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Religious Calendar

April 30, Sunday Shri Aadya Shankracharya Jayanthi & Holi Celebration May 6, Saturday Mohini Ekadashi May 10, Wednesday Purnima, Shri Budhha Jayanti May 22, Monday Apara Ekadashi

Monthly Activities

Kshamatemple@gmail.com
May 05, Friday
Vishnu Sahasranaam
May 10, Wednesday
Shri Satyanarayan Pooja
6pm
May 20, Saturday
Sunderkand Path 10am

Monthly Bhajans

May 12, Friday 7:30-9pm · Shriji Bhajan Urmi Upadhyay 856-424-9328 Charu Sheth 856-662-8754

May 19 Friday 8-9 pm
· Satya Sai Baba of Medford
P.K.Prabhakar 856-596-3147
Sesha Vemuri 856-751-0867

May 10, Wednesday Shri Satyanarayan Pooja 6pm May 20, Saturday Sunderkand Path 10am

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mata di Chowki at ICC on Saturday, May 6
- ITA Balvihar Annual Day Saturday May 13
- ICC/ITA Head Start Speaker Sunday, May 21st at 5pm
- Walk with American Cancer Society's Relay for Life of Marlton on Saturday, June 3rd
 - ITA Graduation Yagna Saturday June 17 at 3pm
- Please book these dates in your planner and join these major events with friends and families.

Special Prayers

ITA has a program whereby you can have prayers performed on your behalf every year on a special day in your life by pledging \$301. Also, at your request, Shri. Bhupendra Shuklaji or Shri Sudhir Jhaji will perform a special puja on your behalf, or the regular temple puja performed on the designated day will be dedicated in your name. Below are the donors for this month.

•	Nanu Maisuria	May 02	Sushil & Kamala Chandra	May 19
•	Narendra H. Amin	May 05	Sharad Pandya	May 19
•	Harendra Dave	May 05	Upendra & Rekha Shah	May 25
•	Rajubhai Patel	May 05	Priti & Tejas Patel	May 26
•	Shreyansi M. Shah	May 08	Siddhi Vasa	May 26
•	Sudhaben Patel	May 09	Mahesh Dixit	May 26
•	Bhal Patel	May 10	Pooja & Jayesh Khatiwala	May 27
•	Iti Bar	May 11	Naresh Talati	May 27
•	Narsinh Sangani	May 15	Isvar Patel	May 28
•	Natwarlal Contractor	May 16	Nishta Patel-Hudson	May 28
•	Ruchi Talati Shah	May 16	Dipti & Monil Pandya	May 29
•	Mahendra Jaiswal	May 17	Jayanti & Kalaben Patel	May 29

Condolences

Shri Sumanbhai Modi of Somerdale, passed away on Saturday, April 22, 2017. He is survived by his wife Meenaben, son Ashish, Daughter Seema and five grand children.

One of our devotees, Smt. Rajshree Ben Pandya, passed away in India on February 6,2017. She is survived by husband Sharadbhai Pandya, son Ankur, daughter Ushma and two grand children.

ITA and its Board convey their sincere condolences to Meeraben, Sharadbhai and their families.

PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS BY HSC OF NJ ICC, 820 RT 73, MARLTON, NJ

First meeting on May 11, 2017 at ICC 820 Route 73 Marlton NJ 08053 at 6.30 PM

The meeting will be devoted to the discussion of Risk, Return and Financial Products as it relates to Seniors. Dr. Bhandari, MBA, Ph. D is the founder and President of LC Bhandari & Co. DR. Bhandari taught at the Univ of Alberta and worked for Chemical Bank & Bank Paribas. He has been giving advice to Institutions for the last 19 years.

Our 2nd meeting will be held on May 25, 2017 and Dr. Kirit Chhaya MD will talk about "Behold the beauty through camera lens. "Dr. Chhaya will explain the basic principals of travelling and landscape photography with emphasis on Sunrise/ Sunset, water/sea/river, mountains, monuments, flowers and other aspects of nature's beauty

<u>If you want to sponsor for snacks ,please contact Manju Goel at 856-424-9028</u> Ram Arora, President



India Temple Association INVITES YOU TO "Chalo Bulawa Aaya Hai Maata Ne Bulaya Hai" When: Saturday May 6, 2017

Where: ICC, Indian Cultural Center, 820 Route 73 South, Marlton. Time: 4pm -8 pm (Mata ka Darbar followed by Aarti & BHANDARA) Donations and Sponsorships are welcome for Mata Ki Chowki starting from \$101 and above for food, musicians, flowers, ICC etc. Donors shall be given "Mata Ki Chunri to offer".

ITA invites you to join us in celebrating the Chaitra Navratri. There will be "Live Bhajans" presented by our team of singers and musicians. Please note that Venue for the Chowki has moved to Indian Cultural Center from Berlin temple for the convenience of all. There will be ample space for seating and parking.

For more details please contact: Nidhi Agrawal (856) 520 3451, or Sangeeta Rashatwar (609) 685-2755, or Danny Saparia (856) 287 1415, or Nitin Khanna (267) 475 6932.

Balvihar Annual Day

Balvihar Annual Day Show is Saturday, May 13 at 2pm at Seneca High School. The address is 110 Carranza Rd, Tabernacle, NJ 08088



SAVE THE DATE: FRIDAY JUNE 23rd, 2017

EKAL brings "EK SUR EK TAAL" variety of dances performed by Ekal Teachers. Tickets: \$35 (includes Dinner) Venue: Lenape H.S. Auditorium.

Details on flier or go to ekal.org website.

ICC/ITA Head Start Speaker Series Session IV: Topic: "Millennials and Personal Finance" Speakers: Chirag Savalia

Date: Sunday, May 21st at 5pm Location: ICC; Cost: Free

Program Coordinator: Parth Chauhan (856)304 –7345/parth@hgfarms.org/

Samir K. Patel (201) 657 8661/samirkpatel@yahoo.com

Topic Detail: This month's Head Start Speaker Series Session will center around personal finance, and the importance of starting young. Using lessons from books like "The Millionaire Next Door", the session will provide a basic introduction to finance and personal wealth management, and provide tools for students and parents alike to use every day.

2017 I.T.A. SCHOLARSHIP Announcement

Purpose: To support the I.T.A. community by giving scholarships to graduating senior students who have demonstrated dedication and significant contribution to the I.T.A.

Award Description: Up to two scholarships worth \$1000 each will be awarded to graduating high school seniors whose families are current members of the I.T.A. Each will be renewable for up to 3 additional years based on meeting maintenance criteria and available funding. The scholarship can be used at a 2 or 4-year accredited institution for undergraduate studies related to tuition or books only.

Eligibility:

Applicant's family must be a current I.T.A. member

Demonstration of engagement at the Temple will be weighed heavily: examples are participation in Balvihar-Youth Program, volunteering at the Temple, participation in ITA sponsored events such as fundraising, cultural programs and community events, etc.

Applicant must be a current senior at a local high school with plans to enroll full-time in an accredited 2 or 4 year college in the United States.

A completed application form

Please email Anu Munshi-Khandhar at anu_munshi@yahoo.com or call 614-832-1129 for details and scholarship application form. SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE: Postmark by May 31, 2017



ITA SEVA SAMITI UPDATE

By Sadhna Kothari

ITA Seva Samiti & ICC walk with American Cancer Society's Relay for Life of Marlton on Saturday, June 3rd 2017. Please join our team as we relay and raise funds for Cancer Research

To SIGN UP: with our team visit http://main.acsevents.org/goto/itaiccservicegroup
To DONATE: Make checks payable to "American Cancer Society" and Mail to: India Temple
Association, 25 E. Taunton Avenue, Berlin NJ 08009 Attn: Chetna Giyanani.
FOR MORE DETAILS: Chetna Giyanani chetnatemple@gmail.com

Seva Samiti regrouped on March 26th with old hands and new for these action items:

- * American Cancer Society's Relay for Life see above
- * ITA Community Service ITA's monthly community service opportunities for Adults, Yuva and Balvihar kids are listed on our community service flyer, which is live on our website. It can be accessed at IndiaTemple.Org, by clicking on Community Service Opportunities logo. Please visit the page to sign up for the opportunities and make a difference by serving the community
- * Sandwich Program Volunteers needed to form groups to prepare sandwich bags once or twice a week.

Contact Hina Desai hinamdesai@hotmail.com

Youth Sandwich Program Contact Chetna Giyanani chetnatemple@gmail.com

- *Bone Marrow Registry Contact Chetna Giyanani chetnatemple@gmail.com
- *Hospice Program Create Samaritan kits for Hindu final rites Contact Vinita Ganju vinudidi@gmail.com
- *Funeral Services Create Information booklet to be kept in our Mandir/fund raising for the needy

Contact Charu Sheth charu_sheth@yahoo.com

- *Family Crisis/ Abuse/ Illness Develop Help Line for the Community Contact Lata Pimplaskare latap1215@gmail.com
- Winter Coat/Apparel/School supplies/Toy Collection for the needy Contact Sunithah Reddy sunithahreddy@yahoo.com
- * Outreach Program for Senior Citizens and recently immigrated families Create information flyer and extend help as needed. Seniors Group Contact Natubhai Desai nat.desai@gmail.com; Outreach Program Contacts Smita Rastogi

smita.rastogi 79@gmail.com and Somil Rastogi somil.prakash@gmail.com and Manoj Thakur; mthakur@yahoo.com;

*Namami Gange Fund Raising Program for Gayatri Jap Yagna for Ganga Mata

Contact Lata Pimplaskar latap1215@gmail.com

JAI SHREE KRISHNA



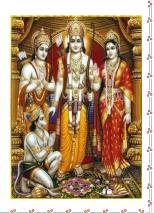
Monthly Pujas at Mandir SATYANARAYAN PUJA Wednesday, May 10 @ 6 PM

Followed by Mahaprasad sponsored by Indian Vila

Anyone can sit in this Puja and receive blessings of Lord Satyanarayan. Please contact Charuben at 856-662-8754 or Kshamaben at 707-332-3400 if you are planning to be Puja Participant. Suggested Donation of \$31 or more from Puja participants will be appreciated.

SUNDARKAND PAATH

Saturday, May 20 @ 10 AM to 12:00 Noon Followed by Mahaprasaad sponsored by Gagan Palace





ITA GRADUATION YAGNA Saturday June 17th, 2017 @3 PM

WHAT: A community celebration for graduates of all levels - all milestones (Elementary, Middle, High School, College graduate, Post graduate Puja of all the deities — Yagna Havan, ITA Essay Scholarship Award, Graduate recognition, Aarti, Mahaprasad

(dinner)

WHEN: Saturday June 17th 3-6 PM

WHERE: Hindu Mandir, 25 E Taunton Ave. Berlin, NJ 08009

RSVP: Charu Sheth at Sheth charu@yahoo.com by Friday June 16th

DONATION: Suggested \$51 per family

PARKING: There is ample Free parking two blocks from the mandir (on Haines and Garwood) and on left hand side in the Berlin Borough

Municipal Lot.





Dr. Ram Kamaldasji, Pujya Maharaj-ji a resident of Varanasi, India, is an expert speaker. He has captured the hearts of devotees all over India and in many, many parts of the world, including but not limited to devotees in UK, Germany, Fiji, New Zealand and USA. He has written and published several books, such as Bhakti Path, Vedanta Pravah and Manas Vandana. Having a Ph.D. in Upanishads and MA in Hindi, he is an internationally known "Kathakar". He was invited in the year 2000 for and by the United Nations Religious Conference and it is our great fortune that he has blessed our temple, congregation and community every year since then. Examples from Ramayana and other scriptures will be provided at the following time and dates at our temple. Date - Monday May 1 to Saturday May 6 Timingsweekdays, Monday to Friday 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Saturday concluded with Maha Prasad 10:30 am to 1:30 pm. Topic - KARMA AND BHAKTI YOGA IN BHAGWAD GEETA. For Further inquiry pl

call Drs. Amrit & Anju Nayar at 856-778-1781, Or Devendra & Rachita Singh at 609-248-5966 Or Rakesh & Nila Kohli at 856 -751-8688.

Senior Social Group

Senior Social Group (SSG) will meet every Tuesday at 1pm in the Social Hall at Berlin Temple. Please contact Mr. Bhulabhai Bhaktaji at 8569830769 for details.

YOGA Classes at Berlin Mandir FREE YOGA CLASSES FOR ALL

Please see our WEB site at www.indiatemple.org and see schedule day and time for this class on Saturday Mornings. It will cover soft but complete exercise, pranayama and short meditation. There may be another YOGA CLASS FOR BACKACHE for an hour in weekday morning, provided there is enough interest. Please call Dr. Veena S. Gandhi at 856-435-9148. Although classes are free, participants can donate money to ITA for Dr. Gandhi's valuable time.

Notary Service by our ITA Members

The following ITA members provide Free Notary Service to our community: Ghanshyam Dave.:856-596-7531; Raman Modhera: 856-528-2863 and Dalapat patel: 609-298-2724

PROGRAMS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH YOGA ABHYAS FOR HEALTH, HAPPINESS & GOD REALIZATION:

Contact: Vina Gandhi at 856-435-9148 **GITA STUDY GROUP:**

Every Tuesday 8-9 pm at our Mandir

Contact: Sharad Pimplaskar @ (856) 985-4785

BHAJANS & STUTI: Every Friday, 7:30-9 pm

Contact: Shree Shuklaji(856) 768-6785

REGULAR PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

BALVIHAR: For children (PRE-K to 8th Grade) teaches Sanatana Dharma, Vedic Heritage and Indian Culture. Two Sundays a month from 10 am - 1 pm @ Marlton Middle SchoolContact: Malathi Shankar (856) 424-7849 or Bhavesh Patel 1-855-my-mandir ext 3.

YOUTH PROGRAM: A program for young adults (8th to 12th Grade) and parents. Two Sundays a month from 9:45 am - 1 pm at our Mandir. Contact: Praveen Garg (856) 783-4692 or Sangeeta Rashatwar (856) 424-4211

CREATIVE ART WORKSHOP

1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday @ 9:30 am at our Mandir

Contact: Sudha Patel (856)489-4065

PUJA SERVICE CHARGES, TEMPLE FACILITIES USAGE FEE AND OTHER CHARGES:

The following provides list of applicable charges and fees. Shri Shuklaji /Shri Sudhirji will be available for religious services on request. Please note that 50% of the listed cost of Puja performed outside the temple goes to Pujari in addition to his regular salary. Please check temple availability at www.indiatemple.org; Click on "CALENDAR tab" and, from drop-down menu, Click on "EVENT/RENTAL CALENDAR". Please contact Shri. Divyakant Parikh at 1-855-MY-MANDIR Ext 1 for the booking of the Temple Facilities and/or scheduling of Puja Services by Shuklaji or Sudhirji. Please note that 50% of the listed cost of Puja performed outside the temple goes to Pujari in addition to his regular salary.

PUJA SERVICE **	INSIDE TEM- PLE	OUTSIDE TEMPLE	Following listed fees and charges are in addition to the charges listed for Puja Services
Archana(Panchopachar)	\$11	N/A	_
Vahan (Vehicle) Puja	\$21	N/A	
Namakaran/Annaprashan	\$51	\$101	
Birthday	\$51	\$101	TEMPLE FACILITIES USAGE FEE:
Shraddha	\$51	\$101	Prayer Hall: \$200
Anniversary Celebration	\$101	\$151	Social Hall: \$300
Seemant	\$101	\$151	
Kesh Mundan Puja	\$101	\$151	
Sodashopchar, Kalash Puja, Punyah-Vachan			
or Blessings	\$101	\$151	
Satyanarayan Puja	\$121	\$151	
Engagement Ceremony	\$101	\$201	
Havan/Grah Shanti	\$201	\$251	OTHER CHARGES
Vastu Puja - outside service only	N/A	\$251	\$51. travel charges for 25 to 50 miles
Wedding Grah Shanti	\$201	\$301	\$101 travel charges for 51 to 100 miles
Wedding Ceremony per day	\$301	\$351	\$51 Non-member charges
Upanayan/Yagnopavita	\$251	\$301	
Antim Rites (Funeral Service)	Voluntary	donation	
Uttar Kriya per day-outside service only	N/A	\$101	
Yagna//laghu rudra - outside service only	N/A	\$351	
Navchandi Yagna—outside service only	N/A	\$651	

NOTE: Charges and availability of other Puja Services not listed above may be discussed with Divyakant parikh @ (856) 745-9676

DIRECTION TO BERLIN TEMPLE

A. From Tacony Bridge:

Take NJ route 73S; drive about 12-13 miles and follow sign for East Taunton Ave. Temple on your right

B. From Ben Franklin Bridge:

Take route 30E to NJ route 70E to NJ route 73S, drive about 7 miles and follow sign for East Taunton Ave. Temple on your right

C. From Walt Whitman Bridge or Delaware Memorial Bridge:

Take I-295N to Exit 29-A for route 30E to Berlin Twp. Turn left on East Taunton Ave.

D. From Central and North Jersey:

Take NJ turnpike south, Exit 4 for route 73S. Drive about 10-11 miles and follow sign for East Taunton Ave. on your right.



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Darshan Schedule

Morning

9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Evening

3 pm - 9 pm

Aarti

12 pm & 8 pm

Times may change during special occasions

Please use the front door and ring the bell if locked

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Please check appropriate items from the following, and mail it to Hindu Temple, 25 East Taunton Ave., Berlin, NJ 08009 Attn: Mr. M. Kanzaria

[] I/We would like to join India Temple Association and I/We are remitting the membership dues
(please select one) Individual or Family one year (\$51)
Individual or Family five year (\$151)
Life (\$1,001)
I/We are seniors, age 65 and above and would like to join India Temple Association. I am/We are
remitting the membership dues
(please select one) Individual or Family Five year (\$25)
Life (\$101)
I am adding additional donations:
Scholarship Fund Lifetime Seva (\$301) Temple Renovations
Scholarship Fund Lifetime Seva (\$301) Temple Renovations Seva Samiti Fund Bal Vihar Fund Youth Fund
[] I am relocating to the following address
Last Name: First Name:
Address:
Telephone: E-mail: