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Newsletter

HINDU/TAMIL CALENDER: VISHU VARASHAM AADI/KATAKA MAASYA

AADI	DAY	DATE	EVENT
2	WEDNESDAY	18-07-2001	PRADOSHAM
3	THURSDAY	19-07-2001	MASA SIVARATHIRI
4	FRIDAY	20-07-2001	AADI AMAVASYA / 1 ST AADI VELLI
8	TUESDAY	24-07-2001	AADI POORAM / CHATURTHI VRATAM
10	THURSDAY	26-07-2001	SASHTI VRATAM
11	FRIDAY	27-07-2001	2 ND AADI VELLI
15	TUESDAY	31-07-2001	SARVA EKADASI
16	WEDNESDAY	01-08-2001	PRADOSHAM
18	FRIDAY	03-08-2001	VARALAKSHMI VRATAM / PADINETTAM PERUKKU / POURNAMI VRATAM / 3 RD AADI VELLI
19	SATURDAY	04-08-2001	RIK VEDA & YAJUR VEDA UPAKARMA / SRAVANA VRATAM
20	SUNDAY	05-08-2001	GAYATHRI JAPAM / KANCHI SRI JAYENDRAR JEYANTHI
22	TUESDAY	07-08-2001	MAHA SANKATAHARA CHATURTHI
26	FRIDAY	10-08-2001	4 TH AADI VELLI
26	SATURDAY	11-08-2001	GOKULASHTAMI
27	SUNDAY	12-08-2001	KARTHIGAI VRATAM
30	WEDNESDAY	15-08-2001	SARVA EKADASI
31	THURSDAY	16-08-2001	PRADOSHAM

ADI PURAM

Adi Puram is celebrated in most of the temples in South India during Adi month (July-Aug) when the asterism Puram is in ascendancy. This festival is celebrated to propitiate the blessings of Sakthi Devi who is said to have come during this day into this world. It is believed that there are eight forces (Sakhti) of nature which are controlled by Devi and that the "Ashta Maha Siddhis" are said to be derived from those forces. They are:

- 1) **Anima** - art of entering into a foreign body
- 2) **Mahima** - the art of increasing the bulk of one's body
- 3) **Garuna** - the art of rendering small things ponderous
- 4) **Laghima** - the art of lifting heaviest things
- 5) **Prapti** - the art of gaining access through a small hole
- 6) **Prakamya** - the art of transmuting and entering into various worlds of tenuous matter
- 7) **Isatwam** - the art of creating protecting and destroying and rendering the plants obedient to the will and
- 8) **Vasitwam** - the art of bringing all created being under subjection.

According to the myth Goddess Meenakshi and Andal came to the universe on this day.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Marriage of Chi Srikumar s/o Smt & Sri N. S. Ramachandran (LR-11) with Sow. Sangeeta d/o Smt & Sri K.S. Rajan on 17th June 2001 at Trivandrum.



Birth of a grand-daughter, Maanasa, to Smt Girija Varadharajan and Sri A K Varadharajan (OV-19), daughter to Sow. Anupama and Chi Ganapathy Subramaniam on 4th June at New Haven,

Connecticut, USA.

VEDA & SLOKA CLASSES

DAYS	TIME	RESIDENCE OF	TOPIC
Wednesdays	7.30 – 8.30pm	Sri D. Ramesh	Devi
		Blk 112 #05-146	Mahadmiyam
		Bukit Batok West Ave 6	Veda class
		Tel: 565-4506	
Wednesdays	7.30 – 8.30pm	Sri R Venkateshwaran	Veda Class
		Blk 125 #09-405	
		Pasir Ris Street 11	
		Tel: 583-3544	
Thursdays	7.30 – 8.30pm	Sri V.S. Gururajan	Veda class
		Blk 572 #04-3375	
		Ang Mo Kio Avenue 3	
		Tel: 454-0607	
Tuesdays/ Saturdays	7.30 – 8.30pm 3.30 – 5.00pm	Sri Muralidhara Sastrigal	Veda class
		Blk 668 #09-04	
		Chander Road	
		Tel: 297-8134	
2 nd & 4 th	4 – 5.30 pm	Sri G Srinivasan	Sloka class
Sundays		16 Jalan Tamban	
		Tel: 346-1850	

COME & JOIN OUR VEDA & SLOKA CLASSES

For the benefit of members we are conducting Veda & Sloka classes at members' houses as detailed alongside:



CONDOLENCES

Mrs. Gomathi Krishnamurthy, aged 70 years, mother of Sri K Karthikeyan (LK-05) passed away on 4th June 2001 in Singapore.

Our deepest condolence to the bereaved family.

ANNOUNCEMENT

LAKSHARCHANAI AND KUNGUMA ARCHANAI-SRI MARIAMMAN TEMPLE, SOUTH BRIDGE RD

In conjunction with the Firewalking Festival, the annual "Laksharchanai" and "Kunguma Archanai" will be performed for Goddess Sri Mariamman, at Sri Mariamman Temple, South Bridge Road. The programme is as follows:

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

13th & 14th July 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm Kunguma Archanai

SATURDAY

14th July 5.00 pm to 8.30 pm Laksharchanai

SUNDAY

15th July 7.00 am to 11.30 am Laksharchanai

Temple authorities have requested for Sabha's assistance in conducting the Laksharchanai and we request members to participate in large numbers and receive the blessings of Goddess Sri Mariamman. Members wishing to participate are kindly requested to contact Sri R Venkataramani Tel: 344-2097.

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SURYA NAMASKARAMS

Surya namaskarams during the month of Avani is considered auspicious, as Surya Bhagawan is residing in his own house. Members wishing to host the



event at their residences on the following Sundays i.e 19th Aug, 26th Aug, 2nd and 9th September are requested to contact the Hon. Secretary Sri P.S Somasekharan at Tel:3441694.

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CRUISE ON 8TH SEPTEMBER 2001

Sabha is planning a Cruise around the Island on **8th September 2001**. Charges will be **adults \$25/- children below 6 years and infants will be \$20/-**. Dinner will be served. For reservations please contact the Secretariat at Tel: **298-8892** or Hon.Secretary, Sri. P.S. Somasekharan Tel: **344-1694**. Reservation is on a first come first serve basis. We need a minimum of 140 people inclusive of infants. If required minimum response is not forthcoming, the programme will be cancelled. Members are therefore requested to respond before 5th August 2001.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

POURNAMI POOJA

Next Pournami Pooja is on **Friday, 3rd Aug 2001** and falls on **Uthiradam Nakshathiram**. Due to Varalakshmi Nonbu no pooja will be held.

AADI VELLI POOJA

Aadi Velli falls on 20th & 27th July and 3rd & 10th August. Members willing to host the Pooja on any of the Fridays, with the exception of 3rd August (Varalakshmi Nonbu), at their residences are kindly requested to contact Sri. P S Ramanathan Tel: 442-7841.

RIG VEDA & YAJUR VEDA UPAKARMA – SATURDAY 4TH AUGUST 2001

Upakarma will be held at the PGP Kalyana Mandapam, Serangoon Road. There will be three sessions:

1 st Session	:	5.45 am
2 nd Session	:	7.00 am
3 rd Session	:	9.45 am (Homam Session)

Sankalpam:

*Vishu or Vrisha Nama Samvatsare
Dakshinayane, Greeshma Rhuthow
Katakamase, Suklapakshe
Pournamasyam Subathithow
Sthiravasara Yukthayam
Sravana Nakshatra Yukthayam*

APPEAL

Hindu Centre is having a fund raising Dinner in connection with their Building Renovation. Guest of Honour is HE Mr S R Nathan. They have appealed for the support of our members to buy the tickets costing **\$300/- \$200/-and \$100/-** per person. Members wishing to support may kindly contact Ms.Latha at Hindu Centre Tel: 291-8540 or 734-8794

An appeal has been received from the trustees of Sri Kasi Lingeswarar Tirukkovil for contributions in commemoration of their Kumbabhishekam towards Krishna Yajurveda Prayanam (S\$120/- per Brahmin) Annadanam (S\$120/-per day) Special Annadanam (\$400/-). The temple authorities are rendering services for visiting devotees especially for the various religious functions required to be performed at Varnasi. Interested persons may send in their contributions to the **MANAGING TRUSTEE, KASI SRI BHUVANE WARI DEVI DEVATA TEMPLE TRUST, B-4/55 HAN MANGHAT, VARNASI, INDIA 221001.**
TEL: 0542-275-975.

GAYATHRI JAPAM & HOMAM – SUNDAY 5TH AUGUST 2001

Venue	:	PGP Kalyana Mandapam
Time	:	8.00 am

Sankalpam:

*Vishu Nama Samvatsare
Dakshinayane, Greeshma Rhuthow
Katakamase, Krishnapakshe
Pratamayam Subathithow
Banuvasara Yukthayam
Sravishta Nakshatra Yukthayam*

As Gayathri Japam falls on a Sunday, Sabha is also conducting a Gayathri Homam for the benefit of one and all. Members are encouraged to take part in this event in large numbers and obtain the blessings of Divine Goddess Gayathri.

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SAMA VEDA UPAKARMA – WEDNESDAY 22nd AUGUST 2001

Sama Veda Upakarma will be held on **Wednesday 22nd August 2001** at the **PGP Kalyana Mandapam**. There will be **two sessions** at **6.00 am** and **7.00 am** respectively.

Sankalpam:

**Vishu Nama Samvatsare
Dakshinayane, Greeshma Rhuthow
Simhamase, Suklapakshe
Chaturtyam Subathithow
Sowmyavasara Yukthayam
Hasta Nakshatra Yukthayam**

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following ordinary members to the Sabha.

1. Sri Balajee Ramakrishnanda (OB-40)
Blk 269 #09-172
Bukit Batok East Avenue 4
Singapore 650269
Tel: 896-4642
2. Sri Subramaniam Venkatramanan (OS-240)
70 Spottiswoode Park Road
#04-74 Spottiswoode Apt
Singapore 088659
Tel: 221-1391
3. Sri Venkata Raman Viswanathan (OV-102)
3 Normanton Park
#03-177
Singapore 119000
Tel: 271-0930
4. Sri Ganesh Narayanan (OG-46)
Blk 114 #04-235
Bukit Purmei Road
Singapore 090114
Tel: 270-4723
5. Sri Sivakumar T (OS-241)
Blk 730 #05-31
Yishun Street 71
Singapore 760730
Tel: 755-9665

CHANGE OF ADDRESSES, TEL NOS, ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO SDBBS BOOKLET 2001

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|---|---|
| 1 Sri Suresh K.R. (OS-219)
321 Tah Ching Road #17-82
Singapore 610231
Tel: 268-1581 | 2 Prof. Avadhani P.N. (LA-02)
59 Hazel Park Terrace
Singapore 678892
Tel: 466-0907 |
| 3 Sri Gopal Rao A (OG-20)
15 Hume Avenue
#04-03 Hume Park 1
Singapore 278640
Tel: 763-5184 | 4 Sri Ramanathan S (OR-69)
Blk 189 #15-29
Bukit Batok West Ave 6
Singapore 650189
Tel: 425-6974 |
| 5 Sri Pattabhi Raman A (OP-02)
Blk 846 Yishun Ring Road
#04-3615
Singapore 760846
Tel: 754-5504 | 6 Sri Srinivasan G (LS-32)
1091 Serangoon Road
#02-01 Regent Court
Singapore 328190
Tel: 293-2636 |
| 7 Dr Ananda A.L. (OA-07)
57 Hume Avenue
#09-11 Parc Palais
Singapore 598753
Tel: 763-9744 | 8 Sri Chelakara Ramaswamy (OC-07)
Blk 264 Tampines Street 21
#10-104
Singapore 520264
Tel: 787-1274 |
| 9 Sri Vinod Krishnan N (OV-92)
Blk 509 #08-165
Pasir Ris Street 52
Singapore 510509
Tel: 581-6940 | |

Poonal and Darbai for outstation members are enclosed. Local members will receive it at the venue itself. However members wishing to perform Upakarma at home and those who are performing Thalai Aavani Avittam for their children are kindly requested to get in touch with the Purohiths for Poonal and Darbai and for additional formalities. Mantra sheets are enclosed for all members.

**P. S. Somasekharan
Hon. Secretary**