



*Arise ! Awake ! Stop not, till the goal is reached.*

*Jan. –March, 2024*

*Om Namo Narayanaya*

*Sandesha*

Na Me Bhakta Pranashyati

My Devotee Never Perishes



## *Badarikashrama's 40th Anniversary Celebration*

May 18th –19th, 2024

Saturday - Cultural Activities

Sunday - Samuhika 108  
Sri Satyanarayana Puja

*Om Namo Narayanaya*

### **Badarikashrama Diary**

Seeking the Lords blessings a New Years Day Sri Ganesha Homa was performed on a bright and beautiful morning. Bhajans were performed Rita Sahai and her student Rajnish Kamath along with Sargam Shah. The following weekend was group recitation of the Sri Akhanada Ramayana of Goswami Tulasidas from Jan. 6th through the 7th, 28 continuous hours. It was a joyful occasion, singing the glories of Sri Rama, Mata Sita and Sri Hanuman. Bharati Bhakta and friends led the recitation with heart rendering melodies. Swami Vivekananda Jayanti celebration was held of Sunday, Jan. 14th. Sunita Rai and students sang melodious bhajans followed by an excellent talk on the legacy of Swami Vivekananda by Srimat Swami Tattwamayanandaji president of the Vedanta Society of San Francisco.



**Near Years Day 2024 Sri Ganesha Homa**





**Sri Akhanda Ramayana Recita-**

On Sunday, Jan. 21st at 11am a Sri Satyanarayana Puja was conducted. The same day the ashrama celebrated the inauguration of the Sri Rama Mandir in Ayodhya, India. Devotees gathered at 6pm to sing Ramanama sankirtana then watched the live showing of Pran Pratishtha ceremony of Bhagavan Sri Rama. To conclude the month of January, a Sri Bhagavad Gita discussion was led by Sargam Shah.



**Hari Dasa Day Performances**



of Divya Ramesh and Padmaja Kishore. It was a joyful day of music. The following weekend was the recitation of Sri Ramanama Sankirtana. The annual Sri Saraswathi Puja, organized by Sima Chakraborty was conducted on Sunday, Feb. 18th. Following the puja were excellent Kuchapudi and Odissi dance performances and a Veena recital. A full moon Sri Satyanarayana Puja was conducted on Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. On Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> a Sri Bhagavad Gita Panel Discussion was held. Group recitation of Sri Sundarakanada Ramayana took place March 3rd. This is the fifth



**Srimath Swami Tattwamayanandaji**

On Sunday Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> Sri Hari Dasa Day was celebrated to honor the saints of India who influenced the bhakti movement through their music such as Purandara Dasa, Kanaka Dasa and many other great saints. Performances were presented by students of Shakuntala Murthy, Susheela Narasimha and students, students



**Kuchapudi dance to celebrate Sri Saraswathi Puja**



Skanda from Sri Ramayana which emphasis the adventures of Sri Hanuman and his selflessness, strength, and devotion to Sri Rama. Maha Sivaratri celebration took place on Friday, 8th from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. beginning with a Sri Rudra Abhisheka Puja. The Mandir was filled to capacity. Bhajans went on throughout the entire evening.



**Maha Sivaratri Sri Rudra Abhisheka**

Maha Sivaratri celebrations continued with Sadhana Day on Sunday, 10th. It began at 9 a.m. with two hours group chanting of Mritunjaya Japa followed by a Mrityunjaya Homa. The vibrations of mantra Japa blessed the ashrama with peace and joy. The following weekend was the birthday celebration of Sri Ramakrishna. Melodious Sankirtana was presented by the Sri Ramakrishna Sarada Bhajan Mandali, followed by an excellent talk on the life and teachings of Sri Ramakrishna by Swami Vedanandaji,

a senior monk of the Vedanta Society of San Francisco. Sri Ramakrishna's awe inspiring life continues to inspire generation after generation.



**Maha Sivaratri Bhajans by Swasti Pandey & Students**

The joyful occasion of Holi was celebrated on the 24th with a Sri Satyanarayana Puja and sharing of colors and Mahaprasad. The following evening a Sri Satyanarayana Puja was performed for Holi Purnima. The month of March concluded with a Sri Bhagavad Gita Discussion led by Subita Sudarshana and bhajans by Sargam Shah. To honor Easter Sunday, Varun Kamath sang beautiful Christian Hymns.



**Holi Celebration**

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## Badarikashrama Calendar of Events 2024

| <b>April 2024</b>      |                                   |  |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Sunday, 7th            | 11 a.m.                           | Sri Ramanama Sankirtana                        |
| Sat. 13th              | 6 p.m.                            | Mata Ki Chowki—Harjeet Mehndi                  |
| Sunday, 14th           | 10:30 a.m.                        | Sri Durga Homa (Chaitra Navaratri)             |
| Wed. 17th              | 6 p.m.                            | Sri Ramanavami Celebration (Puja and Bhajans)  |
| Sat. 20th<br>Sun. 21st | 10 a.m.-4 p.m.<br>10 a.m.– 4 p.m. | Sri Ramanavami Music Festival (Carnatic Music) |
| Tues. 23rd             | 7 p.m.                            | Purnima Puja (Chitra Purnima)                  |
| Sat. 27th              | 9:30 a.m.                         | Sri Hanuman Jayanti (108 x Hanuman Chalisa)    |
| Sun. 28th              | 11 a.m.                           | Sri Bhagavad Gita Discussion                   |

| <b>May 2024</b>        |   |  |
|------------------------|---|--|
| Sun. 5th               | 10:30 a.m.                                  | Sri Gayatri Homa   |
| Sun. 12th              | 2:00 p.m.                                   | Sri Sankara & Ramanujacharya Jayanti   |
| Sat. 18th<br>Sun. 19th | 10:30 a.m. –3:30 p.m.<br>10:30 a.m. –2 p.m. | 40th Anniversary Celebration<br>(Sat. - cultural activities / Sunday -Samuhika Puja) |
| Thurs. 23rd            | 7 p.m.                                      | Buddha Purnima Sri Satyanarayana Puja  |
| Sun. 26th              | 11 a.m.                                     | Buddha Jayanti Celebration (Music & Talk)  |

**Balsamskara Classes**

Classes for children are held every Sunday at 10:30 am. Bay Area parents who want to actively participate in the cultural and spiritual education of their children conceived of the school. The curriculum includes Hindi classes, Sanskrit Mantras, and explanations of puja, rituals, symbolism of Gods and Goddesses and Indian festivals. Story telling familiarizes our children with our ancient culture and epics. Children find it a lot of fun and look forward to every session. We encourage all of you to bring your children from the ages of 5-15 to our school. Please call the Ashram staff for more information. All are welcome. Classes are Free.

**Badarikashrama Next Generation Project**

*Expanding into the future for the Next Generation*

**Goal:** Expand our San Leandro Center to a larger facility. Key features include

- Prarthana Mandir • Large Parking Lot • Cultural Center • Dining Facilities • Residential Quarters

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**Badarikashrama, USA Center**

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**Daily Schedule at San Leandro**

Temple is open between the hours of 7am to 12 noon and 5pm to 8pm

Puja is conducted daily at 7am, 12 noon & 6.30pm

Every Monday 6:30 pm: Sri Siva Puja & Aarti

Every Tuesday 6:30 pm: Sri Durga Puja & Aarti

Poornima Sri Satyanarayana Puja & Katha, 7:30 pm