

Wheel of the Sangha



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Take Refuge in the Light of Joy

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A Shin Buddhist Heresy

By Rinban Don Castro

From my experience, when Americans think of Zen, they think of it as the most radical and liberating expression of Buddhism, and religion in general for that matter. In Zen and certain schools of Tibetan Buddhism, we read tales of "crazy wisdom," which can easily and dangerously be misinterpreted, which often appealed to the Beatnicks of the 1950's and the Hippies of the '60's and '70's who often mistook licentiousness for liberation. For all of its seeming radical core, Zen and Tibetan Buddhism are quite conservative; follow the precepts, practice the paramitas, in other words get better and better, and eventually become a Buddha.

In the time of Shinran and his teacher Honen, there was also a problem of licentiousness which is sometimes referred to as "licensed evil" in English. In Japanese, this heresy is known as "zouaku-muge." The reasoning of this heresy goes like this: If the evil

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President's Message

I go to the Dharma for guidance...

Several years ago, Bishop Umezu came the Seattle Betsuin on the occasion of our centennial. After offering his congratulations, he asked if we could feel the presence of all of our past members, the hundreds of past Seattle Betsuin members who were no longer alive but who were present in spirit. The initial eeriness of Umezu sensei's image quickly faded as he went on to describe, with great warmth, the good wishes he knew that they would have for us. They would be glad to know that we were still benefitting from their hard work in making it possible for us to hear the Buddha Dharma and to build a community of fellow travelers.

We are fortunate at the Seattle Betsuin to still have that community, on which we can lean when we need to. We live in a very different time than those who preceded us. In many ways our lives are more comfortable, materially speaking. But in our fast-paced, modern lives, we are at greater risk of being isolated and disconnected from our community than our parents and great grandparents ever were.

Through the trials of life, our predecessors understood the necessity of maintaining close bonds with family, friends and community. Those of us who have had less trying lives should take this important lesson to heart – we are not designed to live alone, we need community to enrich our lives and to weather the storms that may

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...Minister's Message continued from p. 1 person is the special object of Amida's salvation, then we should be evil in order to be saved by Amida Buddha.* We should note that an extension of this thinking is the truth that evil is not an obstacle to salvation. I think this heresy, and especially the extension of it, is very subtle and complicated and I think we and I believe we all fall into this kind of thinking much more frequently than we realize. Salvation for the evil person is the heart of Shin teaching and is what truly makes it the most radical and liberating expression of Buddhism; however being evil just to be saved is like abusing your parents just so that they can manifest unconditional love toward you. Shinran Shonin addresses the issue of licensed evil in one of his letters:

I hear that some of you encourage those who have not recovered from drunkenness (with the wine of ignorance) to drink even more wine and others who have not got out of the effects of the poisons (of greed, anger, and ignorance) to eat even more poison. How deplorable this is!

...One should never say, 'Here is good medicine; you can enjoy eating poison now.'

Mattosho, or Lamp for the Latter Ages, No. 20

Just because not following the Buddhist precepts is not an impediment to enlightenment (what a radical idea in Buddhism) doesn't mean we shouldn't follow them. There are other compelling reasons for doing so.

* This heresy in Christianity is known as Antinomianism

... President's Message continued from p. 1 come our way.

So, if you haven't done so already, I invite you to become an active part of our community, our Sangha, at the Seattle Betsuin. Being a member is an important first step. But beyond that, take part in our services and seminars, volunteer, join a temple organization. Most importantly connect one-to-one with others in our Sangha and connect with those who reach out to you. Establishing a real connection between you and others in the Sangha is what matters most.

As Umezu sensei explained, our past Sangha members are still with us through the legacy they entrusted to us. We are so fortunate to have the facilities, resources and goodwill that we have today. Only through the contributions and dedication of those who preceded us are we able to provide the services and programs that we currently offer. We educate and train, we help mark life's milestones, we provide a place for seniors to so-cialize and remain active, and we give solace to the grieving and those needing support.

Most of all, we provide a community of like-minded travelers, to help one another as we traverse our paths. And you're always welcome to join us.

Gassho, Yukio.



Dianne Kujubu Belli & 2014 FBWA Youth Exchange Student

Photos at 43rd FBWA Convention *More photos on page 9.*

Tina and Janie



SBBWA Submitted by Janet Baba

43rd Conference of FBWA: Twenty of our SBBWA members attended the 43rd Conference of the Federation of Buddhist Women's Association conference held in Irvine, California, from October 10-12, 2014. Over 600 people attended the conference that had eight speakers who addressed the theme: "Sharing Our Life Stories as Buddhists." This conference was held in conjunction with the Southern District Buddhist Conference, Southern District Buddhist Women's Association, and Southern District Dharma School Teachers League.

The keynote speakers were Rev. Shoko (Angela) Oh; and the Ven. Karma Lekshe Tsomo for the English; and Rev. Dr. Duncan Williams and Rev. Nobuko Miyoshi for the Japanese sections. Four other speakers, Rev. Shimyo Kojima, Rev. Yoshiko Miyaji, Mr. Hugh O'Neill, and Rev. Patricia Usuki rounded out the eight speakers, who told their own stories.

The 2015-16 FBWA Cabinet were introduced, during the General Meeting:

President: Shizue Yahata, Seattle Vice President: Frances Shintaku, Seattle Recording Sec., English:Carrie Mori, Idaho/Oregon Recording Sec., Japanese Kiyomi Kitagawa

Dickinson, Oregon
Corres. Sec., English
Corres. Sec., Japanese
Treasurers:

Donna Sasaki, Tacoma
Donna Sasaki, Tacoma
Pat Kawabata, White River

Mabel Nishizaki, Seattle Suzuko Terada, Seattle

Auditors: Marilyn Achterman, Oregon

June Shiigi, Oregon

Counselors: Lilly Kato, White River

Kiyo Takashima, Seattle Terrie Tanino, Seattle

Ministerial Advisors: Rinban Don Castro Rev. Kojo Kakihara

Rosie Yasukochi, the 2014 Youth Exchange student, from our Seattle Temple gave her report of her trip to Japan at the FBWA meeting. Rosie read Kristi

Tina, Kanako, Leanne, Joan, Nina at Tanako Farm for FBWA Conference in Irvine. CA Fukunaga's report, as she was unable to attend the conference.

SBBWA Memorial Service: We honored 750 former members at our annual Memorial Service on Sunday, October 26. We thank the families of the deceased for attending this important service. Photos sent in by family members of our deceased members were shown on the screen. If any additional photos are available, they can be brought in, or sent to the temple office for future services.

Sokai & Irokai: We will have our Annual General Membership Meeting, (*Sokai*) and an Appreciation Luncheon for our Board Members, (*Irokai*) on Sunday, November 16. An invitation to the General Meeting will be sent to all members. An agenda, previous General Meeting Minutes, Treasurer's & Activity Report will accompany the invitation. We hope all members will be able to attend this meeting.

SBBWA VP Election: The SBBWA cabinet continues to seek a vice president, English, the office vacated by Joyce Kato, who recently relocated to the Los Angeles area. There will be an election for the vice presidency on Sunday, November 2. Please send your nominations to Kiyo Takashima, Mabel Nishizaki, Shizu Kaku, Joan Nakano, Junko Nakano, or Susie Yamane, of the Membership Committee, or bring name(s) to the meeting on Nov. 2.

In Appreciation: Thank you to all members who helped at the Women in Buddhism Conference. We appreciate our Hospitality Committee members who welcomed our speakers in the lounge. Thank you to members who made the delicious *ohagi* for the *Naijin* and the *Sangha for our* fall *Ohigan*.

In Gassho, Janet

Calendar:

SBBWA Board Meeting Nov. 2 Cabinet Meeting Nov. 9

General Membership Mtg. Nov. 16 Sokai/ Irokai Board Mtg. (December) Nov. 23 Temple Clean Up Nov. 30



Notes from Dharma Exchange

Aug. 31 - Rev. Jim Warrick and Leonora Clarke managed the DX. According to Jim sensei, Jodo Shinshu believes we are flawed creatures and should not be punished for misdeeds. The Christian ways has lots of rules and those who err should be punished for errors. Force should be compassionate; Buddhism teaches us to be on the other side of the fence. We could be more understanding of their position. We experience regret but nothing can be done about it -- time has passed. A participant recommended doing things with "mom" while she is healthy. When one views the self as having flaws we become able to appreciate the flaws of others. . . Kemi invited people to come to the temple early on 9-14 and sing new songs. Start time is 9:00am, or arrive later.

Sept. 7 - The service in the Hondo was conducted by Rev. Akinori Imai, bishop of the Hawaii Higashi Hongwanji, a tradition closely related to Nishi Hongwanji. During Dharma Exchange Rinban Castro recalled the "Book Beyond the Pale of Vengeance" by Hiroshi Kikuchi. . . A participant mentioned a service at a cemetery during Obon. While leaving, he carefully looked around while backing up and was startled to realize he had toppled a grave stone. He put it back in place and realized it said, "Mother." Later, he and another person were backing up in a parking lot and bumped into each other. While having a haircut the hairdresser somehow looked familiar. She asked him if he had an accident recently. It was her car that he collided with! The damages to her car totaled \$1,500 and his was \$625. . . A participant asked if Enlightenment and Karma are in the same realm. Sensei said Karma is a volitional action and Enlightenment is not.

Sept. 14 - Rinban Castro asked, "What is the proper procedure in funerals in Japan and the US? He said less that 5% are casket services in the US. A Funeral Guide Book lists eight separate services to be performed in Japan:

- 1 Service at the end of life; i.e., Pillow Service in the US.
- 2 Service for placing body in a casket
- 3 The wake service.
- 4 The service for the casket leaving to the funeral home.
- 5 The funeral service itself
- 6 The service before cremation
- 7 The service for gathering remains after cremation
- 8 The service for the ashes returning home

The funeral service in the US is still evolving and includes an affirmation of life. Family members giving a eulogy is not bragging as was thought early on by the Issei.

Sept. 21 - Rev. Kondo and O'Dowd held forth at the Dharma Exchange. Rev. O'Dowd's son performs "popping" with a group. Popping has evolved from modern dance. She asked him if she might come to a performance. He told her to go home and take a nap as nothing happens until midnight. She noted she was the oldest person in the building, but she stayed until 1:30am and thoroughly enjoyed herself by just being present with an open mind and open heart. A participant asked Rev. Kondo if she knew of any activities that would interest young children at the temple. She is sending a list of books to the participant. Rinban Castro mentioned a story about encountering various animals, a way of experiencing empathy. He also noted Jataka Tales, and the collection of stories from Rev. Yamaoka. A participant noted as a "bad kid" he never thought about "protect those weaker than myself" at the time. Rev. Kondo said The Golden Chain teaches children to be helpful and not to be bullies.

Sept. 28 - Rev. Jim Warrick handled the DX today. Several participants commented on his Dharma talk concerning "light," which is very much tied to Buddhism in that "light" symbolizes wisdom. Sensei said each time we contemplate the teaching in the temple, it helps to dispel ignorance. A participant commented that "listening to the light"(of wisdom)is very much a part of Buddhism. We have limited wisdom, and Amida's wisdom is beyond that. . . Sensei talked about the two enormous statues of the Buddha that were destroyed a few years ago in Afghanistan. They were part of the UNESCO Historical Site. A movement is afoot to rebuild them at a cost of \$20M, or at least to rebuild one of them, and Sensei asked what we thought of the idea. A participant asked how could they be protected from the same fate as the original two statues. There are very few Buddhists in Afghanistan. Ninety-nine percent of the population is Muslim, and Buddhists fall into the category of "other religions" that account for 0.2% of the population. The point was made that the statues are part of the cultural heritage of the country and are regarded as works of art as well as their intended connection to Buddhism.

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NEWCOMER ORIENTATION TO OUR TEMPLE

As a way of offering the opportunity to have your questions answered and to get to know the minister(s), I have set aside one Saturday morning every month from 10am to noon for interested newcomers to orient themselves to the Buddhist teachings, temple activities (including rituals) and remarkable history of our temple. Of course, I am happy to meet with you at other times during the week by prior appointment. If you would like to meet, either on a Saturday or another time during the week, please call our office at (206) 329-0800. On the pre-scheduled Saturday orientation, you do not have to be here for the entire two hours and we can arrange for a 30 minute or one hour session. Orientation dates for the next three months are: Oct. 18, Nov. 15 and Dec. 13.

Thank you, in gassho, Rev. Don Castro, Rinban

He's back! With more examples for parents to inspire our youth to be grateful – SATURDAY November 8 - 9:30 AM – Noon A Seminar/Book Study with Rev. Koyo Kubose – "A Buddhist Tool Kit for Everyday Life" -IHG



2015 Northwest District Convention - Please be a Booster!

As hosts of the upcoming 2015 Northwest District Convention the Convention Committee is seeking Sangha members to support the Convention. Your participation in becoming a booster will help to defray the costs of the convention. For a minimum donation of \$25.00 per individual or per family, your name(s) will be listed in the 2015 program booklet as a Booster for attending delegates to see that you support the 68th Annual Buddhist Convention.

To become a Booster, please complete the form below and return it to the Temple Office by December 1, 2014 along with your donation. Please mark the outside of the envelope with "Convention Booster" and drop off in the payment mail slot. Checks should be made payable to: "**Seattle Buddhist Church 2015 NWD Convention".** Booster donations will also be taken in person in November in the Hondo foyer prior to and after Sunday Services.

Please help support the 2015 NWD Convention hosted by the Seattle Buddhist Church. Thank you for your consideration and support. If you have any questions, please e-mail the convention co-chairs, Lynne G. or Karen M. at convention@seattlebetsuin.com or please contact the Temple office.

2015 Northwest District Convention Booster

Name:	Please Print Name(s). This will be how the name(s) will be reflected in the program booklet.					
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Oct. 5 - When asked for questions or comments Irene G. MA, suggested we are not very friendly to the visitors. -She suggested we should at least smile and say, "Good morning." Better still engage them in conversation. . . She said Rinban Castro was at the Spokane temple to celebrate their 20th anniversary since the fire that destroyed their temple. She also indicated the Spokane Temple has increased their membership with many new Caucasian members.

Oct. 12 - Matt May MA said Rinban Castro was in Irvine attending a meeting. . . At the service Irene G. focused on the history of the obutsudan. There are about one dozen obutsudan awaiting "adoption," and Irene has photos, and one can actually see them on display. If you or a friend is interested in having one, see Irene. A participant recommended a service be performed for the previous owner. Matt pointed out the printed page about obutsudan on the wall near the podium in the dining room, and copies of it are available in the foyer. . . A participant said it is important in understanding Japanese American life to realize the impact of Buddhism, both culturally and religiously.

Oct. 19 - Rinban Castro conducted the Dharma Exchange. A participant suggested that something like the Dharma as taught in Jodo Shinshu is so simple and so direct, and yet it can be even more difficult to understand than complex ideas. Shinran taught that no sentient being will be left behind in Jodo Shinshu. He did not agree that the "last thought moment" before death must be of the Nembutsu. . . Last week Rinban Castro attended a meeting with many Buddhists of different sects in Irvine, and at the luncheon on Saturday seats were assigned. He took his seat, and next to him was a cross-dresser. After they introduced themselves this person said he would like to introduce his wife. Then he said, "I don't really dress like this." it was a ploy to gain attention and promote the convention next year in his city. . . Sensei said Duncan Williams, Ph.D. from Harvard was educated in Japan and spoke fluent Japanese and English. He told Sensei that in Japan he was thought of as Caucasian, and in the US he appeared to be Japanese. He visited the Betsuin a few years ago. He is a Zen practitioner and is the national head of his sect.

In gassho, Pat Bobrow

Simple things you can do: Is it necessary to use a new ziplock bag for your liquids every time you take a flight? I travel a lot and have been using the same one over and over they're strong! - Gail Kaminishi

Dharma School Classroom Reports

PreK/K Class

The children are learning about the Golden Chain and we are practicing these teachings each Sunday during class. They made a picture with a world and added a chain around it.

After the Pre-K/K students discussed the importance of taking care of their onenjus and bringing them to temple each week, they made owl cases for the new onenjus they made in class.

The students also listened to a story about "Oliver the Oneniu" and how disappointed Oliver was that he was not able to come to temple every week because his owner kept misplacing him. The children then decorated a frame with a hook which allows them to put their Oneniu on the hook every week after they come home from temple. The children were instructed to leave this frame in a very special place so that they will remember to bring their Onenius to temple every week.

The students talked about the meaning of impermanence and completed a project showing how a pumpkin starts as a seed and the changes that take place before it can be made into a jack-o-lantern.

1st/2nd Grade

We have also been discussing the Golden Chain. The students wrote their names on yellow strips of paper and the names of others who are connected to them. These have been assembled into a chain which will be hung around our globe.

We then talked about how we can keep our links "bright and strong" by learning new things and exercising as a couple ways. We also looked at how a person can be physically strong or strong in character or both.

Finally we read a book about a spider and made spiders out of pompoms to remind us to be "kind and gentle to every living thing and protect all who are weaker than ourselves". In the book we also thought about how a horse is bigger than us but that we may need to protect it also. These kids are very bright and fun to have in class!

-submitted by Joyce Tsuji

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The Seattle Betsuin Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations September - October 2014

Funeral / Memorial / Nokotsudo:		Given by:
Mary Osaki – Funeral Service	\$ 1,000.00	David Osaki
Gayle Hoshino – In Memory of	\$ 500.00	Estate of Gayle Hoshino
Linda Wataoka – In Memory of	\$ 250.00	Harumi Guiberson
Shao- Chen Hung – Funeral Service	\$ 200.00	Evergreen Funeral Home
Michael Higa – 49 th Day Memorial Service	\$ 200.00	Janette Gatbunton
Nokotsudo for Yoshio Uchida	\$ 200.00	Sam & Masako Uchida
Sengo Shimizu – Memorial Service	\$ 200.00	Haruko Shimizu
Patrick Shimizu – Memorial Service	\$ 100.00	Joyce Shimizu
	\$ 200.00	Haruko Shimizu
Nokotsudo for Nobi Kano	\$ 100.00	Tamako Niwa Kano
Nokotsudo for Tsutomu Niki	\$ 30.00	Family of Tsutomu Niki

Remembrances for: Given by:

Katsumi Aoyama Jim & Louise Akizuki; Bob & Doris Namba

Ray Okamura Seattle Betsuin Gojikai

Mary Osaki Derek & Kim Fukuda; Jon & Cheryl Nakagawara; Masaru & Anna Tahara

Patrick Shimizu Paul Suguro

Sengo Shimizu Joyce Shimizu; Paul Suguro

Linda Wataoka Florence Sumida

Spokane Buddhist Temple **Temple Supervision**: \$ 100.00 Yakima Buddhist Church \$ 100.00

General Donations: For:

Elsie Taniguchi Appreciation for Mas Tamekuni's Ukelele class

Seattle Betsuin Ukelele Group Facility Use for Ukelele Class

General Donation Michiko Pesek Erick & Kirsten Ishida Ha **General Donation**

- submitted by Pauline Sakuma

A big "thank you!" to the individuals who volunteered to help in our recent recarpeting project. They are Cyrus Homyo, Craig Nakashima, Joan Nakano, Cory Murata, Kyle Ichikawa, Andrea Mano, Paul Knutzen, Gordy Habu, Greg Koba, Sam Umeda, Gary Shibata, Alan Hoshino and Thomas Hoshino. The new carpeting looks great! Gokuroosama. -Yukio

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Musical Notes submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi Thank you to the Seattle Betsuin Ukulele Band for providing service music for Hatsumairi service. The shakuhachi music provided by Todd Milne from Spokane on October 26 was also notable. This month will feature our 6th annual Fall Family Music Service on November 23. Please plan to attend and enjoy the musical contributions of the Bodhi Ensemble, Ukulele Band and Betsuin Choir along with a preview of the Northwest District Convention theme song *Everyday Rhythm of the Nembutsu*.

Terrie Tanino and I wish to express our gratitude to the Betsuin Choir for hosting lunch at Tea Garden on September 28. We are still seeking a choir director for 2015 though continue gatha singing before 10 am Sunday services and invite any-one interested to join us as we build our gatha repertoire. *More photos on page 9*.



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.

Steve Aisaka; John Alwin; Michele Anciaux-Aoki; Kenny & Yoshie Dodobara; Irene Goto-Driscoll; Burke Dykes; Patrick & Joann Kosai Eng; Kelly Enstrom; Lutes Fujita; Nobuichi & Sachiko Fujita; Mitsuko Fukuhara; Sue Furuta; Michael & Laura Garnett; Kazumi Gosho; John & Lynda Hamakami; Ron Hamakawa; Frances Hamanishi; Nelson Harano; Tom Hasegawa; Mark Hirota; Cyrus & May Chin Honmyo; Alan Hoshino; Jamie Huh; Larry & June Iwafuchi; Gail Kaminishi Jefferies; Ed & Joyce Kato; Harold Kawaguchi; Richard & Karina Kawaguchi; Bill & Beth Kawahara; Masako Kawamoto; Dan Keefe; Marc & Jan Keltner; Momoko Kido; Paul & Janet Knutzen; Jeff & Tina Ko; Greg Koba; David & Dianne Kosai Lee; Howard & Marie Kosai Luke; Duane & Ann Mayeda; Paul & Teresa Mori; Corey & Claire Murata; Kiyoko Nakanishi; Junko Nakano; Craig & Dana Nakashima; Ryan & Stacy Nakata; Tsukasa & Keiko Namekata; Stephanie Ojima; Nobuko Otsuji; Gerald Quintua; Sono Sakaguchi; George & Karen Sakamoto; Kengo Sakamoto; Paul Sawyer; Judy Suto; Gail Suzaka; Midori Takagi; Ted & Akico Taniguchi; Elmer Tazuma; Paul & Mabel Tomita; Robert Umeda; Mitsuo Yamamura; Charlene Yoritsune; Kiyoko Yoshida; Mark Yuasa

We'd like to 'welcome' Michael & Laura Garnet; Mark Hirota; Naomi Takemura as new members to our Sangha.

Your contributions and support, by paying your 2014 membership dues, are truly appreciated. We have begun the process of accepting contributions for your 2015 dues. Please remember, although you pay the minimal \$300 or \$250 (for those over 70 years of age), a portion of your dues is submitted to the BCA and also to the Northwest District. Therefore, only a very minimal portion is left for the operations/maintenance of our Temple.

THANK YOU, AGAIN, WITH DEEP GRATITUDE

(H.L.; S.O.; P.S.; J.N.)



November Buddhist Study Group & Seminar "A Buddhist Tool Kit for Everyday Life"

Saturday, November 8 9:30-Noon Memorial Hall Chapel.

Reverend Kubose will join us to discuss his book *Bright Dawn*. Please see Rev. Castro to purchase a copy of the book. Rev. Kubose's book will be the basis for discussion for the seminar, but having read the book is not requisite for attending what promises to be a lively discussion.

Everyone is welcome to stay for brown bag lunch afterward. There is no cost to attend.

- Leonora Clarke & Rev. Castro

Coupon Books Are On Sale Now Supporting the Monthly Meals Project for

Homeless Youth. Funds are being raised to support our involvement in providing Seattle area homeless youths with a hot meal. On the 3rd Friday of each month, a group from the temple has been preparing a hot meal for 40 – 60 homeless youths at YouthCare's Orion Center on Denny Way. The coupon books sell for just \$25.00, and we keep 50% of the sales proceeds to help offset the food costs for providing the monthly meals. The coupon book features many discounts from local restaurants, retailers and attractions, plus, there are lots of discounts for travel, rental cars, hotels and so much more. Just by using 2-4 coupons, you can easily pay for the cost of the book or more! Coupon books will be available for sale on Sundays in the foyer through November. Please help support this worthy cause!

Thank you to our recent meal coordinators and their many volunteer helpers: Paul Mori and family for July and August, Yukio & Karen Morikubo for September & Leonora Clark for October! Helping at one of the meals takes just a few hours of your time on a Friday afternoon. We are always looking for additional volunteers. You'll be glad to be part of such a rewarding service project.

Please contact Mike Teramoto at mteramoto@yahoo.com for more information regarding the coupon books or to volunteer. Gassho, Mike Teramoto

More FBWA Convention at Irvine





More Musical Notes at Tea Garden





Betsuin Events for November 2014

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

*MEDITATION SERVICE at 1441 S. Main St; Sutra Chanting, 20-minute meditation, discussion. 8:45 am

10:00 am SERVICE - in Hondo (main sanctuary) includes Sutra Chanting, singing, and Dharma Talk 11:00 am 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

SUNDAYS 8:45 am Meditation Service*

November 2 10:00 am EITAIKYO MUEN HOYO

SERVICE with OCHIGO

Youth/Adult: Rev. Shinji Ouchi, IMOP Intern

Japanese Service: Rev. Ouchi

DSDX: MA Rosalie May; DX: Rinban Castro

11:35 am – 1:15 pm Chibichan BB & lunch fundraiser

SBBWA Board Meeting 11:45 am

12:00 pm Religious Dept. Meeting

November 9 Rev. Warrick in Yakima for Eitaikyo

Muen Hoyo

FAMILY SERVICE 10:00 pm

Youth/Adult: Guest Speaker, Rev. Koyo S.

Kubose, Bright Dawn Center

Japanese: Program

DSDX: Rev. Kubose: DX: Rev. Kubose

11:35 am – 1:15 pm Chibichan BB & lunch fundraiser

11:45 am SBBWA Cabinet Meeting

November 16 8:45 am Meditation Service*

CHILDREN'S SERVICE AND FAMILY 10:00 am

SERVICE

Children: MA

Youth: Rinban Castro; Adult: Rinban Castro

Japanese: Program

DSDX: MA DX: Rinban Castro

11:35 am – 1:15 pm Chibichan BB & lunch fundraiser

11:45 am SBBWA General Membership

Meeting (Sokai) followed by Luncheon for

SBBWA Board of Directors (Irokai)

November 23 8:45 am Meditation Service*

10:00 am FAMILY MUSIC SERVICE

Youth: Rev. Warrick; Adult: Rev. Warrick

Japanese: Program

DSDX: MA DX: Rev. Warrick

11:45 am SBBWA Board Meeting

November 30 8:45 am Meditation Service

10:00 am **FAMILY SERVICE**

Youth/Adult: Rev. Warrick

Temple Cleanup 11:00 am

(No Japanese Program, DSDX or DX)

MONDAY November 3

Visit by Rev. Tatsuya Aoki from Canada and two

Hongwanji administrative staff members:

Rev. Kenko Takamine (Hongwanji, Kyoto) and

Rev. Anan Hatanaka, (Tsukiji Hongwanji, Tokyo)

TUESDAYS

November 11 Office Closed for Veteran's Day

November 25 10:30 am Keiro Service (Rev. Warrick)

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

November 5 10:30 am Dharma Support Group (Rinban Castro & Rev. Ouchi)

November 12 Rinban Castro (Day Off)

November 26

10:30 am Dharma Support Group (Rev. Warrick)

THURSDAYS

November 61:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service (Rinban Castro & Rev. Ouchi)

November 27 Office closed for Thanksgiving

FRIDAYS

November 7 Gojikai Service and Luncheon Meeting (Rinban Castro & Rev. Ouchi)

November 14 Rinban Castro (Study Day Off)

November 28 Office closed

SATURDAYS

November 8 9:30 am – noon Seminar/Book Study with Rev. Koyo Kubose – "A Buddhist Tool Kit for Everyday Life" in Memorial Hall Chapel see p. 9 November 15 10:00 am - noon New Comer Orientation to Our Temple (Rinban Castro)

Oct. 30 - Nov. 10 **IMOP Internship at Seattle** Betsuin - Rev. Shinji Ouchi Nov. 17 – 29 Rinban Castro in Japan

November 2014: Major Events of Interest

December 6 Book Study Group – December Fan: The Buddhist Essays of Manshi Kiyozawa

December 7 Bodhi Day Service and Potluck hosted by Dharma School

<u>December 13</u> New Comer Orientation to our Temple

<u>December 14</u> Betsuin Annual General Meeting

December 31 New Year's Eve Service

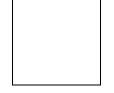
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Seattle Betsuin Mission Promote, protect, and share the Buddha, Dharma and Sangha

November at Seattle Betsuin

November 2 (Sunday) Eitaikyo Muen Hoyo Service with Ochigo Procession

November 8 (Saturday) 9:30 -noon Seminar/Book Study with Rev. Koyo Kubose

- "A Buddhist Tool Kit for Everyday Life"

November 11 Monday - Office Closed for Veteran's Day

November 15 Saturday - Newcomer Orientation to our Temple

November 16 Sunday - Children's Service in Memorial Hall Chapel

November 23 Sunday - Family Music Service

November 27, 28 Thursday, Friday - Office closed for Thanksgiving

November 30 (Sunday) Temple Clean-up – Please come with cleaning supplies!

Help make a clean start to bring in the NewYear!

Ministers: Rimban Don Castro 24 hours: (206) 779 -2214 and Reverend Jim Warrick

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