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Happy Mahavir Jayanti, Budha Jayanti, and Temple's 9th Anniversary



Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati

Community Dinner

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

Priests 528-3714 Debnath 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.

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

Murugan Abhisekam 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.

Mahavir Jayanti

India has produced many great saints and spiritual leaders. The days commemorating the birthdays or the incidents connected with the lives of these great sons of the soil, are considered especially holy. Both the Digambar (sky-clad) and the Shvetambar (white-clad) Jains observe the thirteenth day of the bright half of the Chaitra month (March-April) as the birthday of Lord Mahavira.

The birth anniversary of Lord Mahavira is celebrated by the entire Jain community, throughout the country, Jain pilgrims from all over the country congregate at the ancient Jain shrines at Girnar and Palitana in Gujarat and at Mahavirji in Rajasthan. Pawapuri and Vaishali and Bihar are other such centres of pilgrimage. Vaishali being his birth place, a grand festival is held there, and it is known as Vaishali Mahotsava.

On this auspicious day, grand chariot processions with the images of Mahavira are taken out, rich ceremonies are held in the temples, fasts and charities are observed, Jain scriptures are read, and at some places grand fairs are set up.

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Deadline for submission of articles and advertisements for the next issue is May 10th, 2006

SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS AT THE TEMPLE

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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.

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770-0705 Home Temple 528-3714 Email- kailashsharma@netzero.com

RELIGIOUS DISCOURSE Sundays 12:15 - 12:45 PM

First Sunday: **Upanishads** Second Sunday: ChildrenProgram Third Sunday: Sunder Kand Path Fourth Sunday: Shri Ganesh

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 Swarna Choudhary at (513) 232-2343.

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 phoneno in the calendar at the temple and calling Swarna Choudhary at (513) 232-2343

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 Sponsored Puia 11:00 - 11:30 A.M 11:30 - 12:15 A.M Bhajan 12:15 -12:45 P.M. Religious discourse

Anniversary puja and announcement 1:00 P.M. Aarti

12:45-1:00 P.M.

SHIVA MAHIMA STOTRA

Birthday and

Monday Evenings, 7 PM

HANUMAN CHALISA Tuesday Evenings, 7 PM

VISHNU SAHASRANAM PARAAYAN

Thurseday: 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

2006 POOJA COMMITTEE **MEMBERS**

To participate in/ sponsor please contact a Pooja

Committee member Swarna Choudhary

(Chairperson): 232-2343 B.C. Sharma (Priest) 751-2974 K.C. Sharma (Priest) 528-4921 Sri. Debnath Sivachar(Priest) 528-4831 Sunita Garq 232-5333 Kiran Dayal 474-4051 Sunila Kumar 528-6189 683-9454 Meena Karamchandani Suchitra Mishra 573-9775 Kalpana Srivastava 233-9184 Jyoti Desai 745-0876 Rani Dhamija 984-5777 Padma Veluri 859-344-9211 Anuradha Kulkarni 271-2749 Sangita Patel 791-0855 474-3922 Anju Saha Uma Sanguai 793-9384 867-8591 Bhaskara Rao Karthik 290-1814 Murlee 573-0550 Purabi Dey 688-1721

Archana performed during temple hours by sponsorship. No Archana on Sundays between 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

232-9991

232-6454

336-8782

- Outside pujas and other religious services will be conducted appointment only. To schedule please contact Puja Committee chairperson at least one week in advance.
- If you would like to bring food and prasad in the temple, Please contact Puja Committee chairperson or Meena Sondhi at 232-6454

Important Notice:

Madhu Sharma

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Amita Gupta

Your Temple needs

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

Temple Manager's Committees

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IMPORTANT EVENTS May, 2006 05/01/06 Mon. Vaishakh Shukla Adi Shankracharva & 05/02/06 Tue. Ramanujacharya Jayanti 05/05/06 Fri. Ashtami 05/07/06 Sun. Mahavir Jayanti Celebration Mohini Ekadashi 05/08/06 Mon. 05/10/06 Wed. Pradosh 05/11/06 Thurs. Narsinh Jayanti Shri Murugan Pooja 05/13/06 Sat. Budha Javanti Purnima (Full Moon) 05/14/06 Sun. Sundarkand Path Vaishakh/Jyeshtha, Krishna 05/16/06 Tue. Chaturthi Vrat 05/20/06 05/21/06 Sat. & Sun. Temple's 9th Anniversary Celebration Apara Ekadashi 05/23/06 Tue. Vat Savitri Vrat 05/27/06 Sat. (North) Shri Balaji Pooja 05/28/06 Sun. Shri Ganesh Pooja Jyeshtha Shukla June, 2006 06/01/06 Thurs. Jyeshtha Shukla 06/04/06 Sun. Ashtami 06/06/06 Tue. Ganga Dashmi 06/07/06 Wed. Nirjala Ekadashi Shri Murugan Pooia 06/10/06 Sat. Graduation Havan 06/11/06 Sun. Vat Savitri Vrat (Gui) Jagannath Snan, Purnima (Full Moon) 06/12/06 Jyeshtha/Ashadh; Krishna Mon.

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 Swarna Choudhury at 232-2343 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 Swarna Choudhury at 232-2343

RATES FOR PUJA &	PRIEST SERV	CES
SERVICE	IN	OUTSIDE
	TEMPLE	TEMPLE
Abhishekam (All Deities)	\$101.00	
Aksharabhyas	\$51.00	\$101.00
Anna-Prashanam	\$51.00	\$101.00
Ashtottharam (108) Archana	\$11.00	
AyushyaHomam/B'day Celebrat	ion \$51.00	\$101.00
Ground Breaking Ceremony		\$101.00
Griha Pravesh		\$101.00
Kalayana Uthsava (Lord Ram/ Sa	ita) \$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	1) \$101.00	
Poolangi Seva (With Flowers)-	\$101.00	
(Only During Off Winter Sea	ason)	
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 Cele	eb.)\$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/	\$151.00	\$251.00
Thread Ceremony		
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

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

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.

Sundar Kand Path

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

For details, please call Swarna Choudhury at 232 2343 or the Priests at 528-3714

Navgrah Puja

Every first Saturday of the Month 4 P.M. to 5:30 P.M. Sponsors needed for Puja \$51.00

For Details please call Swarna Choudhury 232-2343, Devnathanji 528-4831, or Temple 528-3714

Shri Ganesh Puja & Shri Ganesh Atharvshirsha Path

Every 4th Sunday of the month
This puja is dedicated to each month's
Sankashti Chaturthi to Lord Ganesh.

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 Jaya Reddy 231-3120

Shailaja Setty 761-7619 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:

Andn Kondu 481-4119 Sudha Avasarala 573-6010 Bhavani Megeda 779-4582 Padma Veluri 859-344-9211

Sri Debnath Sivachar 528-4831

Murugan Pooja

Monthly Abhishekham 2nd Sat. 4.30 P.M. to 7.30 P.M. **Sponsors are needed for poojas (\$21) & abhishekams (\$101).**

Please contact Sri Debnath Sivachar (528-4831)

Satya Narayan Katha on Purnima

from 5:00 P.M.-6:30 P.M.

Sponsorship (\$51.00), coconut, flowers, fruits and prasad **Please call Swarna Choudhury at 232-2343**

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 2006. 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.

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 Swarna Choudhury at 232-2343.

Upcoming Events

Shri Mahavir Jayanti Celebration

on

Sunday May 7th, 2006 11am to 1 pm

Event is sponsored by **Cincinnati Jain Community**. For details please call

Swarna Choudhury - 232-2343 or Temple - (513) 528-3714.

Satya Narayan Puja

On May 13th Sat. (Purnima) 5:30 pm Sponsorship \$51.00

Please call Swarna Choudhary for details at 232-2343

Temple's 9th Anniversary Celebration

May 20th & 21st 2006 Programs

Sat. May 20th 5 P.M. - 7 P.M. Kalash Sthapana & Puja

Sun. May 21st 9 A.M. - 10:30 A.M. Daily Puja

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 noon Havan (Sarva Dev Gayatri)**

12:00 noon - 12:45 P.M. Sponsored Puja *

1:00 P.M. Aarti & Prasad (Lunch)

3:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. Cultural Program

We need sponsors for each deity

* sponsorship \$501.00

** Havan sponsorship \$51.00

For details please call: Swarna Choudhury at (513) 232-2343 or the Temple at (513) 528-3714. Month of May **Sunderkand path** will be on 2nd Sunday, May 14th instead of it's regular time on third Sunday, due to temple's anniversary celebration.

Mata Ki Chawki

on Saturday, May 6th from 4:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

Sponsored by Mr. Prem Dutt Verma and family

Graduation Havan

On June 11th Sunday at 11:00 A.M. For details please call Swarna Choudhary at 232-2343

Shri Jagannath Rath Yatra

on 27 th June, Tuesday Details to follow in June issue of Aradhana

Shri Jagannath Rath Yatra Celebration

On July 2nd, Sunday

Details to follow in next issue

Navgrah Puja

Every first Sat. of the month For details contect Swarna Choudhury 232-2343, or Devanathan 528-4831

MATA KI CHOWKI

on Saturday, June 3rd, 2006

Program:

Mata Ki Chawki 5:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

Aarti followed by Dinner 9:00 P.M.

Sponsored by Rakesh and Mona Govind

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Mahavira, the great teacher and the twenty-fourth Tirthankara of Jainism was a contemporary of Lord Buddha. His mother Trisala or Priyakarini had a series of miraculous dreams heralding the birth of Mahavira. Vardhaman achieved enlightenment under an Ashoka tree after two and a half days fasting and meditation. Then he stripped himself of all his clothes and wore none there after, but Shvetambars believe that Indra then presented him a white robe.

After his enlightenment he gave away all his wealth and possessions and owned nothing. Mahavira underlined the importance of austerity and complete non-violence as the essential means of spiritual evolution and salvation.

Mahavira preached non-violence and prohibited any kind of killing. He also believed that the most virtuous life is spent sitting still and fasting, as then a man does not run the risk of injuring life even involuntarily, by swallowing or treading upon insects. On his birth anniversary, every Jain resolves to follow his teachings.

Jnana Yoga (The Path of Knowledge) from Srimad Bhagavad Geeta

Blessed are the pure in heart, for unto them is given the knowledge of God.

Blessed is human birth; even the dwellers in heaven desire this birth; for true knowledge and pure love may be attained only by a human being.

As the rising sun dispels the darkness of the night, so the knowledge of the Atman (self), drives away all delusion.

Acquire that knowledge through prostration, inquiry and service. The wise who are knowers of the Truth will instruct you in wisdom.

As the fire kindled reduces fuel to ashes, so, O Arjuna, does the fire of knowledge reduce all karma to ashes.

Verily, there exists no purifier on earth, equal to knowledge. A man who becomes perfect in yoga finds it within himself in course of time.

He who is full of faith and zeal and has subdued his senses attains knowledge; having attained knowledge, he soon attains the supreme peace.

I shall tell you the supreme knowledge - the best of all knowledge, knowing which all the sages have attained supreme felicity.

And know the Kshetranja (embodied self) in all the bodies (Kshetras) to be Myself, O Bharata. The knowledge of Kshetra and the Kshetrajna (i.e, matter and spirit) is, true Knowledge.

Humility, unostentatiousness, harmlessness, forbearance, uprightness, service to the Guru, purity, steadiness and self-control - all this is called knowledge.

Just to bless them, I resideing in their intellect, destroy the darkness born of ignorance by the resplendent light of knowledge.

Unswering devotion to Me, through the yoga of non-separation, restoring to solitude and aversion for company, always being devoted to spiritual knowledge, perception of the aim of the knowledge of Truth - all this is declared to be knowledge and all that is contrary to this is ignorance.

MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL ON THIS HAPPY OCCASION & BRING HAPPINESS, LONG LIFE AND PROSPERITY IN YEAR 2006

Marriage Anniversaries (May)*

Mr. & Mrs. Mickey & Summi Ahuja

Mr. & Mrs. Murali & Vijaya Bhandari

Mr. & Mrs. Indrakanti & Usha Chakravarthi

Mr. & Mrs. Yogesh & Sneha Chavda

Mr. & Mrs. Harilal & Swarna Lata Choudhury

Mr. & Mrs. Maheshwar & Neena Dayal

Mr. & Mrs. Prem & Sunita Garg

Mr. & Mrs. Karhikeyan & Meenakshi Goswami

Mr. & Mrs. Hiremagalur & Shantha Jayram

Mr. & Mrs. Steve & Neerja Jindal

Mr. & Mrs. Khush & Mina Karamchandani

Mr. & Mrs. Tushar & Ami Kothari

Mr. & Mrs. Raj & Krishna Minocha

Mr. & Mrs. G. Narayan & Manjula Narayan

Mr. & Mrs. Subramaniam & Annapuni Narayan

Mr. & Mrs. Kameswara Rao & Madhavi Lakshmi Pappu

Mr. & Mrs. Bansi & Pratima Patel

Mr. & Mrs. Nilam & Krit Patel

Mr. & Mrs. Pankaj & Hansaben Patel

Mr. & Mrs. Sri Ram & Preethi Ramanivasan

Mr. & Mrs. Balu & Javasri Sekar

Mr. & Mrs. Davinder & Neelam Sharma

Mr. & Mrs. Srinivas & Jayanthi Ulavala

Mr. & Mrs. Venkat Vyjayanthi Venkatasubramania

Birthday Anniversaries (May)**

Christopher Adley Kumar Nagarajan Sunil Are Krithka Narayan Ishwar Narayan Balakrishna Subramaniam Naatyan

Monica Batra Arvind Patel
Nakul Bhardwaj Jayesh Patel
Kiran Bhatia Manisha Patel
Debjani Biswas Nilisha Patel
Amita Buddhdev Sangita A. Patel
Reena Buddhdev Sonali Patel

Reena Buddhdev Sonali Patel
Sobhik Das Meera Ramamoorthy
Vasundhara Dasari Niranjan Ramji
KikuBhai Desai Himani Ranjan
Maulik Desai Sumedha Rao
Prem Garg Mythili Rengan
Ollie Ghosh Suma Saraff

Avinash Halekote Seetha Saraswathi Sareswathy

Jahanvi Jagannath Eshwar Sekar
Anisha Jindal Samantha Sekar
Anil Joshi Ramesh Shanbagh
Amarender Karra Jyoti Sharma

Jyoti Sharma Rishabh Sharma Juhi Shukla Ankit Singh Mukesh Singhal

Mukesh Singhal Neena Sinha Koti Sreekrishna

Sripriya Sreenivasan Anish Wadhwa

Anisha Jindal
Anil Joshi
Amarender Karra
Saritha Karra
Manisha Kode
Ramyalakshmi Kumar
Prashant Mahadeshwar
Rupali Mahadeshwar
Vikas Sondhi
Partha Sreenivasan
Vadin Vijayasarathy

(celebrated on the first Sunday of each month)

** (celebrated on second Sunday of each month in temple)



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Executive Council Meeting, March 5, 2006

Members Present: Raj Bodalia, Asit Saha, Anil Jindal, Jitu Patel, Manju Gupta,

Surbhi Sharma, Renu Kotwal, Ramesh Sondhi, Arvind Patel

Guest: Jayant Patel

Action Items:

President

• February meeting minutes were approved and signed by the EC members. General body meeting will be on April 2, 2006.

Treasurer

- The treawill be kept to monitor financial activities for the Cultural Center.
- Jitu Patel met with our Attorney regarding zoning issues for the Cultural Center.
- EC members emphasized that the Cultural Center should have a neutral name and asked the community for suggestions. Publish updates on the progress of the Culture Center in Aradhana.

Cultural Activities Chairperson (Presented by Raj Bodalia)

Holi will be celebrated with a cultural program on March 18 at 4 PM.

The cultural program will be followed by a paid dinner.

Other Issue

Priest Salary (presented by Raj Bodalia)

Health insurance has gone up roughly \$600 per year for each priest. For the past several years, Temple has paid the increase in the insurance cost and thus Priests have been getting a raise.

These minutes were taken by Anil Jindal..

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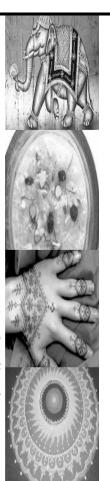
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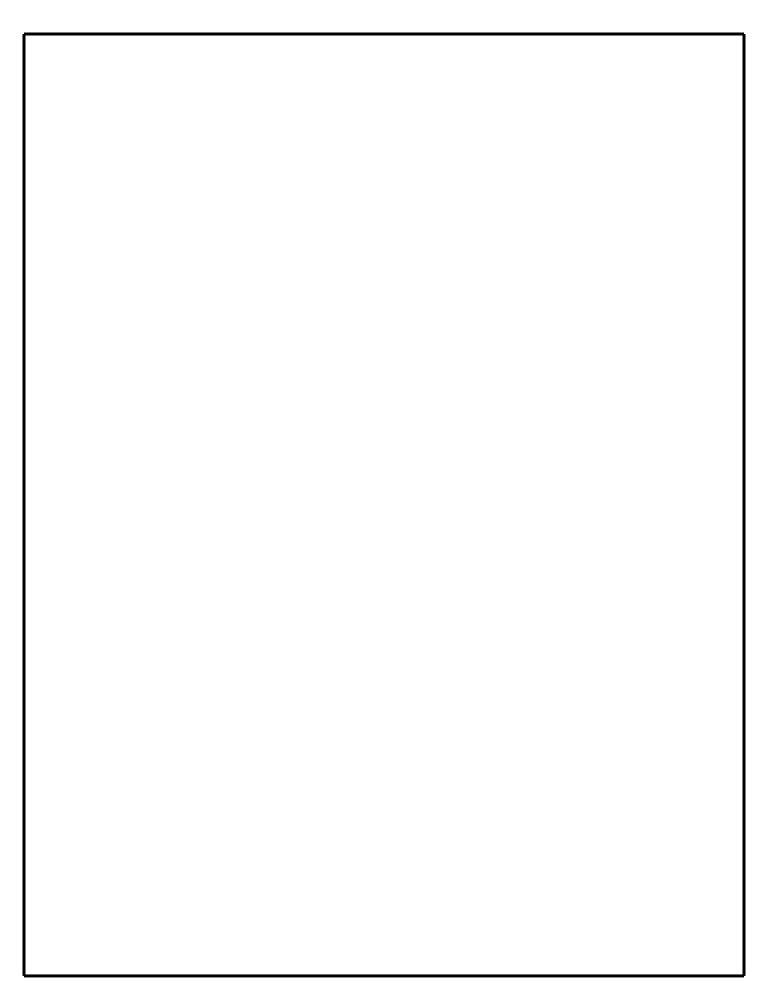
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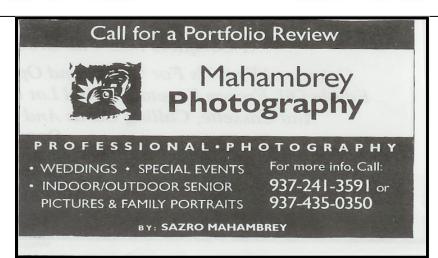
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