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## ARADHANA

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A Publication of the **Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati**  
**Devdham of North America**

*Happy Geeta Jayanti*



### General Body Meeting

**Sunday, December 4, 2005**  
**11:00 AM ----12: 30 PM**

This is to inform all members of the Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati that a General Body Meeting will be held on Sunday, December 4, 2005 at the Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati from 11:00 AM till 12:30 PM. Agenda for this meeting has been scheduled as follows:

#### AGENDA

1. President's Report
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Long Range planning Committee Report
4. Other committee Reports
5. Election for 2006 Executive council
6. New business

Prem Garg  
Secretary

### **Community Dinner**

**Community Dinner has been cancelled until further notice. For more information contact:**

**Priests 528-3714 Devnath ji 528-3714**  
**Bharat Vala 891-2240 Laxmi Srivastava 474-0533**

**Sunder Kand Path** is held on every 3rd Sunday of the month from 10:30 A. M. .

**Shri Ganesh Atharvshirsha Path** is held on every 4th Sunday of the month. Please see details on Page 4.

**Balaji Abhishekam** is held on every 4th Saturday of the month from 10:30AM. Detail on page 4

**Murugan Abhishekam** Please see details on Page 4

**Shiv Mahima Stotra** is held on every Monday evening at 7:00 pm.

**Shri Hanuman Chalisa** is held on every Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm.

**Vishnu Sahasranama Prayana** is held on every Thursday at 7:00 pm. Please see details on Page 4.

**Satya Narayan Puja** will be held every month on Purnima (Full Moon) Day.

### **Upcoming Events at the Temple**

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*Deadline for submission of articles and advertisements for the next issue is December 15, 2005*

# SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS AT THE TEMPLE

## EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 2005

<b>President:</b>	
Vijay Sharma	232-9991
<b>V. President:</b>	
Asit Saha	489-5720
<b>Secretary:</b>	
Prem Garg	232-5333
<b>Treasurer:</b>	
Ramesh Sondhi	232-6454

### Committee Chairpersons:

#### Membership & Fundraising:

Anil Jindal	271-7171
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#### Communications:

Renu Kotwal	583-9589
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#### Puja & Religious Activities:

Kiran Dayal	474-4051
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#### Property Management & Maintenance:

Arvind Patel	791-0855
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#### Cultural Activities:

Sheetal Patel	936-9655
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#### Religious Education & Youth Activities:

Manju Gupta	232-3331
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#### Long Range Planning:

Jitu Patel	459-8900
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#### Youth Member:

Esha Bhatara	777-6488
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## RELIGIOUS DISCOURSE

**Sundays 12:15 - 12:45 PM**

<b>First Sunday :</b>	<b>Upanishads</b>
<b>Second Sunday :</b>	<b>Children Program</b>
<b>Third Sunday :</b>	<b>Sunder Kand Path</b>
<b>Fourth Sunday :</b>	<b>Shri Ganesh</b>

### Atharvshirsha Path

**Fifth Sunday :** Open (please suggest)

Members of the community are invited to speak on topics related to Hindu religion, Philosophy, culture, reformation, Gurus, self-preservation, etc. If you would like to talk or like to suggest someone who may be interested, , please call Kiran Dayal at 474-4051.

### SPONSORS FOR SUNDAY PUJA

Devotees are requested to sit-in Sunday Pujas as well as bring Prasad and Lunch. You may wish to use this occasion to celebrate important events such as wedding anniversaries, birthdays, ishta devata puja, graduation, and other memorable days. Events can be hosted by individuals, families, groups of families or organizations. Please reserve your Sunday of choice ASAP by putting your name and phone-no in the calendar at the temple and call Kiran Dayal 474 - 4051

## TEMPLE DAILY SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday : 9:00AM-12:00 Noon  
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Saturday, Sunday  
& US Holidays 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

### SPECIAL PROGRAM ON WEEKENDS

9:15 - 9:30 A.M.	Suprabhatam
9:30 - 11:00 A.M.	Daily puja of Temple Deity
11:00 - 11:30 A.M.	Sponsored Puja
11:30 - 12:15 A.M.	Bhajan
12:15 - 12:45 P.M.	Religious discourse
12:45-1:00 P.M.	Birthday and Anniversary puja and announcement
1:00 P.M.	Aarti

### SHIVA MAHIMA STOTRA

Monday Evenings, 7 PM

### HANUMAN CHALISA

Tuesday Evenings, 7 PM

### VISHNU SAHASRANAM PARAYAN

Thursday : 7:00 PM

### SRI VENKATESHWARA PUJA

Friday Evenings, 7 PM

### MURAGAN ABHISHEKAM

Every 2nd Saturday

### SUNDARKAND PATH

Every 3rd Sunday of the February  
10:30 -1:00 PM

*Please Donate Generously for your Temple*

## 2005 POOJA COMMITTEE MEMBERS

To participate in/ sponsor please contact a Pooja Committee member

<b>Kiran Dayal</b> (Chairperson):	<b>474-4051</b>
<b>B.C. Sharma</b> (Priest)	<b>751-2974</b>
<b>K.C. Sharma</b> (Priest)	<b>528-4921</b>
<b>Srinivas Bangalore</b> (Priest)	<b>947-1841</b>
<b>Sri. Shrivachariar</b> (Priest)	<b>528-4831</b>
<b>Swarna Chaudhary</b>	<b>232-2343</b>
<b>Vasundhara Dasari</b>	<b>777-3353</b>
<b>Rani Dhamija</b>	<b>984-5777</b>
<b>Anuradha Kulkarni</b>	<b>271-2749</b>
<b>Sangita Patel</b>	<b>791-0855</b>
<b>Anju Saha</b>	<b>474-3922</b>
<b>Uma Sanguai</b>	<b>793-9384</b>
<b>Madhu Sharma</b>	<b>232-9991</b>
<b>Meena Sondhi</b>	<b>232-6454</b>
<b>Amita Gupta</b>	<b>336-8782</b>

1. **Archana** performed during temple hours by sponsorship. No Archana on Sundays between 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
2. **Outside pujas** and other religious services will be conducted by appointment only. To **schedule** please contact puja committee chairperson
3. If you would like to bring **food and prasada** in the temple, please contact puja committee chairperson or Meena Sondhi at 232-645

## Priests:

<b>Pundit B C Sharma</b>	<b>751-2974</b>
<b>Acharya Kailash Sharma</b>	<b>528-4921</b>
<b>Shri Krishnaswami</b>	<b>528-4831</b>
<b>Shri Shivachariar</b>	<b>528-4831</b>

### Attny:

Aronoff, Rosen & Hunt	241-0400
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### Temple Mgr.:

Laxmi Srivastava	474-0533
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### Accountant: Open

<b>Editor:</b> Renu Kotwal	<b>583-9589</b>
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### Editor's email:

**renukotwal@hotmail.com**

## Important Notice:

### Your Temple needs

1. Sponsors for flower \$50/week
2. Sponsors for Sunday puja
3. Your temple needs your support

## Lost and Found

If you have lost a valuable item such as a piece of jewelry or an article of clothing in the Temple at Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati, please contact Kiran Dayal at 474 - 4051.

## Sanskrit & Hindi Classes

### In The Temple

Every Friday - 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

If you need help to read GEETA or any of your favorite stotra .

Please Call.

**Aachary Kailash Sharma**

Home 528-4921

Temple 528-3714

Email- kailashsharma@netzero.com

## Temple Manager's Committees

**Laxmi S. Srivastava- Temple Manager 474-0533**

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Office Manager</b><br/>Mr. Mohan Chopra</li> <li>2. <b>I/C Swami Lectures</b><br/>Vinay Kumar<br/>Laxmi S. Srivastava<br/>Devdas Mukerjee</li> <li>3. <b>Temple Data Base</b><br/>Nandkumar Khemchandani<br/>Mohan Chopra<br/>Laxmi S. Srivastava</li> <li>4. <b>Anniversary &amp; Birthday Data</b><br/>Raj &amp; Shakuntla Agarwal</li> <li>5. <b>E-mail Data</b><br/>Pradeep Goyal<br/>Nandkumar Khemchandani</li> <li>6. <b>Membership &amp; Gift Shop</b><br/>Yashpal Agarwal<br/>A.C. Sekhar<br/>Meena Sondhi</li> <li>7. <b>Computer Technical Support</b><br/>Sreedhar Suvarana</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8. <b>Financial Data</b><br/>Ramesh Sondhi<br/>Raj Bodalia<br/>Mohan Chopra<br/>Laxmi S. Srivastava</li> <li>9. <b>I/C Temple Web site</b><br/>Bharat Vala<br/>Anand Narayana<br/>Khush Karamchandani<br/>Laxmi S. Srivastava</li> <li>10. <b>Consultants</b><br/>V. Rao Bhamidipati<br/>Prem Garg<br/>Anil Jindal</li> <li>11. <b>I/C Temple Calendar</b><br/>Meena Mehta<br/>Ashwin Mehta<br/>Dave</li> <li>12. <b>I/C Volunteer Services</b><br/>Vijay Kumar<br/>Laxmi S. Srivastava</li> </ol> |
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## IMPORTANT EVENTS

### December, 2005

12/01/05	Thurs.	Amavasya (New Moon) Margshirsh/Kartik, Krishna
12/02/05	Fri.	Community Dinner Margshirsh Shukla
12/07/05	Wed.	Guru Nanak and Guru Gobindsingh Jayanti
12/08/05	Thurs.	Ashtami
12/10/05	Sat.	Sri Murugan Abhishek
12/11/05	Sun.	Geeta Jayanti Celebration Mokshda Ekadashi
12/12/05	Mon.	Pradosh
12/15/05	Thurs.	Purnima
12/16/05	Fri.	Aarudra Darshan, Paush Margshirsh, Krishan
12/18/05	Sun.	Sundarkand Path
12/19/05	Mon.	Sankashti Chaturthi, Vrat
12/23/05	Fri.	Ashtami
12/24/05	Sat.	Sri Balaji Abhishek
12/25/05	Sun.	Shri Ganesh Pooja
12/26/05	Mon.	Safala Ekadashi
12/27/05	Tue.	Pradosh
12/30/05	Fri.	Amavasya (New Moon)

### January, 2006

1/01/06	Sun.	New Year's Havan
1/02/06	Mon.	Paush Shukla
1/07/06	Sat.	Ashtami
1/08/06	Sun.	Sundarkand Path
1/11/06	Wed.	Pradosh
1/14/06	Sat.	Makarsankranti, Thai Pongal, Thai Poosam
1/15/06	Sun.	Makarsankranti Celebra- -tion, Paush/Magh, Krishna
1/22/06	Sun.	Shri Ganesh Pooja, Ashtami
1/25/06	Wed.	Shattila Ekadashi
1/27/06	Fri.	Pradosh

## Puja Committee Announcement:

•A group of dedicated devotees for each deity are nominated to help puja committee to coordinate and celebrate different puja activities. Their names and phone numbers are listed on page 2. Special thanks to all hard working devotees. If you have any question or suggestion about temple activities, please call Kiran Dayal at 474-4051 or any of the Puja committee members on page 2.

•To schedule a Puja or to rent a temple hall (lower level ) please contact Puja Committee chairperson Kiran Dayal at 474-4051

## RATES FOR PUJA & PRIEST SERVICES

SERVICE	IN TEMPLE	OUTSIDE TEMPLE
Abhishekam (All Deities)	\$101.00	---
Aksharabhyas	\$51.00	\$101.00
Anna-Prashanam	\$51.00	\$101.00
Ashtoththaram (108) Archana	\$11.00	---
AyushyaHomam/B'day Celebration	\$51.00	\$101.00
Ground Breaking Ceremony	---	\$101.00
Griha Pravesh	---	\$101.00
Kalayana Uthsava (Lord Ram/ Sita)	\$101.00	---
Kesh Khandan (Churakaran)	\$51.00	\$101.00
Nam-Karan	\$51.00	\$101.00
Navagraha Puja	\$51.00	\$101.00
Nischitartham (Engagement)	\$101.00	\$151.00
Nitya (1 Day) Kainkaryam (Seva)	\$101.00	---
Poolangi Seva (With Flowers)- (Only During Off Winter Season)	\$101.00	---
Sahasranama (1008) Archana	\$51.00	---
Sathyanarayana Puja	\$51.00	\$101.00
Seemantham	\$51.00	\$101.00
Devi Jagaran	\$75.00	\$101.00
Akhand Ramayan Paath	-----	\$101.00
Shashti Poorthi (60th B'day Celeb.)	\$71.00	\$101.00
Anniversary celebration	\$101.00	\$151.00
Suprabhat Seva	\$21.00	---
Unjal (Swing) Seva	\$31.00	---
Upakarma (thread changing)	\$21.00	---
Upanayam/Brahmopadesham/ Thread Ceremony	\$151.00	\$251.00
Vahan Pooja	\$31.00	---
Yearly Shradham (Barkhi)	\$51.00	\$101.00
Wedding	\$251.00	\$351.00

### PUJA RATE CHANGE BEGINNING Oct. 1, 2005:

1. Rates for Mata Ki Chauki performed at another temple will be 15% of the money collected at the temple or a minimum of \$ 501.00.
2. Pujas performed by priests outside the temple will be rated according to the number of pujas performed.

Rates are subject to change without notice. Rates for pujas not on the list and requiring less than 4 hours of priest's time will normally be \$51 if performed inside the temple and \$101 if performed outside of temple (e.g. at home). Rates of Pujas out of Greater Cincinnati will be \$100.00 more than the rates of outside puja within greater Cincinnati area.

### Temple Rental: Lower Floor Only

	Full day	1/2 day
M-Th. (except holidays)	\$301	\$151
Fri., Sat & Holidays	\$501	\$351
<u>Sunday after 3PM only</u>		<b>\$351</b>

**Note:** For half day select one of the two.

8:00 AM - 2 PM **OR** 4PM - 11 PM

Temple rental applies to all private reservations for those events/pujas that are performed by private parties and not announced in the temple.

**Security/ Cleaning deposit:** \$151 required. This deposit will be forfeited if the basement hall bathrooms and kitchen area are not cleaned by the party renting the place.

**NOTE:** To schedule a Puja or to rent a temple hall (lower level ) please contact puja Committee chairperson only.

## **Vishnu Sahasranama Parayana**

Visnu Sahasranama Parayana (chanting) now takes place every Thursday at 7 pm in the temple. Please join us for the chanting.

**For more information, please contact one of the following:**

Srinivas Mirle 894-8954 Shailaja Setty 761-7619  
Jaya Reddy 231-3120 Suri Hanumanthanna  
661-8733

Koti Sreekrishna 954-4179.

## **ABHISHEKAM/KALYANOTSAVAM FOR LORD SRI VENKATESWARA**

On 4th Saturday of each month at 10:30 A.M. To sponsor please call:

Mala Rajasekhar 451-8081 Malleswari Reddy 779-4224  
Kamala Mannava 777-7007 Vasundhara Dasari 777-3353  
Srinivas Bhattar 947-1841 or 528-3714

## **Shri Ganesh Puja & Shri Ganesh Atharvshirsha Path**

*Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month*

**This puja is dedicated to each month's  
Sankashti Chaturthi to Lord Ganesh.**

## **PRAVACHAN**

**BY**

**Acharya Kailash Sharma**

Every First and Second Sunday of the Month

12:15 pm to 12:45 pm

First Sunday UPANISHAD

Second Sunday BHAGWAD GITA

## **Murugan Pooja**

Monthly Abhishekham 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. 4.30 P.M. to 7.30 P.M.

**Sponsors are needed for poojas (\$21) & abhishekams (\$101).**

**Please contact**

Sri Devanathan (528-4831)

## **CHESS-Children's Hindu Education And SatSang**

**Classes are held every Sunday from 11:00 AM at the Temple on Lower Level. Everyone should come by 10:50 A.M. The class starts at 11:00 A.M.**

### **Schedule:**

**11:00 - 11:05 : Starting Prarthana ( 5min.)**

**11:05 - 11:15 : Surya Namaskar (10 min.)**

**11:15 - 11:30 : 2 shlokas with meaning (15 min.)**

**Before starting shlokas 1 min. meditation.**

**11:30 - 11:45 : Games (15 min.)**

**11:45 - 12:15 : Story and Snack time (30 min.)**

**12:15 - 12:35 : Kotiji's class (20 min.)**

**12:45 -- Everyone should go for Aarti.**

The class is divided into two groups for shlokas.

One Group is 4 years to 8 years.

One groups is 8 years to 12 years.

*Please enroll your child now for the year 2005. To get application form and general instruction call Manju Gupta, Chairperson at 232-3331*

**FOR FURTHER DETAILS AND INFORMATION CONTACT  
Manju Gupta Chairperson 232 - 3331**

**Email guptama2003@yahoo.com**

*ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH THERE IS A SPECIAL  
PROGRAM UPSTAIRS FROM 12:30 TO 1:00 PM*

**BALVIHAR** at the temple is starting a children's library which will be open every Sunday from 1:00 P.M. to 1:30 P.M. Children can borrow the books from the library. Donations of books, CDs, DVDs or money are welcome. For further information contact Manju Gupta at 232-3331.

## **Sundar Kand Path**

On every 3rd Sunday of the month  
at 10:30 A.M.

For details, please call Kiran Dayal at 474-4051  
Or the Priests at 528-3714

## **Satya Narayan Katha**

**On**

Purnima on December 15th, Thurs. at 6:30 P.M.

Sponsors needed (\$51.00)

**Please call Kiran Dayal at 474-4051**

## Upcoming Events

**New program starting from December 2005**  
**Every first Saturday of the Month**  
**Shri Navgrah Abhishek & Pooja**  
 Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2005 at 4:00 P.M.

Please call Temple priests at 528-3714, or Kiran Dayal at 474-4051 for information .

### Geeta Jayanti Celebration

On Dec.ember 13th, Sunday  
 From 10:00 A.M.to 1:00 P.M.

Bhagwad Gita recitation 10:00 A.M. to 12:15 P.M.

Children Program            12:15 P.M.to 12: 45 P.M.

Pravachan                    12:45 P.M.to 1:00 P.M.

Aarti & Prasad            1:00 P.M.

Please come and join for Gita recitation .

For details call Temple 528-3714.

### New Year Havan

On January 1st, 2006  
 From 11:00 A.M to 1:00 P.M.

Call Temple For Information 528-3714.

### Makar Sankranti Celebration

On Sunday January 15, 2006  
 Sponsored By Murgan Devotees

For Details Please call Temple 528-3714

### Satya Narayan Puja

On  
 Poornima (Full Moon Day)  
 December 15th, 2005, Saturday  
 at 5:30 P.M.

Need Sponsors \$ 51.00

Please call Kiran Dayal for Information 474-4051 Or Temple 528-3714.

**Vasant Panchami Celebration** on February 5, 2006,  
 Sunday at 10:00 A.M.

**Mahashivratri & Maha Shivratri Celebration** on  
 February 26, Sunday from 6:30 P.M. to 4:00 A.M.

**Holashtak begins on March 7th, Tuesday**

**Holi/Holika Dahan** on March 14th, Tuesday

**Holi Celebration and Cultural Program** at the temple on March 18th, Saturday

**Yugadi, Gudi Padwa, Shalivan Samvat 1928** begins on March 30th, Thursday

**Akhand Ramayan Path** begins on April 1st, Saturday and ends on April 2nd, Sunday

**Shri Durga Ashtami Havan** on April 5, Wednesday

**Shri Ram Navami Celebration** on April 6th, Thursday

**Shri Mahavir Jayanti** on April 11th, Tuesday

**Shri Hanuman Jayanti Celebration** on Aril 13th, Thursday

**Baisakhi and Tamil New Year** on April 14th, Friday

**Shri Vallabhacharya Jayanti Celebration** on April 23rd, Monday

**Shri Mahavir Jayanti Celebration** on May 7th, Sunday

**Temple's 9th Anniversary Celebration** starts on May 20th, Saturday and continues on May 21st, Sunday

**Graduation Havan** on June 11th, Sunday

**Shri Jagannath Rath Yatra Celebration** on July 2nd, Sunday

**Shri 108 SatyaNarayan Pooja & Katha** on July 15th, Saturday

**Raksha Bandhan** on August 9th, Wednesday

**Shri Krishna Janamashtami** on August 16th, Wednesday from 8:00 P.M. until midnight

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YEAR 2005**

**Marriage Anniversaries (December)**

Mr. & Mrs. Prabir & Ashwini Roy Chaudhary  
Mr. & Mrs. Archish Desai  
Mr. & Mrs. Ashok & Rama Dhingra  
Mr. & Mrs. Sharad & Jasleen Goel  
Mr. & Mrs. Debashis & Barnali Gupta  
Mr. & Mrs. Prashant & Shyamala Jagtap  
Mr. & Mrs. Krishna & Jayanti Kool  
Mr. & Mrs. Nagenora & Pavalamani Kumar  
Mr. & Mrs. Rajendra & Nila Parikh  
Mr. & Mrs. Ravin & Hardi Rindani  
Mr. & Mrs. Kiran & Suma Saraff  
Mr. & Mrs. Bruce & Anuradha S. Schultes  
Mr. & Mrs. Jagjit & Raj Bala Yadav



**Birthday Anniversaries (December)**

Noopur Agarwal	Raina Rindani
Mickey Ahuja	Manmohan Sharma
Rajappa Asthagiri	Parveen Sharma
Ambikaipakan Balasubramaniam	Ragini Sharma
Sri Ranga Bangalore	Ruchi Sharma
P. Batra	Shachi Shukla
Meeta Bhardwaj	Vinod Sirimalle
Surabhi Bhusad	Akhila Sonthi
Lakshmi J. Brahmadam	Nishant Sreekrishna
Rajeev Chopra	Padma Srinivasa
Mahadevan Devanathan	Anil Srivastava
Shivanand Divekar	Manish Srivastava
Saptarshi Ghosh	Peeyush Srivastava
Dhruv Goyal	Ashok Tandon
Mangala Gupta	Krishna Terala
Sanchi Gupta	Rupal Upadhyaya
Lakshmi Hasandka	Ruchka Verma
Tanvi Jagtap	Nitya Krishan Vishwamathan
Arjun Jindal	Shankar Vishwanathan
Sonam Jindal	Niket Yadav
Gital Karamchandani	Raj Yadav
Hema Karamchandani	
Jayanti Kool	
Gopi Kovilam	
Piaharath Krishnan	
Sandeep Kulkarni	
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Vinay Kumar	
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**Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati  
Executive Council Meeting  
November 6, 2005**

Members Present: Vijay Sharma, Asit Saha, Ramesh Sondhi, Jitu Patel, Arvind Patel, Manju Gupta, Kiran Dayal, Renu Kotwal, Anil Jindal, Prem Garg.

Others Present: Mohan Chopra, Tina Cooper

1---Approved minutes of September 11, 2005 Executive Council (EC) meeting.

2---discussed hiring practices for new priests and experience gained from hiring the last priest.

3---Ms Tina Cooper (Temple Cleaning Person) described the opportunities for improvement and made recommendations.

She presented a list of items which was referred to the maintenance committee chair person. Her suggestions were taken

Under advisement By EC.

4---EC considered hiring a full time maintenance person and a manager. Temple has grown in membership as well as needs

Of worshippers. Regular maintenance of many items is required. Hiring a maintenance person was authorized.

Temple Maintenance Committee Chair Person was authorized to hire a maintenance person on trial basis.

Vice President and Temple office manager will review the issue of a full time manager and report back to Executive Council.

5---Long range Committee chair person (Jitu Patel) explained the need to build our own community center in the Hindu Temple complex. It has become very hard to find halls and auditoriums to hold special functions such as: Deewali, Navratari, Durga Pooja and many others. He explained the need for a multi purpose cultural center, which may accommodate about 1000 or so people. He also reminded EC that a Community Center was approved as a part of the original master plan, however, it has not been build so far due to various reasons. Community in put is needed.

After discussion EC approved the concept of the community center.

Details including construction cost, location etc; were not approved. These items will be reviewed when additional Information is available.

Meeting adjourned at 12:50 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Prem Garg

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- President
- Vice-President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Nominations are also invited for the positions of Chairpersons for the following committees:

- Religious Education and Youth Activities
- Puja and Religious Activities
- Communications
- Membership and Fund Raising
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The nominations must be filed by December 3rd, 2005, 12.00 PM (mid-night) . All nominations must include the following information:

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Nominations can be submitted on plain paper , or phoned in to any member of the Election Commission.

All candidates must be dues-paying members of the Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati in good standing for at least 12 months prior to Dec, 1, 2005. For the position of the President, a candidate must have actively served the Hindu Society of the Greater Cincinnati in an executive capacity for at least one year .

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