS

Jain Swadhyay Mandir Songadh (JSMS) is USA based organization.

JSMS is a non-profit tax exempt religious organization ID # 36-4068758.

Brief of introduction of JSMS is as Follows:

JSMS was started in a humble way by a Mumukshu as solo work during 1992 and it was formally registered as Non-Profit religious organization with Federal Government during 1996.

Gurudev Shri Kanji Swami was instrumental in starting a new revolution in the percept and practice of Jainism as envisaged by Bhagwan Mahavir and his predecessors.

Sole aim of this Mission (JSMS) is to pervade this Tatvagyan among desirous Mumukshus in North America.

Since last thirteen years, every year we organize four days Seminar while celebrating Gurudev Janma Jayanti at different places in North America (during Memorial week-ends).

We invite eminent scholars from India and also local scholars to conduct the seminar. Scholars are also invited to help celebrate Das Laxan Parva and conducting Shibirs at various Jain Centers.

JSMS provide all Adhyatmic literature, CDs of Gurudev Pravachans on all scriptures, Atma-darshan News Letter, gift of books written by eminent scholars. And on web www.kanjiswami.org you can read / down load Atma Dharma monthly (Gujarati and Hindi).

We shall consider our efforts aptly rewarded, if even a few people are encouraged from Activity of this mission to direct their lives on the right path to achieve real happiness.

If you are still not a member of JSMS, we urge you to become a member by Filling out the attached form and send in just \$101.00 for membership.

As a member, you will receive Atma Darshan, a News Letter published by this Organization.

This News Letter contains news about our all activities, upcoming events and Information about Scholar's visit / program. Members are also occasionally gifted books written by eminent scholars / DVD, CD on religious lectures, video etc,

Please visit JSMS official web site for detailed information about this Organization.

www.atma-darshan.org

Data Base for Brighter Future

Special Request to all:

We are creating a vast data base of all the Mumukshu in North America and we need your help.

If you have any friends or family who has not received email / Atma Darshan News Letter from JSMS, Please feel free to forward to them.

Also, with their consent, please inform us about their full name (including spouse), their address & phone # and their email address.

We thank you for your support and cooperation.

Let us all come & join together and make this upcoming event a memorable one for everyone!

For further information, please contact:

1. Samir Shah: 813-649-8979. Fax: 1-877-597-6530 Email: samirmrr@yahoo.com

2 Siddharth H. Shah. Phone: 727-934-6141

Important Information:-

WE HAVE LIMITED NUMBERS OF ROOMS IN THIS SHERATON SUITES HOTEL AS SUCH FIRST COME FIRST SERVED WILL BE CRITERION

During 2015 Seminar we shall have three Scholars to conduct the Seminar and also one more Scholar to conduct parallel session for Young Jains. As such parents are advised to bring their young ones with them to participate the event.

Wishes for New Year 2015: Let all soul be blessed with eternal happiness, equanimity, amity and let divinity prevail everywhere in the Universe.

ज्ञायक आत्मा

एक द्रव्य दूसरे द्रव्यका कर्ता तो नहीं, लेकिन छूता भी नहीं। प्रत्येक द्रव्य स्वतंत्र है। प्रत्येक द्रव्यकी पर्याय क्रमबद्ध होती है। आत्मा मात्र ज्ञायक परमानंदस्वरूप है। यह सर्वज्ञ भगवानकी दिव्यध्वनिका पुकार है। ऐसी अध्यात्मकी सूक्ष्म वस्तु इस कालमें जिसे अंदरसे रुचे और परिणमित हो जाय ऐसे जीवोंको एक-दो-चार ही भव होते हैं, ज्यादा नहीं होते—ऐसा शास्त्रोंमें आता है।

—पुरुषार्थप्रेरणामूर्ति पूज्य गुरुदेवश्री

" कुछ करना " [कर्तृत्वबुद्धिसे] सो मरने बराबर है। मुझे शुरूसे ही " कुछ करनेके भावमें " मरने जैसा बोझा लगता था। शुभ परिणाम होते (तो) मैं भट्ठीमें जल रहा हूँ - ऐसा लगता था।

समुद्रके जलमेंसे एक बूँद उड़कर बाहर पड़े तो उस बूँदको रेत चूस कर खत्म कर देगी ; और यदि गर्म रेत हो तो बूँद तुरत खत्म हो जावेगी। वैसे ही परिणाम बहारकी ओर जाये (तो) दुःख ही दुःख है।

- पूज्य श्री निहालचंद्र सोगानीजी

Events and News

Vairagya Samachar: Shrimati Ramaben H. Shah, wife of Hasmukhbhai Shah, President: JSMS passed away on June 26, 2014 at Tampa in one day brief illness. Her devotion towards Dev Guru Shastra was exemplary. She alone had Sponsored Gurudev 115th Janma Jayanti event during 2004 at Tampa, Florida. She was silently helping (with Tan Man Dhan) Gurudev Janma Jayanti events since 111th Janma Jayanti: Year 2000 at Siddhachalam, NJ.

Jain Scholar Shri Subhashbhai Sheth from Wankaner will help celebrate Das Laxan Dharma Maha Parva at Tampa, Florida, USA, during 2015. Similarly Jain Scholar Dr. Rameshbhai Parekh is visiting USA from Feb to Aug 2015. He will be doing Swadhyay during Gurudev 126th Janma Jayanti event May 22 – 25, 2015 at Tampa, Florida.

After the above Events these Scholars are available for other Centers and Swadhyay groups. If any of these Centers wish to invite these Scholars for Swadhyay / lecture series, please Contact Samir Shah, Phone: 813-649-8979. Email: samirmrr@yahoo.com

Jain Scholar Shri Atulbhai Kamdar from Hyderabad will help celebrate Das Laxan Dharma Maha Parva at Jain Center, London, UK during 2015

Songadh Trust has now received permission from Govt of India to accept Donation in Dollars / foreign currency.

Gurudev Shri Kanji Swami 126th Janma Jayanti celebration and Four days Adhyatmic Seminar will be At Tampa, Florida, USA from May 22 to 25, 2015. Venue: Sheraton Suites West Shore, Tampa, Florida, USA. For more information please contact Samir Shah, samirmrr@yahoo.com Ph: 813-649-8979.

Gurudev Janma Jayanti Din / Bahenshri Janma Jayanti Din / Gurudev Samadhi Din and other important dates are given In Jain Tithi Darpan published by Songadh Trust. If you need please let us know.

Parla Jin Mandir Panch Kalyanak Pratishtha Mahotsava will be celebrated in a grand way from May 17 to 22, 2015.

પૂજ્ય ગુરુદેવશ્રી કાનજીસ્વામીનાં પડકારો

‘હું જ પરમાત્મા છું’ એમ નક્કી કર,
‘હું જ પરમાત્મા છું’ એવો નિર્ણય કર,
‘હું જ પરમાત્મા છું’ એવો અનુભવ કર.

વીતરાગ સર્વજ્ઞદેવ ત્રિલોકીનાથ પરમાત્મા (સીમંધરદેવ) સો ઇન્દ્રોની ઉપસ્થિતિમાં સમવસરણમાં લાખો કરોડો દેવોની હાજરીમાં એમ કરમાવતા હતા કે, ‘હું પરમાત્મા છું’ એમ નક્કી કર.

“ભગવાન! ‘તમે પરમાત્મા છો’ એટલું તો અમને નક્કી કરવા દો!”

એ ક્યારે નક્કી થશે? કે જ્યારે ‘હું પરમાત્મા છું’ એવો અનુભવ થશે, ત્યારે ‘આ (સીમંધર ભગવાન) પરમાત્મા છે’ એવો વ્યવહાર તને નક્કી થશે; નિશ્ચય નક્કી થયા વિના વ્યવહાર નક્કી થશે નહિ.

પૂજ્ય ગુરુદેવશ્રીનાં હૃદયોદ્ગાર

* શુભાશુભના વિકલ્પોથી, રાગાદિના ભાવથી કે દ્રવ્યોના ભેદરૂપ વિચારથી તને શું લાભ છે? એવા વિકલ્પોનું સાવધાનીપૂર્વક પ્રતિપાલન એટલે કે આચરણ અને સ્મરણ તેનાથી તને કઈ કાર્યસિદ્ધિ થાય છે? કોઈ કાર્યસિદ્ધિ થતી નથી. એક બાજુ ભગવાન આત્માનો અનુભવ છે ને બીજી બાજુ ભેદ-વિકલ્પો આદિ છે પણ તારે એ બીજી બાજુનું શું કામ છે? અભેદ ચૈતન્યસ્વભાવનો અનુભવ થયો તેને દયા, દાન આદિ વિકલ્પોથી શું સિદ્ધિ છે? અરે! દ્રવ્ય-ગુણ-પર્યાયના ભેદ વિકલ્પોથી શું પ્રયોજન છે? તેના તરફનું સાવધાનપણું છોડ! ૬૧.

* ચૈતન્ય ચમત્કારી તત્ત્વનું સામર્થ્ય કેટલું!—એમ અંદરમાં દેખે-પ્રતીત કરે તો ધર્મનો મહેલ થવાનો પાયો ઊભો થાય. વિકલ્પ તૂટ્યા વિના આવી વસ્તુ અંદરમાં બેસે નહિ. વસ્તુ છે તે સીમા રહિત છે. અમર્યાદિત વસ્તુ છે, અક્ષય ને અમેય વસ્તુ છે. એ વસ્તુને શ્રદ્ધામાં લેનારી પર્યાય પણ કદી નાશ ન થાય એવી અક્ષય ને અમેય છે. ભલે અચારિત્રના પરિણામ હોય તોપણ એની શ્રદ્ધા પર્યાયની-જ્ઞાનપર્યાયની એટલી તાકાત છે કે રાગ (પોતામાં) નથી. પરદ્રવ્ય પોતામાં નથી.—એમ જાણી લ્યે છે. ૬૨.

* અરે! આવા ચમત્કારી સ્વભાવની વાત સ્વના લક્ષે સાંભળે તો મિથ્યાત્વના ભૂકા ઊડી જાય એવી આ વાત છે. ૬૩.

* શરીરના એક એક તસુમાં ૮૬-૮૬ રોગ છે. એ શરીર ક્ષણમાં દગો દેશે, ક્ષણમાં છૂટી જશે. કાંઈક સગવડતા હોય ત્યાં ધુસી જાય છે. પણ ભાઈ! તારે ક્યાંક જવું છે ત્યાં કોનો મહેમાન થઈશ? કોણ તારું ઓળખીતું હશે? એનો વિચાર કરીને તારું તો કાંઈક કરી લે! શરીર સારું હોય ત્યાં સુધી આંખ ઉઘડે નહીં ને ક્ષણમાં દેહ છૂટતાં અજાણ્યાસ્થાને હાલ્યો જઈશ! નાની નાની ઉંમરના પણ ચાલ્યા જાય છે માટે તારું કાંઈક કરી લે! ૬૪.

* પ્રશ્ન :—ચોથા ગુણસ્થાનવાળા સમ્યગ્દષ્ટિને તો ભય થતો દેખાય છે ને તેનો ઉપાય પણ કરે છે ને?

પૂજ્ય ગુરુદેવશ્રી :—સમ્યગ્દષ્ટિ અંતરમાં તો નિર્ભય જ છે, બાહ્યમાં ભયપ્રકૃતિમાં જોડાવાથી અસ્થિરતાનો જરી ભય દેખાય છે તોપણ અંતરસ્વરૂપમાં તો નિર્ભય જ છે. તેથી તે આલોક પરલોક આદિ સાતે પ્રકારના ભયથી રહિત નિર્ભય હોય છે. ૬૫

**126th Janma Jayanti of Gurudev Shri Kanji Swami /
Four Days ADHYATMIC Seminar at Tampa, Florida
May 22 – 25, 2015
Registration Form**

Name + Spouse name + Children names with age	Tel # Mobile	Tel # Home
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		

Address: _____ email address: _____

_____ Spouse email: _____

	Date	Time	Airport / Driving into Tampa?	Need ride?
Arrival				Yes / No
Departure				Yes / No

Registration Fee – For 3 nights’ hotel & 4 days of meals:

1. For two persons in one room = \$135.00 (1st Person) + \$135.00 (2nd Person)
 2. For only **one** person (not couple) in one room = \$270.00
- Children under 14 years of age are free, if they stay in parent’s room.

Registration Fee - For Only All Meals participants: \$85.00 person – for all 4 days of meals.
 (Registration form must be filled out and appropriate fee must be sent by both type of registration.)

For Free Shuttle service from Airport to Hotel, Call: 813-873-8675 - Sheraton Suites Hotel

The Donation to cover expenses for visiting Scholar will be voluntary.

 Please make check payable to: **“Jain Swadhyay Mandir Songadh”** and mail to:
Samir Shah, 16218 Muirfield Dr, Odessa, Florida 33556. Phone: 813-649-8979

Dead line for mailing Registration form & fee is March 10, 2015.

Your timely action in mailing this form with the check will help us organize the programs in a better way.

I understand that Organizers of this seminar/event will not be responsible for any unforeseen incident/accident.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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A Non-Profit Tax Exempt Religious Organization. ID # 36-4068758

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