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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Dear Devotees,

We have just enjoyed Navratri with dancing, meeting each other and enjoying food and Diwali or deepawali is almost here. What a wonderful time. These two events both signal a great meeting of our community, communal festivities and joy. A great event is being planned by many in our community with hard work and dedication to ensure that the evening is enjoyed by all. We thank every one of the dedicated volunteers. This time of the year reminds us all of the importance of being together, wholesome enjoyment and the larger picture of life. Being members of a smaller community with rich traditions that is part of the larger fabric of America allows us to adhere to what is positive in our own tradition and keeping it alive so that our future generations and the larger community can enjoy it too while at the same time doing our part in contributing positively to the American community as a whole. It is interesting that our festivals are in the same season as thanksgiving, the great American festival that also involves the community getting together and enjoying the traditions and festivities.

This year, we have an additional very important duty that is to vote. By voting for our representatives we can ensure that our voices and opinions will be heard so that the future continues to be bright for our city, county, state and country.

Sincerely,

Dr.Vijay Bindingavele

President board of trustees,STHS



## Priest's Column

OM NAMAHA

कायेन वाचा मनसेन्द्रियैवा  
बुद्ध्यात्मना वा प्रकृतेः स्वभावात्  
। करोमम यद्यत्सकलं परस्मै  
गुरुवरायेमत समपायामम ॥

Kaayena Vaacha Manasendriyairvaa  
Buddhyaatmanaa Vaa Prakrteh Svabhaavaat |  
Karomi Yad-Yat-Sakalam Parasmai  
Guru-Varaayeti Samarpayaami ||

Meaning:

- 1: (Whatever I do) with my **Body, Speech, Mind** or **Sense Organs,**
- 2: (Whatever I do) using my **Intellect, Feelings of Heart** or (unconsciously) through the **natural tendencies** of my Mind,
- 3: **Whatever I do,** I do all for **others ,**
- 4: (And) I **Surrender** them all at the Lotus Feet of the **Supreme God.**

## Ganesh chaturthi celebrations



Link for Ganapathy visarjanam Video

<https://youtu.be/ROKXxLJxRVl> Link for the

Ganapathy visarjanam Photos:

<https://goo.gl/photos/8xL6BqtYLVrDDC9A>

## Dussehra Celebrations



## **Dear Devotees ,**

It's that time again for blessings from goddess Laxmi, exchanging good wishes , colourful sarees, dresses, Kurtas and firework. On Oct 30th, Sunday, all roads lead to STHS Temple for diwali celebration at 6 pm. We are so fortunate to have this beautiful Temple to go to experience the divinity of Hinduism and flavor of our culture.

The samuhik Laxmi Pooja, conducted piously by priest Anikepalli and now accompanying him the new Priest Saimanoj will start the celebration followed by Aarti and prasad and last but not the least, the FIREWORK.

All these events friends, will never be possible without the support and participation of you devotees.

So for this Diwali Please donate whole heartedly.

May God bless us All with Health, Wealth and Happiness.

Thank you.

Vandana Kamat MD

Treasurer

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## Editor's corner



This quarter began with Janmashtami and continued from there on . Both adults and kids enjoyed the Pujas, and Pinyatas at Janmashtami.

Ganesh chaturthi was well organised this year with new ideas and decorations. Hats off to Sri Srinivasacharyulu.

The cute baby Ganesh was all sizes and shapes this year .Made with flour ,play dough, haldi, and the plaster of Paris.

The best part was the send off with live music and instrumental entertainment. Students from Kingsville made it possible. the sound of drums and excitement was beyond words to express. This was the best attended Ganesh Chaturthi.

Next came Dasarah with Nava ratri pujas Golu the doll arrangement at the temple and at homes of several families.

Now get ready for Diwali and fireworks. Preparations are underway in a big way.

This quarter ends with Diwali and Kartika masam begins

Please join me welcoming our new priest Sri Sai Manoj Mochavolu.

He was trained in Tirupathi same as our Sri Srinivasacharyulu.

Sri Sai Manoj speaks multiple languages, Besides Telugu his mother tongue, he also speaks Hindi, Tamil and English.

Money is needed to maintain and do new projects, but donations are not the only thing we are expecting ,we love to see you at the temple .

Please come ,participate and get the blessings.

HAPPY DIWALI

Lalitha .M Janaki, MD

