

Land of Medicine Buddha encompasses 108 acres. They consist of three lots. The first lot of 58 acres was formerly known as **Greenwood Lodge**. Please refer to “Greenwood Lodge History recalled by Peter Kedge Feb 2024” by Peter Kedge.

The second lot of 28 acres was the **Bernstein property** (where the garage is, now used for the school, and the building over the other side of the parking lot, two cabins, plus all the land going back to the playground). This was paid off in 1996 for \$612,500 with money raised by Dr. Angela Wang and her patients. The intentions behind this purchase are two-folded. First, because of its secluded location, it was challenging for FPMT International Office staff to commute and maintain the property. Having an onsite housing would be essential to retain qualified staff, conserve employee housing costs, and spread Dharma. The benefactors wish to provide housing to the staff to keep them safe and healthy.. Secondly, there were conflicts between Greenwood Lodge and Bernstein property for the right-of-way. Having both parcels owned by the same organization would eradicate the conflicts. However, soon after the purchase until present, Tara School rents the space. Only two cabins are available for staff accommodation.

Another fact unknown to lots of people, Zopa Rinpoche asked Dr. Angela Wang to build the Wish Fulfilling Temple, formerly known as Memorial Shrine, and use the stupa proceeds to purchase Bernstein property. It was Rinpoche’s wish to build the Wish Fulfilling Temple. Angela dedicated years to designing, raising funds for, and building this temple. She raised approximately \$350,000 to complete the construction with no debt. She and her volunteer team are the primary caretakers and event organizers of this temple.

According to Land of Medicine Buddha (LMB)’s bookkeeper, the Wish Fulfilling Temple (WFT) bank account closed in 2013. However, Angela wasn’t aware of the account closure until 2021. This means all the stupa proceeds collected for WFT before 2021 went to LMB’s general account.

Who is the mastermind behind the design of WFT? Please read on...

## **Wishfulfilling Temple**

by Harvey Horrocks

Lama Zopa Rinpoche gave the name, previously called Memorial Shrine.

Rinpoche outlined the design saying the structure should be mainly glass, giving lots of light. Saying the feeling should be very joyful and bright, such that when you visit you have the feeling that you would like to put your ashes inside the temple right now! Not dark or depressing but joyful and inspiring.

Rinpoche asked Angela to bring the master artist from Kopan Monastery in Nepal to lead the group responsible for creating this environment. Rinpoche was delighted by the result. Rinpoche also requested that Thubten Gelek paint the 12 deeds of the Buddha around the inside of the upper section of the building which depicts the life of the Buddha as a teaching. Angela was able to have Jon Landaw oversee this project.

Nigel, a voice actor from England, was able to present the whole story of the life story of the Buddha. Rinpoche was so impressed with the Wishfulfilling design that he wanted this design for a memorial Shrine to be used in all the FPMT Centers.

The third parcel is called **Holmes and Lee**. It's the property along the dirt track past the Wish Fulfilling Temple as far as where the deserted trailer was set alight and going down in the direction of what the school has been using as a playground. The only access to Holmes and Lee is through LMB. After the first two parcels were purchased, the right-of-way to Holmes and Lee was blocked. Holmes and Lee's owner approached Dr. Angela and offered the land to her. To secure the right-of-way, promote harmony and show respect to the Holmes and Lee's former owners, the final 22 acres were bought by Harvey Horrocks and Dr. Angela Wang for \$225,000 and donated to FPMT.

The above land sales correspond with the records retrieved from the title company.

In 2007, FPMT sold the three lots, for \$1, to LMB, but LMB had to resume a \$900,000 mortgage.

Angela Wang  
February 2024

*(The above, except for the sections by Harvey, is translated by Grace Yao.)*

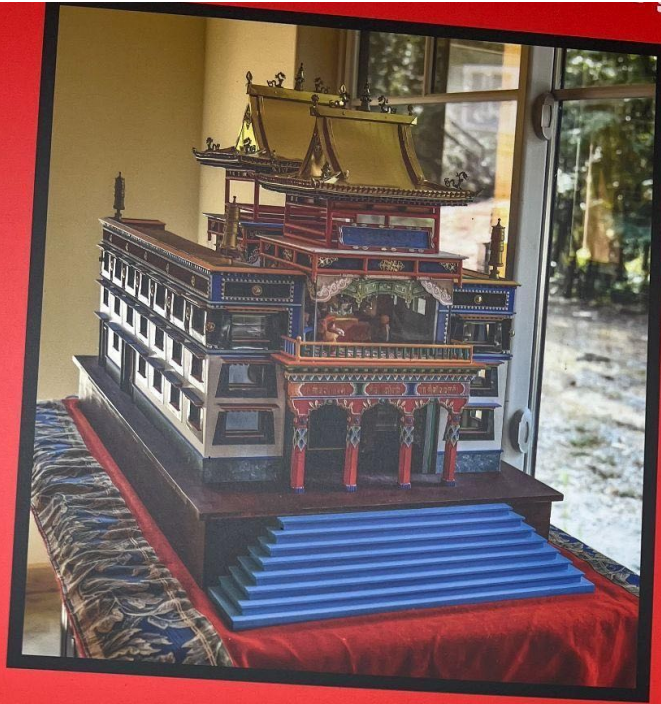
**Medicine Buddha Temple**  
**Mongolia Yurt**  
by Harvey Horrocks

At Aptos in a meeting with Rinpoche in 2000, he wanted to build Medicine Buddha Temple and appointed Harvey to be the director. He made an observation and said Market America business looked like a very good business for this project. He wrote notes to ask practitioners like Ven. Robina Courtin, Ven. Wangmo, Ven. Pemo, Jacie Keeley, and Jeff Nye to work with Angela and Harvey to fundraise for the temple project.

Rinpoche asked Harvey to check with a highly regarded leader of a group of monks who were visiting LMB from India, Geshe Jhampa Lodro what was the main purpose of the Medicine Buddha Temple. The master made an observation to learn that the main function of the temple should be to become a monastery for both monks and nuns.

Harvey then asked Rinpoche how to start the monastery. Rinpoche said to build mongolia yurts first. This was the start of the temple accommodation.

To fulfill Rinpoche's wishes, we shall build Medicine Buddha Gompa Monastery Temple. I attached Rinpoche's letter for your reference.



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This letter was written by Lama Zopa Rinpoche in 1998  
 and was the inspiration for the project to build the  
 Medicine Buddha Temple on this 108 acre property.