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#### **Religious Calendar**

No. 4

April 01. Saturday Akhanda Ramayan Paath April 02, Sunday Akhanda Ramayan Paath **Concludes followed by Arthi** April 04, Tuesday Chaitri Navaratri Arthi April 05, Wednesday Shri Ram Navami, Shri Sahajananda Jayanti April 07, Friday Kamada Ekadashi April 11, Tuesday Hanuman Jayanti, Purnima, Satvanaravan Pooja April 22, Saturday Varuthani Ekadashi, Shri Vallabhacharya Jayanthi April 28, Friday Shri Parasharam Jayanthi, Akha Trij / Aksha Tritiya April 30, Sunday Shri Aadva Shankracharva Jayanthi & Holi Celebration

Monthly Activities Kshamatemple@gmail.com April 07, Friday Vishnu Sahasranaam April 11, Tuesday Shri Satyanarayan Pooja 3:30pm April 15, Saturday Sunderkand Path 10am

Monthly Bhajans April 14, Friday 7:30-9pm · Shriji Bhajan Urmi Upadhyay 856-424-9328 Charu Sheth 856-662-8754

April 21 Friday 8-9 pm · Satya Sai Baba of Medford P.K.Prabhakar 856-596-3147 Sesha Vemuri 856-751-0867 April 11, Tuesday Shri Satyanarayan Pooja 6pm April 15, Saturday Sunderkand Path 10am

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Chaitri Navratri dates are from Tuesday March 28, 2017 thru Wednesday April05, 2017
- "Akhand Ramayana" starts on Saturday April 1 at temple for 24 hours followed by Maha-Aarti and Mahaprasad on Sunday April 2nd
- Chaitri Durga Ashtami Havan Tuesday April 4@4pm at temple
  - Shri Rama Navmi Celebration at our Berlin Mandir on Wednesday, April 5
  - Hanuman Jayanti and Purnima Satyanarayan Pooja Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 6pm
  - Shri Vallabh Jayanti Celebration at our temple on Sunday, April 23
    - Rang Barsey-Holi Celebration at Connolly Park in Voorhees, NJ on Sunday April 30 (Rain Date is May 21) at 1pm to 4pm
      - Mata di Chowki at ICC on Saturday, May 6
- 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.

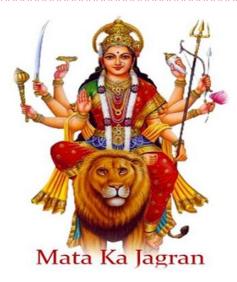
•	Babaria Ashok	Apr 02	Desh Raj Goel	Apr 16
•	Gujrathi Urmila	Apr 02	Desai Shailendra	Apr 19
•	Bhatt Narendra	Apr 03	Brunt Arpana & David	Apr 19
•	Gandhi Kevin	Apr 03	Patel Arny & Deepal	Apr 20
•	Sheth Surendra	Apr 04	Jain Nimisha & Rajen	Apr 22
•	Patel Savitaben	Apr 06	Khurana Samir	Apr 22
•	Pandya Dipti	Apr 08	Choksi Yogendra B.	Apr 22
•	Shah Upen	Apr 12	Dube Neal	Apr 23
•	Patel Vaishali	Apr 13	Rao Ramachandra	Apr 25
•	Vasa Siddhi	Apr 15	Kothari Hansa H.	Apr 28

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

First meeting on April13, 2017 at 6.30 pm Bharat Kenjale, who is an instructor at the Happiness program for the Art of Living Foundation (USA) will talk about Mind and Meditation. We will learn and practice the Happiness Program which will be interactive on strategies for achieving holistic wellness and lasting happiness. Bharat Kenjale holds a Masters degree in IT and also an MBA He is a long time practitioner of Yoga, Meditation, Breath work and Self-development Second Meeting on April 27, 2017 at 6:30 pm

Dr. Amrit Nayyar M.D. FRCS, FACS will talk about Painful, Tired and Swollen Legs--Causes and Treatment as it relates to Seniors. Dr. Nayyar is an active cardio-thoracic and Vascular surgeon in practice for the last 34 years in Cherry Hill area. He has done over 5000 open-heart procedures. Currently he is doing lungcancer surgery & vascular surgery at Kennedy Hospitals. He is also an Associate professor at Rowan School of Osteopathic Medicine.

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



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

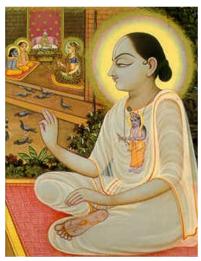
Where: ICC, Indian Cultural Center, 820 Route 73 South, Marlton. Time: 4pm -8 pm (Mata ka Darbar followed by Aarti & BHANDARA) Donations and Sponsorships are welcome for Mata Ki Chowki starting from \$101 and above for food, musicians, flowers, ICC etc. Donors shall be given "Mata Ki Chunri to offer".

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 Kshama Raghuveer (707) 332-3400 or Nitin Khanna (267) 475 6932.

## Vallabh Jayanti on Sunday, April 23, 2017 from 3:00

The Hindu Temple in Berlin will celebrate Vallabh Jayanti on Sunday, April 23, 2017 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. There will be a chanting of Pusti marg's Yamunasthaka, and other "PĀTHA", followed by melodious Kir-



tans. Mahaprasad will be served after the Aarti at 6:30 PM. The Wednesday Gita Satsang Group and friends will sponsor the event at the Temple. If you are interested in taking part in the event, please call Amita Desai (751-2321), Bharti Sidhwad (424-5876), or Kirti Doshi (424-8046) Shri Mahaprabhuji is the founder of religious sect called Pushtimarg. He was born in the year 1479 A.D. at a Champaranya village near Raipur in M. P. He is one of the foremost Indian philosophers taking the rank amongst the first class Acharyas who has expounded the school of Shuddha-advaita. Vallabhacharya heralded a new era of Bhakti-Marga, which teaches unswerving love toward God admitting everyone in the fold, irrespective of sex, cast or nationality. Pushti Marga, the path of grace as founded by Shri Vallabhacharya is very easy to follow as a way of life by common people. Once you commit yourself to God by ritual of "Brahma-Sambanth", God takes care of you unconditionally. In Pushti Marg, Bhakti is not a means, but an end. Shri Mahaprabhuji's son Shri Vitthalnathji also known as shri Gusaiji was the

one who embellished "Seva Bhav" by offering worship to Shrinathji eight different time of the day from 'Mangla to 'Sen'. During their time, Ashta Sakha's

Kirtan was devotional expression for their personal experience with the lord. When they were in the temple they witnessed the 'Lila' and sang about what they saw. The Shrimad Bhagvata is the ripened fruit of all scriptural knowledge, but the Kirtan's of the Ashta sakha are the refined essence.

### HEAD START SPEAKER SERIES

The ITA & ICC are co-sponsoring a monthly speaker series for community youth focused on enhancing their professional and academic knowledge. Our goal is to create a forum where the next generation can benefit from the experiences, relationships, and mentorship of successful individuals. Once a month we will have speakers that pre-sent on a specific topic or discuss their career path. The speakers will be individuals of diverse backgrounds that are interested in serving as mentors and advisors. We hope that this information transfer and mentor relationships will help them make better career decisions.

Topic: Building Skills for Innovative Industries Speaker: Mukesh Patel, Professor of Social Innovation at Rutgers University Date: April 2nd, 2017 Time: 5 – 6:30PM 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: All industry sectors are experiencing revolutionary transformation due to new technologies, innovations, automation, and changes in workforce and consumer behaviors. New opportunities, positions and roles are being created. Students need to leverage new insights, develop skills, and build networks to take advantage of these emerging opportunities.

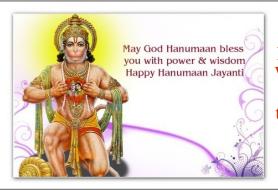


Chaitri Durga Astmi Havan

This year Chaitree Navratri dates are from Tuesday March 28, 2017 thru Wednesday April05, 2017. Our mandir will perform Durgastmi Havan on Tuesday April 04 2017 starting at 4 PM. There is No Navratri without Garba. Garba at Mandir is planned from 6 PM to 7 PM followed by Aarti and Mahaprasad. As Sahyajman sponsors of suggested \$151 donation can take part in Puja.



Please Pre- register with Kshamaben or Binduben or Harshadbhai



### Hanuman Jayanti and Purnima Satyanarayan Pooja Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 6pm

Hanuman Jayanti is celebration of birth of Lord Hanuman.
We are celebrating Hanuman Jayanti Tuesday April 11 and we are doing it like last year reciting Hanuman Chalisa 11 times. We are organizing a wonderful program with melodious bhajans and celebrations at our temple. All of us will recite Hanuman Chalisa 11 times, and sing Kirtan, Bhajan, and Dhun followed by Aarti and Mahaprasad.

Rang Barsey!!!! Holi Color Play and Celebration -



April 30th , 1 pm to 4 pm at Connolly Park in Voorhees, NJ. (Rain Date is May 21st, 1pm to 4pm). Join us to celebrate Holi, Festival of Colors with all your friends and family. Enjoy the live DJ. Entry will be free, color and food will be available for purchase.

Team ITAICC Service Group walks with American Cancer Society's Relay for Life of Marlton, NJ. On Saturday June 3rd, 2017 At Cherokee High School, Marlton NJ. For details and to sign up with our team contact Chetna at chetnatemple@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE: FRIDAY JUNE 23rd, 2017 EKAL brings " EK SUR EK TAAL " variety of dances performed by Ekal Teachers. Tickets: \$35 (incl.Dinner) Venue: Lenape H.S. Auditorium. Details to follow. For details go to ekal.org website.

# Monthly Pujas at Mandir SATYANARAYAN PUJA Tuesday, April 11 @ 6 PM 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, April 15 @ 10 AM to 12:00 Noon Followed by Mahaprasaad sponsored by Gagan Palace

PROPERTY TAX REIMBURSEMENT (PTR) APPLICATIONS. TAXPAYERS FILING PTR SHOULD HAVE THEIR FORM CERTIFIED BY THE APPROPRI-ATE TAX ASSESSORS OFFICE PRIOR TO COMING TO THE AARP SITE. AARP TAX-AIDE IS AVAILABLE TO ALL TAXPAYERS WITH MIDDLE OR LOW INCOME, WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO TAXPAYERS AGE 60 AND OLDER. COMPLEXITY OF A RETURN WILL DETERMINE OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE. TAXPAYERS MUST BRING SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS AND PHOTO ID FOR THEMSELVES AND ALL DEPENDENTS, ALONG WITH A COPY OF THEIR PRIOR YEAR RETURN AND ALL RELATED AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR BOTH INCOME AND EXPENS-ES. RETURNS ARE PREPARED AND FILED ELECTRONICALLY. Locations and Timing: Barrington Municipal Bldg, 229 Trenton Ave, 856-547-0706 Every Monday 10 AM-1 PM, Feb 6 to April 17 Bellmawr Public Library, 35 E. Browning Rd, 856-931-1400, Every Tuesday 11AM tto 2PM, Feb 7 to April 11 Blackwood Public Library, 15 S Black Horse Pike, 856-228-0022, Every Friday 10AM to 1PM, Feb 3 to April 14 Cherry Hill Municipal Bldg, 820 Mercer St, 856-488-7868, Every Tuesday and Friday 10AM to 2PM, Feb3 to April 14 Collingswood Public Library, 771 Haddon Ave, 856-858-0649, Every Friday 12PM to 4PM, Feb 3 to April 14 Camden Ferry Ave Public Library, 852 Ferry Ave, 856-342-9789, Every Monday 10:30AM to 1:30PM, Feb 6 to April 17 Haddon Heights Public Library, 608 Station Ave, 856-547-7132, Every Monday 12PM to 3PM, Feb 6 to April 17 Pennsakken Public Library, 5605 Crescent Blvd, 856-665-5959, Every Wednesday and Thursday IPM to 4PM, Feb 1 to April 13 Runnemede Senior Center, 2 Broadway and Black Horse Pike, 856-208-9983, Every Thursday 11AM to 2PM, Feb 2 to April 13 Voorhees Public Library, 203 Laurel Road, 856-772-1636, Every Tuesday and Thursday 11AM to 2PM, Feb 2 to April 13 Westmont Public Library, 15 MacArther Blvd, 856-854-2752, Every Tuesday 12PM to 4PM, Feb 7 to April aa Winslow Public library, 35 Coopers Folly Road, 856-753-2537, Every Monday and Wednesday 10AM to 1PM, Feb 1 to April 17 CALL KIRAN DOSHÍ AT 856-424-8046 OR 609-405-2641 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, INCLUDING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE FOR HANDICAP AND/OR INDIAN LANGUAGES

Gunasankirtan about Sadguru Dr. Aniruddha Joshi fondly called as Bapu by his Shraddhavan devotees

On Sunday April 30th 2017 we are pleased to announce a wonderful spiritual event at Berlin Hindu Temple. This event is a <u>Gunasankirtan</u> about Sadguru Dr. Aniruddha Joshi fondly called as Bapu by his Shraddhavan devotees. Mumbai based devotee Shri Guarangsinh Wagle who is visiting US will be presenting this event to go over topics such as – Who is Aniruddha Bapu; Shirdi Sai Baba's Sai Niwas in Bandra, Mumbai; What kind of work Aniruddha Bapu is doing; Numerous experiences Aniruddha Bapu's devotees had; As a spiritual Sadguru how Aniruddha Bapu is different in his approach to correlate Adhyamtma (Spirituality) and Science. Second half of this three hours of event will be open for Question and Answers for all the attendees. We sincerely believe that more and more people who believe in Adhyatmic (Spiritual) Paath should get opportunity to be part of this wonderful event. Do join us on Sunday April 30th between 2 pm – 5pm in Berlin Temple Hall.





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 <u>Bhakti</u> Path, Vedan-ta <u>Pravah</u> and <u>Manas Vandana</u>. Having a Ph.D. in Upanishads and MA in Hindi, he is an internationally known <u>"Kathakar</u>". 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 Timings- weekdays, 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 <a href="http://www.indiatemple.org">www.indiatemple.org</a>; 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.

	INSIDE TEM-	OUTSIDE	Following listed fees and charges are in addition to the
PUJA SERVICE **	PLE	TEMPLE	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 REVIEW YOUR ADDRESS LABEL AND RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP BASED ON EXPIRATION DATE OR SUPPORT ITA WITH YOUR ENROLLMENT IF YOU ARE NOT IDENTIFIED AS A MEMBER

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) \_\_\_\_\_\_ 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)

 Seva Samiti Fund
 Bal Vihar Fund

 Youth Fund

[] I am relocating to the following address

 Last Name:
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