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SIKH Religious Society

PALATINE GURDWARA



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NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2017

Guru Pyari Sadh Sangat Ji,

Waheguru Ji Ka Khalsa, Waheguru Ji Ki Fateh!!

During the past two months, we celebrated / observed several historic days associated with "Gur Itihaas (history associated with our Guru Sahibaan)". The Board of Trustees, CIC and all the members of several committees Wish all the Sangat members "Guru Nanak Dev Ji's Gurburab diyaan Wadhaayiaan". By the time this Newsletter reaches you, we will already be celebrating Guru Nanak Sahib's Gurburab. We will keep announcing various preparations and programs from the stage during the month of October, please stay tuned. You can also watch live and recorded daily programs from Gurdwara Sahib on YouTube.

As you have been informed in the September Newsletter, and as a result, several Sangat members have shown interest in the process of Selection for the upcoming 2018, BOT/ CIC Trustees / Member vacancies. Following are the proposed deadlines. Please remember these are only suggestions, that are being communicated to Sangat, so that BOT fulfills its responsibility as enumerated in the SRS Constitution "ALL ATTEMPTS SHOULD BE MADE TO FILL THE VACANCIES, IF POSSIBLE, TO AVOID ELECTIONS".

Sept 17, 2017* --- Advisory Committee to be set up by Sangat members from among the membership;

· *(If you are interested, you can still give your names to S. Mahanbir Singh Brar. Once the first meeting is held, no more new names will be taken as the process would have started)

October 15, 2017 – The advisory Committee will develop a process as to how to select the nominees; October 22, 2017 – General Body Meeting to get more suggestions on the process developed by the Advisory Committee;

November 12, 2017 – Finalize the process and ask for prospective Nominees so that a final list of FIVE nominees for BOT and ONE for CIC is completed and submitted by February 4, 2018.

These dates will be shifted since the Selection Process Development Committee (SPC) has already started their meetings every Sunday. They will come out with new deadlines.

We are holding a Mool Nanakshahi Calendar Implementation Conference at our Gurdwara Sahib on November 11, 12. Various Keynote speakers are invited to participate in the conference. The list of speakers includes S. Pal Singh Purewal Ji, Dr Narinder Singh Dhesi Ji, Dr Sukhpreet Singh Udoke Ji, S. Sarabjit Singh Ji, Bibi Jasbir Kaur Ji (New Jersey), S. Surinder Singh Ji (Host Talking Punjab). Many Gurdwara Managements have shown their interest in participating in the Conference also. Please join us in organizing this conference successfully by giving your valuable suggestions in the meetings that are being held in AV Room at our Gurdwara Sahib.

REMEMBER OUR GURDWARA SAHIB IS STYROFOAM FREE:

Styrofoam is a toxic material. It takes several hundreds of years to disintegrate in the environment. Several cities have already banned the use of Styrofoam. Let us all help mother earth clear of these toxic materials. Please use the Gurdwara Sahib provided bio-degradable paper plates etc. If anyone has any questions or issues with this policy, please contact us in the office.

For scientific evidence, please check the following report: <https://www.nap.edu/catalog/18725/review-of-the-styrene-assessment-in-the-national-toxicology-program-12th-report-on-carcinogens>.

A Karsewa was organized on October 28th with a great participation by volunteers. Because of a cold and dreary day, all the tasks could not be accomplished especially outside. We would encourage the whole Sangat members to actively participate in the scheduled Karsewa's in future. More the better.

"May Waheguru, keep you in Chardhi Kalaa".

Forthcoming Events

Shaheedi Baba Deep Singh Ji:

On Monday, November 13th

Evening Diwan on Friday 6:30 PM-8:30 PM and Dedicated Diwan on Sunday November 19th

Shaheedi Sardar Kartar Singh Sarabha:

On Thursday, November 16th

Dedicated Diwan on Sunday November 19th

Gurgaddi Guru Gobind Singh Ji and Shaheedi Guru Teg Bahadur Ji:

On Friday, November 24th

Dedicated Diwan on Sunday November 26th

Akhand Path of Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji Aarambh Thursday November 23rd

Akhand Path of Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji Bhog on Sunday November 26th at 9:15 AM

Sahibzada Joraver Singh Ji:

On Tuesday, November 28th

Dedicated Diwan on Sunday December 3rd

Sukhmani Sahib Paath's Santhya

Every Saturday Sukhmani Sahib Paath's Santhya is being held at Palatine Gurdwara by Bhai Parminderjit Singh from 3:30 PM to 6:00 PM.

Gurmat School

Accomplishments of the month:

We celebrated Agman Divas of Guru Nanak Dev Ji on October 29th as advised and agreed with committee. All classes participated with enthusiasm, supported by parents. It was nice to see our youngsters performing and sharing Gurmat vichar with the Sangat

Upcoming Events/ Activities:

We need more children to prepare for our celebration of Guru Gobind Singh Ji's Gurburab. Please stay after the Gurmat school to learn Shabads and other activities at 1.30 PM.

Youth Professional Development (YPD)

The Youth Professional Development program is targeted to drive the following traits within the members:

- SAT preparation

- College application help (i.e. essays, interviews, program selection, etc.)
- Career insights
- Professionals presentations on various career related topics

Upcoming Events/ Activities:

- YPD team will be starting a new program: Making help available for School Homework, general discussion with senior students for school / college activities and planning.

Announcement at large:

- Please contact at ypd@srschicago.org if you have any questions.
- Please visit the following Facebook page for more information: <https://www.facebook.com/srsypd/>

Medical Clinic

Accomplishments:

- Our Doctors and Nurses team doing a great job at the SRS Clinic. They come on time every week and dedicating their time for this Seva!!!!
- Currently 7 Medical doctors, 2 Nurses, and one Dentist serving the Sangat per the assign schedule, that is now posted by the clinic.
- Flu Shots were administered on 10/8/17 11 AM - 1PM SRS Clinic. About 60 Sangat members took advantage of the opportunity.

Upcoming Activities:

- A dental Hygiene educational session will be held in SRS Gurdwara in the 11/19/2017, 11 AM in the Media room. Interested sangat member or Dentists, Hygienist to contact prempal@srschicago.org.
- Following is the schedule of the attending doctors
 - Dentist doctor Time: once a month Sunday from 10:00 AM to 10:30 AM

26th Nov Amrit Virk, Dentist
 - Medical doctor Time: Every Sunday from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

5th Nov Dr. Rajbir Dhillon
12th Nov TBD
19th Nov Dr. Harpreet Kaur Ghuman
26th Nov Dr. Gurbax Singh Saini

Announcement at large:

- Doctors interested in contributing their seva, one Sunday a month or Specialist (such as Gynecologist, Chiropractic, Dietician, Physical Therapies etc.) on need basis. Please contact prempal@srschicago.org for the scheduling.

Community Outreach and Media Relations

SRS Chicago supports and hosts many community outreach events.

Accomplishments:

- September 21: Participated and presented at U.N. International Peace Day event organized by Wheaton Interfaith Council's at Gary United Methodist Church in Wheaton, IL.
- October 1: Attended an interfaith meeting organized by Wheaton Gurdwara Sahib.
- October 11: at SRS gurdwara organized an Interfaith Candlelight Vigil to remember the Las Vegas mass shooting victims. About 150 mostly local communities' guests and interfaith speakers attended.
- October 17: About 60 students and teachers from Niles East High School visited Gurdwara sahib, partook langar, observed Sikh worship services Shabad Keertan, and learned about Sikhi through presentation and Q&A. A turban tying demonstration was done and significance of a Sikh turban explained.
- October 21: A more than 300 college students from Rockford IL visited SRS Gurdwara sahib to learn about Sikhi and to observe Sikh worship services. An interesting Q&A session followed.

Upcoming Activities:

- December 13: to commemorate the anniversary of Sandy Hook Elementary School, Newtown, CT an Interfaith Candlelight Vigil is planned at SRS at 7 pm.

Announcement at large:

- BOT has assigned Surinder Kaur to co-ordinate all the community outreach activities. Anyone wanting to participate in the Outreach activities, please contact BOT Surinder Kaur or SRS main office.

Treasurer's Report

Status SRS Bank Accounts, September 2017

INCOME/EXP SEPT. 2017			
INCOME		EXPENSES	
TOTAL INCOME SEPT. 2017	\$ 43,825.21	MAIN EXP.	TOTAL
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 55,857.39	ELECTRIC	\$ 1,813.29
		GAS	\$ 351.40
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$ 38,241.20	WATER	\$ 419.30
		PHONE	\$ 331.53
TCF BANK WITHDRAWALS	\$ 43,409.42	GROCERY	\$ 191.73
CHASE BANK WITHDRAWALS	\$ 8,500.00	PAPER PRODUCT	\$ 2,394.80
TOTAL BOTH BANK WITHDRAWALS	\$ 51,909.42	SALARY	\$ 15,000.00
		MORTGAGE INTEREST	\$ 8,500.00
		WASTE MGMT	\$ 420.43
		BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$ 239.85
TCF BANK BALANCES		LAWN	\$ 590.00

CHECKING	\$ 64,130.20	GRADING PLAN DRAWING	\$ 2,350.00
MMA	\$ 2,371.73	SCHOOL	\$ 882.76
TOTAL TCF BOTH ACCOUNT	\$ 66,501.93	HARMONIUM FOR SRS SCHOOL	\$ 3,222.50
		BASEMENT REMODELING LABOUR	\$ 8,800.00
CHASE BANK BALANCES		BASEMENT REMODELING MATERIAL BUY	\$ 1,445.18
CHASE CHECKING	\$ 30,390.78	IT GROUP	\$ 34.00
TOTAL BOTH BANK BALANCE TCF&CHASE	\$ 96,892.71	AMAZON	\$ 1,164.29
SAVING (NEW PROPERTY ACCOUNT)	\$ 8,401.11	SEAL COATING PARKING B, C NEW PROPERTY	\$ 3,500.00
		ELEVATOR	\$ 600.00
BUILDING LOAN	\$ 795,731.29	CLEANING	\$ 1,334.78
		OFFICE	\$ 21.48
NEW PROPERTY LOAN	\$ 290,000.00		
DEPOSIT EXTRA PRINCIPAL	\$ 9,698.21	BAG FOR RUMALA	\$ 203.32
INTEREST PAY	\$ 2,622.08	AKHAND PATH BHETA	\$ 520.00
LOAN BALANCE	\$ 280,301.79	KATHA BHETA	\$ 652.00
		NEW HVAC UNIT CRANE RENTAL	\$ 475.00
		SPECIAL ACTIVITY	\$ 108.00

The detailed income report for September 2017 can be accessed from the following link or it can be obtained from SRS Office:

<http://www.srschicago.org/?mdocs-file=2080&mdocs-url=false>

Bhul Chuk Maaf Karni
Pardeep Singh Gill
Executive Secretary

Comments and suggestions, e*mail to: ExecutiveSecretary@srschicago.org

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