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*Happy Mahashivratri*

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### Mahashivaratri

This year Mahashivaratri, the Grand Night of Shiva, Festival falls on Monday, February 23 which is the moonless 14th night of the new moon, during the dark half (Krishna Paksha) in the Hindu month of Magha/Phalgun. It is celebrated with devotion and religious fervor in honor of Lord Shiva, one of the deities of Hindu Trinity. Celebrating the festival of Shivaratri devotees observe day and night fast and perform ritual worship of Shiva Lingam to appease Lord Shiva.

#### Celebration and Worship

To celebrate Shivaratri, worship of Lord Shiva continues all through the day and night. Devotees circumambulate the *lingam* and worship it throughout



night. It is bathed every three hours with the five sacred offerings of a cow, called the *panchagavya* - milk, sour milk, urine, butter and dung. Then the five foods of immortality - milk, clarified butter, curd, honey and sugar called *Panchamruta*, are offered to the *lingam*. Dhatura and jati, though poisonous fruits, are believed to be sacred to Shiva are also offered to him. In Shiva temples every three hours priests perform ritual pooja of Shivalingam by bathing it with *Panchamruta* amidst the chanting of "Om Namah Shivaya" and ringing of temple bells. Nightlong vigil or *jaagran* is also observed in Shiva temples where large number of devotees spends the night singing hymns and devotional songs in praise of Lord Shiva, chanting the sacred *Panchakshara* mantra "Om Namah Shivaya", reciting the Shiva Mahiman Stotram and make offerings of flowers and incense to the Lord amidst ringing of temple bells. It is only on the following morning that devotee break their fast by partaking Prasad offered to the deity. . In Kashmir, the festival is held for 15 days. The 13th day is observed as a day of fast followed by a family feast.

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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</div> <div>TEMPLE SCHEDULE</div> <div>Monday - Friday : 9:00AM-12:00 Noon</div> <div>5:00 PM - 8:00 PM</div> <div>Saturday, Sunday &amp; US Holidays 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM</div> <div>SPECIAL PROGRAM ON WEEKENDS</div> <div>9:15 - 9:30 A.M. Suprabhatam</div> <div>9:30 - 11:00 A.M. Daily pooja of Temple Deities</div> <div>11 :00 - 11:30 A.M Sponsored Pooja</div> <div>11 : 30 - 12:15 A.M Bhajan</div> <div>12 : 15 -12:45 P.M. Religious discourse</div> <div>12:45-1:00 P.M. Birthday and Anniversary pooja and announcement</div> <div>1 : 00 P.M. 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## Pooja Information

### RATES FOR POOJA & PRIEST SERVICES |

SERVICE	IN TEMPLE	OUTSIDE TEMPLE
Abhishekam (All Deities)	\$101.00	—
Aksharabhyas	\$101.00	\$151.00
Anna-Prashanam	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ashtottharam (108) Archana	\$21.00	—
AyushyaHomam/B'day Celebra.	\$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
Naam-Karan	\$101.00	\$151.00
Navagraha Pooja	\$101.00	\$151.00
Nischitartham (Engagement)	\$151.00	\$251.00
Baby Shower Pooja		\$151.00
Nitya (1 Day) Kainkaryam (Seva)	\$101.00	—
Poolangi Seva (With Flowers)- (Only During Off Winter Season)	\$101.00	—
Regular Archana	\$11.00	—
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
Suprabhat Seva	\$21.00	—
Unjal (Swing) Seva	\$31.00	—
Upakarma (Thread changing)	\$51.00	—
Upanayam/Brahmopadeshnam/ Thread Ceremony	\$151.00	\$251.00
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.

1. Poojas performed by priests outside the temple will be rated according to the number of poojas performed.

2. 40 Cents/Miles for Travel expanse to the Priest to perform pooja at your home.

Rates are subject to change without notice. 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

	Fullday	Halfday
Monday -Thursday (except holidays)	\$301	\$151
Friday, Saturday & Holidays	\$501	\$351
<b><u>Sunday after 3PM only</u></b>	—	<b>\$351</b>

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

8:00 AM to 2:00 PM **OR** 4:00PM to 11:00 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.**

### Pooja Committee Announcement:

To schedule a Pooja or to rent a temple hall (lower level )  
please contact Amita Gupta at 336-8782

If you have any question or suggestion about temple activities contact Amita Gupta at 336-8782, any EC Members or Temple at 528-3714.

1. **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.
3. 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 .
5. **Cancellations** of pooja should be done 3 days in advance or else the full fee for the pooja will be charged.



### Special Celebration

## Ram Navami Celebration

## Sita-Ram Kalyanam Festival

### On

## Saturday, April 4, 10:00am



For Details Please call Temple: 528-3714,  
Acharya Kailash Sharma: 770-0705,  
Pandit Srinath Bhattar 813-484-1016,  
Acharya Chakreshwar Sharma 528-0901

## Regular Weekly & Monthly Events at the Temple

### Monthly Navgrah Pooja

Every first Saturday of the Month  
February 7th, Saturday 3 pm to 5:30 pm  
Sponsors needed for Pooja \$51.00  
For Details please call  
Amita Gupta: 336-8782; Temple priests: 528-3714

### Monthly Murugan Abhishekham /Pooja

Every second Saturday of the Month  
February 14th, Saturday 4.00pm  
**Sponsored by Murugan Group.**  
Amita Gupta: 336-8782; Temple priests: 528-3714

### Monthly Satya Narayan Pooja

On Every Purnima of the Month  
February 9th, Saturday 6:30 pm  
**Sponsorship \$ 51.00**  
To sponsor pooja please call Amita Gupta: 36-8782  
Temple priests: 528-3714

### Monthly SundarKand Path

February 15th, Sunday 10:30 am  
Amita Gupta: 336-8782; Acharya Kailash: 770-0705  
Temple Priests: 528-3714

### Monthly Shri Ganesh Pooja & Shri Ganesh Atharvshirsha Path

Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month: February 28th, Sunday 10:30AM  
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  
Amita Gupta: 336-8782 Temple Priests: 528-3714

### Monthly ABHISHEKAM/KALYANOTSAVAM FOR LORD SRI VENKATESWARA

On 4th Saturday of each month from 10:30 AM-12:30PM.  
**To sponsor and details please call any of the following:**  
Anand Konda: 481-4119; Vasundhara Dasari: 777-3353  
Suseela Paturi: 481-8591; Surendra Hanumanthanna: 661-8733  
Pandit Sri Srinadh Bhattar: 528-3714

### Weekly Shiv Mahiman Stotram

Every Monday at 6:30pm

### Weekly Hanuman Chalisa Path

Every Tuesday at 6:30pm  
To sponsor pooja please call Amita Gupta: 336-8782  
Temple priests: 528-3714

### Weekly Vishnu Sahasranaam Parayana

Vishnu Sahasranaama 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 Temple priest s: 528-3714**

### Weekly Venkateswar Pooja

Every Friday at 6:30pm  
To sponsor pooja please call Amita Gupta: 336-8782  
Temple priests: 528-3714

## Bhagavad - Geeta Class

For children and parents  
(Presented by CHESS Balvihar)

- ⇒ Bhagavad-Gita is the manifest quintessence of all the teachings of the Vedic scriptures. - Adi Sankara
  - ⇒ The Bhagavad-Gita is the most systematic statement of spiritual evolution of endowing value to mankind. *It is one of the most clear and comprehensive summaries of perennial philosophy ever revealed; Its enduring value is subject not only to India but to all of humanity.* -Aldous Huxley
- Join us in understanding and appreciating the timeless wisdom of the Bhagavad-Geeta.

**When: Fourth Sunday of the month, 11am to 12:45pm**

**Where: The Hindu Temple**

**Taught by: Sri Koti Sreekrishna,**

Notes with transliteration guide (Sanskrit to English) provided.

**Contact**

**Anisha Singh: 469 - 7432; Vasanta Vemuri: 232- 5767**



## Holika Dahan

On

March 10th, Tuesday

7:30pm After Aarti.

**For details Call Temple: 528-37214**

## Chaitra (Vasant) NavRatri Celebration From March 27th Friday to April 3rd Friday

Kalash Sthapana: March 27<sup>th</sup> Friday 6:00 pm

CHANDI PATH & Shri Durga Pooja Everyday

March 27th to April 3rd

10:00 am to 12:00 noon and

5:00pm to 6:00pm

## Durga Ashtami Puja & Havan

Thursday April 2nd 6:00pm

Sponsorship for Chandi path, Puja & Havan \$51.00

Please call Amita Gupta: 336-8782, Kiran Dayal: 474-4051

Acharya Kailash Sharma: 770-0705 or Temple: 528-3714

## Significance of Shivratri for Women

According to another version of the legend, Goddess Parvati performed tapas and prayers on the auspicious night of Shivaratri to ward off any evil that may befall her consort Shiva. Since then, women began the tradition of praying and appeasing Goddess Parvati for the well being of their sons and especially for husbands, for bestowal of marital bliss 'Suhag' and for long prosperous married life. Unmarried women pray for a husband like Shiva, who is considered to be the ideal husband. Thus Shivratri is considered especially auspicious for women.



## Upcoming Events at the Temple

### February 2008 Events

1st, Sunday: **Vasant Panchami Celebration**  
 9th, Monday: SatayNarayan Pooja  
 12th, Thursday: Sankat Hara Chaturthi Vrat  
 23rd, Monday: **Mahashivaratri Celebration**



### ***Mata Ki Chouki***

***April 4th, Saturday***

***4:00 to 8:00 pm***

***Followed by Prasad/Dinner 8:30pm***

***Sponsored by***

### March 2009 Events

10th, Tues: Holi festival-Holika dahan 7:30pm  
 11th, Wed: Rang Holi  
**14th, Sat: Holi cultural program 4:30-6:30pm**  
 27th, Fri: Chaitra Navratri, Kalash Sthapana 6pm  
 Yugadi, Telagu New Year  
 Vikram Samvat 2066 begins (North)  
 Shalivan Samvat 1931 begins: Gudi Padava  
 28th, Sat: Akhand Ramayan Path begins 11:30 am  
 29th, Sun: Akhand Ramayan path ends 1:00pm  
 April 4th, Sat: Ram Navami Celebration  
 Sita-Ram Kalyanam festival 10:00am  
 Mataki Chauki 4:30pm

### MAHA SHIVARATRI PUJA CELEBRATION On

**Monday February 23rd, 2009  
6 pm to 4 am (All Night) Puja**

#### **First Puja**

6 pm to 7 pm Shivabhishek  
 6 :30 to 7:30 Puja Thali offering (Archana)\*\*  
 7: 30 to 8:00 Shiv Mahimnah Path, Bhajans  
 8: 00 pm Aarti Followed by Prasad (Dinner)

#### **Second Puja**

9:30pm to 10:30pm Shivabhishek \*  
 10:30pm to 11:30pm **Shiva Shahashranam Path**,  
 Shiva Mahimnah Path & Bhajans  
 11:30pm Aarti & Prasad

#### **Third Puja**

12:30am to 1:30 am Shivabhishek \*  
 1:30am to 2:00 am Shiv Mahimnah Path  
 Aarti & Prasad

#### **Fourth Puja**

2:30am to 3:30am Shivabhishek \*  
 3:30am to 4:00am Shiva Mahimnah Path,  
 Aarti & Prasad

**We Need sponsors. Sponsorship:**

**\* Shivabhishek.: \$101.00. ,**

**All Night Puja: \$251.00**

**\*\* Puja Thali: \$21.00 with Ganga jal & Milk**

Please sponsor one of the Abhishek for lord Shiva on this auspicious day. **We also request devotees to bring only very small amount of milk for offering due to big collection of milk, which** we cannot offer on same night. Please donate money instead of milk or dry nuts for prasad.

For Details Please call Amita Gupta :336-8782;

Janak Dave: 859-371-9645; Temple Priests: 528-3714.

### Shri RamNavami Celebration AKHAND RAMAYAN PATH

(Shri Ramcharit Manas)

**Begins on**

**March 28<sup>th</sup> Saturday**

**10:30 am Shri Ram Puja**

**11:30 Ramayana Path Starts**

**We need volunteers to read Ramayana. Please call  
Kiran Dayal 474-4051, Amita Gupta 336-8782  
Acharya Kailash: 770-07 05 to give your names to  
make schedule.**

### AKHAND RAMAYAN PATH

**Ends on**

**March 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday**

**12:30 pm**

**Event is sponsored by: Shri Rameshwar & Kiran Dayal  
and their family.**

### Vasant Panchmi Celebration On

**Sunday Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> 2009**

**10:30 am to 1:00 Pm**

10:30 to 11:30 Saraswati Puja  
 11:30 to 11:45 Vidyarambha Puja ( For Children)  
 11:45 to 12:00 Pushpanjali Offerings  
 12:00 to 1:00 Bhajans , Pravachan & Aarti  
 Prasad ( Lunch)

This Event is sponsored by Agrani Bengali Association .  
 For Details Please call Amita Gupta :336-8782 or  
 Temple: 513-528-3714.

## HSGC Life Members and Patrons

'We are updating the **list of Life Members and Patrons**. Please check .If there is a correction or your name is missing, please contact Raj Bodalia by email (preferably) [rbodalia@hotmail.com](mailto:rbodalia@hotmail.com) or by phone 513-583-0184.

Last	First	Spouse
Adya	Anand	
Aggarwal	Satish	Usha
Aggarwal	Trilok	Shashi
Agrawal	Bharat	Sudha
Ahuja	Sakhikbai	
Ahuja	Sanjeev	Amita
Alavala	Srinivasa Reddy	
Ambe	Pradeep	Aparna
Anand	Manish	
Anantharaman	K. R.	Jalaja
Annamraju	Gopal	Raji
Arya	Desh	Gajra
Athota	Prasad	Kasturi
Awasthi	Rajiv	
Babu	Lakshman	Renuka
Bajaj	Jai Krishna	Ruchika
Bajaj	Vina	
Bakhru	Ramesh	Pratima
Balan	Guhan	
Balasubramaniam	A.	Gayatri
Bali	Usha	
Ballal	H.R.	
Ballal	Raghushchandra	Usha
Banavali	Shripad	Ulka
Banerjee	Anirban	
Banerjee	Sib	Anita
Bansal	Sushil	
Bansal	Ajay	Veena
Bansal	Ambrish K	Manju
Bansal	Avnish	Prabha
Basu	Subroto	Cathy
Batra	P.	Sita
Bawa	Inderjit	
Bellara	Nandini	
Berry	Ravi	
Bhadra	Samiran	Irani
Bhakta	Chhotu	Madhu
Bhakta	Bharat	Pravina
Bhakta	Chhotubhai	Madhu
Bhamidhipati	V. Rao	
Bhandari	Deepak	Sadhana
Bharadwaj	Kaushal .K.	Indu
Bhardwaj	Harish	Poonam
Bhargava	Ravi	Deepa
Bhaskar	Arcot	V.
Bhati	Anant	Shabnam
Bhatia	Dinesh	Tulika
Bhatia	Jagdish	Kiran
Bhatnagar	Aditi	

Last	First	Spouse
Bhatnagar	Shikha	
Bhatnagar	Jagdish P.	Usha
Bhatnagar	Raj	Jyoti
Bhatt	Sanat	Deepa
Bhattacharjee	Jnanendra	Tripti
Bhattacharya	Amit	Prakriti
Bhetanbhotla	Murthy	
Bhola	Rajesh	Ritu
Bhutta	Pravin	Rajal
Biswas	Pratim	Sujata
Bobba	Ramakrishna Choudary	Rani
Bodalia	Rajesh	Sheela
Brahmamdam	Ranga	
Budev	Chandu	
Budev	Hari	Rekha
Bulusu	Srinivas	Kamakshi
Chandoke	Ashok	
Chandra	Prasad	
Chandra	Gyan	Abha
Chandra	Prasad	Annapurna
Chandran	Ravi	
Chatterjee	Ranjit	Bhavna
Chinta	Ravi	Savithri
Chopra	S. Mohan	Asha
Chopra	Yash	
Choudhary	Gangadhar	Chandra
Choudhury	Guru	
Choudhury	Harlal	Swarana
Choudhury	Ranjan	
Damani	Nalin	Taruna
Darolia	Ramgopal	
Das	Ashok	
Das	Nripen	Mala (Shefali)
Das	Nripendra	
Dasari	Madhava	
Dasari	Ravindra	
Datta	Prabhir	
Datta	Yudhishtar	Urmil
Dave	Janak	Triveni
Dayal	Rohit	Priya
Dayal	Rameshwar	Kiran
Deka	Ranjan	Anee
Desai	Bhal	Jyoti
Desai	Bharat	Jayshree
Desai	Kanti	Tripti
Desai	Narendra	
Desai	Shwetal	
Desai	Shwetal	Sangeeta
Desai	Narendra	Shamal
Dey	Chitta R.	Purabi

Last	First	Spouse
Dhamija	Pradeep	Poonum
Dhamija	Prem	Rani
Dhar	Behari	Prabha
Dheenani	Shekar	
Dhringra	Ramesh	Rita
Dixit	Deepak	Leena
Dixit	Rahul	Purnima
Dixit	Shyam	
Donepudi	Madhavrao	Navajanaki
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Ghai	Rikesh	Christine
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Ghosh	Chanchal	
Goel	Amit	Alka
Goel	Anjali	
Goel	Anuj	
Goel	Ravi	Miriam
Goel	Sharad	
Goel	Vijender	Kamlesh
Goel	Tarun	Ranjana
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Goyal	Brij	Kusum
Goyal	Madan	Meera
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Goyal	Subhash	
Grandhi	Navkumar	Veena
Guha	P K	
Gulati	Rajesh	
Gulrajani	Ashok	Avisha
Gupta	Anil K.	Meenu
Gupta	Arun	Renu
Gupta	Babu	
Gupta	Bhupendra Kumar	Manjul
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Gupta	Gopal	
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Gupta	Mohan	Rama

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Gupta	Pradyot	Sudipta
Gupta	Rakesh	Manju
Gupta	Raksha	Sumer
Gupta	Raneshwar	Manju
Gupta	Sadhana Verma	Babu
Gupta	Sam	
Gupta	Shalini	
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Innelli	J	
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Jain	Rajesh	Sharad
Jain	Rani	Raj
Jain	Vijay	Terry
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Jaspal	Ram	
Jawaharlal	Mahendran	
Jayanti	Kameshwari	
Jhanwar	Raj	Kavita
Jhaveri	Mayank	R.M.
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Jindal	Hans	
Jindal	Jaswant R	
Jindal	Jay	Valentina
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Murthy	Kode	Indira
Murthy	Raman	Leela
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Narendran	Vivek	
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Nayak	Premnand	Suneethi
Nayak	Sangeeta	
Nayar	Bala	
Nemade	Vithal	Mangala
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Pai	Umeshraya	Nalini
Paliwal	Ripsudan	Rila
Pandalai	Raghavan	Bhargavi
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Parameshwaran	Hariharan	Lalitha
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Parekh	Kishore (K.P.)	S.K.
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Patel	Dinesh G.	Pushpa Nagar
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Patel	Hema	



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Seth	Krishan	Uma
Seth	Pawan	Mukta
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Shah	Bharat	Meena
Shah	Bipin	Poornima
Shah	Chandra	Kumud
Shah	Falguni M	
Shah	Kiran	
Shah	Niranjan	Vina
Shah	Nutan	Pushpa
Shah	Pravin C.	Ranjan
Shah	Samir	Hemani
Shah	Samir I.	
Shah	Vinit	
Shah	Yatendra	Uma
Shah	Yogesh	
Shanker	Kavi	
Sharma	A.	M.
Sharma	Amar	Usha
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Sharma	Dhirendra	
Sharma	Girish	Nita
Sharma	Kailash C.	
Sharma	Meenu	
Sharma	Raj	Vijay
Sharma	Rajesh	Parveen
Sharma	Ramesh	
Sharma	Rekha	
Sharma	Shiv	Parveen
Sharma	Shri	Pushp L.
Sharma	Vijay	Madhu
Shenai	Ravi	Vasanthi
Sheth	Eric	Sheela
Sheth	Pranav	Anita
Shetty	Shankara	Shakila
Shetty	M.V.	Jyothi
Shrivastava	Indu	
Shrivastava	M.S.	Sulochana
Shrivastava	B.S.	Indu
Shrivastava	Satyendra P.	Sudha
Shroff	Bipin	Nancy
Shukla	Amul	Smruti
Shukla	Rakesh	Mira
Sikdar	Subash	Ruma
Singh	Dharmaveer	Seeta
Singh	Gyanendra	Suman
Singh	Nikki	Nikhilesh
Singh	Raj	Satya
Singh	Ram	Shashi
Singhvi	Surendra	Sushila

Last	First	Spouse
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Sinha	Kapildeo	Kiran
Sinha	Pradeep K	
Sinha	Satyadeo	Renu
Sinha	Sunil K.	Suman
Sinha	Tripurari	
Sivaganesan	S.	Mano
Sondhi	Ramesh	Meena
Soni	Atmaram	
Soni	Karan	
Soni	Nimish	Jyoti
Soni	Vijay	Manju
Sood	Rajesh	
Sreekrishna	Koti	Shalini
Srinivasa	Mandyan	Padma
Srinivasan	Raghu	
Srinivasan	Salem	
Sriram	Indra	
Srivastava	Alok	Sonali
Srivastava	Amitabh	
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Srivastava	B. K.	
Srivastava	Bhartendu	Pratibha
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Srivastava	Sadan	S.
Srivastava	Satgur	Usha
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Subramanian	Naresh	
Subramanya	Rama (Late)	Mridula
Sultanian	Bijay	Bimla
Sunkara	Kusuma	
Suryadevara	Prameela	
Swarup	Chaitanya	Sheela
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Talreja	Sunil	
Talukdar	Sukomal	Nipa
Thiyagarajan	Adhiyappa	
Toddywala	Noshir	Barbara
Toddywalla	Soshir	
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## Minutes of HSGC General Body Meeting, Dec. 14, 2008

The meeting started at 11 am.

President Raj Bodalia spoke. He thanked the EC members for their hard work. He highlighted the achievements over the past year. President spoke about Shri Morari Babu's Ram Katha as a major accomplishment by the committee and the community which was attended by more than 1800 people per day for ten days and thanked all those who made it a success. He indicated that many more pooja celebrations are now in place and thanked the Pooja Committee Chair Bobba Choudry for his hard work and dedication. He spoke about the progress on the long term projects including Garba Graha; on obtaining zoning permit for canopy; on the efforts underway on kitchen renovation, community center and retirement community; and about the digitalizing of all architectural drawings. He also highlighted the promotion of priest Kailash Sharma as a Senior Priest, which is a first in the Temple's history.

Secretary Siva Sivaganesan, in his report, thanked the EC members for their hard work and accomplishments. He thanked the President Raj Bodalia for his leadership, for his tireless efforts on behalf of the EC, for taking on many responsibilities within and outside the temple, and for his numerous accomplishments as the President of EC. Secretary also thanked the the Pooja Committee chair for his hard-work and dedication in managing the temple's regular pooja activities, for adding several new pooja celebrations, and for managing it all with a shortage of priests for several periods. Secretary also thanked Long Range Planning Chair Jitu Patel for his life-long dedication and service to the temple and for currently taking on huge tasks such as the kitchen renovation and chairing of the Community Center project. Secretary also thanked Vice President Ramesh Dayal for his continued services and dedication to the temple on several fronts, including taking on the responsibility of the Garbha Graha project, and for the progress of the project so far. He also thanked specifically the other committee chairs, Meena Mehta, Jyoti Desai, Hari Maddali, Shiv Sharma and Manju Gupta, for their hard work and dedication.

Treasurer gave a summary report of the financial status of the temple, and observed that the temple is continued to be supported well by the devotees and reported that its financial status is sound.

Jitu Patel spoke and emphasized the need to appoint a temple manger and the need to amend the constitution so that a Board of Trustee can be established to oversee the Community Center project.

Following the meeting the Election Commission comprised of Mohan Chopra, Raneshwar Gupta and Ambikai-pakan Balasubramaniam announced the names of those elected for 2009 Executive Council of HSGC, as follows.

President: Meena Mehta	Communications: Geeta Mehan
Vice President : Krutarth Jain	Cultural: Jyoti Desai
Secretary: Siva Sivaganesan	Long range: Laxmi Srivastava
Treasurer: Amar Sharma	Fund raising: Hari Maddali
Pooja Committee: Amita Gupta	Maintenance: Shiv Sharma

### List Continues

Last	First	Spouse
Vaidyanathan	Chandrasekar	
Valliappan	Swaminathan	
Var	Prem D	
Varma	Pradeep	Renu
Varma	Pramod	Kiran
Varma	Praveen	Renu
Varma	Premdatta	Swarn
Vemuri	Ranganadha	
Verma	Alok	
Verma	Ashish	

Last	First	Spouse
Verma	Kedar	Shashi Bina
Verma	Prem	
Viswamitra	Halikote	Saroja
Wadhwa	Subodh	
Yadlapalli	N. Ganesh	
Yalamanchilli	Prasad	
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In many temples on this day, a three-tiered platform is built around a fire. The topmost plank represents *swargaloka* (heaven), the middle one *antarikshaloka* (space) and the bottom one *bhuloka* (earth). Eleven urns or *kalash*, are kept on the *swargaloka* plank symbolizing the eleven manifestations of the *Rudra* Shiva. These are decorated with *bilva* (wood apple leaves) and mango leaves atop a coconut representing the head of Shiva. The uncut shank of the coconut symbolizes his tangled hair and the three spots on the fruit Shiva's three eyes.

**Legends of Mahashivratri:** There are various interesting legends related to the festival of Mahashivaratri. According to one of the most popular legends, Shivaratri marks the **wedding day of Lord Shiva and Parvati**. Some believe that it was on the auspicious night of Shivaratri that Lord Shiva performed the 'Tandava', the dance of the primal creation, preservation and destruction. Another popular Shivratri legend stated in Linga Purana states that it was on Shivaratri that Lord Shiva manifested himself in the **form of a Linga**. Hence the day is considered to be extremely auspicious by Shiva devotees and they celebrate it as Mahashivaratri. It is also believed that on Shivratri, Lord Shiva became **Neelkantham** by swallowing the deadly poison that came up from the ocean during the churning of "Kshir Sagar". The poison was so deadly that even a drop in His stomach, which represents the universe, would have annihilated the entire world. Hence, He held it in His neck, which turned blue due to the effect of poison. Shivratri is therefore also a day of thanksgiving to the Lord for protecting us from annihilation. **The 14th shloka** of *Shivmahimna Stotra* says: "O three eyed Lord, when the poison came up through the churning of the Ocean by the gods and demons, they were all aghast with fear as if the untimely end of all creation was imminent. In your kindness, you drank all the poison that still makes your throat blue. O Lord, even this blue mark does but increases your glory. What is apparently a blemish becomes an ornament in one intent on ridding the world of fear."

As stated in Linga Purana, once Brahma and Vishnu, two other deities of the holy Trinity, had an argument as to their supremacy. Brahma being the Creator declared himself to be more revered, while Vishnu, the Preserver, pronounced that he commanded more respect. Just then a colossal *lingam*, known as **Jyotirlinga**, blanketed in flames, appeared before them. Both Brahma and Vishnu were awestruck by its rapidly increasing size. They forgot their quarrel and decided to determine its size. Vishnu assuming the form of a boar went to the netherworld and Brahma as a swan flew to the skies. But both of them failed to accomplish the self-assumed tasks. Then, Shiva appeared out of the *lingam* and stated that he was the progenitor of them both and that henceforth he should be worshipped in his **phallic form**, the *lingam*, and not in his anthropomorphic form.

**Significance of Shivratri:** The festival has been accorded lot of significance in Hindu mythology. Among all stated here the most significant one is that a devotee who performs sincere worship with pure devotion of Lord Shiva on the auspicious day of Shivratri is absolved of sins and attains moksha.

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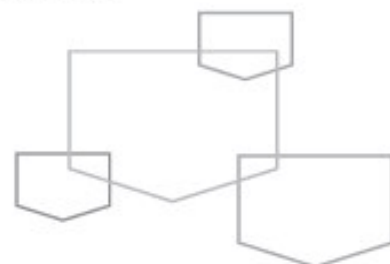
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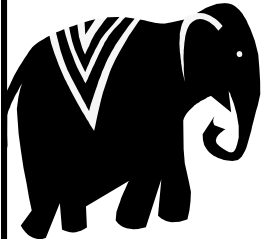
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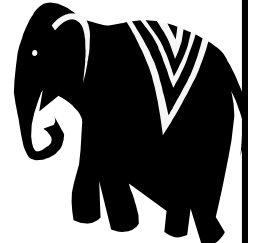
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