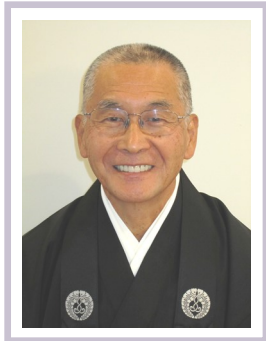


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## *Ondokusan* - Gratitude to Our Teachers

By Rev. Dr. Kenji Akahoshi  
Resident Minister

June is the month of graduation. Students who have successfully completed their time of study and have shown their competence in understanding the material, are acknowledged by

receiving a certificate during a ceremony. We have all been a part of this tradition, at some level of education. The center of attention are the students. They are congratulated and praised for their efforts in acquiring this knowledge. The future potential of discovery is placed on this group.

We, in the sangha, might consider ourselves in this group of students. Although there are no examinations to validate our comprehension, we have been learning from the words of the Buddha. There may be an expectation that we might benefit from this acquired knowledge by living a life of harmony and gratitude.

How much have we retained from our elementary and high school education? What about our specialty education for those of us who were fortunate to go to college? It is probably true that the further away we are from that education, the less accurate our knowledge is. This is what the Buddha predicted, in his assessment of the practice of the Dharma. Shinran clarifies this notion in his *Shōzōmatsu wasan*, Hymns of the Dharma Ages. Shinran and we live in the age of *Mappō*, or time of the diluted practice. This is the time over two thousand years after the Buddha's life, where the Dharma can no longer be practiced as purely as the Buddha had taught.

Because of this dilution of the practice of the Dharma, the Buddha prescribed another way. The seven masters each elaborated on the Nembutsu path. The burden of practice has been assumed by the Bodhisattva Dharmakara. His Vow has established the truth of Amida Buddha, which provides that Wisdom and Compassion embraces our lives. Shinran writes a hymn in *Shōzōmatsu wasan*, that we sing at many services. *Ondokusan* is Shinran's deep appreciation for the Teachings of the Buddha, which has been passed down to us by the

masters. The English translation on page 129, in our blue Service Book, is printed below.

*"The debt of gratitude I owe to Amida's great Compassion,  
I will proclaim until my life disintegrates into dust.  
The debt of gratitude I owe to my Dharma teachers,  
I will express until my bodily form is finally shattered."*

In this gatha, Shinran expresses the Shin view of the student-teacher relationship. Unlike our present emphasis on the efforts of the students (graduation diplomas, parties, and gifts), this gatha places the emphasis on the Buddha and the teachers. Another English translation comes from the Collected Works of Shinran, page 412.

*"Such is the benevolence of Amida's great compassion,  
That we must strive to return it, even to the breaking of our bodies;  
Such is the benevolence of the masters and true teachers,  
That we must endeavor to repay it, even to our bones becoming dust."*

Both express the basic Shin perspective that it is the benevolence, compassion, and efforts of our teachers that make our lives possible. When we fully experience receiving this compassion and effort, we can only feel compelled to repay it. For those of us, fortunate enough to understand some of the original Japanese, the words and tune are powerful. Shinran realized that his practice was limited, but he still had received life and his awakening to this unique gift. Somehow, the English translation does not convey the deep emotional response one has, when we actually realize that our existence is due to the efforts of others. This realization is so deep, that I feel inspired and compelled to dedicate my life to expressing my gratitude. So, my future actions are in response to what I have received, and not for future reward. Gratitude comes in the form of *Namo Amida Butsu*, which can also be expressed as service to others.

For Shinran, he does not take credit for his learning process and the life process. *Ondokusan* clearly reminds us that our lives are due to the efforts of our teachers and others. As we sing this gatha in services, let us keep this essential message of gratitude to others. Our life is only possible because of causes, conditions, and the efforts of others. The master teachers have clarified this Teachings of the Buddha for our understanding. We receive their benevolence, not because we have achieved it, but because of their compassion. I hope our June graduates can remember this perspective and truth.

# JUNE 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p><b>4</b> (NO SERVICE) 11 am – 4 pm -- JAPANESE CULTURAL BAZAAR Theme: Mottainai</p>	<p><b>5</b> Temple Closed So. District Ministers Meetings at Long Beach</p>	<p><b>6</b> 7 pm — W&amp;M So. District Ministers Meetings at Long Beach</p>	<p><b>7</b> 10am— Craft Day, DR 11 am Kokoro meeting, CR 12 pm – Minyo Group @ SH 1 pm – Shigin 6:30 pm – Taiko @ AH 7 pm – Buddhism 1-2-3 @ SH</p>	<p><b>8</b> 6:45 pm – BOD Mtg.</p>	<p><b>9</b> 12 pm – BTSD Senior Lunch @ Garden Villa</p>	<p><b>10</b> 10 am – Koto @ SH 6-9 pm – BTSD/VFW BINGO @ AH</p>
<p><b>11</b> 9 am – DS Staff Mtg. @ CR 10 am -- DS/FAMILY SERVICE JUNE SHOTSUKI MEMORIAL 12 noon – Taiko</p>	<p><b>12</b> Temple Closed</p>	<p><b>13</b> Kenj Sensei at Ministers Meeting in Hawaii</p>	<p><b>14</b> 12 pm – Minyo Group @ SH 1 pm – Shigin 6:30 pm – Taiko @ AH 7 pm – Buddhism 1-2-3 @ SH Kenji Sensei at Ministers Meeting in Hawaii</p>	<p><b>15</b> Kenji Sensei at Ministers Meeting in Hawaii</p>	<p><b>16</b> 6 pm — VFW Hosts Japanese Navy @ AH 7-10 pm – JSSDT Beer &amp; Sake Festival @ Harrah's Resort &amp; Casino</p>	<p><b>17</b> 10 am -- SD Jr. YBL Conference Meeting at Vista BT 11:30 am— BWA New Member party at BTSD</p>
<p><b>18</b> FATHER'S DAY 100 am – 2 pm ALL TEMPLE PICNIC Father's Day Fun @ Rohr Park, Chula Vista</p>	<p><b>19</b> Temple Closed</p>	<p><b>20</b> Kenj Sensei at Ministers Meeting in Hawaii</p>	<p><b>21</b> 10 am— Craft Day, DR 12 pm – Minyo @ SH 1 pm – Shigin 6:30 pm – Taiko @ AH 7 pm – Buddhism 1-2-3 @ SH</p>	<p><b>22</b></p>	<p><b>23</b> Shin Buddhist Retreat at Yokoji Zen Mountain Center</p>	<p><b>24</b> 10 am – Koto @ SH Shin Buddhist Retreat at Yokoji Zen Mountain Center</p>
<p><b>25</b> 9 am – INTRO TO BUDDHISM 10 am – FAMILY SERVICE 12 noon. – Taiko @ AH Shin Buddhist Retreat</p>	<p><b>26</b> Temple Closed</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b> 12 pm – Minyo Group @ SH 1 pm – Shigin 6:30 pm – Taiko @ AH 7 pm – Buddhism 1-2-3 @ SH 7 pm – Activities Meeting</p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Bazaar is upon us and I'm so happy to have a couple more donation acknowledgements – **Thank you to Johnny and Tsune Hashiguchi for donating 3 cases of soda, Junior YBA for underwriting the cost of the Game Booth prizes and we would like to thank Ruth Voorhies for her generous donation towards the Chicken Booth ingredients.**

I wanted to let you know that we now have 24 lockers to store small personal belonging. Twelve are located in the closet in the new kitchen and twelve are in the Annex kitchen. They are for one day use only and hopefully will be available by the Bazaar. Thank you to the BWA for their generous donation to purchase the lockers and Fred Nakatani for installing them. Also, thanks go to Glenn Negoro and Glenn Torio for taking care of the locks, wristbands and signage.

I hope you were able to hear Reverend Fumiaki Usuki at the Gotane Service. I really liked his talk and his Dharma School story was one to remember and share with you.

It was called the Nail In The Fence (Author Unknown)

It's about a little boy who had a bad temper. He had to hammer a nail into the back of a fence every time he lost his temper. The first day the boy had driven 37 nails into the fence. As he learned to control his anger, the nails hammered gradually dwindled down.

When the boy didn't lose his temper at all, he told his father about it and the father suggested that the boy pull out one nail for each day that he was able to control his temper. The days passed and the boy was able to tell his father that the nails were gone.

The Father said you have done well and took his son by the hand and led him to the fence to show him all the holes in the fence. The fence will never be the same. When you say things in anger, they leave a scar just like the holes. Saying sorry doesn't make the wound go away. The son understood these powerful words and asked for forgiveness which his Father gave him.

This is a good lesson to revisit now and again.

I look forward to seeing you around the temple and please feel free to give ideas or concerns to me, Sensei or any of the board members.

In Gassho,

LuAnn Lee



## BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The Board of Directors met on May 11th -

1. The opening of the Saburo Muraoka Elementary School will take place on July 14. Mr. Muraoka's dedication and support of the cities of Chula Vista, San Diego, the temple and the Japanese American community were recognized in the naming of Chula Vista's newest school.
2. The Board approved a transfer of funds from the Fidelity account to the General Operating account to cover cash availability for working capital for the 2017 fiscal year,
3. The Board approved the purchase of 3 trial units for a web-based phone system for a projected cost savings of over \$1000 yearly.
4. Committees and affiliated organizations gave updates on their outreach, activities and fundraising efforts.

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## BWA NEWS

We received a generous donation from the Otsuji family in memory of their mother, Mrs. Ayako Otsuji. She was a long-time member of the BWA and we will miss her.

We would like to thank the Jr. YBA for the wonderful Mother's Day Breakfast. It was definitely a labor of love and enjoyed by everyone. Great Job!

A new roster of the BWA was distributed to members. Please check your listing to make sure it's correct. If you didn't receive a roster, or it needs an adjustment, please call Linda at the temple office.

Chirashi prep was completed on May 20 and 21 to be distributed at the Gotan E Service. Thank you to all who came out to help.

So far, we have 11 members attending the San Fernando conference on June 10. We will be carpooling to the conference.

Toban groups A and C are chairing the sushi for the Bazaar. Help is needed for Sushi prep on Saturday, June 3, starting at 9:00 a.m. Sunday rice cookers at 4:45 a.m. and the rest of the sushi rollers and others at 6:00 a.m. We plan to prepare 300 boxes of mixed sushi and 50 servings of Chirashi. We need all members to come out to help.

The new member luncheon is scheduled for Saturday, June 17 at 11:30 a.m. in the dining room. Betty Torio and Fumi Ohara have graciously volunteered to chair the luncheon. We hope to see many of you there to welcome our two new members, Yukari Williams and Linda Redenbaugh. Thank you to Toban group B for the refreshments at the meeting. As part of our hospitality rotation, group B served tea at Hospitality after the Gotan E Service. Toban group C will be in charge of refreshments at our next meeting, on July 2 at 11:45. There is no meeting in June.

## DHARMA SCHOOL NEWS

At the Federation Dharma School Teachers League Conference in Fresno, April 22-23, **Gregg Yonekura** was recognized for 10 years of service as a Dharma School Teacher. Congratulations to Gregg! Next year's FDSTL Conference will be held in Foster City, near San Francisco, on April 27-29. The Bay District Dharma School Teachers League will serve as host. The theme will be "*Intersections - We are All Connected To and Living at the Intersections of Many Communities*"

On May 26-28, five Dharma School families and friends went on the annual Dharma School camping trip at the William Heise Park in Julian. Read about their fun in the next issue of the Bussei Script.

**Save the date:** On June 18, Dharma School will host the annual temple picnic at Rohr Park in Chula Vista. Service will begin at 10 a.m. We will present attendance awards, recognize high school graduates and honor all fathers on their special day. Following the service, there will be lunch and games. Please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert. Dharma School will barbeque hot dogs and hamburgers.

Congratulations to our 2017 High School Graduates: **Breven Honda**, Madison High School; **Koji Martinez**, University City High School; and **Brian Uchiyama**, Torrey Pines High School. Good Luck in college!

Please let me know if there are any students graduating from college that have been in our Dharma School program.

Happy June Birthday wishes to: **Jenna Masuda** and **Sage Seymour**.

The next teacher-staff meeting for June will be announced.

Gassho,

Avis Honda, Superintendent

## JR YBA NEWS

The Jr. YBA had many fun-filled events in May.

We hosted the annual Mother's Day Breakfast on Sunday May 14. Our members and fathers cooked a delicious breakfast that everyone enjoyed. Thank you to Hailey **Sasaki**, **Dusty Schraeder**, **Kyle Baker**, and **Naomi Tanaka** for coordinating the breakfast.

On May 20, **Trevor Muraoka** and I attended Seminar 3 hosted by the Orange County Jr. YBA. The theme was "I Got That Feeling." We learned how many dharma teachings can be related to the theme through the workshop and messages. During the delegates meeting, our Secretary and Historian, **Jill Yamanishi** was elected as First Vice President for the 2017-18 Southern District Jr. YBL term. Congratulations Jill!

We will kick off the month of June by hosting the games for the temple's Japanese Cultural Bazaar on June 4. Please stop on by and play some fun games! Thank you to **Trina Muraoka** and **Jill** for coordinating the games!

The fun will continue Father's Day, June 18, when we host games for the Temple Picnic at Rohr Park. Thank you to **Davis Ong** and **Jill** for coordinating the games!

In July, members will be selling tickets for the Opportunity Drawing. For \$2 per ticket or \$20 for a book of 10, you will have a chance to win many prizes. The drawing will take

place on July 30 during the temple's Bon Odori. More information will appear in next month's issue.

Also during June, July and August, we hope to attend O Bons throughout the Southern District, have an activity with our guest speaker for O Bon, Rev. Bob Oshita and an orientation for incoming members for the 2017-18 Jr. YBA term.

**The Recycling Program** continues with the collecting of CRV (California Redemption Value) aluminum cans, plastic water bottles and glass containers. The proceeds received will benefit the Jr. YBA and its ongoing programs. We are doing our best to promote the EcoSangha of the temple. Please bring your recyclables to temple on your next visit. Items may be placed in the blue recycling bins located in the dining room and Annex Room 4. Please put the bottles and cans in the correct receptacle.

**Planning for the 67<sup>th</sup> Southern District Jr. YBL Conference** is moving forward at a faster pace. Registration materials were passed out to the chapters at Seminar 3. The San Diego and Vista members are focusing on the workshops and icebreakers. The conference theme "Finding the Path out of Chaos". Our guest speaker will be **Rev. Matt Hamasaki** from the Fresno Buddhist Temple. With the registration deadline of June 26 fast approaching, we should have a pretty good idea how many delegates, ministers, advisors and chaperones will be attending. We are all looking forward to hosting the conference.

Thank you for your continued support to the Jr. YBA and its activities!

In Gassho,

Breven Honda, Co-President

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

### Temple Scholarships Available for Temple Scholars

The Temple offers two scholarships to sons and daughters of Temple members or Temple members themselves who are or will be attending college courses later this year. Two scholarships are available:

- For students entering college as Freshman, the **Ben Honda Memorial Graduating High School Graduate Scholarship** is a simple one-page form.

- For students continuing with college at the undergraduate or graduate level, the **Tetsuyo Kashima Memorial Continuing Education Scholarship** also includes an informal essay requirement. This year the topic is "What are three ideas big or small that you found you could apply to your life as a student?"

These scholarships are named after two pillars of the Temple in the Post-War period, both of whom passed away far too soon in the mid-1990s.

We encourage all qualified applicants to apply.

### Scholarships Help Students in Two Ways

- **School Is Expensive.** Every little bit helps. The scholarships in recent years have ranged from \$350 to \$500 depending on multiple factors.

**The Scholarship Helps Students Compete.** In applying for jobs in college and beyond, the fact that you were awarded a scholarship distinguishes you from other applicants.

**Deadline:** Applications are due **July 1**, and may be turned in as a hard copy or sent via email attachment. Contact the Temple office for more details.

## Membership Report

### Do You Know if You Renewed for 2017?

Bill Teague, Membership Chair

Our members are the best! Almost half have renewed their membership pledges for 2017. But we need to hear from over half of you who have not yet done so. We listed many names in the March Issue, and here are all names since then, current as of May 18. (And special thanks to the new members whose name is boldfaced. Welcome!)

**Corinne Araki-Kawaguchi**; Jaime Brown; **Leah Elliott**; Cody Gless & Sharon Scherton; Quimico Hagio; Ruby Hara; Hiroko Hendrix; Laverne Imori; **Sheryl T. Ishizaki**; Jan & Setsuo Iwashita; David & Katie Iwashita; Gail & Yukio Iwashita; Jan & Setsuo Iwashita; Rev. Noriko Kawai; Robert & Chelsey Koga; Hiroshi Kubota; Howard Kanji & Kaneko Kuwada; Tomomi Sakatani & Setsuko Lambert; Nancy Martinez; Amy & Peter Masuda; Akiko Matsumoto; Asako Morinaka; Chieko Moriyama; Fred & Nancy Nakatani; Glenn & Keiko Negoro; Toyo Nishii; Janet Ochi-Fontanott; Shirley Ochi-Watson; Karen & Roy Okuhara; Dennis & Elaine Otsuji; Bill & Suzanne Sannwald; Kikuko Takashima; Kelvin & Lara Tanaka; Gary Tanizaki; Bill & Joyce Teague; Yuriko Terusaki; Masako Tsuji; Ruth Voorhies; Ann & George Yamamoto; and Miyoko Yamanishi.

### KENJI SENSEI TO ATTEND MINISTERS CONFERENCES

Rev. Kenji Akahoshi will be participating in the Southern District Ministers' Association Fuken (meeting) on June 5 and 6 in Long Beach.

Kenji Sensei, along with Rev. Diana Thompson of the Tri-State Buddhist Temple in Denver, will represent the BCA Ministers Association at the Hawaii Ministers Association conference, June 13-15 in Honolulu.

### SOUTHERN DISTRICT BUDDHIST CONFERENCE

Eighteen members will travel to the San Fernando Valley to participate in the annual Southern District Buddhist and Buddhist Women's Association Conference. The event will take place on Saturday, June 10 at the Odyssey Restaurant in Granada Hills. The conference theme is Jodo Shinshu for the Average Joe. The BTSD delegates will be carpooling to the conference. A wrap up on the event will appear in the July Bussei Script. Stay tuned!

### KOKORO SANGHA SUPPORT TEAM OFF AND RUNNING

Selfless giving from the heart or *Kokoro* is the title for the temple's newly re-established Sangha support team.

The Kokoro team is being led by temple and BWA member **Laurine Ota** and will develop its program of outreach to the Sangha of all ages. Currently, the group is looking for individuals who would like to volunteer their time.

The committee has met twice, the most recent being on May 3, and established the opportunity to welcome guests at Sunday services. They also plan to volunteer to offer transportation to Sangha members who are not able to come to the temple for Sunday services and other activities.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 7 at 11 a.m. If you wish to be part of the Kokoro Sangha support and have some ideas please contact Laurine by email at [2010.lota@gmail.com](mailto:2010.lota@gmail.com)

## SABURO MURAOKA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### DEDICATION SET FOR JULY 14

A ribbon-cutting ceremony commemorating the opening of Chula Vista's newest school will take place on Friday, July 14.

The temple is accepting reservations from members who wish to attend the "by Invitation only" dedication of the Saburo Muraoka Elementary School located in Otay Ranch. The ceremony will take place around 4 or 5 p.m.

When it opens for classes on July 19, the \$47.5 million elementary school will be the first public school in the county named for a Japanese-American.

Mr. Muraoka was an Issei (first generation) pioneer and very active leader of the temple as well as in the Japanese-American and South Bay communities.

Today, Mr. Muraoka's son Roy, and grandsons Tad and Ken, along with their families, are very active temple members.

Please call the temple as soon as possible to reserve your seat for this momentous occasion. You may contact Tad or Ken Muraoka for more information.



## Shin Buddhist Retreat

Human Nature within Buddha Nature  
WAKING UP TO A PATH OF HARMONY

June 23 - 25, 2017

This annual retreat, led by Rev. Kenji Akahoshi, will be held at the Yokoji Zen Mountain Center near Idyllwild in the San Jacinto Mountains, Ca. ([www.zmc.org](http://www.zmc.org)) Information and a registration form can be accessed by contacting the office at:

([info@btbsd.net](mailto:info@btbsd.net))  
619-239-0896

# BINGO UPDATE

Asian Pacific Post 4851 as it will hold the monthly BINGO night on **June 10** starting at 6 p.m. Buy-in for the 10-game session \$10. Extra cards cost \$1 per game. Other chances to win include consolation BINGO, door prizes and purchasing pull-tabs.

In July, there will be a Chicken Teriyaki dinner fundraiser on Saturday, **July 8** from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. in the Annex Hall. Dine on a very tasty roasted teriyaki half chicken accompanied with Caesar salad, rice, vegetables and dessert. Donation is \$10. Tickets may be purchased through the temple. The monthly BINGO will follow starting at 6:00.

Net proceeds from the chicken dinner fundraiser will help VFW subsidize some of their programs, while BINGO proceeds are shared with the temple 50/50.

Make it a fun evening with family and friends by supporting the chicken teriyaki dinner fundraiser and a session of BINGO.

## Save the Dates for Obon Dance Classes

**Thursdays:** July 6, 13, 20, 27 & August 3 at 7:00 p.m.

**Sundays:** July 9, 16, & 23 at 11:00 a.m.

**Bon Odori at the temple:** July 30

**Balboa Park:** August 5

## SOUTHERN DISTRICT O BON FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

Below is a listing of Southern District Temple's O Bon that will take place this summer (Please check the specific temple's website to confirm date, time and location).

- June 10: Arizona Buddhist Temple
- June 24: West Covina Buddhist Temple
- June 24-25: San Fernando Valley Buddhist Temple
- July 1: Senshin Buddhist Temple
- July 9: Oxnard Buddhist Temple
- July 8-9: Los Angeles Hongwanji Buddhist Temple
- July 16: Buddhist Church of Santa Barbara
- July 15-16: Orange County Buddhist Church
- July 15-16: Venice Hongwanji Buddhist Temple
- July 22-23: Vista Buddhist Temple
- July 22-23: Pasadena Buddhist Temple
- July 29-30: West Los Angeles Buddhist Temple
- July 29-30: Higashi Honganji Buddhist Temple
- July 30: Buddhist Temple of San Diego (at BTSD)
- Aug. 5: Buddhist Temple of San Diego (at Balboa Park)
- Aug. 5: Las Vegas Sangha
- Aug. 12-13: Gardena Buddhist Church



## 2017 Spring Furniture PLUS Sale a Success

We truly appreciate everyone's help, hard work and enthusiasm in making our Furniture "Plus Housewares and Craft supplies" Sale a success. Though the event wasn't planned to be one of this year's fundraisers, generous donations made it possible.

We raised over \$1200.00 to help with the temple's operating expenses.

The weather gave us a break (well, except at the very end) and the good-natured efforts of everyone helped us even more. We were also able to do some much needed Spring Cleaning and organizing!

Thank you to Aki, Akira, Bill, Brian, Carol, Daniel, Ed, Erik, Floyd, Fusako, Glenn N., Glenn T., Gregg, Harold, Jeanie, Jeanne, Joyce, Karen A., Karen T., Kaytee, Ken, Kenji Sensei, Kiku, Margo, Linda, LuAnn, Mike K., Mike O., Mildred, Miyo, Nancy, Ralph, Richard, Roy, Sumi, Yuki.

If we missed anyone, our apologies. We thank you for your support of the temple.

In Gassho, the Committee

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The temple is looking for volunteers to help at the **Japanese Cultural Bazaar** on the days leading up to, and on the day of the event! If you have some time available, please help us out!

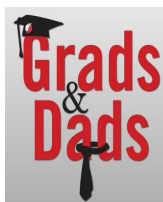
### PREP SCHEDULE

**FRIDAY, JUNE 2:** 9 am to 4 pm

**SATURDAY, JUNE 3:** 9 am to 6 pm

**SUNDAY, JUNE 4 (Bazaar day):** 6 am - 4 pm

(contact LuAnn Lee or booth chairs for best placement)



## SCRIP NEWS

Summer is right around the corner, but before it arrives we have Father's Day and graduation. If you haven't bought a gift for your father or graduate, you can always give them a gift card to their favorite department store,

Amazon.com, iTunes, Big 5, The Home Depot, Lowes, Target, Walmart, or to their favorite restaurant such as Olive Garden or Red Lobster.

For crafters, we now have in stock gift cards to Jo-Ann's and Michael's. They come in denominations of \$25.

Before you know it, summer will be over and it will be time to buy supplies for school. We have gift cards to Target and Walmart, but you can also order gift cards for Staples and Office Depot.

Have a good June and keep on buying scrip!

## Annual BTSD All-Temple Picnic Hosted by Dharma School

**When:** Sunday, June 18, 2017 (Father's Day)

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Where:** Rohr Park, 4548 Sweetwater Rd, Bonita, CA 91902 (just north of the Chula Vista Municipal Golf Course)

**Area:** R1 Gazebo (East end of Rohr Park).

**Entrance:** Gate 2 or 3 **Parking Area:** Lot C

**Reasons for attending:**

- Open to all temple members, Dharma School families and Dharma friends.
- Kenji Sensei will conduct a short service and share his Dharma message.
- Dharma School students will be recognized for their achievements during the past Dharma School term.
- We will honor dads on their special day.
- Bar BQ lunch provided by Dharma School staff
- Share your favorite side dish or dessert.

- Games! Games! Games!
  - The only outdoor service of the year. Relax and share friendships with the Sangha.
- More information:** Avis Honda (619) 885-8363 or Ralph Honda (619) 885-3788

**Directions from North and South**

1. Interstate 805 to Bonita Road exit.
2. East on Bonita Road
3. Left turn onto Willows Road (travel over bridge)
4. At signal, turn right onto Sweetwater Road (east)
5. Drive approximately 0.7 miles east to Rohr Park Gate 2 BTSD will be located at LARGE Gazebo (R1) at east end of park. Park in parking lot C

## ROHR PARK



No service at temple on this day. Head to the picnic!

## BTSD GOLF TOURNAMENT

Teams of foursomes and individuals are encouraged to register for the 22<sup>nd</sup> annual BTSD Golf Tournament. The event will take place on Sunday, August 27, starting at 8:00 a.m. at Eastlake Country Club in Chula Vista.

Registration fee \$115 for adults, and \$90 for youths 15-and under. The format of play will be a team scramble. Space is limited to 72 players. So, enter early. Registration deadline is Sunday August 7.

Tournament fee package covers green fees, golf cart, practice range balls, continental breakfast, coffee, beverages on the course, lunch and awards ceremony.

In addition, there will be tournament extras which includes three mulligans and 10 raffle ticket package for \$25. Extra raffle tickets cost \$1 each.

Golfer check-in is between 6:30 and 7:30 a.m. All golfers will be treated to a continental breakfast before heading out to the course.

The temple will be soliciting for monetary sponsorships and donations from many of its generous donors. Letters will be sent to potential donors in July. But, if you wish to contribute now, please contact the temple.

Net proceeds will support the temple's general fund. Last year's tournament netted over \$7,000 for the temple. This year's goal is to exceed that amount.

This year's committee members (emails in parentheses) are Ralph Honda ([rkhonda205@gmail.com](mailto:rkhonda205@gmail.com)), Richard Kaneko ([richtkaneko@gmail.com](mailto:richtkaneko@gmail.com)) and Ron Yagura ([yags442@sbcglobal.net](mailto:yags442@sbcglobal.net)).

The temple looks forward to hosting the tournament as it brings together golfers and friends from throughout the community.



## BTSD TO PARTICIPATE IN JSSDT BEER AND SAKE FESTIVAL

The temple will participate in the Japan Society of San Diego and Tijuana's (JSSDT) Annual Beer and Sake Festival on Friday, June 16 from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. at Harrah's Resort in Valley Center.

Temple volunteers will be cooking and handing out samples of our tasty taiyaki (sweet red bean filled pastry) and promoting the temple and its activities through brochures and calendar of events. The temple will also donate an item for the society's silent auction.

For more information regarding the festival, please go online at [www.harrahresortsoutherncalifornia.com](http://www.harrahresortsoutherncalifornia.com).

BTSD is a member of the JSSDT and participates in several events the organization stages for the community.

向嶋先生のご法話は9月までお休みです。

合掌

*Rev. Mukojima's message will return in  
September, after his time off.  
Gassho*



Photos by  
Richard Matsumoto

## Minister's Assistant Program (MAP)

Laverne Imori, Noriko Kawai, and Maribeth (Smitty) Smith

The Minister's Assistant Program was initiated by Bishop Ogui about a dozen years ago. Because of the lack of new, full time ministers to serve the BCA temples, this program was viewed as a means to educate and prepare qualified lay members to assist ministers in serving their sanghas in pastoral duties. It is also a pathway to become a full-time minister. Since its inception, the program has changed and continues to evolve, as the qualifications for competence are clarified.

Membership in BCA temples continues to decline and some smaller temples are unable to financially support a resident minister. The number of new and younger ministers joining BCA, fails to keep up to the rate of retiring, older ministers. In a few short years, almost half of the 60 temples, may be without a full-time minister. It may take qualified lay members to help carry on the religious duties of a temple.

We are fortunate in San Diego, to have three certified Minister's Assistants. Each has successfully achieved academic and religious qualifications over the required time periods. They will share their backgrounds and experiences in subsequent articles. Each has supported their own educational requirement in time, travel, and expenses, with minimal outside financial assistance. **Maribeth "Smitty" Smith** has flown weekly to IBS in Berkeley for the past few years and graduated this May with the first Kiyoshi Certificate degree at IBS. This certification prepares her toward the goal of receiving her Tokudo and Kyoshi ordination as a BCA minister. **Noriko Kawai** has traveled weekly to Claremont School of Theology and just graduated with a Masters of Divinity degree in Interfaith Chaplaincy. She also attended the University of the West, and both schools are in Los Angeles. She begins her residency at Sharp Hospital in September. **Laverne Imori** has served the Seattle Betsuin and Ekoji Temple in Virginia as a MA and has received her Tokudo ordination in Japan in 2014. She also served as Ekoji Board President and helps on the BCA Pension Committee. She will be taking classes at IBS toward her Kiyoshi Certificate.

They all continue to attend at least two MAP sessions a year in Berkeley and to take IBS and other courses, to further their study in Shin Buddhism and expand their competence in conducting services, giving Dharma talks, and fulfilling other ministerial duties. We welcome any financial support, to help them offset the cost of their educational requirements.

The sangha is rewarded by receiving the Teachings from a variety of backgrounds and experiences. Some sects of Buddhism are characterized by a monk chanting and conducting all the religious activities for lay members. The Shin Dharma is not a narrow path of one belief, but is a broad path that is experienced in uniquely individual ways. We are all fellow travelers. It is helpful to see how the Shin Dharma is lived by a variety of ordinary people.

My role as the resident minister can be expanded with the help of the MA's. They have the educational background and ability to expand the relevance of Shin Buddhism among our diverse sangha. Sharing their own stories on the influence that Shin has had on their lives, may inspire others to become more familiar with the rituals and meaning of our practices. Our youth and adults in our various organizations will have more opportunity to understand how Shin influences our daily lives. These MA's and other qualified teachers can participate in more outreach events to invite the greater community to be aware of our activities. This can increase attendance to our fundraisers and also, serve those who are interested in learning more about Buddhism.

By expanding the lay participation in ministerial duties and Dharma education, we hope to inspire others to be involved in expanding the sangha in creative ways. Shin Buddhism is not a spectator sport or religion. It is a life of gratitude, enjoyed by all.



Laverne Imori, Sensei Kenji Akahoshi, Bishop Umezu, Maribeth (Smitty) Smith



Noriko Kawai with Bishop Umezu



## JUNE SHOTSUKI LIST

The June Shotsuki Hoyo (MEMORIAL SERVICE) will be held Sunday, June 11, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in conjunction with the Dharma School/ Family Service. Families and friends of anyone who passed away during the month of June are urged to attend and offer incense. If there are any errors in the list, please notify the temple at (619) 239-0896 or e-mail [info@btsd.net](mailto:info@btsd.net).

6月の祥月法要は6月11日(日)、午前10時より行います。先亡者のご遺族の方々はずいぶん、仏教会へご参詣下さい。尚、名簿に間違いがある場合、お手数ですが、仏教会までご連絡下さい。(619) 239-0896。または、[info@btsd.net](mailto:info@btsd.net)へメールを送ってください。

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 Shigeo Fujimoto (6-14-1969) ..... Fujimoto Family  
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## M E M O R I A L S E R V I C E S

MEMORIAL SERVICES allow us to pay homage to loved ones who have passed away. In our Jodo Shinshu tradition, family members hold a service at certain intervals following a relative's death to express gratitude for and acknowledge their continuing influence in our lives. If you wish to schedule a memorial service for a loved one, please call during weekly office hours.

### 2017 is the memorial year for those who passed away in:

1st Year Memorial	2016	13th Year Memorial	2005	27th Year Memorial	1991
3rd Year Memorial	2015	17th Year Memorial	2001	33rd Year Memorial	1985
7th Year Memorial	2011	25th Year Memorial	1993	50th Year Memorial	1968

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The Buddhist Temple of San Diego is grateful to the following individuals and organizations for their recent donations to the Temple and its affiliated organizations. "IMO" means "In memory of." For a correction, please inform our secretary at (619) 239-0896 or [info@btsd.net](mailto:info@btsd.net).

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# BUDDHIST TEMPLE OF SAN DIEGO Membership Pledge for **2017**

Renewal (Add name only)  New Member\*  Sponsorship\*  Change of Address

Mr.  Mrs.  Ms. NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Mr.  Mrs. SPOUSE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Membership Pledge:** The temple has an annual campaign to raise funds that go towards the Operating Budget. This budget pays for ministerial salary, part-time staff, 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.

**Sponsorship Pledge:** Individuals are invited to sponsor a new or existing member under the current membership program.

	Sustaining Member	Dana Member	Wisteria Member	Bodhi Member
Individual / Senior / Youth (All Ages)	\$300	\$375	\$500	\$
Couple / Family	\$500	\$650	\$1000	\$
<u>Optional:</u> Senior Reduced Cost (75 years and older)	\$150			
<u>Optional:</u> Youth Reduced Cost (30 years and younger)	\$175			\$

(Membership Amount)

**Recommended Annual Donations (Optional):**

**FLORAL OFFERING FUND** (Suggested annual donation of \$40) ..... \$

This fund helps defray cost of regular fresh flowers for the Onaijin (Central Altar). \$

**GENERAL MAINTENANCE FUND** (Suggested annual donation of \$40) ..... \$

The fund helps provide upkeep of the Temple properties. \$

**SCHOLARSHIP FUND** (Suggested annual donation of \$20) ..... \$

The fund rewards members' deserving high school graduates and college students. \$

**DHARMA SCHOOL** (Suggested annual donation of \$20) ..... \$

Dharma School does not conduct fundraisers. Your annual donation helps sustain its activities. \$

**KITCHEN COMPLIANCE PROJECT** ..... \$

**TOTAL AMOUNT** \$

**AMOUNT ENCLOSED** \$

**\*PLEASE INDICATE PAYMENT SCHEDULE:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Annually \_\_\_\_\_ Semi-annually \_\_\_\_\_ Quarterly \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly

To use credit card:  
 \_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_ MasterCard Acct# \_\_\_\_\_ Expires (MM/YY) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
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Please make checks payable to the BUDDHIST TEMPLE OF SAN DIEGO. A percentage of your dues support 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 a printed copy of our monthly newsletter, the "Bussei Script." **THANK YOU!**

**Mailing address to send your pledges:** Buddhist Temple of San Diego  
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For any questions about membership, please call the Temple at 619-239-0896 or send inquires to the Membership Chair at [info@btsd.net](mailto:info@btsd.net).

**\*For NEW MEMBERS and SPONSORSHIPS, proration is available.**

## HIGHLIGHTS for JUNE

- 2 Bazaar Prep 9-4 (Sign-Up in Office or by phone)
- 3 Bazaar Prep 9-6
- 4 **NO SERVICE AT THE TEMPLE**  
JAPANESE CULTURAL BAZAAR ~ Prep 6-4  
Theme: Mottainai 11 am – 4 pm
- 7 Crafts , Minyo, Shigin, Taiko  
Buddhism 1,2,3
- 9 Senior Lunch Program at Garden Villa
- 10 Southern Dist./BWA Conf. in San Fernando
- 11 DS/Family & Shotsuki Memorial Services
- 14 Minyo, Shigin, Taiko  
Buddhism 1,2,3
- 16 JSSDT Beer & Sake Fest. at Harrah's, 7 - 10 pm
- 18 **NO SERVICE AT THE TEMPLE**  
Father's Day ~ DS/Temple Picnic at Rohr Park
- 21 Crafts , Minyo, Shigin, Taiko  
Buddhism 1,2,3
- 25 Intro to Buddhism, 9 am  
Family Service, 10 a.m.
- 28 Minyo, Shigin, Taiko  
Buddhism 1,2,3

(For more information, see inside)

## BUS EXCURSION TO SENSHIN O BON FESTIVAL IS JULY 1



Make your reservation for the temple's summer bus outing and experience the Senshin Buddhist Temple Bon Odori on Saturday July 1.

The Senshin temple commemorates one of the more traditional O Bon festivals with a focus on the true meaning of Bon Odori with an emphasis to "Just Dance." Following the Odori, everyone will be able to participate in the "Sentō Shogon" or lighting of 1,000 oil lamps in remembrance of deceased loved ones.

Before our arrival to the O Bon, the bus will visit the serenity of the Noguchi Sculpture Garden in Costa Mesa. The garden, one of Southern California's hidden treasures, is a highly recommended stop encouraged by Kenji Sensei.

The cost is \$25 per person for roundtrip bus transportation. Dinner will be on your own.

The current itinerary is to depart from the temple at 1 p.m. and return around 11:30 p.m. It will definitely be a long day, but the schedule will allow everyone to experience Senshin's O Bon commemoration.

Deadline to signup is June 23. Call the temple to reserve a seat on the bus or for more details. The temple will need to have 40 bus riders to make the trip happen. Sign up today!

# Buddhist Temple of San Diego Japanese Cultural Bazaar

June 4, 2017 11am -4pm

### 2017 Theme Mottainai:

The term expresses a feeling of regret at wasting the intrinsic value of a resource or object, and can be translated as 'don't be wasteful'.

Reuse  
Reduce  
Recycle

Chow Mein,  
Teriyaki Chicken,  
Sushi, Tacos,  
Strawberry Mochi,  
Beer Garden,  
Salad, and More



Music, Games,  
Demonstrations,  
Taiko, Displays,  
Silent Auction,  
Opportunity  
Drawing, and  
more



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