



Lohana Association of Greater Chicago



(Established 1971)

Celebrating 40th Year Anniversary



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Wishing You A Joyous, Prosperous, Healthy & A Very Happy New Year 2011

Dear Members,

We are very excited to announce that all the tentative programs for the year 2011 have being determined during the committee members meeting. The final dates of each program will be intimated in due course via circulars before the event.

Month/Year	LAGC Events
March 25 th 2011	Drama (Dikri Number One)
April 24 th 2011	Bowling
June 2011	Kite Flying
July 2011	Picnic
August 2011	Talent Show Evening
August 2011	Health Fair
October 2011	Garba
October 2011	Garba
November 2011	Diwali Celebration

If you would like to sponsor any of the above program(s) please contact Kanubhai Thakkar @ 630-372-9028 or Tusharbhai Thakkar @ 847-298-9898 or any of the committee member at your earliest convenience. All our activities, news, information and event highlights will be regularly updated on our website.

To get the latest updates please visit "<http://www.lagc.us/>"

Membership Fees (above 16 years of age)

☞ Annual	\$ 20.00 per person
☞ Lifetime	\$ 200.00 per person

Rental Charges

☞ Dandia (No limit)	\$50.00
☞ Audio system	\$100.00 (\$250 deposit)

Please Note:

1. If you have not yet paid the membership fees for the year 2010, you will receive a membership due letter in mail. Please send out the payment to Kaushikbhai or Tusharbhai in order to continue receiving the event circulars and membership privileges.
2. To update your address, phone and email information; please contact me via phone **312-752-8690** or by email: **nayanmt@gmail.com**

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Sincerely,
Nayan M. Thakkar
(General Secretary)
LAGC 2011 & 2012

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MARCH 25, 2011 @9:00 P.M

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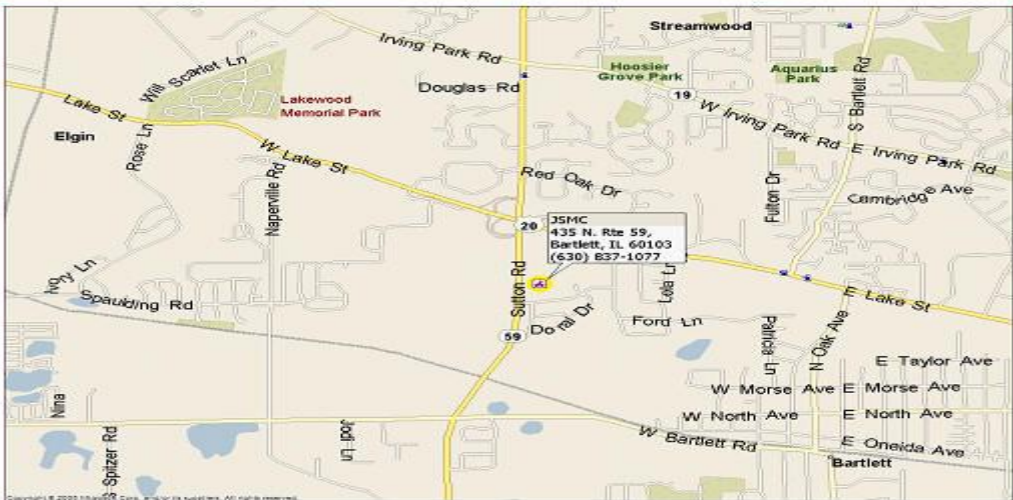
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Call Any Committee Member to buy tickets and to sponsor the event. Make sure to buy your tickets (special discounts available for LAGC paid members) well in advance to reserve better seats.

This is an **open** event, so feel free to invite any "non-lohana" friends and

help LAGC to sell more tickets to benefit our association. We need your support to make this event the biggest fun-filled event of the year and show "again" the super unity of Lohanas to Gujarati Community of Chicago!

*Sincerely,
 Nayan M. Thakkar
 (General Secretary)
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Directions:

From Chicago Downtown

- ☑ Take I-90/94 Westbound
- ☑ Continue to follow I-90 WEST towards Rockford
- ☑ Pass O'Hare Airport
- ☑ Take IL-59/Sutton Road Exit & Turn LEFT
- ☑ Continue to follow IL-59/Sutton Road for approx. 5-7 miles
- ☑ Pass US-20/Lake Street
- ☑ Turn LEFT for JSMC

From South (Aurora / Naperville Area)

- ☑ Take IL-59/Sutton Road NORTH
- ☑ Continue to follow IL-59/Sutton Road for approx. 10-15 miles
- ☑ Pass Bartlett Road
- ☑ Turn RIGHT for JSMC (Before US-20/Lake Street)



LOHANA ASSOCIATION OF GREATER CHICAGO (LAGC)

IS PROUD TO CELEBRATE ITS



40th year anniversary (1971 to 2011)

We need your help to celebrate this milestone of LAGC and make this year memorable for one and all!!!

Following are some interesting facts about Lohanas:

Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia has following definition of Lohana:

Lohanas (Persian: لامياحاءأنا, Gujarati: લોહણુલ Sindhi: لوهاڻا Hindi: लोहाना) or 'Master of Swords' are an Indo-Aryan ethnic group and are a Ranghuvanshi Kshatriya^[4]. In India, they mainly reside in Gujarat, Mumbai and other parts of the country. In the last 150 years, some Lohanas have lived or do live in parts of Africa, such as Uganda and Kenya, and parts of the Western world, such as the U.K., Canada, and the U.S.

Early History of Lohana:

The Lohanas, also known as Thakkar and hence often holding surnames including Thakkar and Thakrar, trace their roots in history right up to the emergence of Aryans, a linguistic of Indo-Iranians in the Indian sub-continent (which then included today's Afghanistan). It is believed by Legend that the Lohanas are descendants of the hero Rama (Raghuvanshi, descendant of King Raghu), who bore two sons: Luv (Also spelled as Lava) and Kush. From the elder son Luv, the Lohanas are supposed to be originated along with Kurmi (later settled in North-East and some Western part i.e. UP, Undivided Bihar, MP, Gujarat, Maharashtra of India.)

Descendants of Kush are known as Kushwaha. His younger son Luv was given the North (uttar Kaushala) of his kingdom, which came to be, called Luvalka or Luv's land consisting of present day Lahore (Pakistan) as it's Capital.

Luv is portrayed in the Ramayana as a great warrior. In one of the episodes of the Ramayana even though he is a mere boy in the hermitage, he brings the entire army of his father Lord Rama (under the command of his uncle Laxman) to a standstill by the prowess at archery (of course along with his older brother Kush). His descendants too were cast in the same mould, but they were not satisfied with Luvalka and pushed to the west and annexed today's Afghanistan and adjoining areas.

Around 580 BC., when king Bimbisara ruled over Bharat (India), the society came to be divided into different communities based on their occupation. One of their communities was called Kshatriyas and King Luv's descendants were classed with them and came to be known as Luvanam, which was also referred to as Luvana. The Luvanas from Loharghat became known as Loharana (masters of swords; or iron ("Loha") chiefs ("Rana")), which later became Lohana.



CLEAN UP GARAGE HAZARDS

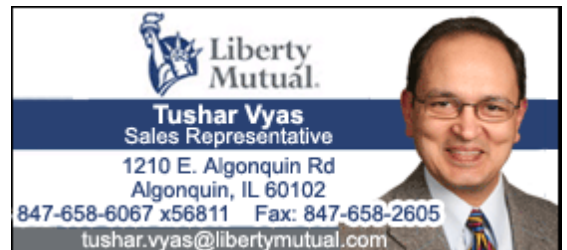
A cluttered garage is more than an eyesore. Ninety-four percent of home garages harbor potential fire hazards and other dangerous items, according to a national study by the Home Safety Council. What's more, disorganization and poor lighting can cause slips and falls, which account for 75 percent of garage-related injuries.

These easy steps will help you combat garage dangers:

- Install a smoke alarm, fire extinguisher and carbon monoxide detector in the garage.
- Store only small amounts of gasoline, and only in a tightly sealed, properly labeled safety container. Never keep gasoline in a garage with an appliance that has a pilot light.
- Keep flammable or poisonous materials, such as pesticides, lighter fluid and paint thinner, in clearly labeled original containers with child-resistant caps. Place them in a locked cabinet or on a high shelf. See if your community holds Hazardous Waste Days for disposing of household chemicals.
- Use the maximum safe wattage in light fixtures.
- Keep floors and stairs clutter-free. Clean grease and spills right away.
- Hang large and sharp objects, such as rakes, shovels and bicycles, on a wall away from busy areas.
- Properly secure shelving units to the wall and don't overload them. Keep heavier items closest to the floor.
- Stash toys together, and within children's reach, to prevent kids from exploring dangerous areas.

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