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Hindu Temple welcomes everyone to celebrate

MAKAR SAKRANTI: मकर संक्रान्ति

Sankranti festival conveys the message of the bond of brotherhood and that the spirit of oneness should prevail despite all odds.

Saturday, January 14; 7.30 pm to 9.00 pm

*You are welcome to bring the prasad for MAKAR SAKRANTI:
Khichri & ghee, dahi, aachar, and papad to accompany Khichri*



- **Makar Sankranti** is celebrated throughout India as a harvest festival. It is a way of giving thanks to the elements of nature that help man. This is the period when the winter recedes, paving the way for the summer.
- **Makar Sankranti** also marks the northward apparent migration of the sun or Uttarayana, literally meaning northward journey of Sun. To Hindus, the Sun stands for knowledge, spiritual light and wisdom. Makar Sankranti signifies that we should turn away from the darkness of delusion in which we live, and begin to enjoy a new life with bright light within us to shine brighter and brighter. We should gradually begin to grow in purity, wisdom, and knowledge, even as the Sun does from the Day of Makar Sankranti.
- **Makar Sankranti Prasad of** Khichiri is eaten and given away as charity. People also distribute rice and lentils to the poor and needy.

Volunteers, Sponsors, & Donations are welcome!

To sponsor pooja or priti bhoj, please contact:

Temple Priests: Pandit Pitamber Dutt Sharma & Shastri Ram Kumar (301) 445-2165 / (301) 434-1000

For Priti Bhoj Preparation and Contribution at the temple, please contact

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