Featuring the 2010 summer tour with Pujya Swamiji
July 5 ~

Pujya Swamiji visited the Raritan Exposition Hall in Edison, New Jersey to grace Pujya Sant Shri Morari Bapuji’s divine Ram Katha, which was organized and sponsored by Shri H.R. Shah, head of TV Asia, and his team.

Pujya Bapuji and Pujya Indira Betiji previewed and blessed Pujya Swamji Chidanandji's new Encyclopedia of Hinduism. The Encyclopedia is a project of the India Heritage Research Foundation, and is the culmination of over fifteen years' work by more than 1000 top international scholars. This divine compendium is a groundbreaking resource of knowledge, exploring every aspect of the wisdom and culture of Mother India.
Thousands of Indians gathered together in Edison, synchronistically in the very same hall where the first yagna for the Encyclopedia of Hinduism was performed in 1993! It is truly a divine blessing to see this groundbreaking work come to fruition.

It was wonderful to have so many saints, devotees and members of the IHRF team together for this great event. Please check the IHRF website for the release date of the Encyclopedia and to reserve your sets or click here to receive an e-mail detailing where and when this divine work can be obtained.
Hasu Shah (President IHRF), Chandu Patel (IHRF Trustee), Pujya Indira Betiji, Pujya Swamiji, Pujya Morari Bapuji and Shri HR Shah display the new encyclopedia.

Shri HR Shah, head of TV Asia, addresses the audience. Standing on stage are many of the IHRF trustees and supporters and the katha organizers, including IHRF President Hasu Shah and Harsha Shah, IHRF Trustees C.Z. Patel and Jyotindra Patel, Rekha Mashruwala, supporters and devotees Kenny Desai and katha organizers Ram Gadhavi, Dr. Navin Shah and others.
(The Encyclopedia was officially launched in April at a Kumbh Mela program in Haridwar and Rishikesh which was attended by thousands. The Encyclopedia was blessed by His Holiness the Dalai Lama, Pujya Swami Ram Devji, and numerous other saints and dignitaries. Click to see the YouTube video and pictures from that event, and the April newsletter detailing all the festivities.)
June 18-19 ~
Pujya Swamiji graced the opening of the new Canton Hindu Temple with His presence and blessings. The new, significantly larger temple is built on a plot of land behind the previous temple, which Pujya Swamiji has graced several times with His presence.

The new premises are beautiful and grand, and the opening ceremony was a full two-day event, filled with Pran Pratishtha, yagna and Pujya Swamiji's divine discourses.
June 15-16 ~

Pujya Swamiji returned to Hollywood, California where He gave an inspiring and uplifting lecture at Golden Bridge Yoga in Los Angeles. He encouraged His beloved Hollywood audience to "...not just check your Twitter, but also check yourselves!"

Pujya Sri Shankarcharyya Swami Divyanand Teerthji joined the special program with his unique wisdom and inspiration.
June 12-13 ~

Pujya Swamiji was a headline speaker at the Harmony Festival in Santa Rosa, California. The Harmony Festival, now in its 35th year, is a yearly event which has grown to an audience of 35,000 people.

The festival features exhibits and programs dedicated to yoga, meditation, ecological living and spirituality, as well as music. (Two of this years' highlights were Lauren Hill and divine kirtan with Jai Uttal). Pujya Swamiji spoke on the “Wisdom Stage” and gave a beautiful lecture on how to live the Harmony Festival in our daily lives and have harmony every minute of every day.
June 11 ~

Pujya Swamiji gave darshan at the home of Smt. Satya and Shri Krishan Kalraji in Danville California, in the hills of the Eastern Bay Area, East of San Francisco.
May 29-30 ~

Pujya Swamiji graced the opening of the Wembly Mandir in Wembly, London with His presence, along with Pujya Sant Shri Rameshbhai Ozaji (Bhaishri), Pujya Rambapa and other respected saints.
April 16-18 ~

Pujya Swamiji traveled high into the Himalayas to the origin of the Ganges River for the official launch of His Ganga clean-up program. A beautiful program was given on the banks of Mother Ganga, with speeches by Honorable Respected Shri L.K. Advaniji and Respected Shri Dr. Ramesh Pokhraliji (Nishankji), the Chief Minister of Uttarakhand.
World famous drummer Sivamani led a procession through the streets, followed by hundreds of school children committed to cleaning up the Ganga. This inspiring event was covered by several representatives of the media.
Pujya Swamiji worked tirelessly, meeting with Gangotri priests, residents, shopkeepers and leaders committed to the cause and making plans for the work to begin.
Heading towards the function

Hundreds of volunteers

Sacred pledges were made by all, vowing to keep Ma Ganga “Clean, Green and Serene!”

Enthusiastic supporters

This program marks the beginning of Swamiji’s "Clean, Green and Serene" campaign, but His team has already achieved great success in cleaning Ma Ganga with grass-roots volunteer clean-ups and successful lawsuits prohibiting industry from dumping toxic waste into the water.
May 25th ~

A special ayurvedic dental camp was inaugurated on May 25th. In a beautiful act of seva and dedication, Dr. Saroj Joshi from Gujarat tirelessly treated all who came for assistance.

Dr. Saroj Joshi, Pujya Swamiji, and Shri Srikant Vyasi at the inauguration of the medical camp

Dr. Saroj Joshi performing divine seva
May 20-27 ~

During the last week of May, a special Rama katha was held at Parmarth. Pujya Sant Shri Srikant Vyasji graced the ashram with his inspiring presence, and held everyone captive with his recitation of the life and message of Bhagawan Shri Rama. This divine event culminated in a dance performance by the children. Each year Acharya Shrikant Vyasji’s kathas are the highlight of the summer season, as the sound of his uplifting and ecstatic voice fills Parmarth Niketan.

Pujya Swamiji, Pujya Sant Vyasji and children in costume

Pujya Sant Vyasji at aarti

Pujya Sant Vyasji at the divine havan
April 14 ~

On the sacred day of Baisakhi, the final main snan day of the Maha Kumbh Mela, we had a special, divine snan, led by Pujya Swamiji. Early in the morning, we gathered together on the banks of Mother Ganga, where Pujya Swamiji led us in prayer. Then, to the sound of Vedic mantras being chanted by the rishikus of Parmarth Gurukul, first Pujya Swamiji bathed and then everyone else bathed. The Kumbh Mela officially continued until the 30th of April, but the 14th was the last of the main snan days.
April 13 ~

The Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, Shri Shivraj Chauhan brought his whole family to Parmarth to have a special Baisakhi and Kumbha Mela snan in the waters of Mother Ganga and to have blessings and satsang from Pujya Swamiji.

Honorable Shri and Shrimati Shivraj Chauhan
April 12 ~

The Chief Minister of Goa, Honorable Shri Digambar Kamat, and his divine wife visited Parmarth for the darshan of Gangaji and blessings from Pujya Swamiji.

Shri Kamatji originally met Pujya Swamiji in February at the home of Shri Anilbhai and Shri Mukeshbhai Ambaniji in Mumbai, and pledged that he would come home to Parmarth Niketan whenever he was in the Rishikesh area. It was wonderful to see his devotion and dedication.
May 8 ~

Pujya Swamiji was a keynote speaker at a large event in Delhi on behalf of "Saving the Girl Child." Shri Sushil Kumar Shindeji, Central Power Minister and Sachin Pilot, State Minister for Telecommunications, Government of India were also present. The event was organized by Pujya Lokesh Muniji and Pujya Imam Umar Iliasi.

Pujya Swamiji is committed to working for the upliftment of girls and women in India and runs several projects towards this objective.
March 8 ~

Pujya Swamiji traveled to Shantikunj Ashram, Dev Sanskriti Vishwa Vidyalaya, which is run under the guidance of Dr. Pranav Pandyaji. Pujya Swamiji delivered a special address at the Science and Spirituality festival. He spoke on the importance of spirituality in our lives, and with His unerring wit commented, "...while science may connect us to the internet, we need spirituality to connect to the innernet!"
On the way to Canada, Pujya Swamiji stopped at Niagra Falls to bask in the remarkable beauty. It was His first visit there in thirty years, and while He marveled at how commercialized the area has become; He commented that the grand beauty of the falls was as pure and divine as ever!
Swamiji basked in the glories of nature while traveling through the mountains of central USA.
To VIEW VIDEOS of these special programs, please check our video links!