



SANT NIRANKARI MISSION

Washington DC Metropolitan Area Spiritual Center

4501 Pleasant Valley Road, Chantilly Virginia 20151

Guru Puja Divas & 5th Annual Street Cleaning Community Service Sunday February 23rd 2020

With the blessings of Her Holiness Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj, the annual Guru Puja Divas Samagam was celebrated at the Washington DC Center on February 23rd, 2020. Respected guest from New Jersey congregation along with mission members from Maryland, Virginia, and Washington DC participated in the Samagam. According to directive from headquarters, Street Cleaning community service was performed.

Guru Puja Divas is the celebration of Baba Hardev Singh Ji's birthday. Members of congregation and guests shared their thoughts about Satguru Baba Ji, and how his words, teachings and experiences lead an impact on our daily lives. Congregation members expressed their love and gratitude through devotional hymns, speeches and poetry. Missions history and Baba Hardev Singh Ji's teaching of unconditional love were discussed as well.

The congregation also consisted of a Sufi Sangeet (Spiritual Music) program performed by Res. H Paul Ji from New Jersey congregation., who shared Satguru's message of Love and Peace through his melodious hymns and verses from Holy Avtarbani and Holy Hardev Bani. Many guests came to the congregation for the first time and felt true compassion and welcomed at congregation.



Rev. Prem (Kamal) Dadlani, Coordinator In-Charge of Washington DC center, welcomed everyone. Satguru Baba Hardev Ji and Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj's message of Truth, Love and Oneness was played via video.

Sant Nirankari Mission, Washington DC Metropolitan Area Spiritual Center, also organized its 5th annual Street Cleaning Drive to commemorate the Guru Puja Divas. This community service is part of continued commitment of Sant Nirankari Mission Washington DC metropolitan area spiritual center to Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) Adopt-A-Highway program. Street cleaning was performed on part Pleasant Valley Road that is adopted by the spiritual center. 25 large bags of trash were collected that were later picked up by VDOT from center facility. Members of all ages participated in the community service.

Street Cleaning Drive included all the areas of Bhawan inside and outside including, parking lot, walkways. Other areas included were Prayer hall, Langar hall, common areas, bathrooms and patio. Street cleaning was also performed on part Pleasant Valley Road that is adopted by the spiritual center.

With blessings of our present Satguru Mata Sudiksha Savinder Hardev Ji Maharaj, both the events were successful. All the congregation members and guests enjoyed the blissful time attending Satsang and performing Sewa. May we always remember Satguru Mata Ji's message and follow in her footsteps to spread love, kindness, and wish goodwill for all through our words and actions. We pray to her holiness that we can continue our participation in events that help keep our community clean.



Sorabh Kumar, Washington DC, February 2020