## 1<sup>st</sup> Annual International Bhikkhuni Day Sept. 17, 2011



The Four-fold Sangha

The Buddha said: "I will not pass away...until I have bhikkhu disciples...bhikkhuni disciples...layman disciples... laywoman disciples who are accomplished, disciplined, skilled, learned, expert in the Dhamma."



Bhikkhunis are female monks. Sadly, in the Theravada tradition, the bhikkhuni order died out in the 11<sup>th</sup> century due to wars and famine. There is now a strong movement to revive it, but it is a struggle especially in countries where there is no tradition of support. Alliance for Bhikkhunis was established to help provide support for Bhikkhunis in the US and around the world by providing requisites, including living quarters, medical, dental and health insurance expenses; travel costs to conferences and retreats; books, computers, etc.

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