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Dr Mahesh Vidhyalankar presenting Vedic Discourse

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Editorial:

We had another busy month of May, as celebrations, Vedic lectures were high on agenda. The activities highlighted the need of community support for various functions. The celebrations are enjoyed more when people take part in it and give blessings. The Vedic Culture is so rich that it imparts knowledge and importance of each celebration. We have reasons for Yaj for every aspect of our life be it happy or sad occasion. The message from Vedas gives us how to live our life happily.

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APSQ- Mothers day celebration.

Mother's day celebration was held on May 10 at Mr & Mrs Mul Chand's residence Boronia Heights. The celebration was enjoyed by members present. The evening began with Havan Yaj and youth members sang Bhajans.

Dr Mahesh Vidhyalankar presented a lecture on this occasion, and it was very informative. Professor Ji has immense knowledge of Vedas and he quoted verses from it and explained the importance of Pitra Yaj. There are five Maha Yaj (duties) of mankind and 3rd one is Pitra Yaj- serving your living parents and Gurus.

The Vedic culture trains every man to look upon all women as forms of the one Divine Mother. The mother is more worthy of reverence than father or teacher according to our scriptures. According to **Manu Smriti** on the point of view of reverence, a teacher is ten fold superior to a mere lecturer, a father is a hundred fold superior to a teacher, and a mother is a thousand fold superior to a father. Women are the backbone or bedrock that sustain dharma and national strength, peace and prosperity. Manu declares: "The woman who always does good, who is efficient in work, sweet in speech, devoted to her duty and service of mankind, is really no human being but a goddess."

Our scriptures say "Matra devo bhava"- treat your mother as a goddess.

Mothers are the greatest conservers of our culture. They adhere to the household ritual, lullables and popular poetries. A definite philosophy of life is bound up with these. By the very quality of their being, mothers are the missionaries of civilization. With their immense capacity for self-sacrifice they are the unquestioned leaders of mankind.

According to Mark Twain: "India is the cradle of the human race, the birthplace of human speech, the mother of history, the grandmother of legend and the great grandmother of tradition."

If this is true we must honour and give the due respect to our mothers and look after them with same love and affection as she did when you were young. You will never be able to repay her debts but you will make her happy. If your mother is happy, then you have a happy home and a happy nation.

May God give all of us the strength, courage and wisdom to give our mothers the respect they rightfully deserve. May God bless all the mothers of the world. The dinner was served, and provided by Mr & Mrs Mul Chand Family.



Keshav Chand celebrated his 20th Birthday on May 10th at his place in Boronia Heights. Mr & Mrs Mul Chand and family did all preparation to celebrate his birthday. Havan Yaj was conducted by Pandita Usha Rai and Pandita Ramkali Singh. Bhajans were part of celebration, youth group members, Mr Satish Chand, and Mr Jitendra Kumar performed during the function. The delicious dinner and savouries concluded the function. The function was well attended. Sabha wishes Keshav Chand all the best and may God Bless him.



Mrs Latchmi Singh celebrated her 70th Birthday on May 11th at her sons place Mt Cotton. Mr & Mrs Aditya Singh and family gathered and did all preparation to celebrate her birthday, and it happened to be mothers day as well. Havan Yaj was conducted by Pandita Usha Rai and Pandita Ramkali Singh. Bhajans were part of celebration, Soneel Deo and Ravneel Deo sang Bhajans. The delicious lunch and savouries concluded the function. The function was well attended. Sabha wishes Mrs Latchmi Singh all the best and many blessings.

Havan Yaj was conducted at Mr & Mrs Vijendra Ray's residence at Eight Miles Plains on May 24th. The Yaj was conducted by Pta Usha Rai. It was conducted in memory of Mrs Nirmala Ray's mother who passed away a year ago. Also remembering late Shri Arun Ray, Mr Vijendra Ray's younger brother who passed away couple weeks ago. Dr Mahesh Vidhyalankar presented





lecture on human life. He emphasised purpose of death, and reason why death is necessary. He gave quotes from Gita and Vedas on this subject. The programme also included Bhajans and concluded with dinner.

Vedic Culture- from the beginning of creation.

The Vedas are the bed-rock on which the structure of Aryan culture and civilisation has been raised. They are the essence of India's moral and spiritual philosophy — the fountainhead of all knowledge. The Vedas have always exercised, and do still exercise the highest influence on the minds of the Indian people, particularly the Hindus. Whatever the differences among the various religious sects, all of them hold the Vedas in the highest respect. All the scriptures admit the eternality of the Vedas which consists in the unbroken continuity of their tradition, study and application.

The entire Aryan literature of ancient India not only, shows reverential attitude towards the Vedas, it regards them the final authority in all matters, ordinary or spiritual. Whatever is in the Vedas is supreme; it is the self-luminous light which needs no other light to establish its validity or identity; it is known as the Absolute Authority or selfevident testimony. All other literature comes under the category of that is, they are held in esteem or authority, in as much as they are in conformity with the Vedas and do not disagree with or do not oppose the Vedic texts. Such literature is deemed to have received light from the Vedas.

During the middle ages intellectuals like Sayana, Mahidhara and Uvat wrote commentaries on the Vedas according to classical Sanskrit, instead of following the ancient Vedic Rishies. That made all the differences that suited the western scholars in their deliberately erring in their exposition of the Vedic texts.

It was a great blessing for all of us that towards the close of the nineteenth century we had a man of the stature of Dayanand who saved the Vedas for us from the ravages of time and gave us a new insight into the Vedic text after nearly five thousand years. Dayanand gave a new interpretation to this scripture of Divine knowledge, Divine worship and Divine action and presented it in its original purity and glory. The earlier this original and powerful commentary is widely accepted as the definite word on the Veda, the better it would be for all mankind.

The great scholiast and philosopher, Aurobindo was convinced that "whatever may be the final interpretation, Dayanand will be honoured as the first discoverer of the right clues. Amidst the chaos and darkness of old ignorance and age-long misunderstanding, his, was the eye of direct vision, which was essential. He has found the keys of the doors at the time it had closed and rent apart the seals of the imprisoned fountains." (The Arya, 1912)

Dayanand's idea is being increasingly supported by the recent trend of knowledge about the ancient world. The ancient civilisation did possess secrets of science which modern science has recovered, extended and made more rich and precise. There is then nothing fantastic in Dayanand's idea that Ved contains truths of science as well as truths of religion. To this Dayanand has added his own conviction that "the Veda contains other truths of science the modern world does not at all possess, and in that case Dayanand has rather understated than overstated the depth and range of Vedic wisdom."

Yoga-positive wellbeing

Sabha is offering free Yoga classes to greater Brisbane community at Finnish Hall 62 Newnham Rd, Mt Gravatt East. Just bring your Yoga Mat, towel, Cushion, and water bottle. You can also visit www.yogguru.com.au for further information about your conditions, and how Yoga can help, contact Jitendra Deo 3263 1914.

Havan Yaina Dates and Venue.

Finnish Hall 62 Newnham Rd, Mt Gravatt East.

8 June Satsangh 2-5pm. Yajman Mr & Mrs Hari Chand Family. Dr Mahesh Vidhyalankar will present lecture for 90 minutes.

29 June Satsangh 2-5pm Yajman Mr & Mrs Lalta Prasad Family. Dr Mahesh Vidhyalankar will present lecture for 90 minutes.

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15 June 2014 10-11.30am Satsangh