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HINDU PATRIKA

July & August 2013



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TIMING CHANGES

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Temple & Community events

Varalakshmi Vratam

Varalakshmi Vratam is on Friday August 16th 2013. HTCC along with devotees celebrate by doing Abhishekam and puja. The schedule and timing will be notified in the ePatrika and will be posted in Temple Website. Please contact HTCC program coordinators and priests for further details.

Independence Day

Independence Day is on Thursday August 15th 2013. HTCC will post details in ePatrika and in website. Please contact HTCC program coordinators for further details.

A Message from Patrika Editor:

Thank you for your continuous patronage towards Hindu Temple & Cultural Center of Kansas City.

Patrika is published once in two months. It is printed and mailed as a booklet. It is also electronically published in the temple's website. It contains updates about past events and information about upcoming Temple events.

We mail over 1000 copies all over continental USA. It is a good medium to advertise your business. Interested? Contact Editor[[email: editor@htccofkc.org](mailto:editor@htccofkc.org)].

Patrons who do not wish to receive printed copies can opt-out at the temple website link: <http://htccofkc.org/Newslettersp> .

As a Patrika Editor, I meet HTCC patrons who serve the community taking their valuable personal time. I encourage all of you to give your time in the interest of community.

Every week, month – there are variety of activities/event that happen at the temple. These require planning followed by execution. Plenty of help and assistance is required for a successful completion. This is an excellent opportunity to do SEVA and become a seVak.

See the last cover page for a quick summary of activities/events. Contact the listed names to participate.

Become a seVak!!!

Be Blessed!!!

TEMPLE HOURS

Effective June 10th 2013.


	TEMPLE TIMINGS	AARTHI
MONDAY TO FRIDAY	10.00 AM TO 12.00 NOON <i>5.30 PM TO 8.30 PM</i>	11.00 AM <i>7.30 PM</i>
SATURDAY & SUNDAY	9.00 AM TO 8.30 PM No break in-between	12.00 NOON <i>7.30 PM</i>

TEMPLE CLOSSES AT 8.30 PM EVERY DAY

COMMUNITY EVENTS

BAL VIHAR Every Sunday 10am to 11am dispersing after Bal Aarthi.
Contact Ganesh Siruvalure @ siruvalure@gmail.com
Registration for 2013 in progress; Class starts in August 2103

YOGA PARIVAR Every Sunday 9.30am to 10.30am
Contact Dr. Vijay Kumar @913-894-6454

HINDI CLASS Every Sunday **11.15am to 12.15pm** 
Contact Swapnam Kumar @ 816-554-2454 swapnamku@gmail.com
Please note—Hindi class timing for the year 2013-14 will be 11:15 to 12:15.
Registration for 2013 in progress; Class starts in August 2103

SOUP KITCHEN July 24th & August 29th. Every Last Monday
Contact Suma Hegde @ 913-491-1969

PRANAYAMA YOGA Every Monday and Wednesday evening at 6.00pm to 7.30pm in a basement. Contact Sadhana Bisarya at # 913-764-3521 or sbisarya1@gmail.com.
Email to editor@htccofkc.org to update your community events.

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Anna Daan - Maha Punya

HTCC is Serving Sunday Mid-day Prasad to Devotees for FREE

WE request your support to sustain this initiative

How you can support!!

- * **Sponsor** Prasad for one or more Sunday with your Family & Friends –
Cook at Home or Cook at HTCC Kitchen
- * **Donate:** Want to Participate, but do not have time!
You can donate any amount to HTCC Sunday Prasad fund and HTCC will prepare the Prasad on your behalf for a Sunday using your donations
- * **Celebrate** a Memorable day of your life
Celebrate by donating to this “Anna Dana” Program. One Sunday will be sponsored in your name.

Please send your donations to HTCC or Donate Cash on your next visit to the Temple. Make sure you mention to the Managers that your donation is for the HTCC SUNDAY PRASAD FUND or write it in the Memo field of the check. For More information contact (913)-631 7519 e-mail: manager@htccofkc.org

Dharma Camp

Wednesday July 31st 2013

One-day camp that is a must for Children and Youth!

HTCC has been offering Dharma Camp every year for children and youth. It is conducted by Sevaks of HTCC who seeks to work with children and youth to share their knowledge of Dharma. This camp aims to be a fun-day-camp while teaching and enforcing the concept of Hinduism through many activities.

Online Registration: <http://htccofkc.org/dharmaenrolment.asp>
Link: www.htccofkc.org → Online Enrollment → Dharma Camp

For more information, please contact:

Swapnam Kumar 816-838-2454

Rajinder Goyal 913-631-7519

8th Annual day celebration Hindi Class



Hindi class celebrated its completion of 8 successful years on Sunday May 19. It is a day for the students, parents and teacher volunteers to get together to reflect upon and celebrate the past year. Students are recognized for their commitment, parents for their time and volunteer teachers for their effort and dedication. 43 students were given certificates and t-shirts. Puneet Bagga, Sriya Annem, Navya Annem and Ishya Bhavsar were recognized for their perfect attendance with trophies and gifts. It takes sincere commitment- not to miss a single class. Sayan Grover was recognized for being a pioneer student, who still continues to attend the classes today.

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all the volunteer teachers and parents for their commitment to the class. Chandra Gupta has been a great support for the last seven years. Intermediate teachers Harmeet Cheema & Seema Sharma were a great addition to the team this year. Advance teacher Reena Gupta started with Priyamvada Pravu, but took over her duties after her departure. Shveta Grover has handled our PR for the last 8 years. Thank you to Dheeraj Grover for making the certificates. Thank you to Ramanajee and Shyamly Jaiswal for their invaluable assistance with choreographing the dances. Last but not the least, a big thank you to Sanjeev Goyal for being a great supporter and well wisher of the Hindi class. Sanjeev prefers to stay in the background, but he takes care of all executive matters for the class. Finally my sincere thanks to all the parents for their commitment to bringing their children to class every Sunday to learn their Native language of Hindi.

Warmest thanks to all of you for your hard work and outstanding contributions as members of the Hindi class. I know how much time and energy the class demands, and I deeply appreciate all of your efforts to make it a great success.

As always, it's great to know that I can count on you to go the extra mile. Thank you again for all you do for the children of our community.

Please note—Hindi class timing for the year 2013-14 will be 11:15 to 12:15.

Hindi class is now open for enrollment for 2013--2014 session. School year is from August 2013 till May 2014. Membership of the temple is required to enroll. There is an annual fee of \$100.00 per child, which is payable on the first day (August 18) of the class. Please follow the link to enroll on-line.

Link www.htccofkc.org/hindi

Swapnam Kumar

swapnamku@gmail.com

816 554 2454

Health-Fitness Workshop

Join hands with **HTCC to support a good cause.** Show **Oklahoma** that help comes from all corners! All proceedings from the Workshop will be donated to the Oklahoma Tornado victims!!

Register for these very energetic and fun “Bollywood Zumba” workshops for adults and kids on July 20th from 10:30 am – 2:00 pm! Give yourself the gift of “Healthy” YOU!

BollyFIT for adults and BollyFIT KIDZ Workshops

Get a sneak peek at this high-intensity cardio workout! Burn 500-700 calories in this hour long session. Move your body on the latest and greatest bollywood hits and you will forget you are working out! Whether you are kid or an adult, you will sure break a few sweats.

Register today! Reserve your spot. Space is limited!

\$5/per person for BollyFIT class and \$4/per child for BollyFIT KIDZ class.
CASH only!

To register, call shyamly @ 816-308-2602 OR Email at shyamlyj@hotmail.com
Note: Details of the workshops will follow upon registration.

If you live in the MO side, the same workshop will be held at Vivion Road Family YMCA on July 14th. Contact Shyamly Jaiswal for more information (see above for her contact info.)

Gurur-Brahma, Gurur-Vishnuh; Gurur-Devo Maheswaraha;
Gurur-Sakshath Param Brahma; Thasmal Sree Gurave Namaha:

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celebrates

Guru Poornima



HTCC cordially invites you and your family to participate in the Annual

Guru Poornima celebrations to be held on Saturday, July 13th 2013.
So here is an opportunity to sing the glory of the Sadguru and rejoice in
the divine bliss.

Contact now:

- To reserve time slot for reading
- Volunteering
- Sponsorship

Program

Saturday, July 13th, 2013

Parayan of Shri Sai Satcharitra @ 7:00 AM (for 10 hours)
Evening Aarti (Dhoop Aarti)
Baba's Abhishek 5:30 PM
Palki Procession - 7:00 PM
(Along with Jagannath Rath Yatra) to the Community Hall
- Aarti
- Maha Prasad (Dinner)

For sponsoring, volunteering or more details contact:

Ravi Mehra - 913-416-1345, Sanjay Gupta 913-219-7060,
Vijay 913-219-9334, Temple Manager 913-631-7519, Usha 913-710-5210

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SRI SAI DHARA

Newsletter from shirdibaba.org

Guru a Spiritual Farmer

"Sadguru subjects his disciple to several tests" – that is what most of us understand. Let us not confuse the wayward nature of our mind and our unstable devotion as 'tests'. Even after attaining total devotion and knowledge, if we encounter instability, then we may consider it as 'test'. Till such time, whatever we may face is not 'test', but the foul play of our fickle mind.

There is a tendency in us (when we face difficulties) to say 'the Almighty is testing me'. But when we are happy, we will not say 'the Almighty gave this happiness'. This is because of the ego. Money, education, inheritance - all these cause ego. Therefore, we must try to surrender the ego emanating from all these at the feet of the Baba. Do not nurture it. It is not enough if we make big donations. We must get rid of the ego which our wealth caused in us. We must surrender the ego of knowledge at the feet of the Sadguru.

A seeker will naturally possess some amount of surrendering attitude. But there will be some ego too. A Sadguru will uproot the ego just as a farmer removes the weeds and facilitates proper growth of the useful crop. Thus, a Guru is a spiritual farmer.

Sometimes the Guru functions like a washer man. A washer man washes different clothes differently. For e.g., he will hand wash the silk clothes, and hard wash thick materials like blankets and bedspreads. He knows how to wash which cloth. Similarly, the Guru will schedule a purification agenda for his devotees on individual basis. To some, He gives the benefit of touching him, while some others may get the blessings through His eyes. To some, He may give initiation with a mantra. This should not be mistaken for partiality. All patients coming to the hospital will not get the same prescription.

Sometimes, the Guru works like a spiritual goldsmith. A goldsmith melts the gold in a furnace and beats it well. It has to be done methodically. It is an art. Only those who have mastered that art can make ornaments. Similarly, the Sadguru subjects His true disciples to various difficulties during the course of making him a realized soul. It may appear as though the Guru is behaving mercilessly and unfairly. In reality, the Guru does not have any prejudices.

|| Bow to Sri Sai & Peace be to all ||

More on Sai Baba of Shirdi...www.shirdibaba.org ([facebook.com/shirdibaba](https://www.facebook.com/shirdibaba))

Brahmotsav 2013

THANKS TO ALL DEVOTEES



The annual Brahmotsavam festival was celebrated at HTCC this year on May 10th - May 12th.

The Brahmotsavam festival is one of the most important and auspicious functions in Tirupati. Popular stories trace the origin of this celebration to Brahma, the creator God, who first conducted this festival to Sri Balaji in Tirupati. Brahma worshiped Sri Balaji on the banks of the holy Pushkarini in Tirupati as a way to give thanks for the Lord's protection of mankind. Hence, this utsava bears his name as "Brahmotsavam," which means "Brahma's Utsavam." In Tirumalai, Brahmotsavam is celebrated in the month of October.

We had a total of 5 ceremonies conducted, starting Friday evening, two on Saturday and two on Sunday.

The event kicked off on **Friday** with Dwajaaranam, a flag hoisting festival, conducted as a formal invitation to all the dieties to attend the festival. It was followed by Gajavanam, the lord taken out in a procession on Airavath.

On Saturday, the morning event started with Suprabhatam seva followed by Garuda vahanam procession, ending with vasanta utsavam (thirumanjanam). The evening event had Ratha utsavam and Shesha vahanam procession, with devotees pulling the lord's chariot.

Sunday morning, we had a homam for the well being of the community and surya prabha procession (the lord riding on a chariot driven by the sun god). The event culminated Sunday evening, with Chandra prabha procession (Moon is described as the commander of mind and a symbol of cool and pleasantness), kalyana utsavam (lord's wedding), and shayana utsavam.

As you can see, a lot of events were packed into three days. This did not dim the fervor of the devotees and they showed up in large numbers for each of the events. Each of the occasions was supported by the regional organizations that helped with providing Prasad to the large numbers attending the events.

The temple would thank everyone that participated and supported this event and made it a grand success.

All patrons of HTCC are welcome to all events at HTCC.

Bal Vihar



Annual Day: BalVihar annual day was held on Sunday, 21st April, 2013. The theme was Lord Shiva and there were several skits, dances and presentations portraying bhakti, nritya and shraddha.

The little children enacted Srikalahasthi and Markandeya stories, showing how Lord Shiva comes to the aid of any of his disciples. It was really a treat to see all the kids in their costumes enacting important stories of the Lord. A group danced to the song “Nadha Vinodhanga” from the movie Salangai Oli, glorifying Lord Shiva as Nataraja. There were presentations on all Jyothirlingams, and an engaging orchestra fusion providing music to the prayer Bilvaashtakam, finally culminating with all students and teachers singing Lingashtakam.

The students were conferred with certificates completing a year of BalVihar and T-Shirts were handed out. We would like to thank all the parents and volunteers who helped us throughout the academic year to make this a very successful year.

Registration: Enrollment for next academic year has commenced. Please register at the temple website:

Steps:

- Go to <http://www.htccofkc.org/index.asp>.
- Hover over “Online Resources”
- Hover over “Forms”
- Select “Balvihar Enrollment”
- Fill the form completely and hit Submit.

Minimum age to enroll in the Balvihar program is 4 years. Classes are conducted every Sunday from 10:00 – 11:00 AM at the temple. Please contact sirualure@gmail.com for more details.

RATHA YARTRA celebration of Lord Jagannath



On Saturday July 13
2013

**Dole cha Dola-
Gobinda,
Chape cha
Madhusudanam,
Rathe Twaam
Bamanam Drustwa,
Punarjanmam Na
Bidyate !**

To beat the Heat, the event is in the afternoon.

Saturday July 13 2013	Religious Rituals
4.00 PM – 5.00 PM	Sankalp, Ganesha Puja, Kalasha Sthapana, Moolvirat, Aradhana, Abhiseka, Pushparchana, Laghu Naivedya followed by Aarti
5.00 PM – 5.15 PM	Pahandi/Palaki seva
5:15 PM – 5:45 PM	Murti Sthapana on the Rath, Archana, Aarti followed by CHERANHA PAHANRA
5:45 PM – 6:45 PM	Ratha Yatra - Pulling of the Ratha by devotees
6:45 PM – 7:00 PM	Pahandi of Idols to Vasanta Mandap (Main Hall) Abhishekam, Pushparchana, Laghu naivedya & Aarti
7:00 PM – 7:45 PM	Bhajan and Kirtan at New Hall
7:45 PM – 8:30 PM	Mahaprasad Seva
8:30 PM – 9:00 PM	Bahuda Yatra (Return of the Chariot)
9:00 PM – 9:30 PM	Murti Sthapana in the Sanctum, Aarti

Sponsorship of Main Rituals: (Can pay online at <http://www.htccofkc.org>)

* **Abhishekam, Pushparchana and Aarti - \$21**

Aligning to the Nine day celebration spanning from July 10 through July 18 at Puri, Archanas will be performed at HTCC everyday at 7:00 PM

* Archana for one day during the Nine-days of Ratha Yatra - \$21

* Archana for all Nine days - \$150

Please contact HTCC @ 913-631-7519 or e-mail: managers@htccofkc.org for details

HINDOLA UTSAV

Hindola Utsav also known as Jhoola (swing) Utsav is the most beautifully decorated and celebrated festival in Shri Krishna temples across India. This is the month long celebration that falls within the holy month of Shravana where Shri Krishna (Thakorji) plays with his bhaktas and gopis sway him on a decorated swing known as Hindola.



This year Hindola will begin on **July 27th** and end on **August 24th**. HTCC cordially invites you all to participate in Hindola and offer your prayers as well as receive blessing from Shri Krishna. Furthermore, please join us for **Mahaprasad (Dinner)** from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 P.M. on the following dates.

Hindola timings are 5:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

<i>July 27th</i>	<i>Hindola will be decorated with Flowers</i>
<i>August 3rd</i>	<i>Hindola will be decorated with Vegetables</i>
<i>August 4th</i>	<i>Hindola will be decorated with Pearls</i>
<i>August 10th</i>	<i>Hindola will be decorated with Green leaves etc.</i>
<i>August 11th</i>	<i>Hindola will be decorated with Corn</i>
<i>August 18th</i>	<i>Hindola will be decorated with Pavitra</i>
<i>August 24th</i>	<i>Hindola will be decorated with Rakhis</i>

For sponsorship and more information, please contact Priest: Atul-bhai or S. Charyulu.

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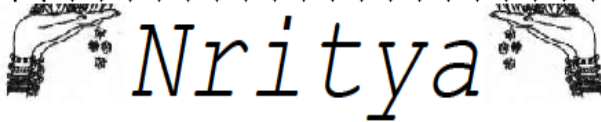
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an evening with...
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Anup Jalota
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FELLOW SHIP HALL AT 4.00 PM
ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

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09 Mon	Ganesh Chaturthi
10 Tue	Rushi Panchami
15 Sun	Parivarthana Ekadasi
18 Wed	Anantha Padmanabha Chaturdasi Vratham
19 Thu	Poornima
20 Fri	Shraadha Paksha starts
21 Sat	Sankaraha Chaturthi
24 Tue	Krittika

October 2013

04 Fri	Mahalaya Amavasya
05 Sat	Devi Navrathri Starts
10 Thu	Saraswati Puja
12 Sat	Durgahtami
13 Sun	Maha Navami
14 Mon	Vijaya Dasami/Dassera
18 Fri	Sharat Purnima
21 Mon	Krittika
22 Tue	Sankarahara Chatturthi

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