



Patidar Cultural Association of USA

(Non-Profit Organization, Tax ID # 22-3031050)
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September 10th 2009

Dear Members,

Patidar Cultural Association committee is happy to announce this year's **Navratri Garba on Saturday, September 19th 2009** and the annual **Diwali celebration on Saturday, October 24th 2009**. Please make a note of these dates and place. Both these events are at the same place.

NAVRATRI GARBA:

Place: Middlesex County Vocational & Technical High School, 112 Rues Lane, East Brunswick, NJ 08816

Date: Saturday, September 19th 2009

Time: 7:30 pm to 12:00 pm

Donation of \$5.00 per person is expected to cover the expenses. Children under 6 years of age are free.

* Arti Thali will be available with the contribution of \$ 51.00. Arti sponsors, contact Sudha Dalsania at the hall.

** Light snacks and drinks will be provided.

DIWALI CELEBRATION:

Place: Middlesex County Vocational & Technical High School, 112 Rues Lane, East Brunswick, NJ 08816

Date: Saturday, October 24th 2009

Time: 3:30 pm to 11:30pm

Donation: Life members - \$25, all others - \$30, children age 6 to 12 years - \$15, children under 6 years of age are free. (Use registration form attached).

PCA would like to continue to recognize our fresh college graduates. If you or your child graduated between September 2008 and August 2009, provide the information with Diwali registration form.

You are welcome to sponsor any event or part of an event in our programs, for example, food or hall rent to cover the cost of the Diwali celebration. Contact Jayant Dadhania at (732) 422-0249 or Kiran Ghodasara at (732) 761-9828 or Prakash Govani at (215) 343-8586 for donations.

Attached you will find:

1. Directions to Middlesex County Vocational & Technical High School,
2. Monthly Seniors Get-together information
3. Diwali registration form.
4. Cultural program information and registration form
5. Student Excellence Award information and Award Entry Form.
6. Registration for lifetime membership.

Sincerely,

CC: PCA File

PCA committee

Please visit us at **WWW.PCAOFUSA.ORG** for any changes or any new information.

Directions to Middlesex County Vocational & Technical High School

Dates: Navaratri Garba : September 19th 2009

Diwali : October 24th 2009

Address: 112 Rues Lane, East Brunswick, NJ 08816, Tel: (732) 254-8700

Directions:

From Route 18 South:

Take exit for Rues Lane (After Brunswick Square Mall). Turn right at the end of exit ramp. Proceed for 1000 feet and the school entrance is on the right side.

From Route 18 North:

Take exit for Rues Lane. Turn left at the end of exit ramp. Pass through the traffic light and the school entrance is on right side.

From NJ Turnpike:(North or South)

Take exit 9 and after the toll plaza keep to the left and take Rt.18 South. Follow directions as above.

From Route 287 South:

Take exit for Route 1 south. Go approx. 4-5 miles and take exit for Route 18 South (after Loews Cinemas). Follow directions as above.

From Long Island:(via Staten Island)

Take 278 West and go through Gothels Bridge. Take NJ Turnpike south. Take exit 9 and after the toll plaza keep to the left and take Rt.18 South. Follow directions as above.

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY OF YOUR CHILDREN.

Note: *ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE PROHIBITED*

MONTHLY SENIORS GET-TOGETHERS

The Women's Group of PCA is organizing monthly Seniors Get-Together in Central Jersey for MEN and WOMEN

THREE SUCCESSFUL GET TOGETHERS HAVE ALREADY BEEN HELD THIS YEAR

“Monthly Men & Women's Seniors Get-Together”

Location:

20 Churchill Road
Edison, NJ 08820

Time:

2:00PM to 5:00PM
On Sunday Afternoons

Future Dates:

September	(no get-together due to Navratri)
October	(no get-together due to Diwali)
November	22 nd
December	20 th
January	(no get-together)
February	28 th
March	(no get-together)
April	25 th

For further information please call:

Sudha Dalsania
(908) 755-9092

Madhu Vachhani
(732) 247-7518

Please check www.pcaofusa.org for updates and changes

PCA of USA 23rd DIWALI CULTURAL PROGRAM 2009

*If you or your Child would like to participate in the Annual Diwali Cultural Program please fill out the form on this page and send it No later than **October 10th 2009** to the address below:*

Mrs. Rajeshree Govani
2030 Ballantine Lane, Warrington PA 18976-2737
Tel: 215-343-8586, Fax: 215-491-9102. Please call before 9PM
Email: rajeshreegovani@yahoo.com

ALL KINDS OF ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED - IN ANY LANGUAGE
PLEASE SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY - ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION

Items will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis, up to 13 items, via postal mail only.
No items will be accepted by telephone or e-mail!

4 SOLO PERFORMANCES WILL BE ACCEPTED, ONE SOLO PER FAMILY
GROUP ITEMS ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED
CHILDREN UNDER 11 CANNOT PERFORM A SOLO
4 ANNOUNCERS WILL BE ACCEPTED

Item name: (e.g. rass) _____

Description of item: (details about the song) _____

Length of performance: _____

Contact name: _____

Name of father and mother if child performing last (not Patel) first

Contact phone: _____ Contact e-mail: _____

PARTICIPANTS:

	Last Name	First Name	Age
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			
9			

Registration form is also available on PCA web site: WWW.PCAOFUSA.ORG

MANDATORY: CD must be in by October 17th 2009

PCA Entertainment Committee reserves the right to screen items and make last minute changes if necessary to make the program more entertaining for all.

KPS/PCA Student Excellence Award

KPS/PCA Student Excellence Award is annually sponsored by Dr. & Mrs. Mohan & Rasila Bhalodia in memory of Late Sri & Srimati Ambavibhai and Ottamben Bhalodia. **The Aim** of the award is to inspire and promote excellence in our youth as they grow up to be among the most valued citizens of USA, bringing unique talent and noble character in their life pursuits, and strengthening the positive image of our community.

Three awards, one each of \$500, \$300, and \$200 US Savings Bond will be presented with a certificate of excellence to top three students selected based on the following eligibility criteria and selection process.

Eligibility & Minimum Requirement : To enter for the award, a student must meet **ALL** of the following requirements:

1. Must be a member of KPS/PCA or a child of a member of KPS/PCA.
2. High school senior or graduate entering college during the award year.
3. SAT (New) Math, Critical Reading and Writing combined score of 2100
4. Two or more SAT Subject Tests (SAT II) with minimum score of 680 in each
5. Three or more AP tests (any subject) with an average of 4
6. Minimum GPA equivalent to 3.5 on a scale of 4.0
7. Active participation in at least two extracurricular activities for a minimum of one year in each.

Entry process is made very simple for eligible students. All the information necessary to evaluate candidates on a consistent basis is gathered in one-page entry form under Honor system. No essay, supporting information or document is required. The entry form may be obtained from PCA secretary or downloaded from PCA web site. Entries must be received by the *deadline* shown on the entry form.

Selection of Award Recipient : To make the selection process unbiased and as objective as possible, a "Student Excellence Index (SEI)" has been developed. SEI will be calculated for each qualified candidate entering for the award. Students with top three SEI will receive the awards. If top two of them have the same SEI, they will share first two awards equally. Similarly, if second and third have same SEI, they will share second and third award equally.

SEI takes into consideration a student's performance on the SAT, SAT Subject Tests, AP Exams, GPA, extracurricular activities, and other awards/honors/recognitions. These performance attributes are weighed in the SEI formula such that no single attribute can overshadow the others. It provides a consistent basis for candidate evaluation in line with the spirit and theme of Student Excellence.

Announcement & Presentation of Award : Award winners will be notified within *four weeks* after the entry deadline, and may be asked to provide necessary documents to verify their entry information. Winners will be announced at the annual Diwali function where the awards will be presented by the sponsor. Winner and immediate family member(s) ***must be present in person*** to receive the award.

Sponsor Reserves All Rights : The sponsor intends to continue to sponsor the award each year. They, however, reserve the right to discontinue the sponsorship at any time by notifying PCA. Also, sponsor reserves all rights to amend or alter selection process including selection criteria and minimum requirements. Any such changes will be applied uniformly to all candidates in subsequent award years, but shall not affect past awards. Sponsor's decision regarding award winner shall be final.

KPS/PCA Student Excellence Award Entry Form

Student Name		SS No :
Address		
City, State, Zip		
Phone	Area code : Number:	e-mail :
High School	Graduated (Month/Year) :	
College Admitted	Starting (Month/Year) :	

SAT Combined Score (Out of 2400)	SAT Subject (Enter up to 3 Subject)	Score	AP Exam (Enter up to 5 Subjects)	Score
If SAT is taken more than once, enter the highest total score from any single sitting. Do not add highest Verbal from one sitting with highest Math from another.	1.		1.	
	2.		2.	
	3.		3.	
	For SAT II and AP, enter highest score if taken more than once		4.	
			5.	
GPA	Out of	e.g. 3.9 out of 4.0; 4.3 out of 4.5 etc.		

Extra Curricular Activity	Number of Years Actively Participated *	Position held if any (e.g. Editor, President, Secretary, etc.)
1.		
2.		
3.		

* Active participation in an activity means devoting on an average at least two hours per week during the school year, or equivalent total time (about 80 hours) during the year (e.g. summer activity/job etc.).

Other Awards, Honors, Recognition	Check the level			
	Local	State	National	International
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				

Mail Entry to : KPS/PCA Student Excellence Award
c/o Mrs. Rasila Bhalodia
44 Tremont Drive
East Hanover, NJ 07936

Entry Deadline : Must be post-marked *no* later than **October 1** of the award year.

Questions? : Call Mrs. Rasila Bhalodia at (973) 428-0031; e-mail: sbhalodia@verizon.net

Do Not submit any other information or supporting documents with the entry form. All information required to evaluate candidates on a consistent basis must be provided on this entry form under Honor system. Incomplete form will not be considered. Winners will be notified within four weeks after the entry deadline, and may be asked to provide necessary documents to validate their entry information.



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LIFE TIME MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

Life time family membership fee is \$ 250.00., Please make check payable to PCA of USA
Mail this form to: Mr. Prakash Govani, 2030 Ballantine Lane, Warrington, PA 18976-2737

Please Print

Family (Last Name) _____ First Name _____ Father's / Husband's Name _____
(NOT PATEL)

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip/Postal Code _____

Phone # Home _____ Work/Business _____

Family E-Mail Address _____

Original Town in India _____ District _____

Wife's Maiden Name (Wife's Last Name before marriage) _____

If you use "PATEL" as your official Family Name, check here:

Please list only immediate family members. (These include yourself, spouse, unmarried children, unmarried brothers, sisters, and/or parent(s) living with you.) **You may copy this form.**

Family Member (First name)	Marital Status	Relationship	Year of Birth (Optional)	Occupation	E mail or Phone
		Self			

By signing below, you agree to use of above information for publication.

Your Signature _____

Date _____