



Gay Buddhist Fellowship

Newsletter

April 1996

GBF Calendar

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

2 Apr. (Tuesday), Steering Committee Meeting, at the home of John Krowka,

4 Apr., Thursday Sitting, 8 pm, at the home of Edward Sans,

6 Apr., Saturday Sitting (East Bay), 10 am,

11 Apr., Thursday Sitting, potluck begins at 6:30 p.m., sitting starts at 8 pm, at the home of Lee Robbins,

13 Apr. (Sat.), Hike to Chimney Rock and Potluck. Meet at 9:00 a.m. at Zen Hospice, 273 Page St., SF. (Details on page 1.)

14 Apr., Sunday Meeting, 10:30 a.m., 273 Page St., SF. Speaker: Zen Master Tundra Wind will give a dharma talk.

16 Apr. (Tue.), Planning Meeting for Engaged Buddhist Workshop, 7:30 p.m., at the home of Stephan Pardi,

18 Apr., Thursday Sitting, 8 pm, at the home of Mark Marion,

20 Apr., Saturday Sitting (East Bay), 10 am, at the home of Geoff McEnany,

25 Apr., Thursday Sitting, 8 pm, at the home of Edward Sans,

28 Apr., Sunday Meeting, 10:30 a.m., 273 Page St., SF. Open Discussion. ♡

Tundra Wind to Speak April 14

Tundra Wind, a Zen Master who has taught for the past 12 years in Sonoma County, will be GBF's featured speaker on Sunday, April 14. Tundra is the former Abbot of the Chogye Zen Center in New York City. He has developed an experimental form of Zen Buddhism that reflects, among other things, his talents as a musician and composer. We welcome him back to GBF. ♡

Third Annual Hike to Chimney Rock

Come join us for a short, but quite spectacular hike (1.5 miles each way) and picnic at Chimney Rock in Point Reyes National Seashore on Saturday, April 13.

If the timing is right (and sometimes it gets a little tricky predicting this) the hikers should be treated to one of the most vivid displays of wildflowers in northern California, with Drake's Bay and the Pacific Ocean providing a dramatic backdrop. A colony of elephant seals has recently been established nearby, and visiting them could make for an interesting side trip. We may also visit the lighthouse.

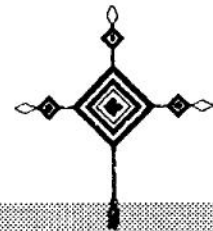
The hike is short, but the beautiful drive up isn't, so be prepared for an all-day excursion. There will be a potluck picnic, so please bring something to share with others. Carpools will leave the Zen Hospice (273 Page Street in San Francisco) at 9:00 a.m. Bring warm clothing (it gets windy up there!), a blanket, and sunblock. Rain cancels. For more information, call Clint Seiter

East Bay Sitting Group Forming

An East Bay sitting group for GBF members will be starting in April. Modeled after GBF's Sunday morning format, we'll be sitting for a half-hour period, followed by social time afterwards.

The group will meet on the first and third Saturdays of the month beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Geoff McEnany in the Glenview district of Oakland. In April, the meeting dates are Saturday, April 6 and 20.

Please arrive a few minutes early so we can start together as a group. Bring your own zafu or sitting cushion.



In This Issue...

This month we are focusing on the meaning of sangha, as viewed through the hearts and minds of a few GBF members. We again invite other members of GBF to send us your thoughts on this topic. As space permits, we will print these contributions also.

