

Guru purnima celebrated at MAV

It was a day for the Gurus in MAV recently, as the Vidyalaya Parivar celebrated Guru Purnima to honour the Gurus – the builders of a good society.

The Vidyalaya organized a Havan, as has been a custom of the Vidyalaya since its inception. Dr. (Prof.) Kamlesh Choksi, President, Bhasha SahityaBhavan, Gujarat University, Sanskrit Department, was invited to host the Havan and as he chanted the mantras, the members of Tilak House – teachers and students put the sacred havan spices along with clarified butter (ghee) into the sacred fire of Havan kund and the very environment and air was filled with the fragrance of the spices mixed with rose petals and medicinal herbs and a serenity and sanctity spread over the atmosphere. All the students and teachers were chanting mantras from the holy booklet of havan.

The havan was followed



by a message from Prof. Kamlesh. He said, every student should pay a tribute to one's teachers as a thanks giving token for the knowledge one has gained from his/her teachers. He said that we should learn good things from the past and rectify the mistakes of the past to make the present better. He, on behalf of whole student community of MAV, gave Gayatri Mantra, written by him on a framed Bhoj Patra (Ancient paper), to the Executive Director and the Principal of the Vidyalaya.

Yamuna Dutt and Trilokchand, the Vice Chairman and the Secretary respectively of Agrawal Sewa Sansthan, also came to participate in the Yagna/Havan. The Executive Director said that change is the only thing which is constant and that the culture and tradition of India is very sound and poignant; it must be preserved and reserved for the future and present. We must learn whatever is good and positive from this rich culture.