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Come as you are

By Rev. Dr. Kenji Akahoshi,

One of the most basic needs of us humans is to be accepted. No infant can survive without the supportive care from others. As we grow from infancy, each of us learns a strategy that promotes our acceptance into a tribe of a human community. However, an unconscious threat of rejection accompanies our daily routine.

By renouncing ordinary life, a monk's life is an effort to suppress his own ego by practicing a non-attachment to food, shelter, and other necessities. In contrast to the monk, ordinary people like us, need a strong ego to survive the rigors of contemporary life. So, the Buddha gave us lessons in the Larger Sutra to deal with this basic human condition of a strong ego.

Shinran reminds us of our ego-centric nature. We simply can't achieve a goal of egolessness by means of ego effort. We can't lift ourselves up by our own bootstraps, without falling over. Shinran reminded himself of his inability to act selflessly, by naming himself "*Gutoku*," or "stubble-headed fool." Shin Buddhists continue this type of identification, by accepting the identity of "*bombu*," which means an ordinary and foolish person. As we remind ourselves of our limits, we realize that our good fortune is due greatly to the efforts of others.

A theory in psychology refers to this sense of incompleteness as a "primal or sacred wound." It's described as experiences in a child's life, when s/he is not seen as s/he would like to be seen. So, much of our lives are directed toward filling this sense of incompleteness. We might experience this as: "Boy, if I could only, then I would be accepted and respected." Even those who may be financially and socially successful, continue to attempt to fill that hole. Their drive for success is inspired by this primal wound.

The Buddha tells us that it is because of our inability to control our ego, that the story of the Bodhisattva Dharmakara fulfilling the 48 Vows, is important to us. The essence of this story is that another being has fulfilled tremendous challenges for our benefit because we have been unable to do so on our own. The underlying message is that our parents or other care-givers have seen our true value and

have validated our existence. No wonder, the Japanese often refer to Amida Buddha as *Oyasama*, honorable parent. Our sacred wound is able to heal because someone sees us as we would like to be seen.

This feeling of being accepted, just as I am, may be unusual for us. That childhood fear of being rejected is so strong that it may require a conscious practice for us to overcome it. Many of us come from communities that are often identified as outside the mainstream. We rarely saw our types of neighborhoods on TV. Our culture and lifestyle were stereotyped as different from the mainstream. In this environment, acceptance had to be earned.


Our thoughts may be that receiving something without achieving it, is rare. So, the aspiration to be accepted, just as we are, may not be familiar. But that is the basic message of the 18th Vow. The image of Amida Buddha is leaning forward to aid us, with his hands in the symbolic gestures (*mudras*) of acceptance. The voicing of *Namo Amida Butsu* is our acknowledgement of gratitude that we do realize our Oneness with all Life and Light. It is our childhood illusion that we are somehow not a part of the whole.

Fortunately, efforts are being made to show images of diversity in TV and movies. We see a movement that recognizes the dignity and benefits of differences. We also witness a strong opposition to these progressive changes. As Buddhists, we recognize that these dynamic social changes are in harmony with Shinran's teachings. Not only might we feel accepted, but in turn, we might make efforts to accept others who may appear different from us. *Namo Amida Butsu* can also be an active inspiration of social change.

In his rejection and exile by the government and the Buddhist establishment, Shinran prevailed. His efforts of sharing the *Nembutsu* teachings resulted in the inclusion of thousands of under-educated, ordinary peasants of his day. We might be inspired to continue that effort in our sharing of this dynamic teaching with our fellow neighbors. Ordinary Americans are seeking a spiritual path based on wisdom and compassion. As *Namo Amida Butsu* affirms our wholeness, perhaps we can extend that truth to others. This spiritual experience of the Buddha; taught in the Dharma teachings; is expressed and experienced in the *sangha*. Our sense of being accepted, just as we are (*sono mama*), is a challenge for us to accept others, just as they are. *Namo Amida Butsu*.

Gassho, -Kenji Sensei

November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		Thanksgiving Food Drive until the 19th				
5 Daylight Savings ends DS Staff Mtg, 9 am, CR DS/FS/Shotsuki, 10 am BWA Mtg, 11:45, CR Taiko, 12 Noon, AH	6 Office Closed W&M Mtg, 7 pm, CR	7	8 Minyo, 12 noon SH Shigin, 1 pm, CR Taiko, 6:30, AH Buddhism 1-2-3, 7 pm, SH	9 Tai Chi, 10am, AH BOD Mtg, 6:45 pm, CR	10 SD Council Mtg. at Venice, 7 pm	11 Veterans Day BTSD/NFW Bingo 6-9 pm, AH
12 Chanting Practice, 9:15, H EITAIKYO, 10 am Jr. YBA Mtg, 11:30 am, CR BWA Makizushi & Brittle Sale Taiko, 12 Noon, AH	13 Office Closed	14 SD Ministers Mtg. L.A. Betsuin, 10 am	15 Crafts, 10 am, DR Minyo, 12 Noon SH Shigin, 1 pm, CR Taiko, 6:30, AH Buddhism 1-2-3, 7 pm, SH	16 Tai Chi, 10am, AH	17	18 "Garage Door Opener" Growing Up Sansei 1 p.m. AH
19 DS/Family Service, 10 am Taiko, 12 Noon, AH	20 Office Closed Kaiho Deadline	21	22 Minyo, 12 noon SH Shigin, 1 pm, CR Taiko, 6:30, AH Buddhism 1-2-3, 7 pm, SH Activities Mtg, 7 pm, CR	23 Thanksgiving Temple Closed	24	25
26 Intro to Buddhism, 9 am SH DS/Family Service, 10 am Taiko, 12 Noon, AH DS Bowling at KM Bowl, 1 pm	27 Office Closed	28	29 Mail Kaiho Minyo, 12 noon SH Shigin, 1 pm, CR Taiko, 6:30, AH Buddhism 1-2-3, 7 pm, SH	30 Tai Chi, 10am, AH	Notes:: Bus to Rev. Yanagihara's Service, Nov. 12 Bodhi Day Service, Dec 3 Dec 10 Mochitsuki 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec 31 Joya E, 10 a.m. Joya No Kane, 11:30 pm, Shelter Island	

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By LuAnn Lee, Board President

In September, we observed Fall O Higan. Thank you to Kenji Sensei for inviting his longtime friend Daryl Yagi to be our guest speaker. He is a Ministerial Assistant at the Enmanji temple in Sebastopol, California, and has been a counselor for many years. Daryl gave a BEC lecture the night before the service and the subject was the Bully and the Buddha. It was nice to see almost 30 people of all ages in attendance. We broke up into three groups and discussed specific scenarios on bullying. It was interactive and a few participants shared real life stories on their experiences with being bullied.

Following the service, we had another one of our delicious potlucks. Thank you to Laura Yoshida for heading up the event, the volunteers that helped with set up, serving tea, replenishing food and clean up. Also, a big thank you to brother Glenn Torio and my husband Harold for grilling 200 chicken skewers (thanks to Jeff Sakai for providing the teriyaki sauce). The lunch is always successful because of all of you – the Sangha. We appreciate your time to prepare and make your specialty dishes.

On October 8 and October 14, I was honored to represent the temple at two very important events.

The first one was the Orange County Buddhist Church Hondo Dedication. I along with seven hundred plus people listened to Bishop Umezu as he gave some “bad news”. His bad news was that OCBC needs a new Hondo (because only half the people could fit in the new one). The other half was sitting in the social hall across the way. Just when you think it will be so serious, he can always deliver a funny one liner. OCBC has been known to have wonderful music entertainment and they did not disappoint. The Temple Taiko group and a Ukulele ensemble performed. It was refreshing to see the many young people helping out and even serving as the MC's. They had celebrated their fifty-year anniversary two years ago, and the future is bright because of their youth and their dedication to the temple.

The second was a luncheon for the Japanese Historical Society of San Diego. This is the first time I attended and was very impressed. They have a core group of volunteers that are so outgoing, friendly and encourage others to join in with them. I plan on joining as a member as I see the value of preserving our history and supporting this group of dedicated people. I hope you will also think about giving time, monies and support as they work on our behalf.

I want to give you an update on our efforts to accept donations for disaster relief. The Sangha has been so generous with their funds and the desire to help others. Since we have so many events that are in need of help, we have a committee that will decide on how to disburse the total donations at the end of November. The shoe box will be in the office on most occasions. On Sundays, it will be upstairs in the Hondo area. You can always leave your donation in the office with Linda or put in the Treasurer's box in the office. Please use an envelope and mark it disaster relief.

Add your name and address to get a tax donation form at the end of the year. Thank you for your support for this and giving all year long.

In Gassho

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The Board of Directors met on October 12th -

1. Condolences to the family of Hinako Rexroat.
2. The temple received an additional donation from the estate of the late Toki and Betty Yano.
3. Based on her performance, the Board approved an increase in salary for the temple secretary, Linda Redenbaugh.
4. The Board approved the transportation expenses for the Ways & Means committee chair to inspect the real estate property being purchased. The investment is intended to provide a steady income stream for the temple.
5. The Board endorsed the goals and strategies of the Membership Committee and approved the Membership Committee's recommendations to increase dues, and to emphasize monthly dues payment options.
6. Koden was approved for the late Rev. Jim Yanagihara. A trust has been set up for care of Dale (Boku), Rev. Jim and Patsy Yanagihara's son.
7. The Board discussed problems and concerns with homeless persons in the area. Several options for dealing with potential or probable issues were identified.
8. Thank you to Janet Ochi-Fontanott for the donation of 5 microwave ovens that will provide consistency in preparation of food items for fundraisers.

BWA NEWS

The BWA celebrated **Aoyama Sensei's 77th Birthday** with a Happy 77th Birthday card and cake. The 77th Birthday is known as “kiju” in Japan...to celebrate good fortune for living to be 77.

Mani has taken on a major role in preparing for the reading of Growing Up Sansei: **Garage Door Opener**. She has been selling tickets for the November 18 reading. BWA will be selling tickets also. If anyone is interested in purchasing a ticket, the cost is \$15 for the reading at 1 pm on Saturday, Nov 18. Lunch is available at 12 noon for an additional \$10 in the Annex. Please contact Kiku if you need tickets.

Rev. Jim Yanagihara's memorial service is scheduled for Sunday, November 12 at 3 pm at the Gardena Buddhist Church. The temple will charter a bus for those interested in attending the service. The cost will be \$12 (\$10 for the bus and \$2 for the driver's tip). Please sign up in the office if you are interested in attending. The sign up deadline is Nov. 5.

BWA will be having a **makizushi fundraiser** on Sunday, November 12th. We need members for prep on Saturday, Nov. 11 at 9:30 a.m. On Sunday, we need rice cookers at 7:00 am and rollers at 8:00 am. For BWA members not attending Rev. Jim's service, please stay after service to sell the makizushi. Also, the BWA will have hospitality duties on the 12th. Help is needed from Toban group B and D to handle the clean up. Thank you.

BWA has a new member, Nobuko Basham. She is already taking part in the craft sessions and helps out with the Kaiho mailing. Welcome, Nobuko!

DHARMA SCHOOL NEWS

On October 29, we had our annual Halloween Service and Party. Witches, Super Heros, Princesses, Elvis, and cute little bears & butterflies, to name a few, came to our Dharma School Service. We don't see that too often. We also observed the All Life Forms Memorial at this service. After service we had our Halloween Party. We had a delicious lunch. Thanks to everyone who brought your favorite dish and thanks to our Jrs. for hosting the games. Everyone had a great time.

Save the Date of Nov. 26 for the annual Bowling Day at Kearny Mesa Bowl. Stay tuned for more details.

Happy November Birthday wishes to: Matteo Mascola, Dusty Schraeder, Chad Sasaki, Jenna Sasaki, and Clayton Matsumoto.

The next teacher-staff meeting will be on Sunday, November 5 at 9 a.m. in the conference room

Gassho,
Avis Honda, Superintendent

JR. YBA NEWS

Dear members of the Temple and friends of the Jr. YBA,

For the past month, our group has been preparing and coming up with events for the near future. We've also have been attending some events as well.

The Keiro Kai luncheon held on September 24 was well attended. Jr. YBA members put together gift bags for this wonderful annual event.

On October 14, some of the members of the Jr. YBA attended a Southern District event called Religious Retreat. Religious Retreat is the one Southern District Jr. YBL events run by the ministers. The workshops are more lecture and discussion based as opposed to seminars which are Jr. YBL member-led and often are more activity/discussion based. It's the ministers that teach here, not members of the Jr. YBL.

To recap on how it went, members who attended learned about the Onaijiin and the meaning of each part, from Reverend Quon. Reverend Kodani talked about narcissism and the meaning of Namu Amida Butsu, and the important concept of me/we was presented by Reverend Akahoshi.

This was a very beneficial event that we try to encourage the members of Jr. YBA to attend because they have the chance to learn more about Buddhism in depth, but also to fully grasp the teachings and meaning through discussion with members their own age.

Coming up, we have many fun things planned, such as the annual Dharma School Halloween party, which was held on Sunday, October 29. There will be tons of activities and Jr. YBA games for all ages to participate in! It's a costume party, so remember to dress up in a fun and spooky costumes!

On October 29, we will begin our Thanksgiving Basket Food Drive that will run through November 19. We are seeking donations of canned goods and any other non-perishable foods. There will be boxes displayed around temple where you can drop off your donations, so look for signs that say "Thanksgiving Food Drive Donations."

Gardena Buddhist Temple will be hosting the Jam Session social on Saturday, Nov. 4 from 4 to 10 p.m. The theme is "Slumber Party." All members are encouraged to attend.

On Nov. 12, the temple will observe Eitaikyo. Eitaikyo allows us to remember those Sangha members who have come

before us to share the Nembutsu teachings. The direct English Translation of "Eitaikyo" is "Perpetual Sutra Chanting." This phrase suggests our participation with past and future generations that allow us to hear the Buddha's teachings.

We look forward to seeing everyone participating and enjoying our upcoming events!

In Gassho,
Jill Yamanishi

More Jr. YBA News

The annual Jr YBA Bodhi Day luncheon fundraiser this year will feature **Karaage Chicken, vegetables, rice, and dessert.** We thought we would try something new so there will be **no Chow Mein** this year. The luncheon will take place on Sunday, Dec. 3, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. i after the Bodhi Day Service. Tickets for this delicious lunch will be \$7 and can be purchased from any Jr. YBA member.

In late September Trevor Muraoka's Boy Scout Troop 895 had its trailer stolen from the Elks Lodge (the Troops sponsor) parking lot. It contained everything they use for camping, which included stoves, tents, patrol boxes, canopies, games, cooking gear, lanterns and so much more. It was suggested by the Temple Board of Directors that an article be written asking for either monetary donations and/or old camping gear. A Go Fund me page was created for donations <https://www.gofundme.com/replace-stolen-camping-trailergear> and/or Ken Muraoka can pick up any camping gear you may have. Google- **Troop 895 stolen trailer** and find news coverage from both FOX5 and 10News. Thank you.

GARDEN VILLAS FRIDAY LUNCH: The temple will host the senior lunch program on December 1 from 12 noon to 1 p.m. Donation is \$3 for a warm and nutritious meal. Garden Villas Senior community living is located at 1260 Third Ave., Chula Vista, 91911. Make it a lunch date, by joining temple and community friends for lunch

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING BASKET FOOD DRIVE

Sponsored by BTSD Jr. YBA

Donations being accepted:

Non-perishable food and monetary gifts
(Make checks payable to SD Jr. YBA).

Drop off your donation on your next visit between
October 29 through Nov. 19

This Dana Project, now in its 42nd year,
enables families in need to have an enjoyable
Thanksgiving holiday season.
In 2016, four baskets were donated to families
in the Asian community.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!



DONATIONS

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.

BUDDHIST TEMPLE

Kashiwagi, Kuniyuki & Angeline
 IMO Cynthia Maki Kashiwagi - Serv.
 Benson, Agnes
 Keiro Kai Donation
 Kawasaki, Kiyoshi & Itsuko
 In Appreciation
 Teague, Bill
 GoToMyPC Expense
 Kuwada, Howard Kanji
 Yagi, D. T
 Buddhist Education Committee
 Moriyama, Chieko
 October Offering
 Yanagihara, Sumiko
 IMO Tom Yanagihara - Funeral
 IMO Tom Yanagihara - Reception
 Michael Yano (Trustee,
 Toki and Betty Yano Estate)
 Janet Ochi-Fontanott
 Amano, Takeko
 IMO Tom Yanagihara
 Hart, Laurence & Karen
 IMO Tom Yanagihara
 Guiang, Cynthia
 IMO Tom Yanagihara
 Kashima, Jeanie
 IMO Tom Yanagihara
 Gladsjo, Julie - Offering
 Otsuji, Dennis - Offering
 Uyeji, Masako
 IMO Zentaro Asamen
 Yanagihara, Sumiko
 IMO Tom Yanagihara
 Nishii, Toyo
 IMO Rev. G. Nishii
 Ishisaki, Emiko - Offering
 Koga, Florence - Offering
 Shigehara, Wilber - Offering
 Jones, Mikako
 Rexroat, Alonzo T. - Service

BODHI DAY SERVICE

Pang, Valerie

BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

Sumida, Floyd - Kitchen Imprv.
 Yamamoto, Koichi - Kitchen Imprv.

DHARMA SCHOOL

Seymour, Leslie
 Tsurudome, Mitsuo
 Sasaki, Sharon
 Tanaka, Terry
 Tanaka, Terry
 Wiederkehr, Jeff

Ochi, K. Kay
 Kawahara, Jane
 IMO Nancy Tamehiro
 Rubio-Torres, Arturo
 Yanagihara, Sumiko
 IMO Tom Yanagihara
 Yamamoto, Koichi

FLORAL OFFERING

Seymour, Leslie
 Tsurudome, Mitsuo
 Sasaki, Sharon
 Tanaka, Terry
 Tanaka, Terry
 Wiederkehr, Jeff
 Ochi, K. Kay
 Kashima, Jeanie
 Yamamoto, Koichi

GEN. MAINTENANCE

Seymour, Leslie
 Tsurudome, Mitsuo
 Sasaki, Sharon
 Tanaka, Terry
 Tanaka, Terry
 Sakaw, Toshiko
 Wiederkehr, Jeff
 Ochi, K. Kay
 Yamamoto, Koichi

OBON

Kajita, Timothy

OHIGAN

Iwashita, Setsuo
 Ong, Mike
 Hashiguchi, John
 Aoyama, Rev. Tesshi
 Ohara, Fumiko
 Tsuneyoshi, Motoo
 Sasaki, Sharon
 Yamanishi, Miyoko
 Kida, Katsumi
 Kawasaki, Kiyoshi & Itsuko
 Kawamoto, Yukio and Mitsu
 Morinaka, Asako
 Takashima, Helen K
 From Kikuko and
 Ron Takashima
 Torio, Betty
 Negoro, Glenn
 Graeber, Kikue
 Wiederkehr, Jeff
 Honda, Mikiye
 Kawasaki, Trace
 Himaka, Michio
 Smith, Maribeth "Smitty"
 Yamada, Jean
 Tomiyama, Sayoko

Yanagihara, Sumiko
 Nakamura, Jake K.
 Matsumoto, Akiko and Ken
 Okuhara, Roy
 Hill, Miyo
 Benson, Agnes
 Suyenaga, Mary
 Schraeder, Susan
 Honda, Ralph
 Martinez, Nancy
 Masumoto, Chiyoko
 Monji, Yoshiko
 Kubota, Hiroshi
 Koga, Florence
 Ishisaki, Emiko
 Voorhies, Ruth
 Driscoll, Christine
 Yamamoto, Sachio
 Yagi, Chiyeko
 Kubota, Hiroshi
 Ishizaki, Sheryl
 Morikawa, Kazuhiko
 Yagi, D T

Thank you for the opportunity
 Tanaka, Kelvin

MEMBERSHIP PLEDGES ~ 2017

We thank the individuals / families for their recent renewals:

Seymour, Leslie
 Monji, Yoshiko
 Tsurudome, Mitsuo
 Sasaki, Sharon
 Tanaka, Terry
 Sakow, Toshiko
 Wiederkehr, Jeff
 Ochi, K. Kay
 Easter, Yuki
 Yamamoto, Hisashi
 Fuchigami, Lynn S.
 Kashima, Jeanie
 Yamamoto, Koichi
 Amano, Nobuko
 Uchiyama, Tissa

MEMBERSHIP-OTHER

Tanaka, Terry

SCHOLARSHIP

Seymour, Leslie
 Tsurudome, Mitsuo
 Sasaki, Sharon
 Tanaka, Terry
 Tanaka, Terry
 Wiederkehr, Jeff
 Ochi K. Kay
 Yagi, D T
 Kashima, Jeanie
 Yamamoto, Koichi

SCHOLARSHIP

Seymour, Leslie
 Tsurudome, Mitsuo
 Sasaki, Sharon
 Tanaka, Terry
 Tanaka, Terry
 Wiederkehr, Jeff
 Ochi K. Kay
 Yagi, D T
 Kashima, Jeanie
 Yamamoto, Koichi

SHOTSUKI HOYO

Takashima, Wilbur
 IMO Haru Takashima,
 Great-grandmother
 Benson, Agnes
 August 2017
 September 2017
 Martinez, Nancy
 Teague, Joyce
 IMO Betty Teague
 IMO Aiko Muraoka
 IMO Rikizo Uyeno
 IMO John Inouye
 IMO Sadao Uyeno
 IMO Steve Wutzke &
 Dharma Friends
 Matsumoto, Akiko and Ken
 IMO Guzei Nishii
 Moriyama, Chieko
 IMO Tadashi Yano
 Oyama, Candice
 Hashiguchi, John
 IMO Kasuke Hashiguchi
 Kuroiwa, Sonoko
 Torio, Glenn
 Tomiyama, Sayoko
 IMO Louise Osaki
 Ohara, Fumiko
 Kida, James
 Himaka, Michio
 IMO Kazuye Himaka
 IMO Emi Shimizu
 Kawamoto, Yukio and Mitsu
 IMO Takashi Mayumi
 Torio, Betty
 Yonekura, Roy
 IMO Toyoko Yonekura
 Honda, Mikiye
 Sugiyama, Yukiko
 IMO Yasaku Nakamura
 Benson, Agnes
 Takashima, Wilbur
 IMO Katsue Takashima

INVESTMENT PROPERTY REPORT

By Michael Kinoshita

As a part of the Ways & Means Committee, we oversee our investment income. In an effort to diversify our investment portfolio, the Board of Directors with the recommendations of the Ways & Means Committee has approved entering into a contract to purchase income property to obtain investment income. Through Carol Baker, we have the opportunity to invest into a 4-plex apartment unit in San Antonio, Texas. The Ways & Means Committee reviewed the cost of the property, anticipated costs and income and felt this was an opportunity to diversify our investment income into real estate along with our current Fidelity Mutual Fund account. With the generous donations we received in 2016, we were able to keep our current Fidelity principal and use our 2016 new money donations to purchase the property. The cost of the property along with the closing costs is \$533,000.00.

The property we decided to invest in consists of four 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath units with a single car garage in a gated development. The original completion date was toward the end of 2017 but we had the opportunity to purchase a 4-plex unit that will be completed in October, thus being able to receive investment income sooner toward the end of 2017. The projected net monthly income, less property taxes, property insurance, property management fees and maintenance is \$3,000.00 per month. We would have a property management company take care of all of the renters application, qualifications review, property maintenance, etc.

Investing out of state has its challenges. Based on our investment budget allocation, the Committee felt to obtain the highest investment income, we needed to purchase as many rental units as possible and out of state allowed us to obtain that goal. I went to San Antonio in June to look at the site, meet the developer and General Contractor to visually see the progress of the development and to review the surrounding neighborhood and area. After spending a day in San Antonio, I did not see anything that would cause concern regarding the property. At the time of this writing, I am scheduled to go to the site to do that final walk-thru on October 23. In summary, the Committee feels this is an important step in making our

Temple more financially secure by allowing us to obtain investment income for our General Fund and to diversify our investment portfolio. *Gassho*

Buddhist Education Opportunities in November

Buddhism 1-2-3. We are meeting every Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Sangha Hall. This includes the night before Thanksgiving! We know this is a busy time for most, but for those who are free we will host a session Nov. 22 as well. Classes are open to all, and typically include all levels of experience. Each class is meant to serve as a stand-alone experience of chanting, meditation, and Dharma.

Nov. 26: Fourth Sunday: Kaytee Sumida leads this one-hour introductory class for visitors and Dharma friends looking for a short introduction to Buddhism and our Jodo Shinshu tradition, as well as temple etiquette. The class starts at 9 a.m. in the Sangha Hall, and at 10 a.m. attendees are welcome to attend the service at 10 a.m.

Events Outside San Diego

Rainbow of Infinite Light: LGBTQ in Shin Buddhism Seminar. November 18 at the Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple; learn more at <http://seattlebetsuin.org/index.php/rainbow> -- register by Nov. 8.

Online Resources -- From time to time we share web resources relating to Buddhist Education.

BCA's Center for Buddhist Education YouTube Channel. If you've missed a seminar elsewhere as sponsored by the BCA, you may find it here. Search on YouTube and BCA Center for Buddhist Education. First up are short Dharma talks as part of a Dharmathon from earlier this year.

Audio Version of *The Teaching of Buddha*. Visit <http://www.bdkamerica.org/teaching-buddha-audio-files>.

Eighty Percent of Our Members Renewed for 2017!

Bill Teague, Membership Chair

The membership committee thanks all of you for your great support. We are working now to renew the last 20% of members through notes and phone calls. If you are not certain if you have renewed or not, just contact the Temple so we can check for you.

Your support of the Temple benefits us all!

TEMPLE MOCHITSUKI IS SET FOR DECEMBER 10

It is close to that time of year where the aroma of cooked steamed sweet rice fills the temple parking lot. The annual Mochi Tsuki is a little over one month away.

The year-end cultural tradition of producing those tasty circular sweet rice cake morsels for the New Year will take place on Sunday, December 10 from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Sangha of all ages, from the youngest Dharma School student to the young at heart will once again gather for a day of wonderful friendships, and of course, cooking, pounding, grinding, cutting, shaping and packaging mochi for the New Year.

ORDER YOUR MOCHI TODAY: The price of a one-pound bag of ko-mochi (approximately 7-8 pieces) is \$4.50. A two-piece Kasane mochi (for the home O Butsudun) is \$7.00. Please fill out the form found in this month's Bussei Script and send it to the temple. Pre-orders will be accepted until Friday, Dec. 1. Payments can be made in the form of cash, check or credit card.

MONETARY DONATIONS are being accepted towards the purchase of mochigome (sweet rice) and other supplies. The suggested donation is \$75.00.

WE WILL NEED YOUR HELP throughout the day with various tasks as mentioned above. The young and energetic will be needed for grinding and pounding the steamed rice into a smooth pasty texture. Adult women and men will be needed to cut and shape the mochi into circular pancake-shape morsels. Children and adults will be asked to cool and turn over 7,000 pieces of mochi. While others will be asked to package the mochi.

Please allow a few hours from your busy day to join us!

Mochi Tsuki involves a lot of good hard work. And, at the same time, is a fun, very rewarding and wonderful learning experience through our Japanese based culture.

If you have any questions, please contact the temple or Ralph Honda at (619) 885-3788 or email: rkhonds205@gmail.com

Please save the date of Sunday, December 10, and join the Sangha as it continues its once-a-year tradition of making mochi.

In Gassho, Ralph Honda and Glenn Negoro, Co-chairs





*The Temple and Sangha offers sincere condolences to the family and friends of:
Mrs. Hinako Rexroat ~ October 4, 2017*

NOVEMBER SHOTSUKI LIST

The November Shotsuki Hoyo (MONTHLY MEMORIAL SERVICE) will be held Sunday, November 5, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in conjunction with the Family Service. Families and friends of anyone who passed away during the month of November are encouraged 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.

11月の祥月法要は 11月5日(日、午前6時より行います。先亡者のご遺族の方々はぜひ、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.

DECEASED

FAMILY MEMBER

Tsugi Imaizumi (11-16-1924)..... Imaizumi Family
Sokuji Kida (11-17-1932)..... James Kida
Shintaro Morikawa (11-21-1933)..... Sekishiro Family
Shinyemon Honda (11-6-1934)..... Yagade Family
Suye Kato (11-23-1938)..... Otsuji Family
Setsuko Mizushima (11-10-1939)..... Shintaro Matsumoto
Shika Masumoto (11-24-1939)..... Chiyoko Masumoto
Kiemon Shinden (11-11-1942)..... Ohara Family
Eijiro Inouye (11-18-1943)..... Inouye Family
Kame Niizawa (11-26-1943)..... Ruth Voorhies
Mine Sugiyama (11-7-1944)..... Sugiyama Family
Kanejiro Kondo (11-24-1945)..... Ruth Voorhies
Yasuo Murata (11-4-1946)..... Hamae Murata
Masashi Ito (11-13-1952)..... Hiroko Ito
Imataro Kawamoto (11-24-1953)..... Yukio Kawamoto
Hamako Nakamura (11-21-1954)..... Yukiko Sugiyama
Okiku Sakamoto (11-21-1954)..... Emily Marumoto
Asano Iguchi (11-8-1955)..... Iguchi Family
Hatsuno Tsuji (11-12-1956)..... Tsuji Family
Motoji Yada (11-27-1956)..... Yada Family
Nao Taketa (11-20-1957)..... Shiraishi Family
Lillian Segawa (11-20-1957)..... Segawa Family
Steven Torio (11-13-1959)..... Betty Torio
Shinobu Takeshita (11-21-1966)..... Pat Takeshita
Taira Hosaka (11-22-1967)..... Frank Hosaka
Kiyoji Mayumi (11-13-1969)..... Mayumi Family
Sonojo Sameshima (11-26-1972)..... Takashi Sameshima
Iwa Furuya (11-4-1976)..... George Furuya Jr.
Isao Nishiguchi (11-16-1979)..... Sylvia Nishiguchi
Shigeru Masumoto (11-27-1979)..... Chiyoko Masumoto
Tora Azuma (11-7-1980)..... Shizuka Azuma
Umeno Itami (11-11-1980)..... Chikaye Mary Itami
Kiku Sueyoshi (11-1-1984)..... Sueyoshi Family

DECEASED

FAMILY MEMBER

Chiyo Yamashita (11-19-1984)..... Emiko Yamashita
Zensuke Sueyoshi (11-3-1987)..... Sueyoshi Family
Fujiye Sakamoto (11-8-1987)..... Sakamoto Family
Kimi Ikenouye (11-20-1987)..... Iwashita Family
Richard Eejima (11-4-1988)..... Margie Nishiguchi
Giichi Omori (11-7-1989)..... Shirley Omori
Aiko Hamatake (11-2-1990)..... Masako Prestige
Katsuyo Hamaguchi (11-17-1990)..... Matsuko Wong
Sachiko Santohigashi (11-20-1992) ..Shunichi Santohigashi
Fuji Niizawa (11-3-1993)..... Mary Suyenaga
Hatsuye Uyeno (11-20-1993)..... Nabeta Family
Margaret Fumiko Terada (11-22-1993)..... Bruce Owashi
Takeyoshi Ohara (11-20-1995)..... Kisae Ohara
Max E. Barrett (11-16-1996)..... Lisa Miller
Hiroichi Hiroshige (11-18-1997)..... Moribe Family
Kunio Kawamoto (11-22-1997)..... Lillian Kawamoto
Asako Fujii (11-28-1997)..... Ikuko Murphy
Sadako Ishizu (11-28-1998)..... Setsuko Toyama
George Terusaki (11-28-1999)..... Lily Terusaki
Fusako Matsui (11-18-2000)..... Jack Matsui
Dick Toshio Hachisu (11-13-2001)..... Florence Hachisu
Tamayo Yoshisaka (11-26-2001)..... Masanobu Yoshisaka
Albert Ichiro Saito (11-24-2003)..... Evelyn Chieko Saito
Akiji Ochi (11-27-2007)..... Kay Ochi
Yoshiko Nakamura (11-14-2009)..... Miyo Hill
Dennis Morinaka (11-30-2009)..... Asako Morinaka
Ritsuko Nabeta (11-7-2010)..... Joyce Teague
Shigeru Oto (11-10-2011)..... Junko Oto
Kazuo Kosaka (11-1-2014)..... Miyoko Kosaka
Tokuko Huffman (11-24-2014)..... Samuel Yang
Norman Satoshi Yagade (11-7-2015) ..Steven Kiyoshi Yagade

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

EITAIKYO LISTING 2017

Below is a list of names (**next three pages**) that have been recorded in the Buddhist Temple of San Diego's Eitaikyo (Perpetual Memorial) book, as of October 2017. The temple apologizes for any errors or omissions. To help keep our records up-to-date, please contact the temple with any corrections. The temple looks forward to your participation with the annual Eitaikyo Observance.

Note: Newest additions are a the end of this list.

LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST
AKIYAMA	Yasu	GRAEBER	Kikue	ISHISAKI	Eikichi	KAWAMOTO	Michael
AMANO	Mitsuru	HAGIO	Leo	ISHISAKI	Ronnie	KAWAMOTO	Mitsuko
AMANO	Sam	HAGIO	Yuruko	ISHISAKI	Toriyo	KAWAMOTO	Yukio
AMANO	Takeko	HAGIO	Shie	ISHISAKI	Tsugiye	KAWAMOTO	Sakayo
AMANO	Momoyo & Shigeo	HAMAGUCHI	Teikichi	ISHIZU	Masaichi	KAWAMOTO	Shinshichi
AMANO	Osamu	HANANO	(Family)	ISHIZU	Osamu	KAWAMOTO	Tsuruyo
AMANO	Shigeto & Yaeno	HASHIGUCHI	(Ancestors)	ISHIZU	(Family)	KAWAMOTO	Umeko
AMANO	(Ancestors)	HATASHITA	(Ancestors)	ITAMI	Umeko	KAWASAKI	Kikuyo
ARAUMI	Shin	HATAUYE	Gitaro	ITO	Bob	KAWASAKI	Seki
ARAUMI	Zentaro	HATAUYE	Kura	ITO	Elwood	KAWASAKI	(Family)
ARAUMI	(Ancestors)	HAYASHI	Haru	ITO	Harry	KINOSHITA	Kijiro
ASAMEN	Eda & Zentaro	HAYASHI	Taroueman	ITO	Hazel	KITAGAWA	Michiko
ASAMEN	George	HIDINGER	Ron	ITO	Emiko	KITAGAWA	(Ancestors)
ASAMEN	Kumiko	HIDINGER	Holly	ITO	Ikichi	KIYONO	Ichinosuke
ASAMEN	(Family)	HIMAKA	Chosuke	ITO	Kitsu	KIYONO	Kazuo
AZUMA	Sueichi	HIMAKA	Haru	ITO	Matsu	KIYONO	(Family)
AZUMA	Tora	HIMAKA	Kazuye	ITO	Tsuzuki	KOBA	Haruki & Michiko
AZUMA	(Ancestors)	HIMAKA	Osao & Setsuko	ITO	Tsuzuki (Parents)	KOBA	Masanori (Family)
AZUMA	(Parents)	HIMAKA	(Family)	ITO	Tazuki	KODAMA	Chieko
BABA	Chosuke	HIRAKAWA	Kenichi	ITO	Nobuko	KODAMA	Chiyeno
BARRETT	Max. E.	HIRAKAWA	Shigeno	ITO	Usaburo	KODAMA	George Yukio
BARRETT	Elaine Matsumoto	HIRAKAWA	Toshi	ITO	Onoe	KODAMA	Takeko
BENSON	John E.	HIRAKAWA	Wataru	ITO	Family (Ancestors)	KODAMA	Kojiro
BLOOM	Tony	HIRATA	(Family)	IWASHITA	Zembei & Tamiko	KODAMA	Kaijiro
CHIYOJI	George	HIROSHIGE	Hiroichi	IWASHITA	(Family)	KODAMA	Toichi
COPPOCK	(Family)	HIROSHIGE	Fusae	IWATA	Hideo	KODAMA	Yukino
DAMESHIKI	Francis	HONDA	Mikiye	IWATAKI	Yoshiko	KOGA	Irene
DATE	Akira	HONDA	Ben	JONES	(Family)	KOGA	Kazuo
DATE	Kimiye	HONDA	Hachiro & Fumino	KADO	Susan	KOGA	M.T. (Family)
DATE	Ofuji	HONDA	Masami & Yaeko	KAMIMURA	Ei	KONDO	Otokichi
DATE	Tamotsu	HONDA	Nobuo	KAMIMURA	Funauyemon	KONISHI	Jon I.
DATE	(Family)	HONDA	Ralph	KAMIMURA	(Family)	KOSHIKI	Kuwada
DOI	Hidekichi	HONDA	(Ancestors)	KANEKO	Kakuaki	KUROYE	Masashige
DOI	Kurume	HOSAKA	Minetaro	KANEKO	Shuji	KUROYE	(Family)
DOI	Shiruno	HOSAKA	Roy S.	KANEKO	(Family)	KUSAKA	(Ancestors)
DOI	Terry	IGUCHI	Haruko	KANESHIRO	Eijiro	KUWADA	Koichi
DUTTON	Jeanette M.	IGUCHI	Mariko	KANESHIRO	Gale	KUWADA	Mitsuko
EEJIMA	Richard Jr.	IKENOUE	(Family)	KANESHIRO	(Family)	KUWADA	Tomoyo
EEJIMA	Richard Sr.	IMAI	Hiroshiga	KASAKISAKO	(Family)	KUWADA	(Family)
ESTES	Donald	IMAI	Ichigoro	KASHIMA	Jeanie	MAMIYA	Tami
FUJII	Koichi	IMAI	Mine	KASHIMA	Tetsuyo	MAMIYA	Tatsuo
FUKAMIZU	Frank	IMAI	(Parents)	KASHIMA	(Family)	MAMIYA	Yoshigoro
FURUYA	George	INOUE	Eijiro	KASUBUCHI	James	MAMIYA	Yoshio
FURUYA	Iwa	INOUE	Hiroyuki	KASUBUCHI	James (Family)	MASUMOTO	Koichi
FURUYA	Shigeyuki	INOUE	Ume	KAWAKAMI	Mine	MASUMOTO	Shigeru
FURUYA	Takaye Shiz	INOUE	(Family)	KAWAMOTO	Harry	MASUMOTO	Yuki
FURUYA	(Family)	ISHINO	Kosaburo	KAWAMOTO	Ito	MASUMOTO	(Family)
		ISHINO	Matsue	KAWAMOTO	Imataro		

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LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST
MATHEWS	Hisako	NAKAMURA	Pauline	OTO	(Ancestors)	TAKASHIMA	(Ancestors)
MATSUDA	Fujitaro	NAKAMURA*	Isamu	OTSUJI	Haruhiko	TAKASHIMA	Katsue
MATSUDA	Totaro	NAKAMURA	Fuji	OUCHI	Kaizo	TAKASHIMA	Sandra S.
MATSUI	Akito	NAKAMURA	Fukumatsu	OUCHI	Masu	TAKASHIMA	Yoshiko
MATSUI	Hanano	NAKAMURA	Hamako	OUCHI	Tayo	TAKASHIMA	Katsumi J.
MATSUI	Taro	NAKAMURA	Yoshiko	OUCHI	Kingo	TAKASHIMA	Richard Tatsuo
MATSUI	(Family)	NAKAMURA	Minoru	OUCHI	Michie	TANAKA	Mitsuko
MATSUMOTO	Harry T.	NAKATA	Katae	OUCHI	(Ancestors)	TANAKA	Shigeru
MATSUMOTO	(Family)	NAKATA	Kazue	OYA	Fujie	TANAKA	Tsukiye
MATSUSHITA	(Ancestors)	NAKATA	Yonesuke	OZAKI	Hisashi	TANAKA	Tsuruye
MAYUMI	Manae	NAKATA	Yozo	PRESTIGE	(Family)	TANIZAKI	Hamano
MAYUMI	Hiroshi	NEGORO	Glenn M.	RUSSELL	Ruwena	TANIZAKI	Katsu
MAYUMI	Kiyoji	NEGORO	Yukiko	SAITO	Jinsaku	TANIZAKI	Masaaki
MAYUMI	Takashi	NEGORO	Yaguro	SAKAMOTO	Komeno	TEAGUE	Betty Harvey
MAYUMI	Tamio	NIMURA	Tamizo	SAKAMOTO	Shunzo	TEAGUE	J. Richard
MIYAMA	Isamu	NIMURA	(Ancestors)	SAMESHIMA	Tsuneichi	TERUSAKI	George Hideo
MIYAMA	(Family)	NISHII	Gen	SAMESHIMA	Yukino	TERUSAKI	Lily Yuriko
MIYAMOTO	Koichi	NISHII	Rev. Guzei	SANTOHIGASHI	Taiji	TOKUNAGA	Ron
MIYAMOTO	Shika	NISHII	Nobue	SANTOHIGASHI	Sachiko	TOMIYAMA	Sayoko
MIYAMOTO	Eihachi	NISHII	Masaru	SANTOHIGASHI	Kiyoko	TOMIYAMA	Akie
MIYAMOTO	Yoshi	NISHIUYE	Midori	SANTOHIGASHI	Masao	TOMIYAMA	Steven
MIZUKI	Masato	OCHI	Akiji	SATAKE	Shigeo	TOMIYAMA	Noboru
MIZUKI	Florence	OCHI	Ichiye	SEGAWA	Lillian	TORIO	Charley
MIZUKI	Tamiko	OCHI	Hideo	SHIMADA	Ichi	TORIO	Suna
MIZUSHIRO	Masato	OCHI	Hisa	SHIMADA	Ichi	TORIO	Yoshichiro
MOMITA	Asao	OCHI	Kizo	SHIMADA	Kikue	TOYOMARU	Chiyoki
MOMITA	Fumiko	OCHI	Masa	SHIMADA	Kikushige	TSUBAKIHARA	Sumiko
MORIBE	Chieno	ODATE	Abe (wife's parents)	SHIMIZU	Christine	TSUNEYOSHI	(Family)
MORIBE	Hiromi	ODATE	Frank	SHIMIZU	Paul & Emi H.	TSUNEYOSHI	Motoo (Family)
MORIBE	Susan	OGATA	Kasuke	SHIMIZU	Seiichi & Shizuko	TSURUDOME	Peggy
MORIBE	(Family)	OGAWA	Toshino	SHINOHARA	Jimmie	TSURUDOME	Shigenori
MORIMOTO	Zeiichiro	OGAWA	Zenichi	SHINOHARA	Masako	UCHIDA	Setsuko
MORINAKA	Dennis	OGAWA	(Ancestors)	SHINOHARA	Matsu	URATA	Goki
MORINAKA	Roy	OGAWA	(Family)	SHINOHARA	Natsue	URATA	Mitsuyo
MURAOKA	Aiko	OHARA	Buyemon	SHINOHARA	(Ancestors)	UYEJI	Magotsugu "Kottie"
MURAOKA	Haruko	OHARA	Kisae	SUGITA	Sam	WATAMURA	Heitaro
MURAOKA	Kiyoji	OHARA	Mitsu	SUGIYAMA	Uta	WATAMURA	Hideo B.
MURAOKA	Saburo	OHARA	Takenori	SUGIYAMA	Saburo	WATAMURA	Rose
MURAOKA	Unjiro	OHARA	Takeyoshi	SUGIYAMA	Mine	WATAMURA	Tokuyo
MURAOKA	(Ancestors)	OJIRI	David T.	SUGIYAMA	Yoshio	YADA	Tome
MURATA	Tamotsu	OKUMA	Yukichi	SUGIYAMA	Misono	YADA	Motoji
MURATA & UCHIDA	(Family)	OKUMA	Mitose	SUGIYAMA	Yukiko	YAMADA	Harry
NABETA	Ritsuko	OKUMA	Keisuke	SUGIYAMA	Yasuyuki	YAMADA	Rosie
NABETA	Fred Fukumi	OKUMA	Yoshie	SUGIYAMA	Kuzo (Family)	YAMADA	Suzy
NAKAGAWA	Kichizo	OKUMA	(Family/Parents)	SUGIYAMA	Hideo	YAMAGATA	Chiyo
NAKAGAWA	Yasu	OMORI	Giichi (Family/Parents)	SUGIYAMA	Kuzo	YAMAMOTO	Eiichi
NAKAGAWA	Kou	OSAKI	Kiyotaro	SUMIDA	Floyd & Kathleen	YAMAMOTO	Hisano
NAKAGAWA	Seki	OSAKI	Wasa	SUYENAGA	Hideo	YAMAMOTO	Irene
NAKAMURA	Utako	OSAKI	Earl Isoki	SUYENAGA	Mary	YAMAMOTO	Sachiye
NAKAMURA	Yasaku	OSAKI	Louise Tsuruko	TACHIKI	Naminosuke	YAMAMOTO	Noboru
NAKAMURA	Kinjiro	OSAKI	(Ancestors)	TACHIKI	Tetsu	YAMAMOTO	Shizue
NAKAMURA	Koyoshi	OSUMI	Yukichi	TACHIKI	Frank	YAMAMOTO	Steven
NAKAMURA	Tamayo	OTO	Shigeru	TACHIKI	(Family)		
		OTO	Motono				

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LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST	LAST	FIRST
YAMANISHI	Jukichi	YANAGIHARA	Ichi	YANAGIHARA	(Family)	YANO	Hatsuyo	YONEKURA	Ryu
YAMANISHI	Matsu	YANAGIHARA	Kotaro	YANO	Chiyo	YANO	(Family)	YONEKURA	Glenn Toshiharu
YAMANISHI	Sawa	YANAGIHARA	Rino	YANO	Sakuhichi	YASAKI	Jinkichi	YOSHIHARU	Ronnie
YAMASAKI	Jinkichi & Tetsu	YANAGIHARA	Senkichi	YANO	Tokihira	YONEKURA	(Ancestors)	YOSHISAKA	Tamayo
YAMASAKI	Shinkichi	YANAGIHARA	Shizuko	YANO	Tadashi	YONEKURA	Hashio	YUKICHI	Mitose
YAMASHITA	Shozo	YANAGIHARA	Tom Sr.	YANO	George Chiyoji	YONEKURA	Tatsujiro		
YAMASHITA	Chiyo	YANAGIHARA	Masaru	YANO	Hajime	YONEKURA	Tom		
YAMASHITA	Chozaburo	YANAGIHARA	Tosaburo	YANO	Yoshiharu	YONEKURA	Yoshie		

EITAIKYO FUND

Name of Donor (First/M./Last): _____

New Account?: **YES** or **NO** (For **BOTH YES** and **NO**, please fill-in the information below)

Donating for (Name): _____ Relationship: _____

Donating for (Name): _____ Relationship: _____

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Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Donation Amount: \$ _____ Check #: _____


PLEASE USE OTHER SIDE FOR MORE NAMES

MOCHITSUKI ORDER FORM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2017

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

 **KO-MOCHI PACKAGE:** _____ x \$4.50 = COST \$ _____
(Ko-Mochi is sold by the package, not by weight. Each package is *approximately* 1 lb.)

 **KASANEMOCHI PACKAGE:** _____ x \$7.00 = COST \$ _____

TOTAL COST = \$ _____

Send order form with check to: **Buddhist Temple of San Diego, Attn: Mochi**
2929 Market Street, San Diego, CA 92102.

OR
Send an e-mail order to: info@btsd.net

Deadline to order is: **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1 2017.**

Orders received AFTER the deadline will be placed on STAND-BY.

All orders must be picked up at the Temple on SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.
Orders not picked up by 3 p.m. will be subject to resale.

Scrip News

We received word that Darden gift cards can no longer be used at Red Lobster Restaurants, they can only be used at Olive Garden Restaurants.

Nancy Martinez will be overseeing the scrip program while I am recovering from surgery in November.

Now is the time to start placing your orders for Christmas. If you have people that you need to "thank" or you need gifts - place your order so that you will have the gift cards in the dominations that you want. REMEMBER - it's always the right time to buy scrip!

Buddhism 1-2-3

7:00 p.m. ~ BTSD Sangha Hall
*Meditation * Chanting * Discussion * Q & A

CLASS SCHEDULE:
November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29



EITAIKYO 2017

Dear Members and Dharma Friends:

The Buddhist Temple of San Diego will hold its annual Eitaikyo (Perpetual Memorial) Service on **Sunday, November 12** beginning at 10 a.m. Eitaikyo will be held in conjunction with the Lady Esshinni Memorial Service. All Eitaikyo members, friends and relatives of Eitaikyo *Senboshu* are encouraged to attend.

The Eitaikyo observance honors all dedicated members and Dharma friends, whether known or unknown, who devoted themselves for the spiritual welfare of the temple, so that we may continue to practice, as Jodo Shinshu followers, the Buddha's teachings.

The Eitaikyo Fund is a special fund established to:

- A. Honor in perpetuity those who have passed away.**
- B. Ensure the survival of the temple.**

When a person passes away and a relative or friend makes a contribution to the Eitaikyo Fund in memory of the deceased, the deceased's name is entered in the Temple's Eitaikyo Book, which is kept in the *Onaijin* (Center altar). Each year honorees listed in the Eitaikyo Book are remembered at the Eitaikyo Service. Contributions to the Eitaikyo Fund can be made in memory of relatives, ancestors or friends, or it can be made in one's own name. Additional contributions to the fund can be made at any time. A listing of all Eitaikyo honorees are part of this month's Bussei Script.

The Eitaikyo Fund is constrained so that it cannot be used for normal operations of the temple. Funds may be used only to purchase articles for the *Onaijin* or, in case of extreme emergency.

New participants are encouraged to start an Eitaikyo Fund in honor of a deceased loved one or a living individual at anytime.

The following policy has been established for contributions to the Eitaikyo Fund:

- 1) A minimum initial contribution of \$100.00 is required to record a new name in the Eitaikyo Book. After the initial contribution, future donations in any amount are acceptable.**
- 2) Eitaikyo Fund contributions are dedicated specifically for that particular fund.**
- 3) Eitaikyo Service donations will be earmarked for the Temple's General Fund.**

The listing of Eitaikyo honorees, plus a form for new and continuing participants to the program, appear in this month's edition of the Bussei Script.

Included with this mailing are two envelopes. Please use the blue envelope for your donation to the Eitaikyo Fund. The white envelope is for your offering to the Eitaikyo Service. **(Use for mailing Kaiho)**

When mailing your donation, please indicate if your donation is either for the Eitaikyo Fund, Eitaikyo Service, or Both. **(Use for emailing the Kaiho)**

Thank you for your heartfelt donation and continued support. We look forward to your participation at the Eitaikyo service.

In Gassho,
Buddhist Temple of San Diego

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駐在開教使 向嶋謙史

先月、ラスベガスで銃による大変恐ろしい事件が起こりました。多くの人が集まるコンサート会場で無差別に銃が乱射され、五十九人も人が亡くなり、五〇〇人以上の負傷者が出ました。犯人はその後自殺しましたが、アメリカにおける史上最悪の銃犯罪となりました。大変悲しむべきことです。

今、イスラム教徒をはじめ移民の方々と同性愛者などに対する差別行為、世界中で繰り返られているテロリスト問題、更にはアメリカと北朝鮮における緊迫状態などといった数多くの問題で世界はこれまでにならぬほど緊張感に包まれています。更には最近では、ハリケーンや地震、または、山火事などといった自然災害が多くの人命を奪いました。このような悲惨なニュースを耳にするたびに、心がひどく痛みます。今、世界はどこに向かっているか、心が大変痛むのでしようか。私達はみんな生き残るべきか、私達の願う平和な世界とは大きくかけはなれた不安と絶望の内に今、私達は立たされています。

私達は、この混沌とした社会の中で一体どのような生き方を模索すればいいのでしょうか。私達はみんな生き残るべきか、私達の願う平和な世界とは大きくかけはなれた不安と絶望の内に今、私達は立たされています。私達は、日常生計におけるさまざまな事態に直面す

る中で悩んだり、苦しんだりしています。そのようなときは、気持ちが落ち込み何事も否定的に考え、てしまいがちですが、それでは心を安穩に保つことはできません。

念仏に生きるものは、行き詰ったときにこそ、阿彌陀仏から賜ったお念仏を称えていく生活が何よりも大切なことなのです。なぜなら、お念仏によって、心に閉ざされた心の中に智慧の光が差し込み、固執した考え方が自然と変わっていくからです。お念仏は人生の進むべき道を照らして下さる道しるべなのです。

そして、お念仏を申す中で、私達の物の考え方が前向きになり、たとえ自分を理解してくれない人が周りにいなくても心の安穩を失うことはありません。しかし、お念仏のない生活は考え方が後ろ向きになり、恐怖や疑念、そして自己嫌悪などといった迷いの心が邪魔をして、たとえ分かり合える家族や友人に囲まれていても、暖かい環境にあつても、心に幸せを感じることができないのです。ですから、私達に正しいものの見方を育てて下さるお念仏は、とても大切なことです。

たとえば、私達のまわりに意地悪な人がいて、その人がいつも私達に何かと問題を起こしてくるとします。その都度、腹を立てて相手に憎しみを募らせてしまおうと、食欲がなくなり、眠れなくなり、しまいには精神安定剤や睡眠薬を必要とする生活に追い込まれます。それが悪化してしまおうと、服用量が増え、身体はもろくなること、考え方まで病んできて、その結果、親しい友人が私達から遠ざかってしまいます。さらには、家族までもが理解をしてくれなくなり、最後には心身共に深刻な病に倒れてしまいます。もしそうなら、私達に意地悪をはたらいた人は大いに喜ぶことでしょう。

たとえ、誰かから不当な仕打ちがあつたとしても、お念仏と共に、心豊かに安穩に暮らしていたら、私達はストレスで健康を害することもなく、いつも良き家族として、友人に囲まれながら幸せに暮らすことができるのです。これこそ、私達を陥れようとしている人にお念仏に守られた私達の心の強さを示すことができる賢明な生き方なのです。たとえ、どんなに辛く耐えたい状況であっても、お念仏の生活が実践できたなら、何物をも恐れることなく、穏やかなままに心の安穩を保つことができます。念仏生活から学ぶ寛容や忍耐は、決して弱さのあらわれではありません。むしろ寛容と忍耐は念仏者の強さのあらわれなのです。

日々の生活の中で、意地悪な人に出会ったら、それを忍耐や寛容を学ぶ尊い縁だと有難く受け入れましょう。大変難しいことではありますが、そう考えれば、意地悪な人までもが私達の師となり、私達の人々に彩りと深みを増すお手伝いをして下さっているということになります。その人達の恩恵は別として、この点から見れば、全ての方が私達の人生にとって有り難い存在となるのです。このように、人生の苦しい時期であっても、有益な経験を得ながら、人として内面を強くし、心の安穩を保つ生き方が念仏生活なのです。

仏教では真の平和は己の中にあるといわれています。そして、世界平和は、私自身の安穩から始まるといわれています。私達は生きていく上で、数多くの苦しみ悩みに遭遇いたしますが、どれほど苦しい立場にいても、強い精神を持って、前向きに人生を歩み、常に心の安穩と幸せを合掌とお念仏申す中で育んでいくように共に精進させていたたきましょう。最後に、ラスベガスの銃乱射事件で犠牲になられた全ての方々へ哀悼の誠を捧げます。



Growing Up SANSEI

November 18, 2017 at 1:00 pm

A Community Event about Our Uniquely JA Upbringing

Just the mention of a "Japanese American Dysfunctional Family Play" has brought smiles and laughter from Baby Boomer Sansei who grew up in a uniquely JA family environment.

A live reading of a "JA Dysfunctional Family Play" by Soji Kashiwagi, with a post-reading discussion by Dr. Satsuki Ina. In "Garage Door Opener" we meet Glenn and Sharon, a brother and sister cleaning out the garage after their parents have passed away. As they sift through dozens of empty tofu containers and thick broccoli rubber bands, they find a better understanding of their parents and themselves.

Please join us on Saturday, November 18, 2017 at 1 p.m. at the Buddhist Temple of San Diego

General Admission \$15, includes reading only
\$25 includes admission and a buffet lunch at 12, noon

Growing Up SANSEI "Garage Door Opener"

November 18, 2017 at 1:00 pm

Name: _____

Phone/Email: _____

Reading Only \$15 X _____ = _____

Reading Plus Buffet Lunch

\$25 X _____ = _____

Total \$ _____

Enclosed Check No.: _____

Credit: Visa, MC, American Ex.

No.: _____

Exp. Date: _____

WAYS & MEANS REPORT

By Michael Kinoshita

I am writing this as a 4th quarter status of what we have been working on for the first 9 months of this year. I really wanted to get this in at the mid-year term but did not get my article in. We continue to brainstorm/discuss ideas on how we can balance our budget.

At our General Meeting, we estimated that we would have about a \$20,000.00 deficit from our expenditures versus our income for 2017. Our current financial situation finds us close to our estimated income and expenses but we are still tracking at deficit of approximately \$19,000.00. We have made progress on a couple of areas like waste management costs, (trash bin pick-up service) and telephone service (Voice-over Internet service) which could save the Temple anywhere from \$3,000.00-\$5,000.00 per year. We have incurred some additional costs due to necessary upgrades to our wireless/internet service.

Our committee is looking into other cost savings such as Solar Energy, consolidating Security Alarm System, Gardening services and other Temple overhead items to find any item where we can modify/ maintain the services necessary to run our Temple but obtain cost savings in return.

The Ways & Means members are committed to work toward balancing our budget for the upcoming years. Gassho

NOVEMBER EVENTS

◇ **November Shotsuki Hoyo (Monthly Memorial) Nov. 5**

◇ **Eitai-kyo Service & Lady Eshinni Memorial Nov. 12**

The Buddhist Temple of San Diego and Rev. Dr. Kenji Akahoshi cordially invite you to the 2017 **Eitai-kyo (Perpetual Memorial) Service**. This observance honors all dedicated members and Dharma friends, whether known or unknown, who have devoted themselves to the spiritual welfare of the Temple, so that we may continue to practice, as Jodo Shinshu followers, the Buddha's teachings. Each year, the Buddhist Women's Association also sponsors the **Lady Eshinni Memorial**, commemorating the wife of our founder, Shinran Shonin, to praise her virtue and contributions. **BWA Makizushi fundraiser:** November 12 following Eitai-kyo service. Donation is \$6.

◇ **Jr. YBA Thanksgiving Food Drive:** Through November 19.

◇ **BTSD/VFW BINGO** November 11th at 6 p.m.

◇ **CRAFTS:** Wednesdays November 1 and 15 at 10 a.m.

Dr. Satsuki Ina – Guest Speaker

Sunday Service - Nov. 19, 2017

Dr. Satsuki Ina is Prof. Emeritus at Cal. St. U., Sacramento; has produced 2 documentary films for PBS on J-A incarceration; written 2 books; is a psychotherapist specializing in community trauma; involved in Tule Lake Pilgrimage, Clergy Abuse Project, and ACLU and DACA issues. As a Buddhist, her topic is "Social Justice and Interdependence," or "Why Get Involved?"

BTSD MEMBER JAIME BROWN EARNS EDUCATOR HONORS

The Buddhist Temple of San Diego extends heartfelt congratulations to temple member Jaime Brown, who was honored for her achievements as an educator.

Jaime, who teaches at San Diego High School of International Studies, was one of five local educators who were named San Diego County Teachers of the Year. The inspiring instructor added another accolade to her resume as one of five to be honored as California Teachers of the Year.

"I absolutely would not have earned this recognition without the support of my family and friends. And I know my experiences at the Buddhist Temple provided a good foundation for not only a compassionate worldview, but also public speaking (my first times being in front of a crowd were leading services with my classmates in dharma school). I feel very grateful," Brown said recently.

Locally, Jaime along with the four other San Diego County Teachers of the Year, were recognized at the San Diego State football game on September 30. An article on page A1 of the San Diego Union-Tribune, dated October 12, features Jaime and her accomplishment.

Jaime, who has taught her entire 15-year career at San Diego High School, where she graduated in 1996, is the daughter of temple members Bill and Joyce Teague.

Congratulations, Jaime. The temple is very proud of your prestigious recognition.



BTSD Tai Chi

We have a new instructor who is easy to follow and patient with us, so please come and check it out. We are asking for a suggested donation of \$5 per session, (optional). **Thursdays, Nov. 9, 16 and 30 from 10-11 a.m. in the Annex Hall**