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GURJAR CELEBRATES ITS

30th Anniversary

**THIS YEAR. EXPECT A FUN FILLED YEAR.
WE LOOK FOR YOUR ACTIVE PARTICAPTION,
ATTENDANCE, ENCOURAGEMENT & SUPPORT.**

The Executive Committee

HAVEY TO MAANI JAAV ...

Popular Gujarati comedy coming to Boston on March 30, 2007 starring veteran actors of Gujrati stage and television. Once again we will be offering the special to LIFE MEMBERS of buying 1 VIP ticket and getting a second free. Book your tickets in advance to get good seats. Additional information on www.Gurjar.Org.

Gurjar Scholarship Awards

Gurjar announces their Scholarship program for Class of 2007. Children of Gurjar life members are eligible to apply for this award.

Gurjar Election

We have listed open positions for next term. We are looking for volunteers for the Executive Committee as well as volunteers for specific events.

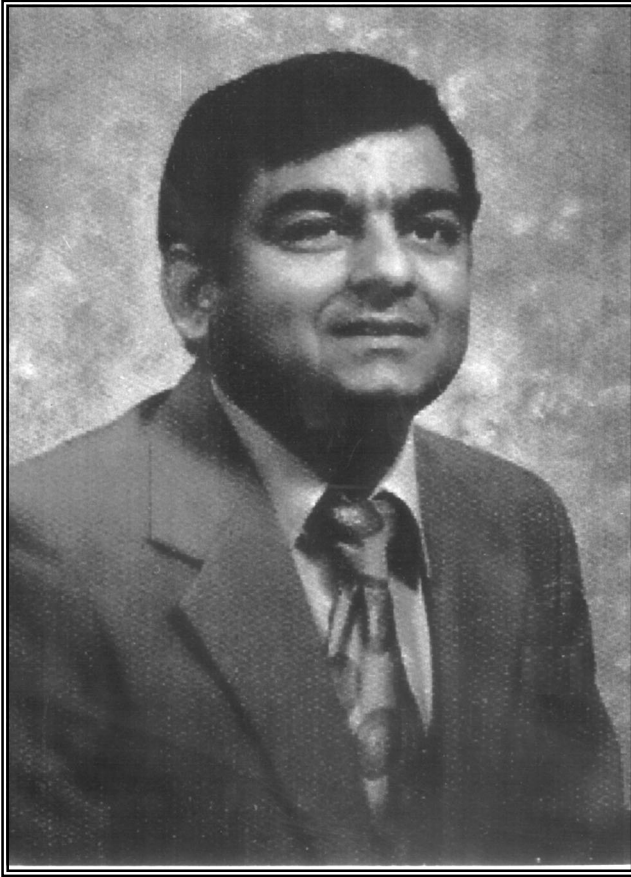
Gurjar Youth MELA

**Vendor booths/Seminars/Dances followed
by a Garba night.**

***We thank our sponsors: Hope Foundation, SunBelt Business Advisors,
Aangikam Dance Academy, Mysore Veggie for their support in 2006.***

Please contact Bipin Parekh, Satish Patel or Eshani Shah or any other Gurjar committee member for more details on how you can sponsor or advertise in Gurjar. To book a booth during the Mela contact Ramila Thakkar.

EULOGY FOR (Late) Shri. Arvind Pancholi



Our beloved committee member Arvindbhai passed away last October, leaving behind his mourning family and friends. It was a big loss to the community. He had served on the GURJAR committee for over 20 years. He had joined the committee not for 15 minutes of fame but for a lifetime of selfless service. He brought with him a passion for community service which rubbed off on everyone he worked with. Be it organizing a sports event, assisting the grandparents

club or fundraising you could depend on Arvindbhai to lead the endeavors.

His high point was in 2001 when he led the Gurjar community on a massive campaign to raise over \$200,000 for the Gujarat Earthquake victims. His warmth and friendships crossed all barriers and therefore he had a large support group. His unassuming nature and his comfort in serving the committee in any position were highly admired. No job was too small and thus he was always willing to volunteer for any task.

His humble nature and humility are greatly missed by us. His passing has left a great void in our community. He has enriched the lives of all those who have experienced his friendship, his love and his relentless community service.

WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THE PEACE OF HIS SOUL.

GURJAR in association with AVANTAR THEATRES presents a family comedy

Friday, March 30, 2007 at 8:30 PM

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(Behind the Townhall / Police and Fire Dept.)

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\$35, \$25 and \$15

Dinner / Fast Food will be sold at the venue by MYSORE VEGGIE



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for directions and
other information.

Gurjar Scholarship and Merit Awards

It is with great pleasure that Gurjar announces yet another year for its scholarship reward program. Gurjar scholarship fund is set-up with contributions from Gurjar members and well-wishers. Gurjar very much relies and appreciates the support of the community for this program. If you wish, feel free to send your contribution checks to Gurjar president or any committee member.

Gurjar will award 3 Merit awards to students who have received Top SAT scores. The amounts are \$100, \$75 and \$50 respectively. Additionally, Gurjar will also award several Scholarships in the sum of \$5000 in total.

The students will be ranked based on the following criteria and scholarship will be awarded based on an aggregated score. You can opt not to submit a given document for one or more of the criteria, but in that case, you will be awarded a "0" (zero) score for that criteria. Gurjar will maintain absolute confidentiality of the information that is submitted and will render an un-biased decision. In past, Gurjar has awarded the scholarship to all the applicants.

1. SAT Score (40% weight)
2. GPA (25% weight)
3. Commitment and participation for Gurjar activities (15% weight)
4. Extra-curricular activity (10% weight)
5. Community service and participation (10% weight)

All graduating high school seniors of Gurjar Life members are eligible to apply. If you are not a Gurjar life member, you can become one by February 28, 2007, and become eligible, provided that you have been a paid regular member for at least 3 of the last 4 years.

Students must submit an essay (300 words or less, type-written on 8 1/2" x 11" paper) with completely filled application. The topic of the essay is "My contribution to the Indian Community to preserve Indian culture". The essay is not part of a competition, just part of the application process. Some of the essays will be published in Gurjar newsletters and/or Gurjar web site. The essays will become the property of Gurjar. Awards will be announced/presented at the Gurjar Youth Program. **Please send in your application with the essay, no later than April 30th, 2007 at the following address: Eshani Shah - 15 Beaver Road, Reading MA 01867**

Please submit a typewritten application on a separate paper, including the following.

1. Student Name
2. Address and Email
3. Attending College
4. Parents' Name
5. SAT Score and GPA
6. High school attended, town, state
7. Details for Commitment and participation for Gurjar activities, Extra-curricular activities & Community service and participation

EVENTS FOR 2007

MARCH 30 – A GUJRATI PLAY – “HAVE TO MANI JAAV”

APRIL 2007 – SEMINARS

JUNE 2 – GURJAR MELA

JULY 2007 – GURJAR PICNIC

OCTOBER 12, 13, 19, 20 – NAVRATRI CLEBRATIONS

NOVEMBER 17 – DIWALI CELEBRATIONS

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ELECTION NOTICE

As per Gurjar's Constitution, Article VII, an election Committee of three members listed below has been appointed, to handle The Election of the office bearers of Gurjar for the year 2007/2008.

Nisha Vora:	35 Wesson Terrace, Northborough, MA 01532	Tel: 508-393-2490
Kishore Patel:	323 Salem St, Andover, MA 01810	Tel: 978-475-0476
Kishore Shah:	2 Sarah Lane, Chelmsford, MA 01824	Tel: 978-244-1240

Open positions are:

- A. Vice-president: Serving two year term and assuming the Presidency thereafter (should have served on the committee at least 2 years to qualify)
- B. Treasurer: Serving a two year term
- C. Secretary: Serving a two year term
- D. Directors: Five positions are currently open, all for a two year term.

For those of you interested in serving for any of the above positions, please file the form below no later than April 15, 2007 and submit to any of the nominating committee member. As per Gurjar's constitution Article IV Section I, a candidate eligibility requirement is to be a voting member of the association for a minimum of one year.

Declaration of Candidacy Form

Name: _____ Phone No: _____

Address: _____

Post interested In: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I understand that if elected, as an executive committee member I am expected to attend all monthly meetings and actively participate in all Gurjar events.

Gurjar Youth Mela

(Sponsored in part by Angikam Dance Academy (www.aangikam.com))

This year in celebrating the 30th year we are planning a special day starting 3:30 pm to midnight. There will be vendors selling Indian dresses, jewelry, plenty of food and other exciting activities.

TIME: 3:30 pm to Midnight

LOCATION: Billerica Memorial High School – Off Rt. 3A Billerica MA

Entry - \$5:00 for all ages – includes entry to the Garba

CULTURAL SHOW

1. Entries will be accepted on a First-come-first-serve basis – is that, once a song is taken we will not allow a second entry of the same song except a few lines included in a medley. DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING ENTRIES IS MAY 13TH 2007.
2. AGE No limit, Boys and Girls – we are looking for an active participation - 6yrs to *****
3. Participant can not be in more than 2 items.
4. No solo performance will be allowed to accommodate everyone...
5. Each entry can be no more than 6 minutes for group performance.
6. All participants must check-in by no later than 3:00 pm.
7. An audio tape/CD of your song must be submitted at the registration desk.



STARTING 7:30 PM - GARBA NIGHT AT THE SAME LOCATION IN THE GYM.

Gurjar is planning on publishing “Gurjar Youth Magazine” as part of this event.

- It will be filled with articles by *professional* college/financial advisors.
- We are looking for our youth to write articles for this magazine and share their experience and comments on being a youth in this society; be that in high school, college or professional life. Any youth from 13 – 30 years is welcome to submit their articles for this magazine.
- Please send in your article to eshani@comcast.net no later than March 31st 2007

Please watch this space for more details.

We welcome your ideas, suggestions and comments.

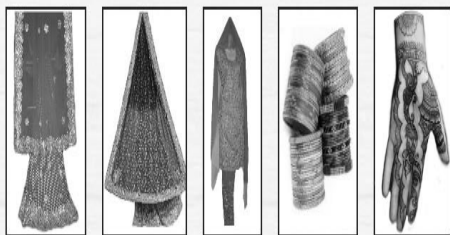
We need lot of volunteers to make this event a success.

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