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AT THE PEETAM

Srí Chakra wishes all its readers a Happy New Year 1993!

There were several auspicious events related to the *Peetam* and its devotees in the last bimonthly period. *Sri Chakra* is pleased to announce the birth of *Sow Swati Lavanya* on November 22, 1992 to *Sri Satyananda* and *Smt. Kriyamba*, *Peetadhipathis* of the *Sri Venkateswara Peetam*, Buffalo. *Sri Chakra* congratulates the parents and wishes the newborn the best in life.

Another happy news is the engagement of *Sow Sujatha*, daughter of *Sri Paramananda* and *Smt. Gnaneswariamba*, *Peetadhipathis* of the *Swarnalakshmi Peetam to Sri Raja* of Missouri, The engagement ceremony, performed on November 26, 1992 at Rochester, New York was marked by a *Shodasa Upachara Pooja to Devi Gowri* by *Sri Chaitanyananda Natha*. The function was well-attended. The wedding is to take place early next year. *Sri Chakra* is very happy for *Sri Paramananda* and *Smt. Gnaneswariamba*, who have performed admirable service to *Guruji*

and our lineage and wishes the best for *Sujatha* and *Raja*.

Yet another happy news is that the *Sri Andal Peetam* in Pittsburgh, by the Grace of *Devi*, has a new bride. *Sow. Srilakshmi* was married to the *Peetadhipathi, Sri Subrahmanyam Murthy*, at Hyderabad, India on December 6, 1992. *Sri Chakra* wishes the newly-weds a happy married life.

The Peetadhipathis of the *Kamakshi Peetam, Sri Sasitharan* and *Smt. Vijayalakshmi* have moved from Boston to Tiruchi, India. Consequently, the *Peetam* is also now located in Tiruchi. *Sri Chakra* wishes the *Peetadhipathis* the best in their new location.

The highlight of the last bimonthly period was the celebration of *Navaratri* in the usual gala manner at the *Peetam*. *Devi* was dressed differently on each of the nine days and a *Navavarana Pooja* was performed each day. During that auspicious occasion, *Sri Chaitanyananda Natha* showered *Poorna Dheeksha on Smt. Shiela Chavan, Peetadhipathi* of the *Prahlada Peetam* with the *Dheekshanamam, Gayatriamba*. Please see the article entitled "*Highlights of the Main Navaratri Pooja*" by *DI. Swaroop Koehler, Peetadhipathi* of the *Sri Devi Peetam* in Pittsburgh.

During the past bi-monthly period, *Sri Chaitanyananda Natha* performed the *Seemandham* ceremony for *Smt. Tulasi Master of Rochester, NY*. At Syracuse, he performed a *Griha Pravesa Pooja* at the residence of *Seema and Anuj*. At Rochester, he participated in an *Akhanda Bhajan*, organized by the *Sai Samitis* of Rochester, Buffalo, Ithaca and Syracuse. He also performed *poojas* at the *Sri Bhuvaneswari Peetam, the Chandrasekhara Peetam* and at the residence of *Satyajit and Indu Singh* in Syracuse, NY, at the *Yoga Meenakshi Peetam* in Buffalo and the *Sri Krauncheswari Peetam* in Missisauga, Canada. He also performed a *Skanda Sashti Pooja* at the residence of the *Gomathinayagams* and a *Devi Pooja* at the residence of the *Govindarajans*, both in Tennessee. He also conducted the funeral of the father of *Dr. Balaji* of Rochester and the father of *Sri Atmananda, Peetadhipathi* of the *Yoga Meenakshi Peetam*.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MAIN NAVARATHRI PUJA

Dr. Swaroop Koehler, Peetadhipathi of the *Sri Devi Peetam* narrates the highlights of the main *Navaratri Pooja* at the *Peetam* on October 3, 1992 for the benefit of the readers who could not be physically present for the joyous occasion.

All the deities and utensils in the shrine room were restored to their immaculate sparkling lustre with the combined effort of the devotees, supervised by Sri Chaitanyananda Natha.

The Ceremonial Bath to *Sri Rajarajeswari Amba, Shiva Lingam and Bala Ganapathi* was performed by the *Suvasinis* and everybody present to the tune of the recitation of *Rudram -- Namakam, Chamakam, Sri Suktam and Purusha Suktam*.

Devi was clad in a golden sari, and adorned with jewels; and the floral decoration on all the main deities as inspired by Devi was a feast to the eyes. Devotees, even at the sunset of their lives, will reminisce the glorious sight and the unforgettable event with awe, reverence and glee. Devotees from various *Peethams* in the northeastern United States attended the *Navaratri Pooja* which consisted of a *NAVAVARANA POOJA, HOMAM AND LALITA SAHASRANAMAM RECITATION IN UNISON*.

Some devotees were showered with *Deeksha and Poorna Deeksha* on this auspicious occasion by the Grace of our Guru and Blessings of Devi. The formal initiation was given by Sri Chaitanyananda Natha.

Finally, the highlights of the celebration led to the recitation of *Bhajans* by Sri Chaitanyananda Natha and group. The *Bhajans* on Devi evoked a thrilling experience. The *Mahaprasadam* was served under the loving & caring supervision of *Smt. Gnanamba*. All devotees carried with them ecstatic memories of their individual divine experience.

NEW WORLD ORDER

Sri Chakra presents below an article by Guruji in the June 1992 issue of "Devipuram Update." The article is extremely relevant in today's environment.

Nearly 2000 years after the prince of peace and the apostle of love died, the goal for which He shed his blood is coming through. Going are the days when people used to believe that political power grows out of the barrel of a gun. Peoples of the world, especially children, have realized the following simple truth that like begets like.

Violence begets violence. Hate begets hate. Anger begets anger. Passion begets passion. Exploitation begets exploitation. Strife begets strife.

That violence is not necessary. Aggression is not necessary. Love begets

love. Order begets order. Harmony begets harmony. Peace begets peace.

Children have to be taught the art of loving relationships, which comes so naturally to them. There is no need for us to inculcate our outmoded patterns of behavior based on separateness, alienation and loneliness. Give them a chance to open up their hearts to the whole world. The world is full of richness and variety. Do not put them into the straitjackets of petty regionalism, nationalism, and such restrictive ideas. The new religion is in fact the oldest religion there is. It is the religion of love. Unconditional, universal love, which begets unconditional, universal love.

It is your nature to love everyone, every living being. The expressions of love differ. But love you must. You must love, you must receive love. Only when this two-way flow of love happens, you are nourished right from your roots.

You are mistaken if you think that if you love someone deeply, you should not love or cannot love anyone else. It is your nature to love. It is your nature to receive love which lets you grow without limits. Love is that which lets your partner grow without limits. Love is that which frees. Love does not, should not, bind.