



# Hindu Temple and Cultural Center

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## Lunar New Year

## Yugādi - Ugādi – Gudi Padwa – Thapna - Cheti Chand – Baisakhi

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2017



### Puja Schedules

- ❖ 07:00pm - Panchānga Puja, Panchānga Sraavan
- ❖ 07:30pm – Sri Hanumān Chāliśa
- ❖ 08:00pm - Archana and Aarati



### Ugādi Celebrations

### Sponsorship Opportunity

- ❖ Archana
  - ❖ Pushpa Māla Alankāram
  - ❖ Annadānam, (Food Sponsorship)
- Note: Contact Office for scheduling.*

### All about Yugādi/Ugādi

The name Yugādi or Ugādi is derived from the Sanskrit words *Yuga* (age) and *ādi* (beginning): "the beginning of a new age". It falls on the different day every year because the Hindu calendar is a lunisolar calendar. The Saka calendar begins with the month of Chaitra (March–April) and Ugādi marks the first day of the New Year. Chaitra is the first month in Panchanga which is the Indian calendar.

While the people of Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka use the term Ugādi/Yugādi for this festival, the people of Maharashtra term the same festival, observed on the same day, Gudi Padwa (Marathi: गुढी पाडवा). Marwari, people of Rajasthan celebrate the same day as their New Year day Thapna. Sindhis, people from Sindh, celebrate the same day as their New Year day Cheti Chand. Manipuris also celebrate their New Year (Sajibu nongma panba) on the same day. It is observed as Baisakhi in Punjab. However, it is not celebrated on the same day in Tamil Nadu and Kerala, and being observed as Chithirai/Vishu.

**Special dishes** - Obbattu/Bobbattu or Bhakshalu/Holigey -prepared on Ugadi in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka. The eating of a specific mixture of six tastes, called *Ugadi Pachhadi* in Telugu and *Bevu - Bella* in Kannada symbolizes the fact that life is a mixture of different experiences (sadness, happiness, anger, fear, disgust, surprise), which should be accepted together and with equanimity through the New Year.

### Recitation of Panchangam - Sri Hevilambi Nāma Samvatsara

Traditionally, the community gather to listen to the recitation of the religious Panchāng of the New Year, called 'Panchānga Sraavan'. This year on Ugadi day, visit the temple with your family and friends and take part in - 'Panchānga Sraavan', recited by our team of priests and be blessed.