



Satsang Sandesh

India Temple Association, Inc.

Hindu Temple, 25 E. Taunton Ave, Berlin, NJ 08009
SOUTH JERSEY ♦ DELAWARE ♦ PENNSYLVANIA
(Non-Profit Tax Exempt Organization, Tax ID # 22-2192491)

Vol. 42 No. 9 Phone: (855) MYMANDIR (855-696-2634) www.indiatemple.org SEPTEMBER 2016

Religious Calendar

September 4 Sunday

- Kevada Trij

September 5 Monday

- Shri Ganesh Chaturthi Celebration Starts

September 12 Monday

- Parivartini Ekadashi

September 15 Thursday

- Anant Chaturdashi, Ganesh Visarjan

September 17 Saturday

- Mahalaya and Shradha Paksha Begin

September 24 Saturday

- Matru / Matri Navami Shradha

September 26 Monday

- Indira Ekadashi

September 30 Friday

- Sarvapitri Amavas, Amavas Tarpan, Shradha Paksha Concludes

Satyanarayan Puja

September 16 at 6:00 PM

Sunderkand Paath

September 17 @ 10 AM

September 2, Friday 8pm

- Vishnu Sahasranama Parayanam

Kshamaben 707-332-3400

Monthly Bhajans

September 9, Friday 7:30pm

- Shreeji Bhajan

Urmi Upadhyay 856-424-9328

Charu Sheth 856-662-8754

September 16, Friday 8-9pm

- Satya Sai Baba of Medford

P.K. Prabhakar 856-596-3147

Sesha Vemuri 856-751-0867

ITA at Berlin Mandir invites you to celebrate Ganesh Utsav

September 5th - 15th, 2016

2 FEET-TALL GANPATI MOORTI

Receive blessings and remove obstacles



September 5th at 6:00 pm Sthapana Procession from temple parking lot to temple prayer hall followed by Pooja, Aarti and group chanting of Atharva Shirsha.

September 6th- 15th Day Schedule- Archana and Aarti performed at noon time followed by Temple Aarti.

September 6th - 14th Evening Schedule- Ganesh Puja will start at 7:30 pm followed by group singing of Atharva Shirsha and Ganesh Aarti. followed by Temple Aarti.

Weekend timings will be flexible.

September 15th at 6:00pm Ganesh Puja and Visarjan.

Donations are welcome.

To sponsor Prasad or for more information, please contact: Charu Sheth at 856-662-8754 and Sheth_charu@yahoo.com or Sangeeta Rashatwar at sangeetarashatwar@gmail.com



Children's Navratri Presented by ITA Balvihar

October 2 from 3:00 – 5:30 pm at ICC

General Public Navaratri Celebration

October 1 to October 10

Sharad Purnima Celebration, October 15

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.

• Hudson James	Sep 01	Soni Devendra	Sep 17
• Patel Vinod N	Sep 03	Shah Nagindas & Champaben	Sep 19
• Giyanani Mulchand	Sep 04	Mistry Nathu	Sep 22
• Patel Kashiben	Sep 08	Aggarwal Girish	Sep 23
• Patel Ajay	Sep 10	Doshi Kirti	Sep 23
• Kochhar Omila	Sep 14	Patel Babubhai	Sep 27
• Patel Krina	Sep 14	Patel Thakor	Sep 28
• Maheswari Arun	Sep 17	Vijay & Asha Gupta	Sep 30

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

- September 8, 6:30 PM** On popular demand Dr. Laxmi Bhandari will start where he left in February 2016 on Investments for the Seniors. We will learn about Federal and NJ State Estate, Gift and other related Taxes, We will also learn about, basic rules of Social Security and transfer of wealth to next generation.
- September 22, 6:30 PM** We will learn about foreign financial accounts, some retirement planning issues including but not limited to Social Security and Medicare Planning from Mr. Raj Maruvada, MBA, CPA .

If you want to sponsor snacks during these meetings, please call Manju Goel at 856-424-9028.

From Me to You

In the lower stages of mental evolution, man/woman is concerned only about sensual enjoyment. He/she doesn't think beyond the physical existence, as to where they came from or where they would ultimately go to. But as they start thinking more deeply, facilitated by their observation of themselves and the world around, they become aware of their limited existence and feel the ligatures of bondage. It is then there arises the desire for liberation and to end the misery of bondage. How to attain this? Bhagvan Shri Ramana says, 'Search out who is having the thought of bondage and go to the root of your being. You will find that you are not bound at all; you are the Self that is ever free.'

It is only the phantom ego that has the feeling of bondage and the thirst for liberation. We should first know who is bound, before trying for release. In the phenomenal world, our bondage seems so real that it is necessary to do strong sadhana for liberation. On attaining liberation, one realizes that one was never bound to begin with. Both bondage and liberation are mere notions of the mind. The Amrta-bindu Upanishad declares, 'Mind alone is the cause of bondage and liberation (Mana eva manushyanam karanam bandha – mokshayoh)'.

Let us contemplate on the above truth when we meditate in our Mandir and speed up the process of our self-realization.

Ramesh Viswanathan, ITA President

Children's Navratri Presented by ITA Balvihar for all Balvihar & Non-Balvihar Families

October 2nd from 3:00 – 5:30 pm at ICC

Join us for an afternoon of Garba and Raas tailored to children. Through live music, instructors, and less crowded environment, we hope to make Navratri an exciting event for the next generation.

For Additional Information, please contact:

Samir Patel: 201 657-8661 / samirkpatel@yahoo.com Sagar Dalal: (201) 705-4466 / sagard007@gmail.com
Shashank Sheth: (732) 604- 8956 / shanksheth@yahoo.com Bhavesh Patel: (856) 524 -3935 / balvihar@verizon.net

Online Discounted Ticket Sales Begin September 1, 2016 Children \$7 / Adults \$10 (All tickets at door \$11)

www.indiatemple.org/childrens-navratri-ticket.php

DON'T MISS OUT! ONLY 300 TICKETS AVAILABLE

PUJARI RESIDENCES AND PARKING IMPROVEMENTS

Last year, ITA Board of Trustees had published purchase of the property in the back to build two residences for our two pujaries and utilize open space of this property along with temple's property to create additional parking. We already have permits to renovate building. We are working on plans and approvals for the parking. Our team is working with Architect, Civil Engineer and Lawyer to obtain approvals from Berlin Borough for about 55 car parking spaces. We expect residences to be completed by the end of October. Although our treasury has funds for above renovations, it is always good to secure funds

We already have few donors who have donated quality tiles, painting work for the residence improvements and help pay half of the annual real estate tax on new property.

MORE DONATIONS ARE WELCOME.

THIS WILL BE A GREAT DAXINA FOR OUR DEDICATED PUJARIES

- Please contact Divyakant at 856-745-9676 for your financial support for the construction of these two Projects.
- Please contact Ramesh at president@indiatemple.org or Bhavesh at gs@indiatemple.org for suggestions or comments

MONTHLY PUJA AT OUR MANDIR



SATYANARAYAN PUJA

Friday, September 16 @ 6:00 PM

Anyone can sit in this Puja and receive blessings of Lord Satyanarayan.

Please contact Binduben at 856-996-5644 or Charu Sheth at 856-662-8754 if you are planning to be Puja Participant

Mahaprasad sponsored by Indian Vila will be served at the conclusion of Puja

SUNDARKAND PAATH

Saturday, September 17 @ 10 AM to 12:00 Noon

Followed by Mahaprasaad sponsored by Gagan Palace



FROM MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Please note that upcoming General Body Meeting of 2016 and Trustee Election for 2017 require certain eligibility criteria for the members to vote and/or nominate to be Trustee in the ITA Board. Following should be noted as BOT approved criteria per ITA by-laws:

1. To vote for General Body matters including Trustee Election, person must be a member between October 1, 2015 and September 30, 2016.
2. To be eligible as a Nominee for the Trustee Election, person must have a valid and continued membership for two years from October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2016.
3. There will be additional requirements on Nomination Form for the eligibility to become Trustee, which will be published in month of November, 2016.
4. There will be no PROXY voting. Voting Member must be physically present to vote.

ITA Balvihar Program Enrollment for 2016 -2017 Year Open

ITA Balvihar Program teaches Sanatana Dharma, Vedic Heritage and Indian Culture to children in Pre-K to 8th Grade. A brief overview of the curriculum by grade is below:

Pre-K (Prithvi) - Hindu Art, Shlokas/Songs/Story

KG (Meghaa) - Stories from Panchatantra, Indian Festivals

1st (Saagar) - Stories from Puranas, Introduction to Gods/Goddess, Introduction to India I

2nd (Vaayu) - Bala Bhagavatam, Stories of Saints, Introduction to India II

3rd (Pavan) - Ramayana, Important Indian Historical Figures

4th (Aakash) - Mahabharata I, Indian History I (Mauryan Dynasty)

5th (Gagan) - Mahabharata II, Indian History II (Gupta Dynasty/ South Indian Empires)

6th (Agni) - Values, Analysis of Ramayana/Mahabharata characters, Indian History III (Mughal dynasty)

7th (Marut) - Principles of Hinduism & Ishvara, British Rule in India and the after effects

8th (Medhaa) - Religious Disciplines, Culture, Tradition, Vedic Chanting, Evolution of civilization

Timing: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM on 17 Sundays starting on September 11th and ending on May 7th

Location: MARLTON MIDDLE SCHOOL (150 Tomlinson Mill Road, Marlton, NJ)

Registration Fee: \$201 covers books, school rental, and lunch.

We ENCOURAGE YOU TO REGISTER EARLY as it makes it easier for us to plan and ensures that your child secures a spot. Please explore the Balvihar webpage for the calendar, curriculum and greater program details. The website is https://www.indiatemple.org/bal_vihar.php. For registration questions, please email ita.balvihar@gmail.com or contact Shashank Sheth at 732-604-8956

Notary Service by our ITA Members

The following ITA members provide Free Notary Service to our community:

Ghanshyam Dave of Marlton. (H) 856-596-7531 ghanu44@aol.com

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 856-983-0769 for details.

PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS IN SOUTH JERSEY

Day	Program	Time	Meeting location	Contact information
Tuesday	Senior Social Group (SSG)	1:00pm to 3:00pm	Berlin Hindu Mandir	Bhulabhai Bhakta (856) 983-0769
	Gita Study Group	8:00pm to 9:00pm	Berlin Hindu Mandir	Sharad Pimplaskar (856) 985-4785
	Learn Hindi	7:00pm to 8:15pm Sept. 13, 2016 to June. 13, 2017	Beck Middle School, 950 Cropwell Rd, Cherry Hill, NJ	Richita Singh 609) 248- 5966 Jay Jain (856) 236-6272
Wednesday	Yoga and Long Kriya -Art of Living	6:30pm to 8:00pm	1 Lucas Lane Voorhees, NJ	(856) 477-3155
Thursday	Hindu Senior Citizen of South Jersey (HSC of NJ)	Every other Thursday 6:30pm to 8:30pm	Indian Cultural Center (ICC) 820 Route 73, Marlton, NJ	Ram Arora (856) 629-6720
Friday	Bhajans and Stuti	7:30pm to 9:00pm	Berlin Hindu Mandir	Shri Shuklaji (856) 768-6785
Saturday	Yoga and Long Kriya -Art of Living	8:30am to 10:30am	1 Lucas Lane Voorhees, NJ	(856) 477-3155
	Satyanarayan Puja and Sunderkand Paath	Monthly Program See ITA Satsang	Berlin Hindu Mandir	Shri Sudhirji (856) 905-9858
Sunday	Swadhyay	10:30am to 11:30am	1000 Holy Oak Drive, Voorhees, NJ	Dinesh Naik (856) 489-1138

YOGA Classes at Berlin Mandir

FREE YOGA CLASSES FOR ALL : Please see our WEB CALENDAR on www.indiatemple.org and see schedule day and time for this class on Saturday Mornings. It will cover soft but complete exercise, pranayama and short meditation. There may be another **YOGA CLASS FOR BACKACHE** for an hour in weekday morning, provided there is enough interest. Please call Dr. Veena S. Gandhi at 856-435-9148.

Although classes are free, participants can donate money to ITA for Dr. Gandhi's valuable time.

WALK FOR A WORTHY CAUSE BY EKAL VIDYALAYA

Saturday September 10, 2016, 8:00 am at Laurel Akers Park, Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054

Registration Fee of \$5:00 is required when you arrive to join this event

You can walk around the lake as many times as you wish. One round around the lake is about 5/8th of a mile

Fruits and water bottles will be provided.

Come and join us for a worthy cause. Bring friends and family members.

APPEAL TO OUR COMMUNITY

Our temple is looking for dedicated volunteers to help during major events at the Mandir and/or outside facility. Our plans become successful when dedicated volunteers' presence and hard work shows up during these events. We need volunteers to control crowd sitting, maintain clearances for emergency evacuations, outside traffic controls, preparations for garlands for the deities, bringing and coordinating with sponsors, pick-up of Mahaprasad, help coordinate maintenance and repair activities, help Seva Samiti for their community support activities and similar other activities.

Please come forward and give your names and contact numbers to our following Volunteers:

Binduben Shukla (856-996-5644); Charuben Sheth (856-662-8754) and Harshadbhai Patel (609-760-8851)

**PROGRAMS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH
YOGA ABHYAS FOR HEALTH, HAPPINESS & GOD
REALIZATION:**

Contact: Vina 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 @ Marlton Middle School
Contact: Malathi Shankar (856) 424-7849 or Bhavesh Patel 1-855-my-mandir ext 3.

YOUTH PROGRAM: A program for young adults (8th to 12th Grade) and parents. Two Sundays a month from 9:45 am - 1 pm at our Mandir. Contact: Praveen Garg (856) 783-4692 or Sangeeta Rashatwar (856) 424-4211

CREATIVE ART WORKSHOP

1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday @ 9:30 am at our Mandir

Contact: Sudha Patel (856)489-4065

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 sala-ry. Please check temple availability at www.indiatemple.org; Click on "CALENDAR tab" and, from drop-down menu, Click on "EVENT/RENTAL CAL-NDAR". 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.

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	
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	
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	

TEMPLE FACILITIES USAGE FEE:

Prayer Hall: \$200

Social Hall: \$300

OTHER CHARGES

\$51.00 for outside 25 mile radius

\$51.00 for non-member surcharge

NOTE: Charges and availability of other Puja Services not listed above may be discussed with Divyakant Parikh at 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.



India Temple Association, Inc.

25 E. Taunton, Berlin, NJ 08009

EDITOR:

Brinda Raghuvver

25 East Taunton Ave.

Berlin, NJ 08009

Editor@indiatemple.org

1st Class Presort
US Postage
PAID
Permit #800
Bellmawr NJ 08031

President

Ramesh Viswanathan
1-855-my-mandir x 710
president@indiatemple.org

Vice President

Lalit Patel
1-855-my-mandir x 711
vp@indiatemple.org

General Secretary

Bhavesh Patel
Joint Secretary
Jagdishbhai Shah
1-855-my-mandir x 712
gs@indiatemple.org

Treasurer

Shobna Daga
1-855-my-mandir x 713
treasurer@indiatemple.org

Religious Services

Facility Rental

Temple Manager

Charu Sheth
Divyakant Parikh
1-855-my-mandir x 1
manager@indiatemple.org

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

Darshan Schedule

Morning

9:00 am - 12:30 pm
Closed 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Evening

3 pm - 9 pm

Aarti

12 pm & 8 pm

Times may change during special occasions

Please use the front door and ring the bell if locked

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: _____