

# Wheel of the Sangha



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# Ohigan 2014

The long hot days of summer are over now and for some it is time to get down to the business of "back to school". It is also a time when our Dharma School students return to the Temple. It has been rather quiet around here while the students have been away and I always look forward to seeing their smiling faces and hearing their laughter. With the return of the students, the Dharma School parents and teachers also return, eager to hear the Dharma and pass on what they have learned.

I have often wondered why our students leave in the spring and return in the fall much like Robin Redbreast who leaves in the fall and returns in the spring. It might be because all creatures seem to be affected by the world's cycles. The cycles of spring, summer,

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# **President's Message**

Thank you Rev. Warrick and welcome back Dharma School teachers and students!

As summer fades and fall approaches, I wanted to take a moment for a few quick thoughts.

First, sincere thanks to Rev. Jim Warrick for discharging the duties of resident minister during August. Rinban Castro took some well-deserved personal time during the month, and Rev. Warrick graciously and very capably oversaw ministerial matters during the entire month. We are fortunate to have Warrick sensei to step in. Thank you, Rev. Jim, for your efforts this past month and throughout the year.

Second, I'd like to welcome back our Dharma School families and teachers. Of course, many of these members attend services and events intermittently during the summer, but the start of the school year brings everyone back all and once. It adds a great dynamism to the Betsuin. We're very glad you're here.

Finally, please stay tuned for some very important events that are coming up this fall and winter. Our third annual Women and Buddhism seminar is coming up later this month and promises to be interesting and timely. We will also be hosting some town halls this fall to update the membership about our progress on our various planning initiatives. And, we will be working hard

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fall and winter have always regulated agriculture all over the globe. Our Temple founders were mainly engaged in agriculture; therefore it is only logical that they followed those cycles more closely than we do today. Winter was a time for waiting, spring was a time for sowing, summer was a time of growing and autumn was a time for harvesting. Families were busy engaged in the cultivation and harvesting seasons and I believe that is why families would take that time off from their regular attendance to temple services. Those seasonal cycles have two distinct points; the Spring Equinox and the Autumn Equinox. Equinox is a time when the sun shines directly on the equator and the length of the day and the night is nearly equal. Ohigan Services here at the Betsuin are usually held on or near these points each spring and autumn.

This month, September, is when the Autumn Equinox occurs. It will occur here in the northern hemisphere on September 23. This is a time when the weather is normally neither too warm nor too cold

and the days and nights are of equal length. Harmony pervades throughout the universe. Ohigan is when we Jodo Shinshu Buddhists gather before the sacred shrine of Amida Buddha to meditate on the harmony of nature and devote ourselves to realizing this harmony within. For many Buddhists the equinox is the time to set aside a special day twice a year, in Spring and Fall, so that they may reconsider the Buddhist teachings, reflect upon themselves, and pay respect to the innumerable people from the past to the present who have come into their lives and in some way or other influenced it to be better.

Our Fall Ohigan Service, in conjunction with the Eshinni-ko Kakushinni-ko Service, will be held on September 21 this year here at our Betsuin. Our guest speakers will be Reverend Carol O'Dowd from the Longmont Buddhist Temple in Colorado and Reverend Midori Kondo from Hilo, Hawaii. I urge you to attend because I feel this will be an excellent opportunity to listen to the Buddha Dharma.

In Gassho, Reverend Jim Warrick

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this fall to prepare for the Northwest District Convention. The Seattle Betsuin is hosting the convention in February 2015. Look for more information on these events, among others, this fall and winter.

Gassho, Yukio

Seattle Betsuin Continuing Education Grant Essay, submitted on April 1, 2014 by Michael M: What life skills has Buddhism taught

**me?** When I was in elementary school I didn't think about what Buddhism meant to me. Going to church and Dharma school was just a routine. I attended church and Dharma school mainly because my parents wanted me to.

But as I moved up in Dharma school, from the kindergarten class, to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders, and eventually to the middle school class I became more aware of my identity at church. I was a gym setup helper, a runner, a garbage man for Obon. "Leave those chairs and tables," we'd say. "The Boy Scouts will get them." Eventually I made it to high school.

My new role was being a waiter instead of running. I moved the heavy tables instead of the chairs. And, as I gained responsibility I began to think about the religion differently as well. It wasn't a faith or belief system that I was expected to accept without question. It wasn't a club or some extracurricular

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SEATTLE BETSUIN BWA Submitted by Janet Baba

Onaijin Housekeeping: We give a heartfelt "Arigato," to Sonoe and Haruso Taketa for their dedicated weekly caring and upkeep of the onaijin and nokotsudo (columbarium) for over seven years. They have recently retired from this task. Irene Goto is now taking the lead, with the assistance of the other minister assistants, to take over the dusting, vacuuming, polishing and removal of wax drippings from the carpet. We are now seeking other temple members to assist with this cleaning task. Please see Irene Goto or Janet Baba if there are any volunteers to assist with onaijin cleaning. Training of the cleaning procedure is available.

Retirement of Choir Director: Terrie Tanino an-



nounced her retirement as our Temple Choir Director and was honored for her years of service at our Temple Service, on August 3. Terrie has been a member of the choir for 28 years and became the choir director during this period. An orchid plant was presented to her when she was honored. Terrie says she will continue to

be a member of the choir. She has always had a love of music and played the violin in earlier years.

**FBWA Convention Irvine, CA:** Rinban Castro and twenty-one members will be representing SBBWA at

the conference at the Hotel Irvine Jamboree Center on October 10-12, 2014. We will have an opportunity to hear several of the nine speakers at the conference titled "Sharing Our Life Stories as Buddhists." Rosie Y, our FBWA Youth Exchange student, who recently returned



Lynne Goodrich with daughter Rosie

from Japan, will be speaking at Sunday morning service on Oct. 12.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Women's Conference**: SBBWA and Seattle Betsuin Religious Dept. will sponsor the one day Women in Buddhism Conference on September 20,

titled "To Think of Buddha is to be Thought of by Buddha: Nembutsu." Early registration is encouraged although registration is due by September 14. Everyone must register, as *obento* must be ordered. Registration forms can be obtained in the temple office or on-line.

Memorial Service Photos: Our annual SBBWA Memorial Service for our past members will be held this year on October 26. During the service last year, we introduced the video display of photos of our deceased members on a large screen. If any family members would like to have their deceased member's photo included in the video, please contact the temple office. A photo can be brought to the temple to be scanned, or a photo can be emailed directly to the temple. Please include the deceased member's name and the date of departure. Direct all photos or questions to Joan Nakano in the temple office by October 6.

Happi Coat Makers: We would like to thank the fol-

lowing ladies for helping with the Happi Project for O'bon: Mae Deguchi, Janet Baba, Yoshie Dodobara, Ritsuko Kawahara, Masako Kawamoto, Masako Kubo, Judith Nakamura, Darlene Shimizu, Fran Shintaku, Martha Taniguchi, Margaret Teramoto, Michi Vaart, Fujie Yamasaki, and Tomi



Zumoto. It was a big success and we certainly appreciated your willingness to help with this project. Thank you very much, we couldn't have done without you. ~Activities Committee

Bon Odori Help: I'd like to thank all our 62+ members who worked tirelessly during our Bon Odori days. Additionally, we asked our many friends and family, who joined us, and special thanks to our chefs, Steve Aisaka, Dennis Shibata, Mas Tahara, and Norio Yamazaki, for their help.

In Gassho, Janet

#### Calendar:

SBBWA Board Meeting	Sept. 7
Women in Buddhism Conference	Sept. 20
Fall Ohigan Service and	Sept. 21
Eshinni-ko/Kakushinni-ko Service	-
SBBWA Cabinet Meeting	Sept. 28

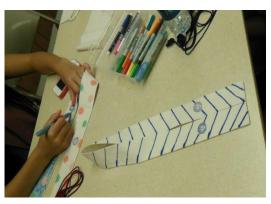
#### **2014 Northwest District Young Buddhist League Retreat**

The BCA Northwest YBL District met July 25-27 at the Seattle Betsuin for a packed weekend. Retreat started out with an opening service, then enjoyed a delicious dinner, and finally ended with bingo at keiro, and a make your-own-okesa workshop. Saturday was also a filled day with onaijin etiquette workshop, a workshop let by Fujimoto sensei, and a rice porridge workshop by Kakihara Sensei to symbolize the porridge Sakyamuni buddha ate, before becoming enlightened. We also enjoyed attending White River Bon Odori and all dancing together, and finally ending the night with a relaxing walking meditation workshop around the temple. Retreat ended with us leading Sunday service. Besides all the workshops, we stayed up late playing cards, volleyball, and all hanging out together. This year's retreat was a memorable one and we can't wait for next year! Thanks to Evan Ko, and his committee for planning this year's retreat, as well as Rev. Castro, Rev. Fujimoto, and Rev. Kakihara for participating and leading the workshops, and also thanks to Ron and Marie for staying the night. Thanks to Steph, Ron, Mrs. Kosai Luke, Mrs. Yokoyama, Mrs. Ko, and Mrs. Taketa for helping out and cooking each of the meals during the weekend. Finally, thanks to the Nakatas for the Menchie's treat during the weekend!











Seattle Betsuin JR YBA held elections in June. The new officers to serve for 2014-2015 are: President: Alex; V-P:Trevor; Secretary: Sela; Treasurer: Matthew Religious Chair: Josh



**Dharma School** We hope everyone had a great summer vacation!! We are looking forward to seeing all of the new and returning Dharma School students and their families on September 7.

We will be having student registration in the Memorial Hall on the first two Sundays during class time. Come by and take this opportunity to catch up with each other over coffee and snacks. We will also be posting a volunteer sheet for the year, please consider helping out with an activity.

Again we would like to express lots of gratitude to all who helped out to make Obon such a successful event. It is the major fundraiser for the church so we really appreciate all your efforts.

Hatsumairi, or a child's first visit to the temple will be observed on October 19. In this special service children are presented to the sangha and parents pledge to raise them with the dharma. If you are or know of a family with an infant/child who you would like to participate in this event please fill out a registration form and return it to the temple by October 12. The form is below and additional copies will be available in the foyer.

- submitted by Joyce Tsuji

**Hatsumairi** or "First Visit" is a Jodo Shinshu tradition that acknowledges the baby's first visit to the temple. Parents present their children before the image of Amida Buddha and members of the Sangha as an expression of their gratitude and desire to expose them to the teachings of the Buddha.

The Hatsumairi ceremony will be held during the 10:00 a.m. Family Service on October 19, 2014. Although this ceremony identifies the presented as infants, children of all ages are welcome. If you would like to present your child(ren) at this joyous occasion, please complete the registration form below and return it to the Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple, 1427 S Main St, Seattle, WA 98144 or call the temple office by October 12, 2014. A Dharma School representative will contact you with details. If you have any questions, please direct them to the temple office at (206) 329-0800 between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.



2012 Hatsumari at Seattle Betsuin

# Child's Name Boy/Girl Month/Day/Year of Birth Parent's Name(s) Mailing Address City State Zip Code

Phone\_\_\_\_\_E-mail\_\_\_\_

ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE... We would like to "thank" the following <u>regular members</u>, for contributing their annual Ijikai dues (the basic dues toward the Temple maintenance/operations). This is the list of those paid members for the fiscal year of 2014, since the last posting.

Gene & Yuki Arinobu; Janet Baba; Gwen Florence; Florence Fujita; George & Toshi Fukeda; Mary Furuta; Jane Hamatani; Setsuko Harada; Malcolm & Eileen Kanemoto; Ritsuko Kawahara; Sanaye Kawamura; Tom Kodama; Esther Kojima; Kris & Keiko Kosugi; Art & Lori Kozai; Yoshiko Kozai; Masayoshi & Masako Kubo; Carolyn Kunihiro; Fumiye Masunaga; Yoshie Mikami; Akira Nakashima; Akira Chiyoko Saito; Masako Sako; Gayle Sakuma-Sordetto; Robert & Amy Seko; Mary S. Shigaya; Sato & Darlene Shimizu; Thomas Smith; Jean Takano; Grace Tazuma; Florence Terami; Jim & Rona Warrick; Shizue Yahata; Fumiko Yamaguchi; Norio & Miyoko Yamazaki; Dennis Yasukochi & Lynne Goodrich; Fuyo Yoshida; Miyoko Yoshikawa

\*AS A REMINDER: The minimum for basic dues towards the Church maintenance/operations, is \$250 for those over 70 years of age and \$300 for those under 70 years old. **Payments are due by September 30, 2014.** If you have any questions about your membership status, contact the Betsuin office: 206-329-0800 or office@seattlebetsuin.com. (compiled by HL, SO, & PS)

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activity. It was an entire community of people who looked after one another and supported each other as we each sought our own answers.

Buddhism has been a central part of my family. In Hawaii where my parents grew up, my dad's father was an important part of the Moiliili Hongwanji. All of my dad's family is recognized there. His sister, my aunt, plays the piano every week at service. His brother, my uncle, also goes to play the guitar. And now, whenever my parents, sister, and I return to Hawaii, we also return to the Moiliili Hongwanji. We are greeted initially as newcomers, but are quickly recognized as familiar faces – as family.

The Moiliili Hongawnji is a place that we can always return to after years of living in Washington.

And, it is the same at the Seattle Betsuin. If I miss a few weeks of church because of soccer games I can always return the next week as if I had been at church all along. This is an important thing that

Buddhism has taught me. The concept of "sonomama" or "come as you are" teaches me that I should always be accepting and welcoming of other people no matter who they are or what stage of life they are in. Each week we have new guests at the Betsuin. Some leave but each year a few stay. A Buddhist church is always accepting, and warm. For certain people finding this church community turns their life around.

I hope to always make our church a better place. I want to be like Evan or Jason who, through their own actions, have stayed with the church through college and into adulthood. We are all interdependent. We are all in this together, and therefore should all be accepting of one another. Although Buddhism has taught me many life skills, the most significant to me at this point in my life, as a teenager, is acceptance. ###

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Hajime Hirata – One Year Memorial Service	\$ 1,000.00	Michiko Hirata
Albert Shintaku – One Year Memorial Service	\$ 1,000.00	Frances Shintaku
Minoru Tsubota – 7 <sup>th</sup> Year Memorial Service	\$ 1,000.00	Charlene & Curtis Nakayama
Linda Wataoka – Funeral Service	\$ 700.00	Dionisio & Sharon Monillas
Nokotsudo for Hajime Hirata	\$ 500.00	Michiko Hirata
Ray Okamura – Funeral Service	\$ 500.00	Trisha Morton
Takeshi Tsuchida – Inurnment Service	\$ 300.00	Linda & Tetsuo Miyata
Jane Tochiura – In Memory of	\$ 200.00	Barbara Tochiura & William Dunbar
Nokotsudo	\$ 50.00	Betty Yoshida

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<u>Ohigan - Spring</u> Beard, Clara; Desaki, Yasuko; Fujii, Minoru & Aiko; Gosho, Kazumi (Janice); Harada, Setsuko; Horn, Kenneth & Pam; Ichikawa, Satoru & Grace; Kashima, Tetsuden & Cecilia Kanako; Kawada, Noboru & Hatsuye; Kobuki, Haruko; Kozai, Art & Lori; Kozai, Yoshiko; Nakayama, Curtis & Charlene; Otsuji, Nobuko; Shigaya, Teruko (Terrie); Shimizu, Haruko; Sumida, Leslie; Takamura, Kuniko; Taniguchi, Theodore & Akico; Teranishi, Asako; Tomita, Paul & Mabel; Yamaguchi, Fumiko; Yamasaki, Fujie; Yokoyama, Kevin & Kari Ann;

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<u>Bishop / Rinban Memorial Service</u> Fujii, Minoru & Aiko; Fujino, Suteko (Sue); Ichikawa, Satoru & Grace; Kuwahara, Kinue; Shimbo, Ben & Etsu; Toyoshima, Michiko;

Bodhi Day Ko, Jeffrey & Tina Zumoto -

submitted by H.L.

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#### Registration for

The Third Annual Women in Buddhism Conference at Seattle Buddhist Temple a day to gain understanding of the connection between Buddhism and women's everyday lives "To think of the Buddha is to be thought of by the Buddha"

Saturday

September 20, 2014

9:30 am - 3:30 pm

#### Presenters:



Reverend Midori Kondo Associate Minister at Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin, Resident Minister of Lihue Hongwanji Mission, Retired "Nembutsu in One's Life"



Sierra Lee-Brenner
Licensed Mental Health Counselor and
Board Certified Art Therapist, Seattle &
Bainbridge Island....mandala as a contemplative expression with a focus on
Buddhism...



Reverend
Carol O'Dowd
Resident Minister, Longmont Buddhist
Temple, Longmont, CO, Mountain
District,Buddhist Churches of America
"Eleven Worthy Women"

Registration is required so that we can provide meals for participants: Cost: \$35 per person which includes lunch; you may choose vegetarian in registration form below. Please register by Sunday, September 14, 2014 Questions: Contact the temple office at 206.329-0800 or email at office@seattlebetsuin.com. Send completed form & check payable to: Seattle Betsuin Religious Department, Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Church, 1427 S Main Street, Seattle, WA 98144 Attention: Etsu Shimbo. Thank you for registering. It will be a wonderful day!

Detach below and mail:

	September 20, 2014	ember 20, 2014 Women in Buddhism Conference Registration Form - Please print				
Name						
Address		Phone	Email			
Amount encl	osed: \$35 for conference	and lunch: \$	check here for vegetarian:			
		Donation: \$	Thank you for your dana.			
	Total	Enclosed: \$	Check number:			

## 2014 MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE BY SEPTEMBER 30TH

<u>If you have yet to pay your minimum suggested dues</u>, the basic dues towards the Church maintenance/operations is \$250 for those over 70 years of age and \$300 for those under 70 years old. <u>Due date is September 30<sup>th</sup></u>.

If you have been making installment payments, your balance is due by September 30<sup>th</sup>. All 2014 members will be reported to the BCA and to the NW District for our Betsuin's membership count.

Should you have any questions about your membership status, please contact the Betsuin office: 206-329-0800 or office@seattlebetsuin.com.

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# Buddhist Churches of America Center for Buddhist Education Programs

Visit the BCA Website bcasites.net for online registration and program updates

Saturday, Sept. 6, 2014 8th Annual Baby Boomer Seminar Register online now!

Sunday, September 7, 2014 from 1:30 to 4
GATHA SING with BJ SORIANO
of Hilo Hongwanji Mission
at Berkeley Buddhist Temple
2121 Channing Way, Berkeley, CA 94074

<u>Conference</u>
August 29 - 31, 2014
Eastern Buddhist League, Arlington, VA
BUDDHISM: Flourishing through Difference

More Conferences
August 30 - September 1, 2014
Plug in to Buddhism, Costa Mesa, CA

October 10 - 12, 2014 Sharing Our Lives as Buddhists, Irvine, CA

May 30 - 31, 2015
World BWA Conference:
Embraced by the Oneness of Life
Calgary, CANADA
Registration now open

Contact Information: BCA Center for Buddhist Education (510) 809-1460; email: cbe@bcahq.org

# Events at White River Buddhist Temple www.wrbt.org for details

Fri, Sept 5, 3:00 - BCA VISITING MINISTER PROGRAM - Reverend Akinori Imai

Sat, Sept 13 - 9:30-3:30 - SEPTEMBER BODY & MIND SEMINAR - REV. DR. MARK UNNO – "Great Compassion and the Mandala of One's Life Journey".

Sun, Sept 14, 11:00 - Ohigan and Pet Memorial Service - Guest Speaker Rev. Dr. Mark Unno

Sat & Sun, Sept 27 & 28 - REV. PATTI OSHITA, REV. BOB OSHITA, & REV. KOSHO YUKAWA

Saturday, Sept 27, 7:00-8:30 pm - "Unforgettable Experiences" - Rev. Bob & Rev. Patti Oshita (Sacramento), and Rev. Kosho Yukawa (Tacoma) will be sharing personal anecdotes.

#### Musical Notes: submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi

Everyone is welcome to arrive before the Sunday morning services starting on September 14 to learn new music with the choir. As described in last month's Wheel of Sangha, the focus this fall will be learning music that we can all sing together. Musical note reading is not required, just eagerness and willingness to arrive at temple a bit early! Although we aim to start at 9 am, joining us up front when you arrive is fine. Based on interest, future short special sessions to learn note reading may be arranged.

Also this month, the Bodhi Ensemble will be featured for service music on September 21 for the Fall O-Hlgan and Eshinni-ko-Kakushinni-ko Memorial Service.



Ukelele band performing "We Are One" and "Sing" at Service August 17 photo courtesy of Sat Ichikawa

#### SEPTEMBER BUDDHIST STUDY GROUP submitted by Leonora Clarke

The Buddhist Study Group will forgo their meeting in September and encourage members to attend two special seminars. The first, The Mind / Body Buddhist Seminar, will be held at the White River Buddhist Temple on Saturday, September 13. This seminar features a talk by Rev. Dr. Mark Unno. The second seminar is the Women in Buddhism Conference here at the Seattle Betsuin on Saturday, September 20; registration is on p. 9. Rev. O'Dowd will speak on *11 Worthy Buddhist Women*; Rev. Kondo on *Nembutsu in My Life*.

**Reverend Akinori Imai will be guest speaker** on Sunday, September 7, 2014 at the 10:00 a.m. service in English and at the 10:45 a.m. Japanese service in Japanese. Reverend Imai is past Bishop of the Higashi Honganji North America District, retired. His visit is part of the BCA Visiting Minister Program, CBE Northwest Tour. - IHG

# Rev. Carol O'Dowd and Rev. Midori Kondo will be guest speakers on

Sunday, September 21 at our Sunday service observing both Fall Ohigan and Eshinni-ko/Kakushinni-ko. Reverend Kondo will speak on the topic of ohigan and Reverend O'Dowd will speak on Eshinni-ko and Kakushinni-ko. Both women will be here to speak at our Betsuin's Women in Buddhism Conference of the previous day, co-sponsored by our SBBWA. - IHG

# Scout troop 252 just returned from

**summer camp** at Camp Fife near Mount Rainier.

We had a fun and exciting week! The troop worked hard on several merit badges, and also participated in other activities including canoe swapping, rifle shooting, football, and archery. Towards the end of the week the troop competed in camp wide games and took first place out of 16 other troops! We also earned the directors award, which is awarded to the most prepared, hardworking, committed troop. To earn the directors award, the troop participated in several service projects improving the camp, washed dishes after each meal, kept the campsite clean, and showed up to each meal prepared in full uniform. It was great returning to Camp Fife, reconnecting with all the counselors that we had met in previous years. The troop received many compliments from adult leaders of different troops, and camp staff recognizing our hard work, and troop spirit. Troop 252 represented the Betsuin well. Thank you to all of the adult leaders for staying the night and helping out. We hope to return next year! Besides summer camp, the troop also enjoyed going to wild waves as well as participating in Bon Odori.











# **Notes on Dharma Exchange**

July 27, 2014 - Rinban Castro said today's guest minister, Rev. Joshin Dennis Fujimoto of the Idaho Oregon Buddhist Church, will speak to our Dharma Exchange group. Rev. Fujimoto was asked if he still continued his art work, and he said no. He went on to say working on an art project invariably takes one into Reunknown areas and discovery,



Rev Dennis Fujimoto

and some people fear that. He did not. He further commented that self-centeredness is recognized by all Buddhist sects. . . A mother and adult daughter who is a M.A. visited from the NY temple. The daughter spoke at our DX and was impressed by our service and by the young people who are growing up in the temple. She feels they are so fortunate as they will feel connected forever in their life. They do not have a YBL in the New York Temple. . . A chanting workshop by Rev. Katsuryu Kusunoki of the Buddhist Church of Lodi will be conducted for the M.As. in late August. . . Elisa Law, history and heritage specialist, outlined her project at the Japanese Cultural and Community Center (JC&CC). She explained that after WWII many Nikkei families who lost homes and other properties had nowhere to live after they were released from camp. Many families stayed at the Japanese Language School, and their stays were documented at the school. However, a later fire in the building destroyed about one-half of those records. Her task is to find the names and details of those that were lost.

August 3 - The Atomic Bomb Memorial service was con-



Rev Jim Warrick

ducted in the Hondo. Rev. Jim Warrick said it was impossible to imagine the horror and huge numbers of victims in the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings. . .Jim Sensei related a story about a fellow who jumped from a plane and fractured both legs as a result of his "bucket list.". . On

Fri, Aug 21 and 22 Rev Katsuya Kusunoki of the Buddhist Church of Lodi will conduct a chanting workshop for ministers

and M.As. He is the only BCA minister certified to teach chanting. On Sat, Aug 23, Rev. Kusunoki will conduct a chanting workshop for temple members. He is also involved in training MAs for Tokudo ordination. . . The Floating Lanterns Ceremony, "Hiroshima to Hope," included a short service and taiko on Aug 6 on Green Lake.

Mainly young people are involved in the planning and execution of the yearly event. Jim Sensei said greed, anger and hate must be removed for peace to exist. He added we all have it and there is no reason we can't transcend it. He said it was more important than disarming nations. . . Terrie T. is retiring from her position as choir conductor, and Kemi N. has prepared homework for those who might be interested in learning music notation in order to conduct the choir.

August 10 - Rosalie May conducted the service in the



MA Rosalie May

Hondo, and made comments about the story of dirty/clean water and how it relates to duality. . . The Budddha's focus was on the here and now since we don't know for sure what happens after death. We all have the potential to become a Buddha. . . Participants raised questions about the relationship of Nirvana to the Pure Land. Where is the

Pure Land if not here? How does one get to the Pure Land? The Contemplation Sutra carefully outlines placing faith in Amida Buddha as the means. With our minds we make the world... The Women in Buddhism Conference will be held at the temple on Saturday, September 20. See details and registration form in the August newsletter or in the temple fover.

In gassho, Pat Bobrow

August 17 Minister's Assistant Matt May



MA Matt May photo by Sat I.

conducted Dharma Exchange after presenting a talk on

Amida's "light" or infinite wisdom. He brought some amazing photos of cute animals to cheer us up. Matt and participants told amazing animal stories e.g., a dog that tried to save a fish, a bear that saved a trapped crow; crows teaming up to release the handles of a

garbage bin; a crow using a bottle cap to "snow board" off a roof repeatedly. For Matt Amida is the anchor that reminds him that life isn't all me; for Jim Amida is wisdom that he internalizes; wisdom or "light" is the progression of going to the pure land; the direction you lean is the direction you will fall; the light is shining on all creatures. Irene recommended PBS's nature series (on Wednesday night).

# **Betsuin Events for September 2014**

**MOST SUNDAYS** – confirm Sundays listed below. All are invited:

\*MEDITATION SERVICE at 1441 S. Main St; Sutra Chanting, 20-minute meditation, discussion.

10:00 am SERVICE - in Hondo (main sanctuary) includes Sutra Chanting, singing, and Dharma Talk DHARMA EXCHANGE – in dining room, Q/A, dialogue with minister and ministers assistants

MOST WEDNESDAYS \*\*10:30 am DHARMA SUPPORT GROUP with Meditation - call office to confirm

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SUNDAYS

September 7 \*8:45 am Meditation Service 10:00 am FAMILY SERVICE (First day of

Dharma School)
Youth: Rinban Castro

Adult: Rev. Akinori Imai, retired Higashi

Honganji Minister

Japanese Language Service: Rev. Imai

DX: Rinban Castro

Dharma School Registration: Memorial Hall

Chapel

11:45 am SBBWA Board Meeting

1:00 – 3 pm Workshop with Rev. Akinori Imai (IBS-

CBE Speaking Tour)

September 14 \*8:45 am Meditation Service

10:00 am FAMILY SERVICE
Youth: Rev. Warrick
Adult: Rinban Castro

Japanese Program DSDX: Cancelled DX: Rinban Castro

10:45 – 11:30 am 2015 NW District Buddhist

**Convention Meeting** 

12:00 pm Religious Department Meeting

September 21 \*8:45 am Meditation Service 10:00 am FALL OHIGAN & ESHINNI-

KO/KAKUSHINNI-KO SERVICE

Youth/Adult: Rev. O'Dowd & Rev. Kondo

Japanese Program

DX: Rev. O'Dowd & Rev. Kondo

September 28 \*Rinban Castro in Spokane

8:45 am Meditation Service

10:00 am CHILDREN'S SERVICE & FAMILY

**SERVICE** 

Children: MA

Youth/Adult: Rev. Warrick

Japanese Program

DSDX: MA

DX: Rev. Warrick

11:45am SBBWA Cabinet Meeting

**MONDAYS** 

<u>September 1</u> Labor Day – Office Closed

September 29 Rinban Castro (Day Off)

**TUESDAYS** 

September 2 Rinban Castro (Day Off)

September 16

10:00 am Shinran Shonin Monthly Memorial

Service (Rinban Castro)

September 23

10:30 am Keiro Service (Rinban Castro)

WEDNESDAYS \*\* 10:30 am - call office to confirm

September 3, 10, 17, 24

10:30 am Dharma Support Group (Rinban Castro)

September 24

2:00 pm NW District Minister's Meeting

THURSDAYS

September 4

1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service (Rinban Castro)

September 25 Rinban Castro (Study Day Off)

**FRIDAYS** 

September 5 12:00 pm Gojikai Service and Lunch-

eon Meeting (Rinban Castro)

September 26 Rinban Castro (Day Off; to Spokane)

SATURDAYS

<u>September 20</u> 9:30 am – 3:30 pm 3rd Annual Women in Buddhism Conference with Rev. Midori Kondo.

Sierra Lee-Brenner & Rev. Carol O-Dowd

September 27 Rinban Castro to Spokane Buddhist

Church for the 20th Anniversary of their Building

September 2014: Major Events of Interest

Sunday, October 19 Hatsumairi Service see p. 5 Sunday, October 26 SBBWA Memorial Service

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# September at Seattle Betsuin

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Sundays, September 7, 14, 21, 28 Sitting in Gratitude Meditation 8:45am – 9:45am @ 1441 S Main

Saturday, September 20 Women in Buddhism Conference with Rev. Midori Kondo, Sierra Lee-Brenner and Rev. Carol O'Dowd 9:30 am – 3:30 pm see p. 10 to register

Wednesdays, September 3, 10, 17, 24 Dharma Support /Meditation 10:30am - 12N at 1441 St

Sunday, September 21 Fall Ohigan and Eshinni-ko/Kakushinni-ko Service with Rev. Carol O'Dowd and Rev. Midori Kondo both in English only

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