

## **Study Group with Angie**

**(in-person & virtual) starting in January  
We hope you are able to participate!**

A study group with Angie will be starting in January. The group will meet on Saturday mornings. The first topic is the Heart Sutra. Knowing that Angie's sangha is located across the continent, we are experimenting by holding the dharma discussions virtually via a telephone bridge line. By this method, sangha members not located in the Bay Area have an opportunity to hear Angie's commentary and participate in discussion real-time. We are looking forward to learning more about the dharma and connecting in a new way with our teacher and each other!

The dates for our first study group are: January 17, February 7, February 21 and March 20. People who want to attend in-person with Angie will meet in San Jose at 9:00 am PDT for a thirty minute sitting meditation before the study group discussion. Then the talk and discussion will be held from 9:30 to 11:00 am PDT. People who are attending virtually are to call (985) 425-2622, ext. 318, at 9:30 am PDT to participate. There is no additional charge for connecting to the bridge line; the only cost to you is your long-distance call.

Please contact donnalynn at chase\_cottage@yahoo.com or (408) 674-5956 to confirm your attendance or ask for more information. If the first "pilot" group is well received and the format is successful, the next Floating Zendo study group is planned for: April 3, April 17, May 1 and May 29.



Kobun's Dharma heir, Vanya Palmers with Angie Boissevain, Jikoji, 4/2003

Soaked earth,  
Swollen stream's far music  
Sun down quick and early-  
Bright:  
the one star  
rising clear -

Angie Boissevain

## **Contacts for Events**

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Weekly Sits	Tuesday 6:30-8:00 pm	1041 Morse St. San Jose	
	Monday 5:45-6:15 pm	822 Iowa Av. Sunnyvale	
Monthly	1st Tuesday 5:45-6:15 pm Intro to Meditation w/Carolyn Dille	1041 Morse St. San Jose	

## **Floating Zendo** *on the Internet-Soon!*

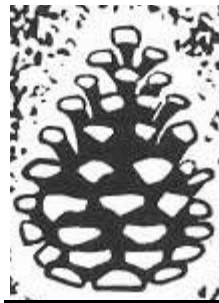
About a year ago Floating Zendo sangha members began discussing the idea of having an internet site for communication purposes. Groups and chat rooms are now commonplace for all kinds of interests- serving folks from far-flung corners of the world-why not serve the greater Floating Zendo sangha this way? After researching existing groups, cost, ease of access, privacy etc. it was decided to set up a group for the Floating Zendo on Yahoo! Regina and Dan, two San Jose sangha members are working on the site; so far we have a calendar listing various events, sesshins, retreats and contact information for the San Jose group.

In the future there are plans to have photos, contact info for other groups, links to relevant sites on Buddhism, Dharma teachers, etc. We envision this as a place where students could contact one another, access information about where Angie is teaching, read archived dharma talks, and communicate business matters. Students and friends who have indicated a desire to be contacted by email will receive guidance in joining the yahoo group in the coming weeks. The adventurous can go to <http://groups.yahoo.com/> and register. Our group is called [FloatingZendoZazen@yahoogroups.com](mailto:FloatingZendoZazen@yahoogroups.com). Keep an eye on your email!

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## **Sangha Generosity**

A heartfelt thank you to all of you that have given generously to our Floating Zendo. Your generosity sustains our sangha's expenses, including these newsletters.



If you would like to contribute, please send your contribution to Floating Zendo, c/o donnalynn chase 15170 Stratford Dr. San Jose, CA 95124.

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### ***Ode to a Pinecone***

Today as I walk in kinhin,  
I think of a pinecone I saw along the trail,  
russet brown, almost purple,  
resting in the late afternoon light.  
Its intricate circling tiers  
of thin papery wood,  
the small notches,  
shelves,  
a place for each seed.

To be so still  
and so completely oneself,  
deeply settled and awake.

Diana Deering, Jikoji, August 2003

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