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1. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (தலைவர் பக்கம்)

Wishing all members a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. It was mentioned in my message earlier last year that the Committee will attempt to increase the participation of members and their families in the activities of the Association. There remains much more to do in this area. We need more participation at our regular bhajanais and pournami poojas. Whilst pournami pooja is a religious function that has to follow a routine procedure, bhajanai can be modified if members feel so. Members are free to send in their views on this. Perhaps, we could leave it to the members in the areas that sponsor the bhajanai to conduct the bhajans. Let us use the bhajanai and poojas for members to bring their families and meet-up with fellow members. Our building was built with that purpose in mind. Members can still send in their corrections/amendments to the directory until January 31st, 2007.

2. HON. SECRETARY'S COLUMN (கௌரவ செயலாளர் பக்கம்)

Please pass the Junior's Section, to your children. Members are more than welcome to contribute suitable articles for future issues of the Circular. You may send your articles to me by e-mail or by normal post. As part of the cost-savings program, we strongly encourage members to opt for the electronic version of circulars or even retrieve them at your on leisure from the Website.

3. THIS MONTH'S EVENTS

POURNAMI POOJA - பௌர்ணமி பூஜை – - January 3 (ஜனவரி 3) -

The Pooja falls on January 3, 2007. Any member who wants to sponsor the poojai please contact the President/ Hon. Secretary. All members and their families are cordially invited to participate in the Pooja.

SAMOOHA BHAJANAI - சமூக பஜனை -- January 27, 2007 (**ஜனவரி 27**)

The January bhajanai will be held on Saturday January 27, 2007. This bhajanai will be sponsored by members in the **Klang Road**/ **Puchong** area. All members and their families are cordially invited to participate in the bhajanai.

4. MEMBERS' COLUMN (அங்கத்தினர் பக்கம்)

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NEW MEMBERS - புது அங்கத்தினா் —

We welcome the following new members:					
M'ship	Name	Address and Contact No.			
No.					
563A	Sutram Vasudeva Sarma	33-22-13 Villa Scott, Brickfields, KL. Tel: 03- 7490 1259			
564	Shyam Kanna Gopinathan	No. 50E, Jalan Pokok Sakat, Telok Gadong, 41200 Klang			
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NEW YEAR GREETINGS - புத்தாண்டு நல்வாழ்த்துகள் –

1. Warm wishes to you and your family as we end the year and begin a new one. HAPPY NEW YEAR 2007 - Usha & Nara (L-98)

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OBITUARY (மரணம்)

Mdm T.C. Parvathy w/o late Mr A. N. Ananthakrishnan, passed away peacefully on 14.12.2006 in Singapore, leaving behind daughter Lakshmi (Gowri), son-in-law Bhaskar Narayanan (L-313) and grandson Iresh. *Our condolences to the bereaved family*

GIFT – (இனம்)

The family of the late Mr. Krishnamoorthy (Klang) donated some prayer books written in Malayalam and one book in Sanskrit to the PBM's library. We appreciate their kindness.

5. TEMPLE NEWS - ஆலய விபரங்கள் —

VTMA management welcomes all members to take part in the activities of the Temple such as Chathurthi Homam and prayers. Any member wishing to sponsor the events can contact V. Subramanian (Temple Hon. Secretary) or N. Srinivasan (Temple Hon. Treasurer). Members are welcome to come to the temple to offer their prayers and get the blessings of Sumuga Vinayagar.

6. JUNIOR'S SECTION - சிறுவா் பக்கம்

Story of Three "Jewels" Given by a Noble Son

Ishwarchandra Vidyasagar of India was the epitome of compassion. He along with his aged mother lived in a village near Calcutta. They lived in such abject poverty that they had hardly anything for food other than gruel. As Vidyasagar had sincerity and earnestness, he used to study even under street lights. One with sincerity can accomplish any task. Vidyasagar passed the law examination and obtained a good job. Neither happiness nor sorrow is permanent. One follows the other with the passage of time. Likewise, Vidyasagar's days of poverty were over as he was drawing a handsome salary. One day, he told his mother that he wanted to buy some good Saris (Indian dresses) and jewels for her as he was earning sufficient money. He asked his mother to express her wish. The mother said that she did not need anything at that time and would express her wish at the appropriate time. Being an obedient son, he would never force his mother on any matter. As months passed by, his salary increased substantially. On a particular Sunday, he sat by his mother's side and said, "Mother, I have a lot of money with me, I pray you express your wish at least now". The mother said, "Son, I want three jewels. As there is no school in our village, the children are forced to walk long distances to attend school. The parents are concerned about their safety and spend anxious moments till they return from school in the evening. So, please construct a small school in our village. This is the first 'jewel' I desire from you". Accordingly, Vidyasagar got a school constructed in his village. After some time, his mother expressed her second wish. She said, "Our villagers are suffering from lack of medical facilities. When the children are afflicted with any disease, the mothers have to carry them to the town for treatment. So, I want you to construct a small hospital in our village. This is the second 'jewel' I expect from you." Vidyasagar built a hospital too. As days rolled by, Vidyasagar's name and fame spread far and wide. People were all praise for his social activities. After some time, his mother expressed her third wish. She said, "Son! The water in all the wells in our village has been reduced to a trickle. The villagers are suffering due to lack of drinking water. So, I want you to make arrangements for water supply in our village." As per his mother's wish, Vidyasagar provided drinking water to the villagers. His mother was overjoyed. She blessed her son saying, "I wish every mother had a noble son like you who dedicates his life to the welfare of the society."

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8. CALENDAR OF EVENTS – சிறிய பஞ்சாங்கம் -

Eng. ஆங் —கில	Tamil தமிழ்	^{Day} கிழமை	Event சம்பவம்	
Jan '07 ஜனவரி '07			Maargazhi மார்கழி	
1	17	Mon திங்கள்	Pradosham; <i>Subha</i> <i>Muhurtham Naal</i>	் பிரதொஷம் <i>; சுப</i> மு <i>ஹூர்த்தம் நாள்</i>
3	19	Wed; புதன்	Thiruvaathurai; Aaruthra tharisanam; Pournami Poojai (7-9p.m.)	திருவாதுரை, ஆருத்ரா தரிசணம்; பௌா் ணமி பூஜை (<i>மாலை</i> 7 – 9).
7	23	Sun ஞாயிறு	Sankatahara Chathurthi	சங்கடஹர சதுர்த்தி
8	24	Mon திங்கள்	Tiruvaiyaaru Thyagaraja Aaraadhana	திருவையாறு தியாகராஜ ஆராதன
11	27	Thur; வியாழன்	Subha Muhurtham Naal	சுப மு ஹ ிர்த்தம் நாள்
12	28	Fri வெள்ளி	Subha Muhurtham Naal	சுப முஹூர்த்தம் நாள்
14	30	Sun ஞாயிறு	Ekadasi and Bhogi Pandigai	ஏகாதசி ; போகி பண்டிகை
			Thai தை	
15	1	Mon திங்கள்	Pongal Pandigai; Uttharaayana Punyakaalam; Ekadasi	பொங்கள் பண்டிகை உத்தராயன புண்யகாலம்; ஏகாதசி
16	2	Tue; செவ்வாய்	Maattu Pongal	மாட்டு பொங்கள்; பிரதோஷம்
18	4	Thur; வியாழன்	Ammavasai	அமாவாசை
20	6	Sat சனி	Shravana Vrudham	சிரவண விரதம்;
22	8	Mon திங்கள்	Chathurthi Vrutham	சதுர்த்தி விரதம்
23	9	Tue; செவ்வாய்	Vasantha Panchami	வசந்த பஞ்சமி
24	10	Wed; புதன்	Shasti Vrudham; <i>Subha</i> <i>Muhurtham Naal</i>	ஷஷ்டி விரதம்; <i>சுப</i> மு ஹூர்த்தம் நாள்
25	11	Thur;	Ratha saptami	ரத சப்தமி

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		வியாழன்		
26	12	Fri	Beeshmaastami; <i>Subha</i>	பீஷ்மாஷ்டமி; <i>சுப</i>
		வெள்ளி	Muhurtham Naal	மு ஹூர்த்தம் நாள்
27	13	Sat	Krithigai Vrudham;	கிருத்திகை விரதம்;
		சனி	Bhajanai (7p.m 9 p.m.)	பஜனை (மாலை7 – 9)
29	15	Mon	Ekadasi	ஏகாதசி
		திங்கள்		
30	16	Tue;	Pradosham	பிரதோஷம்
		செவ்வாய்		
Feb '07		7		
பிப்ரவரி '07		'07		
1	18	Thur;	THAI POOSAM; Pournami	தை பூசம்; பௌர்ணமி
		வியாழன்	Poojai (7-9p.m.)	பூஜை (மாலை 7 – 9).
5	22	Mon	Sankatahara Chathurthi	சங்கடஹர சதுர்த்தி
		திங்கள்		
8	25	Thur;	Subha Muhurtham Naal	சுப முஹூர்த்தம் நாள்
		வியாழன்		
9	26	Fri	Subha Muhurtham Naal	சுப முஹூர்த்தம் நாள்
		வெள்ளி		

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