

# The Mantra



## Vedic Center of Greenville

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Tax Exempt ID # 570769188

March-June 2007

### Executive Committee

President -V.K.Shah – 923 2624  
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### **Daily Aarti**

Monday-Friday 8.00pm -8.30pm  
Saturday and Sunday 7.00pm-7.30pm

### **Sri Venkateshwara Suprabhatam**

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month @9.00am  
Contact: Shobha Vadoothker – 268-1963

### **Art of Living Satsang**

Every Friday 7.00pm-8.00pm  
Contact: Viji Ramchandran - 268-4398  
.Email: [Jay\\_Viji@charter.net](mailto:Jay_Viji@charter.net)

### **Bal Vihar**

Every Sunday 11.15am-12.30pm  
Contact : Shobha Vadoothker 268-1963  
Aruna Chandrasekhar 322-8598

## The Voice of the President

Dear Friends

On behalf of the Executive Committee and the Trustees of your Vedic Center, I would like to take this opportunity and thank you for your genuine support in making all events a success. Also, our sincere thanks to all the Sponsors of various religious programs we hosted at the Vedic Center. As previously announced, with addition of the Ahimsa Hall, our vision is to bring more diverse programs to your Vedic Center for your enjoyment and benefit. For example, on May 5th, we organized the Health Fair and based on the positive feedback and success, we're going to schedule another one later this year. Our sincere thanks to Dr. Vinita Saxena for coordinating the efforts and bringing in twelve professionals to make this event a success. Also, we're planning Senior Citizen Activities, Yoga Mediation and Sport Activities. Please continue to check the Website and the Bulletin Board in the temple for regular updates and news.

Our next Seva Day is on Sunday June 10th from 10 am – 12noon. Please make every effort to join us for the maintenance and cleanup of the Temple. Make the decision to plunge into noble activity. Work is like a flower. If we can protect the bud, it will grow into flower, and that flower will ultimately ripen and become a fruit. This is why we should not regard work, worship and wisdom as distinct from each other. They are inseparably connected. Whatever work you do, do it in the name of God, then your work will become worship.

Thank you  
VK Shah  
President

**“Volunteers are not paid, not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless.”**

**Activities**

Chairperson: Vinita Saxena - 286-6964

**Communications/Web Design**

Chairperson: Vijay Gandhi – 627 7730

**Fund Raising**

Chairperson: J.P. Rama – 288 1617

**Wellness & Health**

Chairperson: Jothi Rajasekaran – 288 1789

**Maintenance**

Chairperson: Sri Prakash Gupta – 213 9904

**Public Relations**

Chairperson: Shashi Rishi – 877 8666

**Membership**

Chairperson: Indira Venugopal – 297 5136

**Bal Vihar**

Chairperson: Shobha Vadoothker 268 1963

**Goodwill Ambassadors at large**

<b>Anderson</b>	Praful Veer	864-356-3942
<b>Asheville</b>	Ramesh Ganatra	828-298-5858
<b>Clemson</b>	Raj Patel	864-367-9511
<b>Clinton</b>	Kirit Naik	864-229-5329
<b>Greenwood</b>	Mahesh Patel	864-229-5329
<b>Spartanburg</b>	Hasmukh Shah	864-587-7989
<b>Hendersonville</b>	Kantibhai Patel	828 -685-7711

**For all Vedic Center Updates, please refer to their website <http://www.vediccenterofgreenville.org> and the notice Board placed in the temple.**

**Future Temple Events:**

- Bhagvat Katha : June 27 till July 4, 2007
- Janmastami : September 4, 2007
- Ganesh Chaturthi : September 15, 2007
- Navratri : October 12, 2007
- Ashtami Havan : October 19, 2007
- Dashera :October 21, 2007
- Dhanteras : November 8, 2007
- Diwali :November 9, 2007
- New Year Ankut: November 10, 2007
- Tulsi Vivah: November 24, 2007

**Please contact V K Shah or Ugal Chand, if you wish to volunteer for any of the programs listed above.**

**Summer Camp: in July ( please refer to Vedic Center Website for more details)**

**We seek Volunteers to help in every way possible, so please be generous with your time..**

**SEVA DAY dates are : June 10<sup>th</sup>, July 8<sup>th</sup> , August 12<sup>th</sup> and September 9<sup>th</sup> .Please Volunteer your time between 10am-12noon to keep our Temple clean .**

## Shreemad Bhagavat Katha (in Hindi) at Vedic Center



***Pujoyashree Bhupendrabhai Pandya, A Morden Saint.....***

**Pujoyashree Bhai**, with his vast knowledge, lucid manner of presentation and proficiency in Gujarati, Hindi and English has been able to cross the barriers of language and touch many lives. He explains religion in an extremely scientific manner and gives realistic suggestions of incorporating the same in our daily lives. Moreover, there is a glow in his eyes, a warmth in his words and the distinctive ability in his speech to strike the right chord in our heart; which lovingly invites us into the world of spirituality.

Through this unique approach he has created a niche in hearts of people world over, especially youngsters who till now looked down upon religion and considered it senseless. There has been an awakening in these very people and religion has been bestowed the pedestal it so rightly deserves. This dramatic change in attitude has been possible only due to **Pujoyashree Bhai's** constant endeavors to present religion in a manner which seems within reach of all.

Shobhayatra Wednesday, June 27, 2007 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Bhagwat Katha Wednesday, June 27, 6:00 PM-9:00 PM *Bhagwat Mahatmaya*

Bhagavat Katha Thursday, June 28, 6:00 PM-9:00 PM

Bhagavat Katha Friday, June 29, 6:00 PM-9:00 PM *Nrushnha Janma*

Bhagavat Katha Saturday, June 30, 10:00 AM-1:00 PM *Vaman Janma, Sri Ram Janma*

4:00 PM-7:00 PM *Sri Krishna Janam, Nand Mahotsav*

Bhagavat Katha Sunday, July 1, 4:00 PM-7:00 PM *Govardhan Utsav*

Bhagavat Katha Monday, July 2, 6:00 PM-9:00 PM

Bhagavat Katha Tuesday, July 3, 6:00 PM-9:00 PM *Purnahuti*

Havan Wednesday, July 4, 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Mahaprasad will be served at 5:00 PM ( Week days), Saturday – After Morning session, Sunday katha and July 4<sup>th</sup>, after Havan.  
Children session in English - Sunday morning (time TBD).

**Fore More Information please call :** Hema Dalal (864)-8484522, Dr. Geera Desai (864)-963-9774,  
Rashmi Kinariwala (864)-292-2276, Nanubhai Patel (864)-363-3566, V.K. Shah (864)-627-9080

Congratulations to all College and High School students of the Graduating class of 2007.

- ❖ Rashmi and Satish Kinariwala on the birth of their grandson Roshan to their daughter Nipa.
- ❖ Saroj and Arun Rege on the birth of their first granddaughter Simran to their daughter Medha.
- ❖ Anita and Ugal Chand on the engagement of their son Ashwin to Sharon.
- ❖ Raxa and Rajni Desai on the engagement of their son Sachin to Nisha.
- ❖ Bina and Narendra Shah on the engagement of their daughter Aarti with Nikhil, son of Jairaj and Viji Ramchandran.

Condolences

- ❖ Sonal Desai and family on the loss of her father .
- ❖ Pragna Desai and family on the loss of her father in India
- ❖ Ashish Shah and family on the loss of his father in India.

Good wishes for a speedy recovery to:

- ❖ Shakuntala Narkhede ( Neelima Chaudry's Mom)
- ❖ Nanubhai Patel ( ex-president of The Vedic Center)

## **Vedic Center Rental Rates**

<b><u>Temple</u></b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Non-Member</b>
All day for Wedding	\$600.00	\$800.00
All day (non-wedding)	\$400.00	\$500.00
Half a day (non-wedding)	\$250.00	\$350.00

### **Ahimsa Hall**

All day(non-wedding )	\$1000.00	\$1300.00
All day (non-wedding) with food	\$1500.00	\$1800.00

### **Wedding Package Deals**

One day	\$1500.00	\$1800.00
Two days	\$2200.00	\$2700.00
Three days	\$2900.00	\$3600.00

### **Cleaning Deposits**

Temple	\$200.00
Ahimsa Hall	\$350.00

These rates are inclusive of chairs, tables, utensils and usage of kitchen facilities.

**Deposits are required to make and hold reservations for all events.**

## **Address & Directions to the Vedic Center**

The Vedic Center  
499 Bethel Road  
Mauldin, SC 29662

### **Driving Directions**

From I-85 or I-385 take Exit 34 off I-385 South, go towards Mauldin, and take a left on Bethel Drive (2<sup>nd</sup> light). Go to the dead end. Vedic Center will be on your right before the STOP sign.

Please book **AHIMSA HALL** (the name of our new Auditorium) for all your future special events and functions.

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