



SonoMa Ashram & India Service Project Update

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Dear Friends,

We just came out of an enriching Navaratri celebration and are feeling the change in seasons with chilly mornings and evenings. Our winter garden is taking shape with large redwood gopher-proof beds. Still the garden's bounty graces us with fresh food every meal. Personal retreat bookings continue into the fall - with each visitor, we find our Ashram family getting bigger and bigger. We're working on a new video and also preparing for Babaji's East Coast tour at the end of October ([click here for schedule](#)). Looking ahead, Babaji's annual India trip will be Dec 9 to Mar 10. Enclosed are some images to keep you connected.

SonoMa Ashram

Sonoma, California USA



Left: creating an appropriate entrance to our new office and gift shop.

Right: sanding cabinet doors for kitchen remodel.



It's a joy to see young people finding their way to the Ashram and learning valuable life skills.



Fall Navaratri 2009



Treat yourself and come to the Ashram
for a Personal Retreat



Babaji's Audio Satsangs

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Eco-friendly living and environmental education are ever-growing themes at **Bal Ashram** among staff and children who are all doing their parts to model the sound practices they're learning. Here are a few shots of **Anjali School** (*below*) and **Amrit Sagar** eco-park (*right*) across the river from Bal Ashram. At Amrit Sagar, we're working on the irrigation system and continuing to cultivate the fields.



Santosh and Bharat with their home-made signs for trees at Bal Ashram, doing their part to educate others to care for the environment.



Baby Indra & Bharat



The benefit of the work we do is seen in the smiles of those who are touched. Thank you for being interested and involved in our projects in the US and in India.

Babaji sends you his love and blessings.

*Namasté,
Shivani*



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