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A "BLUE MOON" is the second full moon in a single month. It occurs approximately once every 2 and a half years.



There are numerous meanings and stories regarding it's meaning, but we can choose to give it any meaning we like... However, if we wish to experiment, we can say that this is an opportunity to do something we very rarely do -- something meaningful to others -- because this is a relatively rare day,
Whatever this means to you.. we wish you every success.

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Greetings!

If you are planning to attend the following presentation we would

Really Appreciate you pre-registering,

As we have limited space, and we are also providing
complimentary lunch

for all registrants. (Which needs to be pre-ordered.)

Thank you for taking the time to register,
and we are looking forward to seeing everyone on Sept.15th.

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It will only take a moment, and will be appreciated by many.

CANADIAN WOMEN IN BUDDHISM

Connect support share

September 15th, 2012 Calgary, Alberta

PRESENTATION ABSTRACTS

Balancing East and West as a Canadian Vietnamese
Buddhist Nun

Venerable Tinh Quang



Expectations of the role of a Buddhist nun, in the West, have a long learning curve. Working within both the Vietnamese and Canadian communities is a balancing act, which has afforded me a wonderful time of learning and of putting my dharma life into practice. Through trial and error, learning when it is okay to change the rules, I have come up with a way to work within both communities.

Building Community

Venerable Sarani Karuna



During the Buddha's time both women and men monks were instructed to go on alms round daily and to travel on foot for many months each year thus enabling them to meet people and to spread the Dhamma.

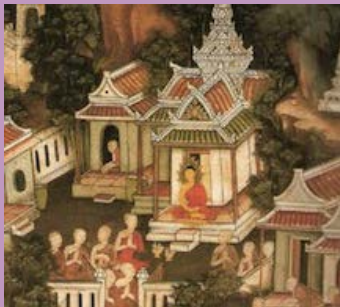
In Canada this is not practical so my way of substituting alms round and walkabout is by presenting a Healing Meditation Program. This program, based primarily on helping people see, through experience, the Buddha's teaching on both dependent origination and right effort, introduces the teaching in a non-threatening, non-religious way. Although the form is different, it is much like the early

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**"REMINDERS"
&
"EVENTS"**

**News from the
Bhikkhuni Sangha
in Perth, Ontario,
Canada**



**A day honouring arahant
bhikkhuni
Mahapajapati Gotami**

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**Heart Shrine Relic
Tour, Toronto ON.**

**Presented by:
Maitreya Project**

A precious collection of sacred relics of the Buddha and many other Buddhist masters is coming to Toronto. This is a rare opportunity to view relics

dissemination of the Buddha's teaching --- the time before institutional Buddhism --- when the monks and lay populations lived mutually supportive of one another without prescribed rites and rituals. This approach appeals to the modern mind and can promote an interest in a further, deeper, understanding of the Path to The Deathless.



**Connecting Leadership
and the Buddhist Dharma**
Patricia Galaczy

"By your own efforts waken yourself, watch and live joyfully. Follow the truth of the way. Reflect upon it. Make it your own. Live it ." (Buddha The Dhammapada)
These are the words of the Buddha, and historically, the Western model of leadership has not reflected the truth therein. Indeed, the traditional model of Western leadership is mostly understood as dualistic, predominately male, driven by doctrine, and founded on the premise that life can be systematically predicted and controlled through analytical reasoning of the separate self. In response to realities of the natural world, this militaristic view of leadership as command and control is collapsing. What is emerging in its wake is a new model of leadership; one that more closely resembles the Buddhist Dharma. In contrast to its predecessor, contemporary models of leadership embody a female approach; one that is collective, one that is created in response to the changing nature of all things, and, one that is founded on the premise that life is a mystery to be embraced with wisdom and compassion.

Connecting Across Cultural Boundaries
Dr. Mavis Fenn

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This presentation examines the important role that bi-lingual women play in facilitating interaction between Asian language(s) and English/French speaking Buddhist Canadians. Examples from Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan indicate that these women see their role as a means of contributing Buddhist values to the Canadian multicultural project. Also examined is the major role they are playing in defining the future shape of Buddhism in Canada.

BINARA POYA DAY CELEBRATION

Sakyadhita Canada will celebrate Binara Poya Day - the full moon on the 29th of September - honoring the anniversary of Mahapajapati Gotami Theri's ordination nearly 2600 years ago.

Mahapajapati Gotami was the first bhikkhuni (female monk) in the Buddha Sasana and her ordination completed the Fourfold Assembly (bhikkhus, bhikkhunis, laymen and

of great Buddhist masters.
Visitors often report
experiences of inspiration
and healing when in the
presence of the relics.

Starts: September 14, 2012
Ends: September 16, 2012

Event Time(s):
Friday: 6pm-8pm
Saturday: 10am-7pm
Sunday: 10am-5pm

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Islington and Queensway



laywomen). She was the sister
of Queen Mahamaya who was the
mother of Prince Siddharta Gautama
(the future Buddha). According to
history, Mahamaya passed away seven
days after the birth of Prince Siddharta,
and it was his maternal aunt and stepmother, Mahapajapati
Gotami, who cared and raised him.

We invite you to join us in the Binara Poya Day celebration. This
is a time when we can pay respect to the Bhikkhuni Sangha and
acknowledge its essential role in preserving the Dhamma. We
remember prominent bhikkhunis and their unique achievements.

We honor all of our women teachers and spiritual ancestor,
including our mothers, grandmothers, aunts, sisters, mentors and
friends. We express gratitude to the Fourfold Assembly and share
the goodness of our wholesome actions with all beings
everywhere. We can make this a time of giving and receiving, of
listening and sharing. You may want to retreat alone (for an hour
or for the day), or to support the tradition of Buddhist monastic
life by offering dana, or by gathering with friends in the sharing
of a meal, or to sit together in meditation or listen to a Dhamma
talk. Or..... be creative and come up with your own way joining
together for this special day. Celebrate with us!