

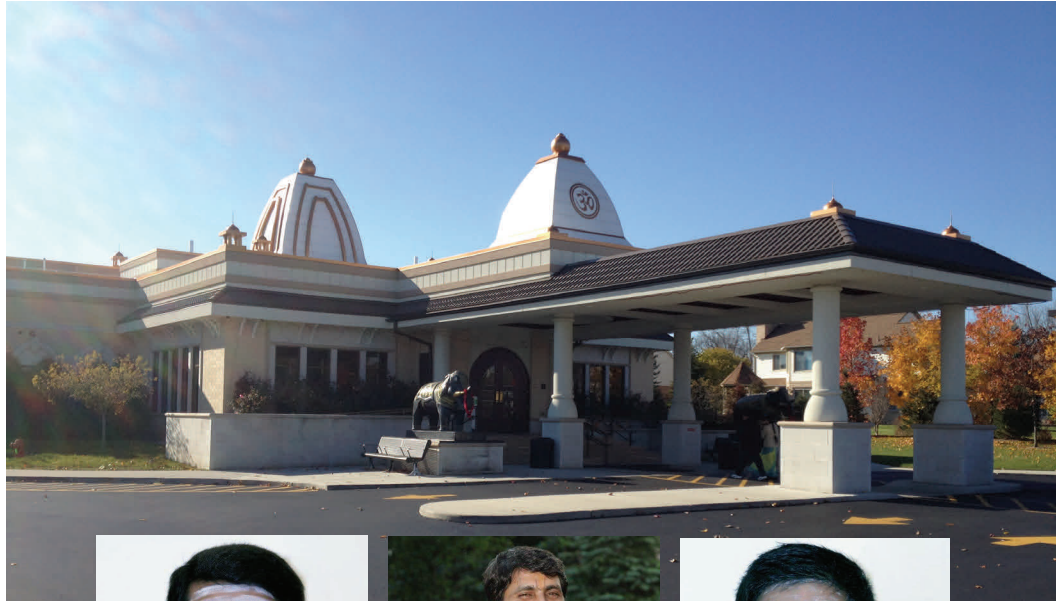


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THE HINDU TEMPLE

October 2015



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Support your temple and donate generously. The amount is insignificant, the intent is what counts in the court of Gods.

Temple Timings

- Monday to Friday—
8AM-12PM & 5PM-9PM
- Saturday & Sunday—
9AM-9PM

Temple Address

44955 Cherry Hill Road
Canton, MI 48188
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2015 Board Members

- Chairman**—Manoj Sachdeva
- Vice Chairman**—Avinash Rachmale
- President**—Dhaval Vaishnav
- Vice President**—Anil Sakhuja
- Treasurer**—Vishnu Panjwani
- Asst. Treasurer**—Keshav Raizada
- Secretary**—Kalpesh Unadkat
- Asst. Secretary**—Jignesh Patel

- Trustee**—Daxesh Modi
- Trustee**—Dr. Sarju Shah
- Trustee**—Nitin Desai
- Trustee**—Ashwani Narula
- Trustee**—Raj Vaishnav
- Trustee**—Jatin Desai
- Trustee**—Anurag Bajaj



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Hari Om.

2015 Chairman's Message

I want to thank you all for entrusting me with the position of Temple Chairman. This position carries a lot of responsibility towards temple, its members and devotees. I hope to live up to everyone's expectations and temple's mission statement.

Hindu Temple of Canton Mission Statement: **"Promote Peace through worship, Healthy Living through Yoga/ Pranayam and Happiness through teachings of Hindu Religious Scriptures"**

All temple events are being celebrated in grand style, with great attendance and joyous mood. Members/devotees are happy and a sense of belongingness, divinity and optimism is being felt all over our temple.

Being optimistic about life, is the key to living on the bright side. Too many people are pessimistic about life in general, and go nowhere. Some might make the excuse, "Well that's just how I am." However, your thoughts and attitudes are under your control and can be adjusted. Train yourself to be optimistic about things and watch how everything in life turns out more positively.

A lot is happening at our temple for benefit of temple, its members/devotees, senior citizens and youth. Every day, we are thinking of ways to make **The Hindu Temple of Canton** second to none in service and humbleness

Some of the highlights are as follows:

- ◆ A new prayer book is in the final stages of preparation with great selection and addition of new Bhajan's.
- ◆ Newly designed plaques of sponsors will be on display very soon on the plaques wall as well as all areas sponsored.
- ◆ Plaques in the works for Youth Donors/Participants in the \$ 100 per month mortgage payoff program.
- ◆ Library is open and at your service.
- ◆ Increased usage of temple banquet hall by temple devotees/members
- ◆ Hari Om Center caters to needs of devotees for religious souvenirs and Puja material
- ◆ Balvihar being attended every Sunday

- ◆ Increased participation in classes of Bal Gokulum, Speech, Marathi, Hindi, Math, Tamil/Telgu.
- ◆ Health Fair conducted successfully
- ◆ POS system to be launched soon
- ◆ Active participation of youths in temple affairs with tremendous enthusiasm
- ◆ Increased member participation in community events
- ◆ All carpeted areas have been professionally cleaned. All costs sponsored by a generous devotee
- ◆ Beautiful flower Malas purchased for all Deities. All costs sponsored by a generous devotee
- ◆ Second phase of Temple painting to be completed soon. All costs sponsored by another generous devotee
- ◆ Project related to replacement of temple lights to LED is in progress
- ◆ \$ 100 per month mortgage payoff program is yielding results. Several youths and devotees have signed up
- ◆ Affiliation with **International Geeta Gurukul Foundation** to promote peace, education and healthy living.

Extensive efforts are under way for a Grand Annual Dinner on December 12, 2015. Continuous efforts are being made and new ideas being implemented to make our temple debt free.

All members/devotees, please request a one of one meeting with any of temple officers and or Board of Trustees for any good ideas that you may have that you would like to share.

I would like to thank current and past Board Members, Temple Management and Volunteers for their team effort and active participation in temple affairs

We are all here to serve in our **HOUSE OF GOD**.

For any comments and suggestions for the betterment of our temple, its members/devotees, anyone can contact me at his or her convenience via my cell phone 734-260-4483 or email: msachdeva@ewie.com.

Jai Ram Ji Ki
Jai Sri Krishna
God Bless us All!!!
Manoj Sachdeva, Chairman
The Hindu Temple of Canton



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2015 Religious Chair's Update

Dear Devotees,

I extend my best wishes to all of you as we transition into 2016. Thank you for giving me an opportunity to lead our wonderful temple over this past year. I am very fortunate to have such a supportive volunteer base come forward to work as a team in making this temple a home to all. I urge all of you to become members of our divine temple this year and also.

Ten events in eight months. When the board together last year had decided to follow through with these events no matter what came in our way. What we didn't know, however, was just how much of a response we would get from our devotees in helping to carry out these events. From Mahashivratri and Holi, followed by Ram Navmi and Ganesh Chaturthi, we finished the summer strongly with a myriad of highly successful events. As school began again, we did not let down this intensity, celebrating Navratri in the most majestic way we could. The void that left by the end of Navratri will be soon filled by Diwali, where our temple will celebrate Annakut in the biggest way we could. In the month of November and December, we celebrated both Lord Venkateshwara's fifth Pratisha Anniversary. 2016 year, I can promise you events will even better and more creative.

We are one before God. Our background means none before the Supreme Being. Whether we come from the furthest reaches of Southern India or the northern border of our nation, we are one. We are a community. We are all equal before God. It is under these ideals that I would like the temple to continue to run without any exceptions. We are all busy with our lives. We all have responsibilities, taking our kids to and from school, working long hours at a corporate job, and taking our family out to enjoy on weekends. What we must always remember, however, is that it is God who has blessed us with these children, God who has given us the ability to get this job, and God who had smiled upon our family to be able to go out and enjoy without worry. The temple is a place of warmth and compassion. Let us take just a few moments each week to bow our heads together and whisper the shlokas our parents have taught us, for we must attempt to give back to the One who has graciously given us the blessing of life.

Thank you all once again and God Bless. I am greatly looking forward to this year.

Dhaval Vaishnav
Religious Chair

Remainder of the Year 2015 Events/Programs at your Temple...

Event	Actual Date	Celebration Date
Durgashtami/Chandi Havan	Tuesday, October 20	Saturday, October 17
Vijaya Dashmi (Dashara)	Thursday, October 22	Thursday, October 22
Karva Chauth	Friday, October 30	Friday, October 30
Dhan Teras/Laxmi Pooja	Monday, November 9	Monday, November 9
Diwali / Mahalaxmi Pooja	Wednesday, November 11	Wednesday, November 11
New Year Day	Thursday, November 12	Thursday, November 12
Bhai Beej	Friday, November 13	Friday, November 13
Annakoot/Goverthan Pooja	Sunday, November 15	Sunday, November 15
Tulsi Vivah	Sunday, December 6	Sunday, December 6
Kartik Poomima/Satyanarayan Pooja	Wednesday, November 25	Wednesday, November 25
Annual General Body Meeting	Sunday, December 20	Sunday, December 20



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2015 Committees

No	Committee Name	Chairperson	Co-Chair	Working Committee Members
1	Audit & Finance/Office Management	Anil Sakhuja	Manoj Sachdeva	Dhaval Vaishnav, Vishnu Panjwani, Avinash Rachmale, Anurag Bajaj, Keshav Raizada
2	By Laws/ Constitution/ Legal affairs	Manoj Sachdeva	Avinash Rachmale	Dhaval Vaishnav, Anil Sakhuja, Jatin Desai, Anurag Bajaj, Avinash Rachmale, Sarju Shah, Kalpesh Unadkat, Jignesh Patel
3	Community Affairs/ Communication (Radio Publicity) /Public Relations	Avinash Rachmale/Arun Suri	Manoj Sachdeva, Dhaval Vaishnav, Jatin Desai	Anil Sakhuja, Sarju Shah, Ashwani Narula, Kalpesh Unadkat, Daxesh Modi, Pandit Ji, Kiran Ji, Mukhiya Ji, Vishnu Panjwani, Nitin Desai
4	Education (Scholarship)	Nitin Desai	Vishnu Panjwani/Arun Suri	Jignesh Patel, Dhaval Vaishnav, Deep Prakash, Daxesh Modi
5	Food/Kitchen	Hasmukh Patel	Kalpesh Unadkat, Keshav Raizada, Anil Sakhuja	Ajit Shah, Bala, Bala, Madhu Suri
6	Fund Raising	Avinash Rachmale	Anil Sakhuja, Manoj Sachdeva, Anurag Bajaj, Dhaval Vaishnav, Jatin Desai	Jignesh Patel, Vishnu Panjwani, Keshav Raizada, Dr. Sarju Shah and all Board members
7	Hall Rental	Keshav Raizada	Manoj Sachdeva	Dhaval Vaishnav, Kiran Ji, Pandit Ji, Vishnu Panjwani, Steve
8	Health Care	Jatin Desai	Sarju Shah	Chandarkant Pujara, Chandarlekha Pujara, Surinder Jolly, Nitin Desai, Kalpesh Unadkat
9	Library Management	Trupti Modi	Brenda Vaishnav, Jignesh Patel, Kalpesh Unadkat, Daxesh Modi	Kiran Ji, Panditji, Manohar Jagasia, Manoj Sachdeva, Daxesh Modi, Kalpesh Unadkat, Sushil and Kamlesh Sachdev
10	Long Range Planning	Manoj Sachdeva	Avinash Rachmale, Dhaval Vaishnav	Anil Sakhuja, Anurag Bajaj, Sarju Shah, Ashwani Narula, Vishnu Panjwani



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No	Committee Name	Chairperson	Co-Chair	Working Committee Members
11	Membership Directory/ Drive	Nitin Desai	Anil Sakhuja	Daxesh Modi, Jatin Desai, Raj Vaishnav, Ashwani Narula
12	MIS/Web Page	Jignesh Patel/ Kalpesh Unadkat/ Daxesh Modi	Ashwani Narula	Dhaval Vaishnav, Manoj Sachdeva, Avinash Rachmale, Anil Sakhuja
13	eNewsletter	Jignesh Patel	Manoj Sachdeva	Ashwani Narula, Dhaval Vaishnav, Daxesh Modi
14	Property Mangement (Outside/Inside Maintenance)	Manoj Sachdeva	Keshav Raizada	Jignesh Patel, Steve Dimovski, Dean Dimovski, Kiran Ji, Pandit Ji, Mukhiya Ji, Dhaval Vaishnav, Dalip Guglani, Daxesh Modi, Kalpesh Unadkat
15	Audio/Video Systems	Keshav Raizada	Steve Dimovski, Dean Dimovski	Kiran Ji, Pandit Ji, Steve Dimovski, Dhaval Vaishnav, Mukhiya Ji
16	Religious Affairs	Dhaval Vaishnav	Manoj Sachdeva	Arun Suri, Deep Prakash, Raj Vaishnav, Daxesh Modi, Kirti Unadket, Trupti Modi, Nitin Desai, Kiran Ji, Pandit Ji, Mukhiya Ji, Anuradha Hadagali, Ushaben, Parulben, Venkat, Santosh
17	Senior Activities	Amar Basin / Deep Prakash	Sushil Sachdev	Kamlesh Sachdev, Steve Dimovski
18	Youth Affairs	Dhaval Vaishnav	Avinash Rachmale, Manoj Sachdeva, Youth	Trupti Modi, Kirti Unadkat, Anuradha Hadgali, Kalpesh Unadkat, Keshav Raizada, Daxesh Modi
19	Volunteers	Kalpesh Unadkat/ Jignesh Patel	Keshav Raizada, Deep Prakash	Daxesh Modi, Nitin Desai, Vishnu Panjwani, Jignesh Patel, Jatin Desai, Raj Vaishnav, Ashwani Narula, Trupti Modi, Anuradha Hadgali, Kirti, Unadkat, Ushaben, Parulben
20	Temple Shop	Raj Vaishnav, Deep Prakash	Dhaval Vaishnav, Manoj Sachdeva, Anil Sakhuja	Narender Agarwal, Kishori Vaishnav, Manohar Jagasia, Sushil Sachdev, Amar Bhasin, Pandit Ji, Kiran Ji, Vishnu Panjwani, Kamlesh Sachdev



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2014 AGM Meeting Chairman's Message

Dear Temple Board Members, Members, Priests and Devotees,

Hari Om

Welcome to "**The Great Hindu Temple of Canton**" a place of worship, a community center, a place of healing and happiness.

I want to thank the Board of Directors of The Hindu Temple of Canton and all of you for giving me opportunity to serve you as the temple chairman for the year 2014.

And now, at first, I would like to thank the retiring board members of 2014 and would like to welcome the new board members as a part of our team starting Jan 1, 2015. The retiring board members are: Mr. Anil Sakhuja, Mr. Dalip Guglani, Mr. Kalpesh Unadkat and Mr Navnit Patel . The incoming board members for next 3 years are Dr. Sarju Shah, Mr. Nitin Desai, Mr. Jatin Desai and Mr. Raj Vaishnav.

Once again a sense of belongingness has been generated at this great temple of ours. Members/devotees are happy and a sense of divinity is being felt all over our temple.

Year 2014 has brought a sense of rejuvenation amongst temple devotees. As always, all events have been celebrated in grand style. Our three priests, Mukhiya Ji, Pandit Ji and Kiran Ji have shown exemplary service towards our temple and devotees .Please join me in giving them a huge round of applause. Also a well deserved round of applause for our Temple President and Religious Chair Dhaval Vaishnav for putting in endless hours at all events and making sure everyone is involved and everyone enjoys coming to this great temple. Also would like to thank dedicated team of volunteers.

A lot is happening at our temple for benefit of temple, its members/devotees, senior citizens and youth. Every day, we are thinking of ways to make **The Hindu Temple of Canton** second to none in service and humility.

Here are highlights of some of the exciting things happening at our temple:

- ◆ A new prayer book with great selection of New Bhajan's and Aarties is being printed in 3 languages(Hindi, English and Gujrati)
- ◆ A new and improved temple website is in the works
- ◆ Increased number of Weddings and family events are being planned in banquet hall adding to temple income
- ◆ Library opened with internet ready computers and with a fresh look.
- ◆ Hari Om Center stocked with packeted puja material, religious books and paintings
- ◆ Health Fair was conducted successfully in April
- ◆ Review of New Point of Sale System is in the works

- ◆ Youth Affairs Committee is working with tremendous enthusiasm
- ◆ Increased member participation in community events
- ◆ Several areas of temple building have been re-painted **and finally**
- ◆ **Happy Neighbors, Happy Members, Happy Devotees**

As part of today's Chairman report, It is my duty as Chairman to make you aware of temple's financial status.

1. As of today, we have approx. \$ 820,000 in temple's bank accounts at Comerica
2. Original loan amount was \$ 5,450,000
3. Our current temple mortgage loan balance stands at \$ 3,895,000.
4. A principal pay down of \$ 400,000 is scheduled for Jan 1, 2015 leaving mortgage balance of \$ 3,495,000.

With donations and interest free loans generated during Annual Fundraising Dinner, we plan to pay additional \$ 900,000 to \$ 1,000,000 towards pay down of temple loan in next 2-3 months.

I am very pleased to announce that during Annual Fundraising Dinner on November 15, 2014, we raised **\$1,638,000** in donations/pledges and interest free loans. Very soon all sponsored areas will have names of donors displayed with prominence in the respective areas of sponsorship.

We have much to achieve to make our temple debt free such as:

1. Interest Free Loans to payoff temple mortgage
2. Pledge/donation options to help pay temple expenses.
3. Donation/Pledge Form to complete for making these donations is at the Priest welcome area as well as on temple website
4. Sponsorship of Deities as well as all rooms and built areas. You can spread your pledge up to 10 years, making it very easy to pay monthly

And now an appeal to all Temple Members. We have started \$ 100 per month Mortgage Pay Off Drive

- ◆ A very simple form is available to complete to start your donation of \$100 per month
- ◆ As soon as first payment is made, we will be designating a wall of Youth Donors.
- ◆ A plaque with your child's name will be displayed with prominence on this wall
- ◆ During Annual Fundraising Dinner on November 15, 2014 at least 40 children signed up for \$ 100 per month for 10 years for mortgage payoff drive



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2014 Chairman's Message

2014 Chairman's Message continued....

- ◆ These children will be proud life members of temple in a few short years
- ◆ Our goal is to sign up a total of 400 donors of \$ 100 per month for mortgage payoff drive.
- ◆ So please sign up for \$100 per month mortgage payoff drive as soon as possible before the year ends
- ◆ Every single dollar collected from mortgage payoff drive will be deposited into a separate bank account of temple to payoff temple mortgage

In the past, the Board of Directors created a Board Designated Fund of \$500,000 to take care of Operations in case of emergency situations. We have always maintained that. Temple Audit and Finance Committee and board of directors have concluded that we should bring this Board Designated Fund to \$300,000 and use the additional \$200,000 to pay off the debt. A resolution will be proposed for approval in today's meeting to make this happen

Temple Management is continuously reviewing each line item of temple expenses for any opportunity to save but not at the expense of sacrificing service to temple members and devotees. When at temple, we want each one of our devotees to feel special and have a second to none spiritual experience.

Our goal is service, service and service for the entire community. Our objective is to constantly find ways to involve youths in all aspects at our temple. We want our children to feel proud of their heritage

Temple library is running very well under watchful guidance of Trupti Modi and Brenda Vaishnav along with other dedicated volunteers I am pleased to announce that the library is open and is functioning. As always, we are in need of volunteers to

run it. So if you are available, please let us know so that we can include you in the schedule.

In the end, I would like to make a request that you all bring your friends, family members, guests and relatives to the temple, your own place of worship. I also encourage all devotees to make use of all the facilities available at the temple including the havan area, banquet hall and classrooms to support the temple. I also request that you all stay connected with the temple by not only providing financial help but also volunteering your time to assist in other activities.

On behalf of the temple, its board of directors, committee chairpersons, co-chairs, priests and other support staff, I would like to thank all of you for your continued support and encouragement. I also want to thank all the volunteers for their dedication.

And now, I would also like to bring to your attention that year end is approaching fast. Only a few days left. Please make your donations before December 31, 2014 to take advantage of tax deductions for year 2014.

I would like to thank current and past Board Members, Temple Management and Volunteers for their team effort and active participation in temple affairs.

We are all here to serve in **HOUSE OF GOD**.

For any comments and suggestions for betterment of our temple, its members/devotees, anyone can contact me at their convenience via my cell phone 734-260-4483 or email at msachdeva@ewie.com

God Bless Our Temple!!! God Bless us All!!!

Jai Ram Ji Ki, Jai Sri Krishna
Manoj Sachdeva
Chairman
The Hindu Temple of Canton

Weekly Activities (For a detailed list, please visit temple website)

Mondays - Shiva Abhishekam

Tuesdays - Hanuman Puja

Wednesdays - Shrinath ji Satsang

Thursdays - Sai Sandhya

Fridays - Durga Puja /Lalita Sahasra Naam Chanting

Saturdays - Lord Venkateshwaram Abhishekam /Vishnu Sahasranam

Sundays - Special Bhajans, Aarati followed by Prasad & BalVihar



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2014 AGM Meeting Minutes

Date: December 7th 2014

Location: Temple Prayer Hall

Meeting Chair: Manoj Sachdeva, Chairman, Board of Trustees

Board of Trustees in attendance:

- ◆ Manoj Sachdeva(Chairman and Board Member),
- ◆ Avinash Rachmale (Vice Chairman and Board Member),
- ◆ Dhaval Vaishnav(President, Religious Chair and Board Member),
- ◆ Anil Sakhuja (Vice President and Board Member),
- ◆ Vishnu Panjwani(Treasurer and Board Member),
- ◆ Keshav Raizada(Assistant Treasurer)
- ◆ Kalpesh Unadkat(Secretary and Board Member)
- ◆ Nifin Desai (Board Member)
- ◆ Raj Vaishnav(Board Member)

1. Welcome note by Chairman, Manoj Sachdeva

Manoj Sachdeva welcomed all the devotees to the 2014 Annual General Body meeting, then he introduced Board of Trustees and discussed today's Agenda.

2. Approval of December 7th , 2013 Annual General Body Meeting Minutes

Manoj ji stated that AGM meeting minutes are published each year in the first temple newsletter "Vandana". He also gave the following definition of voting members:

- Members who have cumulative donation of \$ 250 and over and are current on payment of their \$ 100 per year membership dues
- Life members because they are exempt from paying membership dues due to being a life member

Then he asked if any of the devotees had any questions. Since nobody had any questions, Manoj ji put 2013 AGM meeting minutes approval Motion on the floor.

- Motion seconded by Subhash Kelkar
- All in favor please raise your hands
- Motion carries. 2013 AGM minutes as presented are approved by General Body

3. Chairman's Report (Presented by Manoj Sachdeva)

Manoj ji thanked all the devotees for attending the AGM and then read the attached Chairman's report highlighting temple events and celebrations.

4. Religious update by Dhaval Vaishnav, Religious Chair

The following are the highlights of Dhaval ji's presentation

- Dhaval ji started by thanking all three priests and he stated that our true religious chairs are these priests and then he thanked all board members, volunteers.
- He also mentioned that the key theme of this year's religious events were to involve different communities as much as possible under leadership of temple priests.
- Temple priests are now leading many programs at the temple
- Temple Calendar and prayer books will be out soon

At the end he thanked everybody and thanked priest for their dedication.

5. Approval to reduce board restricted funds from \$ 500,000 to \$ 300,000

A resolution to reduce board restricted funds from \$ 500,000 to \$ 300,000 was reviewed and approved by Audit and Finance Committee and then unanimously approved by Hindu Temple Board.

- Motion is on the floor to approve reduction of board restricted funds from \$ 500,000 to \$ 300,000
- Motion seconded by Akhlesh ji and Manohar ji
- All in favor, please raise your hands and Motion Carries

6. 2014 Financial Report and 2015 Budget presentation

Presented by Audit and Finance Committee Chair, Anil Sakhuja and assisted by Vishnu Panjwani, Temple Treasurer. Manoj ji described the following protocol for questions/answer session

- Please raise your hand, volunteer will bring microphone to you
- Please state your name and then your question
- Chairman will try to answer that question or ask help from other board members

Q1> Subhash Kelkar. This years fund raising was very successful, so he thanked all board members, but he had the following two questions:

- How we annualized our 10 year pledges
- We have achieved only 10 % of our monthly pledges target, what are we going to do to achieve our targets.

A1> Manoj ji stated that we are not done with our 400 100/month pledge target, we continue to work towards it throughout the year and Vishnu ji answered that annualized impact of pledges is @ 300,000 this year

Q2>Subhash Goel: Our Interest expense is really low, did we get really low mortgage interest rate? Once we save, we should pay off our mortgage. Are we going to save \$100,000 in interest expense? Will all these be on our website?



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A2> Manoj ji, we got low interest rate because we got our loan from Michigan strategic fund bond. Once we pay off our mortgage, we will save our interest expense and Line of credit fee from Comerica. This will be in our first newsletter Vandana and it will be on our website.

Approval of 2015 Budget

- After question/answer session
- Motion is on the floor to approve the 2015 Budget as

presented

- Motion seconded by Jatin ji and Akhlesh ji
- All in favor please raise your hands. Motion carries. 2015 Budget as presented is approved by General Body

After the budget approval, the Annual General Meeting was officially concluded

Minutes taken by Kalpesh Unadkat

Our Priests

Shri Prasad Muliwala Ishwara (Pandit Ji)

- With the Temple since March 2003
- Well trained in Vedic philosophy from Maharshi Veda Vigjana Vidya Peeth, Theerthahalli, Karnataka
- Started his Vedic education at early age of 12
- Has been honored with prestigious titles like "Veda Murthi" and "Samhita Paathi"
- English, Kannada, Hindi, Tamil, Telugu and Tulu, Working Knowledge : Malayalam, Gujarati and Sanskrit

Cell Phone: (734) 383 -1872

Email: _mytemplepriest@gmail.com



Shri Jitendrakumar Ranchhodbhai Sevak (Mukhiya Ji)

- With the Temple since July 2011
- Underwent several years of formal education in the Hindu scriptures of Vedas and Upanishades, and in Sanskrit literature, prior to completing his Bachelor of Arts degree program in Sanskrit literature at Shri Bhagwat Vidyapith
- Served as a full-time Priest in Shri Vallabh Nidhi Trust Temple, a reputed Hindu temple in Mumbai
- Sings Melodious Bhajans
- English, Hindi, Gujarati and Sanskrit

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Email: templepriest4@gmail.com



Shri Kiran Subramanya (Kiran Ji)

- With the Temple since October 2005
- Well trained in vedic philosophy from family guru Shri Kumara Subramanya from Amai Samprathishthana in Karnataka
- Started his vedic education at early age of 13
- English, Hindi, Kannada, Tamil, Tulu, Working Knowledge : Telugu, Gujarati, Sanskrit

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2014 Special Meeting Minutes

Date: December 19th 2014 at 6:00 PM

Location: Temple Prayer Hall

Meeting Chair: Manoj Sachdeva, Chairman, Board of Trustees

Board of Trustees in attendance:

- Manoj Sachdeva(Chairman and Board Member),
- Avinash Rachmale (Vice Chairman and Board Member),
- Dhaval Vaishnav(President, Religious Chair and Board Member),
- Anil Sakhuja (Vice President and Board Member),
- Vishnu Panjwani(Treasurer and Board Member),
- Kalpesh Unadkat(Secretary and Board Member)
- Nitin Desai (Board Member)
- Raj Vaishnav(Board Member)
- Ashwani Narula(Board Member)

Welcome note by Chairman, Manoj Sachdeva

Manoj Sachdeva welcomed everybody to the 2014 Special meeting, then he introduced Board of Trustees and discussed today's Agenda. Only one item is on the agenda, which is: Proposal to approve the Amended and Restate Bylaws of the Temple

Approval of the Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Temple.

Background: Temple Constitution and Bylaws have been outdated and needed to be redone. Temple Constitution and Bylaws committee worked with Temple's legal counsel Jaffe Raitt Heuer & Weiss, P.C and developed new Constitution and Bylaws proposal. The Bylaws proposal was approved by the temple Board of Trustees at the Board meeting on November 16th. The new Constitution and Bylaws proposal was mailed to all voting members, and this special meeting was called for approval of this proposal. Manoj Ji read in verbatim, contents of the meeting notice sent to temple voting members

Manoj ji first gave the following definition of voting members:

- Members who have a cumulative donation of \$ 250 and over and are current on payment of their \$ 100 per year membership dues

- Life members because they are exempt from paying membership dues due to being a life member
- Then he checked to make sure that everyone has official ballot and then he also mentioned that quite a few members have given their proxies to vote on their behalf

Then Manoj ji described the following protocol for question/answer session

- This session is chaired by the chairman
- Raise your hand for the question
- Volunteer will bring Microphone to you
- State your name and then your question
- Question will be directed to Manoj ji(Chairman). He will try to answer it or he will ask one of his fellow board members to answer it

Q1> Manu Patel: Why new constitution and Bylaws were needed?

A1> Manoj Sachdeva: We had two separate documents governing this temple - one was a temple constitution document and the other one was the temple Bylaws document. There were many inconsistencies and ambiguities in those documents. We had to combine the documents and remove those inconsistencies and ambiguities.

Jatin Desai: Our Bank also needed up-to-date constitution as per Michigan Non-profit organizations so we had to update our constitution to meet those requirements.

Q2> Manu Patel: Is there any term limit for Chairman?

A2> Manoj Sachdeva: Chairman is elected by Board of Trustees for a year and same person can be re-elected every year or a new Board of Trustee can be elected

After the question/answer session, Manoj ji put the motion on floor to approve the Amended and Restated Bylaws and asked everyone to mark their ballots.

139 people voted in favor with 1 person against, so the motion carries. Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Temple as mailed to voting members and as presented at the meeting, were approved.

After the Approval, the Special Meeting was officially concluded

Minutes taken by Kalpesh Unadkat



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	<u>ACTUALS -</u> <u>9/30/14</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>FULL YEAR EX-</u> <u>TENDED</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>BUDGET</u> <u>2015</u>
<u>REVENUES</u>			
<u>Operational Revenue</u>			
Member Contributions/Donations	\$ 309,975	\$ 413,300	\$ 454,600
Priest services	68,023	\$ 90,697	99,800
Facility Usage	39,232	\$ 52,309	57,500
Interest Income	3,219	3,450	2,500
BalVihar	-	32,000	35,200
Total operational Revenues	420,449	591,757	649,600
<u>Fund Raising and Pledges Received</u>	51,509	244,173	384,194
Total Revenues	\$ 471,958	\$ 835,930	\$ 1,033,794
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
<u>Employee Expenses</u>			
Salaries	\$ 185,289	\$ 247,052	\$ 247,800
Health Insurance	22,511	30,015	33,000
Payroll taxes and other	11,606	15,475	15,475
Total Employee Expenses	219,406	292,541	296,275
<u>Facility Expenses</u>			
Miscellaneous	-	-	-
Dakshina	501	2,001	2,200
Insurance	12,470	16,627	18,289
Repairs & Maintenance	32,927	43,903	48,300
Event Expense	13,269	17,692	25,000
Security Expense	1,374	1,832	5,000
Telephone	2,169	2,892	3,200
Temple Classes-In House	2,223	2,964	3,300
Utilities - Water,Electricity and Gas	34,533	46,044	50,600
Total Facility Expenses	99,466	133,954	155,889
<u>Other Operational Expenses</u>			
Fundraising - Entertainment & Food	-	15,000	16,500
Operating Supplies	17,849	23,799	26,200
Total Other Operational Expenses	17,849	38,799	42,700
<u>Administrative Expenses</u>			
Professional Fee	9,975	10,260	11,300
Bank and Credit Card Collection Charges	2,203	2,937	3,200
Printing	2,495	3,327	3,700
Outside Services Contractors	3,793	5,057	5,600
Office Supplies	4,497	5,996	6,600



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	<u>ACTUALS - 9/30/14</u>	<u>FULL YEAR EX- TENDED</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Licenses and Permits	890	1,187	1,300
Payroll Processing Fee	2,478	3,304	3,600
<i>Total Administrative Expenses</i>	26,331	32,068	35,300
Regular Operating Expenses	\$ 363,052	\$ 497,362	\$ 530,164
<u>Interest and Other Debt Expenses</u>			
Interest	75,101	100,135	70,135
<i>Total Interest Expenses</i>	75,101	100,135	70,135
TOTAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR	\$ 438,153	\$ 597,497	\$ 600,299
Cash Surplus For The Year	33,805	238,433	433,495
<u>Debt Obligations</u>			
<u>Member's Loan (please see note below)</u>	-	-	900,000
Bond Repayments - Principal	-	-	(400,000)
Bond Repayments - Additional Principal	-	(100,000)	(900,000)
Total Debt Obligations	\$ -	\$ (100,000)	\$ (400,000)
Net Cash Surplus For The Year	\$ 33,805	\$ 138,433	\$ 33,495
TOTAL CASH OUTLAY - Operating Expenses + Debt Obligations	\$ 438,153	\$ 697,497	\$ 1,000,299
<u>BALANCE SHEET SUMMARY</u>			
<u>Cash in Bank</u>			
Cash in Bank - Unrestricted Funds	\$ 185,000	\$ 323,433	\$ 556,928
Cash in Bank - Restricted Funds-Rainy Day Fund	500,000	500,000	300,000
Total Cash Balance	\$ 685,000	\$ 823,433	\$ 856,928
<u>Pledges Receivables</u>	\$ 876,000	\$ 1,420,970	\$ 1,136,776
<u>Notes Payable</u>			
Bonds Outstanding	3,995,000	3,895,000	2,595,000
Members' Loan	201,000	201,000	1,101,000
Total Notes Payable	\$ 4,196,000	\$ 4,096,000	\$ 3,696,000

NOTE >

During our Fund Raising in November 2014, Temple received a Commitment of Interest Free Loans for \$ 900,000.