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gest)

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 Bobba Chaudhary at 513-984-6074

#### SPONSORS FOR SUNDAY Pooja

Devotees are requested to sit-in Sunday Pooja 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 pooja, 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 calling Bobba Chaudhary at (513) 984-6074

#### **TEMPLE SCHEDULE**

Monday - Friday: 9:00AM-12:00 Noon

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

and announcement

Saturday, Sunday

& US Holidays 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

#### SPECIAL PROGRAM ON WEEKENDS

9:15 - 9:30 A.M. Suprabhatam Daily pooja of 9:30 - 11:00 A.M. **Temple Deities** 11:00 - 11:30 A.M Sponsored Pooja 11:30 - 12:15 A.M Bhajan 12:15 -12:45 P.M. Religious discourse 12:45-1:00 P.M. Birthday and Anniversary pooja

1:00 P.M. Aarti

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- 1. Sponsors for flower \$50/week
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Raj & Shakuntla Agarwal

#### 5. E-mail Data

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Madhu Sharma Meena Sondhi

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#### Sreedhar Suvarana Aashish Shah

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- Archana performed during temple hours by sponsorship. No Archana on Sundays between 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
- 2. **Outside poojas** and other religious services will be conducted by appointment only.
- To schedule any poojas please contact Pooja Committee chairperson at least one week in advance.
- 4. If you would like to bring **food and prasad** in the temple, Please contact Pooja Committee chairperson.
- Cancellations of pooja should be done 3 days in advance or else the full fee for the pooja will be charged

#### RATES FOR POOJA & PRIEST SERVICES I

Effective March 2007

SERVICE	IN	OUTSIDE
	TEMPLE	TEMPLE
Abhishekam (All Deities)	\$101.00 \$101.00	Aksharabhyas \$151.00
Anna-Prashanam	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ashtottharam (108) Archana	\$21.00	
AyushyaHomam/B'day Celebration	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ground Breaking Ceremony	· 	\$151.00
Griha Pravesh		\$151.00
Kalayana Uthsava (Lord Ram/ Sita)	\$121.00	
Kesh Khandan (Churakaran)	\$101.00	\$151.00
Nam-Karan	\$101.00	\$151.00
Navagraha Pooja	\$101.00	\$151.00
Nischitartham (Engagement)	\$151.00	\$251.00
Nitya (1 Day) Kainkaryam (Seva)	\$101.00	
Poolangi Seva (With Flowers)-	\$101.00	
(Only During Off Winter Season)		
Sahasranama (1008) Archana	\$51.00	
Sathyanarayana Pooja	\$101.00	\$151.00
Seemantham	\$101.00	\$151.00
Devi Jagaran	\$75.00	\$101.00
Akhand Ramayan Paath		\$151.00
Shashti Poorthi (60th B'day Celeb.)	\$101.00	\$151.00
Anniversary celebration	\$101.00	\$151.00
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Upakarma (thread changing)	\$51.00	
Upanayam/Brahmopadesham/	\$151.00	\$251.00
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Vahan Pooja	\$51.00	
Yearly Shradham (Barkhi)	\$101.00	\$151.00
Wedding	\$301.00	\$501.00

#### SPECIAL POOJA RATE

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.

- Poojas performed by priests outside the temple will be rated according to the number of poojas performed.
- 2. 32 Cents/Miles for Travel expanse to the Priest to perform pooja at your home.

Rates are subject to change without notice. Rates for poojas 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 Poojas out of Greater Cincinnati will be \$100.00 more than the rates of outside pooja 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
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/poojas 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 Pooja or to rent a temple hall (lower level ) please contact pooja Committee chairperson only.

#### Regular Weekly & Monthly Events at the Temple

#### **Monthly Navgrah Pooja**

Every first Saturday of the Month October 6th Saturday 3 pm to 5:30 pm Sponsors needed for Pooja \$51.00 For Details please call Bobba Choudhaury: 984-6074

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Sri Devnathanji: 528-4831 Temple priests: 528-3714

#### Monthly Murugan Abhishekham / Pooja

Every second Saturday of the Month
October 13th 2007 Saturday 10.30am to 1:00pm
Sponsored by Murugan Group.

**Please contact** Bobba Choudhary :984-6074. Sri Devnathanji: 528-4831 Temple priests: 528-3714

#### **Monthly Satya Narayan Pooja**

On Every Purnima of the Month October 26th Friday, 6:30 pm to 8:30pm Sponsorship \$ 51.00

To sponsor pooja please call Bobba Choudhury: 984-6074
Temple priests: 528-3714

#### **Monthly Sundar Kand Path**

October 14th Sunday 10:30 am
To sponsor please call
Bobba Choudhary: 984-6074 Acharya Kailashji: 770-0705
Temple Priests: 528-3714

## Monthly Shri Ganesh Pooja & Shri Ganesh Atharvshirsha Path

Every 4th Sunday of the month: October 28th Sunday

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

For more information & Sponsor the pooja please call

Anuradha Kulkarni: 271-2749 Uma Sangvai: 793-9384 Kiran Dayal: 474-4051 Temple Priests:528-3714

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#### **Weekly Vishnu Sahastranama Parayana**

Vishnu Sahastranama Parayana (chanting) will now take place every Thursday at 7:00 pm in the temple.

Please join us for the chanting.

For more information, please contact the priest at 528-3714

#### **Weekly Hanuman Chalisa Path**

Every Tuesday at 6:30pm
To sponsor pooja please call Bobba Chaudhury: 984-6074
Temple priests: 528-3714

#### **Weekly Shiv Mahiman Stotram**

Every Monday at 6:30pm

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<u>When:</u> Fourth Sunday of the month, 11am to 12:45pm <u>Where</u>: The Hindu Temple <u>Taught by</u>: Sri Koti Sreekrishna,

Notes with transliteration guide (Sanskrit to English) provided.

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

#### **October Attractions**

ctober 4<sup>th</sup> Matru Navami October 11<sup>th</sup> Pitru Visarjan

Oct. 12 Friday NAV RATRI Begins. Kalash Sthapana 6:30PM. Oct. 13 thro' 20...Devi Pooja & Chandi Path (Durga Saptashati)\*

10AM to 12 Noon.

. Every night Garba Raas. For details see PAGE 8.

Oct. 13 Sat MATA KI CHOUKI 4PM to 8PM...Please sponsor

CHUNNIS.\*\*

Oct. 19 Fri Ashtami Havan 6.PM
Oct. 20 Maha Navami: Sarsvati Pooja

Oct. 21 Sat Vijaya Dashami Pooja 4PM and Special CHitragupta

Havan followed by Garba Raas. See PAGE 8 &10.

Oct. 26 Sharad Purnima

Oct. 28th Karwa Chouth Puja 4pm

**Bijoy Celebration** 

Need sponsors for each day Pooja & Chandi Path. Sponsorship \$51.00. For all nine days \$501.00. Ashtami Hayan \$51.00.

**Chunni Sponsorship:** \$31.00,\$51.00, \$101.00.and above. Chunni will be given back to sponsor family as a blessing after offering. Please call Rani Dhamiia 513-984-5777.

For more details and schedule please call Bobba Choudary 513-984-6074. Acharya Kailash 513-652-5382, Shri Devanathan 513-528-4831, Temple 513-528-3714,

#### NavRatri GOLU Darshan October 11 thro' 20

Oct. 11, 12 &14: Devi Sahastranam Path 6pm to 7pm Oct. 15 thro'20: Devi Sahastranam Path 5pm to 6pm Oct. 28: SankatHara Chaturthi Path 5pm to 6pm.

For details call: Shri Devanathan 528-4831, Temple 528-3714.

#### November 2007 Highlights

- Nov. 7 Dhan Teras. Account Book Poojan
- Nov. 8 Narak Chaturdashi/Kali Chaudash
- Nov. 9 Deepawali. MahaLaxmi Pooja. See Page 5
- Nov. 10 HSGC/ANKUR Deepawali Celebration. See page?
- Nov. 11 Bhaidooj. Shri Chitragupta Pooja and Celebration
- Nov. 15 Skand Sashti Vrat
- Nov. 18 Gopa Ashtami
- Nov. 21 Tulsi Vivah, Prabodhini Ekadashi
- Nov. 23 Vaikunth Chaturdashi
- Nov. 25 ShriNathaji Govardhan Pooja &

Annakoot Mahotsav.

#### Mata ki Chouki

Nov 3rd Saturday 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Sponsored By: Srivastava Family For More Details Call Temple 528-3714

#### **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ELECTION 2008**

General election for Executive Council 2008 will be held on second Sunday December 9, 2007.

Following are the Election Committee Commissioners.

Ambikaipakan Balasubramaniam: 513-204-0213 Mohan Chopra: 859-331-2416 Raneshwar Gupta: 513-232-3331

#### Mata Ki Chouki

October 13th Saturday 4:00 to 8:00 pm



Sponsored by Anil Jindal & Family

For details call Anil Jindal: 271-7171 Bobba Choudhary: 984-6074;

Temple: 528-3714

#### **DURGA ASHTAMI HAVAN**

On Friday October 19th In the evening Need Sponsors

Call: Jitu Patel 459-8900 or Jyoti Desai 745-0876

# Bijoy Celebration On Sunday Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> 2007 11am to 1pm

Sponsored by – Agrani (Bengali group) For Details call Asit Saha 489-5720, Anju Saha 474-3922. Temple 528-3714.

#### Deepawali Mahalaxmi Puja







#### Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> Friday Evening

6:30 to 7:30 Shri Ganesh-Laxmi Puja

Shri Suktam & Laxmi Stotra path

7:30 pm Aarti & Prasad

8:00 pm Fire Crackers after Aarti.

#### Puja is sponsored by:

Dr. Bharat & Sudha Agrawal and Mr.Bobba & Rani Choudary.

We also need sponsores for the puja. Devotees may join with family for the puja. Sponsorship for Puja: \$101.00.

#### For more details call

Bobba Choudary 984-6074. Acharya Kailash 652-5382, Shri Devanathan 528-4831, Temple 513- 528-3714,

#### Shri Chitragupta Pooja

On Sunday Nov. 11th 11am to 1 pm

Sponsored by- Tri State Chitragupta Pariwaar.
Please call Kiran Dayal 474.4051.
Kalpana Srivastava 233-9184.
Bobba Choudary 984-6074



## Nav Ratri

Acharya Kailash Sharma

Jayanti Mangala Kaalee ,Bhadrakaalee Kapaalinee |
DurgaKshama Shiva Daatree , Swaahaa Swadhaa namostutey | |

"Nava-Ratri" literally means "nine nights." This festival is observed twice a year, once in the beginning of summer in Chaitra (April) and again at the onset of winter in Ashwin (October).

During Navaratri we worship the energy aspect of God in the form of the universal mother, commonly referred to as "Durga" which literally means the remover of miseries of life. She is also called "Devi" (goddess) or "Shakti" (energy or power). It is this energy, Goddess Durga, of the supreme God who proceeds with the work of creation, preservation, destruction and recreation. In other words Supreme God is motionless, absolutely changeless and the Divine Mother amba or Durga, does everything. Therefore we worshipped Mother Durga (divine energy) since the time of Vedas. Modern science reconfirms that the energy is imperishable. It cannot be created or destroyed. It is always there. Our Rishis has stated this in Vedas, several thousands years ago.

We worship this energy in the form of the Divine Mother, who is the mother of all, and all of us are her children. "Why mother; why not father?", you may ask. Let me just say that we believe that God's glory, his cosmic energy, his greatness and supremacy can best be depicted as the motherhood aspect of God. Just as a child finds all these qualities in his or her mother similarly, all of us look upon God as mother. In fact, Hinduism is the only religion in the world which greatly honors and worships the mother aspect of God because we believe that mother is the creative aspect of the absolute.

Every year the beginning of summer and the beginning of winter are two very important junctions of climatic change and solar influence. These two junctions have been chosen as the sacred opportunities to worship the divine power because:

- 1. We believe that it is the divine power that provides energy for the earth to move around the sun, causing the changes in the outer atmosphere and that this divine power must be thanked for maintaining the correct balance of the universe.
- 2. Due to the changes in the nature, the bodies and minds of people undergo a considerable change hence we wo ship the divine power to bestow upon all of us enough potent powers to maintain our physical and mental balance.

Navaratri is divided into sets of three days to adore different aspects of the supreme goddess. On the first three days, the Mother is invoked as powerful force called Durga in order to destroy all our impurities, vices and defects. The next three days, the Mother is adored as a giver of spiritual wealth, Laxmi, who is considered to have the power of bestowing on her devotees the inexhaustible wealth. The final set of three days is spent in worshipping the mother as the goddess of wisdom, Saraswati. In order to have all-round success in life, we need the blessings of all three aspects of the divine mother hence the worship for nine nights. According to Durga Saptshati there nine different forms of Goddess Durga. They are Shailputri, Brahmacharini, Chandraghanta, Kusmanda, Skandmata, Katyayani, Kalratri, Mahagauri, Siddhidatri and Mahakali as described in the Durga Saptashati. Each day we worship one different form of Mother Durga. Navratri is celebrated all over India in different ways. In the South Indian states of Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh the festival of Navratri is celebrated in a different manner. Women adorn their houses with dolls (Bommai Kolu), draw traditional designs or Rangolis (patterns made on the floor by using various colored powders and flowers) and light lamps. During this ten day festival of Kolu (Golu) families proudly display traditional wooden dolls and gather to sing songs and depict scenes from the various epics. Another runaway hit is the sundal, a special sweet made from lentil and brown sugar. Families and friends exchange the traditional gifts of coconuts, clothes and sweets on this occasion.

In the state of Punjab, people usually fast during this period, for seven days, and on Ashtami, the eighth day, devotees break their fast by worshipping young girls who are supposed to be representatives of the Goddess herself, by offering them the traditional puris halwa chanas (Bengal gram) and red chunnis (long scarves).

The festival of Navratri acquires quite a fascinating and colorful dimension in the region of Gujarat and in some parts of Rajasthan. The highlights of the festival are the extremely colorful dances of Garba and Dandiya-Raas during which both men and women are dressed in the traditional attires of dhoti-kurta and chania-choli, put up stunning performances to the vibrant rhythm of music. These dances are performed around the traditionally decorated terracotta pot called the Garbi that has a small Diya (lamp) burning inside signifying knowledge. The light meant to dissipate the ignorance or darkness within. Dholak players (drummers) accompany the dancers and groups of singers sing songs handed down to generations. In West Bengal, it takes the form of Durga Puja, an occasion to celebrate the Triumph of Good over Evil. May Mother Durga bless all of us.

| | KAROTU SA NAH SHUBH HETURISHWARI SHUBHANI BHADRANI ABHIHANTU CHAPADAH. | |

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ASHTAMI HAVAN: FRIDAY OCT 19, 5:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

DASERA SUNDAY OCT 21, 5PM TO 7 PM HAVAN FOLLOWED BY DINNER AND GARBA-RAAS

SHARAD PURNIMA: FRIDAY OCT 26, 7:30 PM

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#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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# Chitragupta Yagna at Cincinnati Hindu Temple On Vijaya Dasami, Sunday - October 21, 2007



**Yagna** is an interactive expression of worship, wherein the devotees offer their respect, devotion, and bhakti to various deities in a specific manner as specified by qualified priest. These yagnas are performed for the overall welfare of an individual or an entire community.

On October 21, Vijaya Dasami day, your Temple pooja Committee planned to conduct Shri. Chitraguptaji, Manas putra of Shri. Brahma Deva, Yagna for the health, welfare and prosperity of the entire Hindu Community of Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky.

You are all invited with your family and friends to come and participate in these religious activities at our Temple on October 21, 2007 and receive Lord Chitraguptaji's blessings.

#### The specific program is as follows:

9.00 am Anujna(GettingPermission from Moola Murthy at Temple Shri.

Chitraguptaji)

Shri. Ganapati Pooja Yajaman Sankalpa Temple Parikrama Yagasala Pravesam

9.45 am Punyaha Vachan & 11 Kalasa Sthapana

10.30 am Agni Prathishta

9.30 am

Shri Chitragupta Yagna followed by Sarva Devata Havan

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