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Values BY REV. HARRY GYOKYO BRIDGE

LATELY I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT values. When I started studying to be a minister I would sometimes hear how it could be confusing to figure out which values in the temple were Buddhist and which were Japanese. Of course, it isn't always that simple, since Buddhist values are deeply embedded in Japanese society. However, recently I am realizing that now it appears that there is just as much, if not more,

confusion between Buddhist values and what we might call American values.

Part of the problem is that values seem so natural that we often don't even notice them. We just assume that this is the way things are. But I would argue that one Buddhist value is precisely *not* to take anything for granted, including the values that we hold. It's not that we need to get rid of our values, but as Buddhists it is important to be aware of

our values, Buddhist or otherwise.

One value which can be found in both Buddhism and America is freedom. I have written about this before, but this year one of Shinran Shonin's statements reported in the *Tannisho* keeps coming to mind. In a discussion of compassion in different types of Buddhism, he recognizes that one type of compassion is "to pity,

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Co-President's Message

BY JON TAKAGAKI

AS STEVE AND I COMPOSE OUR message, we would have just recognized the Memorial Day holiday and the "unofficial" start of summer. Summer is when we can all look forward to the season of temple bazaars and Obon festivals. It is likely

that you have received this edition of the Busshin shortly before our annual BCO Bazaar and Food Festival, our major church fund-raiser. *Oakland's Bazaar and Food Festival* is again on *Father's Day weekend, June 17 and 18*, and is our way of celebrating

our great dads with a backbreaking weekend of fun! Food preparations, beginning with kuri manju, along with construction of the booths in the back parking lot, would have already taken place the week prior to bazaar. We

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HŌ-ON Service Teams

THE HO-ON SERVICE TEAMS ARE LISTED BELOW. IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN CONTACTED AND and you would like to help on a team, please call the office (510) 832-5988 or email officebco@gmail.com. We welcome all members and friends of the BCO to be part of a Host Group, so feel free to invite your children and extended family to help out on the teams. Please note that these service teams do not affect our BCO Bazaar & Food Festival shifts or our Obon Festival shifts. Your help at these two major fundraisers is still vital to the life of our church. *In Gassho, The BCO Board of Directors* ■

HO-ON SERVICE TEAM 9:

(Responsible for July, 2017)

Norman Yoshida (Leader)

Kevin Chang & Sara Kashima
Hiro & Janet Okawachi
Donna Castro
Robert & Tomoko Goh
Renie Grohl
Gerardo Medina &
Hiromi Yoshioka
Robert Ozawa

Brian & Kacia Sato
Kreyne & Laura Sato
Ronald & Frances Sato
Jeffrey & Pam Suda
Vicki Suda
Norman & Kathy Yoshida
Saburo Yoshida
Fusae Yoshida

HO-ON SERVICE TEAM 10:

(Responsible for August, 2017)

Steven Terusaki (Leader)

Norman & Susan Abrahamson
Mika Arbelbide
Joseph Costarella &
Sumi Shohara
Sherry Hirota
Nancy Hirota
David & Katie Sanbongi Hirota
Patti Hisaoka
Takako Hori

Philip Li & Tricia Tamura-Li
Michael McCutcheon &
Janet Shohara McCutcheon
Scott Morgan &
Joanne Yoshimura Morgan
George & Dora Negoro
Marian Okamura
Jessie Shohara
Steven & Kathleen Terusaki
Michael & Sachiko Yamamura

Momiji Kai News

BY NANCY YAMAMOTO

AT ONE OF OUR PRIOR MEETINGS, WE WERE honored guests at a very generous and special luncheon hosted by two sisters, Meta Orans and Thea Horii honoring their mother, Mrs. Itsuko Uota, on her 90th birthday. Congratulations!!! Mrs. Uota. We, the members of Momiji Kai, do wish you a wonderful healthy year and many more birthdays. Thank you and your thoughtful daughters for

including us all for this happy event.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, June 1, 2017. For the month of June, this will be the only meeting date, as the church will be celebrating their annual Bazaar later in the month. We hope to see everyone at the annual event. ■

Values

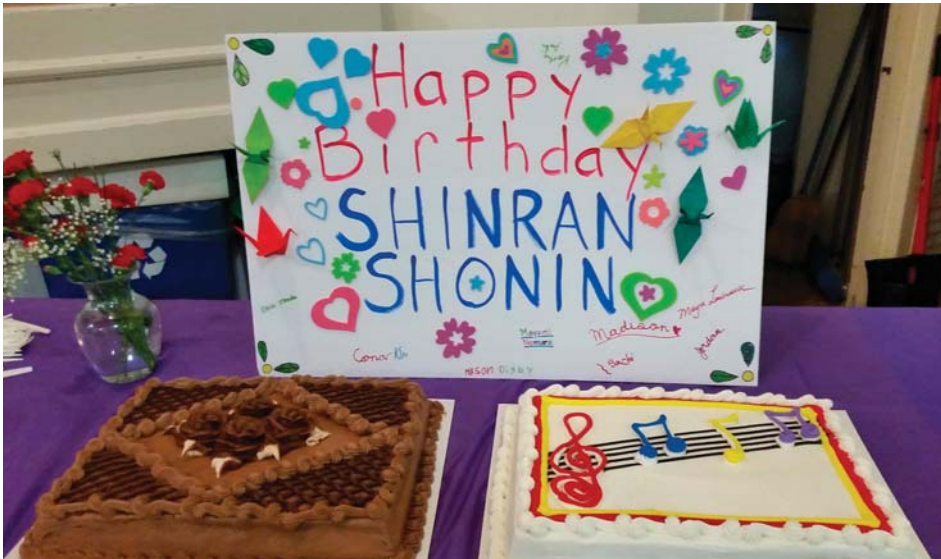
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commiserate with, and care for beings. It is extremely difficult, however, to accomplish the saving of others just as one wishes." In other words, although we may try to help others, there are many things beyond our control, so our urge to help may not go the way we want. Another type of compassion is the compassion of a Buddha, someone

who has awakened to perfect wisdom and compassion. With this kind of compassion, one can "freely benefit beings as one wishes." This is the perfect freedom of Buddhism - it isn't freedom to do what you want, it is freedom to help others without the impediments of ego and the three poisons.

Even if this vision of freedom seems

fantastic, it is the emphasis on helping others that I want to point out. Wisdom and Compassion are the ultimate values of Buddhism - even if we can't perfect them in this life, they give us an ideal to aim for and to keep in mind when we examine the secular values we also hold. ■



OUR PETS MEMORIAL SERVICE

was held on *April 30*. It was our opportunity to remember and say thank you to all the pets who contributed so much to our lives. Thank you to **Michael Endo** who set up the memorial table and cards and to **Pam Kato** who designed and printed the cards. In addition to saying thank you to our pets, we also want to say thank you to all the animals who contribute to our meals! Thank you chickens, cows, pigs, fish, sea critters and other animals.

The Dharma School students wished Shinran Shonin a Happy Birthday on Gotane. Shinran Shonin was born in 1173, so we celebrated his 844th Birthday!!

We are looking forward to the last service of the school year – and to the Bazaar! Hope to see you there!

Thank you to the following donors who donated to the Dharma School in memory of their pets:

Donna and Martha Castro for *Hanna and Mr. D.*

Stacy and John Eastly for *Lola and Tweety*

Michael Endo for *Buttons*

Loris and Norman Endo for *Kalani and Sadie*

Gloria Fujimoto for *Heidi*

Renie Grohl for *Rosie, Scooter and Chuck*

Kathryn Hashimoto for *Molly*

Kristin and Karen Hashimoto for *Muffy and Ashlee*

Helen Hasihmoto for *Smokie and Baby*

Nancy Hirota for *Lulu*

Ikeda Family for *Yuki, Poncho and Canyon*

Rick and Gayle Inada for *Toby*

Paul and Michiyo Laberge for *Suzy Q*

Gary and Maya Lawrence for *Roshin, Sam, Ralph, Stosh, Mike, Spike, Kitten and Squeaker*

Brian Nagata for *Kuma, JJ, Snoopy, Prince and Mei Mei*

Greg Nakamura family for *Poki-Chan*
Mayumi Nomura for *Gill*

Shimamoto Family for *Koumori Kitty, Sandy (aka Niji), Bernie Shelty, Corbu, Ella and Sunny D.*

Tanisawa Family for *Buddy and Gizmo*

Terusaki Family for *Fishy and Quincy*

Tominaga Family for *Pepper*

Louise Utsurogi for *Tabi*

Alex Wilson and Doris Okano for *Vicki*

Tsujimoto-Wong Family for *Mika, Goldie, Kiwi, Fishie and Milo*

Darrin, Lori and Lanae Wong for *Keno Nancy*

Roger Wong (for Ted and Masako Sakaki) for *Koko*

Yamaoka Family for *Chibi and Vegas*

Fusae Yoshida for *Juba, Mary Jane and Sara*

Norman Yoshida Family for *Pipin, Sunny and Kona*

And thank you to the following for their donations:

Ruby Kuritsubo for packets of origami paper

Ron and June Nomura in celebration of *Mayumi's birthday*

Apologies to **Alice Neishi** for omitting her last name in the May Busshin!

Happy Birthday

We wish a very Happy Birthday to our students born in June: **Martha Castro, Grant Ikeda, Garrett Kamita, Binh Liang, Emiko Takemoto**. We wish you all the best. ■

DEADLINE FOR AUGUST 2017 BUSSHIN ARTICLES: JUNE 23rd

Articles submitted after this date may not be printed.

SEND ARTICLES TO:

Joyce Yokomizo

email: joyce@yokomizo.com

or fax: (415) 970-0810.

You can also send articles to the church office.

BUSSHIN COLLATION:

Sunday, July 9th, 2017

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Co-President's Message

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wish to extend a huge thank you to the planning committee, shift captains, the Sangha, and friends of the Sangha for volunteering for our Bazaar and Food Festival. It is everyone's continued commitment that contributes to the success of our event and which makes our BCO community so special!

As many of you are aware, **Rev. Zuikei Taniguchi** retired after more than 50 years as a BCA minister on May 31, 2017. He has been the resident minister at the Buddhist Temple of Alameda for the past 34 years and was the resident minister at BCO from 1971-1983. He has been a mainstay within the Bay District. It was so fitting that the Bay District Council meeting in May, which **Rev. Bridge, Steve,** and I attended, was hosted by Alameda. Rev. Taniguchi conducted the opening service and delivered that evening's Dharma message, a nostalgic view of his more than 5 decades of service in the Bay District. We wish Rev. Taniguchi and **Rev. Dr. Shoyo Taniguchi** a world of happiness, loads of fun and relaxation, and good health in retirement!

We wanted to let the Sangha know that Rev. Bridge has been assigned as the Supervising Minister of Alameda for the period June 1 - August 31, 2017. **BCA Bishop Kodo Umezu** and Alameda currently are working together to address the longer term plan for ministerial services after August 31st. Rev. Bridge will conduct services on specified dates at Alameda and be available to Alameda Sangha members for religious matters and consultations. Rev. Bridge expects that assuming this additional role will have very little impact on his activities at BCO and availability to BCO Sangha members. We will support Rev. Bridge, as well as Alameda, in any way we can during this period.

Last month, Steve informed the Sangha members that BCO had made a contribution of \$8,400 on behalf of Oakland members for a celebratory gift on the accession of the 25th Monshu of the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha, Sennyō Monshō Kojun Ohtani. BCO received a personal thank you from Bishop Kodo Umezu and **BCA President Ken Tanimoto**. Your contribution of \$25 per individual member to support this celebratory gift would be appreciated. We wish to extend our gratitude and thanks to those who have sent in your contributions. Donations, written to the Buddhist Church of Oakland, can be submitted to the church office and please specify on the envelope: Gomonsho Oiwei.

Many of you may have seen the newspaper article or have heard that **Adachi's Nursery**, after 112 years in business, is closing their remaining El Sobrante nursery in June. I was saddened to learn of the closing and many fond memories immediately came to mind. As a kid growing up in Richmond, I vividly recall tagging along with my Dad on Sundays, almost on a weekly basis, to visit the El Cerrito store. Gardening was one of my Dad's passionate hobbies and I remember he always talked with **Tosh-san** (in Japanese, of course) for guidance, recommendations, and to hear about the latest products at the nursery. In preparation to visit the Oakland Chapel of the Chimes, we would purchase cut flowers or, for special observances. My Mom would ask **Ruby** or **Kimi** to make up flower bouquets. Adachi's is truly an institution in the community and will be missed. I know you join me in wishing the **Adachi family** the very best always!

Coming up in July is our annual BCO picnic on July 16. This is a day when the BCO community can come together, celebrate our friendships, and relax a

bit following our annual Bazaar and Food Festival. I am looking forward to delicious food and the traditional water balloon toss! Immediately following the picnic, Obon dance practices begin so mark your calendars and dust off your uchiwa, folding fan, tenugui, and katchi-katchi's. Look for more information on the picnic and Obon in the coming weeks.

Steve and I wish to thank everyone for your continued support and dedication. ■

2017 Obon Dance Practice Schedule

**ALL PRACTICE TIMES WILL
BE AT 7:30pm - 9:00pm**

Social Hall
Buddhist Church of Oakland
825 Jackson St.
Oakland CA 94607

Monday, July 17
Wednesday, July 19
Tuesday, July 25
Thursday, July 27
Monday, July 31
Wednesday, August 2
Thursday, Aug 3

**ALL ARE WELCOME. PRACTICES
ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND
FREE.**

HELLO EVERYONE, AND WELCOME to the final installment of the Jr. YBA News for the 2016-17 year. Let's get on with the news!

In May, This month, we held our *annual Parent's Day Breakfast on May 14th*, chaired by **Sydney Wong** and **Leila and Sami Neishi**, covered in last month's issue. Then, on *May 27th-28th*, the Oakland Jr. YBA participated in the *Bay District Volleyball Tournament*. In the 90's cartoon theme, the Oakland Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles went onto the court with a bang, and although not exactly winners, we did our best. Teams from churches all around California came to play in the tournament, ranging from neighbor Berkeley Sangha to the far Fresno teams. We also hosted the Saturday Night Social on the Saturday for that weekend. Thank you so much to the

parents and other helpers for making the event possible; we couldn't have done it without you all!

This month, YBA members new and old joined together for one last hurrah. At the *graduation ceremony on June 4th*, seniors said their goodbyes to the church and all those who helped them along the way. With six total graduating seniors, there was a lot to be grateful for. In the fall of 2017, **Mia Li**, both our chapter's and the overall Bay District Jr. YBA co-president, will be attending Seattle University for international business. **Martha Castro** will be attending Pomona College for molecular biology. **Grant Kamita** will be attending the University of Nevada, Reno studying liberal arts. **Andrew Brown** will be attending San Francisco State University majoring in business administration with a focus in

marketing. **Rachel Hirota**, treasurer, will be attending UC Davis studying animal science. Lastly, I will be attending UC San Diego for computer science in the school of engineering. Next year, we will also be welcoming **Andrew Cho**, a rising sophomore.

In mid-June, YBA members volunteered at the BCO Bazaar.

After 3 years of writing for the Busshin, I have learned a lot. Thank you to all of you who have read my articles every month, and who have supported me! Thank you also to **Joyce Yokomizo**, who edits and deals with my (usually) late submissions. I will be working hard in San Diego and I appreciate the lessons taught to me by all of you (Dharma school teachers, ministers, parents, and church-goers) at the Buddhist Church of Oakland throughout my life. ■

JULY 2017

BCO Bazaar & Food Festival Acknowledgements

Thank you for your generous support!

Albany Bowl

540 San Pablo Ave., Albany

Berkeley Symphony

942 University Ave., Suite 207, Berkeley

Books Inc.

1491 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley

Canyon Swim School

21 Campbell Lane, El Sobrante

Children's Discovery Museum

180 Woz Way, San Jose

Mr. Gerald Cyr

East Ocean Restaurant

1713 Webster St., Alameda

Folkmanis Puppets

1219 Park Ave., Emeryville

Grand Sierra Resort Casino

2500 East Second St., Reno, NV

Karen Hashimoto

Jazzercise of El Cerrito
10837 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito

La Mediterranee

2936 College Ave., Berkeley

Landmark Theatres

2222 So. Barrington Ave., Los Angeles

Las Positas Golf Course

917 Clubhouse Dr., Livermore

Lee's Florist & Nursery

1420 University Ave., Berkeley

Lindsay Wildlife Experience

1931 First Ave., Walnut Creek

Little River Inn

7901 Highway One, Little River

June Masuyama

Mira Vista Golf & Country Club

7901 Cutting Blvd., El Cerrito

Marge Morimoto

Dr. John M. Neishi, Optometrist

Chris Oniki

Oto Bailey Fukumoto & Mishima, Inc.

2000 Powell St., Suite 800, Emeryville

Paper Garden by

Stephanie Nishikawa
565 Pavilions Lane, Sacramento

Peppermill Reno

2707 Virginia St., Reno, NV

San Francisco Giants

AT&T Park 24 Willie Mays Plaza, San Francisco

Digger & Agnes Sasaki

Shotgun Players

901 Ashby Ave., Berkeley

Sonoma Raceway

29355 Arnold Dr., Sonoma

Steve Silver's Beach Blanket Babylon

470 Columbus Ave., Suite 204, San Francisco

Sunset View Cemetery & Mortuary Association

El Cerrito

Takara Sake USA

708 Addison St., Berkeley

Mark & Erin Takemoto

FFNV Nisei Veterans' Exhibit – Volunteers Needed!

BY ROBBIN KAWABATA

THE NISEI VETERANS' EXHIBIT room aboard the USS Hornet, a decommissioned WWII aircraft carrier docked in Alameda, was started in 2005 by the Friends & Family of Nisei Veterans (FFNV). The exhibit is packed with artifacts and information about

the Japanese-American Incarceration, the 442nd Regimental Combat Team and the Military Intelligence Service. There has been a need for volunteers and docents for quite some time. Today, if none are found, the exhibit will have to close

down or be taken over by another organization. If you are able to volunteer in this exhibit, please contact **Brian Shiroyama** at bshiroyama@gmail.com or 408-896-1021. ■

Church Appreciation Gifts



Left to right: Co-President, Steve Terusaki, Doris Okano, Rev. Harry Gyokyo Bridge, Rev. Michael Endo and Co-President, Jon Takagaki

Buddhist Church Of Oakland Youth Basketball Registration Open for 2017-2018

Registration is open for basketball. New and returning players are encouraged to sign up. Boys/girls and all levels welcome. Please contact bcoyc.ad@gmail.com for more information. Practices begin in October and games begin in December. Registration deadline is June 30th for new players.

Boys B, C, D & E (boys & girls)

<http://bit.ly/2nO6qa0>

Girls B, C & D

<http://bit.ly/2nJbQT4>



2017 July Shotsuki Memorial Service

Service: Sunday, July 9, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

Dharma Message: Rev. Harry Gyokyo Bridge

Family and friends are invited to attend this monthly memorial service for those listed below. If any errors appear, please direct them to the church office at (510) 832-5988 or officebco@gmail.com at your earliest convenience. For next month's Shotsuki Service, please see the Busshin Calendar.

Mr. Jun Ted Ajari
Mrs. Umeno Ajari
Mrs. Akiyoshi
Mr. Takamichi Akiyoshi
Mr. Carlton Doi - *25th year*
Mrs. Chieko Endo
Miss Taeko Endo
Mr. Takao Fujii
Mrs. Yasuko Fujimori
Rev. Hogen Fujimoto
Mr. Hideo Fukuya
Mr. Chogoro Harada - *50th year*
Mrs. Take Harada
Mrs. Kiyo Harano
Mr. Yoshinori Hatakeyama
Mrs. Konoye Hirota
Mr. Yoshito Hiyama - *33rd year*
Mr. Brian Honda
Mrs. Ei Hori
Rev. Satoru Hori
Mrs. Kishiko Hoshide
Mr. Kwando Ikeda
Mr. Minai Ikeda
Mrs. Tsukiko Ikeda
Mr. Chuichi Inouchi
Mr. Kensuke Inouye
Mr. Sadaichiro Isono
Mr. Katsumi Kaida
Mrs. Yasuko Kameyama
Ms. Aki Kanada
Ms. Jean Kanesaki
Mrs. Takeno Kanesaki
Mrs. Fusayo Kaneshige
Mrs. Sakae Rose Kaneshige
Mr. Toshio Kano
Mr. Kazuo Kato - *3rd year*
Mrs. Mitsuye Kato
Mrs. Miyeko Kawabata
Mr. Glenn Kawamoto
Mrs. Tamae Kawata

Mrs. Masako Kayatani
Mr. Kiyoshi Kimura
Mr. Hakuichi Kinoshita - *50th year*
Mrs. Kimiko Kobori
Mrs. Shina Kobori
Mr. Kent Masao Koizumi
Mrs. Rose Kurotori
Mrs. Hina Maeda
Dr. Roger Matoi
Mr. Shigeru Matsuda
Mr. Chikara Matsui
Mr. Chosaburo Matsui
Mr. Minoru Matsumoto
Mr. Gisaburo Matsutani
Mr. Isamu Matsutani
Mrs. Yachiyo Matsutani
Mrs. Matsuko Minamidani
Mr. Arthur Misaki
Miss Kieko Mitsuda
Mr. Fred Miyamoto
Mrs. Yaeno Mizuki
Mrs. Haruko Mizushina
Mr. Takichi Motomura - *50th year*
Mrs. Itsu Mukuno
Baby Muranishi
Mrs. Mitsuko Nagafuji - *13th year*
Mrs. Ima Nagai
Mrs. Maki Najima - *33rd year*
Mr. Mokichi Nakagawa
Mrs. Grace Nakagiri
Mr. Wakichi Nakai
Mr. Tadashi Nakamura
Mr. Frank Nakao
Mr. Tsunetaro Nakaya
Mrs. Yoshi Natsuhara
Mrs. Tora Negi
Mr. Torao Neishi
Mr. Leroy Nitta
Mr. Hiroshi Noda
Mr. Bob Shoichi Nomura

Mr. Morris Nomura
Mr. Hisakusu Ogawa
Mrs. Misao Ohara
Mrs. Hisae Okemoto
Mrs. Konoe Ota
Mr. Takashi Otsuka - *1st year*
Mr. Kenji Makana Rossi
Mr. Bill Sakakura
Mrs. Kimiko Sasaki - *1st year*
Mrs. Fusa Sato
Mr. Genjiro Sato
Mr. Masao Sato
Mrs. Masako Shibata - *25th year*
Mrs. Mineko Shigematsu
Mr. Juhei Takata
Mr. Ken Takayama
Mr. Harunori Tamichi
Mrs. Fuji Tamori
Mr. Shigeoki Tanaka
Mr. Chiyogi Tanisawa
Mr. Hisayoshi Tanizawa
Mr. Yone Terada
Mrs. Billie Takako Watahara
Dr. Hisao Wehara
Mr. Kakutaro Yamabe
Mr. Ichiro Yamamoto
Mrs. Katsuyo Yamamoto
Mrs. Miharuru Yamamoto
Mrs. Misao Yamamoto
Mr. Shichirouemon Yamamoto - *50th year*
Mrs. Toyo Yamamoto
Mrs. Miyuki Yamasaki
Mrs. Shin Yasuda
Mrs. Michie Yokomizo
Mr. Mitsuo Yokomizo
Mr. Motoemon Yokomizo
Mr. Giichi Yoshioka
Mrs. Evelyn Yoshisato
Mr. George Yoshisato



OBON LANTERN TAGS A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE

During Buddhist Church of Oakland's Obon Festival on August 5, 2017, honor past members of your family through a Memorial Tribute tag hung from the Obon Lanterns above the dance area on Jackson Street.

(Previous tags are on file in the Church office, and will be re-hung with your donation.)

Person requesting tag: _____

Name of Family Member *(submit one sheet for each family member):*

<i>Last name</i>	<i>First Name</i>	<i>Middle/Other Name</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Japanese only	<input type="checkbox"/> Japanese and English	<input type="checkbox"/> English only

Kanji (Japanese characters) required if tag is to be done in Japanese:

-
- Previous Memorial Tag (at Church office) \$20 donation
 - New Memorial Tag to be created \$35 donation

Contact information:

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

Please make checks to: **Buddhist Church of Oakland**
please write "Obon Lantern Tag" in the memo line

FORMS DUE BY FRIDAY JULY 28th, 2017

WE ARE HAVING A PICNIC!

SAVE THE DATE: July 16th

LOCATION: Kennedy Grove Regional Recreation Area
6531 San Pablo Dam Road
El Sobrante

TIME: 11am to 3pm

A BIG **"THANK YOU"** FROM THE BUDDHIST CHURCH OF OAKLND - TO ITS MEMBERS, FRIENDS, AND ALL OF THE ORGANIZATIONS (DHARMA SCHOOL, JR. YBA, GAKUEN, MOMIJI KAI, OBWA, AND YOUTH CLUB) FOR THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT.

JOIN US FOR DELICIOUS HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS, SALAD, FRESH FRUIT, DRINKS, GAMES, AND PRIZES FOR ALL AGES.

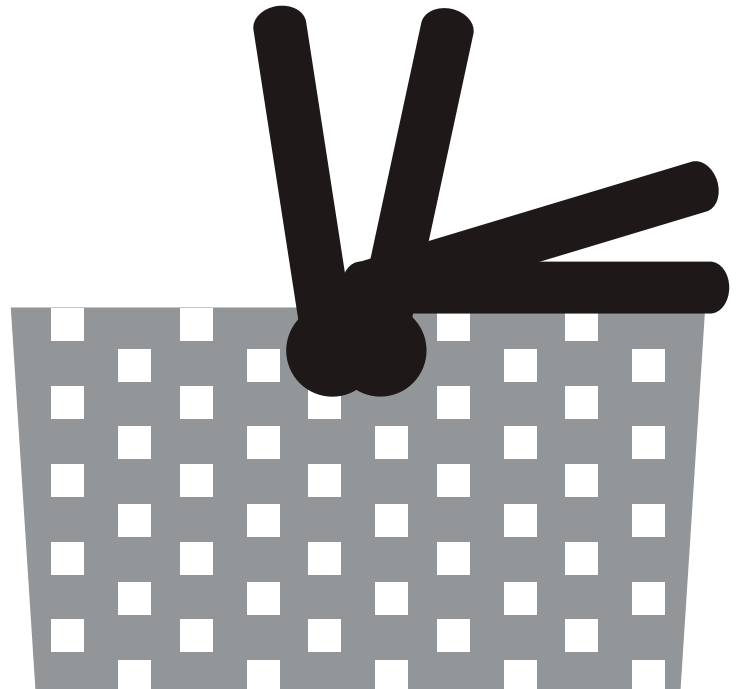
PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING, SO THAT WE CAN PLAN FOR SUPPLIES AND GAMES. PLEASE REpond BY JULY 17th. PLEASE DROP OFF AT THE OFFICE OR CONTACT DORIS OKANO at officebco@gmail.com

NAME _____

ADULTS _____

CHILDREN _____

(AGES: _____, _____, _____, _____, _____)



2017 Obon Volunteer Schedules

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4 AND SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 2017

CONFIRMING AVAILABILITY

In an effort to confirm everyone's availability, please contact your shift captain, as soon as possible to **confirm your availability or unavailability** to work the designated assignment; and, if unavailable at the scheduled time, please suggest alternative times of availability. The shift captain is identified with a "*" on each shift. You can also contact **Robert Noguchi**. Your early notification will help us balance staffing throughout the festival.

All shift captains are to proactively contact each volunteer on your schedule not yet heard from and confirm their availability. Please refer to the church membership directory for contact information. If you need contact numbers for volunteers on your shift, please contact the Church Office at **510-832-5988**.

When volunteers are unavailable, please inform the **Church Office & e-mail: Robert Noguchi** rsnoguchi56@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you have not been included on the schedule and would like to volunteer, we apologize for the oversight and would be grateful for your assistance. Please contact Robert directly by e-mail (see above for e-mail address) or the church office; there are multiple areas where help is needed. Thanks for volunteering!

BAKED GOODS

Please bring your donations for the pastry shop into the kitchen on Saturday and Sunday. Please ensure a list of ingredients is included with the baked products and identify goods that contain nuts and other common allergens.

HEALTH REGULATIONS

We will continue to insist on protocols that promote adherence to current health department regulations. Hair nets, or other forms of head covering (i.e. baseball caps), and gloves are to be used by everyone involved in food preparation. Hair nets and gloves will be provided by the church. Frequent hand-washing is required when moving between food preparation and other activities. Shift captains are responsible for ensuring that everyone is in compliance.

WITH GRATITUDE

It is the combined efforts of everyone that makes our annual Festival a success and a fun event. A very special thank you to everyone in advance!

Robert Noguchi

Obon Festival Chairperson

PLEASE HELP CLEAN-UP AT THE END OF THE FESTIVAL ON SATURDAY. ALL BOOTHS MUST BE CLEARED AND THE TABLES AND CHAIRS IN THE DINING AREAS PUT AWAY.



Host: Buddhist Church of Oakland 510-832-5988
When: Monday, August 28 at 10:00 AM

Where: Mira Vista Golf & Country Club
7901 Cutting Boulevard El Cerrito, CA 94530

30TH ANNUAL 2017 BCO GOLF TOURNAMENT AND DINNER

FRIDAY AUGUST 4, 2017

Egg Preparation (7am - Finish)	Kitchen Help (7am - Finish)	EVENING Chicken Preparation (7pm - Finish)	EVENING Social Hall Decor (7pm - 9pm)
Carol Thunen* Bridge, Mika Hashimoto, Karen Minamoto, Linda Thunen, Carol*	Kathy Terusaki* Ozawa, Robert Lawrence, Gary	Ed Minamoto* Li, Phil Medina, Jerry Medeiros, Rocky Minamoto, Ed Minamoto, John Terada, Keiju	Tominaga, Gary YOUTH CLUB PARENTS VOLUNTEERS WELCOME Otsuka, Valerie Jr. YBA Members

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4 & SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

Food Preparation

Friday and Saturday schedules are for all day. We will start from 7:00 am on Friday and Saturday and continue until finished. Help is especially appreciated during each of the mornings so please come even if you are not assigned to a specific shift. Thank you for helping at our annual fund-raiser!

Patti Hisaoka*

Abrahamson, Susan
 Aikawa, Etsuko
 Aochi, Mary
 Aoki, Margaret
 Castro, Donna
 Chung, Lynn
 Dougherty, Leslie
 Eastly, Stacy
 Endo, Kathy
 Fujii, Toyoko
 Fujimoto, Gloria
 Fujimoto, Kayoko
 Fukawa, Haruko
 Furuta, Setsuko
 Grohl, Renee
 Hamamoto, Jun
 Hara, Grace
 Harada, Grace
 Hashimoto, Karen
 Hayashida, JoAnne
 Hiramoto, Dana
 Hiramoto, Joni
 Hiramoto, Ruby
 Hiramoto, Mary
 Hisaoka, Patti
 Hisaoka, Tricia
 Horii, Thea

Kathy Terusaki*:

Ichikawa, Nina
 Inada, Gayle
 Isono, Gail
 Isono, Liz
 Isono, Terri
 Isono, Tomi
 Kaneshige, Clare
 Kano, Judy
 Kanzaki, Miharu
 Kawabata, Joan
 Kawata, Jean
 Kido, Rosalie
 Kido, Teri
 Kleven, May
 Koizumi, Jane
 Kuramoto, Michi
 Kuritsubo, Ruby
 Lawrence, Maya
 Makishima, Joanne
 Masuyama, June
 Matsui, Elaine
 McGhee, Mary
 Medeiros, Tina
 Minamoto, Linda
 Minamoto, Mabel
 Mitsuda, Hatsuko
 Miyamoto-Mills, Janis

Miyasaki, Cathy
 Mori, Helen
 Morimoto, Marge
 Morimoto, Sally
 Murakawa-Jan, Katsuyo
 Nagafuji, Kathy
 Naito, Namie
 Nakamura, Linda
 Nakamura, Sachie
 Nakaso, Lynn
 Nakatani, Nancy
 Nakazono, Jean
 Nasu-Best, Kim
 Negoro, Dora
 Neishi, Alice
 Neishi, Carol
 Neishi-Wong, Lori
 Neishi, Lynne
 Neishi, Melanie
 Nishimura, Valerie
 Noguchi, Gayle
 Nomura, Joan
 Nomura, June
 Okano, Doris
 Okano, Susan
 Orans, Meta
 Oto-Worrell, Carrie

Otsuka, Lorraine
 Otsuka, Mary
 Otsuka, Valerie
 Owoc, Karen
 Ryujin, Gail Taniwa
 Sakaki, Judy
 Samii, Rene
 Sanbongi, Katie
 Sasaki, Agnes
 Sasaki, Kimiko
 Sato, Laura
 Seiki, Sandra
 Shepard, Sabrina
 Shibata, Alice
 Shibata, Teru
 Shigemoto, Miyo
 Shimamoto, Tomita
 Shimamura, Sachiko
 Shohara, Sumi
 Smith, Valerie
 Suda, Christina
 Suda, Pam
 Suda, Vicki Fukumae
 Takagaki, Linda
 Takata, Mine
 Takayama, Ellen
 Taniguchi, Marie

Tanisawa, Susan
 Taniwa-Wong, Janie
 Terusaki, Kathleen
 Thunen, Carol
 Tominaga, Anne
 Toyofuku, Susan
 Toyofuku, Yurika
 Tsujimoto, Daisy
 Tsujimoto-Cho, Gail
 Tsujimoto-Wong, Lianne
 Tsukahira, Janet
 Uota, Itsuko
 Ushijima, Yoshiko
 Utsurogi, Louise
 Yamamoto, Nancy
 Yamaoka, Shigeiko
 Yanagi, Dorothy
 Yokomizo, Alice
 Yokomizo, Denise
 Yokomizo, Donna
 Yokomizo, Joyce
 Yokomizo-Nabonne,
 Nancy
 Yoneyama, Mollie
 Yoshida, Fusae
 Yoshisato-Cavey, Janis

SATURDAY AUGUST 5 2017

Rice/Udon Cooks/ Set-up

Kathy Terusaki*

5am - Finish

Bridge, Mika
Hisaoka, Patti
Nishimura, Valerie
Terusaki, Kathy

5am - 8am

Bridge, Rev. Harry
Kamita, George
Terusaki, Steve

8am - 12 Noon

Yamaoka, Rev. Seigen
Chang, Kevin
Nakaso, Peter

Rice Coolers (5am - Finish)

Inada, Rick

Kitchen Help/ Dishwashing (6am - 10am)

Jon Takagaki*

Noguchi, Paul
Noguchi, Robert
Negoro, George

Ohagi Preparation (7am - 11am)

Pam Suda*

Kleven, May
Nakamura, Sachie
Nakazono, Jean
Suda, Christina
Suda, Pam

Street Closing (7am - 8:30am)

John Minamoto*

Katayama, Dennis
Minamoto, John
Sasaki, Rik

Chicken BBQ Cooks (8am - Finish)

Ed Minamoto*

Ikeda, Eric
Kaneshige, Don
Lee, Roger
Li, Phil
Medeiros, Rocky
Minamoto, Ed
Nakaya, Victor
Neishi, Chris
Suko, Greg
Valparaiso, Jack
Wilson, Alex
Yokoyama, Ed

Chicken Bento/ Snack Bar Prep (9am - Noon)

Michael Endo*

Endo, Clifford
Endo, Kay
Endo, Lillian
Endo, Michael
Endo, Sets
Makishima, Joanne
Nagata, Brian

Kitchen Help/ Dishwashing (10am - Closing)

Staffed by Youth Club Per
Youth Club Schedule

Constuction: Booths, Yagura (9am - Noon)

Cliff Yokomizo* Al Kanzaki*

Asazawa, Paul
Bergland, Harry
Best, Jose
Chin, Gene
Chung, Steve
Fujii, Roy
Hirota, David
Horii, Brian
Iriki, Jamie
Izuno, Doug
Kamita, George
Katayama, Dennis
Kawaguchi, Scott
Lawrence, Gary
Medina, Jerry
Minamoto, John
Morimoto, Aki
Nakamura, Dennis
Nakaso, Peter
Neishi, John
Neishi, Ken
Nishimura, Keith
Nomura, Ron
Oto, Steven
Suda, Jeff
Takemoto, Mark
Terada, Keiju
Toyofuku, Donald
Yokomizo, Tom
Yokoyama, Ed
Yoshida, Norman
Youth Club Members

Table Bussing/Clean-up (4pm - Closing)

Staffed by Youth Club Per
Youth Club Schedule

Signage (9:30am - 2pm)

Dick Sasaki*

Yokomizo, Joyce
Medina, Jerry
Nomura, Ron
Ozawa, Robert

Finance (1pm - Finish)

Norm Abrahamson*

Abrahamson, Norm
Bergland, Harry
Lawrence, Gary

Dinner Ticket Booth

Jared Miyamoto-Mills* Scott Morgan*

2:30pm - 5pm

Miyamoto-Mills, Jared*
Takagaki, Linda

5pm - Closing

Aisawa, Ken
Morgan, Scott

Snack Bar BBQ Chefs

Ed Minamoto* John Neishi*

2:30pm - 5pm

Endo, Clifford
Kuramoto, Randall
Minamoto, Ed*
Nomura, Ron
Tanisawa, Craig

5pm - Closing

Endo, Don
Kaneshige, Jay
Miyamura, Kurt
Nakamura, Dennis
Neishi, John*
Tsuboi, Tom

SATURDAY AUGUST 5 2017

Snack Bar - Drinks, Hamburgers, Corn

Lillian Endo*
(c/o Michael Endo)

Keiju Terada*

2:30pm - 5pm

Endo, Jessica
Endo, Kaitlin
Endo, Kelsey
Endo, Lillian*
Makishima, Joanne
Neishi, Lynne
Shigemoto, Bob

5pm - Closing

Negoro, Nicholas
Terada, Keiju*
Terusaki, Alan
Tsukahira, Janet
Tsukahira, Jerry

Snack Bar - Chicken Dinners

Vicki Fukumae Suda*

Mark Shimamoto

2:30pm - 5pm

Neishi, Lynne
Suda, Vicki Fukumae*
Utsurogi, Louise

5pm - Closing

Kido, Rob
Owoc, Rich
Shimamoto, Mark*

Snack Bar - Steak Dinners

George Negoro*

Brian Nagata*

2:30pm - 5pm

Chang, Kevin
Horii, Brian
Isono, Gail
Isono, Richard
Negoro, George*
Tominaga, Anne

5pm - Closing

Chung, Steve
Nagafuji, Aki
Nagata, Brian*
Owoc, Karen
Suda, Pam

Udon

Donna Yokomizo*

Susan Tanisawa

2:30pm - 5:30pm

Inada, Gayle
Ryujin, Gail Taniwa
Yokomizo, Deni
Yokomizo, Donna*

5:30pm - Closing

Morimoto, Marge
Murakawa-Jan, Katsuyo
Neishi, Melanie
Tanisawa, Susan*

Curry

Judy Kano*

Linda Takagaki

2:30pm - 5:30pm

Kaneshige, Clare
Kano, Judy*
Owoc, Karen
Yokomizo, Joyce

5:30pm - Closing

Fujimoto, Gloria
Masuyama, June
Matsui, Elaine
Takagaki, Linda*

Snack Bar - Rice Cooks

Kathy Terusaki*

2:30pm - 5:30pm

Hisaoka, Jeffrey

5:30pm - Closing

Terusaki, Kathy

Sushi

Doris Okano*

Maya Lawrence*

2:30pm - 5:30pm

Neishi, Carol
Yokomizo-Nabonne, Nancy
Okano, Doris*
Shohara, Sumi
Uota, Itsuko

5:30pm - Closing

Chung, Lynn
Endo, Kathy
Hiramoto, Dana
Kanzaki, Miharuru
Lawrence, Maya*

PASTRY SHOP

Yurika Toyofuku*

Robert Noguchi*

2:30pm - 5:30pm

Abrahamson, Susan
Miyamoto-Mills, Janis
Toyofuku, Yurika*

5:30pm - Closing

Noguchi, Lia
Tominaga, Anne

Refreshments for Obon Dancers

Eddie & Terry Yokoyama*

7pm - Closing

Tsujimoto, Daisy
Shimamoto, Tomita
Yokoyama, Eddie*
Yokoyama, Terry

DE-CONSTRUCTION/ CLEAN-UP

(8pm until finished)

Cliff Yokomizo*

Al Kanzaki*

Abrahamson, Norm
Aisawa, Ken
Baker, Peter
Chung, Steve
Chung, Derrick
Endo, Don
Endo, Michael
Hirota, David
Hollins, Lyman
Inada, Evan
Inada, Rick
Ikeda, Eric
Kanzaki, Al
Katayama, Dennis
Kuga, Roy
Masamori, Eric
Mitsuda, Ken
Minamoto, John
Nakamura, Greg
Nakaso, Peter
Negoro, Chris
Negoro, Nick
Neishi, Chris
Pendro, Ray
Orans, Kai
Orans, Ren
Owoc, Garrett
Owoc, Rich
Sasaki, Rik
Shepard, Ed
Shepard, Justin
Shigemoto, Bob
Shimamoto, Mark
Suda, Curtis
Suko, Greg
Takagaki, Jon
Tellez, Alex
Terada, Keiju
Terusaki, Alan
Terusaki, Steve
Tominaga, Gary
Yamashita, George
Yokomizo, Clifford*
Yokomizo, Tom
YOUTH CLUB MEMBERS
JR. YBA MEMBERS

BUDDHIST CHURCH OF OAKLAND (BCO)

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Rev. Dr. Kenneth Kenshin Tanaka

A Life Enrichment Program: *Shin Buddhist Insight in Daily Life and Beyond*

Saturday, August 12, 2017

1:00pm: Introduction to Shin Buddhism:
Basic Teachings and Practice for
Contemporary America (Beginners)

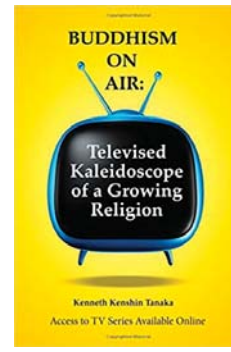
2:15: Break

2:30: Shinjin Awakening: Its Nature and
Significance for Us (Intermediate)

3:45: Q&A and Book Signing

Guest Speaker

Rev. Dr. Kenneth Kenshin Tanaka
Professor of Buddhist Studies,
Musashino University, Tokyo, Japan



Dr. Tanaka is a professor of Buddhist Studies at Musashino University in Tokyo, with MA's from the Institute of Buddhist Studies (IBS) and University of Tokyo, and PhD from UC Berkeley. He also serves as President of the International Association of Shin Buddhist Studies (IASBS) and as Board members of many other academic societies and organizations. Educated both in Japan and USA, Dr. Tanaka is one of the truly rare bicultural specialists and prolific writers on Pure Land Buddhism.

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JULY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Host Team 9 Leader: Norman Yoshida Coverage for October support tasks including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunday service coffee & breakfast refreshments; Sunday service greeters; Straighten hondo the week before Obon; Weekend garden clean-up; Busshin collation. 						1
2 No Service	3 Office Closed	4 Holiday Office Closed	5 Board of Directors Meeting, Small Chapel, 7:00 pm	6 Momijikai, Small Chapel 10:00 am-2:00 pm	7	8 Ikebana Issei Kaikan 1:30-4:00 pm
9 Shotsuki Memorial and Adult Service 10:00-10:45 am Busshin Collation	10 Wanto Shodo Kai Issei Kaikan, 10 am-12 Noon	11	12	13	14	15
16 BCO Picnic Kennedy Grove, El Sobrante - 11:00 AM	17 Obon Practice 7:30-9:00 PM	18 OFSCA General Meeting Issei Kaikan, 7:00-9:00 pm	19 Business Committee Meeting-7:00-8:30 pm Obon Practice 7:30-9:00 PM	20 Momijikai, Small Chapel 10:00 am-2:00 pm	21	22
23 No Service	24 Wanto Shodo Kai Issei Kaikan, 10 am-12 Noon	25 Obon Practice 7:30-9:00 PM	26 Asian Health Services Monthly Meeting Social Hall 9:00 am-12:00 pm	27 Obon Practice 7:30-9:00 PM	28 Busshin Articles Due	29
30 Hondo Cleaning 9:00 am-12:00 pm	31 Obon Practice 7:30-9:00 PM					

AUGUST 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Momijikai Small Chapel 10:00 am-2:00 pm	4	5 Obon Food Prep, 5:00 am-3:00 pm Obon Construction, 8:00 am-12:00 pm Obon Festival 3:00-7:30 pm Obon Odori, 7:30-9:00 pm
6 9:30 am Hatsubon Service 10:30 am Obon Service	7	8	9 Obon Practice 7:30-9:00 PM	10 Obon Practice 7:30-9:00 PM	11 Ikebana Prep Small Chapel 3:00-8:00 PM	12 Life Enrichment, Guest Speaker, Rev. Dr. Kenneth Kenshin Tanaka- 1:00 PM
13 Shotsuki Memorial Service 10:00-11:00 am Busshin Collation	14 Wanto Shodo Kai Issei Kaikan, 10 am-12 Noon	15 OFSCA General Meeting Issei Kaikan, 7:00-9:00 pm	16 Business Committee Meeting-7:00-8:30 pm	17 Momijikai, Small Chapel 10:00 am-2:00 pm	18	19
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27 DS Teachers Seminar 10:00 am-1:00 pm	28 BCO Golf Tournament Mira Vista Golf & Country Club, El Cerrito 10:00 AM Wanto Shodo Kai Issei Kaikan, 10 am-12 Noon	29	30 Asian Health Services Monthly Meeting Social Hall, 9:00 am- 12:00 pm	31		
			Host 10 Team Leader: Steve Terusaki Coverage for August support tasks including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sunday services coffee and breakfast refreshments; ▪ Obon Service Luncheon & clean-up; ▪ Sunday service: greeters and coffee & breakfast refreshments; ▪ Weekend garden clean-up; ▪ Busshin collation. 			