



Hindu Temple and Cultural Center of South Carolina

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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
Lalitha Sahasranama & Other Stotram Class
from 10.30 am to 11.30 am

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**.

About our Priest....



Our resident priest, Pandit Kumaraswamy Joshiji comes from a very devoted priestly family, from Gokarna, Karnataka. His father Pandit Gajanan Joshiji is a well-known priest and visionary in California. Joshiji's wife Sau. Sujatha and daughter Lavanya (4 yrs. Old) live in India, at their ancestral home.

Pandit Joshiji holds an 'Achaarya' degree in Sanskrit and a formal training and studies of Shukla Yajur Veda from Medha Dakshina

Murthy Sankrit Vidyalaya; and practical knowledge and sanskara from his parents and grand parents.

Within such a short time, Joshiji has won the heart of the community with his genuine devotion, simplicity, knowledge, intelligence, tidiness, and multi-talented humble personality. All of us extend our heartiest appreciation and best wishes to OUR JOSHIJI.

Message from the Chairman....

Dear Community Members,

I wish to thank you all on behalf of the Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee. It is now about one year since the completion of Phase I of our temple. Every one is happy to see the progress of our center. Your contribution, support and cooperation has made it possible to achieve this progress. As you know, we have a new Executive Committee and Board of Trustees for the year 2006. I hope that you will give them your whole hearted support for the betterment of our center. It is my humble appeal to all the members of our community to contribute towards Dollar-A-Day Program (\$365/year) and/or towards the annual membership fees of \$51. We should take pride by becoming a member of our Religious and Cultural Center. It will greatly help us to pay off our monthly mortgage and regular expenses.

With best wishes,
AMRITLAL CHAMPANERI
CHAIRMAN
Board of Trustees, HTCCSC

Message from the President....

Dear Community Members,

A very happy and prosperous New Year 2006 to all of you. I humbly seek support from Board of Trustees, Executive Committee and our Community Members to carry the torch and build on top of what our past Executive Committee members have initiated.

Please help us in achieving an accurate list of mailing addresses. This is a major exercise that we have started this year and this would help us in bringing down our recurring expense. As part of that exercise, please cut out and return the information slip on page 5, to the temple.

Dollar-A-Day pledge details are available on page 4. Please support this program and help us clear your temple debts as soon as possible.

Seeking your help,
I Thank You,
UMA KRISHNAMURTHY
PRESIDENT
Executive Committee, HTCCSC

Please mark your calendars for these special celebrations.

Thai Pushyam, the grand annual Ganesha and Karthikeya Abhishekam will be held on **Sunday, February 12, 2006**. The celebration starts with Kavadi (10 am), Abhishekam (11 am), followed by a drama by the kids about Karthikeya. Rathotsavam at 12 noon and Alankara Deepam, Aarathi (12.30 pm) will be followed by Prasad (1.00 pm).

Sponsorship: \$11 / archana
\$25 Kavadi/family
\$51 to sponsor the whole day program.

Maha Shivarathri will be celebrated at our temple on **Sunday, February 26, 2006**. The celebration starts with Shiva parivaar pooja (6.00 pm) and Rudrabhishekam(7.00 pm). The temple will be open until midnight for abhishekam by the devotees. We will have Bhajan Keertan (10.00 pm) and Nishita kaala abhishekam and pooja by the priest (11.30 pm).

Sponsorship: \$21 / Pooja and Rudrabhishekam

Holi Poornima will be celebrated on **Tuesday, March 14, 2006**. We will have Holi Pooja and Holika Dahan (6.00 pm) followed by Rangoli pooja at the temple. **Satya Narayana Katha** on this day will start at 7.00 pm, followed by Aarathi (8.30 pm).

Chaitra Navarathra and Ugadi are on **Thursday, March 30, 2006**. We will have **Noothana Varsha Panchaanga Patanam and Phala Desham** at 6.00 pm this day.

Chaitra Navarathra begins on **Thursday, March 30, 2006** and completes on **Thursday, April 6, 2006**. We will have Pooja, Kalasa Sthaapana and Chandi Paat (9.30 am) on the first day. During this week, Chandi Paat and Pooja, Ram Parivaar Pooja and Ram Raksha Stotram will be performed every day.

Sponsorship: \$101 / all 9 days with Homam
\$51 / Ashtami Paat Pooja and Homam
\$31 / Chandi Homam
\$25 / Any day of Paat and Pooja.

Each sponsoring family is requested to call Joshiji and schedule to participate in atleast one day of the pooja by 6.30 pm at the temple.

Sundara Kand Paat Pooja, Bhajan and Keertan will be performed on **Sunday, April 2, 2006** (9.00 am) followed by Prasad.

Navrathri Havan on **Friday, April 7, 2006** at 6.00 pm.

Sri Mahaaveer Jayanthi will be celebrated on **Sunday, April 09, 2006**. Pooja, Bhajan and Arathi (10.00 am) will be followed by Prasad (1.00 pm).

**** Monthly Karthikeya Abhishekam will be on Sunday, April 16, 2006 for this month.**

Hanumat Jayanthi and Tamil New Year are on **Thursday, April 13, 2006**. We will have Hanuman Chaalisa and Sankat mochan Pooja starting at 7.00 pm.

Sponsorship: \$21 / Pooja

**** Satyanarayana Katha** will be performed on **Wednesday, April 12, 2006** (6.30 pm).

About our Dollar-A-Day Pledge...



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Sponsorship/Pledge Form

The Hindu Temple and cultural center of South Carolina has been a powerful force in promoting the spiritual moral and social development of the community. We have the task of bringing the spiritual wealth of our scriptures to the new generation of Hindu youth growing up here. A temple is the most natural peace making ground where people from all walks of life can smile together, through the love and service of God. If the chief purpose of a temple is to keep societies charged with moral, cultural, and spiritual zeal, then we have a tremendous task ahead of us to fulfill that mission. As you know the first phase of a long-term development plan of our temple is now complete and we hope that you are pleased and proud with the way our temple looks now. Our temple has taken a loan of \$475,000 for this effort and the monthly mortgage payment comes to approximately \$5,000. With your support, we have paid \$100,000 leaving an approximate balance of \$375,000. We sincerely appreciate your past support and we once again request for your generous donation towards the payment of mortgage on a regular basis in whatever form you like. **A dollar a day program is an easy way to contribute and it can be paid monthly, quarterly or yearly as you wish.** This includes a monthly worship by the priest on your behalf to your ISHTA-DEVATHA and Prasadham will be mailed to you and it **ALSO** covers your annual membership. In any case, if you decide not to participate in the one dollar a day program, please pay your annual membership dues of 51\$.

Yes, I would like to support and donate \$5 \$2 \$1 \$.50 \$.25 Other (please specify) PER DAY on a **Monthly/Quarterly/Yearly** basis **OR** a lump sum donation of \$ _____.

Name and Gothra of all Family Members:

Address: _____

City, State, Zip, Phone: _____

E-mail, and ISHTA-DEVATHA: _____

Signature:

Name and Date:

Please print, fill in and mail this form to the above address or fax to 803-772-9650(call before faxing).

E-mail: hindutemplescc@hindutemplescc.org Web: www.hindutemplescc.org

Phone: 803-772-9650 Fax: 803-939-0668

We are on the web...

Our web page is now being updated regularly! Please visit our web page at www.hindutemplescc.org to know about the activities and updates of the temple. Please email kumargounder@gmail.com with any questions/suggestions.

We are in the process of updating the address list of our temple. This is long overdue and the process has started. Having accurate information about our Community Members is essential to inform you about our Community events. This also avoids unnecessary expenses in mailing information to invalid addresses. To continue receiving this temple Newsletter, please help us by filling out the following information. Please cut it out and send it to:

**The Secretary (Executive Committee),
Hindu Temple & Cultural Center of SC (HTCCSC),
5703 Kiawah Road,
Columbia, SC 29210.**

<p>Name: First : _____ MI: _____ Last: _____</p> <p>Address: _____ _____ _____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p> <p>Email ID: _____</p> <p>Would you like to receive information about events at The temple thru Email (Y/N): _____</p> <p>Thru Phone (Y/N): _____</p>
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Also, if you have not been receiving Temple Newsletters and would like to, please pass the above information on to Joshi-ji at (803) 772 9650 or Kumar-ji at kumargounder@gmail.com.

Our Community in Action...

On New Year's Day, we were saddened by the sudden demise of a fellow Columbia resident, Shri Uday Yeragolla. He passed away due to a massive heart attack at a very young age. He is survived by his wife. An announcement was made during the Jan 1st Satyanarayana Pooja for donations. Our community rose to the occasion and contributed approximately \$30,000 to cover the expenses (hospitalization, funeral home services, and transportation of the body back to India).

The temple executive committee wishes to sincerely thank all the donors and pray for the well being of Shri Uday's wife and his family In India.

Upcoming Events:

May 3-4 : **Discourse by Swami Paramaanandji.**

May 7 : **Grand Annual Srinivasa Kalyanam**

July 1-8 : **Yogaa Shivir**

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