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Message from Head Priest

Namasthe, Hari Om

It gives me a great pleasure to meet with you all through Sandesh article. Wishing you all Happy Ugadi, Gudipadva, Naya Samvat, Baishakhi and Tamil New Year's Day, Shri Ram Navami, Hanuman Jayanthi, and Mahaveer Swami Jayanthi. According to our Hindu calendar the second quarter of the year is with many grand festivals. I request you all to participate in Shri Ram Navami celebrations Akhand Ramayan Path. The temple created HSNEF Akhand Ramayan WhatsApp group. Please join the WhatsApp group, participate in the Akhand Ramayan Path, and be blessed by Shri Ram Ji and Hanuman Ji.

In this article I would like to focus on Hindu Panchang (Hindu Almanac). In our tradition, on Hindu new year day, as part of celebration, we publish the Hindu Panchang (Hindu Calendar), which is very important from the religious perspective.

What is Panchang? Five limbs of the day are known as Panchang. In simple terms, "Panchānga" means the Day, Nakshatra (Star), tithi, Yoga and Karana of every day. It is a mirror of the sky. It is known as panchang because it is five folded. This panchang is very important to know the religious observations, festivals, eclipses and other almanac details. Panchang is refereed to know name of the Hindu month, Star, Moon Rasi, Muhurata and Choghadia. It is also used to determine the auspicious time (muhurtha) for the events and Pujas that we celebrate. The basic purpose of Hindu Panchāngam is to check various Hindu festivals and auspicious time (election-Muhurta).

On Ugadi and Naya Samvat Day (Hindu New Year) Panchanga, Alamanac Book is will be published in every Hindu Temple. Every one of us eager to know the panchang prediction of our yearly income and expenses. This will help us to organize and plan the year.

The Hindu New year from April 9th, 2024, to March 30th, 2025, is known as Krodhi or Kalayukthi Nama Samvatsar. Angarak (Mars) is the king of this year and Surya (Sun) the minister. The results and predictions are computed according to the placement of the planets on the date of Hindu new Year. Let us focus on Income (Adaaya) Expense (Vyaya) of twenty-seven stars and twelve zodiac signs (Rashis) given under in the table form.

On April 8th partial Solar eclipse is occurring in Jacksonville Florida. On April 8th morning the temple remains closed because of Solar eclipse. The temple services will be revived for evening services after shuddhi, offering special prayers for Solar eclipse. During eclipse time Gayatri and Maha Mritunjaya Jaap is very powerful, and the result of the mantra is multiplied one hundred times. During Solar eclipse, lid the lamp at the shrines at you home and observe some meditation, which will take away the Grahan Dosha (negative vibration of eclipse).

Eclipse timings to be Observed

Partial eclipse starts at 1.47 PM EDT
Maximum at. 3.05 PM EDT
Ends at. 4.09 PM EDT

Once again wishing you all grand festival second quarter. Let us celebrate.

Pandit Shrinathji Kadambi
Head Priest, Director of Worship, HSNEF

Adaya (Income) & Vyaya Expenses for the Hindu New year Krodhi or Kalayukti 2024 - 2025

Rashi Moon Sign	Adaaya (Income)	Vyaya (Expenses)
Mesha (Aries)	8	14
Vrishabha (Taurus)	2	8
Mithuna (Gemini)	5	5
Karkataka (Cancer)	14	2
Simha (Leo)	2	14
Kanya (Virgo)	5	5
Tula (Libra)	2	8
Vrischika (Scorpio)	8	14
Dhanu (Sagitarious)	11	5
Makara (Coprocorn)	14	14
Kumbha (Aquaris)	14	14
Meena (Pisces)	11	5

Events for April - June 2024

APRIL 2024			
Date	Day	Event	Time
Apr 2 nd	Tue	Hanuman Chalisa	7:15 to 8:00 PM
Apr 6 th	Sat	Sri Venkateswara Suprabhata Seva Sri Ram Parivar Pooja/Tulsikrit Sundarkand Path Maha Pradosh Shiva Rudrabhishek & Pooja	9:30 to 10:00 AM 10:30 to 11:45 AM 6:00 to 8:00 PM
Apr 7 th	Sun	Ganesh Abhishek	10:00 to 11:00 AM
Apr 8 th	Mon	Partial Solar Eclipse Temple Closed in the Morning	1:00 to 4:30 PM 9:00 to 11:00 AM
Apr 9 th	Tue	Ugadi, Gudipadva & Vasant Navratri Celebrations (See Special Events Flyer)	
Apr 11 th	Thu	Vinayaki Ganesh Abhishek & Alankar	6:00 to 8:00 PM
Apr 13 th	Sat	Sri Venkateswara Suprabhata Seva Devi Pooja Samuhika Soundaryalahari Prayanam Baishaki & Vasanth Navaratri Mata Rani Chowki	9:30 to 10:30 AM 10:30 to 11:45 AM 3:00 to 7:00 PM
Apr 14 th	Sun	Tamil New Years Day (See Special Events Flyer) Jain Samavesh	10:30 to 11:30 AM
Apr 16 th	Tue	Hanuman Chalisa	7:15 to 8:00 PM
Apr 17 th	Wed	Shri Ram Real Day Navami (See Special Events Flyer)	
Apr 19 st	Fri	Shri Ram Navami Celebrations, Kalyana Utsavam (See Special Events Flyer)	
Apr 20 th	Sat	Shri Ram Navami Celebrations, Akhand Ramayan Begins (See Special Events Flyer) Sri Venkateswara Suprabhata Seva Shri Venkateswar Abhishekam & Pooja	8:00 to 8:30 AM 8:30 to 10:30 AM
Apr 21 th	Sun	Akhand Ramayan Poornahuti (See Special Events Flyer) Satyanarayana Puja	5:00 to 7:00 PM
Apr 23 rd	Tue	Hanuman Jayanthi Celebrations (See Special Events Flyer)	
Apr 26 th	Fri	Sankataharana Chaturthi Ganesh Abhishek & Alankar	6:00 to 8:00 PM
Apr 27 th	Sat	Sri Venkateswara Suprabhata Seva Sri Lakshminarayana Pooja Navagraha Abhishek	9:30 to 10:00 AM 10:30 to 11:45 AM 11:00 to 11:45 AM
Apr 28 th	Sun	Jain Samavesh Mahavir Swami Jayanthi Celebrations Snatra Pooja Mahavir Swami Jayanti Cultural Program	9:00 to 11:30 AM 12:00 to 3:00 PM
Apr 30 th	Tue	Hanuman Chalisa	7:15 to 8:00 PM

May 2024			
May 4 th	Sat	Sri Venkateswara Suprabhata Seva Sri Ram Parivar Puja/Tulsikrit Sundarkand Path Annamacharya Jayanti Celebrations	9:30 to 10:00 AM 10:30 to 11:45 AM 12:30 to 5:00 PM
May 5 th	Sun	Ganesh Abhishek Maha Pradosh Shiva Rudrabhishek & Pooja	10:00 to 11:00 AM 6:00 to 8:00 PM
May 7 th	Tue	Hanuman Chalisa	7:15 to 8:00 PM
May 11 th	Sat	Sri Venkateswara Suprabhata Seva Devi Pooja Samuhika Soundaryalahari Prayanam Vinayaki Ganesh Abhishek & Alankar	9:30 to 10:30 AM 10:30 to 11:45 AM 6:00 to 8:00 PM
May 12 th	Sun	Shiv Pooja Rudrabhishek Jain Samavesh Mother's Day Celebrations Durga Pooja followed by Arati	9:30 to 10:30 AM 10:30 to 11:30 AM 11:30 to 12:00 noon
May 14 th	Tue	Hanuman Chalisa	7:15 to 8:00 PM
May 18 th	Sat	Sri Venkateswara Suprabhata Seva Shri Venkateswar Abhishekam & Pooja	9:30 to 10:30 AM 10:30 to 11:45 AM
May 19 th	Sun	Satyanarayana Pooja	10:00 to 11:45 AM
May 21 st	Tue	Hanuman Chalisa	7:15 to 8:00 PM
May 25 th	Sat	Sri Venkateswara Suprabhata Seva Sri Lakshminarayana Pooja Navagraha Abhishek	9:30 to 10:00 AM 10:30 to 11:45 AM 11:00 to 11:45 AM
May 26 th	Sun	Balakrishna Pooja Jain Samavesh Sankataharana Chaturthi Ganesh Abhishek & Alankar	10:30 to 11:45 AM 10:30 to 11:30 AM 6:00 to 8:00 PM
May 28 th	Tue	Hanuman Chalisa	7:15 to 8:00 PM
JUNE 2024			
Jun 1 st	Sat	Sri Venkateswara Suprabhata Seva Sri Ram Parivar Pooja/Tulsikrit Sundarkand Path	9:30 to 10:00 AM 10:30 to 11:45 AM
Jun 2 nd	Sun	Ganesh Abhishek & Alankar	10:00 to 11:00 AM
Jun 3 rd	Mon	Maha Pradosh Shiva Rudrabhishek & Pooja	6:00 to 8:00 PM
Jun 4 th	Tue	Hanuman Chalisa	7:15 to 8:00 PM
Jun 8 th	Sat	Sri Venkateswara Suprabhata Seva Devi Pooja Samuhika Soundaryalahari Prayanam	9:30 to 10:30 AM 10:30 to 11:30 AM
Jun 9 th	Sun	Shiv Pooja Rudrabhishek Jaim Samavesh Vinayaki Ganesh Abhishek & Alankar	9:30 to 10:30 AM 10:30 to 11:30 AM 6:00 to 8:00 PM
Jun 11 th	Tue	Hanuman Chalisa	7:15 to 8:00 PM
Jun 15 th	Sat	Sri Venkateswara Suprabhata Seva Shri Venkateswar Abhishek & Pooja	9:30 to 10:30 AM 10.30 to 11.45 am
Jun 16 th	Sun	Satyanarayana Pooja	10:00 to 11:45 AM
Jun 18 th	Tue	Hanuman Chalisa	7:15 to 8:00 PM

Jun 22 nd	Sat	Sri Venkateswara Suprabhata Seva Sri Lakshminarayana Pooja Navagraha Abhishek	9:30 to 10:00 AM 10:30 to 11:45 AM 11:00 to 11:45 AM
Jun 23 rd	Sun	Balakrishna Pooja Jain Samavesh	10:30 to 11:45 AM 10:30 to 11:30 AM
June 24 th	Mon	Sankataharana Chaturthi Ganesh Abhishek & Alankar	6:00 to 8:00 PM
Jun 25 th	Tue	Hanuman Chalisa	7:15 to 8:00 PM
June 29 th	Sat	Sri Venkateswara Suprabhata Seva	9:30 to 10:00 AM
June 30 th	Sun	Regula Pooja	

Special Events for April , May and June 2024

Monday 8th April SOLAR ECLIPSE Temple closed in the morning.

Solar Eclipse timings
Partial eclipse starts at 1:47 PM EDT
Maximum at. 3:05 PM EDT
Ends at. 4:09 PM EDT

UGADI, GUDIPADVA AND NAYA SAMVAT CELEBRATIONS – Tuesday, April 9th

Ugadi, Gudipadva & Naya Samvat Special Ganesh Abhishek 9:30 to 10:30 AM
Shrinagar followed by Arati 10:30 to 11:30 AM
Vasant Navaratri Begins, Kalasha Sthapana & Pooja 5:00 to 6:00 PM
Panchanga Pooja & Panchanga Shravanam for young Generation 6:00 to 6:30 PM

Sarvadarshan 6:30 to 9:00 PM and
Arati Service During Sarvadarshan 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 PM

VASANT NAVARATRI CELEBRATIONS – Tuesday, April 9th – Wednesday April 17th

Valmiki Ramayan Path & Chandi Path observed daily by the Priests 6:00 to 7:00 PM
Samuhik Vishnu Sahasranam path and Nama Ramayanam 7:15 to 8:15 PM

Please note the Timings for Samuhik Vishnu Sahasranam Path

Tuesday April 9th 10:30 to 11:30 AM

Saturday April 13th 12:00 to 1:00 PM

Tuesday 16th 6:00 to 7:00 PM &

Other days remain 7:15 to 8:15 PM

VASANT NAVARATRI MATHAKI CHOWKI - Saturday, April 13th, 2024
Puja& Bhents 3:00 – 7:00 PM

TAMIL NEW YEAR'S DAY CELEBRATIONS – Sunday, April 14th, 2024
Ganesh Abhishek & Rudra Abhishek 9:30 – 10:00 AM
Subrahmanya Swami Abhishekam 10:30 to 11:30 AM
followed by Arati.

SHRI RAM NAVAMI (Real Day) – Wednesday, April 17th, 2024
Shri Ram Parivar Utsav Murthy Abhishek 9:30 to 10:30 AM
Ram Navami Young Generation
Ram Navami Ram Janmotsav for Young Generation 5:30 to 6:30 PM

**Shri Ramnavami Sitarama Kalyana Utsavam Celebrations at
Siddhi Vinayak Yajnasala Friday April 19th, 2024 6:00 – 8:30 PM followed by Arati**

**Shri Ram Navami Celebrations with AKAHND RAMAYAN PATH
SATURDAY APRIL 20TH AND SUNDAY APRIL 21ST 2024**

Akhand Ramayan Path Begins Saturday, April 20th, 2024 10:30 AM
Akhand Ramayan Path Poornahuti Sunday, April 21st 2024 11:30 AM
Bhajans and Arati followed by Prashad 11:30 to 12:00 PM

MAHAVEER SWAMI JAYANTHI CELEBRATIONS - Sunday, April 28th, 2024
Snatra Puja 9:00 to 11:30 AM
Cultural program in the MP Hall 12:00 noon to 3:00 PM

HANUMAN JAYANTI CELEBRATIONS -Wednesday, April 23rd, 2024
Hanuman Havan 9:30 to 12:00 Noon
Hanuman Chalisa 101 times chanting & Hanuman Ashtak Path Bhajan 1:00 to 7:30 PM
Followed by Arati & Prashad 7:30 to 8:00 PM

ANNAMACHARYA JAYANTI CELEBRATIONS – Saturday, May 4th, 2024
In the Worship hall 12:30 PM to 5:00 PM

Perspectives on Sri Rama Navami.

Dr. Kris Gopal

In the month of April, Sri Rama Navami is celebrated all over the world and by followers of Sanatana Dharma. The festival celebrates the birth of Lord Rama who is 7th incarnation of Lord Vishnu. The vent is celebrated on the 9th day of First month of Hindu Calendar.

He is said to be descended from the Sun God in the solar dynasty. During the birthday celebration people adore, admire, revere, rejoice, reflect on the life of Lord Rama who beame king of Ayodhya. He was known for his exemplary qualities. He was brave, popular, Kind, intelligent, loving, and obedient and dutiful.



Instead of dwelling on the life history of Sri rama, it will be worthwhile to learn how did the ithihasa of Sri Rama came into existence. For this one must read it in Valmiki Ramayana, Balakanda Sarga, verses 1.1.1 to verse 1.1.18.

There was once an occasion when the great celestial Sage Narada met up with sage Valmiki at the hermitage at Bithoor, Uttar Pradesh, India. There Valmiki asked Sage Narada who among the heroes of this world is the highest in virtue and wisdom. Valmiki Listed 16 qualities.

को न्वस्मिन् साम्प्रतं लोके गुणवान् कश्च वीर्यवान् ।

धर्मज्ञश्च कृतज्ञश्च सत्यवाक्यो दृढव्रतः ॥ १-१-२

*kaḥ nu asmin sāmpratam loke guṇavān kaḥ ca vīryavān |
dharmajñāḥ ca kṛtajñāḥ ca satya vākya dhrḍha vrataḥ || 1-1-2*

The listed 16 qualities listed by Valmiki were 1. good characteristics, 2. valor, 3. astute follower of the prescribed rituals, 4. righteousness, 5. benevolence and gratitude, 6. not uttering lies, 7. ever speaking the truth, 8. steadfastness in fulfilling the resolves taken, 9. self-realization, 10. conqueror of anger, and being without 11. passion, 12. jealousy, 13. calumny, 14. having wisdom and intelligence, 15. statesmanship with moral conduct and 16. fortunes.

Sage Narada unhesitatingly replied in the next few verses, that it is Sri Rama who possessed all these qualities. Sage Narada had blessed the poet with about 100 slokas titled “Sankshepa Ramayanam”. The poet later developed and expanded it to 24,000 slokas.

Now, sage Narada replies you have asked me sixteen questions. But for all the sixteen put together, I have only one answer for you! “he says.

“Ikshvaaku vamsaprabhavaha raamo naama janaishruthaha!”

The answer is very simple! That person who is embodiment of all the sixteen noble qualities is none other than the king who is born in the "ikshvaaku" dynasty, Lord Rama- son of the great king Dasaratha!. He is born in the clan of the Surya (The sun God) and born to the ancestral tradition of the great king Manu and Kaakutsa. Then Narada proceeds to tell Valmiki the entire story of Ramayana. Valmiki later developed the whole Ramayana into 24,000 slokas and thus was born the Complete Ramayanam.

Thus is the importance and the noble qualities of Lord Rama which makes his birthday celebrations such a great event.

Lord Rama is always worshiped with his consort Sita, brother Lakshmana and devotee Hanuman.



Incidentally in South India, especially in Tamil nadu, young couples after their wedding seek blessings from elders and the elders bless them in Tamil பதினாறும் பெற்று பெருவாழ்வு வாழ்க pathinarum petru vazhvu vazhga, which translates to "lead a great life by acquiring sixteen kinds of wealth. Often people misunderstand this and conclude the meaning as 'give birth to sixteen children and lead a prosperous life. Elders are blessing the couples that they attain the sixteen qualities of Lord Rama.

श्री राम राम रामेति रमे रामे मनोरमे ।
सहस्रनाम तत्तुल्यं रामनाम वरानने ॥

**Shri Rama Rama Rameti, Rame Rame Manorame;
Sahasrenama tattulyam, Rama Nama Varanane**

Meaning:

- 1: By meditating on "Rama Rama Rama" (the Name of Rama), my Mind gets absorbed in the Divine Consciousness of Rama, which is Transcendental,
- 2: The Name of Rama is as Great as the Thousand Names of God (Vishnu Sahasranama-stotra)

Ram temple at Ayodhya:

A 200-year journey, with many milestones

As we celebrate Sri Rama Navami in April, and with the recent Consecration and prana pratishtha of Sri Rama at the Ayodhya temple it is worth looking into the events which gave the right to the Ram Temple in Ayodhya.

Compiled by Dr. Kris Gopal

The controversy about the existence of Ram mandir under the Bajri Mosque goes back for several decades. Hindus and Muslims fought vigorously for the claim. Court cases go as far back as 1822. Several conflicts on this controversy have claimed the life of several on both sides.

Archeological society of India (ASI) and the supreme court have asked for several clarifications. The report submitted to the court by the ASI found that sculptural remains indicate existence of large Hindu temple. The report mentions stones with inscription on it which were recorded in the construction of the mosque during the reign of Mughal Emperor Aurangzeb between the year 1676-1677. The pre-existing structure was destroyed after Aurangzeb issued orders to demolish according to Maasir-Alamgiri (1947) by sir Jadunath Sarkar (page 55)

During the ASI survey, it found inscriptions on stones were in Devanagari, Grantha, Telegu and Kannada Scripts with names of deities. The survey also indicated that the pillars and plasters in the corridor indicated that they were part of pre-existing temple. Sculptural remains in cellars indicate that there existed a large Hindu Temple. Sculptures of Hindu Deities and carved architectural members were found under the dumped soil. In one of the pillars Pillar #100 had an idol of Lord Ganesh.

In 2019 the Supreme court of India reviewed all these findings.

Corroborating report from Sant Semaj indicated such a mention of Hindu temple is recorded in Skanda Puranam. This is an ancient document that maps all the important places of Hindu Pilgrimage. It has geological locations of all Hindu Teertha Sthalams. The exact location of the birthplace of Bhagwan Ram is mentioned in the Vaishna Khand/ Ayodhya Mahatamya.

The testimony of Avimukteshwarananda changed the case and the Muslim side knew that they have lost the case. The only way to save their case was to prove the Shankaracharya's testimony as wrong. The Muslim side asks for permission to cross examine the Shankaracharya.

15 lawyers from the Muslim side do the cross examination of Avimukteswarananda for the next 10 days. The Shankaracharya gives brilliant replies to all their questions while all the 5 judges kept listening to him.

In 2010, a special bench of the Allahabad High Court under Justices SU Khan, Sudhir Agarwal and Dharam Veer Sharma in its Ayodhya title suit judgment divided the land in a 2:1 ratio, with two-thirds of the 2.77-acre, including the garbha griha, going to litigants for a Ram temple – Shri Ram Lala Virajman and Nirmohi Akhara. One-third of the land was given to the Sunni Central Waqf Board.

The verdict was challenged in the Supreme Court by both the Hindu and Muslim litigants. The apex court stayed the Allahabad High Court verdict. On November 9, 2019, a five-judge bench of the Supreme Court unanimously awarded the entire disputed land to the Hindu petitioners for a Ram temple at Ayodhya. It also decided to give land elsewhere for the construction of a mosque. The opening of the Ram Temple in Ayodhya is not merely a religious milestone, it is a turning point in the history of the country.



Source. Newspaper reports.

Book: Historian, Meenakshi Jain and her book Rama and Ayodhya

Book by Historian Hans Bakker with maps

Skanda Puranam, Ancient scripture.

Finance Report

Hindu Society of N.E. Florida Profit and Loss October - December, 2023	
Income	TOTAL
400000 Membership Collection	\$ 121.00
400001 Hundi collections	\$ 39,976.02
400002 Income from classes	\$ 930.00
400003 General Donation	\$ 133,055.05
400004 Special Events income	\$ 49,686.00
400006 Interest from Bank Accounts	\$ 7,148.40
400007 Pooja collections	\$ 24,329.00
400008 Rental of Temple Facilities	\$ 24,697.00
400009 Sandesh Income	\$ 1,500.00
400010 Garland collections	\$ 501.00
400013 Sales	\$ 2,998.00
400016 New Temple Income	\$ 1,219.00
400019 Special project income	\$ 19,555.00
Total Income	\$ 305,715.47
GROSS PROFIT	\$ 305,715.47
Expenses	
500004 Employees Salary	\$ 48,918.24
500006 Payroll Taxes and Others	\$ 433.26
500007 Employee Payroll Service Charges expense	\$ 321.29
500012 Employee relationship	\$ 4,934.90
500013 Employer FICA	\$ (2,919.95)
500014 Employer FUTA	\$ (27.03)
500015 Employer MEDICARE	\$ (682.89)
600001 New Temple – Expenses	\$ 168,452.01
600002 Pooja Related Regular Expenses	\$ 147.32
600005 Special Events – Exp	\$ 34,187.74
600006 Supplies (Office + General)	\$ 575.10
600013 Utilities	\$ 7,473.27
600015 Credit Card charges	\$ 2,069.70
600017 Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 18,091.21
600018 Garland expenses	\$ 308.32
600020 Property Insurance	\$ 7,667.38
600021 Consulting expenses	\$ 750.00
600024 Workers Comp.	\$ (834.00)
600026 Classes Expenses	\$ 266.63
Total Expenses	\$ 290,132.50
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$ 15,582.97
NET INCOME	\$ 15,582.97

Birthday Wishes

**Birthday wishes to those that have their birthdays in
April, May and June, 2024.**

Zodiac Signs,



जन्मदिनमिदं अयि प्रिय सखे, शन्तनोतु ते सर्वदा मुदम् /
प्रार्थयामहे भव शतायुषि / ईश्वरः सदा त्वां रक्षतु /
पुण्यकर्मणा कीर्तिमर्जय / जीवनं तव भवतु सार्थकम् /

*Oh, dear friend! may your birthday bring you goodness and joy forever.
We all pray for your long life of hundred years, and may the Lord always protect you.
By noble deeds may you attain fame and may your life be full filled.*



What is Ripples?

The Ripples Youth Committee is the youth volunteer branch of the Hindu Society of Northeast Florida (HSNEF). The organization is comprised of middle school and high school students who volunteer for the events in Jacksonville and related to the temple. We try to help our community in any way we can!

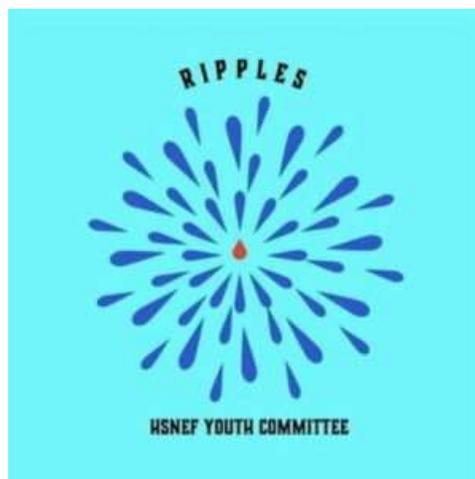
Ripples Membership

Ripples currently has 250+ members.

If you would like to be a part of HSNEF's Ripples Committee, you can fill out the membership form on the HSNEF Ripples website (<https://hsnef.org/ripples/>).

Upcoming events:

The two next events will be Habijax and Children's Carnival. We will also continue to hold outreach events and offer other volunteer opportunities, so please check Remind and Instagram for updates!



Meet our Ripples Leaders



Kavitha Parikh
Youth Committee Chair



Mahak Gupta
Mentor

Meet our Youth Leaders - Ripples

Director: Ashwin Goyal



Hi, I'm Ashwin Goyal and I'm currently a junior at Ponte Vedra High School. In my free time I like to hang out with my friends and go to the beach. I like how involved Ripples is in the community and what a difference it can make.

Director: Aishani Chatterjee



Hi, my name is Aishani! I am a junior in the IB program at Nease High School. I enjoy spending time with my friends and family as well as enjoying the amazing Florida weather. One thing about me is that I love helping people and volunteering around my community. I am excited to make an impact with the HSNEF Ripples Youth Committee!

Relational Lead: Aarushi Koshal



Hi, my name is Aarushi and I am a sophomore in the IB program at Stanton. I love reading and doing any type of art! I've also been swimming and playing the piano since I was four! I like that in Ripples even though you volunteer you can also have a lot of fun while doing it, it doesn't have to be one or the other!

Relational Lead: Sriya Vemuri



Hi! I'm Sriya, I am currently a sophomore at Stanton College Prep! I enjoy reading, singing, spending time with friends, and watching movies! I have really loved being a part of ripples and I am excited to see what the future holds and the differences we will make with ripples!

Technical Lead: Pavitra Nannapaneni



Hi, my name is Pavitra Nannapaneni and I'm a sophomore at Stanton College Prep in the IB program. I love to play golf, read and code! I am really looking forward to working with everyone and hope we can truly make a difference in our community :)

Technical Lead: Aryan Nimmagadda



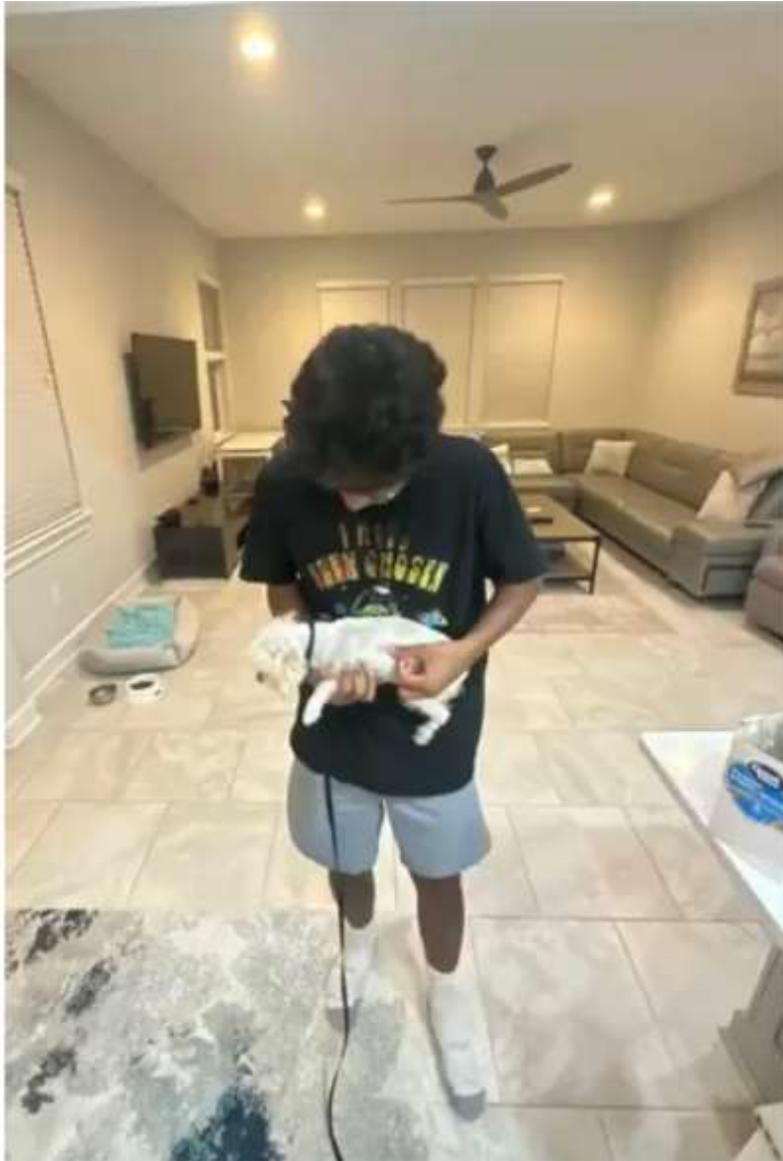
Hello! My name is Aryan Nimmagadda and I'm a sophomore at Stanton. In my free time I like to run, talk to my friends, and color. I can't wait to work with everyone and hope to make this another great year.

Outreach Manager: Aryav Jain



Hi my name is Aryav Jain, I am currently a junior at Stanton College Preparatory High School in the IB program. I enjoy hanging out with friends, watching movies, and playing sports. I am very excited to work with everyone and the new ripples team for the 2024 year!

Outreach Manager: Sachin Budda



Hey, my name is Sachin Budda! I'm currently a junior at Stanton College Prep. I think Dogs are better than Cats.

Resources of health insurance for uninsured

RESOURCES for UNINSURED in North East FLORIDA (as of April 2023)

- Note that the information below is provided as a courtesy only and may not be up to date.
- Website to find free/discounted community health resources: <https://www.findhelp.org/>
- **AGAPE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER (SLIDING SCALE)** <https://agapefamilyhealth.org/locations/>
 - Phone number: 904-760-4904
- **VIM (Volunteers in Medicine)** vim-jax.org
 - 3728 Philips Highway, Suite #34, Jacksonville, FL 32207; Phone: 904-399-2766
 - 5927 Old Timuquana Rd., Suite #2, Jacksonville, FL 32210; Phone: 904-539-3020
- **WE CARE JACKSONVILLE, INC.** wecarejacksonville.org
 - Phone: 904-674-6450
 - Address: 4615 Philips Highway, Jacksonville, FL 32207
- **ST. VINCENT'S H.O.P.E. (Health Outreach Patient Eligibility) PROGRAM**
 - Phone: 904-308-1956
 - Website: <https://healthcare.ascension.org/locations/florida/fljac/jacksonville-ascension-st-vincent-riverside/financial-assistance>
 - Address: 3 Shircliff Way, Dillon Building, #525, Jacksonville, FL 32204
- **SULZBACHER CENTER Health Services** <https://sulzbacherjax.org/get-help/#healthcare>
 - Phone: 904-394-1660 (Downtown); 904-224-3550 (Beaches)
 - Address: 611 E. Adams Street, Jacksonville, FL 32202 &
 - Address: (Beaches): 850 6th Ave South, Ste. 500, Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250
- **MOBILE HEALTH UNITS**
 - Sulzbacher Center HealthMobile: 904-422-6921
 - St. Vincent's Mobile Health Outreach Ministry: 904-308-7300
 - <https://healthcare.ascension.org/locations/florida/fljac/jacksonville-ascension-st-vincent-riverside/outreach-ministries>
 - Duval County Health Department (medical and dental): 904-253-1130 or 904-253-1230
- **MASS Clinic (Muslim-American Social Services)** <https://massclinic.org/>
 - Address: 2251, St. Johns Bluff Rd. S. Jacksonville, FL 32246; Phone: 904-419-8006
- **DUVAL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**
 - <https://duval.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/index.html>
- **UFHEALTH JACKSONVILLE**
 - Financial Assistance: 904-244-4015
 - <https://ufhealthjax.org/patient-care/financial-assistance.aspx>
 - Total Care Clinic for patients with "City Contract" insurance
 - <https://ufhealthjax.org/location/171/uf-health-total-care-clinic-jacksonville/>
- **LEGACY OF CARE HEALTH CLINIC, INC.**
 - <http://legacyofcare.net/> Phone: 904-563-3989; Email: legacyofcare@yahoo.com
 - Address: 1620 St. John's Bluff Rd. Jacksonville FL. 32225
 - Times: By appointment only; open every second Saturday of the month at 9:00 AM
- **FLORIDA DISCOUNT DRUG CARD PROGRAM** FloridaDiscountDrugCard.com 1-866-341-8894
- **Free Medications to those who cannot afford them** <https://www.rxassist.org/>

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Rental and Advertisement

RENTAL RATES

Temple Facility (Multipurpose Hall minimum 3 Hours + \$100 Cleaning and Utility fees) is available for private events, personal functions, and social gatherings on first come first served basis and at a cost.

	Non-Profit	Members	Non-Members
Multi-purpose Hall	\$50	\$80	\$100
After house Rental Multi-purpose Hall	\$70	\$100	\$120
Gokulam Hourly	\$30	\$40	\$50
Conference Room/Library	\$15	\$20	\$25
Podium/Projects	\$15	\$15	\$15

ADVERTISING RATES

Advertising in Sandesh is an excellent opportunity for business owners and professionals looking for exposure among local Indian community. It is a quarterly publication reaching Indian community households in the Jacksonville area. Sandesh publication is also available online at www.hsnef.org.

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