

Sri Jeeyar Swamiji Sanctifies Columbia

On May 27, Sri Tridandi Chinna Srimannarayana Ramanuja Jeeyar Swami blessed Columbia, Mo., with his holy presence. Dr. Murari Nagar escorted the Swami through the vast collection of Sanskrit texts at MU's Ellis Library.

After his visit, Sri Jeeyar Swamiji wrote a gracious letter, dated June 16, 1997. Here is what he had to say about his short stay in Columbia:

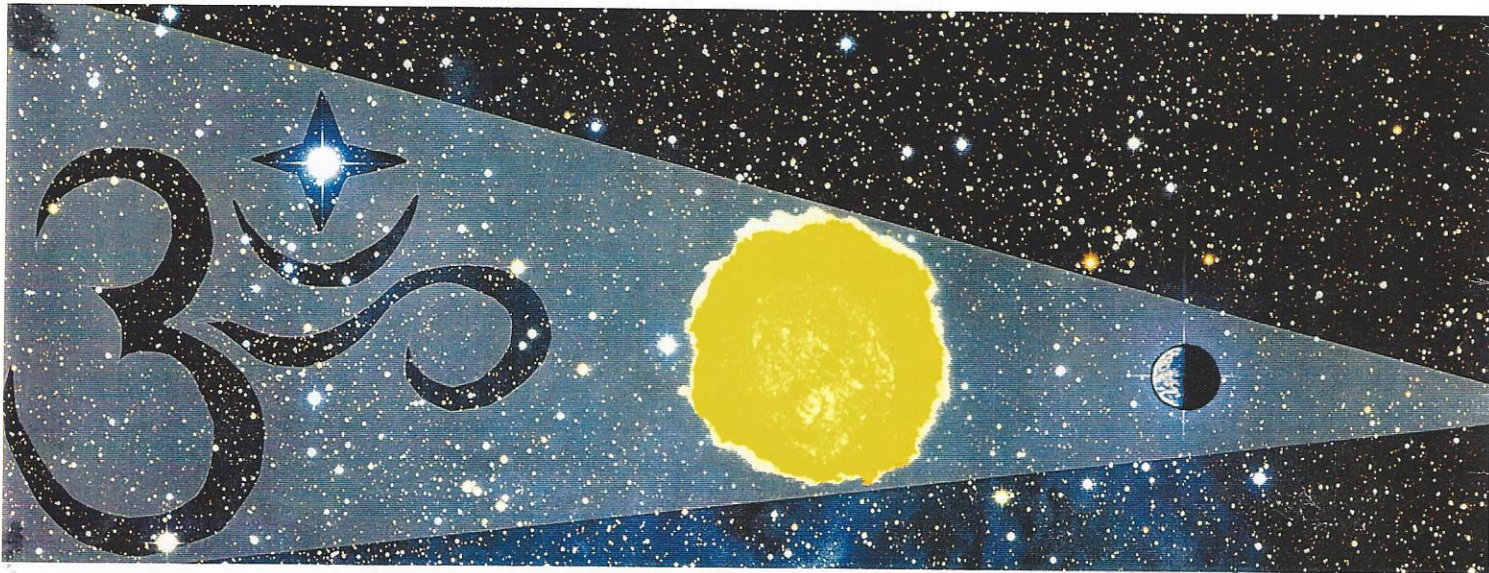
Mangalashasanams to Shri Morarji and Smt. Sarla Deviji and to all our Bhagawat Bandhus in Columbia, Mo.

When we were in your pretty town, we enjoyed your programs and we greatly appreciate the interest evinced in knowing more about Vedic traditions. Our visit to the Vedic Library made us aware of the absorbing work you are engaged in. The Luxmi Puja was also most pleasing. We are most impressed by the keen interest you have shown in

enhancing Vedic knowledge. Our very best thoughts for success in all your Adhyatmic endeavors.

Your first copy of Om Shanti is ready to blossom forth and spread the fragrance of our spiritual and Vedic heritage. Once again our best wishes for its progress and success as a leading publication benefiting all people yearning for learning about the Vedas.

Jai Srimannarayana!




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