

HARI Times...

SITA-RAMA * RADHE-SHYAM

SEP-OCT 06

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DASHERRA CELEBRATION

Saturday, October 7, 2006

**Durga Puja and Durga Havan: 4:30 pm
To participate in puja, please contact
Pu. Shashtriji or Executive Committee members**

Followed By Aarti and Dinner Prasad

**Dinner-Prasad Sponsored by
Adi, Krishna, Ramesh, Reddy and Friends**

KARVA CHAUGH

Tuesday, October 10, 2006

Puja: Starting 6:30 pm

**Dinner Participation
Catered dinner available upon request
\$5.00 for children ages 5 to 12
\$8.00 for youth and adults**



Must RSVP by Sunday, October 8, 2006

Rani Gupta at 732-5971 or Bindu Mongia at 751-0081

DIWALI PUJA & ANNAKUT

Saturday, October 28, 2006

**Diwali Puja: 5:30 pm, followed by
General Body Meeting and 2007-Elections**

**Aarti and Dinner Prasad: 7:00 pm
Dinner-Prasad Sponsored by HARI Devotees**

COMMUNITY CORNER

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION	
Priest Service Requests for outside of HARI	Srini Subramanian (717) 730-7168
Hall Rental Requests	
HARI School Lunch Coordinator	Geena Modi (717) 600-1599
HARI Times Editors	Hiten Amin 732-0513 Ashok Shukla 737-1919

OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS	
Saturday, November 11, 2006	Guj Samaj Diwali Dinner
Sunday, December 3, 2006	AIACPA Annual Dinner

EKADASHI, PURNIMA, AMAWASYA		
October 2006		
03	Tuesday	Ekadashi (Shukla)
06	Friday	Purnima
17	Tuesday	Rama Ekadashi (Krishna)
22	Sunday	Amawasya
November 2006		
02	Thursday	Prabodhini Ekadashi (Shukla)
05	Sunday	Purnima (Dev Diwali)
16	Thursday	Utpatti Ekadashi (Krishna)
20	Monday	Amawasya
December 2006		
01	Friday	Mokshda Ekadashi (Shukla)
04	Monday	Purnima
16	Saturday	Safla Ekadashi (Krishna)
20	Wednesday	Amawasya

Donations Sought

PROJECT	APPROX. COST	REMARKS
HARI Times sponsors	\$500.00	Pinting and mailing of HARI Times
Two (2) wooden cabinets for PA System and related storage	\$1,200.00	Please contact Nirmal Joshi at 541-0363 or Srini Subramanian at 730-7168
Paving about 550 sf area along side the wall near the lower level entrance with stone and asphalt	\$2,000.00	Please contact Nirmal Joshi at 541-0363 or Srini Subramanian at 730-7168
New flush ceiling type tube fittings in the dining hall area	\$1,000.00	General maintenance and improvements in the dining area
Curtains for the stage area	\$12,000.00	Please contact Nirmal Joshi at 541-0363 or Srini Subramanian at 730-7168
Alarm and video Surveillance	\$10,000.00	

Donor's recognition

PROJECT	AMOUNT	DONORS
Handicap Ramp for LL Classroom	\$1,200.00	Vinod & Anjana Kanabar

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MESSAGE FROM THE HARI COMMITTEE

Points discussed at the last BOT meeting:

1. The Board of Trustees finalized the 2006 nominating committee, to be headed by Priti Patel. This committee (as per Bylaws) is charged with the responsibility of nominating members for next years' BOT and Executive committee. This other members of these committee are: Srini Subramanian, Narendra Desai, Naresh Maingi, and Jayanth Venkatadri.
2. The BOT suggested more active communication to members at large regarding Priest services.
3. The BOT noted that the new Priest, Pu. Shastriji, is doing a very good job.
4. The operating finances are demonstrating improvement given increased utilization of priest services and are likely to continue to show improvement given the upcoming festival season.

Other Notes:

The year has been one of "consolidation" and HARI office process improvements after a lot of projects had been pursued the previous year. With the help of volunteers like Prakash Vyas and Hari Upadhayaya, and the BOT/EC members, we provided coverage by rotation. Because of the reduced temple hours and the lack of priest services during this time, there was accompanying decrease in operating revenue. With the arrival of the new priest, this situation is fast recovering. Overall, the temple finances remain robust. The HARI Trust Fund committee, led by Ray Kathiresan, and with a lot of help from several community members, we were able to finalize investment of HARI Trust Fund (reported in previous meeting summaries). The temple-landscaping project was completed using revenue generated from the previous year's fundraising effort (UTSAV). Maintenance of this project, in part, is being admirably helped by HARI school youth.

With an excellent new priest as well as a forever interested group of new volunteers for executive committee and BOT positions, we are convinced that the HARI temple will continue to remain a vibrant presence serving the religious needs of the Hindu community in this region.

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Dr. Vikas & Bhavna Godhania, proud parents of *Samara*, born on Tuesday, August 8, 2006. Proud grandparents are Anil & Jana Godhania.

Congratulation to Lopa & Bharat Pawa, proud parents of *Dhilan*, born on Monday, August 14, 2006. Proud Grandparents are Harendra & Neela Joshi.

Congratulations to Sonal & Daniel Hill, Cincinnati, OH, proud parents of *Mira*, born on Saturday, August 19, 2006. Proud grandparents are Jyotsna and Ramesh Antani.

Congratulations to Sowmya and Sudharsanan, proud parents of *Sudiksha*, born on Thursday, August 31, 2006.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXTENDED PRIEST SERVICES:

We are very pleased to announce that HARI Priest, Shastriji, has started performing extended priest services at the temple and at devotees' homes. You can contact HARI President for scheduling priest services. If the services are needed outside of the temple, you will need to arrange his transportation.

Extended Services at HARI Temple

- Archana Puja in person or by mail \$10.00
- Vahan (car) Puja In person \$21.00
- Satyanarayana Puja Every Purnima 7:30 pm ... \$21.00
- Satyanarayana Puja Any Day 11:00 am \$21.00
- Wedding / Engagements Members \$151.00, Others: \$201.00
- Other Ceremonies \$51.00

Extended Services at devotee's Home

Devotees must pre-schedule with HARI President and the Priest. Based on various factors, this service may not be available all the time.

- Puja Ceremony (Gruhpravesh, Groundbreaking, etc.): Members: \$101.00, Others: \$151.00
- Wedding / Engagements: Members: \$151.00, Others: \$201.00
- Funeral Services: Members: \$0.00, Others: \$51.00

HARI SUNDAY SCHOOL:

HARI Sunday school reopened on September 10, 2006. The school offers a variety of courses for children ages six and up in Hindu Religion, Gujarati, Hindi, Tamil, Indian Classical Dances, Indian Folk Dances, SAT preparation, and Stress Free Life (Yoga). A one-time registration fee per child per school year is required. Necessary information is provided at the time of registration or contact HARI School Directors Hiten Amin at (717) 732-0513 or Lakshmi Shrikantia at (717) 566-8996.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS...

- Weekly Bhajans & Bhagawad Gita Study: Each Friday from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm, followed by prasad. Institute of Higher Understanding (IoHU) will conduct the Bhajans & Bhagawad Gita study in collaboration with HARI. For more information, contact IoHU at (717) 791-9138 or HbgVedic@yahoo.com
- Satyanarayan Puja: HARI observes the Satyanarayan Puja on each full moon day (Purnima) from 7:15 pm to 9:00 pm, seeking Lord's blessings for good health, peace, and prosperity of all HARI devotees. At the conclusion of the puja, Lord Satyanarayan Katha is read and prasad is distributed to all attendees.
- Monthly Havan: HARI Devotees Mrs. Aruna Lal and Mr. Satya Arya conduct Monthly Havan on the second Sunday of each month from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. Devotees are encouraged to participate and sponsor the Monthly Havan.

GENERAL BODY MEETING

The annual General Body meeting will be held on Saturday, October 28, 2006 beginning at 5:30 pm at HARI temple. Agenda is as follows:

- ❖ Diwali puja and Annakut Darshan
- ❖ Elections of 2007-Executive Committee
- ❖ Elections of three Board of Trustees members (2007-2009)

HARI TRUST FUND

A gentle reminder to all HARI devotees who have generously pledged for the HARI Trust Fund, please send in your 2006 contributions now. We also will be sending you a separate reminder by mail.

2006 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

In accordance with the requirements of HARI Bye-laws and the amended (09-08-2002) addendum to Policies and Practices, the BOT has appointed the following members to serve on the Nominating Committee that will come up with a slate of officers of the 2007-Executive Committee and three (3) Trustees to serve from 2007 through 2009.

Priti Patel	(717) 732-2345	Committee Chair
Srini Subramanian	(717) 730-7168	Current HARI President
Narendra Desai	(717) 795-8430	General Body representative
Naresh Maingi	(717) 741-4737	General Body representative
Jayanth Venkatadri	(717) 732-5218	General Body representative

Nominees must be paid-members of HARI as of September 15, 2006 and must commit to continue their paid-membership throughout their term in office. A list of all HARI members as of September 15, 2006 is posted on the premises for devotees' reference. Please send in your nominations to the Secretary/Treasurer on or before Saturday, October 14, 2006 for the following positions:

1. Senior Vice-President (one year term, one position)
2. Secretary (one year term, one position)
3. Treasurer (one year term, one position)
4. Vice-President (one year term, five positions)
5. Board of Trustee (three-year term, three positions)

In accordance with our tradition, the Sr. Vice-President of the current year will assume the duties of the President next year.

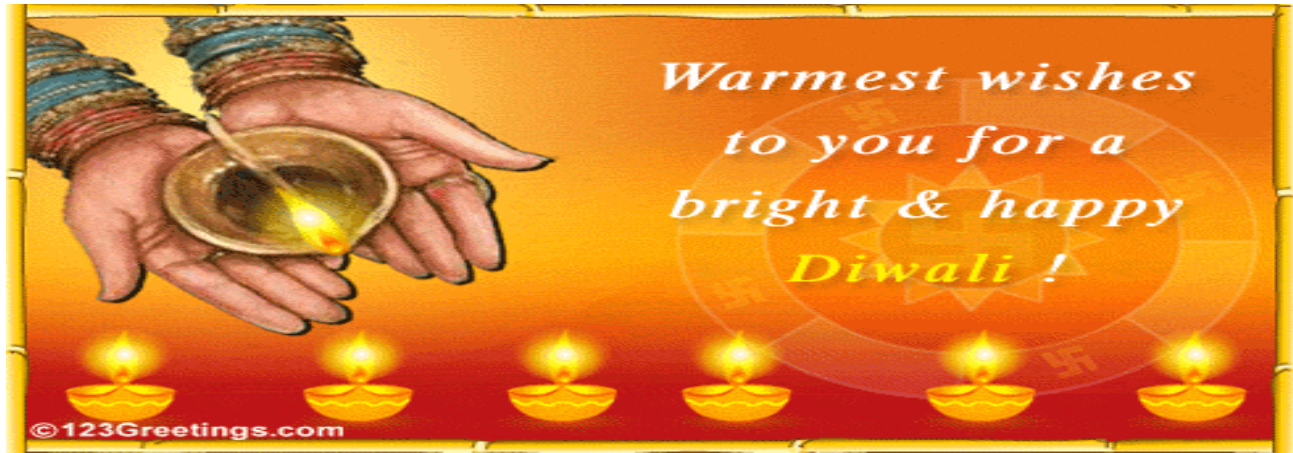
OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY

... To the families of Mrs. Hemlata M. Parikh and Mrs. Rashmi P. Bhonde who lost their beloved sister Mrs. Sarojben C. Shah on August 13, 2006 in Gujarat, India

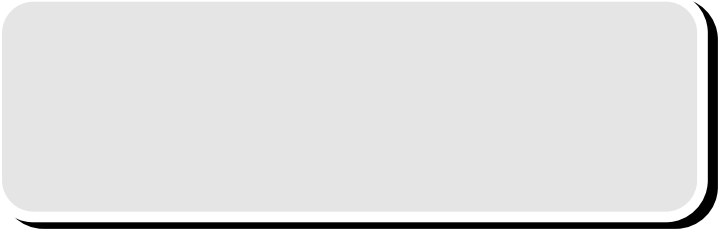
May the departed soul attain Param Sadgati

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Go 1/2 mile to HARI Temple on right
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HARI CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

OCTOBER 2006		
10/01	Sunday	Jain Puja 2:00 pm
10/06	Friday	Bhajans, Bhagawad Gita Study 6:30 pm
10/07	Friday	Purnima; S-Katha 7:30 pm
10/07	Saturday	Dusherra Celebration, 5:00 pm
10/08	Sunday	Monthly Havan 5:30 pm
10/10	Tuesday	Karva Chauth Puja, 6:30 pm
10/13	Friday	Bhajans, Bhagawad Gita Study 6:30 pm
10/20		
10/27		
10/21	Saturday	Sharda Pujan, 6:30 pm
10/27	Friday	Bhajans, Bhagawad Gita Study 6:30 pm
10/28	Saturday	Diwali Celebration 5:30 pm

NOVEMBER 2006		
11/03	Friday	Bhajans, Bhagawad Gita Study 6:30 pm
11/05	Sunday	Jain Puja 2:00 pm
11/05	Sunday	Satyanarayan Katha 7:30 pm
11/10	Friday	Bhajans, Bhagawad Gita Study 6:30 pm
11/12	Sunday	Monthly Havan 5:30 pm
11/17	Friday	Bhajans, Bhagawad Gita Study 6:30 pm
11/24	Friday	Bhajans, Bhagawad Gita Study 6:30 pm

Lakshmi-Pujan Mahurats: Thursday, October 19:

* 7:39 am to 8:59 am *11:44 am to 3:44 pm
 * 5:06 pm to 9:46 pm

Sharda-Pujan Mahurats: Saturday, October 21:

* 9:00 am to 10:20 am *1:03 pm to 5:05 pm
 * 6:25 pm to 8:05 pm * 9:47 pm to 0:49 am

2006-Diwali Panchang:

- ❖ Vagh Baras: Wednesday, 10/18/2006
- ❖ Dhan Teras (Dhanwantari Triyodashi):
 Thursday, October 19, 2006. Puja