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LET US LIVE IN THE PURE LAND!

By Rev. Yushi Mukojima, Resident Minister

Obon season is here! Because of the Obon Service, gravesite visitations and the Obon festival, it is the busiest and most lively time of the year.

The other day, we finished Omigaki—washing and polishing the Butsugu, the Buddhist ornaments in the Onaijin (inner altar)—with the great help of the Fujinkai (Buddhist Women’s Association) and other volunteers. I can’t express my feeling of great refreshment, despite being soaked with sweat, after carefully cleaning every corner of the Onaijin. When I look at the Onaijin right after Omigaki has restored its brilliance, I know that Obon season has come.

At our temple, Obon is the second most-attended service after Hanamatsuri which celebrates the birth of Shakyamuni Buddha. For the family who have lost someone dear in the year since the last Obon, it is the first Obon they celebrate with a feeling of great loneliness for the loss of their loved one.

But there are many others who attend Obon Service who have not suffered a recent loss. These include the family experiencing their very first Obon and those who haven’t attended any services for a while. There are also college students who left San Diego for school but who show up to visit during their summer break. All of these people come to the temple to place their hands together in the presence of Amida Buddha to express their gratitude to their predecessors.

Certainly Obon Service provides an informal reunion where we enjoy seeing one another again after a time apart. But Obon is also a precious Dharma opportunity for each Nembutsu follower to reaffirm the way to the Pure Land, listening to the loud voice of the Nembutsu resounding throughout the Hondo.

Each Obon, when the Hondo is full of people and I hear the Sangha’s chanting and recitation of the Nembutsu, I cannot help but think that it is as if Shakyamuni Buddha and Shinran Shonin lead us by the hand to the Pure Land, the spiritual home for our lives.

As everyone knows, there is the Eko-mon: *Gan ni shi ku doku / Byodo se issai / Do hotsu bodai shin / Ojo anrakkoku*, which we chant in unison at the end of the Sutra. Eko-mon means a verse expressing the intention of transferring one’s merit to others. It is the very famous verse from “Kangyo-sho,” the commentary on the Meditation Sutra, written by Shantao, one of the Seven Pure Land Masters in the Jodo Shinshu tradition.

As the Eko-mon comes at the very end of the Sutra, I think that it may signal to you that the Sutra is about to end. Because of this, I can hear your voices grow louder at that point especially after chanting the long Sutra. I guess you may be thinking, “Ah, it’s finally ended!”

However, even if I lead the Sangha in other Sutras, many of you can chant the Eko-mon without looking at the Sutra book. That we are able to chant it together loudly at the end is my greatest pleasure.

“Eko” means “to transfer” and Eko-mon translates as, *May this merit-virtue / Be shared equally with all beings. / May we together awaken the Bodhi Mind, / And be in the realm of Serenity and Joy.*

In general Buddhism, it is thought this verse is for the sake of the deceased in which accumulated merit transfers of one’s chanting saves them.

However, in Jodo Shinshu, Sutra chanting is not done for the sake of the deceased. It is an important daily practice to praise the virtue of Amida Buddha and rejoice in the Primal Vow which is the working of Amida Buddha’s wisdom and compassion directed at each one of us. Therefore, in Jodo Shinshu, the Eko-mon can be interpreted this way: *Let us share the virtue of Nembutsu with all sentient beings equally, without discrimination, entrusting ourselves completely to the Primal Vow, and walking together the way to birth in the Pure Land!* It expresses the spirit of Mahayana Buddhism precisely.

There are some misguided beliefs about Buddhism during Obon season, even within our Sangha. Some mistakenly think that all Buddhist observances are for the sake of the deceased. There might be some families which believe that deceased loved ones come back to them once a year at Obon. Thus they make bountiful offerings of food and drink at the Obutsudan (family altar) to welcome the ghosts of their predecessors, and chant the Sutra for the benefit of the deceased, striking the bell more frequently than they ordinarily would.

Some believe that in Buddhism, the deceased becomes a Buddha and that the Pure Land is the merely a world for the dead. Therefore, they conclude that the teaching of Buddhism and the Pure Land have nothing to do with their lives in the present. But their understanding is quite different from the original teachings of Buddhism.

Shinran Shonin accepts the Pure Land of Utmost Bliss in his writing, “Notes on Essentials of Faith Alone,” as follows: *The land of bliss is the Pure Land of happiness, where there are always countless joys and never any suffering mingled with them.* He also writes in “The Hymns of the Pure Land Masters,” *For sentient beings of extreme evil, profound and immense / There is no other way; / Wholeheartedly saying the name of Amida, / We will be born into the Pure Land.*

Namely, Shinran says, *No matter how hard we try to practice, as we cannot attain Buddhahood on our own power, we should entrust ourselves completely to the Primal Vow of Amida Buddha and live our lives with the Pure Land where our lives will return as our spiritual home.*

He also, *Being born in the Buddha-land of happiness / Is the path to ultimate attainment of Buddhahood; / All the Buddhas acclaim the Pure Land, / For birth there is the unsurpassed means.*

In this hymn, Shinran praises for their virtues all Buddhas who are worried that we regard the Pure Land merely as a world for the deceased. He praises all Buddhas who encourage us to take the path to birth in the Pure Land by reminding us, “The Pure Land is the spiritual home for those now living.”

Thus, not only Shakyamuni Buddha and Shinran Shonin, but all Buddhas teach us to “Live with the Pure Land as our destination,” and we are shown clearly the path we should take to the Pure Land. The Pure Land is not far away. If we open our Dharma Eyes, we can see that the Pure Land is actually here and now. If we could see the world with Enlightened Eyes, we would see a pure world without affliction; a world that transcends love and hatred; a world where all life shines, for all life is revealed to be precious.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Temple Closed	2 1 p.m. – Shigin 詩吟 @Annex 1.2 6:30 p.m. – Taiko Practice @Annex Hall	3 12 Noon – Minyo Group 民謡 @Annex 1.2	4 6:30 p.m. – Buddhist Study Class A with Rev. Mukojima @Conf. Rm.	5	6 LABCC Camp through August 13 th @Morning Star 9 a.m.-1 p.m. RUMMAGE SALE Preparation
7 NO SERVICE 9 a.m.-1 p.m. RUMMAGE SALE Preparation 10 a.m. – Taiko Practice @Annex Hall	8 Temple Closed 7 p.m. – W&M Committee Mtg. @Conf. Rm.	9 1 p.m. – Shigin 詩吟 @Annex 1.2 BCA Ministers Summer Fuken @Seattle	10 12 Noon – Minyo Group 民謡 @Annex 1.2 BCA Ministers Summer Fuken @Seattle	11 6:30 pm – Board of Directors Mtg. @Conf. Rm. 4 p.m.-9 p.m. RUMMAGE SALE Preparation BCA Ministers Summer Fuken @Seattle	12 4 p.m.-9 p.m. RUMMAGE SALE Preparation	13 8 a.m.-2 p.m. – RUMMAGE SALE
14 NO SERVICE 8 a.m.-12 p.m. – RUMMAGE SALE	15 Temple Closed	16 1 p.m. – Shigin 詩吟 @Annex 1.2 10 a.m. – 宗祖御命日 Gomeinichi @Hondo 6:30 p.m. – Taiko Practice @Annex Hall	17 12 Noon – Minyo Group 民謡 @Annex 1.2	18	19 10:00 a.m. – Buddhist Study Class B with Rev. Yanagihara @Conf. Rm.	20 So. Dist. DSTL Mini Workshop @Vista Buddhist Temple 12 p.m. – Kurumi's 3 rd Birthday Party hosted by BWA @Sangha Hall
21 NO SERVICE	22 Temple Closed So. District BCA Golf Tournament @Tustin Ranch G.C. in Tustin	23 1 p.m. – Shigin 詩吟 @Annex 1.2	24 12 Noon – Minyo Group 民謡 @Annex 1.2	25	26	27 6-9 p.m. - BTSD/VFW BINGO @Annex Hall
28 NO SERVICE 8 a.m. – Golf Tournament @Eastlake CC, in Chula Vista 10 a.m. – Taiko Practice @Annex Hall 1 p.m. – 民謡 Minyo Group @Annex Hall	29 Temple Closed	30 1 p.m. – Shigin 詩吟 @Annex 1.2	31	Rev. Mukojima's Vacation: August 17th to September 7th In case of emergency, please call: BTSD Office (619) 239-0896 or Ralph Honda (619) 865-3788		

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Living without true awareness, we live selfishly, just consuming that which we need, excluding from our lives those things that are inconvenient. We hurt others and may even hurt ourselves. When we live with a perspective of the Pure Land, we, of course, continue to live our lives in the physical world. Yet we begin to see clearly that it is difficult, if not impossible, to rid our minds of our self centeredness.

But to take the way to the Pure Land as Jodo Shinshu teaches us is to live our lives humbly while reflecting upon true ourselves. When we perceive the true world known as the Pure Land, we can begin to see our own lies and self-delusions. In other words, a person who truly sees his ego-nature has begun to enter the true world where the ego-nature is revealed to be of no substance and no consequence.

Although we sincerely want to live with our mind and heart in the Pure Land, we continue to live in the darkness of self-centered passion, losing our direction. In such an unstable life, what should we entrust?

Shinran Shonin answers this question clearly: "There is no one but Amida Buddha who really knows and understands our true nature and who shows the direction which we should take in life."

Amida Buddha is always guiding us towards the true world by calling to us from the world of enlightenment. That calling voice is the Nembutsu, "Namo Amida Butsu," which is Amida Buddha's great compassion. Living with the Nembutsu, we are nurtured by the Nembutsu and we live moving in the direction of the Pure Land...that true world where our selfish, ego-nature is revealed to be of no substance and no consequence.

To take the way of birth in the Pure Land means not to look at the Pure Land as it relates to the deceased, but as a world with an immediate connection to those of us who are alive.

The Pure Land of Utmost Bliss is the world in which we are living at present. It is the world of freedom which has no comparison and the world of equality which never allows us to think that "I alone" is a superior being. It is the true world which transcends the selfishness which is the root of our suffering.

In welcoming in the Obon season, we learn how important it is to live in the world (Pure Land) of Amida Buddha's wish (Primal Vow) and not to live in the world (delusion) of our wish (desire). Let us live in strength and joy, chanting the spirit of Eko-mon together loudly! *In Gassho*,

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Michael Kinoshita

I look back at what my goals as President would be for the Temple and I think...Boy, I still have a lot of work to do and so little time to do it in before the end of the year!

I apologize for not being able to complete some of the tasks that I set out to do. For the remainder of my term, I will continue to try to address the goal I stated to develop long range plan. I have not been able to spend much time on this but I will continue to pursue this even after the next year.

August brings us to the end of summer and soon the beginning of the Dharma School year. I encourage everyone to get involved with the Temple in the month of August. Even though we do not have any services scheduled, there are still many activities.

The Rummage Sale is on Saturday and Sunday, August 13 & 14. There are many opportunities prior to the event to help—sorting, etc., and also during the event. The Rummage Sale takes a lot of volunteers to make it run smoothly so I hope that you can help out during this time.

Our Temple annual golf tournament is also on Sunday, August 28 at Eastlake Country Club. This is a time for golfers and pseudo-golfers to have some fun out on the course. Even if you do not golf, you can go and socialize with the group.

I look forward to seeing you and as always, feel free to write or speak to me about any concerns or issues that affect the Temple. *Gassho*.

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

On July 14, 2011, the Board of Directors met and the following items were discussed:

1. Sincere condolences to the family of the late Rev. Hoshō Shindo, Gardena Buddhist Church, who passed away July 3.
2. The Board authorized expenses associated with Rev. Mukojima's participation in the Summer Fuken in Seattle.
3. The estimated year-end deficit for the Temple's Operating Account is projected to be \$6,000. Expenses must be reduced and revenues increased. Membership goals need to be met.
4. 180-200 people attended the Japanese movie screening as a Japan Relief fundraiser on July 9. BTSD co-sponsored the event with nine other organizations, raising over \$6,000 to aid Japan's earthquake/tsunami victims.
5. The Board ratified the Executive Board's action to accept the Temple Affairs Committee's recommendation for a 4% salary increase for Rev. Mukojima. The increase was in alignment with BCA guidelines.
6. The Board ratified the Executive Board's action to approve Eric Andrews as a temporary administrator of the temple's Facebook page so that he can help publicize the Bon Odori.
7. The Board gave approval for Sangha volunteers to fulfill Rev. Shin's request that the temple send a care package to a deployed soldier who requested one.
8. Buddhist Education Committee was pleased to announce a seminar to be offered by Socho Koshin Ogui on October 15. Socho will be in San Diego to officiate the Kieshiki in conjunction with the temple's 85th Anniversary.
9. Rev. Motoyoshi, formerly of Hawaii, has been assigned to Stockton Buddhist Temple. Rev. Takata, also formerly of Hawaii, will become the Resident Minister of the Arizona Buddhist Temple.

BWA REPORT FOR JULY

There was no June meeting. Highlights of the July 10 meeting:

1. Mrs. Ohara reported on the Japan trip for the Shinran 750th Anniversary. She and Kaytee Sumida participated in the Engi ceremony as the representatives of the BTSD.
2. The BWA thanked Sensei for the omiage from Japan, Habutai mochi, which was enjoyed by the helpers on Bazaar prep day.
3. Mrs. Ohara thanked the members who made a sample bento for the Bon Odori meeting on June 29. Temple orgs will put together 550 bentos at \$10 each to sell on July 30. The BWA will make nimonono, hijiki and tamago-maki.
4. A koden will be sent to the family of the late Rev. Hoshō Shindo of Gardena Buddhist Church.
5. Mrs. Yamanishi, chair of Bazaar sushi, thanked all who helped. All 350 boxes, 50 chirashi, and 8 rolls of maki were sold.
6. The BWA will send flowers to the Nagasaki Kenjinkai memorial service on July 23.
7. Following the Obon Service, Sensei and Mika-san will serve somen as a thank you to the Sangha for its support.
8. BWA will donate \$300 to the temple for its 85th anniversary celebration. Anyone who hasn't yet participated in an affirmation ceremony is encouraged to sign up for the Kieshiki to receive their Buddhist name.
9. Sensei attended the So. District BWL delegates meeting on June.
10. Akie Tomiyama reported Sensei's keynote address was informative and well-received at the So. District Conference. The next delegates meeting will be Sept. 24 in West L.A. Sue Moribe and Mrs. Ohara will attend and others are welcome.
11. Naomi Himaka will chair the holiday candy sale. Quantity to order will be determined at the Sept. meeting.

12. San Jose Betsuin will host the BCAFBWA delegates meeting on Oct.
13. Registration is \$40. Anyone interested in attending should contact Mrs. Ohara by Sept. meeting.
14. The 15th World Conference will be held in Toronto, May 15-16, 2015.
15. The BWA is happy to host a 3rd birthday party for Kurumi-chan on Aug. 16 at 12 noon. Mrs. Ohara and Kikue Graeber will co-chair. The toban chairs will contact members to organize side dishes to a hot dog lunch.

ABA NEWS

On July 2, we had a nice turnout for our ABA dinner meeting at Island Style Cafe. Everybody enjoyed the food, and the special rate that ABA charged us. So we thank ABA and our treasurer for the treat.

We would like to thank Sensei for the sweets that he brought for us from his trip to Japan. We all enjoyed it at our dinner meeting.

Obon practices have started, and hope some of us can still dance on the 30th at the Bon Odori.

Some of us will be able to help the Temple for the Rummage Sale in August. Hope to see you there.

Our next meeting will be a breakfast at Jimmy's Restaurant in Chula Vista on Sept. 3 at 9 a.m. Let Motoo know if you will be coming.

DHARMA SCHOOL NEWS

On June 26, 39 Dharma School students and parents attended service at Gardena Buddhist Church. Following the visit, everyone had a great time at Knott's Berry Farm! Thank you to Avis for making the arrangements and purchasing the tickets.

The 2011-2012 Dharma School planning meeting was held on Saturday, July 9, at the temple. Officers were nominated and elected, and teachers were assigned to classes. The Dharma School Staff and Teachers are as follows:

Superintendent	Avis Honda
Asst. Superintendent	Ann Ong
Recording Secretary	Jamie Shimizu
Corresponding Secretary	Karen Okuhara
Treasurer	Roy Okuhara
Parent-Teacher Council	Lorin Sasaki
Birthday Committee	Laura Henschen
Bulletin Board	--
Newsletter	Discontinued (6 th -8 th grade class may take over)
Organist	Doreen Kamada-Fujii, Ann Ong
Obon Music Chairperson	Junko Kajita
Pre-Kindergarten (Rm 3)	Sue Moribe, Trina Okita
Grades 1 and 2 (Rm 8)	Laura Henschen, Avis Honda
Grades 3-4-5 (Rm 6 & 7)	Arlene Shimizu, Glenn Torio, Jamie Shimizu
Grades 6-7-8 (Rms 1 & 2)	Sharon Sasaki, Lorin Sasaki
Grades 9-12 (Conf. Rm)	Roy Okuhara, Richard Matsumoto

The Obon Service was held on July 24, with Rev. George Matsubayashi addressing the Dharma School. Students constructed paper lanterns in remembrance of temple members who passed away since last year's Obon. Many students participated in the Bon Odori on July 30.

Dharma School will have its annual camping trip September 2-4 at William Heise Park near Julian. Please sign up on the Dharma School bulletin board at the temple or e-mail me at mikeannong@yahoo.com with the number of people who will attend. We have reserved 6 sites (2 tents per site). We did not reserve cabins this year. The cost will be \$40 per family for the site and food.

Vista Buddhist Temple will host the Southern District Mini-Workshop on August 20.

Rev. Mukojima will hold sutra chanting classes for students Sunday, Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 13, and Dec. 18 starting at 9 a.m. Students will lead chanting during the service on Sept. 18, Oct. 9, Nov. 13, and Dec. 18.

Many thanks to D.S. student, Julianna Henschen, who donated over \$200 of her birthday money to the BCA Japan Relief Fund! We are all impressed by her generous gift.

Dharma School will help with the Ochigo parade for the temple's 85th Anniversary celebration on Oct. 16. We are looking for D.S. students up to the 6th grade who would like to participate in the parade. Please contact any of our staff members if interested or you'd like more information.

The temple will offer a Kieshiki (Affirmation) ceremony during the 85th Anniversary. All Dharma School students and parents who haven't already done so are encouraged to receive their Buddhist name. Families will receive information soon.

Dharma School is working on a new service book as a commemorative project for the 85th anniversary. We wish to thank two generous donations from anonymous donors to help with funding. Dharma School will accept more donations. Thank you very much!

Gassho,

Ann Ong, Assistant Superintendent

ONE DHARMA SCHOOL STUDENT'S EFFORT TO HELP JAPAN

The relief efforts for the victims of the March 11 Japan earthquake and tsunami remains fresh in our minds each day. Locally, many individuals and organizations continue to collect and send monetary donations to Japan.

The following letter was written to Rev. Mukojima by eight-year-old Dharma School student Julianna Henschen:

Dear Sensei,

On my birthday, I collected \$225.53. Please give this money to the main church in Japan for the Japanese tsunami relief fund.

I hope everyone in Japan is safe if they have a home or not

Sincerely,

Julianna

Julianna, the temple accepts your gift with the deepest amount of appreciation and gratitude. It will be sent to Japan, along with other donations the temple has recently received to help people in Japan. Gassho.

SUPPORT BTSD ON FACEBOOK

A year ago, we launched a home page for the Temple on Facebook. We now have "likes" from all over the country, but it would be wonderful if all temple members and Dharma friends who use Facebook would add BTSD to your "likes." You'll get announcements of temple-related news and updates and can post comments, too.

Having a presence on Facebook makes interested netizens aware of the Temple's many religious, fundraising and social activities.

Current page administrators are our secretary, Ken Muraoka, Kaytee Sumida and Bill Teague and Joyce Teague. We also welcome our members to check the page regularly for errors or omissions or suggestions for improvement so we can maintain an appropriate presence in this popular media.

You don't even have to be a Facebook member to benefit from the information on our Facebook page! Use the link below to visit the page and click "like" to stay connected with the page. Visit often to find new information posted, make comments, ask questions, and so on.

Here's the link: www.facebook.com/buddhisttemplesofsanidiego.

BINGO – BINGO – BINGO

By Tsune Hashiguchi

On June 25, the turnout by temple members was very poor, but the hot dogs and chili dogs were delicious and only cost \$1 each which included all the chips you wanted.

The cost for an evening's worth of Bingo is just \$10. This includes a door prize raffle for some interesting prizes. There are also pull tabs for cash prizes. Remember the Temple gets 50% of all the proceeds.

On July 23, with VFW prepared prime rib for a pre-game Benefit Dinner and it was sold out!

The next Bingo will be August 27. If no dinner is planned, there are always hot dogs and chili dogs for sale. Hope to see you there.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

BTSD Membership: Strength at Our Core

A strong and vibrant membership keeps our Temple strong at its core. That's why we really appreciate **all** of our members, and especially those of you who have joined or renewed in 2011.

BTSD Appreciates Our Most Recent Renewing Members

Thanks to the following members who renewed their membership this year: Masato (Bruce) Asakawa, Ron and Holly Hiding, Tomio and Mina-ko Nakano, Mamoru "Mo" and Trina Okita, Dennis and Elaine Otsuji, Rodney and Candace Oyama, Sharon Sasaki and Robert Yamamoto, Gordon and Arlene Shimizu, Richard (Tatsuo) and Kikuko Takashima, Wayne Tsukamoto, Shizuko Tsukamoto, and Tamio Tsurudome.

BTSD Appreciates Our Most Recent New Members

Donald and Debbie Shimizu joined earlier this month.

Now It's Your Turn

If you have yet to renew your membership or have thought about joining the Temple but always put it off, please renew or join today. Call the Temple for more information. We have several ways to make joining or renewing painless, including automatic monthly or quarterly credit card deductions so a single payment of dues doesn't throw your monthly budget out of whack.

Questions or Corrections?

The names above reflect records we were able to process through July 19, 2011, and since the last report in our July newsletter. If additions or corrections are needed, please let us know!

TEMPLE OFFERS

SEPTEMBER SEMINAR GRANTS

The Temple has available up to five special grants of \$300 for current temple members who would like to attend a one-day seminar this September at the Jodo Shinshu Center (JSC) in Berkeley, California.

The Center for Buddhist Education will present the fifth annual Baby Boomers Seminar titled, "B.Y.O.B.—Bring Your Own Buddhism: Sharing Our Pathways," on Saturday, Sept. 24, from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Registration is \$75 (\$50 if payment is received by Aug. 15). The registration deadline is Sept. 3. Download the seminar registration at <http://www.bcasites.net/Greetings+from+CBE%21>.

The \$300 grant will not cover all expenses but will significantly offset the costs of registration, transportation and lodging. Up to five awards can be given. If there are more than five qualified applicants, the committee will consider the date the application was made.

Only current Temple members are eligible. To apply, please email a brief note stating your interest to info@btsd.net with "Seminar Grant" in the subject line, or address your letter to the temple, "Attn: Scholarship Committee (Seminar)." Applications must be received by the deadline of August 22. Recipients will be notified by August 31.

These grants do not come from the scholarship funds earmarked for high school and college student scholarships given annually at the Obon

Service. Those scholarships continue thanks to your generous donations. In contrast, these seminar grants come from other funds dedicated for this purpose. Some years back, a donor provided the Temple with funds earmarked for the support members who wish to further their understanding of Jodo Shinshu through BCA programs.

Interested temple members can learn more about the September seminar at the BCA website or by e-mailing Rev. Kodo Umezū, admin@cbe-bca.org. Questions about the grant may be directed to Bill Teague, co-chair of the Scholarship Committee.

RUMMAGE SALE IS AUGUST 13-14!

The temple's annual Rummage Sale will be held August 13 and 14. This important fundraiser made possible by your donations of gently-used discards and the efforts of our hardworking volunteers.

Clothing, books, furniture, household good, toys and most other items are welcome. PLEASE—Electronics, appliances and computer equipment MUST be in working order! It costs the temple to discard/recycle non-functioning equipment.

Please call the temple office to make sure someone is available to receive your items. If you have large pieces that require pick-up, call or e-mail the office and request pick-up by one of our volunteers. It is helpful if you could provide us an inventory of items to be picked up so we can be sure to provide the right vehicle to accommodate your request. Receipts for your tax records are available.

Volunteers Needed!

We've had many generous donations this year which means we need extra help sorting and pricing. Volunteers are needed to assist with donation pick-ups, but mostly they are needed for pre-sale sorting and pricing and on sale days.

Sorting and pricing days are:

August 6 (Sat), 9 am-1 pm (light lunch served)
August 7 (Sun), 9 am-1 pm (light lunch served)
August 11 (Thu), 4-9 pm (dinner served)
August 12 (Fri), 4-9 pm (dinner served)

Sale hours are:

August 13 (Sat), 8 am-2 pm. Set-up crew needed 6:30 am.
August 14 (Sun), 8 a.m. to noon. Set-up crew needed at 7:30 am;
Breakdown

A light lunch will be provided our Aug. 6 & 7 workers. Dinner will be provided for our Aug. 11 & 12 workers. There will be a potluck for our Sale Days volunteers, so please bring something to share.

Sign-up lists are posted or contact the temple office if you can help out. Thank you in advance for your support and hard work!

Gassho,

2011 Rummage Sale Committee

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

BTSD sincerely thanks **Gene Davies** for donating sturdy wooden chairs for temple use.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The community partner that coordinates our monthly Bingo sessions officially became Asian Pacific Post 4851 effective June 1. Other than its name, there no other changes in the organization.

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

READY TO TEE UP

On the last Sunday in August, golfers will tee-it-up for the 16th Annual BTSD Golf Tournament. Golfers at all skill levels are encouraged to participate in the August 28 event at Eastlake Country Club in Chula Vista. The tournament begins at 8 a.m.

Registration fee is \$115 per golfer. The fee includes green fee, range balls, golf cart, coffee, donuts, BBQ lunch, beverages and awards.

Sign up as a team foursome or as a single. Golfers are urged to register early for one of up to 72 available spots. Registration deadline is August 14.

Those who don't golf can still participate by becoming a tournament sponsor or by donating a prize for the raffle drawing. Each year, the success of sponsorships and drawing prizes is the result of the generosity of the many donors. In 2010, nearly 40 prizes were given away in the raffle drawing.

Sponsorships are available in different categories including: Hole-in-One (\$10,000), Eagle (\$750), Birdie (\$625), Beverage Carts (\$500), Close-to-the-Pin (\$325), Longest Drive (\$250) and Hole Sponsor (\$125).

The deadline for sponsorships and donations is August 21.

For more information on the tournament, please contact either Ron Yagura (619) 540-8488, Ralph Honda (619) 885-3788, or the temple.

We look forward to many participants, both golfers and non-golfers. The proceeds will benefit the temple's daily operations.

"HANDY" VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT

The Improvements Committee is looking for someone or a couple of people to replace damaged ceiling tiles in the Sangha Hall. The lightweight acoustic tiles have already been purchased.

If you are comfortable on a step ladder and can make time available this summer on your own schedule, please call or e-mail the office and leave your name and phone number for Nancy Martinez.

A NEW CARE PACKAGE COLLECTION

Recently Rev. Jeanette Shin, the U.S. Navy Chaplain now stationed at Camp Pendleton, asked BTSD if members could send a care package to a deployed Army soldier. PFC Bradley Biederman had made a request of Rev. Shin for misc. supplies and Buddhist materials.

At its July meeting, the Board authorized a care package collection in July and mailed in early August. A collection box will be kept outside the Main Building kitchen through the first week of August. An appeal will be made in the *Bussei Script*, and via e-mail and Facebook inviting temple members and friends to contribute to the care package if they wish to.

Also being sought are small cash donations to defray shipping costs. Any leftover cash or supplies will be used for future care packages as they are requested. This effort is being made independent of Dharma School which is currently on summer break.

Nonperishable sundries may be left in the collection boxes. No liquids, fragile items, chocolate or other things affected by heat. Monetary donations should be left in an envelope clearly marked "Care Package" and either left in the office or the Jozaibako (offering box). If you require a receipt for tax purposes, please include your name and address.

NO FALL BARONA FUN-RAISER!

Organizers John and Tsune Hashiguchi announced we will not have a trip to Barona in this Fall. There is a Poston Reunion taking place in October in Laughlin and some BTSD members will be attending.

The Hashiguchis plan to organize two Barona Fund-Raisers in 2012, one in the Spring and one in the Fall. They will try to make them on Saturdays instead of weekdays because our group met Barona's qualifications. More information next year.

2011 BTSD SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the recipients of BTSD 2011 High School Graduate and Continuing Education Scholarships. The awards were presented July 24 during the Obon Service.

Receiving the Ben Honda Memorial High School Senior Scholarship are:

- = Caylee SHIMIZU, Torrey Pines High, attending the Philadelphia Univ. of the Arts, Dance Major.
- = Brent YAMANISHI, Torrey Pines High, attending Arizona State University, Undecided Major. Brent was recognized for his outstanding contributions to the temple through his involvement with Dharma School and Jr. YBA.

Receiving the Tetsuyo Kashima Memorial Continuing Education Scholarship are:

- = Trevor KINOSHITA, Senior, Industrial Design, San Jose State University.
- = Kevin LEE, Senior, Business with Accounting emphasis, CSU Long Beach.
- = Sara MATSUMOTO, Junior, Business and Marketing, San Francisco State University.
- = Lauren NAKAMURA, Senior, English, CSU Long Beach.
- = Bryant SHIMIZU, Senior, Finance, SDSU.
- = Carissa YAMANISHI, Junior, Business, Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo.

This year's Continuing Education essay topic was, "How Real Is Amida Buddha?" After a review of the applications and essays and discussion of qualifications, the committee felt all who applied were deserving of an award.

Each will receive a cash award of \$500-\$600 to help defray college expenses. High school graduates will receive a montoshikisho, a gift from the Bill and Joyce Teague Family Trust. All will receive a Buddhist book suitable for use at college. Congratulations to all the students and their parents.

Thanks to Our Membership

Throughout the year, the Scholarship Committee also makes other disbursements authorized by the Board to support the continuing Jodo Shinshu education of our adult Sangha. This use is one of the stipulations by a major donor to the Fund.

We also thank temple members and friends who contribute to the Tanazaki Scholarship Fund each year through their membership pledges, direct contributions, or donations to/purchases from the Obon Again Shop.

BTSD 85TH ANNIVERSARY OBSERVANCE AND KIESHIKI AFFIRMATION SERVICE

The temple is planning a celebration!

On Sunday, October 16, the Buddhist Temple of San Diego will observe its 85th anniversary and it invites the entire Sangha to participate in this special commemoration. In addition, Rev. Mukojima welcomes members of the Sangha the opportunity to receive their Buddhist name in a special Kieshiki "Affirmation" ceremony.

Socho Koshin Ogui, Bishop of the Buddhist Churches of America (BCA) will deliver the keynote Dharma message for the anniversary service and will officiate the Kieshiki ceremony.

Generations of Buddhists have benefited from many religious and social activities the BTSD has offered in its 85 year history.

In the beginning, the temple was located at Sixth Avenue and Market Street. Now, at its present site where the temple has called home for over 80 years, thousands of local Buddhists have come to listen to the Dharma and enjoy the many programs, including the Dharma School, Jr. YBA, YBA, ABA, BWA and Japanese School. Other events such as the Bazaar, Bon Odori, Food Festival, mochitsuki, movie nights and ballroom dancing have been a part of the temple's landscape. Memorable activities

of years past enable the temple to thrive today through the support of a dedicated Sangha.

All recipients of the monthly *Bussei Script* will receive a special mailing with information about the October celebration. The packet will include Kieshiki information, Bento luncheon order form and Chigo parade information for children. When you receive your mailing, please open it and read the anniversary details and truly consider your participation in the celebration.

Registration for the Kieshiki ceremony is \$50 per person. You must be a paid temple member to participate in the ceremony. Recipients will choose their own kanji (Chinese character) and meaning of their Buddhist name. For more information on Kieshiki, please contact Rev. Mukojima.

To reserve a bento lunch, please fill out the form provided in the packet. The cost will be \$10 for an adult bento, \$6 for Children's bento.

As part of the commemorative project, the Dharma School is working on a temple service book. Sutras, Dharma sayings and songs are being compiled in a special collection specific to our temple. The Dharma School welcomes donations to help defray the cost of publication of the service book.

On Saturday, Oct. 15, from 2 to 4 p.m., Socho Ogui will share the Dharma in a BEC-sponsored lecture at the temple. Ogui Sensei is a very dynamic speaker who reaches out to all ages and ethnicities. More information regarding Socho's topic will be shared in September.

Here is a brief overview of the weekend of October 15 and 16:

Saturday, October 15

2:00-4:00 p.m. - BEC lecture with Socho Koshin Ogui

Sunday, October 16

9:00-10:00 a.m. - Kieshiki Buddhist name "Affirmation" Ceremony

11:00-11:15 a.m. - Ochigo Procession with young D.S. students

11:15-12:45 p.m. - BTSD Anniversary Service

1:00-3:00 p.m. - Celebration Luncheon

Details about our 85th Anniversary and Kieshiki will be shared in upcoming *Bussei Script* newsletters and announcements at Sunday services. The temple looks forward to your participation in the upcoming celebration.

With deepest appreciation in gassho,
Ralph Honda, 85th Anniversary Chairman

CLEAN UP DAY THANK YOU

Each year on the third Sunday in July, the temple schedules a clean-up day in preparation of the upcoming Obon events. The temple extends a heartfelt thank you to the many volunteers who came out for the summer morning Clean-Up Day on July 16.

Many of the BWA ladies assisted Sensei and Mrs. Mukojima with the cleaning of the onajin ornaments and fixtures. Some cleaned the pews and Hondo floors, while others worked away washing and cleaning those dirty windows.

Dharma School teachers and parents spent the morning in the Annex tidying up classrooms and doing some yard maintenance outside the rooms.

BTSD MEMBERS TO BE HONORED BY JFG

On Thursday, August 18, at least two temple members will be honored at the 12th Annual August Moon Gala and Awards Dinner in Balboa Park. Kazuo Kiyono and Ruth Voorhies are among those who will be recognized by the Japanese Friendship Garden for their long-time service to the community.

The temple will be reserving tables for members and friends who would like to be there to help honor our friends Ruth and Kaz. Dinner reservations are \$65 for JFG members and \$85 for non-members. Please notify the office at (619) 239-0896 as soon as possible if you would like to

reserve a seat at the BTSD table. For more information, call the Garden at (619) 232-2721.

COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER FOR JAPAN

On July 9, the Buddhist Temple partnered with nine other community organizations to present a heart-warming movie, Tale of Mari and Three Puppies, to raise funds for Japan Relief.

The event drew almost 200 people and raised over \$6,000 to help the victims of the March 11 earthquake and tsunami.

Our event co-sponsors were Asian Pacific Post 4851, Japan Society of San Diego and Tijuana, Japanese American Historical Society of San Diego, Japanese Coordinating Council, Japanese Friendship Garden, Kiku Gardens, Pioneer Ocean View United Church of Christ, San Diego Japanese Christian Church, and the San Diego Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL).

It was definitely a rewarding experience working with caring members of other local organizations and for such a good cause!

SINCERE THANKS goes to ALL THE VOLUNTEERS who helped organize, brought delicious refreshments and helped with the clean up. Another BIG THANKS to ALL THE MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS who came to see the film and donated to Japan Relief!!

Respectfully,
Yasuko Kinoshita

YOUTHS READY FOR LABCC CAMP

Ten BTSD Dharma School students will participate in the annual Los Angeles Buddhist Coordinating Council (LABCC) Summer Camp program at Camp Morningstar, August 6-13, in the Angeles National Forest in the San Bernardino Mountains.

Camp veterans Breven Honda, Trevor Muraoka, Davis Ong and Sean Tokunaga will be joined at Camp Morningstar by newcomers Juliana Henschen, Evan Ong, Chad, Jenna and Hailey Sasaki and Zoe Yamamoto. These kids will experience a week in the wilderness along with 150 other children from various Buddhist temples throughout Southern California.

Daily services, sutra chanting, nenju making, archery, swimming and sleeping under the stars are just a handful of the many activities that will keep the youngsters busy.

The camp staff includes ministers and volunteers from many temples. Counselors are YBA-aged youths trained specifically for this one week event.

Everyone will gather at the Los Angeles Betsuin, where parents will say goodbye and a week later welcome home their scruffy campers.

Parents are confident that the campers will have great stories to tell and pictures to share when they return home.

IRC PLANS SEPT. 9/11 MEMORIAL

As a member of the Interreligious Council (IRC), BTSD will be participating in a community memorial on Sunday, Sept 11, 2011, the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 tragedy. The theme will be "From the Heart," and it is expected young representatives of each faith group in the IRC will participate in the memorial.

Although the specific time, location and program details are still being planned, the IRC is asking member congregations to mark their calendars in anticipation of the memorial.

BUDDHIST TEMPLE OF SAN DIEGO

Membership Pledge for 2011

Renewal New Member Change of Address
 Mr. Mrs. NAME: _____ BIRTH DATE _____
 Mr. Mrs. SPOUSE NAME: _____ BIRTH DATE _____
 ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATES: _____ ZIP: _____
 PHONE :(____) _____ - _____ CELL PHONE :(____) _____ - _____
 E-MAIL: _____ OCCUPATION _____

Membership Pledge: The temple has an annual campaign to raise funds that go towards the Operating Budget. This budget pays for ministerial salary, programs, utilities, maintenance and the day-to-day expenses of running the temple. This tiered membership offers members the opportunity to choose their level of donation.

	Sustaining Member	Dana Member	Wisteria Member	Bodhi Member
Individual/Senior/Youth (All Ages)	\$250.00	\$350.00	\$500.00	\$
Couple / Family	\$400.00	\$600.00	\$1000.00	\$
Optional: Senior Reduced Cost (75 yrs and older)	\$125.00			
Optional: Youth Reduced Cost (30 yrs and older)	\$125.00			\$

Recommended Annual Donations (Optional):

FLORAL OFFERING FUND (Suggested annual donation of \$30) \$
 The fund helps defray cost of regular fresh flowers for the Onaijin (alter).
GENERAL MAINTENANCE FUND (Suggested annual donation of \$30) \$
 The fund helps provide upkeep of the Temple properties.
SCHOLARSHIP FUND (Suggested annual donation of \$20) \$
 The fund rewards member's deserving high school graduates and college students.
DHARMA SCHOOL (Suggested annual donation of \$20) \$
 This fund helps the Dharma School, which does not conduct fundraisers, to sustain its activities.
TOTAL AMOUNT \$
AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$

Please indicate payment schedule:
 _____ Annually _____ Semi annually _____ Quarterly _____ Monthly

To use credit card:
 _____ Visa _____ MasterCard Acct # _____ Expires (MM/YY) _____
 Authorized signature (if charging): _____
 Billing address if different from above: _____ Zip _____

Please make sure check payable to the Buddhist Temple of San Diego. A percentage of your dues supports the Buddhist Churches of America and is remitted annually to the BCA via the Temple. Benefits include a year's subscription to the BCA publication Wheel of Dharma and our own monthly newsletter. **THANK YOU!**
 Mailing Address to send your Pledges:

Buddhist Temple of San Diego
 2929 Market Street, San Diego, California 92102

For any questions about membership, please call the Temple at 619-239-0896 or send inquires to the Membership Chair at info@btsd.net.



ANNUAL PARKING LOT RUMMAGE SALE

Saturday, August 13, 2011 from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Sunday, August 14, 2011 from 8 a.m. - Noon

Parking Lot FULL of Hidden Treasures
at BARGAIN PRICES!!!

Appliances*Houseware*Dishes*Cookware*Clothing of all kinds*Rugs*Baby needs*Books
*Videos*DVDs*Electronics*Toys*Games*Shoes*Sporting Goods*Medical Equipment*Giftware
*Some “Designer” Purses*Furniture for your office, Bedroom, Living Room,
Dining Room*A table filled with “Collectibles”*and MORE!!!

Location:
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二〇一一年八月 会報
サンディエゴ仏教会
称名報恩

浄土を生きよう！

住職 向嶋 諦史

今年もお盆の季節がやってまいりました。七月は手蘭盆会法要を始め、お墓参りに盆踊り大会と一年を通じて最も忙しい一ヶ月もかかっています。

先日、婦人会の方々のお手伝いを頂いて仏具のお磨きを終わらせたのですが、汗だくになりながらもお内陣を隅々まで掃除した後の爽快感は何とも言いようがありません。極楽浄土を表現したお内陣がお磨きによって輝きを取り戻す度に、お盆を迎える気持ちが尚ほいっそう強くなっています。

当仏教会のお盆法要は、お釈迦さまの誕生を祝う花まつりについて大変お参りの多い大法要です。初盆を迎えるご家族にとっては、愛する人を先立たれた淋しさを噛み締めてひたひたの思いで迎えるお盆でもあります。初盆のご家族を始めとして、日頃からお参りをする無沙汰している方々も、この日はかりには先祖の冥への感謝の気持ちを抱きながら仏前にお手を合わせに仏教会へ参拝されます。更にこの季節は学校も夏休みとあって、大学やサンディエゴを離

れた子供達も、お盆法要には足を運んで懐かしい顔を自覚に来てください。

ですから、私にしろのお盆法要は、久しぶりの再会を築てひたひたした同窓会でもあり、また、本堂に響き渡る大きな念仏の声を聞きながら、共に浄土を目指して生きる浄土者としての自覚を再確認させて頂く導い法縁となしています。

毎年、歳草となるお盆法要ですが、本堂に響き渡る皆々のお勤めとお念仏の声を聞く度に、生命の故郷である浄土へとお釈迦様と親鸞聖人が私達の手を引いて導いて下さっているように感じられます。

このお勤めも良くて存知のようには、お勤めの最後に皆で唱和する「願以此功德・平等施一切・同発菩提心・往生安樂國」という回向文がござります。これは、七高僧の一人である善導大師が著された「観経疏」に出くる大衆有各各備文ですが、この回向文を講義の最後に必ず称えますから、皆々にとりては、それが聞かされてくると、お勤め終了の合図であるのではありませんか。そのせいであつてか、特に長めのお勤めをした後の回向文は皆々んの声がいっそう以上で大きく聞かれます。内心「あー、やっと、終わらしたー」って思っていますか。

しかし、どんなお経をお勤めしても、この回向文だけはほとんどの門徒さまが無本を暗唱されますので、最後に皆と大きな声で回向文を唱和できるように、は回向も私の喜びです。

「回向とは、めぐりめぐりしてはるかに意味が、この回向文を読み下すま」と願はくは「の功德をめぐり、平等に一切に施し、同じく菩提心を発して、安樂國

に往生せん」となり、一般には、私達のお経を称えた功德を故人に振り向け、その力よって故人を助う、つまり追善供養のための偈文と考えられています。

しかし浄土真宗では、読経は決して追善供養の為のものではなく、阿弥陀仏の功德を讃えるとき同時に、阿弥陀仏の智慧と慈悲の働きである「本願が私達一人ひとりに向けられている」ことを喜び、頂く大切なお勤めです。ですから、浄土真宗に於ける回向文の解釈は「お念仏の功德を、分け隔てなく平等にあらゆる人々に伝え、阿弥陀仏より賜った同一の信心をおいて、共に往生浄土の道を進んでいきましよう」という大乘仏教の精神を的確に表したものと云えます。

お盆は、今を生きる私達が浄土を欣求せんが為の尊い仏教行事なのですが、現実には、お墓参りやお墓参りをしても、仏事の全手は亡くなった方々の為にあると間違った考え方をしている人が少なくありません。また、お盆の季節は死者が年に一度甲冑りをされるという話を頭な信じては、先祖の霊を丁寧に迎える為、お仏壇に立派なお供え物をして、仏壇にお経を称えながら、リンをいっそう以上で叩いて追善回向に励んでおられるご家庭がまだまだあるかも知れません。

このような人に限って、仏教は死者を仏にならせる教えであり、浄土は亡くなったからの世界だと決め付けておられるので、「仏教も浄土も今を生きる私達に深い関わりはない」というふうに仏教本来の教えを全く離れた受け取り方をしています。

親鸞聖人は極楽浄土を『唯信鈔文意』の中に「すまのたのしみねだてて、くまでほらやまなひ」(くらしも喜びで満ち満ちて、苦しきは一切存在しない)と受け止

めておられ、『高僧和讃』の中は「極悪深重の衆生は他
の方便を以てなしてひとくくは殊勝を稱してや。浄土に生
むるのたすかやうに下詠をなすおわれませう。」「まじり、
「たれはば一
生懸命精進して己の力では決して仏にならぬと信ず
きなならぬだから、全く阿彌陀仏の本願にお任せし、生命の
故郷である浄土を振り所として生きなさい」とおっしゃ
つておられるのです。

また、同和讃に「安樂浄土に生ずるは、畢竟成仏の道路
にて、無上の方便なりければ、諸仏浄土をすすめり」と
も詠われておられます。浄土を単なる死人の後の世界と決
め付けて生きておられる私に「浄土よそが今を生かす者の心
の故郷なんだよ」と、常に察しながら往生浄土の道を勧め
て下さるおられる諸仏の徳を聖人は讃嘆されておられます。
「この浄土に、お釈迦さまや親鸞聖人のみなならず、諸仏が
あつたら、浄土に回つて生かして下さるよ」と私に生きる方
向をほめて下さるおられる浄土に決して迷
りて存在してはなりません。浄土には、煩悩の汚れのなき清らかな
悟りの世界のよき環境を越え、全ての生命が、かけがえ
のない尊厳をもつて光り輝く世界のことな
のです。

改めて、我が身を振りかざしてみますと、いかに自己中な
心、心から離れられず、自分だけ、この都立のものを
ほり求め、都合の悪いものを排除して、更に他人を傷つけ、自
分をも傷つけて生きておられます。

しかし、真宗の救える浄土を目指すとして生きておられる
は、そのよきな生き方しかできない真の我が身の姿を真
摺り見しめながら謙遜に生きておられるのです。この
浄土に生かす真実の世界に離れて初めて、自己の贋偽りが

見えてきます。ですから、我教の心が見えている人は
既に自分のはからいを超えた真実の世界に離れてい
る人なのではないのです。

ですが、たとえ、そのよきな方向に生きてみようと思
つてはみても、煩悩を断ち切れぬ私達はいとも暗闇
の世界から抜け出せずに、進めべき道を見失つてしま
います。そのよきな頼りない人生の中で、私達は一体
何を振り所とすればいいのでしょうか。

この問いに対して親鸞聖人は、「私の全を知り尽
くし、私達が歩むべき人生の方向をしっかりと案内し
て下さるお方は阿彌陀仏以外にはないのだよ」と、ほ
きりとお答え下さつておられます。

阿彌陀仏は、常に私達に呼びかけ、真実の世界へと
導いて下さるおられます。その呼び声こそが大悲回向の
「南無阿彌陀仏」のお念仏なのです。お念仏に生かす
らしては、南無阿彌陀仏のお念仏の声に育つられな
がら、我教を越え、はからいの超えた真実浄土に向か
う人生を歩ませてもいいのです。

このよきな、往生浄土の道を歩むとては、浄土
と死者を結びつけて考えるのではなく、今を生かす
私達にこそ用立てられた真実報土の世界なのだと思
ひながら頂こうとおられます。

真実浄土とは、生きておられる私達が離れなければな
らない真実の世界つまり他と比較することなく必要
のない自由な世界であり、自分を絶対化するものを許
さない平等の世界なのです。この世界こそ、苦の根源
ともなる入る我教を超えた真実の世界なのです。
お念仏を唱へて迎えるお念仏たり、自分の願ひの欲望に生
きる世界(我教)を離れ、阿彌陀仏の願ひの本願に

生きる世界(浄土)が人生に於いてどれほど大切なこと
であるかという事を今一度学ばせて頂きたいと思ひ
ます。なお、回向文の精神を高らかに唱和しながら、共
に力強い人生を歩ませまわりますように――
合掌

理事会レポート

七月十四日(木曜日)、仏教会に於いて理事会を全議が開
かれ次のことが協議されました。

- 一、七月三日(日)、ガータナ仏教会の元駐在随教
新藤法照先生がご来りになりました。理事会
一同、心よりお悔み申し上げました。
- 二、理事会、八月に予定して開かれる夏季随教使
布教研究会で向嶋先生が出席される事を承認
致しました。
- 三、仏教会随教の年末赤十字の活動に参
加の強化と必要の必要が認められました。
七月九日(土)日本救済基金活動の一環として、
日本映画の上野会が開かれ、約二百人の方々が
参加されました。この上野会は、共同主催して、
当仏教会を始め、その他九団体が協力し、六十
以上の随教を集めたことが実現しました。
- 四、理事会、随教委員会の活動の向嶋先生の四の
早給案を理事会委員が承認した事を正式に
承認致しました。この早給率は米国仏教会の方
に、トランザクションです。

六 理事会は、理事分科員が提唱する「当教会の論議大会を幅広く宣伝する為」、仏教会「ユネスコ」の臨時管理人として「ユネスク」の「ユネスク」氏に協力して「ユネスク」の活動を支援してまいりました。

七、理事分科員は、任務を配属された新加入員に「仏教会の会員からボランティアの一環として」の活動物資を送りつけて頂き、ボランティアの活動を奨励してまいりました。

八、十月十六日(日)に、新加入員を歓迎する為、新加入員と共に「仏教会」の「創立八十五周年記念式典」を行い、式並びに「仏教会」の歴史を振り返る式典を行いました。式典は、新加入員が「仏教会」の歴史を振り返る式典を行いました。

九、先月、ハワイ開教区から本牧由紀子先生と高田麗芳先生が米国仏教会の開教使として着任されました。本牧先生は「ユネスク」仏教会「高田先生」の「ユネスク」仏教会の駐在開教使として配属されました。

婦人会レポート

七月十日(日)正午より、カンファレンスルームにて婦人会全議が開かれました。

大原女子会長より、八月五日(日)参加のむねを報告し、八月五日(日)の報告がなされました。大原会長と任田フレイム夫人は、任田フレイム夫人が「ユネスク」仏教会を代表して法要前の縁起物を参列されました。

大原会長より、六月二十九日(水)に開かれた各婦人会の報告がなされました。次回の代表者会議は、九月二十四日(土)に西羅府仏教会にて開かれます。大原

方々で感謝の意が述べられました。七月二十日(土)の大会は、五百五十箱のお弁当が二箱一〇〇と販売されました。婦人会は、お弁当の「ユネスク」を販売しました。

先月、ハワイ開教区から本牧由紀子先生と高田麗芳先生が米国仏教会の開教使として着任されました。本牧先生は「ユネスク」仏教会「高田先生」の「ユネスク」仏教会の駐在開教使として配属されました。

追任後、婦人会よりお花をお送りしています。七月二十四日(日)の「ユネスク」法要の後、全婦人会で「ユネスク」法要を行いました。

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会長と本部メンバーが出席される予定です。日曜日、美奈子夫人が「ユネスク」の委員を務めて下さいます。注文は、九月の全議までです。

十月八日(土)、米仏開教区婦人会連合代表者会議が「ユネスク」で開催されます。参加費は、一人四〇円です。

八月十日(土)正午より、カンファレンスルームにて、来賓の三つの報告を行います。大原会長と「ユネスク」のメンバーが「ユネスク」法要を行います。

次回の全議は、九月十一日(日)正午よりカンファレンスルームで行われます。軽食の準備は、グループAとなる予定です。

以上

- * 仏教会の「ユネスク」顧問が、お花を送りました。仏教会事務局「ユネスク」川口舞(09-03-2600-008)までご連絡ください。
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Let us live happily then, hating none while in the midst of men who hate.

Let us dwell free from hate while among men who hate. ~Dhammapada

BTSD ACTIVITIES: LOOKING AHEAD

The O Bon service and Bon Odori signaled the final religious gatherings for the summer. But, this does not mean that activities at the Buddhist Temple of San Diego have come to a halt. Below are key events that will occur during August and into the fall.

- Parking Lot Rummage Sale: August 13 (8 a.m. to 2 p.m.) and August 14 (8 a.m. to 12 noon)
 - BINGO: Saturday, August 27 (6 to 9 p.m.) Annex Hall. VFW will be selling hot dogs and other goodies.
 - 16th Annual BTSD Golf Tournament: August 28 at Eastlake Country Club, Chula Vista (8 a.m.)
- Please remember that there are no Sunday services during August. Dharma School/Family service resumes on Sunday, September 11. The monthly Shotsuki Hoyo (memorial) will be observed on this date.
- Rev. Mukojima will be on vacation August 17 to September 7. In case of an emergency, please call the temple during business hours, Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (619) 239-0896 or Ralph Honda (619) 885-3788 during non-business hours. Sensei returns to the office Sept. 8.

Highlights of September, October and November events:

- Fall O Higan Service: Sunday, September 18. Guest speaker. Rev. Alan Sakamoto, Orange County Buddhist Church. Annual potluck luncheon and Keiro Kai (Pioneer group) recognition will take place following the service.
- 85th Anniversary and Kieshiki: Sunday, October 16. The temple will commemorate its 85th year on this date. Also, temple members will have the opportunity to receive their Buddhist name in this special ceremony. Information regarding the two events will be mailed to all members and readers of the Bussei Script.
- Asian Food & Craft Festival: Sunday, November 6. Formerly known as the Food and Music Festival. Stay tuned for more details.