

VEDANTA NEWSLETTER

The Quarterly Newsletter of
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God is one. Different sages call Him by different names – Rig Veda

Membership in the Vivekananda Vedanta Society of BC

Membership of the Society runs on a calendar year basis. Members, please renew your membership in time. The Annual Membership fee for a couple is \$60.00, and for a single person \$40. We also have a Life Membership, which is \$500.00 for a couple, and \$300.00 for a single person. Please contact our Treasurer Mrs. Purabi Das at (604) 942-9377 or during the Society's functions.

Sunday Service

The Society holds a Sunday Service on the first Sunday of every month at the Vivekananda House. One of the Swamis from the Vedanta Society of Western Washington in Seattle would arrive for the day and conduct the Service at 11:00 am. The program consists of arati, singing of devotional songs, and a talk by the Swami on a title of his choice. A potluck lunch would follow. Please phone (604) 228-9987 OR (604) 942-9377 first to confirm.

Meditation Meetings

The members of the Vivekananda Vedanta Society meet for Meditation and Scripture reading at the Vivekananda House on the first Saturday of every month at 4:00 p.m. Please phone (604) 942-9377 first to confirm.

Monthly Ramnam

Monthly Ramnam sessions are held by the Society at the Vivekananda House at 4:00 pm on the last Sunday every month. There will be arati and singing of devotional songs on Lord Rama and other Divine incarnations. Please phone (604) 228-9987 first to confirm.

Book Sale

Audiotapes and CDs of lectures by Swamis, tapes of bhajans and other devotional music are also available. For all your needs on books about Vedanta and other spiritual subjects, please contact our secretary, Mrs. Radha Chaklader. Phone: (604) 228-9987. All the popular titles are available. Any book that is not in stock will be made available at very short notice.

A Puja in honor of the Holy Mother Sri Sarada Devi

Sw. Prapannananda, Head of the Vedanta Society of Sacramento will perform a Puja in honor of the Holy Mother Sri Sarada Devi on Saturday, November 28, 2015 and a Day-Retreat at 2:00 pm on Sun, November 29 at the Vivekananda House.

“Love for Love’s sake, because it is the only law of life, just as you breathe to live” — Sw. Vivekananda

Coming Events

October 2015

- Sun, Oct 4, 2015: Swami Suhitanandaji, the General Secretary from Belur Math is visiting Seattle Centre on his way to attend the Parliament of Religions in Salt Lake City. As a result all the Swamis are busy there. There won't be any Sunday Service at the VVSBC.
- Sat, Oct 10, 2015: Meditation Meeting at the Vivekananda House at 4:00 pm.
- Sun, Oct 18, 2015: Arati & Ramnam at the Vivekananda House at 4:00 pm.
- Thu, Oct 29, 2015: Swami Brahmatmananda arrives at the Vivekananda House. Arati, devotional singing, and meeting with the devotees at 7:30 pm. A potluck supper will follow.
- Fri, Oct 30, 2015: A free public talk by Swami Brahmatmananda at 7:30 pm.
Title: **“Vedanta and the Middle Path”**.
Venue: Vivekananda House. Tea and snacks will follow.
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November 2015

- Sun, Nov 1, 2015: Sunday Service at the Vivekananda House by Sw. Brahmatmananda at 11:00 am. Title: **“The Ramakrishna Order”**. A potluck lunch would follow.
- Sat, Nov 7, 2015: Meditation Meeting at the Vivekananda House at 4:00 pm.
- Thu, Nov 19, 2015: Sw. Atmajayananda arrives at the Vivekananda House. Arati, devotional singing and meeting with the devotees at 7:30 pm. A potluck supper will follow.
- Fri, Nov 20, 2015: A free public talk by Sw. Atmajayananda at 7:30 pm. at the Vivekananda House. Title: **“The Hole in the Wall of Maya”**. Tea and snacks will follow.
- Fri, Nov 27, 2015: Sw. Prapannananda. Head, Vedanta Society of Sacramento, CA arrives at 3:45 pm.
- Sat, Nov 28, 2015: A puja by Sw. Prapannanandaji in honor of the Holy Mother Sarada Devi. The puja will start at 6:30 pm.
- Sun, Nov 29, 2015: A Day-Retreat by Sw. Prapannananda at 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm at Vivekananda House. Title: **“Life and Teachings of Swami Turiyananda”**
- Mon, Nov 30, 2015: Sw. Prapannanandaji departs from Vancouver to Sacramento, CA at 9:45 am.
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December 2015

- Sun, Dec 6, 2015: Sunday Service at the Vivekananda House by Sw. Atmajayananda. Title of Swami's talk: **“Peace of Mind and Association of Ideas”**. Time: 11:00 am. A potluck lunch would follow.
- Sat, Dec 12, 2015: Meditation Meeting at the Vivekananda House at 4:00 pm.
- Thu, Dec 17, 2015: Sw. Manishananda arrives at the Vivekananda House. Arati, devotional singing and satsang at 7:30 pm. A potluck supper will follow.
- Fri, Dec 18, 2015: A free public talk **“A Vedantic View of Christ”** by Sw. Manishananda at 7:30 pm. Christmas Function and Christmas Carol singing led by Sw. Manishananda. Venue: Vivekananda House. Tea and snacks will follow.
- Sun, Dec 27, 2015: Arati and Ramnam at the Vivekananda House at 4:00 pm.