



# Gay Buddhist Fellowship Newsletter

MARCH '98

## GBF Calendar

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

### San Francisco Events

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

3 Mar., Steering Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm, at the home of Larry White,

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

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

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

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

19 Mar., Thursday Sitting, 7:45 pm at the home of Mark Marion,

21 Mar., GBF's Feed-The-Homeless Project at the Hamilton Family center. To participate, contact Clint Seiter,

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

26 Mar., Thursday Sitting, 7:45 pm, at the home of Larry White,

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

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## Films, Hikes and Food

Lately, there's been a lot of interest expressed in GBF in providing opportunities for the Sangha to do things socially. In light of this, GBF will start, in March, a monthly outing to see a movie. The movie, meeting place, and time will be announced in the GBF newsletter. Movies selected may be interesting-sounding, mainstream movies, or lesser known "films". They may strive to be enlightening or just escapist (hopefully, we'll avoid the more violent and stupid outpourings from Hollywood). The movie selected for March 13 is the 7:00 pm showing of "Kundun" at the Regency 1 Theater on Sutter and Van Ness in San Francisco. We will meet at 6:00 at Tommy's Joynt ( a restaurant/bar) on Van Ness and Geary, and head over to the theater about a half hour later.

GBF will also be leading hikes every other month, provided the Bay Area ever gets another sunny Day. The next hike will be in April: the annual wildflower hike to Chimney Rock, in Pt. Reyes. Details will be announced in the April newsletter.

We are also considering resurrecting the monthly GBF potluck, if enough interest is expressed. People interested in opening up their homes or apartments occasionally for such an event or in receiving more information about scheduled hikes and movies please contact Clint Seiter or Nick Kolivas



## Book Review

### Our Hidden Gay History

By David Holmes

*Cassell's Encyclopedia of Queer Myth, Symbol, and Spirit: Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Lore* by Randy P. Conner, David Hatfield Sparks and Mariya Sparks; Foreword by Gloria E. Anzaldúa

This book is a treasure. I must admit that I have not had time to read it cover to cover, but then again, an encyclopedia of this sort is probably best enjoyed as a

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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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