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Blessing Service for the New Year

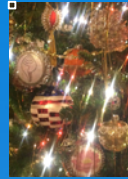


A warm gathering at the Pittsburgh Buddhist Center marked the beginning of the New Year on January 1st. It was an occasion of wishing each other well-being, receiving blessings from monks and making resolutions for the New Year. A candle vigil enabled everyone to be reflective of our interconnectivity. Everyone wrote their wish for the New Year on Bodhi leaf shaped paper and received blessings for their fulfillment.

It is important to pause and reflect from time to time on the journey of our lives. We need to renew our resolutions and reorient ourselves to our life goals. Otherwise, we may be running fast in life without knowing where we are going. Pittsburgh Buddhist Center provides a place of refuge to come together in friendship and to help each other to make the journey of life meaningful and joyful.

EVENTS

January



1/1 – 1:30 - 4:30 pm
Blessing Service for the New Year

1/6 – 1:30 – 3:00 pm
Buddhist Classes for Children

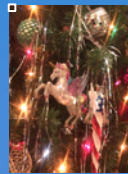
February



2/3 – 1:30 – 3:00 pm
Buddhist Classes for Children

2/17 – 11:00 am – 3:00 pm
Monthly Program

March



3/3 – 1:30 - 3:00 pm
Buddhist Classes for Children

3/17 – 11:00 am – 3:00 pm
Monthly Program

Meditation Schedule:

Mondays: East Liberty Library, 6:15 – 7:30 pm

Tuesdays: Oakmont Library, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Wednesdays: PBC, 7:00 – 9:15 pm

Thursdays: Fox Chapel Library, 6:30 – 7:30 pm

Monthly Programs:

Buddhist Classes for Children, PBC, 1st Sunday of each month

Dhamma talk, pot luck lunch, and blessing service, PBC, 3rd Sunday of each month

Buddhist Classes for Children, Dhamma Discussions for Adults, Cleveland, 4th Sunday of each month

Please sign-up in advance for events via our website, as we need to organize food and attendance.

For directions, event and participation detail, please visit: Pittsburghbuddhistcenter.org

Bhante's Corner - Christmas Holiday at PBC

This holiday season at PBC, two beautiful trees each over six feet tall, were provided for by our friend Connie. The ornaments were made by hand, each requiring approximately three days to create. The trees were adorned with hundreds of these ornaments, which are representative and symbolic of Buddhist and American traditions!

These decorations remind us the need to enhance our inner beauty through spiritual practice. Our mind can be adorned with such qualities as loving-kindness, gratitude and generosity. The practice of meditation allows us to gradually grow these qualities in our mind. Such an inner beauty will not only shine the individual but also his or her surroundings. May this year bring us more opportunities to adorn our minds.

A Healthy and Prosperous New Year to You All!

Food Donation - Thanks to all members of Pittsburgh Buddhist Center who contributed to donate a large number of food items to the local food bank run by the Allegheny Valley Association of Churches in this January. We will do it quarterly and deeply appreciate your participation.



*Buddhist symbol
Christmas tree at
PBC*



*Detail of the beautiful traditional Buddhist and American
symbol ornaments in holiday trees at PBC*



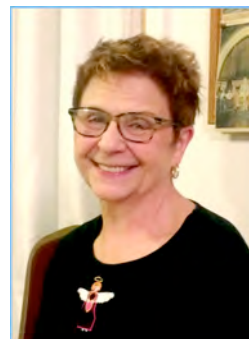
*USA symbol
Christmas tree at
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Come visit Connie and all of us at PBC in 2019 for Buddhist Classes for Children, Monthly Programs, Meditation and Loving-Kindness!