



Gay Buddhist Fellowship

Newsletter

FEBURARY 1998

GBF Calendar

Call 415/974-9878 for news about GBF events. To skip the recording and leave a message, press 5.

San Francisco Events

2 Feb., Steering Committee Meeting, 7:45 pm, at the home of Larry White,

5 Feb., Thursday Sitting, 7:45 pm, at the home of Bill Kirkpatrick,

8 Feb., Sunday Sitting, 9:30/10:30 am, SFBC, 37 Bartlett St.

12 Feb., Thursday Sitting, 7:45 pm, at the home of Lee Robbins,

21 Feb., GBF's Feed The Homeless Project at the Hamilton Family Center. To participate, contact Clint Seiter,

22 Feb., Sunday Sitting, 9:30/10:30 am, SFBC, 37 Bartlett St.

27 Feb., Thursday Sitting, 7:45 pm, at the home of Mark Marion,

1 Mar., Sunday Sitting, 9:30/10:30 am, SFBC, 37 Bartlett St.

East Bay Events

Sunday Sitting (East Bay), 1st & 3rd Sundays 10:30 am, at the home of Geoff McEnany,

Sonoma Events

Monday Sittings (Sonoma) 7:30 pm, contact Avery for location,

MT. TAM HIKE

CELEBRATE ST. VALENTINE'S DAY with a hike on Mt. Tam; enjoy spectacular views of the Pacific, and walk through redwood groves. The hike will be about 6 miles with modest changes in elevation. Meet in front of 37 Bartlett St. at 9:00 AM Sat. Feb. 14 for car-pooling. Bring a lunch, water, sun block, sturdy shoes. Rain cancels.



Director of Hamilton House

Our speaker for Feb. 15 will be Elba Montez, the Director of Hamilton House. GBF makes dinner for the residents of Hamilton House every third Saturday under the stewardship of Clint Seiter. More volunteers are always welcome and this is an especially good opportunity to practice service. ♦

Support for Ram Dass

Although Ram Dass is recovering from his stroke, he still needs support for medical expenses. Please send donations to: The Hanuman Foundation c/o Jai Lakshman, P.O. Box 478, Santa Fe, NM 87504 ♦



Book Review

Who We Are

by Larry White

"Gay Buddhists are caught, in a way, between the loving kindness of a religion that rejects divisiveness, and a vilified sexuality that calls for response and resistance," writes Michael Hyman in his essay "Practicing Together as a Gay Couple", one of the many treasures found in a new anthology, *QUEER DHARMA, Voices of Gay Buddhists* (Gay Sunshine Press, San Francisco, 416pp.) There is no neat solution to this dilemma, but

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GBF Mission Statement

Gay Buddhist Fellowship supports Buddhist practice in the gay men's community. It is a forum that brings together the diverse Buddhist traditions to address the spiritual concerns of gay men in the Bay Area, the United States, and around the world. GBF's mission includes cultivating a social environment that is inclusive and caring.

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