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Temple is open seven days a week from
8:30 am to 12:00 noon (M-F)
8:30 am to 1:00 pm (weekends)
and again from 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm (M-S)

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Daily **Pooja** and **Aarti** to all deities are performed every morning from 9:00 to 11:00 am

Managalarati is performed every evening at 7:30 pm

Weekly Schedule of events:

MONDAY: Sri Rudrabhishekam from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

THURSDAY: Bhajan and Satsangh from 8:00 pm to 9:15 pm

SATURDAY: Sri Venkateswara Suprabhatam from 8:00 to 8:30 am
Sri Venkateswara Abhishekam from 8:30 to 10:00 am
Lunch Prasad available between 11 am and 2 pm

Poornima: Sri Satyanarayana Puja & Katha from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

\$101/main sponsoring family which performs the pooja with the priest.

\$16 people participating in pooja by Sankalpam & archana.

Annual membership contribution per family is only \$51.00
Please send your membership today!

Transportation is to be arranged by devotees, if the religious services are to be performed at individual homes by the priest.

Please make all checks payable to **HTCCSC** and request a receipt for all check and cash donations.

For Pooja, Priest Services and use of Temple premises, please contact: **Mrs. Arunima Sinha** at **781-9054**.

Ganesh Chaturti Celebrations..

We're celebrating Ganesh Chaturti at our temple right now; the celebrations will go on until Saturday, Sep 2, 2006.

After doing 9 days of Pooja at our temple and a special Pooja on Ganesh Chaturti, the annual Immersion Ceremony (**Visarjan**) of Sri Paarthiva Ganesha will be on **Saturday, September 2, 2006**. We'll have Rath Yaatra (Procession) followed by immersion in the Saluda River. Celebrations will begin @ 11 am. This will be followed by lunch Prasad.

Suggested sponsorship donation for Final archana and immersion Pooja is \$31.

Nama Sankirtanam Treat by Glorious Sri Kalyanaraman and Group..



For the first time ever in Columbia, we will have **Sri Kalyanaraman and Group** performing Nama Sankirtanam (Bhajan)!

Nama Sankeertanam is the traditional singing of devotional songs popular in various parts of India. As per this Sampradaya, the Bhajan includes songs on various deities composed by Sri Thyagaraja, Purandaradasa, Jayadeva, Tukaram, Kabir, Meera, Tulsidas & other great Saints and Gurus.

Sri Udaiyalur Kalyanaraman is an accomplished singer-scholar-teacher. He has been conferred the title of Bhagavath Guna Amruta Varshi by H H Sri Maha Swamigal of Kanchi Mutt. He has also received other titles such as Bhajana Rathnakara, Bhakti Isai Bharathi, Bhajana Kousthubam, Nama Sankeertana Ratna. He is an 'A' grade artist of AIR Chennai and has performed in many countries.

Come, immerse yourself in the sweet nectar of Bhakti with his bhajans on Sunday, Sep 3, 2006 between 2 pm and 5 pm. Light Snacks will be served.

Thank You!!!

We conducted our first summer camp for Children in a long time at the temple, thanks to the initiative of **Rajesh Verma, Sabari Chiraparambil** and their wives. The summer camp was a big success among children; was conducted for twice a week for one whole month. Look for more camps for children by our temple in the future!!

When you visit the temple next time, look how beautiful our Gods look, adorned by new colorful malas!! Thanks to **Karen Kong**, who contributed these beautiful silk flowers from Hong Kong to our temple!!

After almost 7 years, we've gotten around to validating the addresses of the temple database – this involves adding new addresses and deleting old (obsolete) addresses. Thanks to **Priya Ramanathan**, we are almost thru with this monumental task!!

Thanks to our **Volunteers**, our lunch program at the temple is becoming a big success! We've started serving lunch every Saturday, between 11 am and 2 pm!!

Congratulations to **Varsha Parikh and Group** -- they represented our state in a group dance competition in FOGANA 2006 and won 2nd place in the national level!!

Please mark your calendars for these special celebrations.

Sharat Navarathra begins on **Saturday, September 23, 2006** and goes on until **Monday, October 2, 2006**. On Sep 23rd, we'll have Ganesh Pooja, Kalash Sthaapana, Navagraha Pooja, Devi Pooja and Archana starting at 8.30 am. Daily Pooja, Chandi Paat and Kumkumarchanaa will be performed.

Lalitha Sahasra Nama & Kumkumarchanaa will be on **Saturday, Sep 30, 2006 @ 9.30 am**.

Ashtami homam will be performed by our priest on **Saturday, Sep 30, 2006** between 10.30 am and 12 noon, which will be followed by lunch Prasad.

Sponsoring families are asked to participate and perform the Pooja atleast one day @ the temple by 7.00 pm.

Suggested Sponsorship:

All Navarathri events (for all 10 days)	- \$151
Ashtami Paat, Pooja, Homam & Lalitha Sahasra Nama	- \$101
1 day Ashtami Paat, Chandi Paat & Pooja	- \$51
Homam	- \$31
Lalitha Sahasra Nama	- \$31

During Sharat Navarathra, we will have **Ras Garba** at the temple every night between **8 and 10 pm**.

We will be celebrating the **Grand Garba** at the **National Guard Armory** on **Sunday September 24, 2006** starting @ **7 pm**.

**** Venkateshwara Abhishek** on Sep 23, 2006 will be done between 6.00 am and 7.00 am.

Karva Chaut is on **Tuesday, Oct 10, 2006**. Pooja will be done at the temple @ 4.00 pm.

We'll be celebrating our annual **India Day** on **Sunday, Sep 17, 2006** at Keenan High School Auditorium between 1 pm and 5 pm with Cultural Activities, Food etc. Please be there to encourage our youth community and to promote our inter-cultural exchange.

Diwali is on **Saturday, Oct 21, 2006**. Deepa Poojan, Anna Kootam, Lakshmi Pooja, Govardhana Giri Pooja and Aya-vyaya Pustaka Pooja will start @ 6 pm. We'll have special program by Sunday School Children on this day, followed by dinner Prasad.

Suggested Sponsorship for this Pooja - \$51

For more details about any of the above programs, please contact Joshi-ji @ (803) 772 9650.

New!!

We'll be starting our **Automatic Deduction Program** shortly. This will be a nice way to get enrolled in to our Dollar-A-Day Program! Any specified amount per month can be automatically deducted from your account for the temple. Children and Students, it is the thought that matters – you can contribute any amount that you may want to – however small or however big!! Please get the form from Joshiji.

We've started **Lunch Program** at our temple – every Saturday, we'll have simple, stomach-filling lunch available for nominal cost between 11 am and 2 pm. This is run by volunteers and 100% of the funds raised, go to the temple. If you want to sponsor lunch for a Saturday, please contact Joshiji @ (803) 772-9650.

We are thinking of printing our own **New Year Calendar!** We need our Children's help for that!! Please encourage your child(ren) to submit an article/art/story/poem about our culture. We'll print some of them in our calendar. (All submitted articles will not be returned and may be exhibited at our temple.)

Health Corner..

We are thinking to have Health Awareness and varieties of educational programs for our temple members every other month. We're in the process of scheduling such events periodically. To start the series, **Pallavi Sinha** will be talking about **Ayurveda and its Ancient Holistic and Preventive Approach to Health and Healing** on **Monday, September 4, 2006 @ 7.30 pm**. This programs is scheduled for about 45 minutes. She is studying in CA College of Ayurveda and will be completing her studies to be an Ayurvedic doctor, in October 2006.

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