



# Satsang Sandesh

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### Religious Calendar

**Mar 07 Thursday**

- Vijaya Ekadashi

**Mar 10 Sunday**

- Maha Shivratri  
Celebration in Mandir

**Mar 23 Saturday**

- Amalaki Ekadashi

**Mar 26 Tuesday**

- Holi - Puja in Mandir
- Purnima

**Mar 27 Wednesday**

- DHULETI

**Apr 6 Saturday**

- Pap-Mochini Ekadashi

### Monthly Activities

**Mar 01, Friday**

- Vishnu Sahasranama  
Parayanam: Kshama  
Raghuveer (610) 642-2875

**Mar 16, Saturday**

- Sunderkand Path  
@10:00 AM in our  
Mandir

**Mar 26, Tuesday**

- Shri Satyanarayan Puja/  
Katha on Purnima Day  
@6:00 PM in our  
Mandir

Kshama Raghuveer  
(610) 642-2875

### Monthly Bhajans

**Mar 15 Friday, 8-9 p.m.**

- Satya Sai Baba of Medford  
P.K. Prabhakar (856) 596-3147  
Sesha Vemuri (856) 751-0867

**Mar 22, Friday, 8-9 pm**

**Shree Ji Bhajan Group**

Contact:

Urmi Upadhy (856) 424-9328  
Charu Sheth (856) 662-8754

### MAHA SHIVRATRI CELEBRATION ON March 10, 2013

Abhishek of Lord Shiva from

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Also, there will be Rudrabhishek and Abhishek performed in the afternoon  
from 4:00 pm to 7:30 pm



One of the most religious Hindu festivals, Maha Shivaratri falls on the fourteenth day of the dark fortnight of Phalguna (February- March), and is dedicated to the worship of Lord Shiva. Maha Shivratri is the night when He is said to have performed the Tandava Nritya or the dance of pre-mordial creation, preservation and destruction. The festival is observed for one day and one night only. Maha Shivratri is universally observed by all pious Hindus with fasting, singing of bhajans, recital of Sanskrit shlokas, offering of prayers, flowers, fruits and food that is specially prepared in honor of the deity and his divine consort, goddess Parvati. The Puranas contain many stories and legends describing the origin of this festival. According to one, during the samudra manthan, a pot of poison emerged from the ocean. This terrified the Gods and demons as the poison was capable of destroying the entire world, and they ran to Shiva for help. To protect the world from its evil effects, Shiva drank the deathly poison but held it in his throat instead of swallowing it. This made his throat turn blue, and he was given the name Neelakanta, the blue-throated one. Shivaratri is the celebration of this event by which Shiva saved the world. According to another legend in the Shiva Purana, on the 14th day in the dark half of the month of Phalguna, Shiva first manifested himself in the form of a Linga, and this day is especially auspicious and is celebrated as Mahashivaratri. Worshipping Shiva on this day is believed to bestow one with happiness and prosperity.

Mahashivaratri is thus not only a ritual but also a cosmic definition of the Hindu universe. It dispels ignorance, emanates the light of knowledge, makes one aware of the universe, ushers in the spring after the cold and dry winter, and invokes the supreme power to take cognizance of the beings that were created by Him.

**We also have Holi Puja in our Mandir on March 26, Tuesday. Please come one and all and partake the blessings of the Lords.**

### 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 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.*

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|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| • Raj and Anita Chopra     | Mar. 01 Troy Hudson   | Mar. 17 |
| • Jashwantlal Mehta        | Mar. 01 Jaysukh Sheth | Mar. 19 |
| • Lakshmi Pillalamani      | Mar. 01 Dinesh Desai  | Mar. 20 |
| • Anisha Desai             | Mar. 08 Vinnu Shah    | Mar. 23 |
| • Shashi Gupta             | Mar. 08               |         |
| • Sharad Pimplaskar        | Mar. 09               |         |
| • Chandubhai Patel         | Mar. 11               |         |
| • Harshad Patel            | Mar. 12               |         |
| • Nishtha and James Hudson | Mar. 14               |         |
| • Rima Gandhi              | Mar. 15               |         |
| • Dhiraj Panda             | Mar. 15               |         |

## Condolences

Mrs. Sharada N. Vora, Dr. Veena Gandhi's mother passed away in Los Angeles on January 30.  
Bharatbhai Johnsa of Castor Discount passed away in New Jersey on February 7.  
Jawahar Sheth, Dr. Surendra Sheth's uncle passed away in New Jersey on February 8.  
Smt. Kumudini Badheka, Legal Counsel Swati Kothari's mother passed away in India on February 9.  
Bharatbhai "Bart" Arvindbhai Khatiwala passed away on Thursday, February 21st.

ITA and its Board extend their sincere condolences to Gandhi, Sheth, Johnsa, Kothari, and Khatiwala's families.

### Senior Citizens' Program

**Thursday March 7, 6:30 pm to 9:15 pm and Thursday March 21, 6:30 pm to 9:15 pm**

**Musical Evening:** Music has a profound effect on our mind and spirit. Music relaxes our tensions, helps reduce pain and depression, and promotes overall wellbeing. To celebrate the arrival of the spring season, and enlighten our spirits with music, two of our own members, who are also accomplished musicians, will entertain us with melodious tunes. Sri Baldev Patel and Smt. Dharmishtha Bhatt will sing popular Hindi songs, both old and new. You had enjoyed their performance last year. They have been practicing a lot together; so come and enjoy. This event is our first musical evening of 2013.

**Depression & its Medical Treatment:** Just as physical health is important so is mental health. Mental health is psychological well-being in which one can cope with normal stresses of life. According to the estimates of the World Bank and World Health Organization (WHO), depression soon will be the single most costly disease. Depression is a complex mental disorder that has genetic, biochemical, and environmental causes and risk factors. Truthfully, our bodies are not designed for sedentary, fast-food-dependent, socially-isolated, sleep-deprived, fast-paced, multi-tasking life style. It does take a toll on our mental health. Some of us may be struggling with depression and may not even recognize this disorder and blame it on KARMA. We have invited Dr. Anju Nayar MD, who presented the topic of Hypnosis earlier, to talk about the important topic of Depression and its medical treatment. Depression has good treatment options with newer medications besides psychotherapy. Dr. Nayar will concentrate on managing the depression with popular anti-depressant medications such as SSRIs, SNRIs, MAOIs, etc and ECT. She will explain how these medicines work, how to choose right medications with the least side effects, and also directions for taking these medications. Medications have important role in management of depression; so let us get her advice. All are invited.

Contact: Suraj Bhan Singh [sbsingh1@hotmail.com](mailto:sbsingh1@hotmail.com) (856) 582-5035

### ITA Scholarship Guidelines

India Temple Association (ITA) will award five scholarships to high school seniors whose parent(s)/guardian(s) are current ITA members of good standing. Applications will not be considered for students whose parents are not ITA members. At its discretion, the committee may change the number of available scholarships and the value of each scholarship based on the number of qualified applicants. All ITA Board/Scholarship Committee decisions will be final and not subject to any questions or litigation. All submissions must be postmarked by **March 31, 2013**. Please mail the following information and supporting documents to: Scholarship Committee, 25 East Taunton Ave., Berlin, NJ 08009. **Alternatively, you can also submit online by going to <http://www.indiatemple.org/scholarship.php> or email the documents to Ramesh Viswanathan, email: [rameshv99@gmail.com](mailto:rameshv99@gmail.com)**

- Completed application form.
- Grade Point Average (GPA) – 15% weight points.
- In-school extracurricular activity summary i.e. music, dance, leadership, student council, sports, cultural groups, etc. – 15% weight points.
- Participation in activities related to Indian culture, i.e. participation in ITA-sponsored activities such as the youth program, painting etc. A consistent attendance record will be given preferential treatment among equally qualified candidates) – 15% weight points.
- Community services i.e. volunteering at nursing homes, hospitals, walkathon, etc. – 15% weight points.
- Please choose one topic and submit three duplicate copies (typed and double spaced), not exceeding two pages - 40% weight points.

#### **The topics are:**

- Role of Hindu Temples in USA
- Science Versus Religion - Can they Co-exist?
- A conundrum – Religion versus Spirituality

#### **Rubric**

Essays must be written by students in their own words using correct grammar and syntax. They should be thoughtful, articulate, well developed and persuasive. Students should provide relevant details in support of their viewpoint. Plagiarism will result in immediate disqualification. If you have any questions, please contact Ramesh Viswanathan at (856) 489-1830.

## Bal Vihar Program



On February 10, Lataji talked about Vasant Panchami. Vasant Panchami is the Hindu festival that highlights the coming of spring. This festival is usually celebrated in Magh, which is between the months of January and February in Gregorian calendar. Vasant Panchami is a famous festival that marks the end of the winter season and ushers in the springtime. Saraswati is the Hindu goddess of the Vasant Panchami festival. Young girls wear bright yellow dresses and participate in the festivities. The color yellow holds a special meaning for this celebration as it signifies the brilliance of nature and the vibrancy of life. The whole place bursts with yellow during the festival.

The Goddess Saraswati is the goddess of intellect and learning. She has four hands which symbolize ego, intellect, alertness and the mind. She carries a lotus and scriptures in two of her hands and she plays music on the Veena (an instrument similar to a sitar) with her other two hands. She rides on a white swan. Her white dress is a symbol for purity. Her swan signifies that people should have the ability to discern the good from the bad.

The goddess Saraswati, sitting on a lotus, symbolizes her wisdom. She is also well-versed in the experience of truth. When the goddess is seen sitting on a peacock, it is a reminder that a strong ego can be held back by wisdom.

***Come one, come all! Friends and family are invited to attend the Bal-Vihar Annual Day, an amalgam of dances, skits, and shlokas performed by the Bal-Vihar students to exhibit what they have learned throughout the year. Annual Day will be held on Sunday, May 5th, 2013, at Lenape High School. Details are forthcoming.***

### April 2013 Upcoming Events

Saturday April 13th & Sunday April 14th 2013 - Akhand Ramayan Path

Friday, April 19th, 2013 - Ram Navami Celebrations

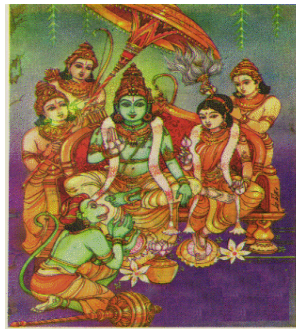
Saturday April 20, 2013 @ 4:00 pm Cheti Chand Celebrations

Sunday April 21, 2013 @ 4:30 pm GB Meeting

Thursday, April 25th, 2013 - Hanuman Jayanti Celebrations

Thursday, April 25th, 2013 @ 6:00 pm Satyanarayan Katha

### Sri Rama Navami



***Sri Raghavam Dasharadhatmajam aprameyam Sitapathim Raghukulanvaya Ratna Deepam  
Ajanubahum Aravinda Dalayathaksham Ramam Nishachara Vinashakaram Namami***

**Date : Saturday, April 13 11:00 AM to Sunday, April 14, 12:00 Noon**

**Akhand Ramayana Path** will commence from Saturday, April 13 at 11:00 AM and will continue through the night into next day morning, Sunday, April 14 12:00 Noon. ITA invites everyone to come and participate in reading of Ram Charita Manas. Shri Rama Navmi will also be celebrated as a part this program on 1st April with special Pooja of Rama Parivar followed by Maha-Prasad at noon on April 14, 2012. **Those who want to help in this observance of Ram Navami Pooja can call: Meena Bhatnagar, [856-424-2581](tel:856-424-2581) or Rano Vasisht, [609-926-0142](tel:609-926-0142).**

## ITA GENERAL BODY MEETING

The ITA General Body will meet on April 21st 2013 at 5:30 pm at Hindu Mandir on 25 E Taunton Road. Agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. A melodious music program from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm
2. Rina Patel, Parliamentarian, will move to ratify the following changes in the By-Laws:
  - Article I - Membership. Changes to this article were made in 2010. Changes simplify membership structure. The full details are available on the ITA website, [www.indiatemple.org](http://www.indiatemple.org).
  - Article VIII - Advisory Board - Changes to this article were made in 2012. Changes define role of Advisory Board. The full details are available on the ITA website, [www.indiatemple.org](http://www.indiatemple.org).
3. Aarti and Dinner.

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### **Please attend an Informative Session on the Vastu at the Temple on Friday March 29th, 2013 7 to 9 PM for all in English**

Many of us have heard of VASTU. But What is VASTU? How does it relate to our Life and how can we benefit from this Ancient culture? These and more topics on Vastu will be enlightened by our own Shri Natubhai Patel. Natubhai lived in our area some years back. His work includes Seminars to raise the awareness of people regarding health, emotions, perception and life. He has conducted workshops and camps in India and in the US for more than 20 years on Health and Spirituality. During this time he has helped cure the patients chronic / incurable diseases.

He has written and published several books including...

1. NATURAL WAY TO HEALTH & HAPPINESS
2. LIVE LONGER FEEL YOUNGER
3. A JOURNEY FROM FAT TO FIT
4. ART OF HEALTHY LIVING
5. HEALING SECRETS FOR PERFECT HEALTH

Some of his books are available on Amazon.com.

The Seminar Topics will include, What is Vastu?, How Vastu is related to our life?, Benefit of Vastu, Understanding of Vastu for Home, Understanding of Vastu for Business. For more information, please call Shri Mahendra Toprani at 856-751-8278.

## PHONE DIRECTORY

Please call our toll free number to contact us. The TOLL FREE PHONE NUMBER FOR OUR MANDIR: **855-MY-MANDIR (855-696-2634)**. When the primary toll-free number is reached, the caller can dial any one of the following extensions:

Extension	Description	Contact name
0	General Inquiries	Priest, Shuklaji, & Sudhirji
1	Emergency Services	Chetna Giyanani
2	Temple Manager	Chetna Giyanani
3	Bal Vihar Program	Bhavesh Patel
4	Youth Program	Sharad Pimplaskar
5	Seva Samiti	Lata Pimplaskar
6	Gita Study	Sharad Pimplaskar
700	Yoga Abhyas	Virendra Gupta
701	Senior Citizens	Suraj Singh
703	Art Class	Narendrabhai Amin
710	President	Sangeeta Rashatwar
711	Vice President	Ramesh Viswanathan
712	General Secretary	Anoo Joshi



**Camden District**

**2013 Sites Schedule**

<u>Monday</u> Feb 4-Apr 15	<u>Tuesday</u> Feb 5-Apr 9	<u>Wednesday</u> Feb 6-Apr 10	<u>Thursday</u> Feb 7-Apr 11	<u>Friday</u> Feb 1-Apr 12
*Barrington 10-1 *Haddon Heights 12-3 Winslow 10-1 *closed Feb 18	Bellmawr 11-2 Cherry Hill 10-2 Voorhees 11-2 Westmont 12-4	Pennsauken 1-4 Winslow 10-1	Pennsauken 1-4 Runnemede 11-2 Voorhees 11-2	Blackwood 10-1 Collingswood 12-4 *Cherry Hill 10-2 * closed Mar 29

**2013 Site Locations**

Barrington	Municipal Building - Council Chambers	229 Trenton Ave	547-0706
Bellmawr	Public Library	35 E. Browning Road	931-1400
Blackwood	Public Library	15 S. Black Horse Pike	228-0022
Cherry Hill	Municipal Building	820 Mercer Street Room 208	488-7868
Collingswood	Public Library	771 Haddon Ave	858-0649
Haddon Heights	Public Library	608 Station Ave	547-7132
Pennsauken	Public Library	5605 Crescent Blvd	665-5959
Runnemede	Senior Center	2 Broadway & Black Horse Pike	939-4688
Voorhees	Public Library	203 Laurel Road	772-1636
Westmont	Public Library	15 MacArthur Blvd	854-2752
Winslow	Public Library	35 Coopers Folly Road	753-2537

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COMPLEXITY OF A RETURN WILL DETERMINE OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE.

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- **PERSONAL ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE FOR LANGUAGE AND OTHER BARRIERS**
- **HOUSE CALLS AVAILABLE FOR HANDICAP OR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**
- **PLEASE CONTACT MR. KIRAN DOSHI AT [SRIJIDOSHI@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SRIJIDOSHI@GMAIL.COM) FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR CLARIFICATIONS**

**“CHETI CHAND” Sindhi New Year Celebrations  
at Hindu Temple, Berlin NJ  
on Saturday, April 20, 2013, 4pm onwards**

*Cheti Chand* is celebrated on the second day (Chand - new moon day) of the 1<sup>st</sup> month in the Hindu New Year - Chaitra (Chet in Sindhi).

It is also the birthday of Jhulelal or Dariyalal or Jinda Pir - the *Ishta Dev* of Sindhi Hindus. This is the most significant day for the Sindhi community and is celebrated all over the world with traditional pomp and gaiety. On this day Jhulelal is worshipped. Rice and sugar are offered to the habitants of the ocean as Jhulelal came from the ocean on a whale and protected the community from the cruel rulers of Sindh.

The Sindhi community of South Jersey will celebrate New Year/Cheti Chand at the Hindu Temple in Berlin on Saturday, April 20th 2013. We will have bhajans starting at 4 pm, followed by langar prasad at 6 pm. All are welcome to attend.

RSVP to Sheela Alwani at [856-768-5351](tel:856-768-5351) or Deepa & Hiroo Pahilajani at [856-424-1365](tel:856-424-1365).

**"Jhulelal Bera-Hee-Paar"**

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***Indian Cultural Center***

*Construction continues to make progress*

Construction of our Cultural Center continues to make progress and it is getting close to completion. Exterior work of the building is almost complete and all the framing of the walls is finished. Stucco work is in progress and brick entrance is already finished. We are on target to complete construction in summer and we cannot wait to open the doors of our own Cultural Center for our community! Well, our community's dream of having our Cultural Center is now becoming a reality!

Join us for a first hand tour of our building in the final construction stages. The rooms are spacious and the view wonderful! We invite you to visit our site every Sunday from 11:00 AM to Noon, weather permitting. If your schedule does not permit you to visit the site, please visit our website [www.iccofsj.org](http://www.iccofsj.org) and take a virtual tour with our updated photos in Picasa and video on YouTube.

If you have not already done so, at this critical juncture, time is now for you to do your part, and pledge and fulfill your pledge. If you have already completed your pledge, we value your generosity and we respectfully ask you to consider donating additional funds.

We would love to have everyone become an ambassador for our Cultural Center. Help us spread the word about ICC to your friends, family and neighbors to donate to our center.

Bring them to visit our site, encourage them to browse our website [www.iccofsj.org](http://www.iccofsj.org), and have them sign up to receive newsletters on our website.

We want every Indian family to take ownership in this long awaited community project.

We invite everyone to join us on Donor Appreciation Day on Sunday, March 24th , to thank our many donors, whose generous contributions have made this community project possible. Please contact any ICC trustee visit our website [www.iccofsj.org](http://www.iccofsj.org) for details about this event.



## Programs for Your Spiritual Growth

### YOGA ABHYAS FOR HEALTH, HAPPINESS & GOD

**REALIZATION:** A program for adults on Yogasana, Pranayam & Meditation.

First Sunday: 9:30 -11:30 a.m. at our Mandir  
Contact: Virendra Gupta @ (856) 424-9313

### GITA STUDY GROUP:

Every Tuesday & Wednesday, 8-9 p.m. at our Mandir  
Contact: Sharad Pimplaskar @ (856) 985-4785

### BHAJANS & STUTI:

Every Friday, 7:30-9 p.m.  
Contact: Shree Shuklaji or Shri Sudhirji (856) 768-6785

## Regular Programs for Children and Youth

**BAL VIHAR:** For children (ages 4-13), to promote a positive Hindu identity within the diverse U.S. culture.

2nd & 4th Sunday @ 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Contact: Lata Pimplaskar (856) 985-4785, Bhavesh Patel 1-855-my-mandir ext 3, Rina Patel (856) 313-5235 for registration and location

**YOUTH PROGRAM:** A program for young adults (ages 13-18) and parents. 2nd & 4th Sunday, 9:45 a.m. - 1 p.m. at our Mandir.

Contact: Sharad Pimplaskar at (856) 985-4785 or Sangeeta Rashatwar at (856) 424-4211

### CREATIVE ART WORKSHOP

1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday @ 9:30 a.m. at our Mandir  
Contact: Narendra Amin (856) 429-8761

## 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 check temple availability at [www.indiatemple.org](http://www.indiatemple.org); Click on "CALENDAR tab" and, from drop-down menu, Click on "EVENT/RENTAL CALENDAR". **Please contact Smt. Chetna Giyanani or Shri. Harish Shelat at 1-855-MY-MANDIR Ext 1 for the booking of the Temple Facilities and/or scheduling of Puja Services by Shuklaji or Sudhirji.**

PUJA SERVICE	INSIDE TEMPLE	OUTSIDE TEMPLE	Following listed fees and charges are in addition to the charges listed for Puja Services
Archana (Panchopachar)	\$11	N/A	<p><b><u>TEMPLE FACILITIES USAGE FEE</u></b> Prayer Hall: \$200 Social Hall: \$300</p> <p><b><u>OTHER CHARGES</u></b></p> <p><b><u>MILEAGE AND TRAVEL TIME TIER</u></b> \$0 for 1 - 25 mile radius \$51 for 26 - 100 mile radius \$101 for 101 - 150 mile radius \$151 for 151 - 200 mile radius</p> <p><b>NON-MEMBER</b> \$51 for non-member surcharge</p>
Vahan (Vehicle) Puja	\$21	N/A	
Namakaran/Annaprashan	\$51	\$101	
Birthday	\$51	\$101	
Shraddha	\$51	\$101	
Anniversary Celebration	\$101	\$151	
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	
Vastu Puja - outside service only	N/A	\$251	
Sunderkand Path	\$151		
Wedding Grah Shanti	\$201	\$301	
Wedding Ceremony per day	\$301	\$351	
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 Smt. Chetna Giyanani at 1-855-MY-MANDIR Ext 1**

### DIRECTION TO BERLIN TEMPLE

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Take NJ route 73S; drive for about 12 - 13 miles and follow signs for East Taunton Avenue. Temple is on your right

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#### 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 Avenue

#### D. From Central and North Jersey:

Take NJ Turnpike South. Exit 4 for route 73S. Drive for about 10 - 11 miles and follow signs for East Taunton Avenue on your right



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## Darshan Schedule

### Morning

7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

### Evening

6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

### Aarti

12 p.m. & 8 p.m.

Times may change during  
special occasions

**Please use the front door  
and ring the bell if locked**

**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) \_\_\_\_\_

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: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_