

TEMPLE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
9 am to 12 noon & 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,
Left on Arrowhead Avenue

NEWS FROM THE HINDU COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL CENTER, LIVERMORE
SHIVA - VISHNU TEMPLE

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"OM NAMO NARAYANAYA"

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Dear Devotees,

On behalf of HCCC, I extend warm wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

The new management team assumed governance of HCCC for the 2023-2024 term on March 26, 2023, with Sri. Prabhakar Bhanoori as Chairman, Smt. Sailaja Malireddy as President, and Smt. Usha Ramaswamy as Corporate Secretary.

Over the past nine months, we have been actively engaged in various religious, cultural, human services, youth, and education events and programs. Some notable events include the "Sri Shiva Panchakshri Sahitha Annapoorneswari Maha Yagam," Holi, Sri Rama Navami, Panguni Uthiram, Tamil Marabu Day, Tamil New Year, Akshya Tritiya, Adi Shankara Jayanthi, Ramanuja Jayanthi, Basava Jayanthi, Meenakshi Kalyanam, Vasavi Jayanthi, Ganesh and Kumresh Concert, Narasimha Jayanthi, Livermore Rodeo, Shiva Pavithra Samarpana, Temple Anniversary Celebrations, Smt. Sudha Raghunathan Concert, One Day in Tirumala, Y&E Summer Camp, Ganesh Chathurthi, San Ramon Kalyanam, Telugu Vaibhavam Cultural Event, Annual Health Fair, Navarathri and Durga Pooja Celebrations, Annual Fundraising Banquet, Simply SPB (Tribute to Late Dr. SP Balasubrahmanyam) Concert, Mahalakshmi Yagam, Deepavali Celebrations, Sri Vishnu Pushpa Yagam, Marghazi Ustavam, Hindu Heritage Hall Inauguration, and Vaikunda Ekadasi.

The recently inaugurated Hindu Heritage Hall, located in the HCCC administrative building on Dec 17, 2023, is an audio-visual exhibit hall featuring glass art, video wall displays, Interactive whiteboard, banners, and digital kiosks showcasing Hindu Heritage and Culture in the context of Bharat history and geography, dating back to the Indus Valley civilization. We invite you to come and experience the Hindu Heritage Hall.

Making good progress with focused effort on the capital projects:

- Architectural Enhancements and Sculpture Work: In Progress
- Information System (HINTS) Modernization: In Progress. First module to Modernize the devotee management and services is functional complete. Working on testing and GO LIVE plan
- Annadana and Naivedyam Kitchen Renovation: Ready to apply for the permit
- Annadana Hall: Obtained the approval from City planning

Shiva-Vishnu Temple, Livermore, has been known for authentic religious rituals for over 30 years. We have 12 excellent priests, and for pooja bookings, please contact the front desk at 925-449-6255, extension 3. They will assist you in arranging a priest either at your home or at the Temple for all your religious needs.

We have multiple event halls and an Auditorium available for devotees. We strongly encourage responsible use for personal, religious, and family needs at reasonable suggested donations. To book an event hall or Auditorium, please contact the front desk at 925-449-6255, extension 3.

The Temple houses a Prasadalaya where Naivedyam (food offering for God) is prepared and served to all devotees. We urge you to generously donate to the Annadana program by becoming a sponsor, as it helps us serve a large number of devotees who visit the temple during the weekend. The Temple relies on the generosity of devotees like you.

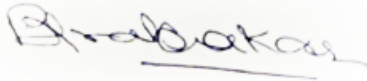
The New Year event was very successful with support from many dedicated volunteers to manage the

traffic, devotee movement, food preparation & packing, making beautiful flower malas, and many other areas. The priests and team created the special alankarams and the notable were Bangle Alankaram, Lingodhbhavam and Pulangi Alankarams. Many thousands of devotees visited throughout the day to witness the divine experience and got gods blessings.

On behalf of HCCC Management I am proud to say that we had an outstanding 2023.

I humbly request your continued support to uphold HCCC's mission and address the needs of our devoted community.

Sincerely,



Prabhakar Bhanoori
Chairman HCCC 2023-24

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Namaste Dear Devotee,

We are excited to bring back our Paschimavani after a ten-year break, and we hope to provide you with regular updates going forward. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of HCCC, without which we would not have been able to navigate 2023 successfully. We have had record levels of devotee traffic in 2023! Devotees had the pleasure of experiencing various religious, cultural, human services, and youth & education programs – including over 100+ events throughout the year – with the support of hundreds of dedicated volunteers, priests, and staff. Additionally, we were excited to perform an onsite special event – a five day Mahalakshmi Yaagam (Sri Suktham was chanted 1600 times by 16 Rithviks while performing homam).

We also conducted several offsite community events, including:

- **One Day in Tirumala** – a religious event conducted in Evergreen High School, San Jose; Over 2000 devotees participated in this day-long Tirumala style sevas and utsavams.
- **San Ramon Kalyanam** – a community-based Srinivasa Kalyanam, held at the Dougherty Valley High School in San Ramon; Over 1500 devotees participated in this religious event.
- **Tribute to SP Balasubrahmanyam** – a multilingual cultural fundraiser performance by SP Charan and SP Shailaja at the Chabot College, Hayward; About 1000 people supported this event.

With your help, we have continued to grow our Annadana program. We are making conscious efforts in green initiatives – just this New Year's Day alone, we swapped thousands of plastic water bottles for sustainable alternatives (i.e., water coolers across campus). We welcome you to volunteer in any area of your interest and choice –including making flowers/malas, kitchen/food services, religious decorations/alankarams, front office, cultural support services, health and human services, senior services, youth and education, heritage hall, maintenance, construction, and young adult engagement.

HCCC is more than a religious organization – we are helping to drive impact across the greater Bay Area and more. We work with local artists to promote India's rich and diverse cultural heritage. Our grant-in-aid program, through which we donate funds to charitable organizations, continues to thrive. Being a 100% volunteer governed organization, HCCC has created an incredible legacy over the last forty years. I am immensely proud of our accomplishments and look forward to a blessed 2024.

With Gratitude,

Sailaja Malireddy
HCCC President, 2023-24 Term



2023-24 Management Team

Board of Directors

Board Liaisons

Prabhakar Bhanoori	Chairman, Finance, Fund Raising
Sailaja Malireddy	President
Ramarao Yendluri	Vice Chairman, Information Systems, Publicity
Usha Ramaswamy	Corporate Secretary, EC Secretary, Cultural
Swaminathan Murali	Facilities, Administration, Inventory & Procurement
Srinivasa Malladi	Religious, Public Relations
Kaushik Punyamurtula	Construction, Young Adults
Krishna Vutukuru	Youth & Education, Human Services, Human Resources
Mahesh Illuri	Maintenance, Food, Volunteer Coordination

Executive Committee Members

Portfolios

Archana Villivalam	Facilities Committee
Chitra Mani	Cultural Committee
Dimple Cyril	Young Adults Committee
Goutham vedanti	Youth and Education Committee
Kala Iyer	Human Resources Committee
Dimple Cyril	Volunteer Coordination Committee
Naveen Mareddy	Information Systems Committee
Ramani Aiyer	Administration Committee
Sailaja Malireddy	President, Fund Raising Committee
Sainath Kala	Maintenance Committee
Shyamala Venkateswaran	Human Services Committee
Sudhakar Mallampati	Religious Committee
Sudha Surapaneni	Food Committee
Suresh Kolan	Hundi Committee (Joint treasurer)
Umashankar Meda	Public Relations Committee
Upendra Tiwary	Construction Committee
Vani Pulapa	Religious Inventory and Procurement Committee
Venkat Rangan	Finance Committee (Treasurer)
Vinay Kalleth	Publicity Committee
Vivek Deshpande	EC Secretary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Request for Coordinators for 2024-2025 Religious events

We, at Shiva Vishnu Temple, are very proud to have an unmatched group of volunteers helping with various religious events throughout the year. If you are interested or know someone who is interested in coordinating particular event, please send an email to Religious Chair Sudhakar Mallampati (ec_religious@livermoretemple.org)

Please include the following information in the email:

- Your name
- Contact Phone Number
- Interested event

Kindly note that the factors such as commitment and experience among others will be considered when assigning co-coordinators for an event. Please do not get disappointed if your name or your nominee's name is not chosen. It will be added to the potential coordinator list and reviewed for future years.



Hiring Priests

HCCC Livermore Temple has immediate Openings for Highly Qualified and experienced Hindu Priests.

Email application form or for more information send email to: resumehccc@gmail.com



Religious Schedule - Planned Special Events

Basant Panchami Saraswathi Puja (Vasant Panchami)

DATE/DAY	TIME	EVENTS
Tuesday February 13th, 2024	10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Sri Saraswati Puja, Hate' Khadi (Akshara Abhyasa), Aarathi & Pushpanjali
	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Sri Saraswati Puja, Hate' Khadi (Akshara Abhyasa), Sandhya Aarathi & Pushpanjali

Sri Madhwa Navami Celebrations

DATE/DAY	TIME	EVENTS
Saturday, February 17th, 2024	5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Abhishekam
Saturday, February 17th, 2024	08:00 AM - 09:00 AM	Saaligrama Puja
	09:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Stotra Pahana, Shri Harivayustuti Punascharane, Madhu (Honey) Abhishekam
	10:30 AM - 11:15 AM	Rathotsava (with Sarvamoola Granthas)
	11:15 AM - 12:00 PM	Archana, Asthottara Seva, Naivedya & Mangala Arati
	12:00 PM	Theertha Prasadam

Shiva Brahmotsavam

DATE/DAY	TIME	EVENTS
Friday, March 1st, 2024	4:00 PM	Anujna, Ganapati Pooja, Punyahavachana, Deeksha Dhaarana, Panchagavya Suddhi, Ankurarpanam, Vaastu Homa, Nandi Dhawaja Arohana, Bali, Arati, Theertha Prasadam
Saturday, March 2nd, 2024	9:00 AM	Lord Shiva and Lord Balaji Suprabhatham
	9:30 AM	Shiva, Balaji Abhishekam
	11:00 AM	Nava Kumbha Sthapana
	11:30 AM	Surya Prabha Vahana seva
	12:30 AM	Agni Prathistapana, Rudra Homa, Bali
	1:00 PM	Arati
	3:30 PM	Rudra Trishati Archana, Krama Archana
	4:30 PM	Sadyojatadi Homa, Shiva Sahasra Nama Homa, Parivara Devata Homa, Laghu Poornahuti
	6:30 PM	Nitya Aradhana, Bali
	7:00 PM	Maha mangala Arati, Mantra Pushpam, Theertha Prasadam
Saturday, March 3rd, 2024	9:00 AM	Lord Shiva and Lord Balaji Suprabhatham
	9:30 AM	Lord Shiva, Lord Ganapati, Lord Kartikeya and Goddess Kanaka Durga Abhishekam
	10:30 AM	Nithya Homam, Bali
	11:30 AM	Lord Shiva, Goddess Parvati Utsava Murthi Abhishekam
	1:00 PM	Avabrida (Tri Shula) Snanam, Maha Purnahuti and Arati
	3:30 PM	Lord Shiva, Goddess Parvati Kalyanam
	5:00 PM	Vrishabha Vahana Seva
	6:30 PM	Mouna Bali, Dhawaja Avarohanam, Rajopachara Seva, Deeksha Visarjanam and Asheervachanam

Maha Shivaratri

DATE/DAY	TIME	EVENTS
Friday, March 8, 2024	7:30 AM	Lord Shiva and Lord Vishnu Suprabhatham
	8:00 AM	1st Yaama Lord Shiva Abhishekam
	10:30 AM	2nd Yaama – Lord Shiva Abhishekam
	1:00 PM	3rd Yaama – Lord Shiva Abhishekam
	3:00 PM	4th Yaama – Lord Shiva Abhishekam
	5:30 PM	Jyothirlinga Archana
	5:00 PM	5th Yaama Mahanyasa Parayanam Ekadasa (11 times) vara Rudra Abhishekam; Rajopachara Seva (includes Pradosham)
		6th Yaama – Lord Shiva Abhishekam
		7th Yaama – Lord Shiva Abhishekam
	8th Yaama – Lord Shiva Abhishekam	

Panguni Uthiram

DATE/DAY	TIME	EVENTS
Sunday, March 24th, 2024	10:00 AM	Maha Lakshmi, Perumal Abhishekam
	11:00 AM	Sri Karthikeya Shankabhishekam
	3:30 PM	Sri Sooktha Homam
	5:30 PM	Gadya Traya Parayanam, Maha Lakshmi Utsavam
	6:30 PM	Sethi Seva
	7:00 PM	Theertha Prasadam



Please review individual event flyers posted on our Temple web site (<http://www.livermoretemple.org>) for most current information on events. Event schedules may change after publication of this newsletter and devotees are request to visit our Temple website for most accurate schedules.



Event Gallery



San Ramon Kalyanvotsavam



Evergreen High School Kalyanvotsavam



Shiva Pavitravotsavam



Skanda Shashthi



Vaikunta Ekadashi



Ayyappa Puja



Annapurneshwari Yagam



Lakshmi Yagam

Human Services Committee

The Human Services committee was established in 1987 with the mission of "Serving the community at large by making a difference in the life of needy people."

There are 4 pillars in HCCC, religious, cultural, Youth and Education and HUMAN SERVICES.

The Human Services committee was established in 1987 just one year after the Kumbhabhishekam or consecration of the Temple. Keeping with the theme of serving the community HS (HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE) works with Public and Government entities in executing several programs for the needy in our communities. Our programs support the needs of the underprivileged both locally and worldwide.

The focus of areas is:

- Health Related activities
- Food, Clothing, Education and shelter for the needy.
- Honoring senior citizens by conducting special activities and programs to keep them entertained and engaged.

Some of the Programs include.

- Grant in Aid where grants are awarded to non -profit organizations that help humanitarian causes
- Senior Picnics
- Arrange lectures that are useful like Alzheimer's care, personal safety by the Police Department, Legal Assistance for senior etc.
- Covid and flu vaccines
- Blood Drives
- Kidney and Dental screening
- Bone Marrow Drives

In the last quarter of 2023 Human Services conducted several programs took place like.

- Ongoing Health Advisory, Yoga classes.
- Annual Health Fair
- Senior bus strip.
- Hosted Asian Art society for tour of the temple.
- Senior Navarathri and Diwali program
- Participated in the Diwali Mela conducted by City of Livermore
- Participated in the Thanksgiving service by The Interfaith Interconnect of Tri valley
- Collected Toys through a Toy drive and donated to Axis Community Health Pediatric Unit in Pleasanton and Livermore.

The Human Services committee is supported by donations and team of Hard-working volunteers.

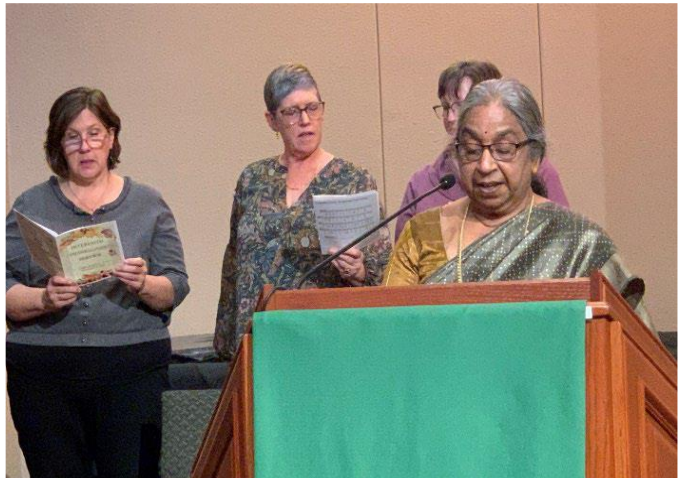
Health Fair



Senior Bus Trip



Diwali Program and Interfaith Thanksgiving Service



Celebrated Cultural Events



Simply SPB show



Ganesh and Kumaresh show



Telugu Vaibhavam



Telugu Vaibhavam



Sudha Raghunathan concert



Sundara Kerala



Dances of Orissa



Yakshagana



Sundara Kerala continued



Dances of India



Annual banquet Dinner



Hindu Heritage Hall

Note from Publicity Chair

Dear Devotees Namaste.,

We have made several enhancements to our HCCC publicity efforts in order to reach out to broader devotee community including our presence on social media to stay connected. We now have official presence on facebook, twitter and Instagram.



Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Livermoretemple>



Twitter: <https://twitter.com/livermoretemple>



Instagram: <https://instagram.com/livermoretemple>

Please do like us on Facebook and follow our HCCC activities on twitter and Instagram. Our presence on social media should encourage technology savvy individuals as well as younger devotees to connect with our Temple activities more closely.

Please mark your calendar and plan on participating in all the events planned.

Finally, you can now view/read your favorite quarterly newsletter PaschimaVani on any device whether it is mobile or otherwise with a custom reader to fit your needs. Please do send us your feedback on our newsletter as well on our web site content.

May the divine blessings be with you and your family always.

Regards,

Vinay Kallesh

Publicity Committee

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