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**SHIVA PUJA, RUDRABHISHEK, and SHIVA AARTI**  
**Wednesday, March 2, 2011 at 7:15pm** (*on the actual day of Shivaratri*). Devotees are encouraged to pre-register with the priest to participate. A token donation of \$21 *per family* is recommended. HARI Temple will provide the puja samagri.



**MAHA SHIVARATRI CELEBRATION Saturday, March 5**  
 4:45pm – 6:45pm: Maha Abhishek & Shiva Puja and a Musical/Dance program by Mrs. Rasmita Amin & Group  
 7:00pm: Aarti followed by Dinner Prasad, sponsored by the York-Indian Community

**HOLI CELEBRATION Sunday, March 20, 2011**  
 10:30am - 11:45am: Variety Program by HARI School students  
 12:00pm: Aarti followed by Lunch Prasad, sponsored by the North Indian families. **Note: Holi Puja / Dahan will be observed on the actual day of Holi, Saturday, March 19, 2011, at 6:00pm**



**MATA KI CHOWKI: Saturday, April 2, 2011 at 3:00pm**  
*Please see Page 6 for further details*

**GUDI PADVA CELEBRATION Saturday, April 9, 2011**  
 5:00pm to 6:45pm: Puja and a Musical/Dance program by Mrs. Ashwini Sathe & Group  
 7:00pm: Aarti followed by Dinner Prasad, sponsored by Maharashtrian Families



**RAMA NAVAMI CELEBRATION: 24-HOUR RAMA CHARIT MANAS RECITAL: Fri-Sat, April 15-16, starting at 6:00pm**  
 7:00pm: Aarti followed by Dinner Prasad, sponsored by the East Shore Indian Community **Note: Special Aarti will be observed on the actual Rama Navami, Tuesday, April 12, 2011 at noon**



**SHRI HANUMAN JAYANTI CELEBRATION**  
**Monday April 18, 2011 (the actual day of Hanuman Jayanti)**  
 12:00pm - 7:00pm: 108 repetitions of Shri Hanuman Chalisa  
 7:00pm: Aarti followed by Dinner Prasad, sponsored by Passage to India restaurant



**SHRI MAHAVIR JAYANTI CELEBRATION**  
**Saturday, April 30, 2011**  
 5:30pm to 6:45pm: Dinner Prasad, sponsored by the Jain Society of South-Central PA  
 7:30pm to 9:45pm: Spiritual Lecture



## CONTACT INFORMATION

<b>Requests for Priest Services (outside of HARI) and Hall Rentals:</b> Mr. Virendra Trivedi: Phone: 796-5993 (Home), 756-1034 (cell) Email: <a href="mailto:VirenTrivedi@verizon.net">VirenTrivedi@verizon.net</a>	<b>HARI Times Editors:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive Committee Members</li> <li>• Mr. Hiten Amin 732-0513</li> <li>• Mr. Ashok Shukla 737-1919</li> <li>• Mr. Jagannath Yedatore 932-4161</li> </ul>
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **HARI TIMES:** HARI Times is a bi-monthly publication of Hindu American Religious Institute (HARI), located at 301 Steigerwalt Hollow Road, New Cumberland, PA 17070. HARI Times is mailed to all paid HARI members. New Year and Diwali editions will be mailed to all HARI Community. You can view or download HARI Times at our website at [www.haritemple.org](http://www.haritemple.org). You may send your comments, suggestions, and important announcements for inclusion, to HARI Times Editors at the HARI website [www.haritemple.org](http://www.haritemple.org).
- **HARI Emails:** Please update or provide your email or contact information at the right-hand corner of [www.haritemple.org](http://www.haritemple.org). You can also drop your contact information in the Hundi (donation box) at HARI or send an email at [haritemple@gmail.com](mailto:haritemple@gmail.com). We will notify you of scheduled HARI and many other locally organized community events through email.
- **HARI ON-LINE CALENDAR:** Please visit [www.haritemple.org](http://www.haritemple.org) for on-line temple calendar for the scheduled events and dates of the events, priests' availability for services at home and for the lower level hall rentals for the year 2011. Please check the temple calendar before scheduling any priest service request at home or hall rentals.
- **HARI WEBSITE:** Visit HARI Events section to view our HARI Photo Album to view the pictures of the past HARI events. You may also use HARI website to make a donation, pay your membership dues, or pay hall rental charges online.

## SCHEDULED EVENTS (Calendar at <http://www.haritemple.org/haricalendar.htm>)

- **Weekly Bhajans & Bhagavad Gita Study:** Each Friday from 6:30pm to 9:00pm, followed by Aarti and Dinner Prasad. Institute of Higher Understanding (IoHU) conducts the Bhajans & Bhagavad Gita study in collaboration with HARI. Please contact 717-791-9138 or [HbgVedic@yahoo.com](mailto:HbgVedic@yahoo.com) for more information.
- **Weekly Vishnu Sahastra Namam:** Each Saturday at 6:00pm, followed by Aarti at 7:00pm
- **Weekly Satsang and Hanuman Chalisa Recital:** Each Saturday, between 7:15pm and 8:15pm
- **Monthly Jain Swadhayay/Puja:** First Sunday of each month from 2:00pm to 4:00pm, organized by the Jain Samaj of South Central PA. Any changes to this schedule will be communicated through email.
- **Monthly Havan:** Second Sunday of each month from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Any changes to this schedule will be communicated through email. Devotees who wish to sponsor the dinner prasada are requested to contact any of the HARI committee members. Monthly Havan is scheduled on Sunday, March 13th at 6:00pm; and Sunday, April 10th at 6:00pm.
- **Monthly Shri Satyanarayan Puja & Katha:** Each full moon day (Purnamasi) from 7:15pm to 9:00pm, seeking Lord's blessings for good health, peace, and prosperity. A token donation of \$21 per family is recommended. Any change to this schedule due to graham (eclipse) will be communicated through email. Shri Satyanarayan Puja & Katha is scheduled on Saturday, March 19th at 7:15pm; and Sunday, April 17th at 7:15pm.

## PRESENT NEEDS AT THE TEMPLE

We thank all devotees for a great response to our past appeals for specific donations (\$). Below are few items for which we are actively looking for donations. Please contact HARI Chairman and/or President for more information:

PROJECT	APPROX. COST	REMARKS
HARI School Lunch Sponsorship	\$300.00/Lunch	Cost of providing lunch to the students during HARI Sunday School.
HARI Times Sponsorship	\$300 to \$400	One time printing and mailing cost of HARI Times newsletter.
Replacement of Roof and Security Cameras	Roof has been replaced at a cost of \$23,000 Please contact Mr. Rajeev Pangarkar or Mr. Virendra Trivedi	

## DONATION RECOGNITION (from 12/12/2010 to 02/15/2011)

NAME	DONATION	NAME	DONATION
Ajay & Brenda Marwaha	1000	Raghu & Jyothi Tadavarthy	101
Ajit & Manisha Smith	1501	Rajeev & Manjiri Pangarkar	111
Anand & Shaila Bhat	101	Raj and Ashwini Sathe	250
Anand & Suzanne Mahajan	1101	Rajesh & Monica Bajaj	1000
Andrew & Payal Loser	201	Rajkumar & Kakali Das	500
Anupama & Mani R Sharma	201	Rakesh & Dharshini Saraiya	101
Jain Samaj of South Central PA	475	Mukul & Neelima Parikh	101
Chandrakant G & Shalini Kanabar	255	Ronak Patel	501
Deep & Rani Gupta	1000	Rupen Modi	101
Dhimant & Jagruti Desai	101	Samir & Bina Parikh	300
The Unica Group Inc.	101	Saritha D. Makwana	100
Gautam & Mridula Mishra	500	Shashank & Swarnalatha Neema	100
Gopi N & Renu Mehrotra	400	Shashin A & Malti Mandalia	500
Ketan & Kalpana Sheth	1000	Shiv & Alka Aggarwal	101
Mahendra & Jaya (Late) Brahmhatt	1000	Subodh & Deepa Patil	101
Manish & Neena Agarwal	2000	Sunil & Anita Desai	500
Meena & Ravi Venkatasubramanian	501	Swanand Vijay & Ashwini Bapat Deshmukh	1000
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Narendra & Geeta Kumar	200	Tapasdip Gajjar & Ahutiben Desai	501
Pallav & Megha Bhonde	500	Uday & Lakshmi Shrikantia	500
Parikh Foundation Neelima & Mukul	2501	Vijaykumar & Ragini Gandhi	101
Parul M. Brahmhatt	1000	Vinod G & Anjana V Kanabar	5600
Piyush & Nalini Amin	101	Virendra & Roshni Trivedi	550
Pramod & Anju Srivastava	101	Yogendra & Kanak Chandel	201
R & B Mongia	125	Yogindra & Sonia S Balhara	501

## HARI SCHOOL

Namaste,

- HARI Sunday school is going very well this year. So far we have 94 registrations. We welcome Mrs. Manisha Agarwal (Hindi 2) and Mrs. Falguni Acharya (Gujarati 1) on board. They volunteer as backups for Hindi 2 and Gujarati classes.
- Both children and teachers are attending Sunday school with great enthusiasm.
- We had a great “Vasant Panchami” celebration at the Temple and students participated in the “Goddess Saraswati Puja” and received her blessings.
- Currently teachers and students are preparing for “Holi” program. Please mark your calendars for March 20, 2011, and plan to attend the Holi event and encourage the students.
- With Lord Rama’s grace and all of your support, so far we have been providing lunch during all of the Sundays when the school was in session. We encourage you to consider sponsoring lunch for Sunday school to celebrate special occasions like birthdays, anniversaries, etc., in the family.

We will come back to you with more HARI Sunday school news.

**Mrs. Meena Ravi**  
HARI School Director

**Mrs. Minoo Amin**  
Youth Forum Director

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BOARD OF TRUSTEE (BOT) COMMITTEES

At the meeting on Sunday, January 30, 2011, the BOT finalized HARI sub-committees as below. Please contact respective sub-committee coordinator to enlist yourself to serve on the committee:

- Finance – Mr. Samir Parikh
- Priest – Dr. Ray Kathiresan and Dr. Mukul Parikh
- Trust Fund – Dr. Ray Kathiresan and Dr. Mukul Parikh
- Building Maintenance and Planning – Mr. Ratilal Patel
- Youth Activities – Dr. Renu Joshi
- Fund Raise Activities – Dr. Gautam Mishra
- Public Relations – Mrs. Deepa Patil
- Security and Legal – Mr. Ramesh Bathini
- Technical Committee – Mr. SVR Reddy

The Board of Trustees has approved the installation of 12 security cameras within the HARI premises. We are planning to install these cameras in spring of this year. We have also replaced the temple’s original roof recently at the cost of \$23,000. Our efforts to raise funds for these projects are underway. We would like to encourage community members to contribute generously for these projects.

### **OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY**

... to the family of Mr. Hitesh & Mrs. Param Suri on passing away of Param Suri’s beloved mother Amarjit Kaur on February 2, 2011 in Patiala, India.

... to the family of Mr. Piyush & Damini Patel on passing away of Piyush Patel’s beloved father on January 31, 2011 in Gujarat, India.

... to the family of Mrs. Padmini Saiganesh, who lost her beloved father, Mr. K.S. Balasubramanian on Friday, November 12, 2010 at Chennai.

## MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEES

We are very pleased and thankful for the remarkable attendance and participation at the temple for all of the HARI events. The events are only successful because of the many devotees providing their voluntary services to HARI in every respect. We would like to thank all committee members and volunteers for their selfless service and time for all activities.

Most of you know that HARI was founded in 1975. From 1975 to 1986, HARI temple was located in West Fairview Township, Cumberland County, PA. On July 4, 1986, HARI temple was shifted to the present location and we had prana-pratishta of all deities. To commemorate the 25th year of HARI at the present location, we have planned many events throughout this 2011 year, including Temple's anniversary. Please look out for these events in email communications and at HARI website. We are looking forward for your continued support and seeking volunteers for these events.

A few of our goals for 2011 are to increase memberships, especially the lifetime membership; invest in efforts to recruit the next generation-youth in the service of the community at large; and provide more resources to meet the religious and cultural needs of our community. With the help of our members, our goals are becoming reality. We would like to thank all those who have already paid their dues for 2011 and request other devotees to support HARI by becoming members. Your membership and generous donations are directly tied to the temple's maintenance, day- to- day expenses, and quality programs.

We will continue to fulfill HARI's mission as the place for all religious, educational and cultural needs and bring happiness to our community. If you have any suggestion for improvements, please contact any of the EC or BOT members or email us at haritemple@gmail.com.

**Yours in Service,**

**Mr. Rajeev Pangarkar**  
Chairman, Board of Trustees

**Mr. Virendra Trivedi**  
President, Executive Committee

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## OUR HEARTFELT THANKS

**Our Heartfelt Thanks** to the following devotees for sponsoring lunch at the HARI Sunday School from January, 1, 2011 to February, 28 of 2011:

- Mrs. Kavita & Mr. Amish Shah, Mrs. Anita & Mr. Sanjay Shah, and Mrs. Bhavini & Mr. Kalpesh Mehta
- Executive Committee members of 2010 and 2011
- Ms. Ramalakshmi Avala
- Families of Mr. Venkata Uppalapati, Mr. Ashok Naladala, Ms. Sudisha, Ms. Ramya and Ms. Jyothi.

**Our Heartfelt Thanks** to the entire York Community for the donation of a camcorder.

**Our Heartfelt Thanks** to Mrs. Vidya and Mr. Sanjay Rao for the donation of a silver puja kalash.

**Our Heartfelt Thanks** to Mr. Shashi Kumar and Mrs. Usha Rao for the donation of a silver nakshatra deepam aarti.



## MATA KI CHOWKI Saturday, April 2, 2011



**3:00 PM- 6:30 PM: Mata Bhajans by Dr. Usha Bhargave & Group**

*Note: This is a privately sponsored event, open to all HARI devotees.*

**7:00 PM: Aarti followed by Dinner Prasad**

**Event & Dinner Prasad sponsored by:** Shabnam & Rohit Sachdeva; Ujjwal & Renu Mittal; Vipin & Suman Goel; Anjan & Preeti Mittal; Anshul & Mamta Gupta; Arun & Sharad Gupta; Manpal & Archana Singh; Ranjit & Sangeeta Malik; Ninu & Rajdeep Bhangu; Hitesh & Param Suri and Ajay & Namita Gupta

During the Mata ki Chowki program, we will be listening and singing devotional songs (*bhents*) in praises of Durga Maa. It is believed that the Maa visits in form of a  *jyote* (flame) which is lit before the ceremony. It is also believed, that devotees will be blessed with the accumulation of wealth, health, peace of mind and will be granted with all their desires, wishes and objectives in life fulfilled. Please plan to participate in Mata Jagran/Chowki.

**Telugu, Marathi, Kannada New Year  
Monday, April 4, 2011**

**Tamil, Bengali, Malayalam New Year  
Thursday, April 14, 2011**

An important aspect of the New Year is Panchangam Shraavanam or listening. As the name Panchangam suggests, it has five parts ( "Pancha" means five, "Angam" means parts). These parts are: 1) Tithi 2) Varam 3) Nakshatram 4) Yoga, and 5) Karani. It is believed that the fortune for the coming year for all the people is documented in Panchangam. Hence, listening to the Panchangam at the beginning of a New Year brings great strength to perform daily karma in addition to bringing good luck. Listening to Panchangam keeps mind clear and gives good vibes, eliminates enemies and effects of bad dreams, gives the result of taking a bath in holy Ganges, gives the result of donating a cow, increases life span, and brings good fortune.

**Telugu Panchangam Shraavanam will be performed on Monday, April 4, 2011 at 7:15PM, followed by Ugadi Pachadi and Prasad**

**Tamil Panchangam Shraavanam will be performed on Thursday, April 14, 2010 at 7:15PM, followed by Varshapurapu Prasad**

## HARI Gala on May 22, 2011

After the first successful gala in 2009, our second HARI Gala is on its way, slated for May 22, 2011, from 4pm.to 9pm at the Radisson Penn Harris Hotel and Convention center in Camp Hill. The event includes a red carpet welcome, silent auction, live entertainment, door prizes, and delicious vegetarian food. We also have few surprises for the evening and promise to make it a fun and special event. Ticket sales for this fun filled evening along with silent auction are under way. We are collecting items for the silent auction/raffle and looking for sponsorships as well. Please visit us at [www.haritemple.org/harigala.htm](http://www.haritemple.org/harigala.htm) for further details.

## 2011 HARI PROGRAM CALENDAR

EVENT NAME	HARI CELEBRATION DATE	EVENT SPONSOR
Rudrabhishek and Shiv Puja @ 7pm	Wednesday, March 2, 2011	N/A
Maha Shivaratri Celebration	Saturday, March 5, 2011	York Indian Community
Holi Puja from 6pm	Saturday, March 19, 2011	N/A
Holi Celebration from 10:30am	Sunday, March 20, 2011	North Indian Families
Mata ki Chowki Program	Saturday, April 2, 2011	See Page No. 6
Gudi Padva (Panchang Sravanam)	Monday, April 4, 2011	N/A
Gudi Padva Celebration	Saturday, April 9, 2011	Maharashtrian Families
Ramanavami, Puja aarti @ noon	Tuesday, April 12, 2011	N/A
Tamil, Malayalam, Bengali New Year	Thursday, April 14, 2011	N/A
24 hour Rama Charit Manas Recital	Friday April 15, 2011 to Saturday April 16, 2011	East Shore Indian Community
Shri Hanuman Jayanti, 108 repetitions of Shri Hanuman Chalisa, 12pm to 7pm	Monday, April 18, 2011 From noon to 7:00pm	Passage to India Restaurant
Shri Mahavir Jayanti	Saturday, April 30, 2011	Jain Samaj of South-Central PA
Annamacharya Aaradhana	Saturday, May 14, 2011	***Open***
HARI Gala	Sunday, May 22, 2011	N/A
Katha: Shri Bhupendrabhai Pandya	May 27th to June 2nd, 2011	Please contact Dr. Devendra Parikh
HARI School Graduation from 10:30am	Sunday, June 5, 2011	***Open***
HARI India Fair from 2pm to 8pm	TBD	***Open***
Devi Maa Yagna	TBD	***Open***
Katha: Acharya Mridul Krishan Goswamiji	July 24th to July 31st, 2011	Please contact Mr. Ashok Agarwal
Laghu Rudra Yagna	Saturday, August 6, 2011	***Open***
Upakarma / Yagnopavit / Raksha Bandhan	Saturday, August 13, 2011	N/A
Shri Krishna Janamotsav, Puja @ 8pm	Monday, August 22 2011	N/A
Sri Krishna Janamashtami Celebration	Saturday, August 27, 2011	Chandramohini & Shaktisinh Rathod Sangeeta & Nikhil Merchant Rajul & Tarak Mehta Shilpa & George Monteiro Meeta & Ashok Patel
Paryushan Parva	Thursday, August 25, 2011 to Friday, September 2, 2011	N/A
Shri Ganesh Puja (special Puja at 7pm)	Thursday, September 1, 2011	N/A
Katha: Pujya Shri Vrajraj Kumar	September 3 <sup>rd</sup> to 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	Please contact Dr. Yogesh Parikh
Shri Ganesh Chaturthi Celebration	Saturday, September 10, 2011	***Open***
Navaratri Mahotsav from 8pm to 10pm	Wednesday, Sept 28 to Thursday, October 6, 2011	N/A
Kolu Puja	Friday, September 30, 2011	N/A
Chandi/Durga Aaradhana and Havan	Tuesday, October 4, 2011	N/A
Dashera (Vijaya Dasami) Celebration, Durga Puja (Havan) from 10:30am	Sunday, October 9, 2011	Bengali Families
Karwa Chauth	Saturday, October 15, 2011	N/A
Laxmi/Sharda Pujan/Chopda Pujan	Wednesday, October 26, 2011	N/A
Diwali/Annakut Celebration	Saturday October 29, 2011	***Open***
Tulsi Vivah	Sunday, November 6, 2011	***Open***
Geeta Jayanti	Tuesday, December 6, 2011	N/A
Krithika Deepotsavam	Saturday, December 10, 2011	N/A

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