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## Welcome to the First Edition of TempleTimes Newsletter

The purpose of this newsletter is to keep you up to date on events and activities in or around the Nepali community. Let us begin this New Year, with a new vigor, energy, and dedication. Let's be motivated and motivate people around you to be more engaged in the Nepali community, helping those in need and following a dharmic path.

We want to hear from you. Newsletter is a great way to tell friends and family

### Greetings

Bringing TempleTimes Newsletter in this format with various community updates and useful information to every Nepalese community and friends in a regular basis was one of our long time interest. Active leadership from a number of our friends, in particular Mr. Ankur Sharma, has made it possible for this first edition to begin from New Year 2066. I therefore believe that this new and unique initiative will become a valuable feature of our community. It will help us to be informed and united. You will certainly agree with me that feature like this is essential for our community to grow and create an

about past experience, greetings/wishes, any thoughts, nepali community activities, photos, videos, etc., that you would like to share.

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environment that can provide the best of our culture and religion to our young children. Please read this newsletter to encourage us and contribute towards its continuity to realize our community goals. I wish you and your family for Happy New Year 2066.

- Dr. Bishnu Phuyal



### 2008 Temple Activities:

- Monthly Temple Puja – First Saturday of every month.
- June 2008 – Anniversary Puja
- Aug 2008 – Teej Program
- Dec 2008 – Art and Cultural Awareness Program.

For pictures/videos, go to [www.peopleofnepal.com](http://www.peopleofnepal.com)

### For Any stitching, altering needs, Contact

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The pricing is as follows:

Alteration:

Pants simple.....\$5  
Pants special.....\$7  
Kurta and other...\$10

Sewing:

Blouse .....\$15 (\$20)  
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## **Have Fun Volunteering: Come and Join Us**

### **Who are we?**

We are a group of Volunteers actively helping a group of recent Bhutanese immigrants in the Chicagoland Area. They are from Bhutan but of Nepali Origin and speak Nepali. They share our Nepalese cultural background and therefore we share a special affinity.

### **Why should you help?**

1. Enhance your inter-personal skills
2. Make a difference.
3. Feel good about yourself and relieve stress.
4. Get involved in the community.
5. Learn something new.
6. Because it's fun!

### **How have we been helping?**

1. Made regular social visits.
2. Shared information on way of life in the US.
3. Donated clothing and household goods.
4. Donated personal computers.
5. Helped them practice driving.
6. Collected donations to buy sewing machine and kits.

For details, please check out this web site:  
([www.peopleofnepal.com](http://www.peopleofnepal.com))

### **How can you help?**

You can talk to us about ongoing volunteering activities and find an activity that interests you. Also, you can visit them, and see for yourself what they need, and in what way you can help. We are sure you will find some way of making a difference in someone's life. What goes around comes around!

### **Here are some areas where we think they need help:**

1. English speaking
2. Computer Usage
3. Job search
4. General knowledge about our society, culture and challenges here in United States.

Special Thanks to all the volunteers who either donated their time, money or material to help Bhutanese in Chicagoland Area.

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### **Past Volunteering Events/Activities:**

- 10/31/2008 – Jacket Drive – Distributed Jacket and warm clothes to the needy person.
- 2/21/2009 – Collected and distributed bed/mattress, warm clothes to the Bhutanese friends in Aurora
- 3/7/2009 – Collected and distributed Computers and provided some basic training on computers
- 3/28/2009 – Collected and distributed computer, tv/monitor , new sewing machine and kit