

LAKE SHRINE NEWSLETTER

April, 2026

Dear Divine Friends,

Our Lake Shrine weekend program in the Windmill Chapel continues every Saturday and Sunday. The general public reserves to visit, but as a member of our Temple congregation no advance reservation is required. Arrival and parking for all visits is at the Temple gate and lot. Morning arrival is 10-11:00am; afternoon arrival is 1-3:00pm

PROGRESS → REOPENING

We are making progress and gradually reopening all buildings and shrines in the Meditation Gardens! No more folding chairs in the **Windmill chapel!** Our classic wooden chairs have been reupholstered and are now in place. The **Houseboat** is almost completed and we expect to reopen within a few weeks. The **Gift Shop-Museum** building remains closed while a new floor is being installed.

The **Temple Sanctuary** is in final stages with new paint and deep blue carpet being installed soon. Our current objective is to reopen the Sanctuary for Sunday services before June.

Easter Sunday, April 5

7:00am in your home: SRF President, Bro. Chidananda will livestream a special Easter Sunrise Service—
<https://yogananda.org/blog/2026-easter-sunrise-service-livestream-with-brother-chidananda>

Self-Realization Fellowship
LAKE SHRINE
WEEKEND INSPIRATIONAL PROGRAM



starting January 31, 2026

MORNINGS EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY	Minister-Led Guided Meditation and Inspirational Message 11:00 AM-12:00 PM Windmill Chapel at Lake Level
AFTERNOONS EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY	Guided Meditation 2:00-2:30 PM Windmill Chapel at Lake Level Docent Tour 2:30-3:15 PM Meet on the Court of Religions

Reserve to visit our sanctuary of peace and fill your weekend with divine inspiration.
For reservations and more info, visit: lakeshrine.org/weekendprogram



When you are calm, you feel the whole universe of happiness rocking gently beneath your consciousness. That happiness is God.
-Paramahansa Yogananda



Easter morning in the Windmill Chapel and Court of Religions

10:00am Easter morning meditation.

11:00am Easter worship service



James Wing departure

James Wing, who served many years at Lake Shrine as a general administrative assistant, peacefully departed this earth on Thursday, March 19, 2026. Jim was living his final years at Mother Center under the care of the monks. He will be remembered with honor and respect as a faithful disciple of Guruji who served with infinite love and cheerfulness. We send our prayers of divine friendship to speed Jim on his way! We also offer prayers for his loving family who supported his choice to live and serve in the ashrams of SRF.

Expand the cup of realization to hold the Ocean of Knowledge!

“What are you afraid of? You are an immortal being. You are neither a man nor a woman, as you may think, but a soul, joyous, eternal . . . Even as Jesus could manifest his love and say, when sorely tested: “Father, forgive them; for they know not what



they do,” so should you become able to forgive others, even in the midst of exacting trials, and say: “My soul is resurrected. My power to overcome is greater than all my trials, because I am a child of God.” Those who receive God are those who develop their mental powers by serious application of spiritual laws. When your mental powers expand, your cup of realization will become big enough to hold the Ocean of Knowledge. Then you have resurrected yourself.”

Restored Houseboat Shrine to open soon!

—Paramahansa Yogananda
Journey to Self-Realization

In spite of unstable conditions which surround us and seem beyond our power to control, let us hold firm to eternal wisdom— nothing on earth can prevent us from striving and attaining heavenly happiness!! By seeking freedom within we can transcend all earthly limitations. This is the unified message of the Masters.

With prayers in divine friendship, Bro. Satyananda