



The Singapore Dakshina Bharatha Brahmana Sabha

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Newsletter

1. HINDU / TAMIL CALENDAR

VIKRAMA VARUSHAM

MARGAZHI / KANYA MAASYA

<u>MARGAZHI</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
1	SATURDAY	16-12-2000	DHANURMASA POOJA ARAMBAM
6	THURSDAY	21-12-2000	EKADASI / KANCHI MAHAPERIAVAL ARADHANA
8	SATURDAY	23-12-2000	PRADOSHAM / MASA SIVARATHIRI
10	MONDAY	25-12-2000	SARVA AMAVASYA / HANUMAN JAYANTHI
14	FRIDAY	29-12-2000	CHATURTHI VRATAM
15	SATURDAY	30-12-2000	THIRUVAIYARU THYAGABRAHMA ARADANA
16	SUNDAY	31-12-2000	DHANUR VYATHIPADAM / SHASHTI VRATAM
17	MONDAY	01-01-2001	SASTHA PREETHI
22	SATURDAY	06-01-2001	VAIKUNDA EKADASI / KARTHIGAI VRATAM
23	SUNDAY	07-01-2001	PRADOSHAM
24	MONDAY	08-01-2001	ARUDHARA DHARSHANAM
25	TUESDAY	09-01-2001	POURNAMI / CHANDRAGRAHANAM
28	FRIDAY	12-01-2001	SANKATAHARA CHATHURTHI
29	SATURDAY	13-01-2001	BHOGI PANDIGAI

LUNAR ECLIPSE: There will be an Eclipse of Tuesday (9-01-2001) midnight. Sparsam – after 6.00 pm on 9th Jan no food is to be taken. Affected stars are Thiruvadira, Poonarvasu, Poorattadhi, Poosam & Visakham. Members are advised to contact Sabha priests for more information, peeda santhi etc.

GREETINGS: The President and Members of the Management Committee wish all members and their families **A VERY HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR**

VEDA & SLOKA CLASSES
COME & JOIN OUR VEDA & SLOKA CLASSES

For the benefit of members we are conducting Veda & Sloka classes at the following members houses at various districts:

DAYS	TIME	RESIDENCE OF	TOPIC
Wednesdays	7.30 – 8.30pm	Sri D. Ramesh Blk 112 #05-146 Bukit Batok West Ave 6 Tel: 565-4506	Devi Mahadmiyam Veda class
Wednesdays	7.30 – 8.30pm	Sri R Venkateshwaran Blk 125 #09-405 Pasir Ris Street 11 Tel: 583-3544	Veda Class
Thursdays	7.30 – 8.30pm	Sri V.S. Gururajan Blk 572 #04-3375 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 3 Tel: 454-0607	Veda class
Tuesdays/ Saturdays	7.30 - 8.30pm 3.30 - 5.00pm	Sri Muralidhara Sastrigal Blk 668 #09-04 Chander Road Tel: 297-8134	Veda class
2 nd & 4 th Sundays	3 – 4.30 pm	Sri G Srinivasan 16 Jalan Tamban Tel: 346-1850	Sloka class

2. NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following ordinary members to the Sabha effective 1st January 2001

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| 1 | Sri Anand Ramachandran (OA-31)
123 Meyer Road
#16-05 The Makena
Singapore 437934
Tel: 440-7864 | 2 | Sri Bhaskar Narayanan (OB-38)
Blk 7 #03-06 H J Heights
Merbok Crescent
Singapore 597667
Tel: 468-6432 |
| 3 | Sri Balasubramanian S (OB-39)
#03-06 Casa Rosita
267 Bukit Timah Road
Singapore 259706
Tel: 735-5453 | 4 | Sri Hanumantha Rao N.V. (OH-13)
Blk 336 #02-305
Bukit Batok Street 32
Singapore 650336
Tel: 564-7263 |
| 5 | Sri Hariharan Parameswaran (OH-14)
Blk 438 #05-153
Tampines Street 43
Singapore 520438
Tel: 588-3075 | 6 | Sri Ramkumar Vasudevan (OR-168)
Blk 270 #02-202
Bishan Street 24
Singapore 570270
Tel: 451-7204 |
| 7 | Sri Sreekanth A Lalgudi (OS-225)
Blk 607 #03-127
Choa Chu Kang Street 62
Singapore 680607
Tel: 760-4936 | 8 | Sri Sundararajan S (OS-226)
#08-15 Sherwood Towers
1 Jalan Anak Bukit
Singapore 588996
Tel: 463-7740 |

9 Smt Saroja Kishor Sharma (OS-227)
85 Yishun Street 81
#09-06 Orchid Park
Singapore 768447
Tel: 757-1871

10 Sri Venkatramanan N (OV-97)
#1102 Orchard Park Suites
Orchard Turn
Singapore 238800
Tel: 839-1227

3. CHANGE OF ADDRESSES & TELEPHONE NUMBERS

1 Dr A L Ananda (OA-07)
57 Hume Avenue,
#09-11 Parc Palais
Singapore 598753
Tel: 763-9744

2. Sri Ram Samu (OR-85)
Blk 56 Farrer Road
#02-05 Spanish Village
Singapore 268844
Tel: 464-7944

3 Sri Amal Narasimhan (OA-28)
83 Mergui Road
#08-01 Mergui Court
Singapore 219059
Tel: 297-0416

4. FORTHCOMING EVENTS

4.1 POURNAMI VRATAM SUNDAY 10 Dec 2000

Pournami Pooja (Rohini Nakshathiram) on Sunday 10TH Dec 2000 will be held along with Veda Parayanam at the residence of Sri S Venkat Ram (OV-67) #03-02 Casa Rosita 265 Bukit Timah Road (Tel: 835-3649) Programme is as follows:

6.15 pm	Veda Parayanam
7.00 pm	Lalitha Sahasranama Archanai/Lakshmi Ashtothram
8.00 pm	Deeparadhanai
8.05 pm	Devotional songs
8.15 pm	Prasadam distribution

This month Pournami falls on Rohini Nakshathiram. Interested persons for sankalpam may contact Sri P S Ramanathan Tel: 442-7841. Please also note the change in timing of Veda Parayanam for this particular Sunday only due to Pournami Pooja.

4.2 MANDALA VEDA PARAYANAM

Veda Parayanam is proceeding smoothly and the latest update from 1st Dec is enclosed. Updates of the list can also be viewed on the Sabha website at <http://members.tripod.com/sdbbs>.

We once again would like to thank all members who have hosted and participated in the Veda Parayanam

4.3 SASTHA PREETHI – 1ST JANUARY 2001

Sastha Preethi will be celebrated on 1st Jan 2001 at the Sri Senpaga Vinayagar Temple, Ceylon Road. Programme is as follows:

7.25 am	Vigneswara Pooja Gadasthapanam Kumbha Pooja Rudrabhishekam Shiva Ashtothram
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9.00 am	Sastha Sahasranama & Ashtothra Archana
10.00 am	Bhajans
11.30 am	President's Speech Education Merit Awards presentation
12.00 noon	Maha Deeparadhana / Manthra Pushpam
12.30 pm	LUNCH

Members are invited to attend the function with their families and participate in the Bhajans and Sahasranamam recitation. We also appeal to members for their kind and liberal contributions to defray the cost of the event.

4.4. THAI VELLI POOJAS

This year Thai Vellis fall on **19th & 26th Jan and 2nd & 9th February 2001**. Pooja on **2nd February 2001 is being hosted by Sri R Shankar (LS-05)**. Members wishing to host the Pooja on the other three Fridays are kindly requested to contact **Sri P S Ramanathan (Tel-442-7841) or Sri S Pattabhiraman (Tel-289-7645)**.

5. EDUCATION MERIT AWARDS

We are pleased to announce that the following students have been selected for the Education Merit Awards 1999/2000 as per the recommendation of the Education Sub-committee.

PSLE LEVEL - 1999

Kum. Aparna Sanjiv Aiyer
Kum. Sumita Sami
Chi. Hari Sivakumar
Chi. Ganesh Bharath Ratnam

GCE 'O' LEVEL – 1999

Kum. Vidya Sridhar
Chi. Raghuraman Raghavan
Chi. Aravind Ratnam Ganesh

GCE 'A' LEVEL – 1999

Chi. Sridhar Manoj
Kum. Smita Venkat
Kum. Srilakshmi Ganapathi

6. ANNOUNCEMENT

6.1. GITA JAYANTHI

This year Gita Jayanthi celebrations will be held on **Sunday 17th Dec 2000 between 7.30am and 12 noon at the PGP Kalayana Mandapam (Sri Srinivasa Perumal Temple)**. In conjunction with the celebrations, a competition is being held on **Saturday 16th Dec 2000 at 5.00pm at the PGP Mandapam**. Members are encouraged to take part/participate in the events.

Recitation of Gita

Pri 1 – 3 students	-	3 stanzas
Pri 4 – 6 students	-	6 stanzas
Sec 1 – 4 students	-	8 stanzas
JC/College & Others	-	Essay writing on Gita in not more than 1000 words

For enrolment and further details please contact Ms.Lata at Hindu Centre Tel: 291-8540 or Mrs. Soundarya Sukumar at Tel: 352-4505

6.2. Sri Vidwan Lakshmanan, a renowned astrologer will be in Singapore between **4th & 7th Dec 2000**. He will be staying at the residence of Sri Ram Ramachandran (OR-103). Interested members may kindly contact Mrs. Gayathri Ramachandran at **Tel:467-8694** for appointments.

6.3. CHANDI HOMAM AT SRI RUTHRA KALLIAMMAN TEMPLE

Temple authorities have requested for Sabha's participation in the recitation of Durga Sapthasathi, in connection with the Temple's Satha Chandi Homam ceremony from 1st to 10th December, between 7 am and 12 noon in the mornings and 6pm to 9 pm in the evenings. Members wishing to participate are kindly requested to contact Sri S Pattabhiraman Tel: 289-7645

6.4 10th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS AT SRI DEVI KARUMARIAMMAN TEMPLE, ULU TIRAM

The 10th Anniversary celebrations of the Sri Devi Karumariamman Temple, Ulu Tiram, Johore will be celebrated on 9th and 10th December 2000. Members are invited to participate in large numbers and receive the blessings of Sri Devi Karumariamman. For further details please contact Sri Chellam Subramaniam at Tel: (07) 867-2423.

6.5 NAVASAKTHI ARCHANA ON MONDAY 1ST JAN 2001 AT SRI MARIAMMAN TEMPLE SOUTH BRIDGE ROAD

Temple authorities have requested for Sabha assistance in conducting the annual Navasakthi Archana at the temple on Monday 1st Jan 2001 between 10 and 11.15 am. Members wishing to participate are kindly requested to contact Sri R Venkataramani Tel: 344-2097.

7. REMINDER - SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR YEAR 2001

Ordinary membership fees for the year 2001 will fall due on 1st Jan 2001 and there are no changes in the rates. The applicable rates are as follows:

For members residing in Singapore / Malaysia	S\$50.00
For members residing in other countries	S\$70.00

Please note that the subscription is on a calendar basis and all ordinary members are requested to send in their subscription cheques for the year 2001 by 1st Jan 2001. Cheques should be made payable to **"SINGAPORE DAKSHINA BHARATHA BRAHMANA SABHA"** and sent to **No 2 Jalan Tenggiri, Singapore 428248**.

The rates for Life Membership is as follows:

For members residing in Singapore/Malaysia	S\$ 750.00
For members residing in other countries	S\$1,000.00

Members are advised that the address booklet for the year 2001 will only include the names of the members who are current in their subscription for year 2001. Hence please send in your subscription cheques as early as possible to ensure that your name is included in the booklet. Please also let us know if there is any change in your residential addresses.

8. APPEAL

Sree Shankara Shanti Nilayam, is an old age home managed by Ernakulam Brahmana Sabha, exclusively for Brahmins. There are about 20 Brahmins (men & women) residing at the home now. Inmates here have to pay Rs 1000 (S\$38.70) per month for board and lodging. Most of the inmates are staying in single rooms with attached baths. These rooms have all been donated by sons and daughters in memory of their late parents.

The home is situated at the banks of the famous Poornam (Kalady) River, Kalady being the birth place of Sri Adi Sankara. Sree Saradha and Sankara Temples and the famous Muthala Kadavu are behind the home.

Now the trustees of the Sree Sankara Santhi Nilayam and Educational Trust are going to build an annexe to the home and they are appealing for donations from local and overseas brahmins. The cost of a double room with furniture, fittings and attached bathroom is Rs.110,000/- (S\$4257/-). Cost of a single room is Rs.70,000/-. Members wishing to donate can send their drafts/cheques to **Mr. P Veeraraghavan, Managing Trustee, Sree Sankara Shanti Nilayam & Educational Trust, Gurukripa, Rajaji Road, Ernakulam 582 035, India (Tel: 368512/367634).**

9. CONGRATULATIONS

Marriage of Chi. Shankar s/o Smt Saraswathi and Sri K Sivaraman (OS-10) with Sow.Sandhya d/o Smt Usha and Sri G A Srinivasan on 13th December 2000 at Mumbai.

Bheema Ratha Santhi of Sri S. Narayanaswamy (ON-02) father of Dr N Venkatasubramanian (LV-09) on 17th December 2000 in Singapore.

10. MARRIAGE BUREAU

Alliance sought from professionally qualified and well settled boys for a Tamil speaking Australian qualified doctor girl aged 27 years, Purattathi Nakshathiram, Srivatsa Gothram, 5' 3". For further details please call (06) 632-9761 (West Malaysia) during the weekends and late evenings during weekdays.

Alliance sought for Singaporean Iyer boy aged 28 years, 5' 11", Kashyapa Gothram, Poonarpusam Nakshathiram. Hotel Management qualifications from Switzerland, Scotland, currently holding senior management position in Wellington, New Zealand. Parents settled in New Zealand. For further details please contact Siva Tel: 756-0235 or email skrssd@hotmail.com or kashyap@pacific.net.sg

Suitable alliance sought from Iyengar/Iyer boys for Vadagalai, Bharadwaja Gothram, Mrihaseerisham girl, 37 years, 163 cm, MCA (now doing her MBA from a US University), regional director in a Multinational Co in Singapore. Only child of retired senior Indian Government Officer. For further details please contact Mrs.Sujatha Mukunthan Tel: 271-4674

Suitable alliance sought for Kowshika Gothram, Thengalai Iyengar, Post Graduate girl aged 24 years, 5' 3", Poorva Bhadra (1st Pada), Post Graduates or professionals either working overseas or India based preferred. For further details please contact Mr.Amal Narasimhan Tel: 9863-3935.

P.S. Somasekharan
Hon. Secretary