

THE LOHAN LIGHT

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE LOHAN SPIRITUAL AND CULTURAL CENTER
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Announcements

Initiation Ceremony Sign-ups: The LSCC is currently planning its first Initiation Ceremony for 2012. If you are interested in taking Initiation, or know someone who is, please talk to one of our priests or a member of the Board of Directors. For more information on Initiation, the ceremony and the form can be found on the LSCC website at <http://lohanscc.org/Initiation.html> there are also copies of the form with the Sign-up Sheet inside the Temple. Applications should be submitted by April 14th to be included in the first Initiation Ceremony of 2012.

Wednesday, April 11th, 5:30pm - Annual Meeting of the LSCC. At the Annual Meeting the Sustaining Membership will vote on the Nominations for the 2012 Board of Directors. Highlights of the past year, the Treasurer's financial report, and proposed goals for the 2012 will be presented. This is a fantastic opportunity for the membership to ask questions to the Board and find out more about the LSCC.

Saturday, April 21st, 6:30pm - 9:00pm - Planets, Stars and Lost Identity- An Introduction to the Night Sky with Joseph Conrad, Amateur Astronomer/Temple Coordinator. Hands on with telescopes and binoculars at twilight.

Teachings with Tulku Orgyen Zangpo Rinpoche. Both teachings are open to the public and there is a \$20 suggested donation, but no one will be turned away.

Friday, April 27th, 7:00pm - 9:00pm - Topic - TBA

Saturday, April 28th, 2:00pm - 4:00pm - Topic - TBA

Saturday, April 28th, 6:30pm - 9:30pm - Falling in Love with the Divine:

Devotion and Tantra of the Heart. In this workshop, heart masters Dr. Marc Gafni guides you in the service of the unfolding of your own secret heart-tantra. You'll explore: How to see beyond the myth of god to the reality of divine presence; Transformative insights from three great traditions about surrender to the divine; How divine presence can both uncover and heal emotional wounds; How to find your own right relationship with the personal divine; How a relationship with the divine changes all other relationships; and, How to balance discernment and trust. The price is \$50 per person on the day of the event, or \$30 per person if prepaid by April 21st (There is a discount available for Lohans)

Class Schedule

Sundays 9 – 10:30 am, Chung Tai Zen Meditation Group

Sundays 1:30– 3:30 pm, Buddhapath Practice (Dzogchen)

Sunday, April 8th and 22nd, 5pm, Drikung Kagyu Tibetan Buddhist Study Group

Mondays 6 - 7 pm, Desert Dharma Sanga - Lohan Priest Greg Pergament

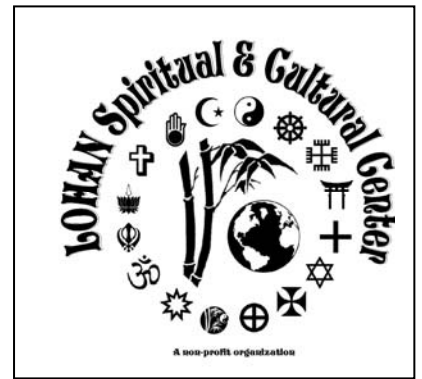
Mondays 7 - 8 pm, Priest in Training Class - Vice-Abbots Tyson Kern and Kathy Hassett - *(THIS CLASS IS OPEN ONLY TO REGISTERED PIT STUDENTS)*

Tuesday, April 3rd and 17th, 6:30 - 8:30pm, Teachings on The Buddha Path

Wednesdays 6 - 7 pm, Beginning Buddhism - Vice-Abbots Tyson Kern and Kathy Hassett

Wednesdays 7 - 8:30 pm, Spiritual Warrior with Dashi Steven Baugh.

All Classes are Free and Open to the Public, except the Priest in Training Class. Donations are gratefully accepted.



Open to ALL
Who Seek the Light
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The Four Principles that turn the mind to the Dharma:
The precious human birth
Impermanence
The Law of Karma
The sufferings of Samsara

Full Moon – April 6
New Moon - April 21
Full Moon - May 5
New Moon - May 20

The LSCC is a charitable, 501(c)3 Non-Profit Organization and a registered Non-Profit Corporation in Nevada. Your donations are tax deductible. They support our current classes and enable future events. By becoming a Sustaining Member your annual dues help us serve the community, and gives you a voice in the activities and direction of the LSCC. Please take the time to let us know how we are doing, and consider, getting involved. Become a Sustaining Member today. Questions or suggestions? Please talk to one of our priests or send us an email.

A Message from Vice Abbot:

During the past year approximately 30 Tibetans have chosen self immolation as a means of protesting their treatment within China. It is each individual's option to support or ignore the political efforts Tibetans take to change their situation. There are many web sites, such as the International Campaign for Tibet (ICT), that provide the means to do so. Regardless of one's politics, seeing these monks and nuns driven to take such desperate action is very sad; it deeply touches my heart. I try to imagine what extreme treatment it would take for me, personally, to engage in such an act. I am not brave enough.

We live in a country where we are able to worship as we please, where that right is protected by our Constitution. It is a right we often accept without consideration because it is an integral part of the law of our land. One thing we each can do is to remember those individuals throughout the world and throughout history who have not enjoyed this right, to value what we have, and to chant and to pray for an end to the suffering of all sentient beings.

Most sincerely,
Shi Fa Chun

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Contemplation

Easy to do are things that are bad and harmful to oneself. But exceedingly difficult to do are things that are good and beneficial.

Whoever, on account of perverted views, scorns the Teaching of the Perfected Ones, the Noble and Righteous Ones — that fool, like the bamboo, produces fruits only for self destruction.

By oneself is evil done; by oneself is one defiled. By oneself is evil left undone; by oneself is one made pure. Purity and impurity depend on oneself; no one can purify another.

*from the **Dhammapada**, translated by Acharaya Buddharakkhita*

Membership in the Lohan Spiritual and Cultural Center is free. You can become a Sustaining Member for only \$30 per year for individuals and \$50 per year for families. Sustaining Members are eligible to vote in elections, and can serve on the Board of Directors or in various committees and positions in support of the LSCC.

Priest Hours

The Lohan priests keep Temple hours and are also available by appointment for spiritual counseling, questions, or just to have a cup of tea.

Greg Pergament: Cell: 525-6490.

Kathy Hassett: Cell 813-4123.

Tyson Kern: Cell 808-4531.

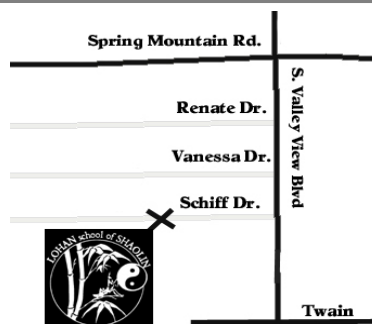
James "JC" Cox: Cell: 324-0353.

Glenn Smith: Cell 525-5360.

About Us

The LSCC serves as a place to learn and seek guidance on the health of your body, mind and spirit. We are teaching classes and giving lectures on a wide variety of subjects including: Prayer, Meditation, Chanting, Chi-Kung, Internal Martial Arts, Wellness, and other topics. Our practices include Buddhism, Taoism, and Native American Spiritual Traditions.

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Lohan Code of Honor



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Event descriptions are also accessible through the Temple Calendar link of the LOHAN School website at www.lvlohans.com. We are a 501(c)3 Non-Profit Organization and your donations are tax deductible.