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Bichitra Community Newsletter

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Bichitra Saraswati Puja (January 28, 2012)



Dear Friends,

You are cordially invited to the 2012 Bichitra Saraswati Puja Celebration on **Saturday January 28, 2012 (Basant Panchami Day) at Woodland Elementary School in Troy.**

As always, we'd like to encourage the children & youth of our community to showcase their talents during the Saraswati Puja Celebration. If interested in participating, please contact Rupa Bhattacharya at (248) 946-4825 by Jan 14, 2012. Due to time limitations, performances will be limited to 5 minutes per child on a first-come first-served basis.

Hathe khori will be done after the morning Puja by the priest Mr. Sandip Chatterjee.

Program Information:

When: Saturday, January 28, 2012

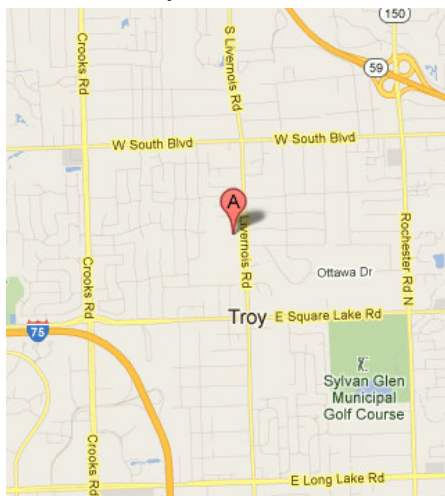
Where: Woodland Elementary School
6465 Livernois Road
Troy, MI 48098

RSVP: Please RSVP to one of the following event chairpersons by January 14, 2012:

Mousumi Majumdar (248) 879-5749
Mousumi.Majumdar@Navistar.com or Rupa Bhattacharya (248)946-4825
rupa_bhtchry@yahoo.com

Directions:

From I-75 North/South: Take Crooks Road Exit (#72), turn Right on Crooks (North), turn Right on Square Lake (East), turn Left on Livernois (North), & the Woodland Elementary School will be on your left.



Saraswati Puja Schedule
9:00 AM Registration
9:30 AM Puja
11:30 AM Pushpanjali
12:00-1:30 PM Prasad and Lunch
12:30-1:30 PM Children's Art Participation
1:45 PM Children's Cultural Program
5:30 PM Arati
6:00 PM Dinner and Award Presentation
7:30 PM Cultural Program

Menu:
 Lunch: Luchi, Alurdam, Cholardaal, & Sweets
 Snacks: Muri chanchur; Cookies/chips for kids.
 Dinner: Khichuri, Pakora, Vegetable, Chutney, & Sweets; Pizza for kids.

Past Events:
 This year's Bichitra Durga Puja was a wonderful celebration. Thanks to all the attendees, volunteers, and participants, it truly had a "Barir Pujo" atmosphere. Youth Bichitra had an extremely successful fund-raising effort and a lively debate about the "U.S. Economy".
 Bichitra's Holiday Party (held on 12/2/11), was a blast! The magician mesmerized both the young and the old, and everyone seemed to enjoy our evening together.
 After the Saraswati Puja celebration, we'll have our Naba Bharsha event in April 2012.

Announcement:
 As you may be aware, our new fiscal year will begin in May 2012. At that time, our new Bichitra Governing Body will also begin their tenure. Bichitra members can be nominated for election to the Governing Body using the enclosed Nomination Forms. The nomination forms must be completed and sent **by February 15, 2012** for the April Election. Please refer to the nomination form for additional details.
 Please exercise your election rights by nominating your candidates by the deadline, and help the Preservation Committee perform and complete the election process successfully.

Saraswati Puja Donation Schedule
Member Family \$40
Member Single \$25
Non Member Family \$50
Non Member Single \$30
Student Family \$25
Student Single \$15

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