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We Wish You a Very Happy Diwali & Prosperous New Year!

Diwali & Annakut Celebration at HARI

Saturday, November 9th, 2013, from 4:30pm

Annual General Body Agenda

Diwali Puja and Annakut Darshan

Address by Mukul Parikh, Chairman

Finance Report: Mr. Ramesh Parmar, Treasurer, and Finance Chair Mr. Mafat Patel

Trust Fund Report: Mr. Ravi Venkatasubramanian

Programs and Service Report: Mr. Harish Patel, President

Elections (committees for 2014)

Address by the President-Elect, followed by Aarti and Dinner at 7:00pm

**Dinner Sponsors: Mrs. Pramita Anil Shenoy, Mrs. Meeta Ashok Patel, Mrs. Rajul Tarak Mehta,
Mrs. Minu Satish Rathod, and Mrs. Shilpa George Monteiro**

***** We encourage you to join HARI volunteers for the Diwali Annakut preparation *****

***** Please bring in your Annakut items to HARI before noon on Saturday *****

***** Visit www.haritemple.org to view the list of Annakut items *****

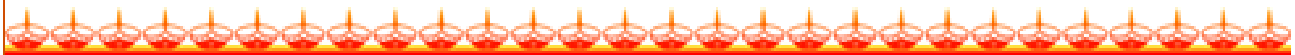
ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **HARI TIMES:** HARI Times is mailed to paid HARI members only except for the New Year and Diwali editions which are mailed to all HARI Community members. You can view or download HARI Times at www.haritemple.org
- **HARI Emails:** To receive HARI and local community events through regular emails, please update or provide your contact information using the link at the upper right-hand corner of www.haritemple.org, email at haritemple@gmail.com, or drop it in the Hundi.
- **HARI ON-LINE CALENDAR:** Visit www.haritemple.org for the HARI calendar that lists scheduled events, actual dates of major religious events, priests' availability for outside puja services, and for the temple hall rentals. We encourage you to check the calendar prior to scheduling private events.
- **CLOSING / CANCELLATION ALERTS:** Please visit www.haritemple.org for closings and / or cancellations updates. HARI Temple has also signed up with local TV stations to announce HARI School closings and/or HARI sponsored program cancellations. The TV channels are ABC27, CBS21, FOX43 and WGAL8 (look for the updates under *York County Closings*).

REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

- **Shri Vishnu Sahasranamam and Govind Namalu Recital:** Every Saturday, from 6:00pm to 7:00pm
- **Hanuman Chalisa / Satsang Hour:** Every Saturday after 7:00pm Aarti, from 7:15pm to 8.15pm
- **Weekly Bhajans & Bhagavad Gita Study:** Each Friday from 6:30pm to 9:00pm, followed by Prasad. Institute of Higher Understanding (IoHU) conducts Bhajans-Kirtans and Bhagavad Gita study. Please contact 717-791-9138 or HbgVedic@yahoo.com for more information.
- **Satyanarayan Puja:** Each full moon evening (Purnima) 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 to participate in the puja.
- **Lord Venkateswara Swamy (Lord Balaji) Abhishekam:** First Saturday of the month, from 10:00am to 12.00 noon. A token donation of \$21 per family is recommended to participate in the puja.
- **Monthly Havan:** Second Sunday of each month, from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. Devotees who wish to sponsor the Monthly Havan and/or dinner are requested to contact any of the HARI committee members
- **Jain Swadhayay/Puja:** First Sunday of every month, from 2:00pm to 4:00pm, organized by the Jain Samaj of South Central PA.

**Remember to renew your annual membership (for 2014)
on the auspicious day of Diwali**



A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEE

We are delighted with the response we received from the community for all the temple activities this year. We have completed many projects aimed at enhancing the facility for broader use. Among them were brand new HVAC system by approval of BOT, cleaning chandelier, fixing stage curtain, power-washing the outside of the temple and the downstairs floor, electrical work at the entrance ramp, fund raising event, Inventory of the items in the Temple, and more. The temple grounds have been attractively maintained, assisted to a great extent with enthusiastic participation was being admirably helped by many volunteers and HARI school youth.

This year we introduced "HARI Seniors Forum" for HARI Seniors. In addition to our regularly celebrated functions, we introduced several new events. We have performed over 80 HARI programs (including scheduled events) this year. We also invited renowned scholars and artists from here and abroad for religious discourses and classical performances. We held an exciting and very entertaining social gathering, India Fair, celebrating the HARI Anniversary. The success of these was evident by the large attendance to these events.

The temple doors are open from morning 8:00am to 9:00pm on weekends to serve HARI devotees. Also, HARI priest services are extended seven days a week to fulfill all of devotee's religious needs. With excellent services by priests as well as a growing group of new volunteers for the Executive Committee and the Board of Trustee positions, we are convinced that the HARI Temple will continue to remain a vibrant presence serving the cultural and religious needs of the Hindu community in this region.

If you have any suggestion for improvements of your institution, please contact any of the EC or BOT members or email us at haritemple@gmail.com

Yours in service,

Dr. Mukul Parikh
Chairman, Board of Trustees

Mr. Harish Patel
President, Executive Committee

HARI SCHOOL

HARI School reopened in September and so far over 125 students have registered. We introduced Bengali language class this year and many new Bengali students are taking advantage in learning their mother tongue. In addition, we now have a Hindi III class for the advanced Hindi students this year. We invite you to visit our temple on Sunday morning. It is rewarding to watch community children learning culture, religion and languages. We sincerely thank all volunteer teachers for their dedication and hard work. We also thank parents as well as lunch sponsors for their support. We also appreciate the help that we receive from many other volunteers in cleaning the temple halls after lunch.

Our sincere thanks go to the members of the Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee for their full support to HARI School. Special thanks go to Mr. Harish Patel for his constant support for the school.

Happy Diwali and Happy New Year

Mrs. Kalpana Sheth
HARI School Director

Vijay Vardharajan
Youth Forum Director

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Summary of Board of Trust (BOT) meetings: In their September 2013 meeting, BOT members approved Mr. Satya Arya, Mr. Dasa Gangadhar, and Mr. Kapil Gami to serve on the nomination committee panel -2013 along with Mr. Harish Patel (President) and Mr. Sankar Basava (Ex-President).

HEARTFELT THANKS

... to all volunteers who contributed their time, treasure, and talent for all of the following Kathas and Discourses:

- Shrimad Bhagavad Gita Series by Shri Bhupendrabhai Pandya
- “Karm Yoga For Everyday Living” by Swami Mukundanaandji of JKYog
- Spritual Discourse by Pujya Bhaishri Rameshbhai Oza
- Navratri program stage coordinators: Jyotsnaben & Rameshbhai Antani, Ushaben & Vallavbhai Patel, Ashokbhai Shukla, Vijaybhai Patel, Shastriji and his son Dhaval.

... to all supporters for all events taking place in the Temple during 2013.

... to Mrs. Minoo Amin, Dr. Neelima Parikh, Mrs. Renuka Parikh, Mrs. Dharmista Patel, Mrs. Priti Patel, Mrs. Pragna Patel, and many other devotees for regularly taking care of the main alter, all deities, and for changing deities’ costumes (wagha) regularly.

HARI Trust Fund... Providing Growth, Financial Safety and Stability

Hindu American Religious Institute “HARI” has been blessed with a congregation that has supported it unstintingly since the inception in 1975. That support has led to one of the most prominent Hindu landmarks in the capital of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. We thank the founders and senior members of HARI congregation for their vision and commitment.

This legacy must now be nurtured and preserved for future generations. In 2004, the Board of trustees had initiated a “HARI Long Term Self Sufficiency” initiative.



UPCOMING 2013 HARI PROGRAMS

Laxmi / Sharda / Chopda Puja

Sunday, November 3, 2013, from 7:15 pm to 8:15 pm

A token donation of \$21 per family is recommended.

Please call HARI priests at (717) 774-7750 to pre-register and / or further directions.



Panchangam Shravanam on the New Year of Vikram Samvat

Monday November 4, 2013, after Aarti, from 7:00pm to 7:45pm

Diwali/Annakut Celebration-Saturday, November 9, 2013, from 4:30pm to 7:00pm (Program details are provided on Page 1 of this HARI Times) Dinner by HARI devotees



Shri Ayyappa Puja

Saturday, November 16, 2013, from 10:00am to 12:00noon-Lunch by Dr. Madhu Menon & Dr. Kiran Sharma and HARI Devotees

Tulsi-Vivah

Sunday, November 17, 2013, from 11:00am to 12:00 noon

Lunch by HARI devotees



Shri Suktha Homam (Shri Maha Laxmi Havan)

Saturday, December 7, 2013 from 4:30pm to 7pm

Devotees are encouraged to pre-register with the priest (774-7750) or email At haritemple@gmail.com to participate. HARI Temple will provide the puja samagri. A token donation of \$21 per family is recommended.

Dinner by Ramesh & Madhavi Bathini and HARI devotees



Srimad Bhagavad Gita Jayanti

Friday, December 13, 2013, from 7:00pm to 8:00pm

HARI Priests will recite Srimad Bhagvad Gita

Krithika Deepotsavam

Saturday, December 14, 2013

5:00pm to 5:45pm: Shri Vishnusahasranama Stotram & Govindanamalu

5:45pm to 6:45pm: Shri Vishwakshena Aaradhana, Punyahavachanam, Deep Puja, Mangalasanam

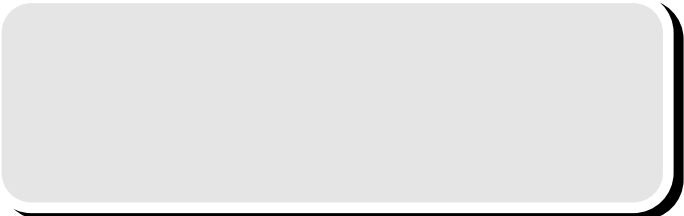
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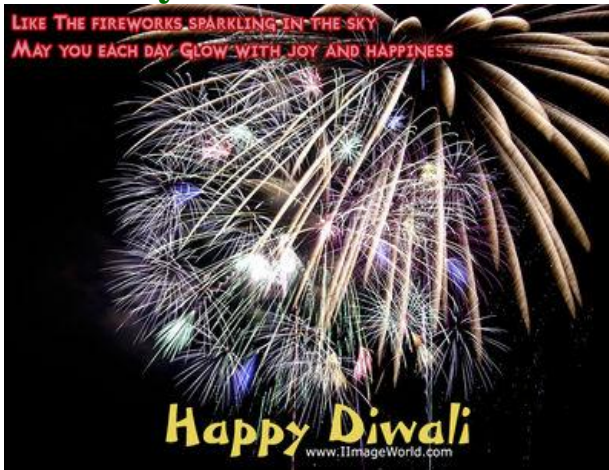


Directions:
Take Exit 39A, Lewisberry Road, off I-83
Make left at the STOP for Route 114 West
Go 1/3 mile; make Left on Steigerwalt Hollow Rd
Go 1/2 mile to HARI Temple on right
Phone: (717) 774-7750



Temple Hours: Monday - Friday: 8:00am-1:00pm & 3:00pm-9:00pm Saturday - Sunday: 8:00am-9:00pm
Phone: 717-774-7750 Email: haritemple@gmail.com

May God bless us all.



If you wish to sponsor HARI Times, please contact Executive Committee.

Sri Lord Venkateswara (Balaji) Abhishekam: (First Saturday of every month)
Saturday, November 02, 2013 at 10.00 AM
Saturday, December 07, 2013 at 10.00 AM

Satyanarayana Puja: (Full Moon Day)
Sunday, November 17, 2013 at 7:05 PM
Tuesday, December 17, 2013 at 7:05 PM

Jain Swadhayay / Puja (First Sunday of every month)
Sunday, November 3, 2013 at 2.00 PM
Sunday, December 01, 2013 at 2:00 PM

Monthly Havan (Second Sunday of every month)
Sunday, November 10, 2013 at 5:30 PM
Sunday, December 08, 2013 at 5:30 PM Please contact HARI President to sponsor Monthly Havan program.