

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 second Saturday of every month at 3:00 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.

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

— Swami Vivekananda (1863 – 1902)

Coming Events

October 2016

- Sun, Oct 2, 2016: Sunday Service at the Vivekananda House by Sw. Atmajayananda
Title of Swami's talk: **"Removing the Mask"**
Time: 11:00 am. A potluck lunch will follow.
- Sat, Oct 8, 2016: Meditation Meeting at the Vivekananda House at 3:00 pm.
- Thu, Oct 27, 2016: Sw. Brahmatmananda arrives at the Vivekananda House.
There will be arati, devotional singing and meeting with the devotees at 7:30 pm.
A potluck supper will follow.
- Fri, Oct 28, 2016: A free public talk by Sw. Brahmatmananda at 7:30 pm.
Title: **"Ramakrishna's Sadhanas — Part 2"**
Venue: Vivekananda House. A potluck supper will follow.
- Sun, Oct 30, 2016: Arati & Ramnam at the Vivekananda House at 4:00 pm.
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November 2016

- Sun, Nov 6, 2016: Sunday Service at the Vivekananda House by Sw. Atmajayananda.
Title of Swami's talk: **"Vedantic Thought in Greek Philosophy"**
Time: 11:00 am. A potluck lunch will follow.
- Sat, Nov 12, 2016: Meditation Meeting at the Vivekananda House at 3:00 pm.
- Sat, Nov 19, 2016: Sw. Tattwamayananda, Head Vedanta Society of Northern California arrives.
Swamiji will conduct a **Puja in honor of the Holy Mother Sri Sarada Devi**
Time: at 5:30 pm.
- Sun, Nov 20, 2016: Swamiji will conduct a day retreat between 2:00 pm and 5:00 pm.
Title of swami's discourse will be decided closer to the date and a separate email will be sent to all devotees about it.
- Mon, Nov 21, 2016: Sw. Tattwamayananda departs to San Francisco.
- Sun, Nov 27, 2016: Arati and Ramnam at the Vivekananda House at 4:00 pm.
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December 2016

- Sun, Dec 4, 2016: Sunday Service by Sw. Brahmatmananda.
Title of swami's talk: **"Ramakrishna's Sadhanas — Part 3"**
Time: 11:00 am. A potluck lunch will follow.
- Sat, Dec 10, 2016: Meditation Meetings at the Vivekananda House at 3:00 pm.
- Thu, Dec 15, 2016: Sw. Manishananda arrives in Vivekananda House.
There will be arati, devotional singing and satsang at 7:30 p.m.
A potluck supper will follow.
- Fri, Dec 16, 2016: A free public talk **"Jesus - A Divine Outlaw"** by Sw. Manishananda.
Christmas function and Carol singing led by Sw. Manishananda.
Venue: Vivekananda House. Tea and snacks will follow.
- Sun, Dec 18, 2016: Arati and Ramnam at the Vivekananda House at 4:00 pm.