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Holi Celebration Mar 3
Akhand Ramayan Mar 24-25
Sita Ram Kalyanam Mar 31



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Chaitra Navratri Puja

March 18 - March 26
(Details on page 7)

नवरात्री प्रथम दिवस

माता - शैलपुत्री

मंत्र ॥ ॐ शां शीं शूं शैलपुत्र्यै मे शुभं
कुरु कुरु कुरु स्वाहा ॥

नवरात्री द्वितीय दिवस

माता - ब्रह्मचारिणी

मंत्र ॥ ॐ ब्रां ब्रीं ब्रूं ब्रह्मचारिण्यै नमः ॥

नवरात्री तृतीय दिवस

माता - चन्द्रघण्टा

मंत्र ॥ ॐ ह्रीं लीं श्रीं चन्द्रघण्टायै स्वाहा ॥

नवरात्री चतुर्थ दिवस

माता - कुम्भाण्डा

मंत्र ॥ ॐ ह्रीं कूष्माण्डायै जगत्प्रसूत्यै नमः ॥

नवरात्री पंचम दिवस

माता - स्कन्दमाता

मंत्र ॥ ॐ ह्रीं सः स्कन्दमात्र्यै नमः ॥

नवरात्री षष्ठम् दिवस

माता - कात्यायनी

मंत्र ॥ ह्रीं श्रीं कात्यायन्यै स्वाहा ॥

नवरात्री सप्तम् दिवस

माता - कालरात्री

मंत्र ॥ ॐ ऐं ह्रीं लीं श्रीं कालरात्रि सर्व
वश्यं कुरु कुरु वीर्यं देहि देहि गणेश्वर्यै नमः ।
ग्लौं हूं ऐं ह्रीं श्रीं एहि एहि कालरात्रि आवेशय आवेशय
प्रस्फुर प्रस्फुर सर्वजन समोहय समोहय हूं फट् स्वाहा ।

नवरात्री अष्टम् दिवस

माता - महागौरी

मंत्र ॥ ह्रीं गौरी रुद्रदयिते योगेश्वरि हूं फट् स्वाहा ।

नवरात्री नवम् दिवस

माता - सिद्धिदात्री

मंत्र ॥ ॐ ह्रीं सः सिद्धिदात्र्यै नमः ।

HSGC GENERAL BODY MEETING

Sunday, 1 April 2018 (Details on Page 15)

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 2018

President:	Raneshwar Gupta	513-232-3331
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	jskarthikeyan@gmail.com	
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	nsurabhi1@gmail.com	
Treasurer:	Mina Karamchandani	513-259-4015
	mina.karamchandani@gmail.com	

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Puja Committee:	Raj Bodalia	513-504-6328
	rbodalia@hotmail.com	
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	hsgc.communication@gmail.com	
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	hsgccultural@gmail.com	
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	priya_atl@yahoo.com	
Long Range Planning:	Dr. Laxmi Srivastava	513-474-0144
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PRIESTS

Chief	Acharya Kailash Sharma	513-652-5382
Priest:	acharyaksharma@yahoo.com	
Priest:	Acharya Chakreshwar Sharma	513-376-2982
	acharyachakreshwar@yahoo.com	
Priest:	Pundit Srinath Bhattar	513-488-2986
	bhattarsrinath@yahoo.com	
Priest:	Pandit Piyush Joshi	513-655-8360
	piyushjoshi251@gmail.com	

RELIGIOUS COUNSELOR

Dr. Koti Sreekrishna 513-290-3064 tatachar@aol.com

FAMILY SUPPORT COUNSELOR incl. LAST RITES

Khush Karamchandani 513-259-4016 karamch@aol.com

Co-Chairs of Committees

Long Range Cmte:	Indra Murthy	513-884-8756
Treasurer Cmte:	Amar Sharma	513-777-5771
Property/ Mgmt Cmte	Kamlesh Singh	513-206-5848

TEMPLE SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 9 AM -12.45 PM and 5 PM -8 PM

Saturday : 9 AM – 8 PM

Sunday: 9 AM - 7 PM (Nov - Mar), 9 AM-8 PM (Apr-Oct)

Major Hindu Holidays 9 AM – 8 PM

(Maha Shivratri, Krishna Janamashtmi, Ganesh Chaturthi, Deepawali and similar)

RELIGIOUS DISCOURSES

Every Sunday:	12.15-12.45 PM
Fourth Sunday:	Upnishads
Second Sunday:	1008 Gayatri Jaap & Children Program
Third Sunday:	Sunder Kand Path
Fourth Sunday:	Shri Ganesh Atharvshirsha Path
Fifth Sunday:	Jagannath Puja

2018 Puja Committee & Religious Activities Members

Rajesh Bodalia(Chair)	513-504-6328
Kiran Dayal (In-charge: Temple Events)	513-474-4051
Meena Sondhi (In-charge: Scheduling Private Puja)	513-831-9788
Acharya Kailash Sharma	513-770-0705
Acharya Chakreshwar Sharma	513-376-2982
Pandit Srinath Bhattar	513-528-3714
Pandit Piyush Joshi	513-655-8360
Swarna Choudhury	513-232-2343
Rani Dhamija	513-984-5777
Jyoti Desai	513-885-1318
Sangita Patel	513-791-0855
Mangala Namade	513-234-8373
Jaya Selvakumar	513-779-5298
Padmaja Patkar	513-847-1918
Vasundhara Dasari	513-777-3353
Suchitra Mishra	513-573-9775
Rajan Odavar	513-336-6843
Vilas Patel	513-226-2154
Jayshree Mathur	513-889-2906
Purabi Dey	513-688-1721
Triveni Dave	859-371-9645
Murali Annamalai	513-827-5450
Latha M. Gowda	513-891-4184
Anitha Panchanathan	513-328-9680

Temple Manager's Committees

Manager:	Laxmi Srivastava	513-474-0144
CFO:	Raj Bodalia	513-504-6328
Office Manager:	Mohan Chopra	
Swami Lectures:	Vinay Kumar, Meena Mehta, Koti Srikrishna, Ganesh Yadlapalli	
Adult Education:	Meena Mehta, Ganesh Yadlapalli, Koti Sreekrishna, Rama Rao Pappu	
Temple Database:	Nandkumar Khemchandani, Raj Badolia, Greg Smith	
Community- Relations:	Mina Karamchandani, Meena Mehta	
E-Mail Data:	Pradeep Goyal, Nandkumar Khemchandani	
Gift Shop:	Meena Sondhi, Vina Bajaj	
Security:	Greg Smith, Kailash Sharma	
(Dial One)	Khush Karamchandani	
Financial Data:	Nand Kumar Khemchandani, Raj Bodalia, Laxmi Srivastava	
Project Manager:	Vithal Nemade	
Temple Website:	Bharat Vala, Greg Smith, Murali Annamalai	
Temple:	Meena Mehta, Ashvin Mehta,	
Calendar:	Acharya Kailash Sharma	
Volunteer Services:	Mohan Chopra, Rajan Odavar, Kedarnath Nambori, Dilip Patel, Vijay Sharma, Khush Karamchandani	
Temple - Photographer:	Greg Smith, Naba Mishra, V G Ramaswamy , Mardav Bakshi, Dilip Patel	
Mela Committee:	Deepak Dixit, Raneshwar Gupta, Jyoti Desai	
Ramleela Cmte:	Kamlesh Singh	

SPECIAL PROGRAMS ON WEEKENDS

9.15 - 9.30 AM	Suprabhatam
9.30 - 11.00 AM	Daily Puja of Temple Dieties
11.00-11.30 AM	Sponsored Puja
11.30-12.15 PM	Bhajans
12.15-12.45 PM	Religious Discourse
12.45-1.00 PM	Birthdays, Anniversary Puja & Announcements
1.00 PM	Aarti & Prasad

PUJA INFORMATION

RATES FOR PUJA & 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 Puja (Mahavir)	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ashtottharam (108) Archana	\$ 11.00	—
AyushyaHomam/B'day Celeb.	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ground Breaking Ceremony	—	\$151.00
Griha Pravesha (House Warming)	—	\$151.00
Griha Pravesha w/SatyaNarayan Puja	—	\$201.00
Kalayana Uthsava	\$151.00	\$201.00
Kesh Khandan/Mundan/Churakn	\$101.00	\$151.00
Naam-Karan	\$101.00	\$151.00
Navagraha Puja	\$101.00	\$151.00
Nischitartham (Engagement)	\$151.00	\$251.00
Nitya (1 Day) Kainkaryam (Seva)	\$101.00	---
Poolangi Seva (With Flowers)	---	---
(Only During Off Winter Season)	\$101.00	---
Sahasranama (1008) Archana	\$ 51.00	---
Sathyanarayana Puja	\$101.00	\$151.00
Sathyanarayan Puja w/Havan	\$131.00	\$201.00
Seemantham(Baby Shower)	\$151.00	\$201.00
Mata Ki Chauki*	\$251.00	\$301.00
Akhand RaOctoberan Paath	\$251.00	\$501.00
Shashti Poorthi (60th B'day)	\$201.00	\$251.00
Anniversary celebration	\$151.00	\$201.00
Suprabhat Seva	\$ 21.00	---
Unjal (Swing) Seva	\$ 31.00	---
Upakarma (Thread changing)	\$ 51.00	---
Upanayam/Brahmopadesham/		
Thread Ceremony	\$151.00	\$251.00
Sunderkand Path	\$101.00	\$151.00
Vahan Puja	\$ 51.00	----
Yearly Shradham (Barkhi)	\$101.00	\$151.00
Wedding (\$ 251.00 Advance Deposit required)	\$301.00	\$501.00
Funeral (Last Rites)		\$ 201.00

Priest Dakshina

All puja rates amounts do not include Priest Dakshina. Sponsors (devotees) are encouraged to provide Dakshina to Priest at their will and satisfaction. This dakshina directly goes to the Priest. A reimbursement of travel expenses for the Priest during outside puja will be required at 0.50 cents/mile .

* Rates of Mata Ki Chauki performed at another temple will be 50% of the money collected at the temple or a minimum of \$ 701.00.

Rates are subject to change without notice. Rates of Pujas not listed above and requiring less than four hours of priest's time will normally be \$ 101.00 (inside the temple) and \$ 151.00 (outside of temple). 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

	Full day	Half day
Monday -Thursday (except holidays)	\$ 401.00	\$ 225.00
Friday, Saturday & Holidays	\$601.00	\$401.00
<u>Sunday after 3PM only</u>	not rented	\$401.00
Use of Kitchen	\$ 201.00	\$101.00
Use of Kitchen w/paper products	\$251.00	\$ 151.00

Full Day: 8.00 am-11.00 pm

Half Day: 8.00 am-2.00 pm or 4.00 pm—11.00 pm

Note:

All Temple rentals require a \$ 200.00 security deposit. It will be forfeited if the basement hall, upstairs, bathrooms and the kitchen area are not cleaned by the party renting the space.

CONTACTS

To Schedule Puja or To rent Lower Level

Meena Sondhi 513-831-9788

meena.sondhi@gmail.com

PUJA COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

[If you have any question or suggestion about temple activities contact **Raj Bodalia** 513-504-6328, or any **EC Member** or the **Temple** at 513-528-3714]

1. **Archana** performed during temple hours by sponsorship.
2. **No Archana** on Sundays between 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
3. **Outside Pujas** and other religious services will be conducted by appointment only.
4. To **schedule any Puja** please contact Meena Sondhi at least one week in advance.
5. **Food and Prasad** : To bring to the temple please contact Puja Committee chairperson .
6. **Pujas performed outside** the temple will be rated according to the number of Pujas performed
7. **Puja Samagri**- for convenience of devotees, the temple can provide Puja Samagri for a donation of \$ 21.00 for any Puja, and \$ 31.00 for any puja including Havan/Homam
8. **Cancellations of Puja should be done 3 days in advance**, otherwise full fee for the Puja will be charged.

SOCIAL SERVICES OPPORTUNITIES

HSGC is planning to form a team to provide Social Services and Help to our community. Interest and active individuals are invited to join this team, which would serve the community as needed, as well as individuals at various social state of their life. As stated by Shrikrishna in Shrimad Bhagavat Geeta this is JanSeva or Jankalyanam, which He has put higher than LordSeva. We need your ideas, suggestions and expertise. Please call **Meena Mehta**: 513-574-6763, **Mina Karamchandani**: 513-259-4015.

Regular Weekly & Monthly Events at the Temple

Monthly Navgrah Puja

Every first Saturday of the Month
Sponsors needed for Puja \$51.00
For Details call

Raj Bodalia 513-504-6328 ; Temple priests: 513-528-3714



Monthly Murugan Abhishekham / Puja

Normally on 2nd Saturday of the month
Refer to Page 5 for Abhishekham Schedule

Pandit Bhattar 513-488-2986,
Anitha Panchanathan 513-328-9680
Jeya Selvakumar 513-795-9868
Raj Bodalia 513-504-6328
Temple Priests 513-529-3714



Monthly Satya Narayan Puja

On Every Purnima of the Month
6:30 pm

Sponsorship \$ 51.00

To sponsor Puja call

Raj Bodalia 513-504-6328
Temple priests: 513-528-3714

Shri Ganesh Puja & Shri Ganesh Atharvshirsha Path

Every 4th Sunday of the month 10:30AM

This Puja is dedicated to each month's

Sankashti Chaturthi to Lord Ganesh.

For more information & To Sponsor the Puja please call

Padmaja Patkar 513-847-7918, Raj Bodalia 513-504-6328

Temple Priests: 528-3714

SAI BHAJAN

Every First Sat. of month 6pm to 7:30pm

For details pl. call Dr. Ganesh 857-719-1500,
Rajan 331-2058.



Weekly Hanuman Chalisa Path

Every Tuesday at 6:30 p m To sponsor call

Raj Bodalia 513-504-6328 or
Temple Priests 513-528-3714



Weekly Vishnu Sahasranaam Parayana

Vishnu Sahasranaama Parayana (chanting) will now take place
Every Thursday at 7:00 pm . Please join us for the chanting.
Please contact Ganesh Sundaresan 513-752-4025

Weekly Venkateswar Puja

Every Friday at 6:30pm

To sponsor Puja please call Raj Bodalia 513-504-6328 OR
Temple priests: 513-528-3714

PURUSHOTTAM NAAM STOTRA PARAYAN



Every 2nd Wed. of each month
6pm to 7:30pm

For details please call
Mina Mehta 513-574-6763

Monthly ABHISHEKAM/KALYANOTSAVAM FOR LORD SRI VENKATESWARA

4th Saturday of each month –10:30 AM-12:30PM.

To sponsor and details please call any of the following:

Anand Konda 732-423-1539; Vasundhara Dasari 513-827-5160/777-3353; Suseela Paturi: 513-867-8591; Sunitha Manu-konda: 513-900-0605/770-0255; Pandit Sri Srinath Bhattar: 513-488-2986.

1008 Gayatri Jap

Second Saturday of each month at 9.30AM

For details please contact temple priest 528-3714 or
Raj Bodalia 513-504-6328



Weekly Shlv Mahlman Stotram

Every Monday at 6:30 pm

NEW MARG PROJECT SECTIONS STILL AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION

As advertised earlier, a few sections of the marg still need adoption. Please adopt and leave a "Legacy" behind forever. **You have four years to pay.** For more details please contact: Laxmi Shanker Srivastava – (513) 474-0144

BRICK DONORS' WALL INSTALLED

As of January 18, 2018. all sponsored bricks in **Phase I** have been engraved, and installed. Minor touch ups and repair to a couple of bricks is underway. Completion is imminent. Devotees are requested to sponsor bricks for **Phase II**. The adoption rate is \$501 per brick. Contact: Anand Narayana (513-657-8799), Laxmi Shanker Srivastava (513) 474-0144, or Pt. Piyush Joshi (513) 655-8360.

OPERATING ACCOUNT FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1/1/2018 to 1/31/2018

(By: Mina Karamchandani, Treasurer)

Total Revenues: \$ 30,760.41

Total Expenses: \$ 55,167.19

Net Revenue: (\$ 24,406.78)

HSGC LOAN BALANCE:

As of 12/31/2017: \$ 987,193.71

As of 01/31/2018: \$ 870,005.56

MONTHLY LOAN PAYMENT (P&I): \$ 7,587.11

HELP TEMPLE BECOME DEBT FREE WITH A TAX FREE DONATION

TEMPLE LOAN PAYOFF FUND

HSGC has established a fund specifically for the purpose of paying off the temple loan in an expeditious manner. Devotees are urged to contribute generously to this fund. All funds received in this fund will be used for paying down the principal only. Please add a memo to your contribution check: "Loan Payoff Fund".

March 2018

March	1st	Thurs	Holika Dahan 7pm
March	1st	Thurs	Purnima Satya Narayan Puja 6:00pm
March	2nd	Friday	Rang Holi (Color and Celebration on Saturday)
March	3rd	Sat	Holi Celebration 3pm , Cultural Program , Color Playing, Details Inside.
March	3rd	Sat	Navgrah Puja 3 pm
March	3rd	Sat	Sai Bhajans 6pm
March	4th	Sun	Laxmi Narayan Puja 11am Millennial Generation
March	5th	Mon	Sankashti Chaturthi 6pm
March	10th	Sat	Murugan Abhishekam 4:30pm sponsorship\$101
March	11th	Sun	1008 Gayatri Jaap 9:30am
March	14th	Wed	Purushottam Sahashra Naam Parayan 6pm
March	17th	Sat	Venkateshwara abhishekam 10am Sponsoorship \$51
March	18th	Sun	Chaitri Navratri Kalash Sthapanan 11am , Gudi Padwa, Ugadi , Ganesh Puja 11am
March	24th	Sat.	Akhand Ramayan Path Starts 11am
March	25th	Sun	Akhand Ramayan Path Ends 12:30pm
March	25th	Sun	Ashtami Havan 5pm
March	26th	Mon	Ram Navami Puja 11:45am
March	29th	Thurs	Mahavir Jayanti Actual Day
March	31st	Sat.	SitaRama Kalyanam 10am Sponsored by Tarangini
March	31st	Sat.	Hanuman Jayanti Celebration 5pm Sunderkand Path Sponsored By Oxford Mason Group.
March	31st	Sat.	Purnima Satya Narayana Puja Sponsorship \$51

April 2018

April	1st	Sun	Sunderkand Path 10:30am
April	3rd	Tues	Sankasti Chaturthi puja 6pm
April	7th	Sat.	Navgrah Puja 3pm Sponsorship\$51
April	7th	Sat.	Sai Bhajans 6pm
April	8th	Sun	Ganesh Puja & Atharvshirsh Path 11am
April	11th	Wed	Vallabhacharya Jayanti 5:30pm
April	14th	Sat.	1008 Gayatri Japa 9:30am
April	15th	Sun	Tamil New Year Murugan Abhishekam 10am
April	18th	Wed	Akshaya Tritiya Parshuram Jayanti
April	21st	Sat.	Thyagraja Purandardasa Festival starts 8:30am
April	22nd	Sun	Jagannnath Puja 11am
April	28th	Sat.	Venkateshwar Kalyanam 10am
April	29th	Sun	Mahavir Jayanti 11am Sposnored by Jain center of Cincinnati Dayton.
April	29th	Sun	Purnima Satya Narayan Puja 5:30pm Sponsorship \$51



Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati Bal Vihar Classes 2018

- Religious Knowledge – Shlokas; Bhajans, Stories; Deities; Festivals
- Cultural Awareness – Crafts; Yoga/Meditation; Basic Hindi conversation; Facts about India
- Community Service (Seva) – Temple beautification (planting flowers, cleaning); Field trips



Level 1
3-7 years

Building Self
Confidence

Developing
Leadership Skills

Having Fun!

Level 2
8-14 years

- Classes begin Sunday February 4, 2018
- Every Sunday from 11am to 12:30pm
- Lunch to follow



Register online at the Hindu temple website:

www.cincinnatihindutemple.com

For more information contact: Priya Dayal at priya_atl@yahoo.com



MARG PROJECT STATUS THANKS TO DONORS

Marg Project includes a cluster of individual marg sections sponsored/ adopted by devotees. So far the following units have been fully paid by the donors:

Early adopted Units:

42 Gaam Patel Samaj	Lord Ganesh Marg
Ganesh Prasad Srivastava Marg	Raneshwar Gupta Marg
Gangadhar and Surekha Marg	Lord Hanuman Ji Marg
Physicians Marg	Tagore Marg
Dr. Sanat Bhatt Marg	Shree Nathji Marg
Srivastava Family Marg	Lord Venkateshwar Marg.

Other units were adopted at different time and the payment

will be maturing in different years.

Later adopted Units:

Murgan Marg
Rakesh Govind Family
Shastri Marg
Sinha Marg
Hegde Marg

Parikh Family Marg
Sardar Patel Marg
Sai Marg
Shiva Ji Marg

Contacts:

Any suggestion or question please contact one of the following:

Laxmi Shanker Srivastava, Project Manager: (513)474-0533.
Raj Bodalia, I/C Special Projects Finances: (513) 504-6328..

Mahavir Jayanti Celebration

Sunday, 29 April 2018 11am to 1pm



11 AM: Ashta prakari puja
12:30 PM: Archana
1 PM : Mangala aarti followed by Prasad & lunch

Sponsored By– Jain Center of Cincinnati/Dayton

For more details, please contact:
Temple 513-528-3714 **OR**
Raj Bodalia 513-504 6328.

Shri Vallabhacharya Jayanti Celebration

Wednesday, 11 April 2018 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm



5:30 PM: Shrinath Ji Puja
6:30 PM: Stotram and Path Krishna Bhajan
7:30 PM : Aarati

This year we celebrate Shrimad Vallabhacharya's 539th Jayanti (1535-1587 VS: 1479-1531 CE). Actual day is Chaitra Krishna Ekadashi 1535vs, Varuthini Ekadashi which falls on Wednesday April 11th this year. Shri Vallabh propagator of Shud-dhadwaita (Pure Non-dualism) philosophy, founded at the age of 14 yrs, in 1549vs, founded Pushti Sampraday, the path of Grace and devotion Bhakti of Lord BalaKrishna. Lord Shrinathaji, the Govardhan Leela Swarup (form) of shri Krishna is the Ishtadeva of Pushti Vaishnavas. **Contact** : Meena Mehta 513-574-6763 or Temple.



Laxmi-Narayan Puja

(worship for Goddess Laxmi and Lord Vishnu)

Sunday, March 4

11:30am puja followed by Aarti and prasad

This puja is organized to encourage younger generation involvement in Temple activities.

Please register by Email acharyaksharma@yahoo.com

For more details call Temple 513-528-3714 or

Raj Bodalia 513-504 6328.

Sponsorship \$31.00 Lunch Prasad sponsor needed.
Required puja items will be provided by temple.



Chaitra Navratri Puja

March 18th - March 26th

**Sunday, March 18 11am
KALASH STHAPANA**

March 19 - March 25 CHANDI PATH & DEVI PUJA
Everyday 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM and 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM

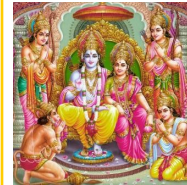
Sunday, March 25 5:00 pm Durga Ashtami Puja & Havan

Sponsorships: Chandi path \$51.00, Havan \$51.00. Chandi Path all days of Navratri \$251.00

Holika Dahan Celebration



Thursday, 1st March 7:00pm



Ahkand Ramayan Path

(Shri Ramcharit Manas)

**Sat, March 24 - Sunday, March 25
(24hours)**

11:00am to 12:30 pm next day

Temple will be open 24hours for this event .

Sponsorship: \$251.00: Akhand Ramayan Path, \$101.00: Sunderkand Path, Shri Ram Janma, Shri Ram Vivah, \$21.00: Archana.

Volunteers are needed to recite Ramayana.

Contact: Temple (513)528-3714, Kiran Dayal 513 474 - 4051, to provide your name & preferred time to recite.

Event is sponsored by: Rameshwar, Kiran Dayal & family.



Sita Ram Kalyanam

(Wedding of Shri Ram Sita)

Sat., March 31, 10AM to 1PM

Sponsorships:

\$1016.00 Grand Sponsors

\$116.00 Sponsors

\$21.00 Archana

For more details please contact:

Temple 513-528-3714, or

Raj Bodalia 513-504 6328.

Anand Konda 732-423-1539

Pandit Srinath Bhattar 513-488-2986

Event Sponsored by- TARANGINI



Hanuman Jayanti Celebration

Saturday, March 31, 5 PM to 7:30 PM

5:00PM: Shri Hanuman Puja & Hanuman Chalisa Path

5:30PM: Sunderkand Path

7:30PM: Aarti & followed by Maha Prasad (Dinner)

Sponsorships:

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Sunday, April 15' 10 am to 1pm



10 AM: Murgan Abhishekam

12 Noon: Archana

1 PM : Mangala aarti followed by Prasad & lunch

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MATA KI CHOUKI

Saturday, 17 March 2018



4:00-5:00 Devi Puja

5:30-8:00 Mata Bheten

8:00 Bhog Aarti. Prasad(Dinner)

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TEMPLE FRONT ENTRANCE PROJECT (MANDAPA) LAUNCHED



A decorative and aesthetically pleasing entrance to the main temple has been a long, cherished desire of the devotees., which should come to fruition with the completion of this project. The ornate structure will have 18 pillars and 9 arches that would greatly enhance temple's functionality. It will include:

- A magnificent foyer at the entrance to the temple
- Large closets for coats and footwear - no need to go downstairs
- Much easier access to the temple for senior citizens
- Additional restrooms at the level of main entrance

The project committee is counting on your wholehearted support for this massive effort. All donations received for this project will be used exclusively for the front entrance construction. The following donation amounts are suggested:

- \$10,000 for construction of a pillar
- \$15,000 for construction of an arch,
- \$20,000 for construction of a bathroom

However, any amount would be most welcome.

For additional information, please contact the following:

Mr. Ramesh Dayal (Chair): 513-807-1681
 Dr. Renu Kotwal: 513-260-7388
 Dr. Sadhana Varma: 859-816-7346
 Dr. Ganesh Yadlapalli: 857-719-1500

Please make checks payable to HSGC and mention "Front entrance project" in the memo. Mail your check to:
 Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati
 720 Barg Salt Run Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45244 **OR**
 Ramesh Dayal
 1568 Rockhurst Lane, Cincinnati, OH 45255

HSGC Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

February 4, 2018, 10:30 AM

Attendees: Anand Narayana | JS Karthikeyan | Laxmi Srivastava | Mardav Bakshi | Mina Karamchandani | Narayan Surabhi | Raj Bodalia | Raneshwar Gupta |

#	Description	Owner
1	5K fund raising walk event is scheduled for Sunday, April 22 nd , 2018 after discussions with puja committee Plan is to raise between \$10K-\$20K to pay against the temple loan. Plan to have \$101 per participant. President requested EC members to be present and drive participation Mardav and Raneshwar discuss logistics and prepare a plan	Raneshwar / Mardav
2	Raneshwar requested all EC members to submit a plan of action for 2018 for their respective area/committee and submit to the team by Feb 17 th , 2018	All EC members
3	Raneshwar, Raj and Laxmi to meet and review finance accounts in Feb 2018 to see where improvements can be made.	Raneshwar
4	Karthik to share the minutes of the meeting held (on Jan 27 th , 2018) with senior members of EC and puja committee to improve the communication between committees	Karthik
5	Any changes to the temple hours have to be approved by puja committee and communicated to the community members through email and website notifications.	-
6	EC approved the following change on rent policy - the downstairs temple area will NOT be rented for private events on the day of temple sponsored big events to avoid any conflicts	Raj
7	Raneshwar and Karthik will be providing support to puja committee during Maha Sivaratri event	Raneshwar / Karthik
8	EC approved to keep the membership file ownership with fund raising committee chair	Mardav
9	EC approved to do the feasibility study of hiring a cook. After the analysis is complete, Laxmi to provide the proposal back to the EC.	Laxmi
10	Baby Room has been cleaned and painted for 'Bal Vihar' kids to use	-
11	General Body Meeting is scheduled for April 1 st , 2018. EC meeting will start at 10:00AM to accommodate GBM on April 1 st . Karthik to send a note to Anand to get the updates in Aradana.	Karthik



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Cultural Program:

PROGRAM ENTRY GUIDELINE:

Please carefully review our Holi Program Guidelines on the Temple Website before registering your program.

NOTE: Entries will be taken first come first serve basis.

The Cultural Committee has the right to select items and limit entries depending upon available time.

PROGRAM REGISTRATION:

Please register your program online via the temple website beginning January 15, 2018. Last day for submission is February 16, 2018.

EVENT CONTACT: hsgccultural@gmail.com

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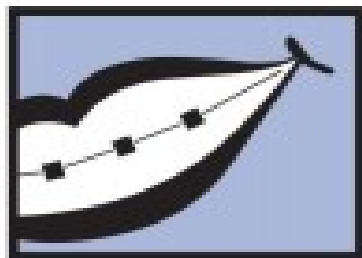
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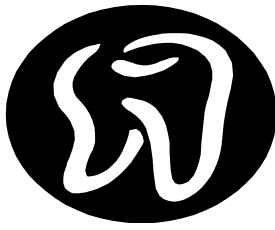
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12:00 Noon - 1:00 PM**

AGENDA

- President's report
- Open discussions & Q&A

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5K Walk at the Temple

Sunday, 22 April 2018, 10:30 AM

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Children are especially encouraged to participate

The Walking Route

Start at the Temple main entrance, proceed to the old gate (Klatte Rd) and then to the new gate (Barg Salt Run Rd) and back to main entrance.

**Join us for lunch after the event
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Participant sponsorship: \$101 or more

Fund Raising Goal : \$10K – 20K

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