

# HARI Times...

SITA-RAMA \* RADHE-SHYAM

SEP-OCT 2004

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## *DEVOTIONAL MUSIC PROGRAM*

**Saturday, September 4, 2004**

**Dinner Prasad: 5:30 pm**

**Sponsored by HARI Devotees**

**Aarti 7:00 pm, followed by program**

**Artist: Dr. M. Harre Harren**

**M.Mus., M.Ed., Ph.D., Ph.D (Hon.) USA**

**Principal, Bharathiar Centre For Performing Arts**

## *KRISHNA JANMASTAMI*

**Saturday, September 11, 2004**

**Puja & Dinner Prasad: 5:30 pm**

**Sponsored by**

**Vivek & Soumya Bansal**

**Aarti 7:00 pm, followed by Bhajans**

**Artists:**

**Chandan Modi, Pushpa Doshi**

**Tabla: Hemu Bapat**

## *GANESH CHATURTHI*

**Saturday, September 25, 2004**

**Religious discourse by**

**H. H. Shri Viswayogi Viswamji: 5:45 pm**

*(Read more about Shri Viswamji on page 3)*

**Aarti 7:00 pm, followed by**

**Dinner Prasad: 5:45 pm**

**Dinner Prasad Sponsored by**

**C. D. Sharma & Family**

## COMMUNITY CORNER

### IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Priest Service Requests for outside of HARI premises	Subodh Patil
Hall Rental Requests	Subodh Patil or Anant Kulkarni
Dinner Coordinator for HARI Sponsored Programs	Priti Patel
Lunch Coordinator for HARI Sunday School	Alka Amin 540-5380
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### ACTUAL DATES OF MAJOR FESTIVALS

02-18-2004, Wednesday	Maha Shivaratri
03-06-2004, Saturday	Holi
03-21-2004, Sunday	Gudi Padva
03-30-2004, Tuesday	Ramanavami
04-03-2004, Saturday	Mahavir Jayanti
04-05-2004, Monday	Hanuman Jayanti
08-30-2004, Monday	Raksha Bandhan
09-07-2004, Tuesday	Krishna Jayanti
09-18-2004, Saturday	Ganesh Chauth
09-28-2004, Tuesday to 10-13-2004, Wednesday	Pitr-Paksha (Shraddh)
10-14-2004, Thursday to 10-22-2004, Friday	Navaratri Mahotsav
10-22-2004, Friday	Vijaya Dashami
10-31-2004, Sunday	Karva Chauth
11-12-2004, Friday	Deepavali (Diwali)
11-13-2004, Saturday	Vikram Samvat 2061

### IMPORTANT COMMUNITY EVENTS

09.19.2004, Sunday	India Day (AIACPA event)
10.02.2004, Saturday	Non-Violence Day (AIACPA event)
10.15.2004, Friday & 10.16.2004, Saturday	Navaratri Mahotsav (Gujarati Samaj event)
11.20.2004, Saturday	Gujarati Samaj Diwali Dinner
12.05.2004, Sunday	AIACPA Annual Dinner

### PRIVATE RENTALS

### EKADASHI, PURNIMA, AND AMAWASYA DATES

	September	October
<b>Shukla Ekadashi</b>	September 24, Friday	October 24, Sunday
<b>Krishna Ekadashi</b>	September 10, Friday	October 10, Sunday
<b>Purnima</b>	September 28, Tuesday	October 28, Thursday
<b>Amawasya</b>	September 14, Tuesday	October 14, Thursday

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## **NAVARATRI MAHOTSAV**

**Thursday, October 14 through  
Friday, October 22, 2004**

**Durga Puja  
Garba & Raas**

**Everyday 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm  
Followed by Aarti and Prasad**

## **NAVARATRI KOLU**

**Friday, October 22, 2004  
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm**

A celebration of Navaratri by displaying dolls in 3, 5, 7 or 9 steps, depicting rainbow colored diversity in costumes, customs, occupations and religion. *KUMKUM PUJA* will be performed for the three main aspects of Goddess Parashakti (Goddess Durga, Goddess Mahalakshmi, and Goddess Saraswati).

## **DUSHERRA CELEBRATION**

**Saturday, October 23, 2004**

**Goddess Durga Puja  
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm**

**Followed by  
Aarti and Dinner Prasad**

**Sponsored by  
Bengali Families**

## **Shri Viswayogi Viswamji**

**(Guest Speaker at the Ganesh Chaturthi  
program on September 25)**

His Holiness Sri Viswayogi Viswamji is a spiritual humanist striving for Universal Integration and Peace, and is an Embodiment of unconditional & Divine Love giving solace and guidance to anyone who approaches him. His teachings are simple, easy to understand and practical. His aim is to unite the people of the world based on humanity.

Sri Viswayogi Viswamji Maharaj, is considered by many scholarly sages to be the divine manifestation. Born near Guntur, Andhra Pradesh, he met Shri Dattatreya Wadekar, who immediately noticed the powerful divinity manifest in Sri Viswamji. Sri Wadekar Maharaj gave initiation to Sri Viswamji and a new phase started in his divine march. Soon Shri Viswamji established a center, Viswa Nagar, for channeling all the missionary activities. The focal point of this Center is the *Pillar of Universal Peace and Integrity* with its *eight entrances*. Swamiji's emphasis is on public service activities like free health care of the highest quality, poor feeding, and Nav Jeevan, a program to channel the invaluable knowledge and experience of senior citizens for the benefit of the common public. A modern facility to provide advanced medical care to women and children is under construction. Swamiji travels to propagate his message of love; universal peace and integration extend far and wide both within India and outside the country.

On this auspicious day of Ganesh Chaturthi celebration, come and receive guidance in human values from this Great Guru and experience his inspiring message on eternal truths and universal brotherhood.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *2004 Nominating Committee*

In accordance with the requirements of HARI Bye-laws, the Board of Trustees will appoint three general body members to serve on the Nominating Committee. The three members will work with the appointed Trustee and the current HARI President to come up with a slate of Officers of the 2005-Executive Committee and three Trustees to serve for a three-year term (2005-2007).

Qualified and interested General Body members are requested to send their names to HARI Chairman Ashok Shukla or HARI President Subodh Patil on or before Saturday, September 18, 2004.

### **HARI Sunday school**

HARI Sunday school reopens September 12, 2004 for the academic year 2004-2005. The school offers a variety of courses for children ages five and up. Subjects include Hindu Religion, Gujarati Language, Hindi Language, Tamil Language, Indian Classical Dances (additional fees applicable), Classical Vocal (traditional or Carnatic; additional fees applicable), Indian Folk Dances, SAT preparation in Math & English and Youth Forum.

A one-time registration per child per school year is required. Necessary information will be provided on the first day of the school or you may contact HARI School Director Mukul Parikh or Youth Forum Director Haresh Bharucha.

### *Srimad Bhagwat Study*

Srimad Bhagwat classes are held every second and fourth Saturday of the month, from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. Classes include Kirtan, discussion on Srimad Bhagwat, and Q/A session. Schedule is as follows:

**Saturday, September 11, 2004**  
**Saturday, September 25, 2004**

**Saturday, October 9, 2004**  
**Saturday, October 23, 2004**

### **New Arrival**

*Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Ray Meena Kathiresan, proud grandparents of SANTI MEENA CHANDRASEKARAN, who was born on July 29, 2004, to parents Dr. Shiva & Davi.*



**2004 HARI CALENDAR**

DATE	EVENT	PROGRAM	SPONSORED BY
Saturday, September 4	Shri Krishna Janmastmi	Music Program by Dr. M. Harre Harren	Open
Saturday, September 25	Ganesh Chaturthi	TBA	C. D. Sharma & Family
Thursday, October 14 to Friday, October 22	Navaratri Mahotsav	Durga Puja Raas-Garbaa	<u>N/A</u>
Friday, October 22	Kolu Puja	Kolu Puja by HARI Devotees	<u>N/A</u>
Saturday, October 23	Dusherra	Durga Puja	Bengali Families
Monday, November 1	Karva Chauth	Puja by Devotees	<u>N/A</u>
Saturday, November 13	Diwali	Diwali Annakot, HARI Annual Meeting	HARI Devotees

**HARI MEMBERSHIP AND DONATION FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last Name First Name MI*

Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*First Name MI Maiden Name (optional)*

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

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Regular Membership: Annual: \$51.00 Lifetime: \$600.00  
 Senior Citizens Membership: Annual: \$25.00 Lifetime: \$300.00  
 HARI Trust Fund Donation: \$\_\_\_\_\_ General Donation: \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

- Yes, please add or correct my name in the upcoming HARI directory**
- No, please remove my name from the upcoming HARI Directory**

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**Go 1/2 mile to HARI Temple on right**

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## *Satyanarayan Katha*

**Monday, September 27 at 7:15 pm**  
**Thursday, October 28 at 7:15 pm**

*Satyanarayan Puja is performed on a full moon (Purnima) day to seek Lord's blessings for good health, peace, and wealth. The puja is performed with total devotion, offering fruits, flower, ghee, milk, yogurt, butter, wheat flour, sugar, and honey to Lord Satyanarayan. After the puja, the story of Lord Satyanarayan is read and the Prasad is distributed to all attendees. The puja thus performed brings in fulfillment of one's wishes and prosperity.*

## *Monthly Havan*

**Sunday, September 12 at 5:30 pm**  
**Sunday, October 10 at 5:30 pm**

*HARI observes a monthly HAVAN on the second Sunday of each month, followed by Aarti and Dinner Prasad. Devotees are invited to attend the Havan with their friends and family members. Devotees who wish to sponsor the monthly Havan and/or Dinner Prasad at the monthly Havan are requested to contact HARI President Subodh Patil.*