

S.V. Temple Newsletter



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Diwali—Festival of Lights

Diwali, also referred to as Deepavali, is one of the biggest festivals in Hinduism and is even celebrated by other religions such as Jainism and Sikhism. The festival symbolizes the triumph of good over evil, of righteousness over treachery, of truth over falsehood, and of light over darkness. According to the Hindu almanac, Diwali falls on the new moon day (exactly 18 days after Dussahra), which ends in the month of *Ashwin*, or the beginning of the *Karthika* month.



Symbolism of Diwali

The word Diwali originated from a Sanskrit word “*Deepavali*” which literally means “an array of lamps” or “a row of lights”. During Diwali, cotton wicks are placed in *diyas* (or little lamps), filled with oil and lighted. In the spiritual sense, this festival urges the seeker to become aware of and develop the inner light.

Almost every aspect of everyday life is given a spiritual or religious perspective in the Indian culture. According to Hindu philosophy, there is something that goes much beyond the gross or physical body and that is the spiritual body or the Atman. Diwali festival celebrates the illumination of that inner light, which overcomes all obstacles, dispels all ignorance. It makes one realize that one’s real nature is not one’s impermanent body, but is that infinite power of The One residing within the temple of one’s body. Diwali actually celebrates the existence of that *Ananda* (joyful), *Ananta* (infinite) entity within oneself. People celebrate Diwali by decorating special *rangolis* and *diyas* (oil lamps) around the house. People get together with friends and families, exchange gifts and perform traditional activities in the name of divinity. While the rituals differ from region to region, the main aim of the festival is the same – to rejoice the luminous Atman within.

Legends associated with Diwali

There are many legends and stories associated with the festival of Diwali. Here are some of the stories related to the Festival of Lights.

1. People celebrate Diwali as the day Rama, along with his wife, Sita, and brother, Lakshmana, returned to Ayodhya, after his 14-year old *Vanvaas* after defeating the terrible ten-headed demon, Ravana. The residents of Ayodhya, it is believed, lit *ghee* lamps to light their path as they entered the city.
2. The day before Diwali is called the Narak Chaturdashi. This is the day Narakasura was killed by Satyabhama, Krishna’s consort. Narakasura was an evil

demon who created pandemonium in all the three worlds. This incident took place in the Dwapara Yuga.

3. It is believed that Diwali also commemorates the day when Krishna left his human body, that is, the day the Krishna Avatar ended. In the Ramayana, there is a story wherein Angad, the son of Vali (whom Rama had slain), had wished to avenge his father's death by slaying his killer. When he related that desire to Rama, the Lord smiled and promised him that his desire for revenge would be fulfilled in his next life. Angad had been unaware then, that Rama was the killer of his father. In his next life, Angad was born as the hunter, who caused the "death" of Lord Sri Krishna. Krishna was one day relaxing under a tree gently moving his feet crossed. A hunter, from a distance, mistook the moving feet for a deer. He immediately took aim and released an arrow at the deer. When he realized it was Lord Krishna whom he shot, the hunter was dismayed and broke down, repenting over his act. Krishna merely smiled and forgave him, saying that it was all predestined by Vidhi (fate). In actuality, Krishna's tenure in earth was over. He had fulfilled his avatar's mission of giving the world the Bhagavad Gita. He hence shed his human form and ascended heavenward.

The Significance of Lakshmi Puja on Diwali

Diwali largely marks the end of the harvesting season in both India and Nepal. Farmers are grateful to have had good crop the previous year and they also offer prayers for a good harvest in the coming year too. In many cultures, this is also the time when businessmen close their accounts and start new ones. Sri Maha Lakshmi is the deity of prosperity and that is why she is propitiated during Diwali. Performing Lakshmi Puja on Diwali Day, it is believed, is the best way to receive her blessings. This day falls on amavasya and is devoted completely to the deity. The Lakshmi puja is also referred to as "Chopada-Puja" – the sun enters its second course and passes by Libra on this day. Libra represents balance and this has been considered by the business community as the sign to balance their accounts.

Diwali at our S.V. Temple

This year, Diwali is celebrated on November 3, 2013. Various religious and cultural activities are planned at our S.V. Temple to celebrate this auspicious festival. Ashta Lakshmi Visesh Swarna Pushpaarchana and Kumkumarchana will be performed on November 1st and 2nd to receive her blessings for wealth, happiness and prosperity. Lighting firecrackers is probably the best and most fulfilled activity for all of us at Diwali. On November 1st and 2nd evening, there will be fire works in the S.V. Temple campus. On November 16, 2013, Kalanjali Group is going to organize Grand Diwali Cultural Show which will include dance, musical, and mimicry performances by local talent.



Dr. Abdul Kalam's Address to the Students of Minneapolis At S.V. Temple, Edina, MN

**When you wish upon a star,
Makes no difference who you are
Anything your heart desires
Will come to you**



I am delighted to address and interaction with the students of Minneapolis Area Indian Community at Sri Venkateswara Temple. This beautiful temple was created by the creative minds of Shri Madhu Reddy and his wife Jyotsna and other Indian community members. My greetings to Mr. Madhu Reddy and his wife Jyotsna and other indian community members assembled here. I greet the students, teachers, special invitees and distinguished guests from different walks of life.

When I see many young friends, today I would like to assert that "No youth today need to fear about the future". How? The ignited mind of the youth is the most powerful resource on the earth, under the earth and above the earth. If you have a great aim in life, continuously acquire the knowledge, work hard with confidence to win and have the confidence to defeat problems and succeed with righteous heart, you will definitely succeed in all your missions, it does not matter who you are. Today I would like to share few thoughts on "**What I will be remembered for?**".

Criteria for Achievement for Youth:

Dear friends, When I see you young friends, I thought of sharing an ancient poem and modified to suit the occasion. Can you all repeat with me?

Wings to Fly

I am born with potential.

I am born with goodness and trust.

I am born with ideas and dreams.

I am born with greatness.

I am born with confidence.

I am born with wings.

I am not meant for crawling,

So I won't, I have wings,

I will fly, fly and fly"

My message to you, young friends, is that education gives you wings to fly. Achievement comes out of fire in our sub-conscious mind that "I will win". So, each one of you assembled here and elsewhere, will have "Wings of Fire". The

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Wing of Fire will indeed lead to knowledge which will make you to fly as a Doctor, or an Engineer, or a scientist, or a teacher, or a political leader, or a bureaucrat or a diplomat or anything you want to be.

How does achievement come? There are four proven steps; having an aim in life before 20 years of age, acquiring knowledge continuously, hard work towards the aim and perseverance to defeat the problem and succeed. Now you know, how the unique personalities got evolved and also you realize how to transform yourself into unique you. And above all, what you need a will power and confidence, that you can achieve great deeds.

Can you transform "Unique You":

Nine achievers: Dear friends, Look up, what do you see, the light, the electric bulbs. Immediately, our thoughts go to the inventor **Thomas Alva Edison**, for his unique contribution towards the invention of electric bulb and his electrical lighting system.

When you hear the sound of aeroplane going over your house, whom do you think of? **Wright Brothers** proved that man could fly, of-course at heavy risk and cost.

Whom does the telephone remind you of? Of course, **Alexander Graham Bell**.

When everybody considered a sea travel as an experience or a voyage, a unique person questioned during his sea travel from United Kingdom to India. He was pondering on why the horizon where the sky and sea meet looks blue? His research resulted in the phenomena of scattering of light. Of course, **Sir CV Raman** was awarded Nobel Prize.

Do you know an Indian Mathematician who did not have formal higher education but had inexhaustible spirit and love for mathematics which took him to contribute to the treasure houses of mathematical research ? some of which are still under serious study and engaging all-available world mathematicians? efforts to establish formal proofs? He was a unique Indian genius who could melt the heart of the most hardened and outstanding Cambridge mathematician Prof G H Hardy. In fact, it is not an exaggeration to say that it was Prof. Hardy who discovered a great mathematician for the world. This mathematician was of-course **Srinivasa Ramanujan** for whom every number was a divine manifestation.

Do you know the scientist who is famous for Chandra Limit which describes the maximum mass (~ 1.44 solar masses) of a white dwarf star, or equivalently, the minimum mass for which a star will ultimately collapse into a neutron star to black hole following a supernova. Two of his students got the Nobel Prize before him. It is of-course the famous Nobel Laureate **Chandrasekhar Subramaniam**.

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Friends, there was a great scientific lady who is known for discovering Radium. She won not one, but two Nobel Prizes, one for physics and another for chemistry. Who is she? She is **Madam Curie**. Madam Curie discovered radium and she was doing research on the effect of radiation on human system. The same radiation which she discovered, affected her and she sacrificed her life for removing the pain of human life.

Do you know about a great human being with a spirit of service, who also won a Nobel Prize for her contributions? She said and practiced, "Give, give and give, until it hurts". She is **Mother Teresa**.

When I described to you young friends, these historical eight events, you all jumped. The scientist, technologist and great human being, who created the event, are unique personalities. Young friends, can you join such unique performers of scientific history? Yes, you can. Definitely, you can. Let us study together, how it can be made possible?

Friends, I have, so far, met 13 million youth in a decade's time. I learnt, **"every youth wants to be unique, that is, YOU! But the world all around you, is doing its best, day and night, to make you just "everybody else"**. At home, dear young friends, you are asked by your parents to be like neighbours? children for scoring good marks. When you go to school, your teacher says "why not you become like the first five rankers in the class". Wherever you go, they are saying "you have to be somebody else or everybody else". Now, dear young friends, how many of you would like to be unique yourself.

The challenge, my young friends, is that you have to fight the hardest battle, which any human being can ever imagine to fight; and never stop fighting until you arrive at your destined place, that is, a UNIQUE YOU! Friends what will be your tools to fight this battle, what are they: have a great aim in life, continuously acquire the knowledge, work hard and persevere to realize the great achievement.

Now dear friends, how many of you feel confident that you will and will become an unique personality in your specialization and a great national leader with ethics. Let me share with you three experiences, that will lead you to think with confidence, act with confidence and succeed with confidence.

How to make impossible possible?

Dear students, it is said, "History has proven that those who dare to imagine the impossible are the ones who break all human limitations. In every field of human endeavor, whether science, medicine, sports, the arts, or technology, the names of the people who imagined the impossible and achieved are engraved in our history. By breaking the limits of their imagination, they changed the world."

Let us see a few creative minds who made impossible possible by their indomita-

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blespirit. Human flight is nothing but creativity of human mind and it undergoes several struggles to achieve excellence. In 1895, a great well-known scientist Lord Kelvin, who was the President of Royal Society of London said, "**anything heavier than air cannot fly, and cannot be flown**". Within a decade, Wright Brothers proved man could fly in 1903.

On the successful completion of Moon Mission in 1969, Von Braun, a very famous rocket designer, who built Saturn-V, to launch the capsule with astronauts and made moon walk a reality, in 1975 said "If I am authorized, I will remove the word impossible".

In ancient days, Ptolemaic astronomy is a widely used system in calculating the dynamics of various stars and planets. Assumption by then was that the earth is flat. What a scientific struggle had to take place to prove that the earth is spherical in shape orbiting around the sun. The three great astronomers Copernicus, Galileo and Kepler had to give a new dimension to the world of astronomy. Today we take it for granted that earth is a globe, orbiting around the sun, and the sun orbits in the Milky Way. **All the technological advancements we have today are the outcome of scientific exploration of scientists of earlier centuries. At no time, man was beaten by problems.** He strives continuously to subjugate impossibility and then succeeds.

Dear friends, what lessons do we learn from all these achievements? According to the laws of aerodynamics the bumble bee should never be able to fly. Because of the size, weight, and shape of its body in relationship to the total wing span, flying is scientifically impossible. The bumble bee, being ignorant of scientific theory, goes ahead and flies anyway. Because it wants to fly and it is flying. I would like the youth assembled here to take a lesson from these examples and work to make everything possible, because they are unique.

My Rameswaram School:

When I see you all in such a beautiful environment, I thought of recalling my school days in British India in Rameswaram Panchayat Primary School during the period 1936-1944. This school is situated near the seashore, half built and half thatched and it was the only school in Rameswaram Island in those days. We were 400 boys and girls. I would like to narrate my experience, what I felt in my school which had an unimpressive building and scanty amenities. But I used to see an interesting scene in the school. The teachers, particularly the History & Geography and Science teachers were loved by the students, for the reason, the teacher loved their teaching and ensured the growth of every one of the 55 students in my class. My History & Geography teacher Shri Kaliswara Iyer used to say, "O my students, my teaching mission is to ensure that you children love History & Geography, so that you score good marks apart from learning with pleasure." Whereas my science teacher Shri Sivasubramania Iyer was a big attraction to all the students in the class. When the science teacher entered in the class in the morning, we saw in him the light of knowledge radiating. We saw the light of purity shining, in our teachers.

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We were 55 students in the 8th class. Even if one student was absent for a day, our teachers will go to the parents and enquire about the student's welfare and the reason for his not coming to the school. If a student gets high marks, teacher will be the first person to go to our home and share the information with our parents. My school was a happy school. All the 55 of my class mates went through and completed 8th class. I don't remember even a single drop out. The message I would like to give this audience is, it is not the great building or a great facility or great advertisements gives quality, but loveable education and great teachers do. Education cannot be a business product or system. Education at the primary level has to be delivered in an integrated way by great teachers through great syllabus and promoting affinity between the parents, students and the teachers.

Mission in Life: I can do it:

Dear young friends, knowledge will empower you to undertake great missions. While entering into such type of mission in life, you need unique traits for achieving success in your missions which will require extra ordinary courage and the ability to dream big which will help overcome all obstacles. I would like to give an example of a visually challenged young boy, who was not deterred by his physical challenge.

Friends, when I was the President of India, I met the group of tribal students from Lead India 2020 movement on 28 Aug 2006. I asked all of them one question: "What you want to become?" Out of many responses, one visually challenged boy studying IX class got up. His name is Srikanth, he answered me "I will become the first visually Challenged President of India". I was very happy to see his vision and ambition. Small aim is a crime. Hence, I congratulated him to realize his vision and told him to work for realizing the vision.

Thereafter he worked hard and got 90% in Xth class and 96 % in intermediate and he set a goal to study Engineering in MIT, Boston USA. His relentless hard work not only secured seat but he got full fee waiver from MIT, Boston. Srikanth's achievement has brought changes in many change agents of Lead India 2020 and inspired to set high vision. The training he took under the initiative of Lead India 2020 has set a high vision for him. Seeing this impact of Lead India 2020 training, Lead India 2020 movement and GE volunteers have funded Mr. Srikanth for his travel to USA. Today he is pursuing his studies at MIT, Boston. When the GE offered him a job on his completion of graduation, he told them that he would certainly come back to GE, if he couldn't become the President of India. What a confidence that boy has amidst of difficulty and the challenges in his life by being visually challenged.

Recently, when I met the physically challenged students meet organized by Tamilnadu Govt. and Lead India 2020 at Coimbatore, I had a chance to meet Mr. Srikanth and his teacher who brought him up. I found in him, he is doing 4th year in his graduation of B.S. Computer Science and Management. Within these 4 years, he has started one company which produces consumer packaging items us-

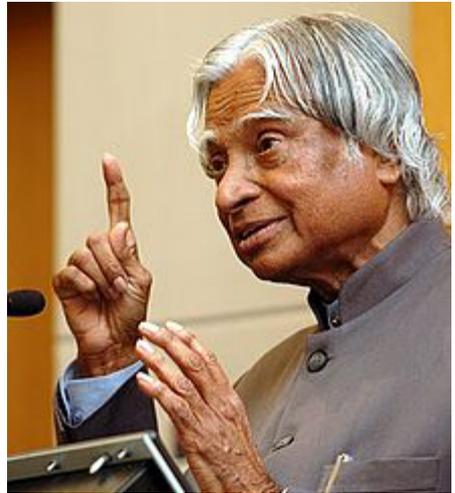
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ing biodegradable materials and other social initiative that he started is a skill development training center for the youth. He gave an extempore speech on how to overcome the disability and to have a strong mind and will power to overcome the challenges and succeed. That is the power of Lead India 2020 training for igniting the minds of the youth to achieve higher academic performance and also adopt value system in their life.

Now, let me share three incidents which I experienced many years ago in Ahmadabad and 5 years back and now.

When can I sing a song of India?

Dear friends, the India Vision 2020 definitely inspires everyone, particularly the youth of the nation. I am experiencing this whenever I interact with the youth. I recall a situation in early 1990, when I was interacting with the youth in this city. One girl asked me "When I can sing a song of India?" The same spirit echoed everywhere during that time. But for the last 3 years, while interacting with the youth I could hear a different voice - "what can I give it to the nation?" But now, for the last few months, I have seen the transformation from the ignited minds of the youth, the spirit of "I can do it". What a great transformation which I



have seen in the ignited minds of the youth and also from the experienced people of India. So the boundary conditions for development are in place. I am sure, dear friends, definitely you can become partner in the national development with the message that "I can do it", "We can do it" and "India can do it".

Conclusion:

Friends, finally I would like to ask you, what would you like to be remembered for? You have to evolve yourself and shape your life. You should write it on a page. That page may be a very important page in the book of human history. And you will be remembered for creating that one page in the history of the nation? whether that page is the page of invention, the page of innovation or the page of discovery or the page of creating societal change or a page of removing the poverty or the page of finding new technologies in energy or astronomy. I will be happy if you could write this page and mail it to me (apj@abdulkalam.com).

With these words, I greet all the students of Minneapolis Area Indian community to achieve success in their mission of education and youth to realize their inner potential and maximize their creativity.

May God Bless you.

2013-2014 School Class Timings & Holidays

Sunday Class Schedule	
9.00 am – 10.00 am	YOGA class for adults and kids
10.00 am – 10.15 am	ASSEMBLY (Prayer and Announcements)
10.15 am – 11.00 am	LANGUAGE classes
11.00 am – 11.15 am	SNACK time
11.15 am – 12.00 pm	Culture Class
11.15 am – 12.00 pm	Music Class
2013-2014 School Holidays	
December 1, 2013	Thanks Giving Day Break
December 22-29, 2013	Winter Break
March 30—April 6, 2014	Spring Break
April 20, 2014	Easter Day
May 25, 2014	Memorial Day
May 31, 2014	Anniversary Day
November 30, 2014	Thanks Giving Day Break
December 21-28, 2014	Winter Break

S.V. Temple School (SVTS)

The SV Temple School was started in March 2009 on Ugadi Day with just few students. Since then, the school strength has increased to more than 100 students. For enrollment details, visit the SV Temple website. SVTS also organizes Annamayya keertana classes for adults. Currently, the SVTS conducts classes for Telugu and Hindi languages, Carnatic music, Yoga, Meditation and Indian Culture. [The school is looking for volunteer teachers for all classes. If you are interested, please contact svts@svtemplemn.org.](#)

S.V Temple Future Plans

1. Kitchen facilities in temple premises are very important; they are needed to prepare food and prasadam for the devotees. Food committee is preparing the food items and Srivari Laddu Prasadam for every festival, serving about 600-700 devotees. Our kitchen project has already been started on January 1, 2013 and we hope to complete construction of the kitchen by Summer of 2014. Temple management is looking for sponsors who can financially support (a) the purchase of kitchen equipment and (b) the expenses for the kitchen construction. Devotees can pay using PayPal towards this project and all the donations are tax deductible.
2. Temple Auditorium is another important facility required for various activities like music and dance concerts, cultural events of SV Temple School, and for other community events. This project also has been started in January 2013 and we hope to complete it by Summer of 2014. So far, the construction of all the walls was completed and the stage has been made bigger so that 10 kids can perform at a time. We welcome financial contributions to this project as well. Devotees can pay using PayPal towards this project and all the donations are tax deductible. Please support by donating and help for the beautification of the temple. For more information visit our website www.svtemplenn.org
3. School project was completed recently that added new large classrooms. Also, tables and chairs were added in all the classrooms for students.

Mulavirat and other Vighrahas Update

Madhusudhana Reddy and Dr.Jyothisna visited the TTD Silpakalasa in Tirupathi on Feb 20, 2013. According to Sthapati at TTD, our work will be completed before end of this year. After the completion of the work, these deities will be inspected by the Department of Archeology, Government of India before shipping from India. We will have Dasavatarams, Navagrahas, Mulavirat with Maha Lakshmi and Andal (Padmavathi) and other temple related items in Minneapolis by May 2014. Pranaprathishta of these vighrahas is tentatively planned to be held in Summer 2014 .



Priest Sri Srirangacharyulu Bellamkonda

Priest Sri Bellamkonda Srirangacharyulu, also known as Archakaswamy, was born in Hyderabad, India. After finishing his high school education, he joined in Sri Pancharatra Agama Kalasala founded by Sri Sri Sri Tridandi Srimannarayana Chinna Jeeyar Swamy educational trust, Seeta Nagaram, Guntur Dt., Andhra Pradesh. He worked for 14years in Sri Prasanna Venkateswara Swamy Temple, Hyderabad. He conducted various vishesha kalyanostavas all over India. We are very fortunate that Sri Archakaswamy has decided to work as a priest in our S.V. Temple. He speaks Telugu and Hindi fluently and has working knowledge in English.



Cultural Events since April 2013

Below is the recap of the cultural/religious events that took place since April 2013. We thank all the volunteers and organizers who made all these events a great success. We are looking forward to your support in the coming years.

1. **Natya Majari Dance Competition** — April 14, 2013. Kalanjali (Cultural Wing of S.V. Temple) organized a dance competition on the occasion of Hindu New Year.
2. **Sri Rama Navami Celebrations** — April 19, 2013. Suprabhatam, Abhishekam, Ramayana Parayanam, and Sri Rama Kalyanam were performed in the temple. People crowded the temple with great devotion and offered prayers on that day.
3. **Nadasamarpanam** — May 17-19, 2013. It was 5th consecutive year that Kalanjali, Cultural Wing of S.V. Temple proudly presented exclusive concerts during competition days. SV Temple gave an opportunity to all music lovers to rejoice the feast for 3 days. Devotional and Carnatic Competitions held in the mornings and Concerts in the evenings by various great singers from India and USA. On May 19th, there was Grand Finale by world record holders, Carnatic brothers Sri. Sasikiran and Sri. Ganesh.
4. **Dr, APJ Abdul Kalam's Visit to the Temple** — May 23, 2013. This was the historic event in the City of Minneapolis and S.V. Temple. Former President of India and Bharat Ratna Dr. Abdul Kalam toured the temple area. After taking his tour, he addressed and interacted with the students of Minneapolis Area Indian Community. He gave an inspiring speech by setting examples of nine world famous achievers from different fields of interest. He concluded his speech wishing the students to achieve success in their mission of education.
5. **Tallapaka Annamacharya Jayanthi** — May 25, 2013. Annamayya Jayanthi celebrations held in the Temple premises in the name of Sri Annamacharya Sankeertana Gaanaamritham. S.V. Temple encouraged the local singers to take part in singing Annamacharya Sankeertanas in remembrance of Sri Tallapaka Annamacharya.
6. **S.V. Temple School Anniversary** — June 1, 2013. There were splendid celebrations of S.V. Temple School Annual day for the year 2012-2013. Every class got an opportunity to show their talent, specifically what they have learned during the school year. SVTS is thankful to all the school volunteers, teachers, parents and children who actively took part in this event to make it a great success like every year.
7. **Srinivasa Kalyanam** — June 15, 2013.
8. **Samuhika Vara Lakshmi Vratam** — August 16, 2013.
9. **Temple Anniversary** — August 17, 2013. Sudarsana Homam and Srinivasa Kalyanam were performed.
10. **Sravana Poornima Celebrations**—August 20, 2013.
11. **Sri Krishna Janmashtami** — August 28, 2013.
12. **Vinayaka Chavithi** — September 8, 2013. Ganesha Homam and Vratam were performed. A huge *laddu* prepared by the food committee which was auctioned for \$616. These proceeds will go towards the costs of bringing *Mulavirat* from India.

13. **Batukamma Festival**—October 5, 2013.

14. **Dasara Celebrations**—October 19, 2013. Many devotees participated in the Dasara celebrations at the temple. S.V. Temple organized Dandiya dances in the evening in which 200 people have participated. Delicious dinner was prepared and served by the temple food committee. Dandiya dances are featured dances of Navaratri (Dasara) evenings in North India. These dances were originated in Gujarat are generally performed in Goddess Durga’s honor. The dance form is actually the staging of a mock-fight between the Goddess and Mahishasura, the mighty demon king and is nicknamed “The Sword Dance. The sticks of the dance represent the sword of Goddess Durga.

Upcoming Events and Festivals

Date	Event
November 2 -3	Naraka Chaturthasi—Deepavali or Diwali
November 6	Nagula Chavithi
December 16	Dhanurmasam begins
January 1	New Year 2014
January 11	Vaikuntha Ekadasi
January 14	Bhogi
January 15	Makara Sankranti
January 16	Kanuma
January 26	Republic Day in India
February 6	Ratha Saptami
February 28	Maha Sivaratri
March 31	Ugadi

Comments and Articles

We are inviting all readers, devotees, followers, students, teachers, and writers, etc. to submit devotional stories, essays, and experiences to S.V. Temple Newsletter Editor. After newsletter committee’s review, selected articles will be published in the upcoming issues of the newsletter. Editor of the newsletter will have all the rights to modify the articles to address language, grammar, and space-constraint issues. Since the audience of this newsletter come from various age groups, we request you to send articles that everybody can understand. Make sure that your articles are helpful in educating the readers in devotional field and encourage them to follow *dharma*. Also, you can send comments on the published articles and ideas for new articles that you want to see. You can email your articles to Uma Vempati and Gayathri Vempati at news@svtemplemn.org.



Deepamjyothi Parabrahma, Deepamjyothi Janardhana
Deepo Me Hara Tu Paapam, Deepajyothir Namosthuthel!
Shubam Karoti Kalyanam, Arogyam Dhana Sampadah
Shatru Buddhi Vinashaya, Deepajyothir Namosthuthel!!

I salute the Lord, the sustainer of the creation, in the form of this light. I salute this light (the Lord), may He destroy afflictions resulting from my omissions and commissions. I prostrate to the lamp-light, which brings the brilliance, the auspiciousness, the health, the wealth and possessions, for the destruction of (my) bad (enemy to Good) intellect.

Thanks from S.V. Temple:

S.V. Temple earnestly thank all the generous donors, wonderful devotees, learned priests and dedicated volunteers that help to make our Temple a marvelous place of worship.

Temple Hours:

The temple is open weekdays from 9:30 AM to Noon & 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM
Saturday and Sunday from 9:30 AM to 8:00 PM

Please visit www.svtemplemn.org for updates and details.

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