

2011 Sri Sarada Mahila Samiti of Northern California
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The specific purposes of the Sri Sarada Mahila Samiti of Northern California are:

- 1) to provide an educational program related to the ancient spiritual wisdom of India in the United States,
- and 2) to provide financial support for such projects in India and/or other countries.

The Sri Sarada Mahila Samiti of Northern California, Tax ID #611404419 was approved by the Internal Revenue Service as a Nonprofit Religious Corporation classified as a public charity of the State of California on August 23, 2002. Membership dues and other donations are exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The generosity of our Samiti members and friends is greatly appreciated.

Financial Overview for 2011

Samiti Opening Balance, January 1, 2011	\$ 5,856.86
Total Memberships and Donations Received Jan.1 through Dec. 31, 2011:	\$ 3,122.44
Total Distributions and Expenses Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2011:	\$ 4,043.03
Samiti Closing Balance, December 31, 2011	\$ 4,936.27

Minimum Bank Balance Required by Samiti Board	\$ 2,500.
Special Project Allocations available on January 1, 2012	\$ 1,278.94
Sri Sarada Math in the West	\$ 361.94
Pangot Girls' Educa. Fund	\$ 917.00
Shihar Girls' Educa. Fund	\$ 0.
Publications Sri Sarada Math	\$ 0.
Pioneer Women's Fund	\$ 0.

Working Funds available on January 1, 2012: \$ 1,157.33

Detailed Financial Summary January 1 through December 31, 2011

Samiti Donations Received in 2011.	Total: \$ 3,122.44
Memberships and Renewals	\$ 937.00
General Administration.	\$ -0-
Ramakrishna Sarada Mission Publications.	\$ 320.44
("Understanding Vedanta" series of Pravrajika Vivekaprana and <i>Samvit</i>)	
Ramakrishna Sarada Mission, Pangot Girls' Education Fund.	\$ 1,253.00
Sri Sarada Math, Shihar Girls Education Fund. Sarada Vidya Niketan.	\$ 500.00
Pioneer Women of Vedanta	\$ 112.00

Samiti Distributions and Expenses in 2011	Total: \$ 4,043.03
General Administration (mail box rental, postage, duplication, supplies)	\$ 470.13
Annual Samiti Retreat Sacramento (Vedanta Soc. Northern CA Convent)	\$ 108.00
Ramakrishna Sarada Mission Publications (Vivekaprana and Samvit)	\$ 908.90
Ramakrishna Sarada Mission, Pangot Education Fund.	\$ 2,350.00
(Tuition, uniforms, books for twenty students for School Year April 2011 through March 2012)	
Pioneer Women of Vedanta DVD's and CD's	\$ 206.00

Please Note that on December 8, 2010, our Samiti mailed a donation to Sri Sarada Math to support Girls' Education at Shihar's Coaching School, Sarada Vidya Niketan in the amount of \$627. The donations for this purpose received in 2010 and 2011 cover that distribution in full.

“In villages and towns they will open centers and strive for the spread of female education. Through such devout preachers of character, there will be the real spread of female education in the country.” “...Mother has been born to revive that wonderful Shakti in India; and making Her the nucleus, once more will Gargis and Maitreyis be born into the world....”

Swami Vivekananda. *Complete Works*. Vol. 7. Pages 217, 218; *Letters of Swami Vivekananda*. Page 181.

Memorable Events (January 1 through December 31, 2011)

- * Our Samiti shrine was moved from Phyllis Schubert’s home to the home of Vidya Pradhan. An installation ceremony and worship were conducted with members and friends on February 22, 2011. Vidya served as pujari.
- * Nine regular monthly Samiti Satsangs were held with an average attendance of ten women. One special reading of the entire *Sri Chandi* was held.
- * Sixteen Samiti members studied the universal teachings of the Holy Mother, Sri Ramakrishna, and Swami Vivekananda, and received the biannual *Samvit: Knowledge that Leads to Enlightenment*, the English journal of Sri Sarada Math.
- * A one day spiritual retreat on “Holy Mother: Human and Divine” was facilitated by Pravrajika Virajaprana, a senior sannyasini of the Vedanta Society of Northern California, in Sacramento. A four day Annual Spiritual Retreat at Olema was also made available to members.
- * Our financial support funded twenty needy, meritorious village girls in the Pangot, India region to attend private schools including assistance with tuition, books and uniform expenses.
- * Our financial support allowed for the distribution of Ramakrishna Sarada Mission publications including *Samvit* and Pravrajika Vivekaprana’s Volume 8, “The Atman” as part of the *Understanding Vedanta Lecture* series.
- * Through our members, we offered a total of seven weeks service to the Vedanta Society of Northern California as Caretaker at the Olema Women’s Retreat House during the year.
- * Our members actively volunteered at the Vedanta Society of Sacramento through performance of daily worship, food preparation and offerings at pujas and special events, and participation in classes and lectures.

2011 Samiti Board of Directors:

President: Ranu Pandey Secretary: Laura-Marie Taylor Treasurer: Mary Tamraz
Members: Phyllis Schubert and Vidya Pradhan
