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SIGNIFICANCE OF FALL (Sharad) - (Koti Sreekrishna)

The trees with fresh leaves start in spring and assimilate all through the summer and look bountiful. When Fall arrives, they let go of this bounty in such a majestic and graceful manner , with all the wonderful color changes covering almost every hue one can imagine.

There is an important message for us here: We are born; just like those tender Spring leaves. We should carefully assimilate all the goodies to the fullest of OUR abilities, just like those trees that assimilate and become fruitful (making hay while the Sun shines). When the time comes, the trees let go off that assimilated treasure gracefully (not like the way most of us grudgingly send our taxes to IRS in April) and drop off the very same leaves that nourished the fruits, making ground for the next batch.

We didn't create this world - we only use this world to earn whatever (power/strength, knowledge, wealth) and we should let that go for the good of the world. This is our obligation to this wonderful world and to our Maker that we take for granted!

Hinduism attaches a special significance for the Fall season. The Vedic mantras are full of reverence and reference to Fall (Sharad).

Everyday, gazing at the bright Sun, a Vedic seeker utters:

Let me live a hundred autumns (JIvEma sharadahshhatam)

Let me see a hundred autumns (PashyEma sharadahshhatam)

mOdAma Sharadahshatam (Let me enjoy a hundred autumns)

ShReNavAma sharadahshhatam (Let me hear a hundred autumns)

ajItAsyAma sharadahshhatam (Let me live invincibly for a hundred autumns)

Importance given to Autumn season can also be seen in the wedding vows. A very important symbol of some Hindu marriages is Mangalasutra (auspicious yellow thread) that is tied by the bridegroom around the neck of bride like a garland. While doing this, the bridegroom says: “Oh! The auspicious one, I am tying this auspicious thread around your neck. It (the thread) is a symbol of my life. You live a hundred autumns (with it).

mAngalyam tantunAnEna mama jIvana hEtuna.

KanTE badhnAmi subhagE tvam jIva sharadahshhatam).

To mark the Autumn season, we have many festivals. We have Dussarah (Sharad navarAtri), dIpAvaLi, Skanda Shashti, Karthigai (Karthik month) festivals, culminating in Bhagavadgita Jayanthi and Vaikunta Ekadashi. Fall festivals are common in different traditions and cultures around the world. Here in the US, we have Halloween and Thanksgiving, which are followed by the Christmas season. Besides, I am sure many of you had some kind of a Fall Fling at your school.

Let us RISE to the message of the FALL season!

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RELIGIOUS DISCOURSE

Sundays 12:15 - 12:45 PM

First Sunday : Upanishads

Second Saturday : 1008 Gayatri Jaap
Second Sunday : Children Program

Third Sunday : Sunder Kand Path

Fourth Sunday : *Shri Ganesh Atharvshirsha Path*
Fifth Sunday : Jagannath Puja

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 contact Amita Gupta.

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, group of families or organizations. Please reserve your Sunday of choice ASAP by putting your name and phone-no in the calendar at the temple & calling pooja committee members Amita Gupta or Meena Sondhi.

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 Pooja of 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 and announcements

Please Donate Generously

Your Temple needs
1. Sponsors for flower $50/week
2. Sponsors for Sunday pooja
3. Your support

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Pooja Information

RATES FOR POOJA & PRIEST SERVICES

SERVICES	IN TEMPLE	OUTSIDE TEMPLE
Abhishekam (All Deities)	$101.00	—
Aksharabhyas	$101.00	$151.00
Anna-Prashanam	$101.00	$151.00
Ashta Prakari Pooja*	$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/Brahmopadesham/ Thread Ceremony	$151.00	$251.00
Vahan Pooja	$51.00	----
Yearly Shradham (Barkhi)	$101.00	$151.00
Wedding	$301.00	$501.00

Temple Rental: Lower Floor Only

	Full day	Half day
Monday -Thursday	$301	$151
(except holidays) Friday, Saturday & Holidays	$501	$351
Sunday after 3PM only —	**$351**	

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 Kiran Dayal at 474-4051
If you have any question or suggestion about temple activities contact 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 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. 50 Cents/Miles for Travel expense 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.*

C H E C K O U T
http://newbhagavadgita.blogspot.com/2010/04/shock-treatment-in-bhagavad-gita.html

POOJA SAMAGRI

For convenience of Devotees, Temple can now provide Pooja Samagri for all inside and outside Poojas.
Donation for Puja Samagri is as follows
$ 21 for any Pooja
$ 31 for any Pooja including Havan/Hom
For more details please contact
Kiran Dayal 513-474-4051
Amita Gupta 513-336-8782

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

SUNDERKAND CD (sung by **Acharya Kailash Sharma**)
AVAILABLE in Temple Gift Shop for **$ 10.**
The money raised will go to temple.

Regular Weekly & Monthly Events at the Temple

Monthly Navgrah Pooja Every first Saturday of the Month Nov 6
Sponsors needed for Pooja $51.00
For Details call
Kiran Dayal at 474-4051;Temple priests:528-3714

Monthly ABHISHEKAM/KALYANOTSAVAM FOR LORD SRI VENKATESWARA
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

Monthly Murugan Abhishekham /Pooja
Every second Saturday of the Month
Nov 6 Saturday 4.00pm Sponsor Murugan Group.
Kiran Dayal at 474-4051; Temple priests: 528-3714

1008 Gayatri Jap
Second Saturday of each month at 9.30AM
For details please contact temple priest at 528-3714
or Kiran Dayal at 474-4051

Monthly Satya Narayan Pooja
On Every Purnima of the Month
6:30 pm
Sponsorship $ 51.00
To sponsor pooja call
Kiran Dayal at 474-4051
Temple priests: 528-3714

Weekly Shiv Mahiman Stotram
Every Monday at 6:30pm

Weekly Hanuman Chalisa Path
Every Tuesday at 6:30pm

Monthly Shri Ganesh Pooja & Shri Ganesh Atharvshirsha Path
Every 4th Sunday of the month 10:30AM
This pooja is dedicated to each month's
Sankashti Chaturthi to Lord Ganesh.For more information & Sponsor the pooja please call
Jyoti Divekar : 204-8037 Mangal Nemade : 234-8373
Kiran Dayal at 474-4051 Temple Priests:528-3714

Weekly Vishnu Sahasranaam Parayana
Vishnu Sahasranaama Parayana (chanting) will now take place Every Thursday at 7:00 pm . 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 Kiran Dayal at 474-4051Temple priests: 528-3714

Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati Membership Information

If you are not already a member of HSGC, please join today and participate in all temple activities and enjoy all the festivities. This year HSGC has inaugurated a new ELITE Membership* at midlevel as listed below.

The membership donations are as follows:

Receive 'Aradhana' Annually: $21.00 (Suggested donation)

Annual Individual Membership: $51.00

Annual Family Membership: $101.00

Life Membership: $1001.00 (One year spread, two checks)

*Elite Membership: $5001.00 (Three year spread, three checks)

Patron: $10,000.00 (Three year spread, three checks)

Membership Forms are available at the Gift Shop in the Temple.

Please also use the form to update your address. If you know someone who has moved out of town let us know. We would appreciate it. For more information please call temple at (513) 528-3714

or Any member of Executive Council (See pg 2 for all names and phone numbers)

Membership and Fundraising Chair is Raneshwar Gupta 513-232-3331

November 2010

Nov. 5th Friday	Deepawali Maha Laxmi Puja 6:30pm Sponsored By- Dr. Bharat & Sudha Agrawal.
Nov. 6th Sat.	Navgrah Puja 3pm
Nov. 6th Sat	4:30 Murgan Abhishekam
Nov. 7th Sun.	Chitragupt Puja 11:30 am Sponsor– Chitragupt Pariwaar of tristate .
Nov. 7th Sun.	New year (Gujarat) Celebration MahaLaxmi /Chopda Puja , Deewali Garba. 10am Mahalxmi Puja, 3pm Garba followed by Mahaprasad /Dinner Sponsored by – 42 Gam Patel Samaj of Cincinnati.
Nov 8 -12	Murgan Skanda Shashthi Puja 5:30 to 6:30pm
Nov. 13th Sat.	1008 Gayatri japa 9:30am Everyone Welcome .
Nov. 13th Sat.	Murgan Kalyanotsavam 4:30pm Sponsorship $101.00
Nov. 14th Sun.	SunderKand Path 10:30am
Nov. 21st Sun.	Annakoot /Govardhan Puja 10am Sponsor – Srinath ji Devotees
Nov. 21st Sun.	Krithigai Deepam 7pm
Nov. 21st Sun.	Satya Narayan Puja (Purnima) 5:30pm Sponsorship $51.00
Nov. 28th Sun.	Ganesh Puja & AthrvaShirsh path 11am .

Dec. 2010

Dec. 4th Sat. 108 Hanuman Chalisa Path 9am to 1pm followed by Aarti & Prasad

Dec. 4th Sat. Navgrah Puja 3pm Sponsorship $51.00

Dec. 11th Sat. 1008 Gayatri Japa 9:30am Everyone welcome

Dec. 11th Sat. Murgan Abhishekam 4pm Sponsorship $101.00

Dec. 12th Sun. Sunderkand Path 10:30am Sponsored By – Deepa Bhatt & Family

Dec. 16th Thur. Dhanurmaas Begins

Dec. 17th Fri. Geeta Jayanti (Actual Day)

Dec. 19th Sun. Geeta Jayanti Celebration GEETA PATH 10:00 am

Dec. 20th Mon. Satya Narayan Puja (Purnima) 6:30pm Sponsorship $51.00

Dec. 25th Sat. Venkateshwar Abhishekam 10am

Dec. 26th Sun. Ganesh Puja & Athrvasheersh path 11am

Birthdays and Anniversaries for the Month of November

Happy Anniversary *

Rajarshi & Phane Sen, Alok & Sharmila Khare, Pawan & Rita Kumar, Jagdish & Madhu Nawani, Srinath Ramarathnam & Asha Sunderam, Debabratha &.Madhuhmita Saha, Alok & Rashmi Sahay, Shalabh Singhal & Shivani Srivastava, Ashok & Neelima Tandon, Vijayasarthy & Gayathri Vadin, Vadin Vijayasarthy & Gayathri Rao, Jagdish Bhati.

Happy Birthday**

Rajarshi Sen, Shakuntala Agarwal, Kalpathy Anantharaman, Usha Balasubramaniam, Jagdish Bhatia, Rajesh Bodalia, Manish Chaturvedi, Ashwini Choudhury, Samir Choudhury, Sunil Choudhury, Sharmistna Das, Madhava Dasari, Vinod Dasari, Maheshwer Dayal, Mohini Duggal, Rusham Goyal, Radhika Gulati, Lata Gupta, Sonika Gupta, Saloni Hemani, Riya Jain, Hiremagalur Jayram, Murti Jindal, Asha Kamat, Shashi Khanna, Krishna Kool, Aman Kumar, Amita Kanti Kumar, Ronald Meyer, Arun Murthy, Deepak Nagarajan, Annapuni Narayan, Charg Padya, Samir Parikh, Anil Patel, Anita Patel, Prakash Patel, Vaishali Patel, Vimal Patel, Jagan Ramamoorthy, Sri Ram Ramanivasan, Alok Sahay, Ela Saraff, M. Sekar, Avrko Shah, Shreya Shah, Dhruv Sharma, Rekha Sharma, Sarmishta Sharma, Ankur Shukla, Anisha Singh, Gayathri Tadepalli, Som Tandon, Tejaswi Vishwamitra, Meena Wadhwa, Ekta Yadav, Lalitha Yalamanchilli., Dhriti Sharma.

*(Celebrated on the first Sunday of each month in the temple.)

**(Celebrated on the second Sunday of each month in the temple.)

If you would like to include your name in the above lists, please call Raj or Shakuntala at 513-733-1537.

APPEAL REGARDING ROAD REPAIR

Dear Devotees,

As you are already aware, due to the severe weather we had this past winter, both sides of the Temple road conditions have deteriorated & need immediate repair and attention. This project requires patching up the holes and thick blacktop from the main gate all the way to the back of the Temple where the dumpster is on both sides of the road. We want to start this repair project as soon as possible. As you know it will require around $50,000. We want all members and devotees to share the cost. Please donate generously for this project as it is for the safety of all of us. The sooner we start the process, the cheaper the overall repair cost will be. Any checks from $100.00 to $500.00 for this project will be greatly appreciated. Please be sure to mention on the check that it is for the road project. Also, we welcome any help or advice on this issue. For any further details or questions, please contact the undersigned.

Raneshwar K. Gupta

Membership and Fundraising Chairperson 513-232-3331

Hindu Awareness Day Celebrations
at The Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati

Cincinnati chapter of the Vishwa Hindu Parishad of America (VHPA) Cincinnati Chapter and the Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati celebrated Hindu Awareness Day on Saturday, September 25, 2010 at the Hindu Temple. VHPA has celebrated Hindu Awareness day for fifteen year, however, last four years jointly with the Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati. Five area Bal Vihar students (the children's study groups) participated in the program. They recited shaloka, inspiring Bhajans, played an act of Sudama and Krishna. One young person entertained the guests with Bharat Natyam Dance.

State Representative Jay Goyal of Mansfield, Ohio was chief guest. Mr. Todd Portune Hamilton County Commissioner was also able to attend and grace this function.
After the kids program every one enjoyed home cooked Indian food.

Dr. Jashwant Rao Pathak was the key note speaker and talked about connecting old cultures with Hinduism.
Mr. Krutarth Jain President of the Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati welcomed guests. Mrs. Leena Dixit talked about the VHP activities. Mr. Anil Srivastava gave a presentation about support a Child program, run by VHP. Mr. Prem Garg President Cincinnati chapter of VHPA thanked all the participants and guests.

More than 150 guests attended the event. Sandip Shah was the main coordinator of the event. With the help of all VHPA Cincinnati Chapter members and volunteers the program was a big success.

VHPA of Greater Cincinnati, in conjunction with Hindu Temple of Cincinnati hosted Hindu Seva Day on September 12, 2010. The members of VHPA Cincinnati Chapter every year donate Seva (physical work) in support of community activities. This time VHP members took upon the project of cleaning and painting temple play area which is most frequently used by the children of devotees visiting temple. It was a great activity which was attended by more than thirty members with excitement and lots of fun. The Seva was performed from 9:30 am to 2:00pm, cleaning and painting play equipment like swings, monkey bars, etc. etc., and fixing swing and fence door. The Sevaks (volunteers) also enjoyed the break with awesome snacks, also provided by members of the VHPA. Overall, it was fun filled event cherished and appreciated by all, volunteers and temple devotees.

The October 2nd has been designated National Hindu Seva Day by VHPA (World Hindu Council). In future, if you would like to donate your services and help your community, we encourage you to call Pradeep Gupta at 513 342-2005 for information or look for Cincinnati Temple publication "Aradhana".

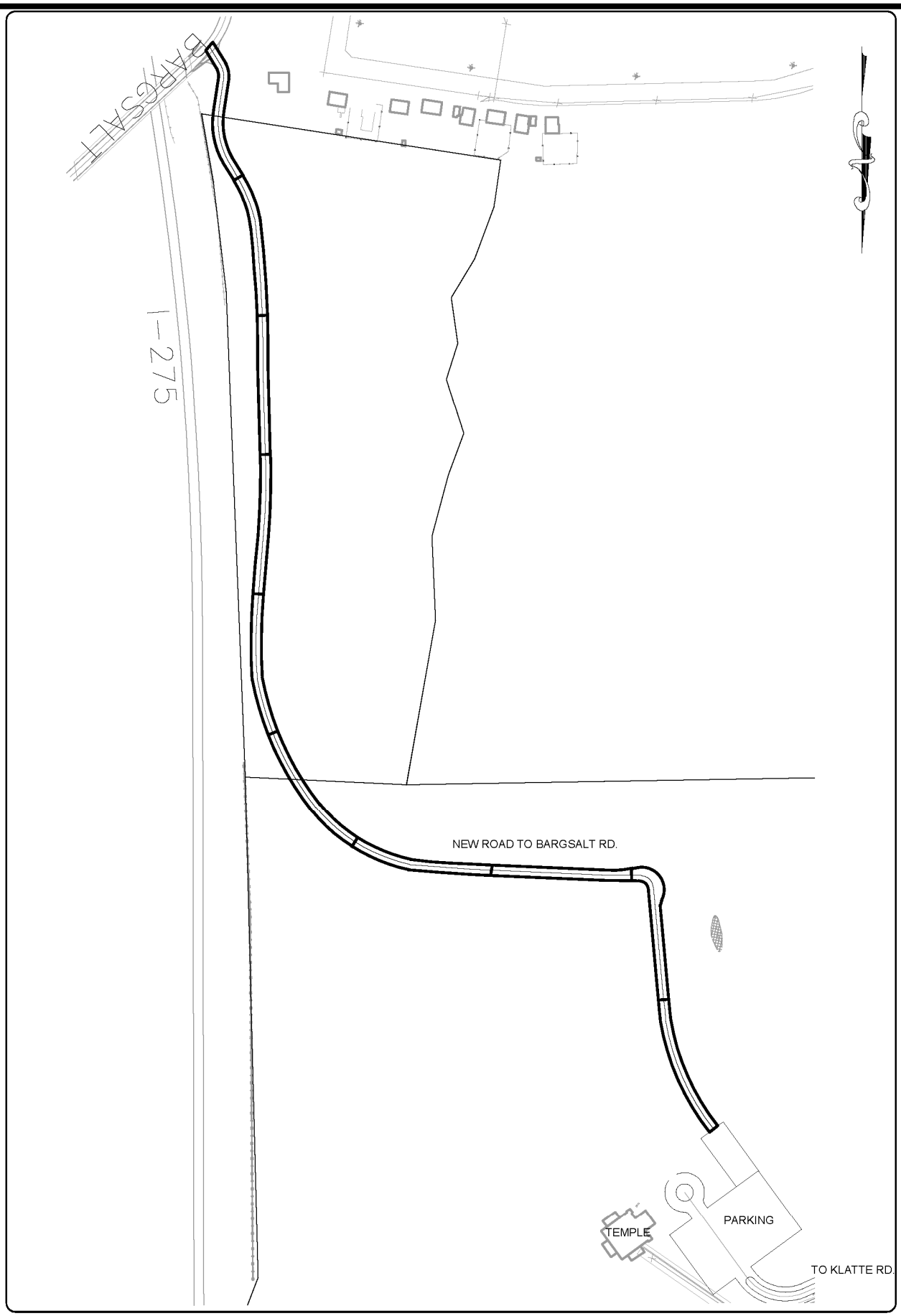
<u>Thought For the Day</u>

A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

TALENT is God given———BE HUMBLE

FAME is man given———- BE GRATEFUL

CONCEIT is self given———-BE CAREFUL



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NO	DATE	PURPOSE

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BANARAS

TIMELESS MUSICAL TRADITIONS

PRESENTED BY THE

cincinnati art museum

A curated multimedia presentation describing the impact of the city of Banaras on the musical traditions of India, and a portrait of how this ancient center of Indian culture influenced the work of legendary composer Muthuswamy Dikshitar (1775-1835) and other luminaries of 19th century India. This event is a tribute and a salutation to Muthuswamy Dikshitar, a musician with a pan-Indian outlook, a composer whose genius spans a wide range of classical musical forms, including the newly born genre of Indo-Colonial music of the 1800s. Produced by Kanniks Kannikeswaran, this multimedia presentation showcases Banaras through an eclectic blend of multimedia, solo and choral performances presented by the students and friends of the American School of Indian Art (ASIA).

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

7.00 PM

FATH AUDITORIUM, CINCINNATI ART MUSEUM

FREE ADMISSION

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

FOR RESERVATIONS, E-MAIL banarasconcert@gmail.com WITH YOUR NAME, CONTACT INFO AND NUMBER OF TICKETS. YOU WILL BE E-MAILED A CONFIRMATION ALONG WITH DIRECTIONS TO THE VENUE

Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati is invited to attend Indian Musical at

Cincinnati Art Museum

on Sunday, November 7, 2010

At 7:00 PM

Admission: FREE

For Reservation send your name, contact info and number of tickets to

Email: banarasconceert@gmail.com

www.kanniks.com

ABOUT BANARAS

Banaras, one of the world's oldest cities is the center of Indian philosophy and learning. Many of India's prominent personalities have been touched by the vibes of this city on the banks of the Ganga. 'Banaras - Timeless Musical Traditions' tells the story of the influence of this city on the musical traditions of India and its relevance to India and the Indian diaspora in the 21st century.

This production features live music, story telling and multimedia. In addition to covering the diverse classical repertoire of Dikshitar it also covers the folk tunes of the East India company that transformed into mystical prayers in the hand of Dikshitar. Banaras is produced and directed by Kanniks Kannikeswaran and is performed by the students and friends of the American School of Indian Art. It features choral as well as solo and duet performances of an eclectic repertoire of music.

Banaras is more than a musical performance. There is something in it for all whether one is a music lover or a history buff or just has a mild interest in Indian culture and history.

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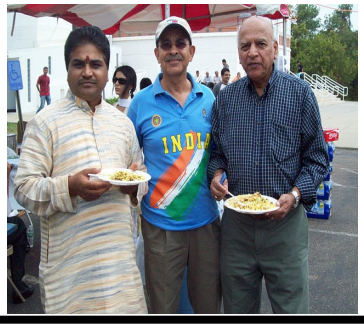

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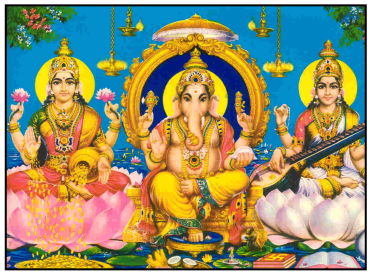

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

BREAKING NEWS

HSGC has got zoning approval for building a road from Barg Salt Rd to the Temple

See details on Pg 14

Laxmi Srivasastava

PATRONS AND LIFE MEMBERS DAY
SAVE THE DATE
November 13th 2010, Saturday

HSGC will celebrate its 2nd Patrons and Life members day on Saturday, November 13th 2010 in the evening from 7:00 t0 10:00pm.

The tentative program is as follow:
We will start the evening with Prayer and Arti followed by social time, dinner, welcome and Live Classical Music program by **DR. Harre Harren from India**.
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Buy Raj Minocha's Book of Poetry: *Petals in the Wind*

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As most of the Indian community of Greater Cincinnati knows, Late Raj Minocha was affectionately called the Poet-Laureate of Cincinnati. His poetry book, *Petals in the Wind*, was very enthusiastically received when it came out in 2008. His poetry was so popular that everybody asked him to write and recite a poem for a birthday, graduation, engagement, or wedding. And he was too gracious to say no. With his elegant poetry he touched many a souls in Cincinnati.

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Swirling at random, somewhere to settle,

Settling your way, maybe in your lap,

Bringing fragrance in life, latent powers to tap!

Although numerous copies of *Petals in the Wind* have already been sold, many more are still available. So far, Raj and Krishna Minocha have donated the entire proceeds from the sale of his book to the Hindu Temple. So, here is a chance for everybody. You can buy the book and enjoy Rajji's great poetry, and at the same time you can also help a charitable cause because all the money from the sale of the book will go to the Hindu Temple.

The book can be purchased from the Gift Shop located at the main entrance to the Hindu Temple.

Y. Datta

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT For Executive Council 2011

The term of the Current Executive Council expires on December 31, 2010, and the elections for Executive Council 2011 will be conducted during the General Body Meeting on Sunday, December 12, 2010 at 12.00 Noon. The Election Commission invites nominations for the following positions:

1. **President**
2. **Vice-President**
3. **Secretary**
4. **Treasurer**

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

1. **Religious Education and Youth Activities P**
2. **Pooja and Religious Activities**
3. **Communications**
4. **Membership and Fund Raising**
5. **Property Management & Maintenance**
6. **Cultural**
7. **Long Range Planning**

In addition, the Youth Group is requested to nominate **a Youth representative (22 year Max)** to serve on the Executive Council. This nomination must be endorsed by at least ten youth members

RULES

The nominations must be filed by December 11, 2010, 12.00 PM (mid-night) . All nominations must include the following information:

- Candidate's name and Phone number.
- Name and Phone number of the person proposing.
- Name and Phone number of the person seconding.
- 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, 2010.
- For the position of the President and Long range Planning, 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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HSGC – Executive Council
Meeting Minutes– September 12, 2010

Present: Krutarth Jain(President), Ambikaipakan Balasubramaniam (Vice President), Deepak Dixit (Secretary), Prasad Megada (Treasurer), Geeta Mehan (Editor – Aradhana), Sulbha Midha (Cultural Committee Chair), Anisha Singh (Religious Education Committee Chair), Laxmi Srivastava (Temple Manager), Raneshwar Gupta (Fundraising Committee Chair), Amita Gupta (Pooja Committee Chair), Kiran Dayal (Pooja Committee Co-chair)

Additional Attendees: Sapna Chellath (Cultural Committee Member)
Absent: Shiv Sharma (Maintenance Committee Chair)

Minutes:

1. The committee decided to issue guidelines for special projects financing.
2. The existing mortgage will be refinanced at lower rates. The loan on the kitchen will be combined with the current mortgage in order to reduce the overall cost to the temple. Laxmi Srivastava, Raj Bodalia and Vijay Sharma will be responsible for the refinancing. However, the fundraising committee has a goal to raise the kitchen related loan in next 5 years or less.
3. Brij's Musical Group: A group headed by of Satya Majethi and Dr Subodh Wadhwa will be formed to organize an annual musical program in the memory of late Shri Brij Srivastava. The group will organize the program on their own with the objective of raising funds for the temple.
4. Rental Committee: A rental committee will be constituted to manage rental of the lower level facilities. This committee will work closely with the Pooja committee. Krutarth Jain and Deepak Dixit will look for potential candidates for this committee.
5. The executive committee will review functioning of all committees periodically and all special committees for one-off events prior to the events.
6. Deepak Dixit will present attendance record for the year in next EC meeting. Laxmi Srivastava, on behalf of the EC, will consult an attorney on the correct interpretation of the attendance rule.
7. The temple will send a representative to the annual meeting of the Hindu Mandir Executive Conference. Ambikaipakan Balasubramaniam (Bala) will represent the temple in this event. .
8. Priest Srinath ji's immigration is being processed currently. Bala ji will work with the Krutarth Jain to obtain necessary supporting documents for his application.
9. Fundraising: There are multiple fundraising initiatives with different intents and managed by different individuals. The EC has decided that all such efforts will be coordinated through Raneshwar Gupta, the chair of the fundraising committee. All special fundraising committees will be part of the fundraising committee.
10. Election for 2011: The elections for next year's executive committee will be held on 2nd Sunday of December, 2010. The election commissioners will be Mohan Chopra, Siva, and Anand Narayan. The election date as well as date for filing nominations should be published in the next issue of Aradhana.
11. The meeting minutes will be physically signed by all EC members from next EC meeting onwards. This will be in accordance with the temple constitution.
12. The date for the next general body meeting needs to be decided. Deepak Dixit will coordinate with all EC members. The intent is to have the EC meeting on the same day the GBM.
13. Kiran Dayal will be the acting chair of the Pooja Committee. Amita Gupta will function as the co-chair of the Pooja Committee. This is being done to accommodate scheduling constraints for Amita Gupta.
14. The Naach-Sitare program raised $5,000 for the temple. New Krishna restaurant provided food for this event at a highly subsidized rate. The EC has decided to offer special thanks to New Krishna for this gesture.
15. HSGC will work with the Ankur Gujrati Samaj for the sale of tickets for the Diwali program. Krutarth Jain, Raneshwar Gupta, and Deepak Dixit will coordinate with Ankur on the ticket sales.
16. The EC needs to urgently look at getting a 4th priest before priest Srinath ji's vacation to India for 2 weeks each in mid January and April of 2011.

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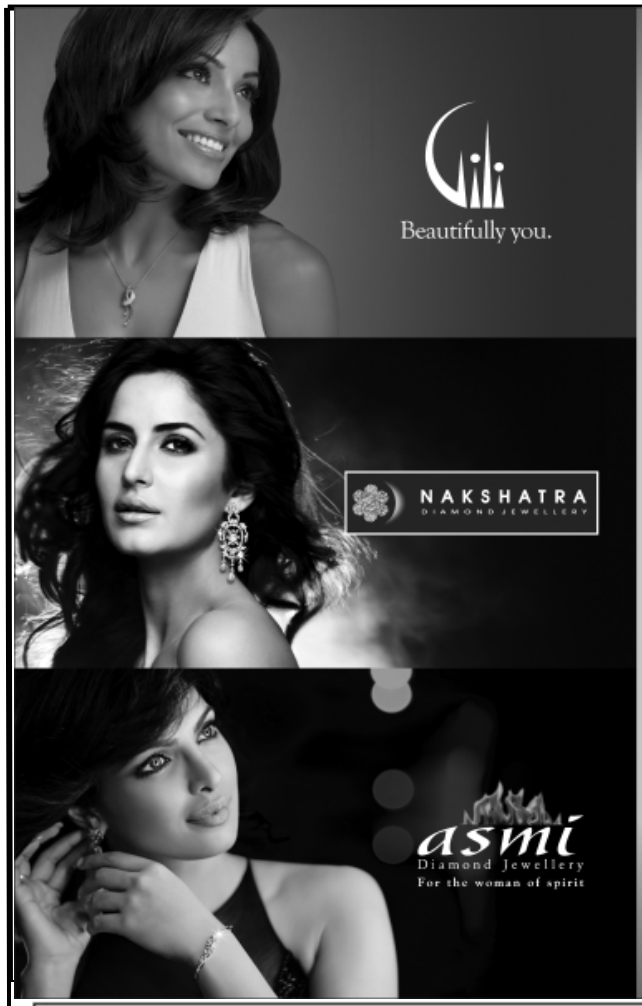

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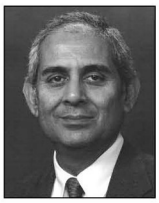

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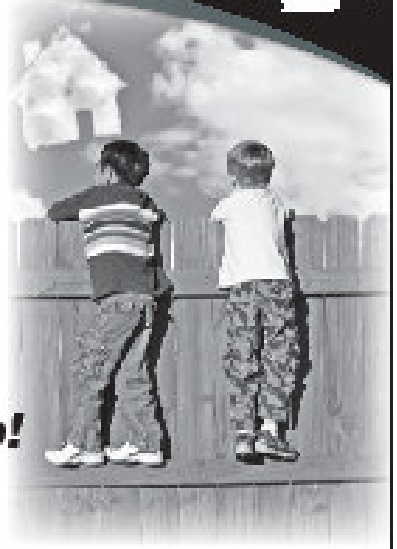

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