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Namaste & Nutan Varsha Abhinandan!

Matiya World Board of Directors joins me in wishing everyone a Very Happy Diwali and A Prosperous New Year. It is truly a great honor and privilege to welcome everyone, and present Matiya World's newsletter from its FIRST Board that was elected and constituted after the recent convention in Los Angeles. The board of directors of Matiya World is devoted in making our Matiya community a strong one that will not only enable maintaining our unique identity, but also help sustain and enrich our future generations with the values, culture and heritage that we all inherited from our forefathers.

Just recently, in July 2007 we hosted a Matiya World convention in Anaheim, California. We thank you all who came and look forward to welcoming you all back again, including those who missed the first one in our forthcoming convention scheduled to be held sometime in 2009. The convention was a great success, and was attended by Matiya's from all over United States, as well as attendees from other parts of the world. The success of the convention reflects the true dedication and commitment of fellow Matiya's to stand up and deliver when it comes to serving the community and unite when provided a platform for the common good of the community at large.

We can build strong relations through various events. If we share our events then we can all support one another and enable continuity in connectivity and networking within the community. This will also ensure that our youth is continuously engaged with and within the community enabling us to attain our goal of leaving behind a legacy for our future generations rich in culture, values and heritage we all Matiya's are so proud of. Matiya World is a vehicle we present to you to begin this journey.

Please feel free to write to us or send an e-mail with your suggestions and for any information and/or clarification you may desire from any one of us at Matiya World. We look forward to your support to "Matiya World".

Sincerely,
Dilip Dahya
President



Humble Beginnings

Matiya World made its humble beginning with one man's dream of bringing all Matiya's together. That one man was Dilip Dahya. He spoke passionately about uniting all Matiya's in the United States and eventually the world. A few Matiya's bought into the idea and decided to meet in a central location, Dallas, TX, on July 9, 2005. During many heated discussions, at this very meeting, it was decided that a Steering Committee be formed from the attendees to establish Matiya World. The Steering Committee was assigned the task of establishing Matiya World as a non-profit corporation and of planning the first Matiya World convention. On October 31, 2005 Matiya World, Inc. was registered formally as an entity and an application was filed in February 2006 with IRS under section 501 (c) (3) for Recognition of Tax Exemption. Please take time to visit www.MatiyaWorld.com - the MW new website which shall be evolving as we march forward. With the momentum behind us, we planned our first ever Matiya World Convention in Anaheim, CA. Matiya Community (Samaj) today is under the threat of extinction as our size is shrinking due to migration. Matiya World will strive to provide a foundation to network and build relationships among all Matiya's. It will help preserve the Matiya identity to maintain our roots and educate our youth of our refined culture. With your support and involvement, we can achieve all of our goals. Take part, be heard, and make Matiya World deliver on its promise!



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Wishing one and all a Happy Diwali and a prosperous New Year!

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FIRST "Matiya World" Convention - July 14-15, 2007 (Anaheim, CA, USA)

If you missed it, you have a second chance coming...please do plan to attend the 2009 Convention.



Opening Prayers

First day, July 14 2007: began with opening ceremonies, which included Prayer, singing of national anthem of both India and America and welcome speech by Tusharbhair (New Mexico), followed by keynote speakers Chris Howard. Some of the other speakers were David Harrison (Estate planning), Ashwinbhai Patel (Yahoo), and Anilbhai Patel (UL). This was followed with Matiya World Election Process Guidelines presented by Bharat Patel (Vakil) of Texas. There was a Toastmasters communication session. In between the children and youth had their own separate sessions that included a comedy show and survivor game. During the Social hour there was a Bingo session followed by dinner. The evening entertainment was awesome; talented Matiya dancers from different states, great lighting and beautiful backdrops gave a perfect ending to a perfect day. We ended the day at about 10:30 p.m.

Second day, July 15, 2007: The day started with yoga session by Bhupendrajai, nutrition presentation by Nayanbhai Patel which had audience riveted, the Ziba story by Sumita Bhadra was very informative and Sahara on domestic violence was an eye opener. Bharat Patel (Vakil) of Texas then announced newly elected Board of Directors of Matiya World. Then moved on to the Trivia game (which had the audience surfing the net to answer the questions), fashion show and then the Mission Impossible segment. Thank you notes were presented by Dinubhai (Varad). And lastly the icing on the cake was the most wonderful show performed by a music lovers group from Baroda.

Matiya World's first convention was held on July 14th & 15th at the Anaheim Convention Center in California. We had over 1200 Matiya's from not only within United States but also had a few participants from far away India, United Kingdom & New Zealand who attended this convention giving it the international flavor and sync in appropriately with the Matiya World name we gave this worldwide Matiya venture. All in all the convention was a tremendous success.



Arkansas



Masters of Ceremonies



Sacramento



Los Angeles



Los Angeles



Florida



Canada



Oklahoma

Please visit our website at www.matiyaworld.com for the feedback and lavish praises accorded to Matiya World from those who attended the convention and also you may view the photographs of this memorable and historic convention which are uploaded for the benefit of those who could not attend.

Lastly, we at Matiya World cannot forget to thank the Convention Committee from Los Angeles for their tireless efforts and hard work without which the convention wouldn't have been the tremendous success it was. Thank you to all of them.

See you ALL at the 2009 Convention!!!

First Ever Matiya Convention - A 'YOUTH' SUCCESS!

The Matiya youth group started out the first ever Matiya World 2007 Convention in Anaheim, CA with a bang by hosting it's first ever beach trip at Doheny State Beach on Friday July 13th, a day before the convention officially started. The youth group enjoyed several sporting activities including volleyball and football, socializing and of course the free subway lunch donated by Matiya youth members Devesh and Dipesh Patel. This was only the start to what turned out to be an extraordinary and successful convention.



With a phenomenal turnout of over 200 youth participants, the Matiya World 2007 Convention brought together young members of the Matiya community from not only all over the United States, but Canada as well. The youth group had their own breakout sessions where they held ice breakers to introduce one another and had discussions on hot topics such as arranged marriage during the two day event. The breakout sessions were used to enhance the Core Values the youth group came up with during their Conference in Wichita, KS during the summer of 2006. The breakout sessions weren't always serious however as comedian Kinner Shah provided entertainment and endless laughs to the youth group during the second day of the convention. Reena Prema, an attendee of the Convention, and an advisory committee member, shares her thoughts of the Matiya Youth Group and says "The Matiya Youth Group is not just about religion, culture, or what village one comes from, but about learning about our heritage and setting differences aside and becoming one." The fun of the Matiya Youth Group has just begun as there are many more upcoming events to look forward to!

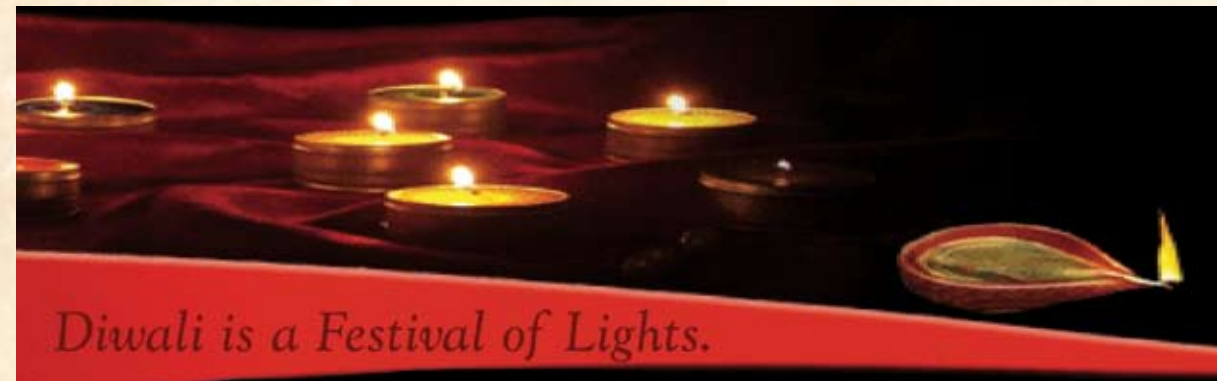


The Matiya youth group would like to introduce the newly elected
Matiya Youth board members,
 Devesh Patel, Pranav Patel, and Vikash Patel
Advisory committee members,
 Bhavini Patel, Reena Prema, and Ashish Patel.

(Article written by Kavita Patel of Glendale, CA)

Be on the lookout for more details on the Summer 2007 Youth Trip!

Be sure to join the Matiya Facebook group
 and www.Myspace.com/matiya for more updates!



Diwali is a Festival of Lights.



This festival is celebrated for five continuous days, with the third day being celebrated as the main Diwali or as "Festival of Lights".

Fireworks are always associated with the festival. The day is celebrated with people lighting diyas, candles all around their house. Lakshmi Puja is performed in the evening to seek divine blessings of Goddess of Wealth. Diwali gifts are exchanged among all near and dear ones.

Dhan Teras - Nov 7th, 2007
 Diwali - Nov 9th, 2007
 Nutan Varash - Nov 10th, 2007
 (New Year)

Diwali is time of joy, happiness and a time to come close.
 This diwali come close to your near and dear ones and
 Celebrate the day with full vigor.

Subh Diwali & Sal Muburakh

