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Religious Calendar

July 9, Monday
Yogini Ekadashi
July 23, Monday
Devshayani Ekadashi / Gauri
Vrat Starts
July 27, Friday
Guru-Vyas Purnima / Gauri
Vrat Concludes
July 29, Sunday
Jaya Parvati Vrat Concludes

July 27, Friday @ 6pm
Shri Satyanarayan Puja

July 21, Saturday
Sunderkand Path 10am

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 4 Independence Day Parade

Please book these dates in your planner and join these major events with friends and families

VIKRAM SAMVAT 2074 / YEAR 2018—CALENDAR & Event Updates
ONLINE -<https://www.indiatemple.org/>

If you would like to receive temple info & Satsang Sandesh via email,
Please email vpinfo@indiatemple.org

Sign up to Volunteer!!



Click on the community service logo on ITA website to check out the ITA community service opportunities and sign up to volunteer.

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.

Vinu Patel	July 01	Kiran Bhatt	July 24
Vinod Mehta	July 12	Mahesh Dixit	July 24
Ramesh Upadhyay	July 13	Amardeep Patel	July 24
Asha Gupta	July 18	Hariprasad K Jani	July 30
Arun Maheswari	July 18		
Pratima Parikh	July 19		
Vijay & Asha Gupta	July 22		

2018 ITA SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

We are proud to announce **Anjani Patel** as the 2018 ITA scholarship winner. 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. Anjani has displayed this dedication since childhood - being active in Balvihar since the age of 7 and actively participating and giving to the community since. She has volunteered much of her time at the temple, ICC, and at many ITA events including garba, ski trips, Relay for Life and Balvihar annual day. Anjani will be attending Rutgers University - New Brunswick this fall and plans to be in the pre-medical track. Anjani was awarded the scholarship of \$1000 at the graduation yagna on June 24th held at the temple. This year's scholarship awards were partially sponsored by a generous gift from Tejas Shah and Niketa Sheth in honor of Niketa's late mother Varsha Sheth.

2018 ITA YOUTH SERVICE AWARD ANNOUNCEMENT

The ITA is proud to announce its first batch of ITA service award winners. These awards are given to the most dedicated and enthusiastic volunteers who help make the ITA and Balvihar run as smoothly as they do. These eight students had clocked in the most volunteer hours. The ITA is truly proud of these children for their hard work and dedication. These students were honored at the graduation/award Yagna held at the temple on June 24th. This year's Community Service Awards were fully sponsored by the generosity of an anonymous donor.

AWARDEES

Riya Chaturvedi

Saarth Chaturvedi

Akshya Kirubakaran

Mehul Malik

Himani Patel

Aiswaryaa Prabakaran

Abhay Raghavan

Sengathir Rajagopal

ITA Balvihar Program Enrollment for 2018 -2019 Year Open

Purpose: To teach Vedic Heritage and Indian Culture to children (Pre-K to 8th Grade).

Curriculum Summary:

Pre-K-Children 4+ - Hindu Art, Shlokas/Songs/Story

KG (Megha) - Stories from Panchatantra, Indian Festivals

1st (Saagar) - Stories from Puranas, Intro. to Gods/Goddess, Intro. to India

2nd (Vaayu) - Bala Bhagavatam, Stories of Saints, Intro. to India II

3rd (Pavan) - Ramayana, Important Indian Historical Figures

4th (Aakash) - Mahabharata I, History: Mauryan Dynasty

5th (Gagan) - Mahabharata II, History: Gupta Dynasty/South Indian Empires

6th (Agni) - Values, Analysis of Ramayana/Mahabharata characters, History: Mughal dynasty

7th (Marut) - Principles of Hinduism & Ishvara, History: British Rule

8th (Medha) - Religious Disciplines, Culture, Tradition, Vedic Chanting, Evolution of civilization

Timing: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM two Sundays a month starting on September 9th and ending on May 5th

Location: Marlton Middle School (150 Tomlinson Mill Road, Marlton, NJ)

Fee: \$207 (ITA MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED)

Please explore the Balvihar webpage for the calendar, curriculum and greater program details.

The website is https://www.indiatemple.org/bal_vihar.php.

Questions? Email balviharenrollment@gmail.com or call Samir Patel at 201-657-8661

TEMPLE PARKING LOT

We have an official approval for 58 car spaces total. We are awaiting soil erosion permit from Camden County Soil Conservation District. We will then obtain construction permit for construction to start. We are actively seeking bids from contractors. Please feel free to provide references of site contractors to Divyakant Parikh (dparikh309@aol.com)



Monthly Pujas at Mandir

SUNDARKAND PAATH

Saturday, July 21 @ 10 AM to 12:00 Noon

Followed by Mahaprasaad sponsored by Gagan Palace

SATYANARAYAN PUJA

Friday July 27 @ 6:00 PM

Followed by Mahaprasaad 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.



PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS BY HSC OF NJ

ICC, 820 RT 73, MARLTON, NJ

We will have two meetings for the month of July 2018 at ICC at 6.30 PM

The first meeting will be held on July 5, 2018, at ICC at 6.30 PM.

Dr. Surindra Gambhir will talk about our relationship with the Universe and with nature. Many philosophical & religious traditions of the world believe that there is a corresponding similarity in pattern, nature, and structure between humans & the universe. Both are permeated with intelligence and a logical plan. It seems that we humans are a small-scale form of the universe. The nature that surrounds us and our planet is another name of the universe & it shares many many properties with our physical, mental & spiritual health.

Dr. Gambhir was a distinguished member of the faculty of Univ. of PA and also president of our association (2014-15). His research in the Caribbean countries & USA has focussed on language preservation and decay in immigrant communities. He is the author of many books and numerous articles on linguistics & literature.

Our second meeting will be held on July 18, 2018, at 6.30 PM at ICC.

Dr. Arun Kachroo, MD will dwell on Strokes and Neuropathy as it relates to Seniors. Stroke is a "brain attack". It occurs when blood flow to an area of the brain is cut-off. Nearly,800,000 Americans suffer from a stroke each year & it is the 5th leading cause of death. Neuropathy--a chronic condition that results from damage to or compression of the nerves outside the spinal cord & brain.

Dr. Kachroo graduated from NJ Medical School and did his fellowship in Neuromuscular Disease& Electrodiagnostic Medicine at Univ. of Vermont. Currently, he is a partner at Advocare Neurology in Lumberton, NJ.

NO DINNER WILL BE SERVED PER RESOLUTION OF THE GENERAL BODY ON JUNE 7, 2018. If you want to sponsor for snacks, please call Manju Goel at 856-424-9028

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.

Prayers

We will be reciting Vishnu Sahasranamam and Lalitha Sahasranamam on Friday, July 6th at our Berlin Temple. We will start at 10:30 am.

This will be followed by Aarti at 12 noon.

Please join us with family and friends and get Blessings.





Satya Sai Baba of Medford

Bhajans

July 20th, Friday 8-9pm

P.K. Prabhakar 856-596-3147 ; Sessa Vemuri 856-751-0867

International Yoga Day at Berlin Temple



FREE YOGA CLASSES FOR ALL LEVELS YOGA and Pranayam Classes at Berlin Mandir

How do we stay physically and mentally HEALTHY? Yoga - done on regular basis is the answer. So come in large numbers and enjoy the yoga classes in the serene atmosphere of the temple.

Dr. Gandhi will resume yoga classes along with Hina Desai. Please review, the schedule is every Tuesday and Thursday at 9 am and Saturday at 8.30am. The class is usually 1 hour and 15 minutes. Come with yoga mat, on an empty stomach at least for 2 hours. Classes are free. but If you wish to give donation please give on the name of temple for providing us with the beautiful space. Contact: Dr. Veena S. Gandhi (856) 816-4095; Hina Desai (856) 495-5864

Yoga Classes for July: Tuesday - 3rd, 10th, 17th; Thursday - 12th, 19th; Saturday - 21st, 29th

Daytime Gita study group

A new Gita study group has just started meeting at the Temple on Tuesdays, 11AM to 12Noon. This is an informal group to study Gita verse by verse following "Bhagavat Gita Study" summaries published by India Temple Association. Since Gita speaks to every aspect of human issues, these discussions encourage questioning and reflecting upon our life and our thoughts. Many of the topics get repeated and reviewed in light of the on-going Gita verses.

The study is open to all. Please join in the group, as we would like as many people to participate as possible. You are never too late to join. Please contact Sharad Pimplaskar at (856) 466-1430 by text message or call.

Invitation to Join, **Marlton Gita Study Group,**
Starting from September, 11, 2018

Will Meet at ICC, 820 NJ Route_73, Marlton
Every Tuesday at 10:00 AM

Meaning of Yoga, Meditation and Japa Sadhana.



In general, Yoga is physical exercises for well being. However, Yoga has manifold meanings and most appropriate one is Being in Harmony or Unity. Harmony implies an adjustment of oneself with an environment that is external to oneself. When there is no proper adjustment of one thing with another thing, we call it disharmony. When there is a proper adjustment, a smooth working of one principle, one fact, one object, one person with another, we regard it as harmony. Now, the question which may arise in our mind at the very outset is, why should harmony be the central objective. Why should harmony be regarded as the essential of life?

The reason is the very structure of the universe. The universe is a system of harmony. We, as human individuals, form part of this universe. We form part of it in such a way that we are integrally related to it.

However, in our daily life we find ourselves disassociated with others and many a times with ourselves. Knowledge of The Self and Understanding Ways of Meditation and Japa Sadhana could transform oneself in Harmony with Cosmos, Others, and Oneself. need not emphasise the importance of this work as its subject-matter forms the foundation of spiritual Sadhana. **Yajnanam Japayajnosmi-** I am the sacrifice of Japa among all sacrifices, says Lord Krishna in the Gita.

In this Kali Yuga (iron age) Japa alone is the easy way to the realization of God!

To register for the Class, contact, Lata Pimplaskar latap1215@gmail.com or call 856-912-5782

Team ITA Seva Samiti - Relay for Life 2018 Update

Team ITA Seva Samiti thanks all donors, sponsors, supporters and volunteers who joined us at the Relay for Life Event on June 3rd at Cherokee High school. Our team continues to raise funds for Relay 2018 until August 31st, 2018 and looking for your continued support. Please join us as we continue to raise awareness about Cancer and raise funds to support the main stream community. All checks to be made out to "American Cancer Society" and mailed out to the following address: Chetna Giyanani; Hindu Temple; 25 E. Taunton Avenue; Berlin NJ 08009 For questions pls contact one of us: Chetna-(7323226212) chetnatemple@gmail.com, Jalpa-(7062484360) jalpalotia@gmail.com, Lata-(8569125792) latap1215@gmail.com, NitinSandhya-(8569830469) nitsand@aol.com

Free Notary Service 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: Veena 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.

Contact: Malathi Shankar, Sagar Dalal, Samir Patel at -855-my-mandir ext 3 or bvadmin@indiatemple.org

YOUTH PROGRAM: A program for young adults (9th to 12th Grade).

Contact: Lalit Patel at -855-my-mandir ext 4 or youthadmin@indiatemple.org

CREATIVE ART WORKSHOP

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

Contact: Sudha Patel (856)489-4065 or art@indiatemple.org

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.**

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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	<u>TEMPLE FACILITIES USAGE FEE:</u>
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	<u>OTHER CHARGES</u>
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

*If back door is locked,
please try front door, ring
the bell and call
856 768 3134*

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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 (\$75) _____

Individual or Family three year (\$111) _____

Individual or Family five year (\$161) _____

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

_____ Seva Samiti Fund _____ Bal Vihar Fund _____ Youth Fund

I am relocating to the following address

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Spouse Last Name: _____ Spouse First Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Spouse Telephone: _____ Spouse E-mail: _____