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## ARADHANA

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## HAPPY NAVARATRI S GARBA



Sunder Kand Path is held on 3rd Sunday of the month at 10:30 A.M. Please see details on page 4. Shri Ganesh Atharvshirsha Path is held on every 4th Sunday of the month. Please see details on Page 5.

Balaji Abhishekam is held on every 4th Saturday of the month from 10:30AM. Detail on page 5

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

Vishnu Sahasranama Prayana is held on every Thursday at 7:00 pm.

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

Navgrah Puja every first Saturday of a month at 4:30 P.M.



A Holy Soul Leaves Us

Late. Smt. Suman Sinha, ex-Editor of Aradhana.

Smt Suman Sinha passed away on July 14, 2006 after a prolonged illness. Her demise was a big loss to the Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati and the entire Indian community. It is extremely painful to lose one of the most devoted and sincere members of the Hindu Temple, whose ever smiling face will for ever be in our memory. Her premature death will be painfully mourned by her husband Dr. Sunil Sinha and their two daughters, Neena and Anjuli, as well as the community at large.

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

#### SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS AT THE TEMPLE

#### **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 2006**

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Attnv:

Aronoff, Rosen & Hunt 241-0400

Temple Mgr.:

Laxmi Srivastava 474-0533

Accountant: Open

Editor: Renu Kotwal 583-9589

Editor's email:

renukotwal@hotmail.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 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

#### **2006 POOJA COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

To participate in/ sponsor please contact a Pooja

Committee member Swarna Choudhary

Bhaskara Rao

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Meena Sondhi

(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 528-6189 Sunila Kumar Meena Karamchandani 683-9454 Suchitra Mishra 573-9775 Kalpana Srivastava 233-9184 Jyoti Desai 745-0876 Rani Dhamija 984-5777 Anuradha Kulkarni 271-2749 Sangita Patel 791-0855 Anju Saha 474-3922 Uma Sanguai 793-9384

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867-8591

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573-0550

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232-6454

- Outside pujas and other religious services will be conducted by 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 Puja Committee contact chairperson or Meena Sondhi at 232-6454
- Cancellations of puja should be done 3 days in advance or else the full fee for the puja will be charged

#### Temple Manager's Committees

Laxmi S. Srivastava- Temple Manager 474-0533

### Sanskrit & Hindi Classes In The Temple

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		ANT EVENTS nber, 2006			
09/01/06	Fri.	Bhadrapad Shukla			
09/04/06	Mon.	Jaljhulni Ekadashi			
09/06/06	Wed.	Pradosh, Anant			
		Chaturdashi			
09/07/06	Thurs.	Purima (full moon)			
09/08/06	Fri.	Shraadha begins			
		Bhadrapad Krishna			
09/09/06	Sat.	Mela: Taste of India			
09/10/06	Sun.	Sankashti, Chaturthi vrat			
09/14/06	Thurs.	Ashtami			
09/15/06	Fri.	Matru Navami			
09/16/06	Sat.	Shri Murugan Puja			
09/17/06	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
	_	Indira Ekadashi			
09/19/06	Tue.	Pradosh			
09/22/06	Fri.	Shradhdha Ends, Pitru			
00/22/06	G .	Visarajana, Amavasya			
09/23/06	Sat.	Shri Balaji Puja, Navaratri			
		begins, Kalash Asthapana,			
		Mata Ki Chowki, Ashvin Shukla			
09/24/06	Sun.	~			
		Shri Ganesh Puja			
09/30/00	09/30/06 Sat. Shri Durga Ashtami				
October, 2006					
10/01/06	Sun.	Saraswati Puja, Ashvin			
		Shukla			
10/02/06	Mon.	Gandhi Jayanti, Vijay			
		Dashami, Shri Ram-Sita			
		Puja			
10/03/06	Tue.	Pap-Ankush, Ekadashi			
10/06/06	Fri.	Purnima Vrat			
10/07/06	Sat.	Full Moon, Sharad			
		Purnima, Radha-Krishna			
		Puja			
10/08/06	Sun.	Bejoy Celebration, Ashvin			
	_	Krishna			
10/10/06	Tue.	Karwa Chauth Vrat			
		Sankashti Chaturthi			

#### **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 & F	PRIEST SERVI	CES
SERVICE	IN	OUTSIDE
	TEMPLE	TEMPLE
Abhishekam (All Deities)	\$101.00	
Aksharabhyas	\$51.00	\$101.00
	\$51.00	\$101.00
Ashtottharam (108) Archana	\$11.00	
AyushyaHomam/B'day Celebration	on \$51.00	\$101.00
Ground Breaking Ceremony		\$101.00
Griha Pravesh		\$101.00
Kalayana Uthsava (Lord Ram/ Sit	ta) \$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	
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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	o.)\$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

#### **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.

\$251.00

\$351.00

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		<i>\$351</i>

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

Wedding

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.

<u>Security/ Cleaning deposit</u>: \$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.

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

#### 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 priest at 528-3714

#### Murugan Puja

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 Debnath Sivachar (528-4831)

#### Satya Narayan Puja

On Purnima (full moon day) at 6:30 P.M.

To sponsor puja, please call any of the following: Swarna Choudhury 232-2343 Temple priests 528-3714

Sponsorship \$ 51.00

#### **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

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

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

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## ABHISHEKAM/KALYANOTSAVAM FOR LORD SRI VENKATESWARA

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

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

11:45 - 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.

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

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

#### **Anakoot Celebration**

On November 5th, from 10:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Details to follow

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She was the editor of *Aradhana*, 2000-2003, and she did an excellent job to improve the publication. She always enjoyed volunteering for various Temple activities. The people who knew her, will remember her ever-present smile, her politeness, her sincerity and above all, her helping nature. She was an IT professional and worked for FERMCO, GE, and other firms in the Cincinnati area.

We all pray for her soul! May she rest in peace, and may God give her family members enough strength to bear this untimely loss.

Renu Kotwal Editor, Aradhana

## **Upcoming Events**

## Satya Narayan Puja

September 7<sup>th</sup> Full moon Day (Thursday) at 6:30 P.M.

To sponsor puja please call Swarna Choudhury 232-2343. ot Temple Priests 528-3714. Sponsorship \$51.00.

# NavaRatri Puja & Celebrations Sat.Sep.23<sup>rd</sup> to Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2006

Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, Saturday

10:30 A.M. 5:00 P.M.

Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>, Sunday

10 A.M.

7:00- 9:00 P.M.

10 am to 12 pm

7:30 pm to 8:30 pm

6 pm to 7 pm

Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, Sunday 5 to 7pm

Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Monday

Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, Saturday

6:00 P.M.

Kalash Sthapana & Puja Mata Ki Chowki

Durga Puja Garba Raas

Chandipath Everyday Garba Raas Dandiya

Ashtami Puja & Havan

Saraswati Puja followed by Garba

Vijava Dashmi Shri Ram Puja

#### DURING NAVRATRI EVERYDAY CHANDI PATH (Durga Saptshati ) 10 am to 12 pm

For further information please call any of the following: Jyoti Desai 745-0876, Sangita Patel 791-0855, Swarna Choudhury 232-2343, or Acharya Kailash Sharma 652-5283.

## Shri Satya Narayan Puja

On Purnima (full moon) Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 P.M.

Sponsorship \$51.00

For details, please call either of the following: Ms. Swarna Choudhury at 232-2343 or the temple priests at 528-3714

### **Bijoy Celebration**

On Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Puja is sponsored by Agrani (Bengali Group)

For details, please call either of the following: Anju Saha 474-3922 or Purbi Dey at 688-1721

## Karwa Chouth Vrat Puja

On Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 P.M.

For details, please call the temple priests at 528-3714

## Deepawali Sri Maha Laxmi Puja

On October 21<sup>st</sup>, Saturday, from 6 to 7:30 P.M.

Fire crackers after Aarti Puja is sponsored by Dr. Bharat & Sudha Aggarwal For details, please call either of the following: Temple priests-528-3714; Swarna Choudhury-232-2343

## **Deepawali Celebration**

On October 28<sup>th</sup>, Saturday

Details to follow

## Mata Ki Chowki

on September 23<sup>rd</sup>, Saturday From 4:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M.

The Event is sponsored by Shri Ram & Murti Jindal and their family

## Shri Chitragupt Puja

On October 29<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Puja is sponsored by Tri State Chitragupt pariwar For details please call:

Kiran Dayal 474-4051; Kalpana Srivastava 233-9184

### New Year Puja (Gujrat)

On October 22<sup>nd</sup>, Sunday, from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. For details, please call: Acharya Kailash Sharma 652-5382; Swarna Choudhury 232-2343



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Mr. & Mrs. Karthikeyan Jeyaraman & Anithapriya Shanthi

Mr. & Mrs. Ram & Murti Jindal

Mr. & Mrs. Sarang & Janhavi Kulkarni

Mr. & Mrs. Subodh & Meena Wadhwa



#### Birthday Anniversaries (September)\*\*

Bipin Sheth

Bipin Shroff

Renu Singh

Sandhya Singh

Meena Sondhi

Somnath Sonti

Supriya Srinivas

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Rakhi Srivastava

Vikas Srivastava

Narayan Sriyastaya

Savita Upadhayaya

Vijay Upadhayaya

Sathur Venkatesan

Sadhna Verma

Shubhana Verma

Sadhvi Venkataramani

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Gauri Wadhwa

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Srinivasan Venkataramani

Ankita Sirumath

Indu Shrivastava

Rakhi Shriyastaya

Vikas Shrivastava

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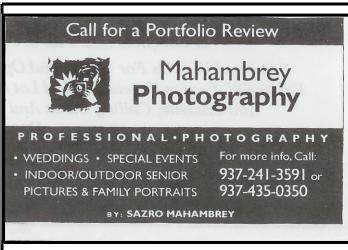
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