



Brief News of "Path of Ahimsa"

Jain Vishwa Bharati, New Jersey, under the guidance of Samani Sanmati Pragya and Sanmati Shukla Pragya, organized a memorable event on Sunday, Oct 31, 2010. The event was entitled 'Path of Ahimsa - A Tribute to Acharyas' and comprised of an exploration of the many facets of Ahimsa (nonviolence) and its applications in

resolving many of the dilemmas facing our world today. It also comprised of a tribute to all the Acharyas, especially Acharya Mahapragya, who interpreted Bhagwan Mahavir's Ahimsa for the common masses and in the process became the 'Path of Ahimsa' themselves. The program began with 'Guru Vandana - A Tribute to Acharyas' - a dance number presented by Subhanjali School of Performing Arts, which was followed by a show by JVB NJ Gyanshala students entitled 'Indradhanush - The Many Colors of Ahimsa'. Present and former Board Of Directors and Present EC members of JVB NJ lead a tribute to "Path of Ahimsa" and pledge. JVB NJ members also presented an Ahimsa Chorus that was led by Samanijis. The program featured a plethora of guest speakers including Dr. Dipak Jain, Dean Emeritus of Kellogg School as the Keynote Speaker, NJ Assemblyman Upendra Chivukula as the chief guest, Woodbridge Mayor John McCormac, JAINA president Mrs. Lata Champsee, JAINA Digest Editor Mr. Chetan Sanghvi, and representatives of various Jain organizations from the tri-state area. The event marked the release of a book entitled 'Let Us Learn To Live - Twelve Golden Principles of Holistic Living' originally by Acharya Mahashraman and translated by Samani Sanmati Pragma. The event also featured the premier of a movie - 'Journey to Peace' - created by Sakhamitra Ashwini of Studio ABCD, Mumbai, that depicts the journey and legacy of Acharya Mahapragya. The event was held at North Brunswick High School auditorium and was attended by more than 500 guests.

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