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OM NAMO NARAYANAYA

New Year Greetings - Message from the Chairman & President

Dear Devotees,

OM NAMAH SHIVAYA

The Executive Committee (EC) and the Board of Directors (BoD) of the Hindu Community and Cultural Center (HCCC) wish you a happy and prosperous New Year. Continuing with the tradition of HCCC, we are privileged to provide you with this update.

In spite of the sagging economy in the Bay Area, the enthusiasm and the support from you has not dwindled. Your donations for 2003 as of October of about \$1.6 million is about the same as that for 2002. The management team is keeping the expenses within the donations received and within the approved budget to ensure that the financial health of the organization is sound. The HCCC's financial accounts are being maintained using formal accounting programs. Auditors are being hired to carry out the external audit for 2002 and 2003. Please see elsewhere in this newsletter for the 2003 financial summary.

The financial year got a good start when the 2002 management team (EC and BoD) did an excellent job of consolidating various existing loans by taking by advantage of low interest rates. The team also completed many asset improvement projects. The 2003 management team is focusing on the operation and services by making improvements to the work started in the previous years in the areas of Information System, Human Services, Human Resources, Youth Activities, Cultural and Food Committees. The present team recognizes the need for certain capital improvements relating to parking, office, classroom and storage space. However, all future capital improvements will be made only after the Master Planning Committee finalizes the Master Plan, and gets the approval of the City of Livermore in 2004.

We are currently developing the policies for governing the HCCC endowment fund. The endowment fund would consist of donations whose principal will be preserved but interests accrued will be used for HCCC operations. As of today, over \$400,000 has been accrued in the fund donated from various individuals.

Some salient facts on the "operation and services" are the following:

Information System: The system has been upgraded to facilitate expense approvals through E-vouchers, book a puja through the temple website, generate various financial documents, maintain temple records and generate statistical data to analyze temple operations, communicate with the devotees through mass e mails and update temple event information on the website.

Human Services: The health clinic was in operation for consultation by the volunteer medical professionals, conducted health fair, provided grants to local services (fire and police) and human services organizations, provided educational equipment (computers and books) to the local schools. These activities are catered to the community at large.

Youth Activities: Children and adults make use of the library facility regularly. The youth participated in the recently completed first annual Children & Youth day function and it was a joy to see the youngsters participating in chanting shlokas, story-telling, and acting in short plays and many more. See elsewhere in this newsletter for a report on this function.

Cultural Activities: This year's cultural activities focused on children. Children from various art schools provided music and dance recitals in the assembly hall and all the recitals were very well attended. Artistes from India also performed at the Assembly Hall.

Human Resources (HR): This newly created function, HR, focused on ensuring that the employees' needs are adequately addressed. The emp loyee benefits have been revised to make HCCC one of the best non-profit organizations to work for. Efforts are in place to develop a HR manual for the HCCC. Standard processes for hiring, training, reviewing employee complaints, employee misconduct and contract terminations are being developed -Cont. on page 8

PLEASE NOTE THE SCHEDULES Weekdays: 9 am to 12 noon and 6 pm to 8 pm Weekends & Holidays: 9 am to 8 pm

Paushya / Magha

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January 2004

Dhanur / Makara

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RAHU KALA 4:30 to 6:00 pm	7:30 to 9:00 am	3:00 to 4:30 pm			AYA OM NAMC 10:30 to 12 noon	
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Trayodasi 27:28 Rohini 20:58 Pradosham	Chaturdasi 29:46 Mrugasira 23:46	Poornima Whole Day Arudra 26:13 Arudra Darshan	Poornima 07:39 Punarvasu 28:17	Prathama 09:08 Pushya 29:57	Dwitiya 10:12 Ashlesha Whole day	Tritiya 10:51 Ashlesha 07:12 Makha Whole Day Sankatahara Chaturthi
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PLANNED SPECIAL EVENTS

DATE/DAY	EVENT	TIME	ACTIVITIES
Jan 1st/Thu			
Jan 1st/Thu Jan 2nd/Fri	New Year's day Vaikunta Ekadasi		Temple open from 8:00 AM - 8:30 PM
Jan 3rd/ Sat		11:00 AM	Pujas from 9:00 AM to 11:00 PM Swarna Alamkara for Shiva
Jali Jiu/ Jal	(1st Saturday of the month)		
	V. sittiles	12:00 Noon	Balaji Vastra Samarpana Kanthikara Abbibaka and Arabana
I 44h /C	Krittika Dahimi	6:30 PM	Karthikeya Abhisheka and Archana
Jan 4th/Sun	Rohini	6:30 PM	Sri Krishna Pooja
L OIL/T	Pradosham	6:30 PM	Shiva Abhisheka
Jan 6th/Tue	Poornima	6:30 PM	Lalita Sahasranama Parayana
Jan 7th/Wed	Punarvasu	6:30 PM	Sri Rama Abhisheka
Jan 10th/Sat	(2nd Saturday of the month)	10:00 AM	Balaji Sahasra Kalasha Abhisheka
L 11/L/C	Sankatahara Chaturthi	6:30 PM	Ganesha Abhisheka
Jan 11th/Sun		3:30 PM	Shiva Kalyana Utsavam
Jan 14th/Wed	Uttarayana Punyakala ,Thai Ponga		
T 4 F-1 /m1	Makara Deepa Pooja	6:30 PM	Ayyappa Makara Deepa Pooja and Bhajans
Jan 15th/Thu	Swati	6:30 PM	Sri Narasimha Swamy Abhisheka
Jan 17th/Sat	(3rd Saturday of the Month)	11:00 AM	Tiruppavadai Seva for Balaji
	Ekadasi	6:30 PM	Balaji Bhoga Murthy Abhisheka
	Arudra Natyanjali festival	Noon - 5:00 PM	Venue: Assembly Hall. Check website for details.
	Andal Kalyanam	3:00 - 5:00 PM	Andal Kalyanam weekend function
Jan 18th/Sun	(Third Sunday of the month)	11:00 AM	Bilva Dala Archana for Shiva
Jan 19th/Mon	Pradosham and Masa Shivaratri	6:30 PM	108 Kalasha Abhisheka for Shiva
Jan 22nd/Thu	Sravana	6:30 PM	Balaji Sahasra Nama Archana
Jan 24th/Sat	(4th Saturday of the Month)	12:00 Noon	Pushpa Seva for Balaji
Jan 25th/Sun	Vasantha Panchami		Detailed Program at the end
	(Last Sunday of the month)	4:30 PM	Kala Bhairava Abhisheka
Jan 26th/Mon	Shasti	6:30 PM	Karthikeya Sahasranama Archana
Jan 27th/Tue	Ratha Saptami	10:30 AM	Surya Namaskaram with Aruna Parayanam
Jan 30th/Fri	Krittika	6:30 PM	Kartikeya Abhisheka and Archana
	Madhwa Navami		Sri Madhwa Charya Pooja
Jan 31st/Sat	Rohini	6:30 PM	Sri Krishna Pooja
Feb 1st/Sun	Bheeshma Ekadasi	6:30 PM	Balaji Bhoga Murthy Abhisheka
	Ratha Saptami (weekend function)	11:30 AM	Surya Namaskaram with Aruna Parayanam
Feb 3rd/Tue	Pradosham	6:30 PM	Shiva Abhisheka
Feb 4th/Wed	Punarvasu	6:30 PM	Sri Rama Abhisheka
Feb 5th/Thu	Poornima	6:30 PM	Lalitha Sahasra Nama Parayana
	Thai Poosam	6:30 PM	Karthikeya Abhisheka and Archana
Feb 7th/Sat	(1st Saturday of the month)	11:00 AM	Swarna Alamkara for Shiva
	-	12:00 Noon	Balaji Vastra Samarpana
	Cultural Program	3:00 PM	Bharathanatyam dance recital by Nitya Venkateswaran
			(Shri Krupa Dance Company, San Jose,CA)
Feb 8th/Sun		3:30 PM	Murugan Kalyanam
Feb 9th/Mon	Sankatahara Chaturthi	6:30 PM	Ganesha Abhisheka
Feb 12th/Thu	Swati	6:30 PM	Sri Narasimha Swamy Abhisheka
Feb 13th,14 & 15th	Shiva Brahmotsavam		3 day festival, Friday - Sunday. Program details given at the end.
Feb 14th/Sat	(2nd Satuday of the month)	10:00 AM	Balaji Sahasra Kalasha Abhisheka
Feb 16th/Mon	Ekadasi	6:30 PM	Balaji Bhoga Murthy Abhisheka
Feb 17th/Tue	Pradosham	6:30 PM	Shiva Abhisheka
Feb 18th/Wed	Maha Shivaratri		Detailed program at the end
	Sravana	6:30 PM	Balaji Sahasranama Archana
Feb 21st/Sat	(3rd Saturday of the month)	11:00 AM	Tiruppavadai Seva for Balaji
Feb 25th/Wed	Shasti	6:30 PM	Karthikeya Sahasra Nama Archana
Feb 26th/Thu	Krittika	6:30 PM	Karthikeya Abhisheka and Archana
Feb 28th/Sat	(4th Saturday of the month)	12:00 Noon	Pushpa Seva for Balaji
	Rohini	6:30 PM	Sri Krishna Pooja
Feb 29th/Sun	(Last Sunday of the month)	4:30 PM	Kala Bhairava Abhisheka -Cont. on page 4
1	(or the month)		

	PLANNED SPI	ECIAL EV	/ENTS
	VASANTA PANCHAMI -	Januar	y 25th/Sunday
9:30 - 10:00 10:30 AM 11:30 AM 12:00 Noon	Saraswati Pooja begins in Assembly Hall Pushpanjali	12:30 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Bhog Prasadam Pushpanjali at Dasabhuja Durga Shrine Arathi, Prasada Viniyogam and Visarjana in Assembly Hall
	SHIVA BRAI	HMOTSA	AVAM
Feb 13th	Friday	Feb 15th	Sunday
7:00PM Anujna ,Ganapati Pooja ,Punyahavachanam,		9:00 AM	Shiva Suprabatham
	Deeksha Kankana Dharanam, Panchagavya Shuddi ,	9:30 AM	Shiva Abhisheka
	Ankurarpana, Dhwaja Pataka Pooja,Nandeeshwara Abhisheka,	10:00 AM	MahaGanapati Abhisheka
	Bali, Dhwaja Arohana, Arathi and Mantrapushpam.	11:00 AM	Nitya Pooja ,Nitya Homa , Bali .
Feb 14th	Saturday	11:30 AM	Karthikeya Abhisheka
9:00 AM	Shiva Suprabatham	1:00 PM	Avabruda Snanam , MahaPoornahuti and Arathi.
9:30 AM	Shiva Abhisheka	3:30 PM	Shiva Kalyanam
10:00 AM	Nava Kumbha Sthapana, Agni Pratishta, Vastu Pooja,	5:00 PM	Nandi Vahana Utsavam , Dwaja Avarohana,Deeksha Visarjana
	Vastu Homa and Bali.		Asheervada and Prasada Distribution.
5:00 PM	Rudra Homa, Sadyojatadi Homa, Parivara Devata Homa ,		
	Laghu Poornahuti and Arathi.		
7:30 PM	Nitya Pooja ,Aradhana , Bali , Arathi and Mantrapushpam.		



MAHA SHIVARATRI

Feb 18th	/Wednesday	Feb 19th/	/Thursday
6:00 AM	Shiva Suprabatham	12:00 AM	Shiva Abhisheka 6th Yaama
6:30 AM	Shiva Abhisheka 1st Yaama	3:30 AM	Shiva Abhisheka 7th Yaama
10:00 AM	Shiva Abhisheka 2nd Yaama	5:30 AM	Shiva Abhisheka 8th Yaama
1:00 PM	Shiva Abhisheka 3rd Yaama		
3:30 PM	Shiva Abhisheka 4th Yaama		
6:00 PM	Mahanyasa Parayanam Ekadasa Vara Abhisheka 5th Yaama		
	Arathi ,Astavadana seva and Mantra Pushpam		

Thanksgiving 2003



As a part of our tradition, this year also HCCC volunteered in Livermore Community Thanksgiving Dinner held at Bothewell Recreation Center in downtown Livermore. Members of HCCC team and volunteers from the community (top picture) participated in serving the seniors at the dinner tables. Seniors from the Livermore community heartily appreciated HCCC for its continued participation in such community events and the hospitality shown by our members at the dinner tables. It was really an opportunity to be able to participate 'hands on' in such events and it does touch the hearts of people. Many seniors attended this event, some of them in their wheel chairs and others came directly from their hospital beds.

This year, Thanksgiving event was sponsored on behalf of HCCC by Vidya Anant and their family with a \$1000 donation to HCCC. Human Services

Volunteering program was coordinated by Subadra Subramanian and the photographs were provided by T.K. Subramanian. Thanks to all of you once again for sharing your time and resources with a great heart.

Community help line:

We sincerely thank the members of the community for responding to our call and generously supporting a young couple, Deepak and Vani Krishnamoorthy who were in financial crisis. Deepak was diagnosed with leukemia and underwent chemotherapy at Stanford Hospital. Through your support the couple received \$6500 in donations. Some of you were kind enough to visit them and provide some moral support as well. For its part HCCC arranged free puja program at the couple's residence as a goodwill gesture. Deepak is continuing chemotherapy at Stanford and is showing signs of improvement. Hopefully, the state will help with some support through its disability programs. Our best wishes to Deepak and Vani Krishnamoorthy.

HCCC Human Services team

AN EXEMPLARY YOUNGSTER...



Vijay and his team working on the walkway project

and collected about \$1200 in very small amounts for the entire material and equipment rental.

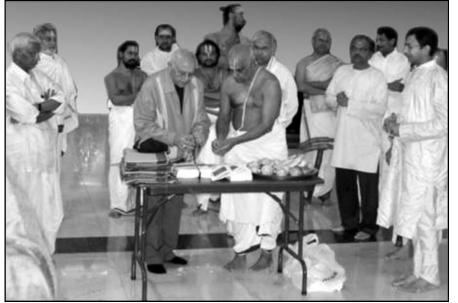
A sixteen year old from our devotee community in Livermore has set an example on how youngsters can contribute to the society for a common cause with their own motivation and dedication.

Vijay Kripalani, a 11th grade student of Livermore and a member of Boy Scouts approached us in the month of July 2003 expressing his desire to build and contribute something very useful to the temple. Subsequently, we identified a small project to build a long walk way on the land behind Assembly hall connecting it to the Kanaka Durga Temple. It took two months for us to get our own internal clearances and define all conditions and liability issues before the project was formally approved. To our surprise, during the following three weekends in the month of October Vijay worked hard with his team of friends and presented the completed walk way to HCCC by Oct 24th, 2003. He raised necessary funds by walking door to door

During the HCCC Steering Committee (SC) meeting on Oct 26th, SC members congratulated Vijay for his determination and awarded him with a certificate from HCCC. Vijay also excels in his academics and has been receiving awards for his outstanding performance in both academic and other extracurricular activities as well. (You may share this story with your youngsters - This news is for them as well.)



First Annual Children & Youth Day – Nov 15th 2003



Sri Rajendra Prasad releasing the Souvenir book

HCCC Youth and Education committee conducted the First Annual Children & Youth Day celebrations on Saturday, November 15th at the Temple. A large number of children and youth participated in these celebrations and lent a helping hand in almost all areas of temple activity during a typical weekend day – religious and sloka chanting, registration, food preparation and packing, cultural programs, etc.

The day began with youth participating in the Shiva and Vishnu suprabathams at the respective shrines. On the occasion of this program, three publications were released. The First Annual Children and Youth Day Souvenir was released by Rajendra Prasad, a longtime supporter of our temple. (His wife, the late Malti Prasad, was one of our temple founders and it was her dream to have a program like this). The Ganesha Puja book was released by Jagannadham Akella and Our temple deities & prayers (Sloka book) was released by Kota Sastri.

The morning session began with the sloka chanting activity, where over seventy five children, ages 4 and above participated. It was wonderful to hear and listen to their chantings during this two hour session. In addition, there was a children's activity center that comprised of coloring, face painting, crosswords, etc. with about five hundred participants. Subsequently, over one hundred children performed the Samoohika Ganesha puja using small silver Ganesha idols with assistance from their parents and guidance from priests and volunteers. During this puja, the purpose and

meanings of the whole procedure were clearly explained for them to better understand its significance.

The afternoon session began with a talent show of bhajans, story telling, poetry, etc. Subsequently, a Youth Forum was organized for high school and college students with the following two topics:

- We Power and Relevance of Prayer for the Young Minds
- W Admission into College A Road Map for Youth

There was also a Geeta Chalisa session and Samoohika Lakshmi Puja performed by children and youth under the guidance of priests and volunteers.

The day concluded with a three hour Cultural Program that was very colorful with various performances by children to a packed Assembly Hall. Children's groups from various Bay area organizations and groups from our temple participated in the



Children performing Samoohika Ganesha Puja

program. Three prizes were given for sloka chanting competition during the evening cultural program. All participants, children, parents and volunteers thoroughly enjoyed the event. An on-line event registration was introduced for this program – tasks like Activity registration, volunteer coordination, etc were all done online.

We would like to thank all the participants, children, program coordinators, volunteers, priests, admin staff, maintenance staff and all members of the temple management for their contribution and support for making the First Annual Children & Youth day a memorable and successful event. We also thank the priests, article contributors and all volunteers who helped us in preparation of the Souvenir, Ganesha Puja and Sloka book. Our thanks to Sri Kota Sastri and Pandit Srinivas Acharyalu, Chief Priest of our temple for their overall guidance and assistance with preparation for this program. -Cont. on page 7

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Youth Forum

Cultural program participants

We hope to continue this trend and make this an annual event. Comments/Suggestions on this program are welcome and should be sent to vrvenkat@sbcglobal.net.

Nitya Janmadina Archana - Reaching out to Devotees:

Archana on Devotee's Birthday

HCCC management has been continually working towards improving its services in reaching out to devotees. Over years, HCCC has been able to attract thousands of devotees in the Bay area to visit and actively participate in the functions at Shiva-Vishnu temple. HCCC is planning several initiatives to serve devotees better. One of such initiatives is to start 'Nitya Janmadina Archana' program.

Shiva Vishnu temple will recognize each devotee on the occasion of his or her birthday by performing a pooja/archana on their name at the temple. We plan to accomplish this by sending a personalized email to the devotees a week prior to the day of their birthday, informing them that the temple will be performing an Archana on their name, on their birthday. The devotees have the choice of making any corrections to the temple's record (name, nakshatra, gothra, etc.). The devotee also has the option of instructing the temple to cancel the archana and documenting it in the temple's records for future reference.

The priests will perform the archana at 6:30 PM on the birthday, and the devotees are welcome to attend. Shiva -Vishnu temple will again send another personalized email informing about the completion of the archana. There will be no request or suggestion for donation.

The management is aware of the potential concerns about individual's privacy. We will be collecting the devotees' feedback as we implement this program and make necessary adjustments as we finalize the program in a few months. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact the temple at BirthdayPooja@livermoretemple.org.

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Income Statement		Cash/Stock Assets	
Revenues	\$ 1395 K	Cash in Bank	\$ 464 K
Expenses	\$ 1201 K	Marketable Securities	\$ 225 K
(Operations/Capital expenses)		TOTAL	\$ 689 K
		Long Term Liabilities	\$ 1147 K
		Total Fixed Assets	\$ 6926 K

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Food Committee: The food committee has continued to build on the "Annadana" project started by the same food committee of last year and the devotees are continuing to enjoy prasadam on weekends. The pachaka (cook) provides Naivedyam to each of the deities and prepares delicious laddu prasadam for the devotees. Now, the kitchen is better equipped with new cooking appliances to handle the food for a large number of devotees. Food committee started many new projects like Preeti Bhojan, Maha Vindu, temporary dining hall and phala danam.

Paschima Vani newsletter: HCCC mails the newsletter to about 9000 people (six issues per year). The database in the information system has 20,000 addresses. Mailing the newsletter to larger group consumes significant additional resources. We are reviewing the optimal method of reaching every one by a combination of hard copies and using the HCCC website.

The temple continues to be popular and is attracting a very large number of devotees. The religious services continue to be the core activity for the temple. We are trying our best to provide the requested puja services at your home without jeopardizing the temple activities. The large demand for home pujas has prompted us to hire more priests. Two new priests, Pandit Pawan Kumar and Pandit Venkateswara Sarma have recently joined the temple and two more new priests are expected to join us in the coming weeks. Pandit Chandrasekhara Gurukkal is returning to India for personal reasons. We thank him for his contributions to the temple and wish him all the best in the future. The religious "Sampradaya" (customs), and the religious policies are being reviewed for the formalization of "Shiva-Vishnu Temple, Livermore Sampradaya".

There is round the clock maintenance of the facilities, which has kept the facilities very clean, and the management team is trying to improve it further.

Finally, the organization is blessed with dedicated priests, temple operations staff, and the maintenance personnel and several volunteers without whose hard work and support we would not achieved success. We also are thankful to the members of the Steering Committee who placed their trust on us, and the dedicated members of the past and present Executive Committee and the Board of Directors who continue to assist us.

We wish you all the best in 2004. With warm regards,

Srinivasa Visweswaran

President. Executive Committee

Shiv Mehta Chairman, Board of Directors



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