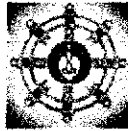


## **Anjin-Do Mönchengladbach**

Begegnungsstätte der Buddhistischen Gemeinschaft Jodo Shinshu Deutschland e. V.



### Activity Report of the Buddhist Centre Anjin-Do Mönchengladbach Germany for the year 2017

The Buddhist Centre Anjin-Do serves as Main Centre of the Buddhist Association Jodo Shinshu Germany. In such function it keeps close contact to the Berlin Group which is run by Rev. Evers and to all Dharma friends that live in Germany. This Contact is held via social media i.e. Facebook, our Website and E-mail correspondence. In cooperation with Rev. Moser, Anjin-Do Centre publishes a monthly News letter to now over a hundred Dharma friends throughout the world.

As a nonprofit registered organization we provide the Buddhist Teaching to the public in form of classes, open door days and weekly service and publication projects.

Anjin-Do Centre keeps contact to international Buddhist Temples and groups and in the year 2017 again several Dharma friends from Japan, Belgium and England have visited our Centre. Special Services according to our tradition are held regularly.

Anjin-Do Centre stays in close contact to the EKO House of Japanese Culture and we take part in many Buddhist activities of the EKO Temple. The same friendship is shared with the Belgium Sangha (Jikoji Temple in Antwerp) and we cooperate in all matters regarding the European Jodo Shinshu Organization.

Anjin-Do Centre provides a weekly Dharma meeting for Sangha members and to the general public. Due to our multimedia promotion many people from all walks of Life have visited our centre and got information about Buddhism and the Jodo Shinshu Tradition.

Friends and Members can stay at the Centre, especially when they are living far off any other Dharma place. That way they can intensify their personal studies, take part in services and share Sangha life.

In February 2017 a Memorial Service was held for Mr. Akbar Yavari, and has been repeated on request by Family Yavari 3 times in 2017. April 2017, Funeral Service for Mr. Burkhard Kobs and in May 2017 a Funeral Service was held for Mrs. Hedwig Schneider at Anjin-Do Centre. In July 2017, school class visitation at Anjin-Do Centre with 25 Students. November 2017 Nyumonshiki Ceremony with 7 participants at Anjin-Do Centre.

Mönchengladbach, 26<sup>th</sup> of January 2018

Rev. Frank Kobs

Chairman of the Buddhist Association Jodo Shinshu Germany

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## **Sangha Report 2017 Ilona Evers Berlin**

### **My tasks**

Priestess of the Berlin Jodo Shinshu Sangha  
Vice President of BGJ-D (German Jodo Shinshu umbrella organization)  
Member and speaker of Buddhist Academy Berlin Brandenburg  
Member of BuBB (Buddhism in Berlin and Brandenburg)  
Editor of the Buddhist Calendar of BuBB

### **Sangha Gatherings**

We had Sangha gatherings every other week.

### **Buddhist Academy Berlin Brandenburg**

The Buddhist Academy is a charity whose goals are the teaching and living of Buddhism in the western culture. It is open for teachers and students of nearly all Buddhist Traditions. The Academy organizes talks and discussions and weekend events. I am a member of the board of trustees and a speaker at discussion events.

### **BuBB – Buddhism in Berlin and Brandenburg**

The BuBB is a work group who mainly organizes the annual Vesak Festivity and publishes the “Buddhistische Veranstaltungskalender der BuBB”; a magazine where Buddhist groups can advertise their groups and events. Jodo Shinshu is also present with an advertisement. The BuBB is open for nearly all Buddhist Traditions. I regularly attended the meetings; I am an editor of the magazine.

### **May 7**

Vesak Festivity in Berlin

### **May 12 to 14**

Gathering of Jodo Shinshu Germany with general meeting of BGJ-D (German Jodo Shinshu umbrella organization) in Mönchengladbach  
On Sunday morning we celebrated a service with Shoshinge in Eko House.

### **May 27**

German Protestant Church Congress  
Delegate of DBU (German Buddhist Union) at an information booth of an interreligious ecological group

### **October 12**

Farewell Festivity for Prof. Aoyama in Dusseldorf Eko House.  
Retirement of the longtime director Prof. Aoyama of Eko House and welcome of the new director Prof. Matsumaru.

### **October 13**

Celebration of Shoshinge in the Eko Temple

### **December 01.-03.**

Symposium and Hoonko Festival in Eko House in Düsseldorf