



Satsang Sandesh

India Temple Association, Inc.

Hindu Temple, 25 E. Taunton Ave, Berlin, NJ 08009
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Religious Calendar

May 11, Friday
Apara Ekadashi
May 12, Saturday
Bal Vihar Annual Day
May 16, Wednesday
Adhik Purushottam Maas
starts
May 25, Friday
Kamala Ekadashi
May 29, Tuesday
Purnima,
Shri Satyanarayan Puja

May 29, Tuesday @ 6pm
Shri Satyanarayan Puja

May 19, Saturday
Sunderkand Path 10am

UPCOMING EVENTS

Balvihar Annual Day Show is Saturday, May 12th at 2pm
@ Harrington Middle School—514 Mount Laurel Rd, Mount Laurel

Walk with American Cancer Society's Relay for Life of Marlton
on Saturday, June 2 at 4pm @Cherokee HS—120 Tomlinson Mill Rd, Marlton

Graduation Yagna and Awards Ceremony
June 24, Sunday at 3pm in temple

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

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
• Upendra & Rekha Shah	May 17	Jayant Pandya	May 31



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.



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India Temple Association invites graduates
of the class of 2018 and their family to the annual
Graduation Yagna and Awards Ceremony

2018

June 24th 2018, Sunday
at ITA Temple 25 E Taunton Ave.
Berlin, NJ



Program:

3:00pm - Graduate Registration
3:30pm - Yagna
4:15pm - Address to graduates
4:30pm - Graduate announcements,
ITA Scholarship awards, ITA Youth
Service awards
5:20 - Aarti
5:30 - Mahaprasad (Dinner)

All graduating high school or college
seniors, graduating 8th graders and
any milestone graduates are welcome.
You **MUST** RSVP to ensure you get
your Temple gift.

Suggestion donation:
suggested \$51 per family

RSVP by June 15 to:

Anu Munshi - anu_munshi@yahoo.com or
Valli Meyyappan - vallimeyps@gmail.com or
Chetna Giyanani - chetnatemple@gmail.com

**** Note: Graduates - When you RSVP, please email us a short bio with your name, where you are graduating from (grade or college) and where you are going next (work, college, next grade level).**

Any ITA members looking to be donors for our graduate or
service awards, please contact any of the committee members above.

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

We will have two meetings for Seniors for the Month of May, 2018:-

First meeting will be held on May 10, 2018 at 6.30 PM at ICC Marlton, NJ

Drs. Monica Awsare and Mayank Lahoti will talk about colon-cancer screening, gastroesophageal reflux, inflammatory bowel disease, chronic liver diseases and irritable bowel syndrome, followed by Q&A session.

Drs. Monica and Mayank are gastroenterologists and their practice is located in Lumberton, NJ. Dr. Awsare received her medical degree from Georgetown University and fellowship in Gastroenterology at Jefferson. Dr. Lahoti received his medical degree from Lake Erie College and fellowship in Gastroenterology at Albany Medical Center.

Second meeting will be held on May 24, 2018 at 6.30 PM at ICC Marlton, NJ

Bharat Kenjale, a long time practitioner of Yoga, Meditation, Breath-work and self-development will talk about HOW TO RECHARGE YOUR MIND-LIVE AT 100 %-UNLOCK THE FREEDOM WITHIN. Calm the mind with a two minute breathing exercise, enjoy effortless guided meditation for deep rest, explore the remarkable body-breath mind connection.

Bharat Kenjale holds a Masters degree in IT and also an MBA.

DINNER WILL BE SERVED SOON AFTER THE MEETINGS APPROX. 8.30 PM-COURTESY OF DR. KAVITA GUPTA SHAH AND ROOPALI GUPTA.

Ram Arora, President



Prayers

We will be reciting Vishnu Sahasranamam and Lalitha Sahasranamam on Friday, May 4th 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.



ITA Balvihar Program Enrollment for 2018 -2019 Year Opens on Saturday, May 12th, 2018

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 (Meghaa) - 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 (Medhaa) - 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: \$157 on or before June 30th / \$207 on or after July 1st. (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

2018 I.T.A. SCHOLARSHIP

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.***

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 15, 2018

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 as of April. along with Hina Desai. Please review the schedule. 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.

May Tuesdays—1,8,15,22; at 9am

May Thursdays—3,10,17; at 9am

May Saturdays—12,19; at 8:30am

Contact: Dr. Veena S. Gandhi: 856 435 9148; Hina Desai Cell Phone: 856-495-5864

Donation

SSG has donated 5 new 6 Ft Folding tables replacing old steel tables for use in Social hall.

ITA really appreciates all donations and volunteers.



Ekal Vidyalaya

You all have enjoyed Ekal Vidyalaya program recently. Now is the chance to learn how Ekal is helping to improve health in these villages by the various projects.

Please save the date JUNE 10th at 10 am at ICC for this great event. More details to come soon.

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.

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



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ITA Seva Samiti
walks with



American Cancer Society's Relay for Life of Marlton

Saturday, June 2nd 2018

4pm-8pm

Cherokee High School

120 Tomlinson Mill Road, Marlton NJ

To Signup & For More Details Contact

Chetna (732)322-6212 chetnatemple@gmail.com

Jalpa (706)248-4360 jalpalotia@gmail.com

Nitin & Sandhya (856)983-0469 nitsand@aol.com

**TOGETHER let's all REMEMBER our loved ones
FIGHT BACK for this cause
HOPE to find a CURE
CELEBRATE more birthdays!!!**



Monthly Pujas at Mandir

SUNDARKAND PAATH

Saturday, May 19 @ 10 AM to 12:00 Noon

Followed by Mahaprasaad sponsored by Gagan Palace

SATYANARAYAN PUJA

Tuesday May 29 @ 6:00 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.



Dr. Ram Kamaldasji's sermons

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.

BLOCK THE DATES: Swami Dr. Ram Kamal Dasjee sermons at our temple, Hindu temple, 25 East Taunton Ave, Berlin, NJ (website: www.Indiatemple.org)

WEEK DAYS: Monday, May 7 to Friday May 11, Saturday May 12.

Time: Weekdays from 7 Pm to 8:30 Pm, Saturday, 10:30am to 1:30 pm.

TOPIC: PHILOSOPHY OF ARAYANKAND

For further information following, one may contact: Dr Amrut & Anju Nayyar 856 778 1781, or Mr & Mrs Devandra & Ruchita Singh 609 248 5966 or Rakesh & Nila Kohli 856 751 8688.

Daytime Gita study group

Keeping in view a large number of retirees and those who are at home, I will be starting a Gita study group at the Mandir on Tuesday's starting on May 15th from 11am to 12noon, finishing up with the noontime Aarti.

The format will be informal as we go through verse by verse and look at word meaning to understand the vision of our great scripture. I hope the group to participate in Q&A and open discussion. Since Gita covers all aspects of our life, even a brief exposure to this study no Matter where in the course can be very beneficial. I urge everyone to come and join.

Please call or email me for any question or more info.

Sharad Pimplaskar

(856) 466-1430

sharad.pimplaskar@gmail.com

Condolences

Mr. Siriram Bhola of Somerdale, NJ, and ITA Life Member, passed away on March 31. ITA and its Board of Trustees extend their sincere condolences to Bhola Family.

Mr. Sushil Chandra of Cherry Hill, NJ, passed away on April 12, 2018. ITA and its Board of Trustees extend their sincere condolences to Chandra Family.

**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.**

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	<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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Or via email.

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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: _____