PROGRAM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

TEA & SNACKS - 8:00 a.m.

PUJAS 8:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

1. Preliminaries, Sankalpa, Ganapati Puja
2. Procession and Installation of Pillars & Flags
3. Punyaha Vachana - Purification Rituals
4. Pitru Tarpanam
5. Naandi Shraaddha

HOMAS 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

1. Agnisthapana 2. Mahaganapati Homa
3. Dhanvantari Homa 4. Mahasudarshana Homa

PRASADAM - LUNCH 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

HOMAS - 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

1. Hanuman Homa
2. Mahalakshmi Homa
3. Parvati Kalyan Mantra Homa
4. Closing Rituals and Aarati

BREAK & SNACKS 5:00 p.m.

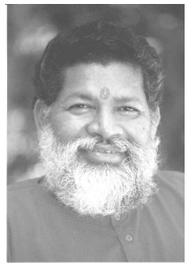
CULTURAL PROGRAM 5:30 - 6:30p.m.

DINNER 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

PUJAS AND HOMAS 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

9:00 a.m.	Preliminaries, Sankalpa, Ganapati Puja
9:45 a.m.	Break/Snacks
10:15 a.m.	Navagraha Homa
10:30 a.m.	Chandi Homa
11:00 a.m.	Anu Lingam & Laghu Chandi
11:15 a.m.	Maha Rudrabhishekam
12:30 P.M	Closing Rituals and Aarati
	Swamiji's Blessings
	Announcements
	Saraswati Puja, Brahman Puja,
	Dakshina Danam, Sarva Devata Visarjan
1:00 p.m.	PRASADAM (Lunch)



Swami Bodhananda Saraswati
Spiritual Director and Founder
The Sambodh Society, Inc.



Sambodh Center for Human Excellence

Under the inspired leadership of Swami Bodhananda, Sambodh Society and SCHE aspire to nurture a community of spiritual seekers who 1) work selflessly for the spiritual uplift of humanity; 2) learn from the best of both Eastern and Western traditions; and, 3) are steeped in Vedanta, a vision which sees the world as one family and that all paths lead to the same Truth.

The Sambodh Society, Inc. seeks your generous support and enthusiastic involvement - physically, materially and spiritually – for maximum success of this spiritual endeavor begun by Swamiji. Along with your participation in Sambodh activities and the annual *yajna* venerating *Sambodh Aranya Shiva*, we request your help in passing along the news of Sambodh to your friends and acquaintances. Help us arrange new venues for Swamiji's programs in your region of the United States or Canada. With your prayers, participation, good will and support, the Sambodh mission will flourish to benefit humanity.

SWAMIJI'S MESSAGE

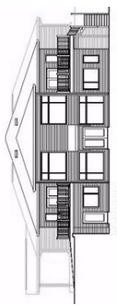
LORD SHIVA and His consort Devi are the patron deities of Sambodh Aranya and the Sambodh Center for Human Excellence. The union of **Shiva (Consciousness)** and **Shakti (Energy)** gives birth to and sustains this universe of beings and events. Shiva without Shakti has no drive, and Shakti without Shiva has no direction. Together Shiva and Shakti superintend the world's affairs. To quote Kalidasa, the poet, "*Jagada Pitarau Vande Parvati Parameshvarau*" - "We salute the cosmic parents, Parameshvara and Parvati."

SINCE THE VEDIC TIMES it has been a practice to perform rituals to propitiate Shiva and Shakti for world peace, prosperity, and spiritual well-being. When human efforts are found wanting, divine intervention is sought. By propitiating these deities we, in turn, balance our wishes and drives with cosmic energies and are nourished and protected. This is the whole rationale of a sacrifice. Thus, rituals work both spiritually and materially, bringing inner peace and bliss along with outer prosperity and harmony. Those who believe in a higher power controlling human destiny accept the Vedic injunctions to perform rituals for satisfying human needs and fulfilling human destiny.

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A Cordial Invitation to attend the

ANNUAL SHRI MAHA RUDRABHISHEKAM

AND

CHANDI HOMA 2016

Saturday, August 6, 2016
8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 7, 2016
9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Venue

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SAT, AUG 6
PRELIMINARIES

8:30 - 10:45 a.m.

Preliminaries, Sankalpa, and Ganapati Puja
Pillars and Flags Installation
Punya Vachana, Naandi Shraaddha



Pitru Tarpanam

Sponsorship $251

Paying respect to living parents and making offerings to the departed ones (like propitiating Devas and chanting Vedic mantras) are part of our religious duties, without which we will not find peace or prosperity here or hereafter.

PUJAS AND HOMAS

11:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.



Mahaganapati Homa

Sponsorship: $251

For removing obstacles in one's path during any undertaking, whether for a material or a spiritual gain.



Dhanvantari Homa

Sponsorship: $251

Dhanvantari is the physician of Gods. Dhanvantari Homa is performed to rid oneself of all physical afflictions and to attain good health.



Sudarshana Homa

Sponsorship: $501

Sudarshana Chakra is the weapon of Lord Vishnu which the Lord uses to protect His devotees. Sudarshana Homa is performed to receive this protection and overcoming enemies.

SATURDAY, AUG 6
PUJAS AND HOMAS

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.



Hanuman Homa

Sponsorship: $501

Hanuman Homa is done for protection from enemies, misfortunes, evil eye and other malevolent forces. The chanting bestows on the devotee qualities like intelligence, strength, character, courage, fearlessness, youthful health, alertness and communication skills.



Mahalakshmi Homa

Sponsorship: $501

Mahalakshmi Homa is performed to receive the blessings of Goddess Lakshmi, the Goddess of wealth, to achieve prosperity in this material world.



Parvati Kalyan Mantra Homa

Sponsorship: $501

Parvati, the consort of Lord Shiva, was single-mindedly devoted to Shiva. This Homa is for those who wish to obtain the husband, or a wife, of one's desire.



Navagraha Homa

Sponsorship: $251

(on Sunday, August 7)

For enhancing the desired positive influences of planets like Jupiter and the Sun, and mitigating the undesirable effects of planets like Shani, Mangala, Rahu and Ketu.

SUNDAY, AUG 7
PUJAS AND HOMAS

9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Preliminaries, Sankalpa, and Ganapati Puja

Navagraha Homa

10:15 a.m. **Sponsorship: $251**

Chandi Homa

with Lalita Sahasranama
10:30 a.m. **Sponsorship: $1001**

Anu Lingam & Laghu Chandi

11:00 a.m. **Sponsorship: $101 each**

SHRI MAHA RUDRABHISHEKAM

11:15 a.m. **Sponsorship: $1001**



"These two Rituals are performed for the purpose of receiving the abundant blessings of Shiva and Shakti, our Universal parents, spiritual devotion and final liberation. The Abhishekam washes away all sins and afflictions; brings peace, prosperity and happiness along with family togetherness."

Swami Bodhananda

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF PARVATI KALYAN MANTRA AND HOMA



Sponsorship: $501

Goddess Parvati, daughter of Himavan and Maneka, performed severe austerities on the bank of Manasarovar, to please Lord Shiva so that He would accept her as His wife. Pleased with her devotion and sacrifice, Mahadeva accepted Parvati as His consort. During her severe penance, Parvati chanted this mantra. Devotees who chant the Parvati Kalyan mantra and participate in the kalyan mahotsava puja can, without undergoing any such penance, freely draw from this merit deposit receiving blessings of Shiva and Parvati for the benefit of getting suitable spouses and also for the boon of a long happy married life.

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