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Subject: Mahalaya Celebration

Dear Friends,

On the coming September 28th we are planning to observe the auspicious occasion of Mahalaya. The celebration will be held at Dr. Brojesh Pakrashi's house (6616 Limberlost Ct, Solon, OH 44139). The program will start at 9.00 am and Tarpan will be held at 10.00 am. We will notify you with further details as we move forward with the preparation. Mahalaya is the starting bead in the string of pearls of the 2008 Puja Season and will be followed by Durga Puja (Oct 3-5, ICC), Laxmi Puja (Oct 18, ICC) and Bijoya Sammilani (Nov 15, ICC).

Mahalaya is an auspicious occasion celebrated seven days before the Durga Puja, and heralds the advent of Durga, the goddess of supreme power. It's a kind of invocation or invitation to the mother goddess to descend on earth - "Jago Tumi Jago". This is done through the chanting of mantras and singing devotional songs.

Please note the date in your calender and please RSVP us if you plan to attend the occasion.

Sincerely

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