

#### **PLEASE NOTE THE SCHEDULES**

Monday Through Thursday: 9 am to 12 noon and 6 pm to 8 pm Friday, Weekends & Holidays: 9 am to 8 pm

# PASCHIMAVANI

#### DIRECTIONS

From Freeway 580 in Livermore:

Exit North Vasco Road, left on Scenic Ave,

#### NEWS FROM THE HINDU COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL CENTER, LIVERMORE

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Devotees,

Namaste. We wish you all a very Happy Diwali with health and wealth. We celebrated Ganesh Chaturthi in the month of September. The event started with 21 Days of Abhisheka to the Lord Ganesha in the month of August, Ganesh Chatruthi, feast of Alankarams (Decorations of the Lord) for one week following it. The idol was immersed in the ocean near Pier 39. The event was a grand success. Swarna Gouri Puja was conducted on the day before Ganesh Chaturthi and a number of devotees participated in it. Sri Krishna Janmashtami celebrations included Abhisheka to the newly consecrated Sri Krishna Utsava Murthy went very well. We started monthly Abhisheka for Lord Krishna on his birth star Rohini Nakshatra. Please look for the details in this Pachimavani. Adipooram was conducted for Goddess Andal and Parvati. The first time we celebrated Bangles festival for Goddess Parvati in a traditional way. As this year has an Adhika Masam, an Adhika Masa Brahmotsavam was conducted in the month of September. All the events were a grand success owing to the dedicated involvement of the priests, volunteers, and co-coordinators. We invite one and all to register as volunteers, serve the Lord, and obtain the blessings. We would like to bring new Saraswathi Utsava Moorthy idol of same size as Kanaka Durga Utsava Moorthy. Donations are welcome towards Saraswathi Utsava Moorthy, please contact Dr. Sridar Pootheri. Ph#510-384-7623, email: sridarkp@inbox.com

As already communicated by our Chairman — HCCC in the last edition, the City of Livermore had approved our Master plan Conditional Use Permit. As a part of this, the conditions for using the facility are re-emphasized and a few more conditions were specified. This was done owing to the upcoming of the neighborhood (which was non-existent in mid 80s) and to ensure safety to both our neighbors and devotees visiting the temple. We request the co-operation of all the devotees in complying with these conditions. Please visit our website and review the advisory for details.

The next step after the approval of CUP is to commence the construction of the approved facilities. The facilities are to improve your comfort level and meet the requirements. The additional facilities include the relocation of kitchen (to reduce noise level for our neighbors), add more rest rooms, improvise the parking lot, and constructing an administration office building. Kanaka Durga shrine renovation plans were under review and construction will start in January 2011.

As per the Temple Construction Committee, we need \$7 million for this construction effort. We need to raise the funds to build these facilities. We will take up these tasks one by one after careful prioritization. We will hold an annual fundraising event on Saturday, December 11, 2010. Please mark your calendars. We invite all of you to attend this event and donate generously to help build the needed infrastructure that makes the neighborhood safe and the Temple a place for you to come spend your time peacefully.

For additional details on Donor recognition of new facilities construction, Please contact the following:

Sri. Venkatadri Bobba - Fundraising Chair -Ph # 510-432-5492 email: venkatadri.bobba@ventureast.net;

Sri. Srinivas Malladi – Fundraising coordinator- Ph # 408-2034418, email: smalladi us@yahoo.com;

Dr. Peraiah Sudanagunta, Fund Raising Laision-Ph # 209-769-2111, email: peraiah@sbcglobal.net;

Sri.Prasuna Reddy Dornadula, Chairman -Ph # 925-698-0501, email: prasunad@yahoo.com;

Smt. Raghavamma Gullapalli, President, Ph # 925-580-2600, email: Raghavamma@gmail.com.

Sri. Ramani Aiyer-Temple Construction Committee Chair, Ph # 408-470-7850, email: Raiyer2001@yahoo.com

Our Human Services team completed another very successful Health Fair on Sept 18th 2010. We had over 300 devotees benefited by this Health Fair, served by over 55 doctors and medical staff covering all medical specialties. My sincere thanks to all Physicians, staff and volunteers team led by Suman Jain, Anand Gundu, Dr. Kamala Shankar, Indira Reddy, Lakshmi Achar and Padmaja All devotees, doctors,

medical staff were very happy and thankful.

Please plan to attend Kali Pooja and Lakshmi Kubera Puja on November 5th. Look for details on the Web and this Pachimavani inside. Management, priests, and staff of HCCC wish you and your family with health, wealth, and happiness.

Raghavamma Gullapalli, President, HCCC

#### FROM EDITOR'S DESK

Dear devotees,

Wish you all happy and prosperous Diwali. In this edition of Paschima Vani, we have included an article by Dr. Srinivas Pyda on Vedic Computations. Children and adults will find the techniques explained in the article very interesting and useful. Practicing the techniques will enable you to do computations quick in your mind.

We are looking for volunteers to distribute the Newsletter in different areas. If you would like to help with distribution in your area, please contact temple front office or me by email at Janakiram.kaki@gmail.com.

Janakiram Kaki, Publicity Chair – HCCC

#### **PLANNED SPECIAL EVENTS**

DATE/DAY	EVENTS	TIME	ACTIVITIES
Oct 01st Friday	Punarvasu	6:00pm	Lord Rama Abhishekam
Oct 02nd Saturday	1st Saturday of the Month	11:00am	Swarna Alamkaram for Lord Shiva
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Oct 03rd Sunday	Ekadasi	5:00pm	Balaji Bhoga Murthy Abhisheka
Oct 05th Tuesday	Pradosham & Masashivaratri	6:00pm	108 Kalasha Abhisheka for Lord Shiva
Oct 06th Wednesday	Mahalaya Amavasa	1	
Oct 06th Wednesday	Uttara Phalguni	6:00pm	Ayyappa Abhisheka
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Oct 9th Saturday	Swati	10:00am	Narasimhaswami Abhi Shekam
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Oct 10th Sunday	Navaratri Brahmotsavam Day 3		
Oct 12th Tuesday	Shasti	6:00pm	Kathikeya Abhishekam
Oct 13th Wednesday	Saraswathi Pooja	•	Detailed Program at the End
Oct 14th Thursday	Durgashtami		Detailed Program at the End
Oct 15th Friday	Maha Navami	3:00pm	Chandi Homam
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Oct 16th Saturday	Vijaya Dasami	4:00pm	Asthanam in TempleHall
Oct 16th Saturday	Madhwa Jayanthi	•	•
Oct 18th Monday	Ekadasi	6:00pm	Balaji Bhoga Murthy Abhisheka
Oct 19th Tuesday	Pradosham	6:00pm	Shiva Abhishekam
Oct 21st Thursday	Poornima	6:30pm	Lalitha Sahasranama Parayana
Oct 22nd Friday		11:00am	Shiva Annabhishekam
Oct 23rd Saturday		12:00noon	Poolangi Seva for Lord Balaji
Oct 23rd Saturday		11:00am	Vastra Alamakaram for Lord Shiva
Oct 24th Sunday		11:00am	Shiva Annabhishekam (Weekend Function)
Oct 25th Monday	Kritthika	6:00pm	Karthikeya Abhishekam and Archana
Oct 26th Tuesday	Sankatahara chaturthi	6:00pm	Ganesha Abhisheka
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Oct 26th Tuesday	Rohini	6:00pm	Krishna Abhishekam
Oct 29th Friday	Punarvasu	6:00pm	Rama Abhishekam
Oct 30th Saturday	5th Saturday of the month	11:00am	Vastra/Vibhuti Alamkaram
Oct 30th Sunday		12:00noon	108 Kalasha Abhishekam for Lord Balaji
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Nov 3rd Wednesday	Pradosham	6:00pm	shiva Abhisheka
Nov 4th Thursday	Masa shivaratri	6:00pm	108 Kalasha Abhisheka for Lord Shiva
Nov 4th Thursday	Naraka Chathurdasi		
Nov 5th Friday	Deepavali	10:30am	Mahalaxmi Abhishekam and Teertha Prasadam
Nov 5th Friday		7:00:pm	Lakshmi Kubera Puja
Nov 5th Friday	Swati	6:00pm	Sri Lakshmi narasimha Swamy Abhishekam and Archana

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Dec 25th Saturday	4th Saturday of the Month	11:00am	Vastra & mukhavada Alamkara For Lord Shiva
Dec 25th Saturday	4th Saturday of the Month	12:00noon	Pushpa Seva For Lord Balaji.
Dec 25th Saturday	Christmas		
Dec 26th Sunday	Shashti	9:00am-1:30pm	Ayyappa Mandala Puja ends
Dec 27th Monday	Uttara Phalguni	6:00pm	Ayyappa Abhishekam.
Dec 30th Thursday	Ekadasi	6:00pm	Balaji Bhoga Murthy Abhisheka
Dec 30th Thursday	Swati	6:00pm	Sri Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Abhisheka&Archana
Dec 31st Friday	New Years Day Observed.	4:00pm-7:00pm	No Archanas in the evening
Jan 1st Saturday	New Years Day	7:00am	Shiva & Vishnu Suprabhatam
Jan 1st Saturday	New Years Day 2011 Special Schedule Temple Open	7:00 AM	Single Line Darsanam Start 9:00 AM
Jan 1st Saturday	New Years Day	7:30am	Shiva & Vishnu, Hanuman,Navagraha Abhisheka.
Jan 1st Saturday	New Years Day	7:30am	Maha Ganapathi Homam
Jan 1st Saturday	Them remie Buy	8:00am	Nitya Pooja & Harathi for All Deities
Jan 1st Saturday	Pradosham	5:00pm	Shiya Abhisheka
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Jan 1st Saturday	New Years Day	8:00pm	Ekantha Seva
Jan 2nd Sunday	Masa Shiva Ratri	5:00pm	108 Kalasha Abhisheka for Lord Shiva
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Jan 4th Tuesday	Partial Solar Eclipse (Not Visible)	6:00pm	Balaji Sahasranama Archana
Jan 6th Thursday	Sravana		
Jan 7th Friday	Madha Chaturdhi		
Jan 8th Saturday	2nd Saturday of the Month	11:00am	Muttangi Alamkaram For Lord Shiva.
Jan 8th Saturday	2nd Saturday of the Month	12:00Noon	Tomala Seva For Lord Balaji
Jan 10-00th Monday	Shasti	6:00pm	Murugan Sahasranama Archana
Jan 13th Thursday	Dhanurmasa puja ends		
Jan 13th Thursday	Bhogi		
Jan 13th Thursday	Sun enters Makara 29-15		
Jan 14th Friday	Makara Sankranti		
Jan 14th Friday	Krittika	5:00pm	Murugan Abhisheka
Jan 14th Friday	Thai Pongal,Uttarayana Punyakalam	- 1	O O
Jan 15th Saturday	3rd Saturday of the Month	11:00am	Rajathalamkaram For Lord Shiva Sahasranama Archana
Jan 15th Saturday	3rd Saturday of the Month	12:00pm	Thiruppavada Seva , Ekadasi Abhisheka For Lord Balaji.
Jan 15th Saturday	Ekadasi	10:00am	Balaji Bhogamurthi Abhisheka
Jan 15th Saturday	Andal Tirukkalyanam	3:00pm	Detailed Program at the End
Jan 15th Saturday	Tilitati III tilikaiyanam	J.oopin	Detailed 110grain at the line
Jan 16th Sunday	3rd Sunday of the month	11:00am	Sahsra Namarchana for Lord Shiva
Jan 16th Sunday	Rohini	5:00pm	Sri Krishna Usthavamurthy Abhisheka & Archana
Jan 16th Sunday			Malzara Vilakku for Lord Arranna (Wook and Eunation)
	Dwadasi	4:30pm	Makara Vilakku for Lord Ayyappa (Week end Function)
Jan 17th Monday	M L K Day	6,00000	Weekend Timings
Jan 18th Tuesday	Poornima	6:00pm	Lalitha Sahasranama Parayana
Jan 19th Wednesday	Punarvasu	6:00pm	Sri Rama Abhishekam
Jan 19th Wednesday	Tai Poosam	11:00am	Abhisheka for Lord Karthikeya
Jan 22nd Saturday	4th Saturday of the Month	11:00am	Mukhavada& Vastra Alankara for Lord Shiva
Jan 22nd Saturday	4th Saturday of the Month	12:00Noon	Pushpa Seva For Lord Balaji.
Jan 22nd Saturday	Sankatahara Chaturdhi	5:00 pm	Ganesha Abhisheka
Jan 23rd Sunday	Uttara Phalguni	5:00pm	Ayyappa Abhisheka
Jan 24th Monday	Shasti	6:00pm	Murugan Sahasranama Archana
Jan 26th Wednesday	Swati	6:00pm	Lakshmi Narasimhaswamy Abhisheka
Jan 29th Saturday	5th Saturday of the Month	11:00am	Vastra Alamkara For Lord Shiva
Jan 29th Saturday	5th Saturday of the Month	12:00noon	108 kalasha Abhishekam &Vastra samarpana fro Lord Balaji
Jan 29th Saturday	Ekadasi	5-00pm	Balaji Bhogamurthi Abhisheka
Jan 30th Sunday		4:30pm	Kala Bhairava Abhisheka
Jan 30th Sunday	Pradosham	5-00pm	Shiva Abhisheka
Jan 31st Monday	Masa Shiva Ratri	6-00pm	108 Kalasha Abhisheka for Lord Shiva
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	Deep	pavali Program
DATE/DAY	TIME	EVENTS
Nov 5th Fri	10:30AM 12:00Noon 7:00PM	Mahalakshmi Abhishkam Archana Teertha Prasadam Lakshmi Kubera Pooja
	Kali Poo	ja in Assembly Hall
<b>Nov 5th Fri</b> Al	8:00PM 9:00PM 9:30PM 11:30PM 12:00AM 12:30AM 1:30AM bove is Evenii	Deepa Danam Sankalpam Sri Kali Pooja Arathi, Pushpanjali Bhog Prasad Kali Homam in main temple Shanti Jal & Asheervadam ng thru Late Night Schedule
	Skanda	Shasti Celebrations
Nov 6th Sat	4:00PM 6:00PM	Murugan Abhisheka Murugan Sahasranama Archana
Nov 7th Sun	11:30AM 1:00PM	Murugan Abhisheka Murugan Sahasranama Archana
Nov 8th Mon	5:00PM 7:00PM	Murugan Abhisheka Murugan Sahasranama Archana
Nov 9th Tue	5:00PM 7:00PM	Murugan Abhisheka Murugan Sahasranama Archana
Nov 10th Wed	5:00PM 7:00PM	Murugan Abhisheka Murugan Sahasranama Archana
Nov 11th Thu	Skanda Sha	
	10:00AM 11:00AM	Kavadi Pooja and Procession Murugan Abhisheka, Archana Theertham and Prasadam
Nov 12th Fri	7:00PM 5:00PM	Murugan Sahasranama Archana MURUGAN Abhisheka and KALYANOTSAVAM
Nov 14th Sun	10:00AM 1:30PM	Kavadi Pooja and Tiru Veedhi Utsavam Weekend funation MayuraVahana Seva for Lord Murugan (Peacock Vahanam ) 11:30AM MURUGAN ABHISHEKA Pushpa Alamkaram , Subramania Homa,

Archana, Arathi, Theerta and Prasadam

Sri Vishnu Pushpa Yagam		
DATE/DAY	TIME	EVENTS
Nov 13th Sat		
Kartika	a Masa Kr	ritika Sudarshana Homam
Nov 21th Sun	10:00am 10:30am 11:00am	Sankalpam Sudarshana Abhisheka Chakrabja Mandala Puja and Sudarshana Homa Theertha Prasada
	<b>V</b> ai	kunta Ekadasi
Dec 16th Thu		Siva and Vishnu Suprabhatam Shiva, balaji Abhishekam Archana and Theertha Prasada Dwara Pooja Dwara Pravesham for Devotees Andal Abhishekam Lord Venkatesha Sahsranamam Homam and Poornahuti Archana and Teertha Prasadam Ekanta Seva
G	iita Jayan	nthi in Assembly Hall
Dec 18th Sat	9:30AM 10:30AM 2:00PM 3:00PM 4:00PM 5:00PM	Gita Parayan Children's Performances on Bhagwad Gita Bhajans Meditation Bhajans Sri Krishna Pooja, Aarthi and Theertha Prasada
Hanuman Jayanthi		
Jan 3th Mon 2011	8:00AM to 4:00PM 5:30PM 6:30PM 7:30PM	Sundara Kanda Homam Hanuman Abhisheka Sahasra Kadaliphala Archana Theertha Prasada
	Sri A	ndal Kalyanam
Jan 15th Sat 2011	3:00PM 4:00PM 6:30PM	Edura Kolu Utsavam Kalyana Utsavam Kalyana Bhajonam for all Devotees



#### **Announcements**

#### Your Generosity Keeps Temple Growing

The City of Livermore has approved the plan to extend facilities. Your generosity and support will help in making the plan a reality. HCCC will be recognizing the donors by naming the facilities according to HCCC donor recognition policy. The following are the key categories.

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\$5,000	1 Parking space

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#### **HCCC Livermore is Recruiting Priests**

Hindu Community and Cultural Center (HCCC), Livermore, CA, USA, invites applications from qualified individuals for employment to Priest positions. The candidates must have the following to qualify:

- 1. Knowledge/Proficiency in one or more Agamam (Shaivagamam, Smartham, Vaikhanasam, and Pancharatram)
- 2. Knowledge/Proficiency in one or more Vedas (Rig, Yajur, Sama, and Atharva)
- 3. Knowledge/Proficiency in conducting various temple rituals.
- 4. Knowledge/Proficiency in Pourohityam/Karmakanda to conduct rituals.
- 5. Knowledge/Proficiency in Panchangam and Sanskrit.
- 6. Knowledge/Proficiency in religious scriptures such as Puranas, Ramayanam, Bharatam, Bhagavatam, Divya Prabandham etc., and ability to give discourses.
- 7. Ability to function in a team with excellent work ethics and adherence to rules of the organization.
- 8. High regard to devotee treatment and satisfaction, and ability to speak multiple Indian languages including working knowledge of English.

Interested applicants may send a complete resume including copies of certificates by US Mail, Fax, or email to:

#### HCCC, Attn: Chairman of the Priest Selection Committee,

1232 Arrowhead Avenue, Livermore, CA 94551-6963 • Fax: 925-455 0404 • Email: pschccc@gmail.com

#### **Program for Seniors**

HCCC Human Services Committee presents program for seniors with activities such as health workshops, vedic chanting, knowledgeable talks by experienced seniors, basic computer usage training, fun, games, and birthday celebrations. Senior's meeting is held on first Saturday of every month in the meeting room in Assembly Hall or Library, from 2:00 p.m to 4:00 p.m. To register, please contact Suman Jain at suman1218@yahoo.com or Dharini Baskaran at dhbaskaran@yahoo.com.

#### Vishnu Sahasranamam Class

HCCC Youth and Education committee conducts Vishnu Sahasranamam class on 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month in the Kanaka Durga Shrine (at the back of the temple) from 11:30 am to noon. It is a joy to watch so many children, youth, and adults participate in the class. Please bring your children and friends to this class and help them learn chant popular Vishnu Sahasranamam.

#### **Bhagawad Gita Class**

HCCC Youth and Education committee conducts class on reciting one of the greatest Indian epic, Bhagawad Gita, on 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month from 12:15 pm to 1:00 pm in Kanaka Durga Shrine (at the back of the Temple). The classes are offered free. Please bring your children and friends to this class and help them learn recite Bhagawad Gita. For more details, please contact Smt. MadhuRamesh via email at madhuramesh@sbcglobal.net.

#### Yoga Program

In association with Yoga Bharati, HCCC brings to you free yoga classes at Shiva-Vishnu temple on every Saturday from 8:00 am to 9:00 am. For more information, please visit http://www.yogabharati.org. Please contact Venkat Reddy by email at venkat@yogabharati.org or call 510-386-3315. You are required to sign a Temple Waiver form.

#### Sanskrit Classes

Youth and Education committee of HCCC offers Sanskrit Classes on 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month from 9:30 am - 11:00 am at Shiva-Vishnu Temple Library. All family members can attend (Children - 6 to 18 years & adults of all ages). No prior Sanskrit knowledge is required. At least one parent/adult is advised to attend. Registration is mandatory. To register, send an email to sanskritclass67@gmail.com or call 510-506-3706 for more information. Sanskrit class blog address: http://sanskritclass.blogspot.com/

#### **Key Events Celebrated**

#### Ganesh Chathurthi 2010



Om Gam Ganapatheye Namah. A thirty day long Ganesha Chathurthi celebrations concluded on a grand scale. Starting from Aug 21, 2010, for 21 days, Athervasheersha Abhishekam was conducted at the temple. This was followed by a grand Ganesha Chathurthi day celebrations with Poolangi Alankaram to Ganesha Moola Moorthy. Ganesha Vratham, 1008 Modaka Homam, Mookshika Vahana Seva were done in authentic way. In the evening, Shodashopacharam for Vratha Ganapathi was done by the temple priests. The Alankarams to the Lord Ganesha were done with much devotion starting from Sep 12, 2010. Each one of the Alankarams was unique in its own way. Numerous devotees helped priests with several tasks during preparations for Alankarams. Priests did a wonderful job and it was a feast for eyes of all devotes who

visited temple during the celebrations. The various Alanakarams

each bringing out the divinity and majesty of Lord Ganesha are; Muthangi, Rajatha,



Navaneetha, Doorva, Vibhuthi, Shakambari, Chandana, and Swarna Alankarams. On Sep 19, 2010, Ganesh Nimmajanam took palce in the pacific ocean near San Francisco Golden Gate bridge. Lord Ganesh blessed the devotees who came in to witness the religious Nimajjanam ceremony. A number of devotees left



temple in the bus and boarded the boat to witness Puja and Nimajjanam in the waters of Pacific Ocean. Some of devotees even saw dolphins in the ocean.

HCCC like to thank Smt. Jayashree Varadarajan for sending her students for the Sangeetha Seva and to Smt. Indumathy for sending students for Natya Seva.

### Ganesh Chathurthi Children Program

Youth and Education team of HCCC conducted the Ganesh Chathurthi Children program on September 12, 2010 from 10:30 AM to 4:00 PM. More than 160 children participated in the all day event. Over 100 children participated in the morning Puja and 60 children participated in the cultural event.

The day started at 8:30 am with the setup of the hall. The team assembled very quickly and understood their role and tasks. The young volunteers helped with Puja setup, the Ganesha idol podium, and decoration on the stage. In about one-and-half hour, the whole hall was made ready to the children to perform Puja.

The morning Puja was started with Surya and Neha chanting Shlokas. Puja was very well conducted by Pt. Subramanya Sharma. It was really amazing to see the children following the procedure with devotion. Pt. Subramanya Sharma detailed Puja procedure very well and allowed time for children to follow the instructions. It was truly a wonderful feeling to see children come in an orderly manner to seek the blessings from the priest after the Puja was completed. Pt. Sharma blessed all the chlidren, parents, and volunteers. Jai quickly prepared Kesari for the lunch and volunteers were lined up to serve food to the participants and the parents.

#### **Summer Reading Program**

Youth and Education committee conducted Summer Reading program for the first time on Aug 14, 2010. The book "Great Contributors to Hindu Heritage" was published on the occasion of Maha Kubhabhishekam in 2010. The program started with a prayer by Smt. Padmaja



Madhuasudan and Dr. Kamala Shankar. A number of speakers discussed about 35 great contributors to the Hindu heritage. Audience learnt a variety of topics. Everyone stayed till the end of the program. Dr. Dharwar Achar who is one of the senior authors spoke about Charaka and Susrutha. Dr. Srinivas Pyda spoke about Vedic mathematics. Sri. Anand Gundu conducted the quiz prepared by Prerana, with questions from information in the book. This was a real fun event. Reading program ended with beats of Mridungam played by youth.

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#### **Health Fair**

Human Services team of HCCC completed yet another very successful Health Fair this year. We had about 300 registered devotees benefited from Health Fair. Actual number is much more as a number of

them didn't register their children or parents but did use services. We had over 55 doctors and medical staff. We tried to cover all medical areas including Homeopathy, Ayurveda, Physical Therapy, Nutrition / Diet. We had more than 50 Volunteers to help to make the fair very successful. All devotees, doctors, and medical staff were very happy and thankful for the opportunity provided by HCCC. The Health Fair is indeed becoming more and more popular year after year. There were long lines outside certain booths (like Ophthalmology). Till the end, the crowd is overwhelming. To go with it, doctors and volunteers are served with healthy lunch. Hundreds of hours of work have gone in to this event.

#### **Articles**

#### Computations - the Vedic Way

By Dr. Srinivas Pyda

The current day mathematics cultivated formalism and logic to an extent where anything and everything has to be understood giving secondary importance to solving a problem at hand. However, in the ancient Indian or Vedic traditions, solving problems easily and effectively was given primary focus. Either way is fine. However, when we rehash and do a computation the Vedic way, it throws a lot of light into simplicity. In this article we will examine how multiplications could be done faster and easier the Vedic way. Before we do that, we like to give some background history.

The person that brought out Vedic mathematics to the limelight is the Sankaraacharya of Govardhana Matt in Puri, Sri Bharati Krishna Teertha Maharaja (1884 – 1960). He wrote a book on Vedic Mathematics explaining 16 different sutras and sub-sutras and how they can be used to do various calculations. In this article we will use one sutra - Nikhilam Navata, Charamam Dasata, Anuroopena (All from 9, last from 10 --proportionately) to see how multiplications could be done. Govardhana Matt is one of the 4 Matts started by Adi Sankaraacharya apart from the base Sarvajna Peetam in Kanchi. Vedas were considered as repositories of all knowledge, not just in spiritual, but has also in secular or temporal stuff. These are Rigveda, with Ayurveda (anatomy, physiology, surgery, etc) as Upa-veda, Samaveda with Gandharvaveda (science & art of Music) as Upa-veda, Yajurveda with Dhanurveda (archery and military science) as Upa-veda and Atharvaveda with Stapthyaveda (engineering, architecture, vaastu, etc) as Upa-veda. The 16 sutras that Swamiji explained in his book with many illustrations come from Stapthyaveda. The key to Vedic mathematics come from abhyasa (practice). All the techniques described in this article needs that abhyasa to learn how simple they are. Another important point to notice is how and where the numbers are placed. Indians discovered "zero" – what does that mean – it means without having to have umpteen symbols, we can keep counting and writing any big number repeatedly using fixed number of symbols (in the decimal case, 10, with "0" as the terminating or starting symbol) in a sequence taking cognizance of the position these symbols appear. This digit placement plays a critical role in many of the techniques below.

Let us examine Multiplication in Vedic way. Here, we expound using Nikhilam sutra, but could be done using Urdhva —Tiryagbhyam sutra as well.

Sutram: Nikhilam Navata, Charamam Dasata, Anuroopena (All from 9, last from 10 - proportionately)

The rule is to subtract all the digits of the original number from 9 and the last one from 10

The last word – Anuroopena – is a corollary while playing with different base numbers than the round ones.

Let us do some multiplications.



#### **Example 1:** 97 \* 91 = ?

- Pick a base that is power of 10 → here we will choose 100 as it is close to operands.
- Put the two numbers above and below. Subtract each from base and write remainders with "-" in between (this is what the sutram is actually saying)

$$97 - 03$$

$$91 - 09$$

• In the above 88 is obtained by cross subtracting (i.e 97-9=88 or 91-3 = 88) and 27 is obtained by multiplying 9 with 3. The answer is 8827.

We can use any number of digits in the number and the multiplication is still as simple.

The vertical bar " | " is used to separate components coming from subtraction and multiplication and is often helpful when we need to carry over.

#### **Example 2:** 999993 \* 999996 = ?

$$999996 - 4$$

Here the base is 1 million(1,000,000). As the base is one million 7\*4 should have 6 digits and that is why we see 4 zeros before 28.

#### **Example 3:** 112 \* 103 = ?

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$$112 + 12$$

$$103 + 03$$

Here the base is 100. As the numbers are higher than base, we put a "+" instead of "-" and as usual we add across and multiply the compliments.

#### **Example 4:** 113 \* 96 = ?

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$$113 + 13$$

$$96 - 04$$

$$109 \mid (-52) = 108 \mid 48$$

Here the base is 100. As multiplicand of compliments is negative (i.e –52), we simply borrow "1" from 109 giving us 48. (Note this is again same as applying Nikhilam navata, Charamam dasatha)

**Example 5:** 
$$54 * 48 = ?$$

• Here Take base as 10. As our numbers are close to 50, applying Anuroopena (proportionately) corollary, we need to multiply by 5.

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$$54 + 4$$

**Example 6:** Finding squares is now simple. 732 = ?

$$\bullet$$
 73 +3

$$73 + 3$$

#### Example 7:

using Urdhva – Tiryagbhyam Sutra Multiply 76 \* 7 = ?

#### Example 8:

above can be done with Urdhva -Tiryagbhyam Sutra as follows.

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$$(7*7) \mid (7*3 + 7*3) \mid (3*3) = 49 \mid 42 \mid 9 =$$

$$((49+4) \mid 2 \mid 9 = 5329$$

The treatise by Swamiji is very illuminating with many more techniques. Please refer to Vedic Mathematics By Bharati Krishna Tirthaji Maharaja and published by Motilal Banarasidass Publishers in Delhi.

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Shakambari Alankaram Preparation



Poornahuthi 1008 Modaka Homam



MKA 2010 - Mandala Puja - Sankeerthanam



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Ganesha Chathurthi



Ganesha Chathurthi Procession

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Sri Krishna Janmashtami Bhajans



MKA 2010 Mandala Puja - Shiva Parvati Kalyanam



MKA 2010 Mandala Puja - Balaji Sri Devi Bhoo Devi Kalyanam



MKA 2010 Volunteer Appreciation



Varalakshmi Vratam



Varalakshmi Vratam





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