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**You are invited to attend**

**RIGVEDA & Yajur Veda UPAKARMA (AVANI AVITTAM)**

**On 17th Aug 2016(Wednesday)**

**Both are going to be the same day**

 **1st Batch 6-00Am to 7-00 am Rigveda**

Ganapathi puja, Punyahavachanam, Saptarshi puja, Yajnopaveeta Dharanam, Rishi Tarpanam, Bramha yajnam, Guru puja, Arathi Asheervadam & prasadam

**7-00 Am to 8-30Am Yajurveda 1st Batch**

Ganapathi puja, Punyahavachanam Kãmokãrshith Japam, Bramha Yajnam, Mahã Sankalpam, Yajnopaveeta Dhãranam, Kãndarishi Tarpanam, Veda Vyãsa Pooja, Homam, Veda Ãrambham, Ãšeervãdam.

**2nd Batch 9-00Am to 10-00 am Rig and Yajurveda**

Option to bring the following for both: Flowers, fruits, coconuts, black sesame, Panchapatre Udharane, plate, jaggary, appam, cucumber, Ghee, beetle leaves and nuts. You may also bring any snacks for the Breakfast

We are now enrolling for the Veda classes, Telugu, Kannada classes and Sanskrit Speaking & Shloka classes for kids & adults at the (Vedic Center.) (Sandhyavandana and Devatarchana, Pancha sooktas, Rudram & Chamakam, Vishnu sahasranama, Lalita Sahasranama classes also in progress).

***Kindly contact Sastryji at 614-668-9884. For further details Visit our web site***

***Upakarma means beginning or "Arambham" or to begin the study of the Veda.***
***Those belonging to the Yajur Veda observe the Upakarma in the month of Sravana, on full moon / Poornima Day.***
***Those belonging to the Rig Veda observe the Upakarma in the month of Sraavana, on***

 ***Sravana Nakshatra or Panchamiyukta Hasta nakshatra Day***
**Why begin study of the Vedas on this particular day?**
***This auspicious day also happens to be the day when Lord Narayana took the avatara as***[***Lord Hayagriva***](http://vediccenter05.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=24e05043359d1726c71241310&id=1b19488baa&e=e6b1b82a11)***. Lord Hayagriva as we all know restored the Vedas to Brahma and also is the God of Knowledge.***
**Why do this every year?**
***In the not too distant a past, Veda Adhyayanam / study was performed only during the period Sravana / Avani to Pushya / Tai. (From mid-August to mid-January). Therefore, one is supposed to perform an Utsarjana / giving up of the learning of Vedas in the month of Pushya / Tai.***
 ***From Pushya / Tai to Sravana / Avani, Just like a Upakarma function there was a Utsarjana function in Tai. The period between Januarys to August was then devoted to learning other branches of our shastras. Thus the cycle of Upakarma and Utsarjana with regard to Vedic studies was established. However, this method took 12 or more years to learn just one veda. Slowly this became impractical and Vedic studies continued throughout the year.***

***Therefore, the first thing to do before the Yajurveda Upakarma function is to do a praayaschitta / atonement for having learned Vedas during the prohibited period. That's why we begin the function by doing the "Kamokarshit..." japam* The main purpose of the Upakarma function is to offer prayers and express our gratitude to those rishis who gave us theVedas -- the rishis through whom the Vedic mantras were revealed.**

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Gayatri Japam -Thursday Aug 18th 2016

Sankalpam for Gayatri Japam

Mama Upãtta samasta Durita kshayadwãrã Šree Parameswara Preetyartham,

Subhãbhyãm Namaha, Subhe Shobhane, muhoorthe, Adya Brahmanaha Dwiteeya Parãrdhe, Šwetavarãha kalpe, Vaivaswata Manvantare, Ashtã vimšati tame, kaliyuge, Prathame pãde, aindra khande, krouncha dweepe, Bhoomandalasya pašcime pãršwe, Šakãbde Asmin Vartamãne, Vyavahãrike, Prabhavãdi Shashti Samvatsarãnãm  Madhye,
*Durmukhi* Nãma Samvatsare, Dakshinayane, Varsha Rutou, Sraavana Mase / Simha Mãse, Krishna pakshe,  Prathipadyãm  Subha Tithou, *Guruvãsara* yuktãyãm**, Dhanishta** Nakshatra Samyuktãyãm, Subha yoga  Subha  karana evanguna sakala višeshena višishtãyãm asyãm Prathamãyãm Subha Tithou….

Mama Pãpa kshayãrtham, avratya prãyaschittãrtham, Anadheeta mithyãdheeta Samvatsara prãyaschittãrtham cha, Ashtottara sahasra sankhyayã Gãyatri Mahãmantra japam karishye.

