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2016 UPAKARMA (AAVANI AVITTAM)

At SRI LAKSHMI TEMPLE

RIG Veda UPAKARMA

On August 7, 2016 (Sunday) OR August 17, 2016 (Wednesday)

6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. (No homam)

YAJUR Veda UPAKARMA

On August 18, 2016 (Thursday)

Upākarma is conducted once a year during the shravana or Dhaniṣṭhā nakṣatra of the Hindu calendrical month Śrāvana. This helps Hindus ritually change their upanayana thread accompanied by relevant śrauta rituals, making śrāddha offerings to the rishis, whom Hindus believe composed the Vedic hymns. The day, also called Śrāvana Pūrṇima "Full Moon of Śrāvana" in other parts of India, usually occurs the day after the Śrāvana nākṣatra, which also marks the Onam festival of Kerala.

Devotees who wish to use the services of our learned temple priests can visit the temple according to their convenience on **Thursday August 18, 2016** at any of the following times:

Batch 1 - 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. (No homam)

Batch 2 - 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. (No homam)

Batch 3 - 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (With Homam)

Sponsorship: \$50 (Which include light breakfast after the event)

Note: Devotees are requested to come with appropriate dress (Dhoti and Angavasthram) and bring Pancha Pathram, Uddharani, Deep Plate & Pot / Vessel.

Brahmacharis and who does first time Upakarma (please come for 8:30 AM Batch) should bring Cocunut, Flowers and Fruits.

Priest / Acharya Sambhavana at your discretion

On August 19, 2016 (Friday)

GAYATHRI JAPAM

Scheduled to begin with homam around **6 a.m.** at temple

We request devotees to help us making payment by Cash or Check payable to NEHTI.

*May the blessings of Sri Lakshmi be always with you
and your family.*