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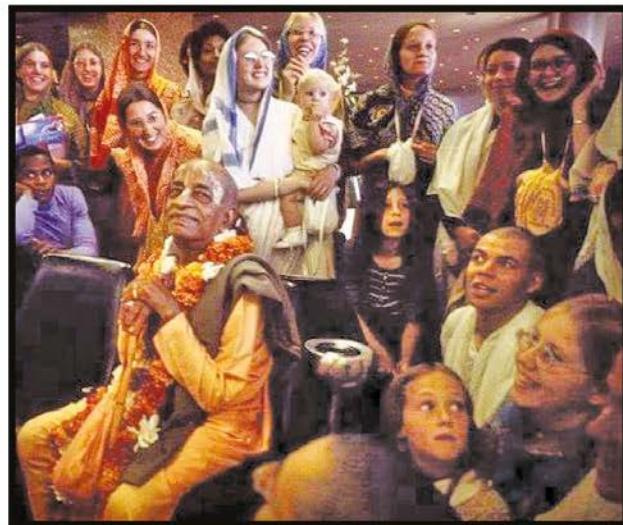
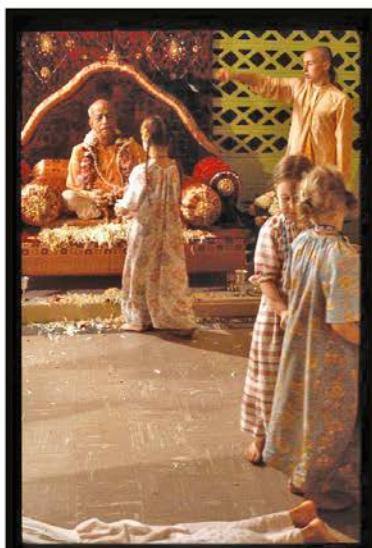
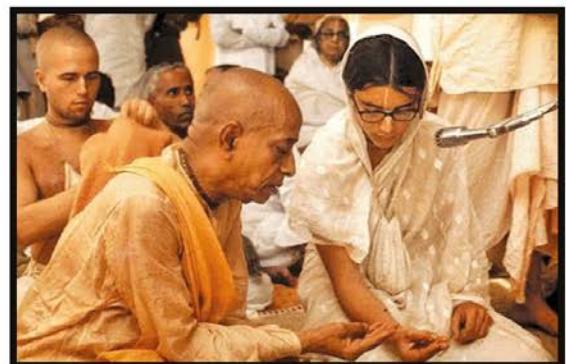
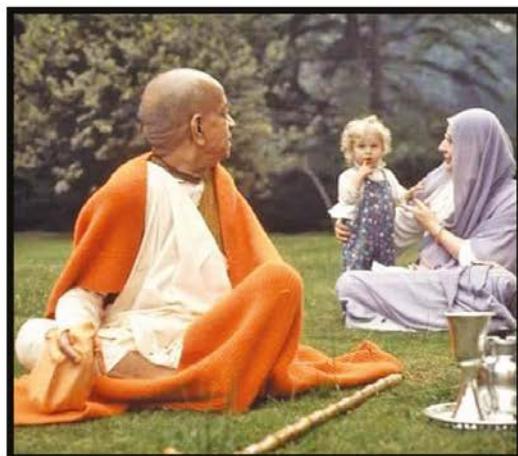
"Lord Sri Krishna and Arjuna blew their celestial conches to rally and enthuse the devotees."

NEWSLETTER
New Govardhana Community



Dedicated to His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, Founder-Acharya of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness

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SHOWER OF MERCY + MEET THE PUJARI + COW, MOTHER OF THE UNIVERSE

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MOTHERS IN ISKCON

By Ambika devi dasi

Did you know that there are seven kinds of mothers? In the *Vedas* it is described that these are: the biological mother; the wife of the king; the wife of the guru; the wife of a *brahmana*; Mother Earth; the nurse (caregiver); and the cow. Other references throughout the scriptures are made to various mothers, such as Srimati Radharani being the universal mother. Mother Parvati is mentioned, as is Mother Ganga. These mothers display munificence to those who approach them in a prayerful mood.

What is that quintessential quality of a mother? It is affectionate love for the living entity placed under her care, and, according to Vedic understanding, it also means playing a critical role in ensuring the spiritual advancement of her children. In *Caitanya-caritamrta, Madhya-lila*, it states: "The highest perfection of life is for a father, mother, spiritual master, husband or any other family member to help others return home, back to Godhead. That is the most preferred welfare activity for the benefit of relatives." That is why many of our ISKCON mothers, particularly in the earlier days of ISKCON, made the supreme sacrifice of sending their children to a *gurukula*, so they could help perform the "highest welfare activity" for their children.

As devotees in the ISKCON movement, we read about the wonderfully affectionate dealings of Mother Yasoda towards Krishna, Mother Rohini towards Balarama, Mother Saci towards Lord Caitanya and many other examples throughout the scriptures. Equally we see the respectful reciprocation from their transcendental children.

Although Lord Kapila instructed His mother, Devahuti, it is described in the *Srimad-Bhagavatam* that He was very affectionate to her. Similarly, Lord Caitanya was always thinking of His mother while living in Jagannatha Puri. He fell before her like a stick when visiting her, and would send her regular gifts along with thousands of obeisances.

The Vedic perception of the position of mother is that she deserves great

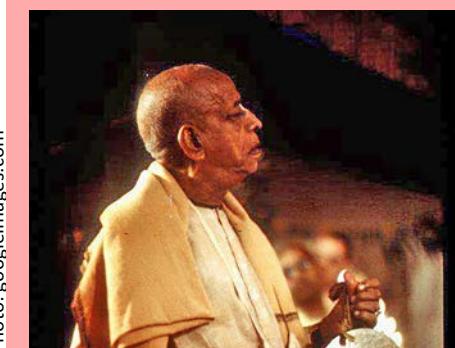
respect. She can create a spiritual atmosphere in the home and sow the seeds of *bhakti* in the hearts of the children. When this role of motherhood is applied with care, intelligence, love and sensitivity, the result is the children will have a sense of security, feel confident in their capabilities and become productive in all aspects of their lives. Both in letters and in person, ISKCON's Founder-Acharya, A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, encouraged the women of the society to be affectionate and attentive to their children in order that they grow up as balanced adults who are strong devotees.

In 1972, Srila Prabhupada wrote in a letter to his disciple Arundhati devi dasi: "For you, child-worship is more important than deity-worship. If you cannot spend time with him, then stop the duties of pujari. At least you must take good care of your son until he is four years old, and if after that time you are unable any more to take care of him then I shall take care."

Srila Prabhupada also frequently explained that all women should be considered as mothers – even if they are without children. Hence females, no matter what their age, are to be given respect, honour and protection by all the male members of our society. In turn, the women – young or old – must deserve that treatment by behaving like cultured, chaste women. 



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ISKCON Founder-Acharya His Divine Grace
A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada

Srila Prabhupada Uvaca

The following are letters from Srila Prabhupada:

"So far your question regarding women, I have always accepted the service of women without discrimination."

– *Letter to Gurudasa on 26 May, 1972*

"In India all the acaryas and their descendants later on acted only from the man's side. Their wives were at home because that is the system from old times that women are not required to go out. But in *Bhagavad-gita* we find that women are also

equally competent like the men in the matter of [the] Krishna Consciousness Movement. Please therefore carry on these missionary activities, and prove it by practical example that there is no bar for anyone in the matter for preaching work in Krishna Consciousness."

– *Letter to Himavati devi dasi, 20 December 1969*

"As far as boys and girls lecturing in the morning, that doesn't make any difference. Either boy or girl devotees may lecture if they choose to do. We have no such bodily designations, male or female. Krishna consciousness is on the spiritual platform ..."

– *Letter to Syama devi dasi, 21 October 1968*

"We are Vaisnavas. We are not concerned with male or female position in life. That is simply body concept of life. It is not spiritual. Whether one is male or female, it does not matter, simply chant Hare Krishna and follow the four regulative principles and your life will be perfect."

– *Letter to Jennifer, 15 February 1975*

ISKCON 50TH: WHAT'S THE LATEST?

By Conch Editorial Team

Recently *The Conch* caught up with ISKCON Australia's 50th Campaign Co-ordinator, Damodara Pandit dasa.

Conch (C): So how is the 50th Campaign coming along?

Damodara Pandit dasa (DPd): Yes, great. There is a lot going on.

C: Can you expand on that?

DPd: Yes, sure. There are many great international events, such as the Jaladuta Yatra in Kolkata, and then special events in Boston and at 26 Second Avenue, New York planned. In Pune, India, there was ISKCON's 50th conference that was attended by 20,000 students. The list of special 50th events is inspiring. These events appear daily on our websites: iskconnews.org and dandavats.com

C: And what is happening on a national level?

DPd: Well, on a national level an Australian team has created a high-quality, full colour magazine, *Hare Krishna: Celebrating 50 years*, which is tailor-made for outreach. It examines the work ISKCON has done over the past 50 years and gives a good synopsis of our philosophy in a jargon-free style. We also inaugurated an ISKCON Youth Bus Tour in January, which was an amazing success. Then we have a mega celebration weekend in Sydney on 20–21 August. This will feature a special performance in the Sydney Opera House attended by many VIPs and artists.

C: What are the local temples doing?

DPd: Mukunda Goswami, Bhakta dasa and myself have visited all the Australian temples a few times promoting the 50th campaign. All the temples proposed great ideas, which they are now working through. Individuals are also encouraged to do

their own bit. ISKCON's manpower is mainly focused around the temple activities, but anyone can make a special effort. There are many resources available at the ISKCON50.org website. There is also a dedicated media company that is on retainer for use with press releases and advertising. So by the end of this 50th year of ISKCON we feel that on an international, national, local and personal level it will be a year to remember. 

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20,000 STUDENTS AT LARGEST YOUTH FESTIVAL IN THE HISTORY OF ISKCON

By Romapada dasa, International Co-ordinator, ISKCON 50th Anniversary

Over 20,000 students attended a mega youth festival organised by ISKCON Pune on 20 March to celebrate the 50th anniversary of ISKCON. The event, which was attended by principals of various colleges, political leaders from the youth community, the education commissioner of Pune and several other VIPs, was widely covered by newspapers and broadcast on India's national TV channel, Doordarshan. The theme of the event was 'Drishti – Bharat leads the world' and showcased India's real spiritual wealth by means of which the country has the capacity to lead the entire world.

"Srila Prabhupada established ISKCON 50 years ago to fulfil the prediction of Lord Chaitanya that the holy names of Lord Krishna will be chanted all over the world," explained Radheshyam dasa, President of



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ISKCON Pune. He explained that ISKCON had flourished and grown rapidly all over the world in just a few years, because Srila Prabhupada was supported by many young people who had flocked to hear him in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

"Srila Prabhupada was an expert in harnessing the power of youth," he continued. "Therefore, we decided that the best offering to Prabhupada in the 50th year of ISKCON was to bring together a large number of young people and harness their enthusiasm and energy to provide real direction and spiritual values to make their life successful."

Students were treated to a special cultural programme that included a drama by Bhaktimarga Swami's

'Vande Arts', a shadow drama on the *Bhagavad-gita* by students of IIT Kharagpur, short videos on ISKCON and Srila Prabhupada, *kirtanas* by the Vrajavadas band from Vrindavana, and a dance-drama called *Mauli*, which depicted a dialogue between the medieval saint Tukaram and the great Maratha warrior-king, Shivaji Maharaj.

ISKCON leaders including Gopal Krishna Goswami, Loka-natha Swami and Gaura Gopala dasa, who is a WhatsApp celebrity, spoke at the event. Other ISKCON leaders who attended the event included Hanumat Presaka Swami and Bhaktivinoda dasa. 

SHOWER OF MERCY

By Krsnarupa devi dasi (ACBSP)

In February this year, during my annual four-month stay in Mayapur dham, I was invited to a two-day program held at the Kolkata ISKCON temple. Malati devi dasi (GBC), Visakha devi dasi (photographer and filmmaker), Srutirupa devi dasi (one of Srila Prabhupada's cooks) and myself spoke to the full contingent of Kolkata temple devotees.

Visakha devi dasi's slideshow called 'Shower of Mercy' focuses on ISKCON's Founder-Acharya, His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada's interactions with his spiritual daughters.



Krsnarupa, Malati, Visakha & Srutirupa.

We each spoke at length as the slideshow was presented, describing our personal experiences with Srila Prabhupada and reflecting on his expectations, care and inclusion of his female disciples. The first day we spoke for two hours and on the second day of the program, for 95 minutes.

The four of us were also treated to a tour of the holy places in Kolkata where Srila Prabhupada enacted his pastimes. Amongst other *tirthas*, we visited his birthplace; where he was educated at Scottish Churches College; where he first met Bhaktisiddhanta Sarasvati Thakur; the port where he left for Boston; and viewed the entrancing Deities of Radha Govinda and Radha Madan Mohana.

Malati and possibly Visakha will be visiting Australia later on in the year. We can perhaps look forward to a viewing of this slideshow and hearing their commentaries.

NOTE: 'Shower of Mercy' is available for viewing on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PDjX2xF541Q>

MEET THE PUJARI: KISORI DEVI DASI

By Mandakini devi dasi

Kisori devi dasi was born in Fiji at the auspicious time of 4.31 am on 25 June 1979. Her father, a pious man who worshipped Krishna from childhood, was a high school principal and her mother a registered nurse.

Her father would invite devotees from ISKCON Lautoka to give weekly religious classes at his school. Hearing the glories of the local temple, the young Kisori decided to check it out all by herself. She very quickly took up chanting, reading and attending temple programs.

Kisori was the first member of her family to receive formal initiation from Bir Krsna Maharaja, followed by her two brothers and then her parents.

Choosing a career in medicine, Kisori claims the chanting and philosophy helped her enormously in completing the rigorous seven-year challenge of medical school. Throughout this time, she remained very active in her *sadhana* and preaching.

In 2003, Kisori graduated with Gold Medal and Best Student awards. Her marriage to Nrsimhananda dasa took place in 2004. The couple relocated to the Sunshine Coast, Australia, in 2006, where Kisori worked in the local hospital, as well as owning and running Govinda's restaurant. On the advice of her spiritual master, the

family moved to Murwillumbah in 2013.

Besides her full-time profession as a doctor, Kisori dresses small Gaura Nitai on a regular basis, writes articles for *The Conch* newsletter and gives stimulating *Srimad-Bhagavatam* classes. Her very busy schedule also includes her daily home worship of Giriraja, caring for her husband and two children, Nimai aged nine and Gaura aged three. With energy and enthusiasm, she helps with festivals, flower arranging, assisting Bir Krsna Maharaja with his itineraries and helping with the construction of a school on the bank of Radha Kunda at Govardhana, India, as well as helping with the ISKCON 50th Anniversary events.

Kisori aspires to become more involved in *go-seva* (service to the cows) at New Govardhana and to take up a regular spot on the cooking roster, together with her family.



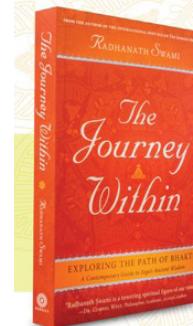
Kisori devi dasi with son, Nimai.

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COWS – MOTHERS OF THE UNIVERSE

By Urvashi devi dasi

India is the one remaining place on Earth where the idea of declaring the cow as ‘Mother of the Nation’ is promoted. According to the Vedic scriptures there are seven mothers:

*atma-matagurohpatni,
brahmaniraja-patnika
dhenurdhatritathaprthvi,
saptaitamatarahsmrtah*

“One’s own mother, the wife of the spiritual master, the wife of a brahmana, the wife of a king, the cow, the nurse (caregiver), and the Earth are known as the seven mothers of a man.”

And it is further stated that: “The cow is the mother of the universe (*gavo vishwasya matarah*).”

Recently in India there has been a thrust to give mother cow her rightful status. According to Indian media reports earlier this year:

“Bharatiya Gau Kranti Manch today said that a nation-wide mass movement will be launched at Ramlila Maidan tomorrow demanding that the cow be declared as Mother of the Nation.

“Gopal Mani ji Maharaj, who is founder of the manch [group], demanded that the Centre should declare the cow as Mother of the Nation and a separate ministry for the welfare of cows should also be set up.

“We have been demanding for several years that the cow be declared as Rashtra Mata, as we do not see cows as animals.

“A nation-wide mass movement will be launched at Ramilla Maidan tomorrow wherein thousands of people will participate,” Gopal told reporters.

“He said that they will also request state governments to pay heed to their demands.” (newindianexpress.com 27 February 2016)

Another interesting piece of information to come out of the Indian press late last year was this report:

“A Shiv Sena member in the Lok Sabha on Tuesday demanded declaring [sic] [the] cow as ‘Mother of the Nation’ saying the benefits one gets from its

milk, urine and dung are ‘priceless’, a day after a BJP member made a strong plea to declare Bhagwad Gita as the ‘national book’.

“Raising the issue during Zero Hour, Chandrakant Khaire said [the] cow should be declared as ‘Rashtra Mata’ for ‘priceless’ benefits it [the cow] gives to humans in the form of milk, dung and urine, which have a variety of uses.

“Yesterday, BJP’s Adityanath had said the teachings of the Gita have become all the more relevant at a time when the world is concerned over ‘jehadi’ terrorism.” (indiatoday.indiatoday.in 22 December 2015)

For more: <http://indianexpress.com/article/india/india-news-india/declare-cow-as-mother-of-the-nation-shiv-sena-mp/#sthash.i8BQcxHT.dpuf>

A MOTHER’S GIFTS

Cows give countless gifts in the form of milk, yoghurt, ghee, dung and urine (*pancha-gavya*), which are necessary for the economic and spiritual advancement of human society. The manure from cows and bulls makes any soil fertile and healthy and only healthy soil can give nutritious food. In this way cows and bulls have an intrinsic relationship with human beings.

Unfortunately the so-called modern western culture has no regard for the exalted position of cows and bulls, who form the basis of the agrarian lifestyle best suited for the planet on which we all depend.

Srila Prabhupada has specifically entrusted us with the task of propagating the protection of this mother. He understood the very important role cows and bulls play in a spiritually progressive society. He expects each and every one of us to promote the message of cow protection for the benefit of this misdirected civilisation.

In an open letter, His Holiness Sivarama Swami wrote, “Cow protection is everyone’s business, it is everyone’s responsibility. This is being written down as *varnasrama dharma*. If one does not contribute or participate directly in cow protection then one should know that he is neglecting his *dharma*. In other words one is *adharmaic*.

“Cow protection is something that we talk about as being against the

principles of slaughtering the animals. We don’t believe in slaughtering the cow, we don’t believe in eating the meat of the cow, cows should be properly protected. But, when it comes to properly protecting the cows, are we willing to do it? Are we actually willing to participate and support the protection of cows?

“Therefore, we should ask, ‘What am I doing for protecting my mother? What am I doing to sustain cow protection in my zone? It is my responsibility, my duty as a Vaishnava. Am I performing my *dharmic* duty?’

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HELP BUILD A NEW GOSHALLA FOR YOUR MOTHERS

Unlike the regular Adopt-a-Cow program where funds go towards the monthly maintenance of the cows, the 50/50 Goshalla Fundraiser programme will allocate all funds towards the construction of a proposed new *goshalla* facility at New Govardhana.

As our way of saying thank you, the first 50 donors will be given a complimentary two-year Adopt-a-Cow membership. Their names will also be engraved on a commemorative plaque to be installed in the new *goshalla*.

For more information please contact: Urvashi devi dasi at: 108devidas@gmail.com 

THE SACRED SOUND STORY

By Madhumangala dasa

Over the Easter break New Govardhana played host to the Sacred Sound retreat. Conducted by His Holiness Indradyumna Swami, the retreat was managed by devotees from the local community. Hundreds of Vaishnavas and friends came from across Australia and overseas to spend time focusing on the glories of the Holy Name of Krishna.



Sri Sri Radha Govardhanadhari.



Photo:Trevor Gore
Sri Sri Gaura Nitai, presiding Deities of the Sacred Sound Kirtan Retreat.

One night Indradyumna Swami dived into the crowd who caught him and tossed him into the air.

There were tears and laughter as we all spent hours putting into practice the principles revealed in Indradyumna Swami's morning talks. Each day via the *Siksastakam* we would receive another aspect of the great gift of the *maha-mantra*. We then spent the whole rest of the day chanting and dancing, taking a break only to eat and sleep.

At the end of the second day the sky filled with lightning and thunder, and the rain fell. A giant tent protected us from the showers and the strong sunshine that followed. All the magic took place on a low stage set in the middle of the tent. Each day the devotees would surround the stage like the petals of a lotus and in the centre a great *kirtana* would arise.

Each day poured across us like warm, sweet honey, and up to 400 of us would gather to drink the nectar. On the biggest day 500 participants were counted. The Sacred Sound Kirtan Retreat was the biggest gathering of devotees in recent history.

Due to the planning and commitment of the local devotees on New Govardhana everything went smoothly and almost according to timetable! *Kirtanas* cranked up, classes were given and *prasadam* feasts were cooked and served to hundreds of devotees and friends, all of whom were uplifted spiritually throughout the four days. Car parking was well co-ordinated and the availability of shuttle buses to move everyone between the temple, the festival tent, and back for *prasadam* made each day run like clockwork.

The Sacred Sound Kirtan Retreat was filled with a happy and friendly mood as old friends were re-acquainted and new friends were made.



Memorable moments from the Sacred Sound Kirtan Retreat held recently at New Govardhana.

NEWS FROM THE ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT

By **Malini devi dasi**

On 4 April, the New Govardhana Accounts Department welcomed Lee Blashki from Shinewing Australia Accounting Firm. Shinewing has been appointed by the ISKCON Australian Zonal Council together with the National Treasurer Mathura Manohara dasa to perform the legally required financial audit. ISKCON NG is a registered 'Not for Profit' entity and is required to lodge annual audited returns.

The local team of Ganga, Anukula and myself had been working day and night preparing for Lee's visit, almost drowning in oceans of invoices and receipts. The audit took four days on site with additional work back at Shinewing's Melbourne office where Lee is currently compiling further recommendations to assist in the compliancy and efficiency for the New Govardhana accounts operations.

We would like to thank Lee and the New Govardhana community for supporting the continued development of professional practices in the Accounts Department for the pleasure of Radha Govardhanadhari and Srila Prabhupada.

Photo: Supplied by Malini Durr



(L. to R.) Anakula Durr, Malini devi dasi, Ganga devi dasi and Lee Blashki finish the recent audit at New Govardhana.

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the photographer. Anonymous submissions will not be published. Deadline is the 12th of each month. Occasionally a submission could be held over to a later edition. All submissions will be edited, proofread or rejected without notice.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

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FRI 20 MAY
FAST TILL DUSK

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4.30 CLASS
5.15 GURUKULA PRESENTATION
5.45 FEAST
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Friday, 20 May 2016

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| 4.30 pm | Class |
| 5.15 pm | Gurukula Presentation |
| 5.45 pm | Feast |
| 6.30 pm | Sandhya Arati |

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Saturday, 14 May 9.30am to 6.30pm
Sunday, 15 May 9.30am to 6.30pm

Facilitator: Krsnarupa devi dasi (ACBSP)
Venue: Front classroom at New Govardhana Gurukula, New Govardhana.
Register: by 30 April with Krsnarupa (ACBSP) on 0416 179 733 or caroleditor@gmail.com
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13, 14 & 15 May 2016

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MAY CALENDAR

(from Vaishnava calendar www.vaisnavacalendar.com)

2 Mon	Srila Vrndavana Dasa Thakura – Disappearance
3 Tue	Fasting for Varuthini Ekadasi
4 Wed	Dvadasi: Break Fast 6.14 – 9.53 am
7 Sat	Sri Gadadhara Pandita – Appearance
9 Mon	Candana Yatra starts
14 Sat	Tulasi Jala Dana ends
15 Sun	Srimati Sita Devi (consort of Lord Sri Rama) – Appearance
	Sri Madhu Pandita – Disappearance
	Srimati Jahnava Devi – Appearance
18 Wed	Fasting for Mohini Ekadasi
19 Thu	Dvadasi: Break Fast 6.23 – 9.56 am
	Sri Jayananda Prabhu – Disappearance
20 Fri	Nrsimha Caturdasi: Appearance of Lord Nrsimhadeva (fast till dusk)
22 Sun	Srila Madhavendra Puri – Appearance
	Srila Srinivasa Acharya – Appearance
27 Fri	Sri Ramananda Raya – Disappearance

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