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Vikram Samvat 2074
June, 2018



Navgrah Puja June 2
1008 Gayatri Jaap June 9
Venkateshwar Kalyanam June 23



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HINDU SOCIETY OF GREATER CINCINNATI PRESENTS

MELA and NAACH SITARE

(includes The Taste of India)

Saturday, September 8, 2018 Noon to 8pm

**At The Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati
720 Barg Salt Run Road, Cincinnati , OH 45244**

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

FOOD, SHOPPING, GAMES, PONY RIDES, DANCING, FESTIVAL RIDES

For Booth Sponsoring and Rentals, please contact:

Deepak Dixit 513-348-5496

dixitdnoh@gmail.com

Raneshwar Gupta 513-477-9372

rgupta@tapohio.com



Naach Sitare Schedule

Dance Competition - 1:00PM-6:00PM

Awards & Certificates - 6:00PM-7:00PM



Naach Sitare Dance Competition Participation Details

Please visit website www.cincinnati temple.com for online registration, guidelines and payment information. Registration begins July 2, 2018 on first come first serve basis. Registration may close early if all of the slots are filled.

Please contact Naach Sitare Event Coordinator for additional questions hsgccultur-al@gmail.com. We are looking for volunteers to join our team. This is a great opportunity for all high school students to obtain service hours.

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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
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Temple Manager's Committees

Manager:	Laxmi Srivastava	513-474-0144
CFO:	Raj Bodalia	513-504-6328
Office Manager:	Mohan Chopra	
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Temple Database:	Nandkumar Khemchandani, Raj Badolia, Greg Smith	
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(Dial One)	Khush Karamchandani	
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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- Phase II

Bricks in phase II are available for adoption. The adoption rate is \$501 per brick. Out of a total 300+ bricks, 150+ have been installed in phase I. The rest will be installed in phase II. Devotees are encouraged to view the installed bricks on the wall in stairwell that goes directly into the deity chamber.

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 4/30/2018

(By: Mina Karamchandani, Treasurer)

Total Revenues: \$ 128,365.34

Total Expenses: \$ 140,438.44

Net Revenue: (\$ 12,073.10)

HSGC LOAN BALANCE:

As of 1/1/2018: \$ 987,193.71

As of 04/30/2018: \$ 830,514.56

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".

Temple Calendar of Events

June 2018

June	1st	Fri	Srimad Bhagwad Katha 4pm to 7:30pm Day 1
June	2nd	Sat	Srimad Bhagwad Katha 4pm to 7:30pm Day 2
June	3rd	Sun	Srimad Bhagwad Katha 9:30am to 1pm Day 3
June	2nd	Sat	Sankasti Chaturthi Puja 2pm time change due to Bhagwad Katha.
June	2nd	Sat	Navgrah Puja 3pm Sponsorship \$51
June	2nd	Sat	Sai Bhajan 6pm
June	6th	Wed	Vaisaki Vishakam 6pm
June	9th	Sat	1008 Gayatri Jaap 9:30am
June	9 th	Sat	Murugan Abhishekam 4pm Sponsorship \$101
June	10th	Sun	Graduation Havan 11am
June	10th	Sun	Mata Ki Chouki 3-7pm sponsored by Sandeep and Amita Gupta
June	13th	Wed	Purushottam Sahashra Naam Parayanam 6pm
June	13th	Wed	Adhik Maas Ends
June	17th	Sun	Sunderkand Path 10:30am
June	23rd	Sat	Venkateshwar Kalyanam 10am
June	24th	Sun	108 Ganesh Atharvashirsh Path 8am to 1pm
June	27th	Wed	Snan Purnima Jagannath Puja 11am
June	27th	Wed	Satya Narayan Puja 6:30pm Sponsorship\$51
June	30th	Sat	Navgrah Havan 10:30am

July 2018

July	1st	Sun	1008 Gayatri Japam 9:30am
July	1st	Sun	Jagannatha Puja 11am
July	1st	Sun	Sankashti Chaturthi Puja 6pm
July	7th	Sat	Murugan ther Festival 10am
July	7th	Sat	Navgrah Puja 3pm
July	7th	Sat	Sai Bhajan 6pm
July	8th	Sun	Sunderkand Path 10:30am
July	11th	Wed	Purushottam Sahashra Naam Parayanam 6pm
July	13th	Fri	Jagannath Netrotsava Puja 11am
July	14th	Sat	Jagannatha Ratha Yatra 4pm
July	15th	Sun	Ganesh Puja & Atharvashirsh Path 11am
July	22nd	Sun	Jagannatha Bahuda Yatra 10am
July	27th	Fri	108 Satya Narayan Puja Guru Purnima Celebration 6pm
July	28th	Sat	Venkateshwar Abhishekam 10am
July	29th	Sun	Hindola Utasava 10:30am Sponsored by Srinathji Devotees.
July	30th	Mon	Shravan Somvar Shivabhishek 10am And 6pm
July	31st	Tues	Sankashti Chaturthi Puja 6pm

Mata ki Chouki

Sunday, 10 June 2018



3:00-4:00 PM Devi Puja
4:30-7:00 PM Mata bhetein
7:30 PM Bhog, Aarti. Followed by
Prasad(Dinner)

Sponsored by:

Sandeep and Amita Gupta family

For more details please contact:

Temple 513-528-3714 OR
Raj Bodalia 513-504 6328
Acharya Kailash Sharma 513-652-5382

Graduation Havan

A Special puja for our graduates

Sunday, 10 June 2018, 11:30AM



Special puja for all our graduating students for their successful brighter future.

Please call the temple at 513-528-3714, ahead of time, and provide your name for printing on certificates, and join us in this celebration with family and friends. All attending graduates will receive a certificate with blessings.

108 Ganesh Atharvashirsh Path

Sunday, 24 June 2018

8:30 AM - 1:00 PM



We will be reciting
Atharvashirsh
108 times, Devotees/
groups are welcome to
participate in recitation.

For further details please contact:

Temple 513-528-3714
Raj Bodalia 513-504-6328
Mangala Nemade 513-234-8373.

Navgrah- Abhishekam and Havan

Saturday, 30 June 2018



PROGRAMME

10:00 AM Abhishekam
11:00 AM Havan
12:30 PM Aarti
1:00 PM Prasad / Lunch

SPONSORS NEEDED

\$251 Pramukh Yajman
\$51 Abhishekam
\$51 Havan

For more details please contact:

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Acharya Kailash Sharma 513-652-5382

Shravan Somvar Shivabhishekam

A 5-day Temple Celebration

Mondays July 30, Aug 6, 13, 20, 27, and Sep 3, 2018

PROGRAM

10:00 - 11:30 am Shiva Abhishek & Aarti
(Temple closed 12:45 pm to 5 pm)
6:15 - 7:05 pm Shiva Abhishek, **Bilva Patra Archana
7:05 - 8:00 pm Shiva Mahimnaha Path, Bhajans & Aarti.

Sponsorship

Abhishek \$101.00, Archana \$21.00



**Subject to Availability of Bilva patra

For more details please contact:

Raj Bodalia 513-504-6328, Acharya Kailash Sharma 513-652- 5382, Triveni Dave 859-371-9645, Temple 513-528-3714

HSGC cordially invites you with your family and friends to join in

Adhik Maas Celebration



Wednesdays, June 6 & 13

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

6:00 pm Shri Purushottam Sahasranam Path
7:00 pm Mantra Jaap, Sankirtan, bhajan
7:30 pm Aarti

Last day of Purushottam Maas: June 13 Wednesday

5:30 pm to 7:00 pm Shri Purushottam Sahasranam Yagya/Havan

Sponsorship : Pramukh Yajman: \$101, Yajman \$51 Devotee: \$21

Mahatmya:

Every two and half years, the Hindu Calendar gets an additional one month. This extra month is called **Adhik Maas** in Sanskrit. Except Lord Vishnu, none of the Devas accepted or adopted this month. Hence Lord Vishnu or Lord Purushottam has been designated the Master of the month and the month is named after Him as Purushottam Maas. The Lord bestowed a boon on this month: whoever would perform religious activities, such as, attending Shrimad Bhagvat Katha, chanting Purushottam Sahasranaam Stotram, performing Yagya, puja, and numerous other good Karmas during this month will get ten times more *punyas* versus those deeds performed during normal months of the year. Therefore during this month in the entire Hindu world all kinds of religious activities are undertaken, including those in our temple.

What is Purushottam Sahasranaam Stotram?

Shrimad Vallabhacharya had two sons, Shri Gopinathaji and Shri Vitthalnathaji. Shri Gopinathaji had taken a ritual to read the entire Shrimad Bhagvat Path daily which would take four to five hours. The father became concerned and thought it was not practical and that he would have to find a better way. One day he came up with the 'perfect' solution. Shrimad Vallabhacharya picked and compiled in the poem form, one thousand (Sahasra) names of Lord Purushottam connected with His Avatars and Lilas from Shrimad Bhagvat Puran. The father then advised the son to chant this Purushottam Sahasranaam Stotram daily instead of chanting the entire Bhagvat Puran, and advised that by chanting all His Sahasra names he would remember all His Lilas and he would get the same fruit as by performing the Path. The son followed his father's advice. Let us chant it in our Temple at least on a weekly basis.

For more details please contact:

Temple 513-528-3714, Raj Bodalia 513-504 6328, Acharya Kailash Sharma 513-652-5382

Temple Legacy Endowment Fund

Dear HSGC Members/ Temple Devotees,

We are excited to announce a new **giving** program, which would help assure our temple's long term financial security not only for our generation but for our children and grandchildren's generation as well. The Temple Legacy Endowment Fund would be funded by proceeds from the Temple members' life insurance, which in turn would be purchased by their tax deductible cash donations.

Charity is one of the four pillars of Dharma, which is the cultivation of generosity and charity, and is highly valued by the Hindus. Since the Temple was founded in 1980, our membership has consistently raised the level of their giving to meet the immediate needs of our temple. The Temple Legacy Endowment Fund, however, is designed to generate a revenue stream, which would extend into the future and would be earmarked for assisting the future generations sustain the temple operations for years to come and meet unforeseen challenges the future may bring.

Raneshwar Gupta is the administrator for The Temple Legacy Endowment Fund. For detailed information on this program and how it could fit into your family's *giving*, please contact him by phone or email to schedule an appointment.

Best Wishes:

Raneshwar Gupta, President

Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati

PH: 513 477 9372 or 513 232 3331 Email: rgupta@tapohio.com

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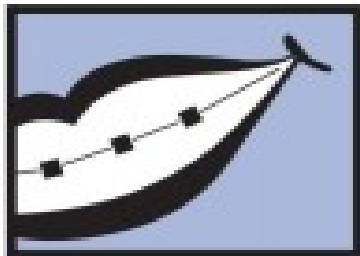
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Visit www.westchesterorthodontics.com for more information.
[Facebook.com / westchesterorthodontics](https://www.facebook.com/westchesterorthodontics)

HSGC Cordiully invites you with family & friends to

SHRI JAGANNATH RATHA YATRA

Saturday, July 14, 2018

At the Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati

**July
14th Sat-
urday**

**9:30am
Vighneshwar
Puja, Jagan-
nath
puja,Vastu
Havan**

**3pm Sri Jagan-
nath Puja Archana
Rath**

**Puja ,Pahandi,
Chera Pahanrah,**

4pm

**RATH-
YATRA**

**Deep Daan,
Sringer,Bhajans,
Devdasi Dance
Vote of Thanks
7pm Aarti, Dinner**

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BHAHUDA YATRA Sunday, 22 July 2018 - 10 am

Ratha Yatra or **Chariot Festival** is associated with Lord [Jagannath](#) held at [Puri](#) in the state of [Orrisha](#), India. It is the oldest [Ratha Yatra](#) taking place in India and the World, whose descriptions can be found in Brahma Purana, Padma Purana, and Skanda Purana. This annual festival is celebrated on Ashadha Shukla Paksha Dwitiya (second day in bright fortnight of Ashadha month).

The festival commemorates Jagannath's annual visit to [Gundicha Temple](#) via [Mausi Maa Temple](#) (aunt's home near Balagandi Chaka, [Puri](#)).

As part of Ratha Yatra, the deities of Jagannath, his elder brother [Balabhadra](#) and younger sister [Subhadra](#) are taken out in a procession to Gundicha Temple and remain there for nine days. They are also accompanied by Sudarshana chakra. Then the deities or Ratha Yatra return to the [Main temple](#). The return journey of Puri Jagannath Ratha Yatra is known as Bahuda Yatra.

Three richly decorated [chariots](#), resembling temple structures, are pulled through the streets of Puri called Badadan-da. This commemorates the annual journey of Lord Jagannath, Lord Balabhadra, and their sister Subhadra to their aunt's temple, the [Gundicha Temple](#) which is situated at a distance of 2 km from their temple. This is the only day when devotees who are not allowed in the temple premises,

such as non-Hindus and foreigners, can get their glimpse of the deities. During the festival, devotees from all over the world go to Puri with an earnest desire to help pulling the Lords' chariots with the help of other priests pulling the chariots with ropes. They consider this auspicious deed and risk their lives in the huge crowd. The huge processions accompanying the chariots play devotional songs with drums, tambourines, trumpets etc. Children line the streets through which the chariot will pass and add to the mass chorus. The [Ratha](#) carts themselves are some approximately 45 feet (14 m) high and are pulled by the thousands of pilgrims who turn up for the event; the chariots are built a new each year only from a particular type of tree. Millions of devotees congregate at Puri for this annual event from all over the country and abroad.

Hindu Temple of greater Cincinnati celebrates Rath-Yatra each year during Rath Yatra festival time with great devotion. This year is scheduled on July 14th Saturday 4pm, all related rituals start from previous day. Hundreds of devotees attend and volunteers to pull the Rath of Lord Jagannath while chanting, Dancing in temple boulevard. Deities are kept and worshipped in Temple basement stage for 9 days and returned back to its original place upstairs main Temple 9th day with great Bahuda Yatra celebration scheduled on July 22nd 10am.

Mahaprasad

By Arpita Sunanda Basa

“Sri Jagannath” - the literal meaning of His name is “the Lord of the Universe”. He is worshipped by Hindus in regional traditions in Odisha (India). Sri Jagannath is considered a form of Lord Vishnu. He is part of the triad, trimurthy or “teeni thakura” along with his elder brother, Balabhadra, and his sister, Subhadra. The Holy Temple of Sri Jagannath is located in Puri, Odisha. It is believed that there are four holy shrines located around India at cardinal points including Puri, Dwarka, Badrinath, and Rameswaram. These four locations are believed to have been loved by Lord Vishnu intimately. It is presumed that Lord Vishnu takes his bath at Rameswaram, dines at Puri, meditates at Badrinath and relaxes at Dwarka. Hence, the Puri temple food is not only considered prasad, but is rather held to a more supreme importance. Included in this supreme food is the Mahaprasad presented to Lord Jagannath. It refers to the 56 items offered to Lord Jagannath in Puri during the day. This prasad gets its namesake because it is offered first to Lord Jagannath, and then to Goddess Vimla.



There are two types of Mahaprasad. Namely, Sankudi and Sukhila. Sankudi usually includes dishes such as plain rice, ghee rice, mixed rice, rice with cum-in, hengu rice, ginger rice, sweet dal, plain dal, dalma (dal with many vegetables), mixed curries including mahura, besara, ghanta, rai, saga bhaja, khatta, and pithas (sweet cakes) of many types. These dishes are prepared by chefs, more affectionately known as Suaras. These men (around 700) cook enough of Mahaprasad to provide plenty in order to sell to devotees within the Temple. Sukhila Mahaprasad includes khaja, kakara, pheni gaja, laddoo, pitha puli, mantha puli, enduri, jhilli, and boondiya. The Mahaprasad is offered to the Lords 6 times during each day. In order, the offerings are called; Gopala Ballabha Bhoga (7 items), Sakala Dhupa (13 items), Bhoga Mandapa Bhoga, Madhyanha Dhupa (pithas), Sandhya Dhupa (mostly contains food items



requested by devotees), and lastly the Bada Simhara Bhoga. This food is offered to the Lords in a traditional, ritualistic manner.

As per traditions that have been followed by proud Odias for ages, the Holy Mahaprasad is always cooked in Earthen pots with firewood. This tradition, along with Mahalaxmi's blessings, feeds 20,000 people everyday (and up to 50,000 on special occasions!). A common belief regarding Mahaprasad is that it is never finished, regardless of the limited yield. This is widely considered to be a mahima of Lord Jagannath, as He would never let his devotees leave without a full stomach of the heavenly Mahaprasad.

As an Odia, being linked to the culture surrounding Sri Jagannath is an honor. The way the prasad is prepared is ultra-hygienic and also an out-of-this-world science experiment; several gigantic earthen pots are stacked one upon another and cook simultaneously. This preparation is considered magical and a pillar of the culture of Odias. We strive to maintain these rich values and hope to continue our customs for eras, with the blessings of Lord Jagannath.

Jai Jagannath!

Volunteers Needed

Here is an excellent opportunity for the devotees to perform **kar seva** at the temple. Our temple is badly in need of **painting** all around. If you consider yourself a good handyman (or even if not very a good one) and can spare some time to help in this venture, please contact:

Mr. Mohan Chopra at 859-331-2416

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Ther Thiruvizha

Saturday, 7 July 2018 - 10.30 AM to 01.30 PM EST
Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati



Events Schedule

10:30 am	Murugan Suprabhatham
11:00 am	Moolavar Special Poosai
11:30 am	Utsava Moorthy poosai with Punyaha vaachanam
12:00 am	Utsava Moorthy Urvalam (Procession) in the temple interior and to Chariot (Ther)
12:30 pm	Ther Poosai and Ratharohanam
12:45 pm	Ther Urvalam including all archana
01:30 pm	Maha Mangala Aarathi with Shatthumorai followed by lunch Maha Prasadam

Pooja Sponsorships**

1. Ther Festival Sponsorship	\$151(includes items 2, 3 and Interior Urvalam)
2. Ther Poosai and Ratharohanam	\$101
3. Moolavar and Utsavamoorthy Poosai	\$51
4. Murugan Suprabhatham	\$21
5. Ther Archana	\$21

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Shrimad Bhagwat Katha



An artist's rendition of the original assembly of saints where in Maharshi Shukdeo, while still a boy, recited and explained to Maharaj Parikshit the sacred philosophy of Shrimad Bhagwat.

Fund Raising Walk-a-thon a Grand Success

Thanks to all the devotees who participated in and/ or contributed towards this noble endeavor, the total collection was \$17,500. This amount has already been fully used to reduce the temple loan principal. It is noteworthy that our temple did not incur any expenses in organizing this event; all expenses were borne by the devotees and a few commercial businesses (some provided t-shirts for the walkers.) EC is considering making the walk-a-thon an annual event.

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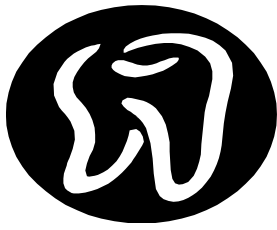


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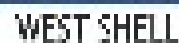
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ShriNathaji Hindola (Jhoola) Utsava

Sunday, 29 July 2018 - 10:30 am to 1pm

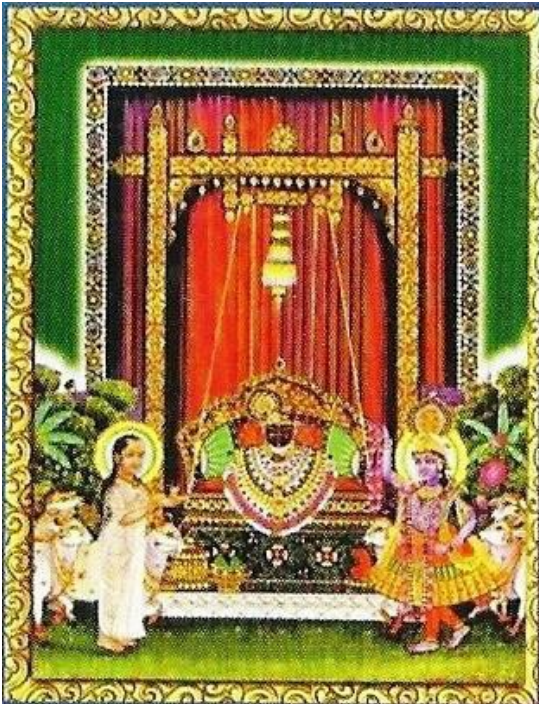
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- 10:30am ShriNathaji Pooja
- 11:30am Stotram and Path
Krishna Bhajan
- 12:30pm Discourse
- 1:00pm Yamunaji Aarati, Aarati
Followed by Mahaprasad

Mahatmya

Hindola Manorath (Utsava) finds its origin in the streets of Vrundavan about 5000 years ago where the Gopis rocked Lord Balakrishna on a decorated swing of Kadam-tree.

Traditionally, every year the Hindola Manorath is celebrated during monsoon months of Ashadh Krishna 2 through Shravan Krishna 2.



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