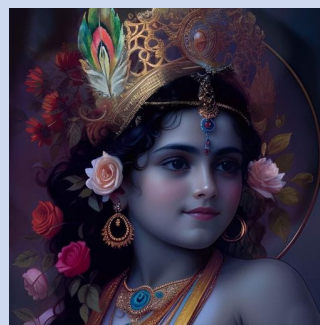


June 2023 ISKCON of Arizona Newsletter



Sacred bathing ceremony during our Narasimha festival in early May.

Best June Days for Meditation and Fasting



Greetings & Namaste,

When newcomers to Tucson ask how we cool off during Arizona's searing summers, we tell them about our Monday getaways, while our restaurant is closed.

First, there are the canyons, Sabino and Madera. Sabino is closer, with more river water for swimming and wading, but Madera is higher and cooler, with great hiking trails accessible from the picnic areas.

When we need to chill fast, we head straight up Mount Lemmon, where the ski-lift ride gives us breathtaking views of the desert below, the forest provides sweet spots to picnic, and the General Store sells delicious homemade pies for dessert.

Finally, when the summer is super hot and super dry, we pile in our vans for the 90-minute journey to Lake Patagonia, where we can swim, boat, and picnic to our heart's content. Hurray Krishna!

If you'd like to chill with us some Monday this summer, please write me at the address below. Hare Krishna and stay cool!
Yours in service,

Purnima - Full Moon
Saturday, June 3rd

Yogini Ekadasi
Tuesday, June 13th
(fasting from grains & beans)

**Disappearance Day of
Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakura**
(fasting till noon)
Special program at the Mantra
Oasis - starting at noon, all day
kirtan and feast.
for more info go to
www.MantraOasis.com
everyone is welcome

Sayana Ekadasi
Thursday, June 29th
(fasting from grains & beans)



Recent Activities



Monthly Ceremony for Auspiciousness at our Shiva Temple

The first Sunday of every month we hold a fire ceremony to invoke good fortune for the community. We chant sacred mantras for protection and offer fruits and flowers to the Lord for everyone's benefit.

To join us for the next fire ceremony on Sunday, June 4th, come to our Shiva temple on the back property at 9:30 am.



Never too Young to Start your Spiritual Life

Last month some of our devotees went to Tucson's International School for Peace to make presentations about Indian instruments and the art of chanting.

Chandini Devi performed a dance during a reading of Krishna's pastimes. To the especial delight of the pre-schoolers, the devotees invited everyone to chant and dance.



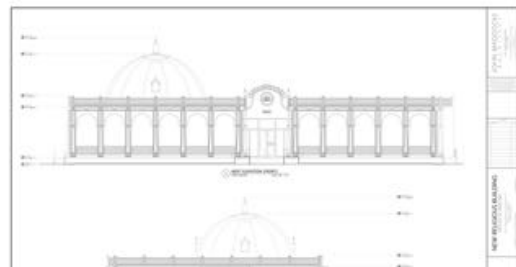
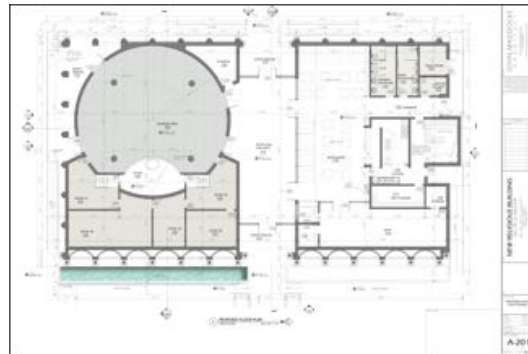
Pima Community College Engineering Students present Year-end Project for New Temple Complex

Last month landscape engineering students at Pima Community College presented their design ideas for our new temple site. The site will include an outdoor garden and dining area, which three teams worked on as a year-end project. Presented at Pima's newly constructed lab buildings were three beautiful and well-designed plans, which we will incorporate.

Architecture Design Ready for Pre-approval Permit



The design is "Rajasthan meets the Southwest," by the renowned architect John Maddocks.



Future Site Of ISKCON Tucson

In the heart of the city 2 miles north of
The University of Arizona



ISKCON Tucson's ten-thousand-square-foot temple, *prasadam* restaurant, boutique, dining patio, and gardens will manifest by the contributions of all devotees. To donate to this wonderful project, please see below.

Click [HERE](#) to see the new temple
Brochure

Be the Change
DONATE NOW



Click to make a Donation

Govinda's Next Holiday

HAPPY
Father's
DAY

Join us at Govinda's for
Father's Day
Sunday, June 18th
11 am to 2:30 pm



All Vegan Menu

Barbecue Seitan Cutlets
Bean & Veggie Enchilada*
Garden Vegetables & Tofu*
Whipped Herb Potatoes*
Stir Fry Basmati Rice*
Vegetable Soup*
Cheddar Biscuits & Gravy
Chips & Guacamole*
* Items
wheat free
Fruit Salads*
Salad Bar*
Banana Blueberry Crumble & Creme*



All you care to eat - Adults \$19.95
kids 5 to 11 years \$9.95
kids 4 years and under eat FREE

www.GovindasOfftucson.com 792-0630

Join us on Sunday,
June 18th, for a Vegan
Father's Day Brunch.
Live Music on the Patio
(weather permitting)
See Menu [HERE](#)



Vietnamese Buddhist Monks
at Govinda's Buffet

Sponsor the Sunday Feast

Sunday Feast Sponsorship

Sponsoring our Sunday feasts is a wonderful way to receive the blessings of Sri Sri Gaura Nitai. Your sponsorship may honor a loved one, mark a birthday, an anniversary, or another special occasion.

To make an offering, use the link below to identify who or what you're honoring plus the date of your sponsorship. Your donation is tax deductible.

[Click Here To Sponsor the Sunday Feast](#)



Feeding guests *prasadam* (food offered to God) benefits everyone!



The Sunday Feast & Festival



Join us each Sunday for an evening of musical meditation, topical philosophy, an ancient worship ceremony, and an 8-course vegetarian feast.

ALL FREE!

5:30 pm - Bhajans

6 pm - Topical talk

6:30 pm - Worship ceremony

7 pm - Announcements

7:10 pm - Feast

June Sunday Talk Lineup:

June 4th - Lavanga Mataji

June 11th - Kirtan Yajna Das

June 18th - Kirtanesvara Das

June 25th - Dhiro Datta Das



Assisted Living Update

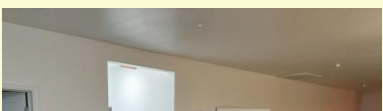


Krishna's Home News Update

Please take a look at our latest **one-page newsletter** to see the home's progress. With the inside nearly done, we are focusing on furnishings and the outside.

Click **HERE** to read.

We had a grand pre-opening to show the facility to friends and interested visitors. The licensing





process is next while we landscape and furnish the home.

To get Krishna's Home up and running, we gratefully accept your kind donations.

Krishna's Home Care Tucson

514 E. Blackledge Dr. (just one block west of the

temple across 1st Ave) Krishnahome.org

Feeding the Unsheltered on Tucson's Southside



Join us on the 3rd Monday of every month!

For the past 10 years we've been serving Tucson's houseless folks a six-course hot meal along with a kirtan. Giving a plate of prasadam is not only healthy and nourishing but it helps elevate the consciousness, bringing spiritual awareness.



Sponsor a meal here.

\$125 serves 100 plates.

Come help us serve every

3rd Monday of the month at 7am!



Thank you, Patel Family from Sedona, for supporting this week's food distribution!

Govinda's Vegan/Veggie Restaurant



Govinda's Self-Serve All-You-Care-To-Eat Hours:

Lunch - Wednesday through Saturday

11:30 am to 2:30 pm

Dinner - Tuesday through Saturday

5 pm to 8 pm

Sunday Brunch - 11 am to 2:30 pm

Closed Mondays

Enjoy the cool AC in the dining room

[June Menu Click Here](#)



Check out our web site at www.GovindasOfTucson.com

Govinda's guest quote of the month: "This place felt nourishing and just right on so many levels. What a good space to come to! Thank you, thank you!"



Thanks to our steady crew who work so hard to maintain



our spiritual oasis, day after day, season after season, and many thanks to all our donors. Thank you Amy, Murli, Mohini, Balarama, Malina, Roopa, and our Sunday Feast servers. You make it happen!



Income/expense Tracker: Please click to view our temple financial statement for the month of April 2023.

Check out this clip by Gauranga Darshan Das, "Out of Sight, Out of Mind."



Authentic Indian Cuisine Catering!

All varieties and quantities of Indian foods for parties, dinners, weddings, and banquets. All main Indian dishes cooked by Master Chef Kul Sharma. Call him at 520-891-8083

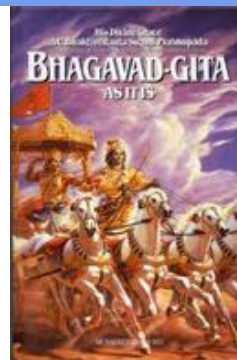


"In the company of Balarāma and the cowherd boys, Lord Kṛṣṇa is continually vibrating His flute as He herds all the animals of Vraja, even under the full heat of the summer sun. Seeing this, the cloud in the sky has expanded himself out of love. He is rising high and constructing out of his own body, with its multitude of flower-like droplets of water, an umbrella for the sake of his friend."

From Srila Prabhupada's *Bhagavad Gita As It Is*...

"Kṛṣṇa, by His different energies, diffuses heat and light through the agency of electricity and the sun. During summer season it is Kṛṣṇa who checks rain from falling from the sky, and then during the rainy season He gives unceasing torrents of rain. The energy which sustains us by prolonging the duration of our life is Kṛṣṇa, and Kṛṣṇa meets us at the end as death."

(*Bhagavad-gita As It Is*, Chapter 9, verse 19, purport)



[Visit the website](#)

Homas, Pujas & Blessings

Perform a sacred ceremony...

Have your home, car, business, or family blessed and protected with the help and guidance of our experienced temple priest, Kirtan Yajna Prabhu. You may call him at (520) 288-1775, or email pkeshavraj@gmail.com.



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