

BUDDHIST VIHARA SOCIETY IN BC

The official newsletter of BVS

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DHAMMA CHINTHA

DHAMMAPADAYA - VERSE 1

"Manopubbangama dhamma manosettha manomaya manasa ce padutthena bhasati va karoti va tato nam dukkhamanveti cakkamva vahato padam"

Mind is the chief forerunner of all evil states. Experiences are led by and produced chiefly by the mind. If one speaks or acts with a corrupted impure mind, suffering will follow just as the wheel follows the hoof print of the ox that draws the cart.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Vassana Retreat Program

Dhamma Sermon @ 7.30 pm Every Wed
Bojjhanga Pirith @ 7.30 pm Every Sat

Meditation Session by Ven Somawansha

Every Friday @ 7.30 pm

Organic Farm Market

Every Sunday : 11.30 am to 1.30 pm

- AUG 8 | Nikini Poya Ata Sil Program
- AUG 23 | Blood Donation Event
- SEP 12 | Binara Poya Ata Sil
- SEP 13 | Annual Rice Packet Event

All spiritual events organized by BVS will be streamed via Zoom . Click to log in

Meeting ID : 443 970 6128



A MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY OF BVS

On behalf of the board of directors of the BVS, I would like to sincerely convey my heartfelt gratitude to all of you who have been with us during these difficult times. We have achieved a tremendous amount of progress thanks to our committed members, well wishers and volunteers and we hope to continue this momentum to achieve our long terms objectives.

FINANCIALS

“ Transparency is our top priority ! ”

Total PAP members	: 202
Total PAP income	: \$7,300
Total recurring expenses	: \$6,982.00

- Closing balance of the \$100K commercial loan as of May 31st 2020: **-\$57,727.27**
- Remaining balance of the mortgage as of May 31st 2020: **\$442,967.46**
- Balance of the checking account as of May 31st 2020: **\$3,448.52**

NOTE: Cheque for \$4800 for annual property insurance was pending realization/clearance and with the realization of this cheque, the balance would be -\$1351.48



[BVS Health and Safety protocols for COVID - 19](#)



COMMUNITY ORGANIC FARM & FARM MARKET

Another success story in the making!

This year, we are off to a flying start with few more months of sunshine to spare. It is with great pleasure we announce that we have already reached our first target of farming income with the help of our tireless team of volunteers and generous donors.

Join us every Sunday from 11.30 am to 1.30 pm to enjoy great company, good food (we are cooking up something exciting for you in the coming weeks !) and farm fresh organic fruits and veggies.

Also there will be a volunteer available at the Farm Market on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 am to 12 noon.

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BLOOD DONATION CAMPAIGN

Organized by BVS Community Engagement Subcommittee

starting from 11.00 am on 23rd of August at
Cloverdale Catholic Parish Center at 17475 59th Ave, Surrey BC

Please confirm your participation by an e-mail to Harshaka Parana Arachchi via harshapdn@yahoo.com or call 604 790 2714 before 15th of August

Check your eligibility with Canada blood by calling the nurse at 1-888-2-DONATE (1-888-236-6283) before confirming your spot

Some refreshments will be provided for the donors at Cloverdale Catholic Church



YOUR MEMBERSHIP SIMPLIFIED...

Membership sub committee has initiated a project to identify gaps in our membership management process and modernize how BVS manage member information.

A 3 phased master plan has been drafted with immediate steps to create a membership database on a proper database management application and issue a permanent membership ID (as per the constitution) to all members.

long term plans include digitization of membership application process, initiatives to actively engage with young members of our community as well as activities to engage with communities living far from temple premises.

Watch this space for more updates...



SOCIAL MEDIA

We are in the process of revamping our website and social media platforms to keep its contents up-to-date. Our objective is to provide you with most up-to-date information and reminders of all BVS activities and most importantly keep us all connected via social media.

"We would love to hear your feedback so we can improve our social media presence to better suit your needs."

Questions ? Feedback or join our newsletter group to make it better ?
email us at newsletter@bvs.org

