



Satsang Sandesh

India Temple Association, Inc.

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Religious Calendar

- 1-Aug Rudrabhishek
2-Aug Nag Panchami
4-Aug Shitla Satam
8-Aug Rudrabhishek
Putrada Ekadashi
11-Aug Purnima/ Nariyari Punam
Rakshabandhan Shravani
Upakarma
Shri Satyanarayana Puja
15-Aug Rudrabhishek
18-Aug Sitla Satam
19-Aug Shri Krishna Janmashtami
22-Aug Rudrabhishek
Aja Ekadashi
27-Aug Last day of Shravan Maas
Shani Amavas
Rudrabhishek
30-Aug Kevada Trij- Haritalika Teej
Samoohika Teej Puja
31-Aug Shri Ganesha Chaturthi
Celebration
1-Sep Rishi/Rushi Panchami
3-Sep Radha Ashtami

Temple Hours

Saturday & Sunday
9:30AM -12:30 PM
4:30-8:30 PM

Monday to Friday
10:30 AM to 12:30 PM
5:30 to 8:30 PM

Entry through
Front Door Only
(856)768-3134

Satyanarayan Puja

Thursday, August 11th– 6 PM

Sundarkanda Paath

Saturday, August 20th– 6 PM

VIKRAM SAMVAT 2078 / 2022

CALENDAR AVAILABLE ONLINE AT <https://www.indiatemple.org/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- SPECIAL TEMPLE HOURS for SHRAVAN MONDAYS ONLY-August 1, 8, 15, 22, the temple will be open from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm
- Balvihar enrollment is open and limited spots remain.
- For security reasons, we will be keeping the Temple's doors locked. When visiting the Temple during open hours, please dial 856-768-3134 to be admitted. Also when leaving the Temple, please make sure that the door closes completely behind you.

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. 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.

Amita Desai	5-Aug	Charu & Jaysukh Sheth	17-Aug
Shailendra Desai	5-Aug	Dilipkumar Patel	17-Aug
Mahesh Tekrival	7-Aug	Ghanshyam Dave	17-Aug
Tejas Patel	8-Aug	Snehal Sindvad	17-Aug
Nagraj Lingraju	10-Aug	Maganbhai Kanzaria	18-Aug
Shree Khaitan	10-Aug	Tejash Patel	20-Aug
Mahesh Dixit	11-Aug	Babubhai Patel	24-Aug
Akshaykumar Patel	15-Aug	Mitul Kanzaria	26-Aug
Kiran Desai	15-Aug	Sangita & Paresh Talati	27-Aug
Nisarg Shah	15-Aug		

PROGRAMS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH, HEALTH, HAPPINESS & GOD REALIZATION

See ITA Website for Virtual Daily Prayer & Aarti Times

Vishnu Sahasranamam & Lalitha Sahasranamam will be recited on 1st Friday of each month starting at 10:30 AM over Zoom. Meeting ID: 825 4174 9889; Passcode: 718246

Satya Sai Baba of Medford Bhajans 3rd Friday of each month from 8-9pm on Zoom
Contact P.K. Prabhakar (856) 596 3147/ Sessa Vemuri (856) 751-0687 for details.

Bhajan Sandhya (In person first Friday of every month from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM)
led by Venugopal Varma (609) 598-4038

Bhagavat Gita Study organized by Sharad Pimplaskar (856) 466-1430

ITA Senior Social Group
Currently meeting weekly
Contact Vinita Ganju (609) 744 8558 for additional information.

PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS BY HSC OF SJ

August 14th, 2022 at 11 AM

ANNUAL PICNIC is held at Red Bank National Park, 100 Hessian Ave., National Park, NJ 08063. 11AM-12 noon- Snacks, 12 noon-1 PM free time, 1 PM-1:30 PM-Lunch, 1:30-3 PM-Entertainment, 3 PM-3:30 PM Watermelon, 3:30 PM-4 PM-Cleaning. REGISTRATION FOR PICNIC IS NOW CLOSED.

August 25th, 2022 at 6:15 PM

Dr. Amrit Nayar, MD, FRCS, FACS will talk on SHORTNESS OF BREATH: common complaint of Seniors, Diagnosis and Treatment. Dr. Amrit Nayar M.D., FACS, FRCS is a graduate of Maulana Azad Medical College, Delhi. He had General surgery training at Michael Reese Medical Center, an affiliate of University of Chicago, Cardiothoracic surgical residency at Montefiore Medical Center, Albert Einstein College of Medicine in Bronx, New York, He is Certified by the American and Canadian Boards of Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery. He is a Heart, Chest & Vascular Surgeon. He has been in practice in South Jersey for 40 years and had affiliation with Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital where he has performed over 5000 Open Heart procedures. He is now affiliated with Jefferson Health at Stratford, Cherry Hill and Washington Township division and treated thousands of chest and vascular cases. He has 2 children & lives in Moorestown, NJ. with his wife Dr. Anju, MD.

Snacks will be served in this meeting.

Please go to www.hinduseniors.com for more information.

Yogi Virendra K. Gupta & HSC SJ, EC Team

ITA INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE KRISHNA JANMASHTHAMI

Friday, August 19th at 3:30 PM

Children's Activities:

3:30 PM— Greet Children

4:00 PM— Baal Gopal activities/Krishna dance performances.

Appearance by Vasudevji carrying live Baby Krishna

5:00PM— Special Baal Krishna Jhula/Matki Celebration Aarti & Prasad

Children can come dressed as Gopal and Gopika.

Evening Festivities:

5:30 PM — Puja of Lord Krishna.

6:30 PM — Bhajans

7:30 PM — Utsav (Yajman bring Lala & Nand Bhayo)

8:00 PM — First Aarti

9:30 PM — Second Aarti

12:00AM — Midnight Krishna Pragtya Aarti

If you would like to sponsor or participate in Lalla festivities, please contact Kinnari Patel at 609-230-4040, Chirag Kansagra at 856-986-2966, Vinita Ganju at 609-744-8558 or Charu Sheth at 856-662-8754.



ITA INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE GANESH UTSAV

August 31st — September 9th



Ganesh Sthapan & Pooja: Wednesday August 31 at 6:00PM

Sthapana procession from parking lot to temple at 6:00PM followed by Pooja, Aarati and group chanting of Atharva Shirsha.

Arati: August 31 — September 8

Arati will be performed at 11:00AM and 7:00PM each day

Visarjaan: Friday September 9 at 5:00PM

Visarjaan will begin at the Berlin Temple

To sponsor Puja or for additional information, please contact Anoo Joshi at 856-577 3631 or Charu Sheth at 856-662-8754.

FOLK & SEMI CLASSICAL BOLLYWOOD DANCES BY EKAL



EKAL presents “Folk & Semi Classical Bollywood Dances” on Saturday, September 17 2022.

This is one of a kind EKAL program. This year South Jersey Classical Rhythms Dance Academy will present colorful “Folk & Semi Classical Bollywood Dances.” Details to follow.

ITA 2022 SCHOLARSHIPS

We are proud to announce the recipient of the 2022 ITA Scholarship, Vikram Meyyappan. The ITA scholarship is awarded every year to a graduating high school senior within the South Jersey community for their dedication towards the ITA, Hindu community and Indian culture. Applicants' academic performance, activities and interests, reflections and suggestions related to their ITA experiences, and letters of recommendation are also considered.

Vikram was Eastern Regional High Schools Valedictorian of this year. He will be attending Princeton University where he will be studying engineering. He interests and hobbies include tennis, tabla, mathematics and history. He has been actively involved in the ITA as a Balvihar student, Student Leader and volunteer at cultural events.

We congratulate Vikram on their recent graduation and scholarship award, thank them for their contributions to ITA and Balvihar, and wish them the best as they enter college in the Fall. We hope that that continue to remain active in serving the community.

2022 COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

The ITA is proud to announce 2022 Service Award recipients. This award is given to Student Leaders that have volunteered at every session of the 2022 Balvihar Program and have made a significant contribution to their Balvihar class. Student Leaders are Balvihar graduates that have returned to serve as assistant teachers in the program. Student Leaders have helped improve the Balvihar by bringing new ideas, enthusiasm and a better understanding of how to engage students. The ITA is truly appreciates their hard work and dedication.

AWARDEES

Riya Joshi	Kushagra Goel	Mahek Patel	Niva Shah
Gowri Manem	Shubham Gupta	Riti Patel	Sara Soni
Vikram Meyyappan	Kavya Parikh	Ishan Prabhakar	Saachi Tyagi



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BALVIHAR PROGRAM

Enrollment for 2022/23 OPEN

- Purpose:** To teach Vedic Heritage and Indian Culture to children (Pre-K to 8th Grade).
Details: Explore website for detailed curriculum by grade and general schedule.
https://www.indiatemple.org/bal_vihar.php
Format: We hope to return to in person learning for 2022/2023, however, circumstances could necessitate use of a remote format.
Timing: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM on designated Sundays
Dates: 16 Sundays starting in Sept. & Ending in May.
Location: Marlton Middle School (150 Tomlinson Mill Road, Marlton, NJ)

Fees / Enrollment:
ITA MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED

Early Enrollment (May 16 to June 1): \$214
 Regular Enrollment (After June 2): \$231

Fees are NOT REFUNDABLE for any reason.

Space in the program is VERY limited. We encourage community members to enroll early.

PUJA SERVICE & TEMPLE RENTAL FEES

Shri Shuklaji /Shri Sudhirji perform religious services on request. Please contact Anoo Joshi at (855) MY-MANDIR Ext 715 to schedule a Puja Service or Rental of Temple facilities.

<u>Puja Services</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>		<u>NON-MEMBER</u>	
	Inside Temple	Outside* Temple	Inside Temple	Outside* Temple
Archana	\$11		\$11	
Vahan Pooja	\$25		\$25	
Namkaran/Annaprashan	\$51	\$101	\$101	\$151
Birthday	\$51	\$101	\$101	\$151
Shradha	\$51	\$101	\$101	\$151
Anniversary Celebration	\$101	\$151	\$151	\$201
Kesh Mundan	\$101	\$151	\$151	\$201
Satyanarayan Pooja	\$121	\$151	\$201	\$251
Engagement Ceremony	\$101	\$201	\$151	\$251
Havan/Graha Shanti	\$201	\$251	\$251	\$301
Vastu Pooja-Outside Only		\$251		\$301
Wedding per day	\$401	\$501	\$501	\$551
Upanayan/Yagnopavit	\$251	\$301	\$301	\$351
Uttarkriya Per day -Outside Only		\$151		\$201
Yagna/laghu rudra-Outside Only		\$351		\$401
Navchandi Yagna-Outside Only		\$651		\$701
Antim Kriya		No Charge		No Charge

Starting August 1st, mileage rates will be charged for outside temple services @ \$.58 per mile (per IRS rules) for all travel by the priests. In addition to their base salary, Pujaris receive 50% of Outside Puja Services payment as compensation.

<u>Facility Rental Fees</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Non-Member</u>
Prayer Hall Rental	\$201	\$251
Social Hall Rental	\$301	\$351

Send address changes or Membership renewals to:

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