



# NWSE News

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## Special Workshop Sept 17-18

Tomi and Gorazd visited Bellingham on their honeymoon, and we did keiko all weekend. From the left standing: John Seaman, Ian Boote, Gorazd Drožina, Tomi Nagai-Rothe, Lee Seaman, Greg Beatty. Seated :Aerin Adrian, Shelly Clouse. Not pictured: Marti Bartlett

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## Upcoming events

- John, Lee, and Jim teach Shintaido and Prayer workshop SF Oct. 7-9.
- NWSE planning meeting Sunday Nov. 6 after keiko.
- Next worldwide Taimyo for Peace event Dec. 7-10
- West Coast Kangeiko 2006 Jan 14-16: "Giving and Receiving"

## Japanese terms: Ma

In Japanese the word "ma" (間) can mean "interval", "space", or "relationship." In keiko "ma" usually refers to the connection and timing between you and your partner. We can have "tight ma," "sticky ma," "effective ma," or "broken ma."

What we can't have is "my ma" – ma requires connecting with a partner. The study of ma is essentially not about "me", and all about "us."

## Taimyo for Peace

Lee is leading a monthly meditation Mondays at 1 pm at the Congregational Church (2nd Monday) and the Bellingham Unitarian Fellowship (4th Monday) through mid-December.

## Advertisement

Need beautiful and inexpensive Christmas gifts? Give our greeting cards with pictures from keiko or stunning local scenery. See Grace or Lee. Profits go to NWSE.

## NWSE planning meeting

Sunday Nov. 6 we will have a brief meeting immediately after keiko to discuss next year's workshop schedule.



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The next worldwide Taimyo practice "together at a distance" will be December 7-10, at the time of the attacks by the Japanese military on Pearl Harbor and mainland China. Check with Lee for details.

## NWSE financial update:

**Sept. donations \$195**  
**In the bank ≈ \$2000**

## "Attain deliverance in disturbances."

- Zen Master  
**Kyong Ho**  
[ 1849-1912]



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