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Live a Real Life



## "May Those Who Aspire Birth" By Rinban Don Castro

"I will gather the true words so they may help others to practice the way for Birth. My wish is that those who have attained Birth may lead

those who come after them and those who aspire Birth may follow their predecessors, thus following one after another, endlessly and uninterruptedly, until this boundless sea of Birth-and-Death is exhausted."

-from Doshaku's <u>Anraku Shu</u> quoted by Shinran Shonin toward the end of his <u>Kyogyoshinsho</u>

What a wonderful aspiration used by both Shinran Shonin and our Fourth Patriarch Doshaku. How well our services of October and November fit the sentiments of this quote. "May those who have attained Birth..." means those who have come before and attained complete enlightenment or Birth in the Pure Realm, nembutsu followers such as Eshinni-ko and Kakushinni-ko, Shinran's wife and daughter who, in turn, supported him and founded the institution that became the Hongwanji. We honor them at our Sunday service on October 4, the day after our Women in Buddhism Seminar.

We also remember and honor the deceased members of our SBBWA, often your wives or mothers who guided you and supported you in your spiritual journey. This annual memorial service will be held at 1:00pm on October 25. Our Eitaikyo and Muen Hoyo Service will be the first Sunday and first day of November. The meaning of Eitaikyo is perpetual chanting of the sutras for those who have contributed to maintaining our temple and to everyone who doesn't have someone to remember them.

"Lead those who come after them..." is the spirit of continued on page 2...

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

While spring is usually thought of as the season of renewal, this fall has turned into a special season of renewal for us.

This year, with the return of our Dharma School students and their families, we are also fortunate to have a long list of new teachers in our Dharma School Program. We are grateful to all of the new teachers who have stepped up to take the place of some long-time teachers who stepped down from their teaching posts this past June. Thanks to all of the new and returning teachers who work hard and give their precious time, to make a difference in the lives of our youth by being Dharma School teachers. Thank you all very much.

In addition, we are fortunate to welcome a new resident minister, Rev. Sala Sekiya, to the Seattle Betsuin. Sala Sensei has only been at the Betsuin a few weeks, but I can already feel a difference around the Betsuin. Like every other member of our ministerial staff, she has a very unique, personal story around her interest in the Buddha Dharma. That path took her through the business world, the world of Zen and ultimately to the world of Jodo Shinshu. In addition, she has unique training in Jodo Shinshu liturgy that makes her just one of two BCA ministers who are especially gualified to train other ministers in sutra chanting and other ceremonial duties of Jodo Shinshu ministers. Finally, she is fluent in both English and Japanese, a skill that is in high demand in the BCA. We are truly fortunate to have Sala Sensei on our ministerial staff at the Seattle Betsuin.

As you reflect on our good fortune this fall in having all that we have at the Seattle Betsuin, including very dedicated Dharma School families and teachers, and a new, dedicated minister to join with Rinban Castro and the rest of the ministerial staff to share the Buddha Dharma, please take a moment to consider how you can *continued on page 2...* 

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## ...Rimban's Message continued

our Hatsumairi Service on Sunday, October 18 when there is the "First Presentation" of a child to the Sangha and is accompanied by the parental pledge to raise their child according to the high ideas established by the Buddha. "Thus following one after another..." reminds us that my life, each person's life, is a manifestation of Life, the Eternal Life of Amida Buddha which is also the Boundless Light of Wisdom. Each generation renews the mind of enlightenment which is the spiritual link (tsunagatte) that connects us all. This leads us to our other major event in October, the FBWA Representatives Meeting at the Southcenter Doubletree Hotel on Saturday, October 10. We will be preparing for our National BWA Convention next October with the theme: "Linked in the Nembutsu: tsunagatte." ###

**YBA Update** Seattle Betsuin Jr.YBA successfully completed Relay for Life in the very hot weather! Thanks to your generous donations, we ended up raising \$3,600 for the American Cancer society to support cancer research. Furthermore, elections were held in June, and our new officers to serve the 2015-2016 school-year are:

President: Alex VP: Josh Secretary: Amanda Co-Treasurer's: Brandt & Emily Religious Chairperson: Emi

We also completed our Annual Summer Retreat in July. This 3 day retreat was a great way for the NW district youth to get to know each other, as well as listen to the Buddha-dharma through the theme of "Buddhism and Stress", organized by retreat chairperson, Trevor. Throughout yoga, meditation, and icebreakers/team building games, we worked on relieving stress and relaxing. We also enjoyed dancing at the White River Bon

Odori, and leading the Sunday service. Thanks to everyone who helped with this retreat. Look for pictures on the display board across from the

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#### ... President's Message continued

renew your commitment to the Seattle Betsuin. Make sure it's something you'll enjoy, something that will make you smile. But commit to something, because it is only through your actions that the Seattle Betsuin will continue to serve our community and, through reflection and the Buddha Dharma, prepare our children, strengthen our families, warm our friendships and enrich our lives. *Onegaishimasu*.

Gassho, Yukio

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#### office soon!

Please come out and support us on October 18, for our fundraiser during *chibichan*. Your continued support helps fund religious and social activities for the junior. YBA. We look forward to the upcoming year, with many activities planned including our monthly meetings, Mochi making, NY party dessert making, and other fun activities. Submitted by Alex





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# Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Women's

Association Submitted by Janet Baba Food Committee: Our Food Preparation Committee has had another active year with our Salmon Dinner, Bon Odori, Ohigan services, Youth Exchange Program, and NWD Convention. Ritsuko Kawahara, along with Kiyoko Nakanishi, Florence Sumida, Leslie Sumida, Kayoko Terada, Michi Vaart, and Miyoko Yamazaki are called upon to join with temple events as well as SBBWA activities. They help provide refreshments, luncheons, and other temple related functions. We appreciate their work to make all events complete, with warmth, nourishment and opportunity for camaraderie amongst our members. We appreciate and owe much to our Food Committee.

**Membership Committee**: Our Membership Committee is an essential component of our organization. They have the important job of keeping our association organized, working behind the scenes by keeping careful count of our membership for reporting purposes, organizing board members into committees, preparing for our annual election, publishing our directory, and updating personal contact information. Kiyo Takashima & Mabel Nishizaki chair this group. Members are: Shizu Kaku, Joan Nakano, Junko Nakano, and Susie Yamane. We are truly thankful for the responsibilities they carry out so well.

Welcome Rev. Sala Sekiya: A cake & coffee/tea reception for all temple members to greet our new minister was held on September 13 to meet her. She prefers to use her Buddhist name Sala. Rev. Sala will accompany Rev. Castro, our SBBWA advisor to our Board and Cabinet meetings. We look forward to working with her. **Eshinni-ko & Kakushinni-ko Service** will be held on Sunday, October 4. Rev. Patti Nakai will be our speaker at the 10:00 AM service. Rev. Sala Sekiya will be our speaker at our Japanese Service. All the proceeds from this service will be donated to the Youth Groups of our temple, for the furtherance of Buddhist Education.

**FBWA Representatives' Meeting**: Over 80 FBWA Representatives, Sensei Advisors, and Planning Committee members will gather on October 9-10 at the DoubleTree Suites at Southcenter. Shizue Yahata, FBWA President, will conduct the Representatives' Meeting. Speakers for the meeting are Bishop Kodo Umezu and Rev. Ron Kobata. Fran Shintaku & June Akita are our Planning Committee Chairs; and our SBBWA representatives for this meeting are Nina Tomita-Kato and Machiko Wada.

**Memorial Service**: Our plans for our Annual Memorial Service to honor our past members are well underway. This major service to honor 760 members this year will be held on Oct. 25 at 1:00 pm in our Temple Hondo. Rev. Don Castro will be our speaker. Many families have sent in photos of their deceased members, which will be projected on a large screen during the service. If additional families would like to include their beloved member for the slide show, please bring a photo to our temple office. The original will be copied and returned. Please call our office for more information.

In Gassho, Janet

#### Calendar:

Women in Buddhism Conference	Oct. 3
Eshinni-ko & Kakushinni-ko Service	Oct. 4
SBBWA Board Meeting	Oct. 4
FBWA Representatives' Meeting	Oct. 9-10
Cabinet Meeting	Oct. 18
SBBWA Memorial Service	Oct. 25

SBBWA current and past cabinet members with Sala Sensei at the cabinet meeting on Ohigan, September 13, 2015.

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# ALL SANGHA ALERT! FOR YOUR PROTECTION AND TEMPLE SAFETY!

- Do not leave anything visible in your car while parked.
- Do not leave the temple exit doors propped open and unattended.
  - Do not leave your belongings unattended

## ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE...

We would like to "thank" the following regular members, for contributing their annual Ijikai dues (the basic dues toward the Temple maintenance/operations). This is the list of those paid members, since the last posting, for the fiscal year of 2015.

Jim Akizuki, John Alwin, Masatoshi & Sayeko Aoyama, Eric & Carolyn Ashihara, Nobie Kodama Chan, Sandra Cross, Ken & Yoshie Dodobara, Jimmy Eng & Alicia Taniguchi, Irene Goto, Ron Hamakawa, Robert Hamatani, Stephen Hasegawa, Mickey & Yoshi Hiroo, Steven & Cathleen Hokoda, Norigiku Horikawa, Ken & Pam Horn, Jamie Huh, Sharyl Kamihara, Noboru & Hatsuye Kawada, Ritsuko Kawahara, Masako Kawamoto, Dan Keefe, Marc & Jan Keltner, Esther Kojima, Bill Komoto, June Kosai, Kris & Keiko Kosugi, Art & Lori Kozai, Yoshiko Kozai, Ken & Patricia Grace Kubota, Kishiko Kusakabe, Haruko Mamiya, Andrea Mano, Yoshie Mikami, Tetsuo & Linda Miyata, Kevin Nagai, Kiyoko Nakanishi, Craig & Dana Nakashima, Iso & Ai Nishimura, Shizuko Nose, Nobuko Otsuji, Sono Sakaguchi, Kengo Sakamoto, Louise Sakuma, Paul Sawyer, Dave Scattergood & Joyce Tsuji, Ben & Etsu Shimbo, Midori Takagi, Jean Takano, Naomi Takemura, Kats & Terrie Tanino, Florence Terami, Margaret Teramoto, Victoria Terao, Gary & Julianne Tosaya, Susanne Umeda, Ruby Yasui, Charlene Yoritsune, Miyoko Yoshikawa

We'd like to 'welcome' Patricia Grace Kubota as a new member of our Sangha.

(compiled by HL, PS, JN, & SO)

October and November Buddhist Study Group We will forego our October Meeting and encourage

everyone to attend the Women in Buddhism Conference on October 3.

On Saturday, November 14, we will discuss the Call of the Infinite by John Paraskevopoulos. This book is available at the BCA bookstore at http://bcabookstore.mybigcommerce.com/call-of-the-infinite/ The cost is \$14.95. Rev. Goto recommended the book, commenting that this book helped her to come to a clearer understanding of Amida Buddha.

The meeting will take place in the Memorial Hall from 9:30-11:30am. There will be a brown bag lunch afterwards. There is no cost to attend. Thank you. Leonora

## A Review of September 5, 2015 Meeting. The Book: Proof of Heaven by Eben Alexander, MD.

Proof of Heaven proved to be cause for a rousing, if not raucous, gathering of 13 book-study folks. We agreed with the author that our language is inadequate to fully convey the spiritual transformation experienced by him during his NDE (near death experience) caused by a rare bacterial eboli.

Language complications furthermore arose during our discussion around terms such as the folowing: angel, Hell, enlightenment, Dharma, Amida Buddha, duality, shame, etc.

We noted the strong correlation between Alexander's Proof of Heaven and The Dalai Lama's The Universe in a Single Atom.

I find it new that the author suggests the reader take action to "further your own spiritual awakening or ... a spiritually transformative experience" by accessing www.Eternea.org, his "publicly supported charity . . . to serve the greater good." Submitted by KIA

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# Seattle Betsuin Sangha Says, "Good-bye"



At the end of August, after nearly a year in Seattle to learn English, Rev. Yugo Fujita departed for IMOP training at Berkeley's Jodo Shinshu Center. He returns for a brief visit to Seattle Betsuin October 31.

# Hatsumairi

**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 18, 2015**. 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 contact the temple office by **October 9, 2015.** 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 the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

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### 2015 Hatsumairi Registration

Child's Name	Boy/Girl		Month/D	ay/Year of	<u>Birth</u>
Parent's Name(s)					
Mailing Address		City	State	Zip C	Code
Phone	E-mail				
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# The Seattle Betsuin Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations August – September 2015

Funeral / Memorial / Nokotsudo:		Given by:
Lutes Fujita – 1 Year Memorial	\$ 1,000.00	Estate of Lutes Fujita
Kazuo Watanabe – Funeral Service	\$ 500.00	Tim & Danha Watanabe
Fumiko Nakashima – Funeral Service	\$ 300.00	Akira Nakashima
Esther Matsuda – Burial Service	\$ 300.00	Estate of Esther Matsuda
Mary Akada – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Memorial	\$ 300.00	Lucy Akada
George & Lillian Mizumori and Nancy Mizumori	\$ 300.00	Sheri Mizumori
Frank Kubo – In Memory of	\$ 200.00	Frances & Harry Nishimoto
Kuranishi Family – In Memory of	\$ 200.00	Florence Terami

## In Memory of:

Harumi "Marge" Fujioka	Nita Hoines; Henry & Tomi Hirano; James & Suwako Maeda; Fumiye Taniguchi; Merrily Taniguchi
Lutes Fujita	A. Grant; Elaine Yoshida
George Fukeda	Frances Shintaku
George & Lillian Mizumori	Masaru & Anna Tahara
Nancy Mizumori	Masaru & Anna Tahara
Masato Ohara	Gene & Yuki Arinobu
Haruko Shimizu	Gene & Yuki Arinobu; Mae Deguchi; Tom & Ichiko Fujishima; Florence Fujita; Frances Kobayashi; Louise Matsumoto; Curtis & Charlene Nakayama; John & Pauline Shigaki; Elsie Taniguchi; Fumiko Yamaguchi; Ayako (Ruby) Yasui; Michael & Allison Yokoyama
Takeo Eddie Taniguchi	Fumiye Taniguchi; Martha Taniguchi
Manabu Taniguchi	Fumiye Taniguchi; Martha Taniguchi
John Yamada	Ed & Joyce Kato; Russell Kato

### General Donations:

## For:

Nikkei Concerns	Appreciation for use of facilities
Jack Matsui	Appreciation for Onenju and Okesa repair
Eileen Yoshino	General Donation
Shinya & Jayne Ichikawa	General Donation
Emiko Okada	General Donation
Shuzo & Alice Takeuchi	General Donation
Mildred Nakanishi	General Donation
Ann Monson	General Donation
Michiko Toyoshima	General Donation
Irene Goto	General Donation
Emiko Okada	General Donation
Aiko & Minoru Fujii	General Donation

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# Notes from Dharma Exchange, a postservice discussion/dialogue.

8-23-15 Matt May MA conducted the Dharma Exchange pertaining to the group called "Black Lives Matter." The group interrupted Bernie Sanders who was scheduled to speak to 5,000 people in Seattle in a loud and forceful manner. A participant felt it was uncalled for and was rude and ill-mannered. Matt agreed it was rude, but felt it was a way to get the attention of people to the importance of blacks being gunned down by police, and compared it to the demonstrations in the 60s over racial inequality. A concern during the time of Shinran and Rennyo, was behaving in a lawful way. Today, we have a world view of how political and social events are different in Japan and the US. Gandhi took suffering unto himself rather than inflicting it on others. Rinban Castro felt such an approach was radical in its time. . . Before World War II Japanese Americans were considered a Model Minority. Japanese have a place in our society to allow everyone else to realize how they are not living up to US ideals.

8-30-15 Rosalie May MA conduced the service in the Hondo, and a participant felt her talk was relevant. Mahayana Buddhism does not need monks, or for us to work on our own Enlightenment. Mahayana Buddhism can be found in many countries including Australia, Canada, Nepal etc... Our new minister Rev. Miho Sekiya will arrive soon. Her specialty is ritual and chanting. At age 13 she lived in California and later in New York and graduated from Boston University. She is fluent in Japanese and English. She will stay at an extended-stay hotel in Bellevue. . . Kemi is organizing the new "Seattle Tacoma Service Book," and Mas T is helping with the ukulele chords. Kemi hopes that we all just come and sing. . . Irene Sensei is organizing the "Women in Buddhism Conference" set for October 3. She feels the schedule is very workable. It consists of three sessions with each of the three speakers, lunch break plus a participants Q&A. A participant asked how the registration fee is used. Irene indicated the three speakers come from afar -- Vermont, Chicago and California -- and the fee pays for their transportation and stay... Castro Sensei is working on publishing the masters thesis of Rev. Philip Karl Eidmann who was his mentor and whom he esteemed highly. Rosalie is helping with this task. . . the monthly Book Study Group is reading "Proof of Heaven" by Eben Alexander. . . A participant felt that when we get old it is important for our children to assist in the lives of their parents. Their lives will be less stressful if they are not rebuffed. Irene Sensei said it is a gift to children letting them assist.

9-6-15 Rev. Jim Warrick commented on Castro Sensei's message of today. Jim Sensei always wondered what "refuge" meant as there are many levels of refuge. In simple terms one can seek refuge under a tree in a torrent of rain. Castro sensei likes the idea of taking refuge over "seeking guidance" as we chant in the Vandana. Further, he said using the word "refuge" means we abandoned our ego. . . Irene Sensei said the new sensei was touched and honored that we sang "Ganjin's Journey" to welcome her. . Three days before she died, Castro Sensei told his first wife, Linda, that he would take her composition "Ganjin's Journey" to Tosho Daiji, the temple in Nara, Japan that is significant in the life of Ganjin. Sensei did take the piece to the temple on his last trip to Japan with his son and wife. They received a warm and wonderful welcome. In Japan those who were educated understood Chinese as did Shinran. However, he took Buddhism to those who were not educated and were superstitious. . . A participant complained about the gossip that is prevalent where he lives and felt a breach was made to his privacy. Castro sensei said it depends on the contract they have where they all live.

9-13-15 Rev. Jim Warrick said he enjoyed Irene Sensei's Dharma talk regarding the song, "It's Not Easy Being Green." Jim Sensei said he was reminded of the Buddha saying, "Come as you are." He added that many of us are unable to accept who we are, and he personally would like to be a better person. . . On Sep 20 our new sensei Rev. Sala Sekiya will give the Dharma talk during the combined service. (She prefers the name Sala over her given name of Miho.) The topic will concern rhythm and echoes of Buddhism. . . A new participant asked Jim Sensei to describe other Buddhist sects in our area. Sensei offered a brief outline and suggested that the Northwest Dharma Association website keeps a list of Buddhist organizations on its website. In our area, there are about 60 temples of other sects. He indicated Jodo Shinshu has the least amount of rituals in services. Many people are surprised to learn that in Japan members attend on special days rather than every Sunday as we do. . .Kemi explained that in the new music service book certain wording in the gathas will change to conform to Buddhist thinking, i.e., use of the word temple rather than church. . . Former temple member Dave Atcheson who is a member of the Honpa Hongwanji and a board member, was greeted during Dharma Exchange. He plans to return to Honolulu at the end of September.

**9-20-15** Irene Goto Sensei and Matt May MA conducted the Dharma Exchange today. Sensei said more help is needed in the kitchen for Dharma Exchange. She  $\rightarrow$ 

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← indicated a minimum of three people. Today a few people put it together on the spot... Matt May said he enjoyed Sala Sekiya's first Dharma talk in the Hondo.
Matt asked why we celebrate the spring and fall O-higan.
A participant added because it marked the tradition of the Middle Path. Other religions have chosen a different time of the year for celebrations when it is dark and cold.
Sensei and another participant likened Ohigan to a bridge leading to the Pure Land, which can be a comforting

thought for those who are saddened or depressed. A participant sees the Middle Path not as something that exists in the past or future but right now. Sensei suggested ways the Pure Land is represented in art -- the beauty of the Naijin, and chanting and singing. Rosalie particularly liked the Sanbutsu Ge that Sala Sensei played on her phone during the service.

In Gassho, Pat Bobrow

# **Everyone can receive Weekly Sangha email!**

If you would like to have additional members of your family to receive weekly messages, please contact Calvin Terada at <u>calterada@comcast.net</u> or Joan Nakano at <u>office@seattlebetsuin.com</u>.

# "Welcome, Reverend Sala Sekiya!"



## Sunday, September 13, 2015 Reception

#### The mission statement:

To honor all veterans who served our country in harm's way which includes the Nisei Veterans of the 442nd/100th RCT, MIS, 522nd FAB, and other military units.

#### The objective:

"May these brave soldiers rest in peace and safely reach the other shore of joy and peace."

#### Our hope is to:

1. Establish a camaraderie spirit in all 3 Temples to do a joint service for a special event.



Nisei Veterans Service at Tahoma National Cemetery on September 12, 2015 Picture left to right Rev. Kojo Kakihara, Rev. Sala Sekiya, Minister's Assistant Irene Goto Sensei, Rev. Koshin Ogui and Rev. Kosho Yukawa

Both Seattle Betsuin sangha and Nisei Veterans Committee were solely represented by member Shokichi Tokita. -IHG

2. Promote an awareness to the general community that we do exist as a Buddhist religious organization and are a diverse and inclusive Sangha.

3. All 3 Jodo Shinshu BCA Temples are for families and interested individuals, that we all lead a secular life-style as oppose to being in a monastic society.

4. We are current and contemporary to address people's spiritual needs yet respect the traditions of our Jodo Shinshu creed.

> Submitted by Dennis Asato White River Buddhist Temple

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October 4 10:00 am ESHINNI-KO & KAKUSHINNI-KO SERVICE Family: Rev. Patti Nakai, Buddhist Temple of Chicago Japanese: Rev. Sala Sekiya DSDX: Linda Anderson Krech, Todo Institute DX: Rev. Patti Nakai Meditation: Minister's Assistant 11:45 am SBBWA Board Meeting October 11 10:00 am FAMILY SERVICE w/ BISHOP KODO UMEZU Family: Bishop Umezu Japanese: Bishop Umezu DX: Irene Goto Sensei Meditation: MA Leonora Clarke

SUNDAYS

## 11:45 am Affirmation Ceremony and Minister's Assistant Certification Ceremony officiated by Bishop Umezu

## October 18

10:00 am HATSUMAIRI SERVICE Family: Rinban Castro

Japanese: Rev. Sala Sekiya DX: MA Matt May Meditation: Irene Goto Sensei

11:45 am SBBWA Cabinet Meeting; Ministerial Staff Meeting in Meditation House

October 25

## 10:00 am FAMILY SERVICE

Youth: Rinban Castro Adult: Rev. Sala Sekiya Japanese: Rev. Sala Sekiya DSDX: Rinban Castro DX: MA Rosalie May Meditation: MA Leonora Clarke

1:00 pm SBBWA Memorial Service (Rinban Castro)

### MONDAYS

October 5, 19, 26Rinban Castro (Days Off)October 12Rev. Sekiya (Day Off)

### TUESDAYS

October 6, 20, 27 Rinban Castro (Days Off)

October 13 Rev. Sekiya (Day Off)

October 27

10:30 am Keiro Service (Rev. Sekiya and Irene Goto Sensei)

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

October 7 Rev. Sekiya (Day Off)

10:30 am Dharma Support Group

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October 14 Dharma Support Group (CANCELLED) Rev. Sekiya (Day Off) October 21 10:30 am Dharma Support Group (Rinban Castro) October 28 Rev. Sekiya (Day Off) 10:30 am Dharma Support Group (Rinban Castro) THURSDAYS October 1, 8 Rev. Sekiya (Days Off) October 1 1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service (Rinban) October 15 1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service (Rev. Sekiya and Irene Goto Sensei) 7:30 pm **Betsuin Cabinet Meeting** October 22 7:30 pm Betsuin Board Meeting October 29 Rev. Sekiya (Day Off) FRIDAYS October 2 12:00 pm Gojikai Service & Luncheon Meeting 1:30 – 4:00 pm Seminar with Rev. Patti Nakai, **Buddhist Temple of Chicago** October 16 10:00 am Shinran Shonin Memorial Service October 23 Rev. Sekiya (Day Off) SATURDAY October 3 9:30 am – 3:30 pm Women in Buddhism Conference "Everyday Bodhisattvas" with Rev. Patti Nakai, Buddhist Temple of Chicago; Linda Anderson Krech, Tōdō Institute; Rev. Sala Sekiya October 10 9:00 am – 3:00 pm FBWA Representatives' Meeting at the Doubletree Suites Southcenter (Rinban Castro and Rev. Sekiya) **IMOP** (International Ministerial October 31 Orientation Program) Seminar with Rev. Yugo Fujita and Rev. Chikako Tsuyama - Time TBD November 2015: Major Sunday Events **November 1** Eitaikyo & Muen Hoyo Service with Ochigo, Guest Speakers IMOP ministers, Rev. Yugo Fujita and Rev. Chikako Tsuyama November 8 Temple Clean up **November 14** Book Study Group – The Call of the Infinite by John Paraskevopoulos **November 15 SBBWA General Membership Meeting** November 22 Family Music Service

# 2015 November Newsletter Deadline: Monday, October 19, 2015 8:00 pm

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Seattle Betsuin Vision Embrace true and real *Seattle Betsuin Mission* Promote, protect, and life in Nembutsu share the Buddha, Dharma and Sangha

## 2015 October Events at Seattle Betsuin

October 3 Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Women in Buddhism Conference "Everyday Bodhisattvas" (9:30 am – 3:30 pm)

<u>October 4</u> **Sunday** Eshinni-ko & Kakushinni-ko Service with guest speaker, Rev. Patti Nakai (Buddhist Temple of Chicago) and Linda Anderson Krech, Tōdō Institute, speaker to Dharma School Parents Exchange

October 10 Saturday Federation of Buddhist Women Association Representatives Meeting at DoubleTree Southcenter

October 11 **Sunday** Family Service guest speaker, Bishop Kodo Umezu; Affirmation Ceremony at 11:45 am followed by Minister's Assistant Certification Ceremony officiated by Bishop Umezu

October 18 Sunday Hatsumairi Service 10:00 am

October 25 Sunday SBBWA Memorial Service 1:00 pm

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The deadline to submit articles is the third Monday of each month at 8:00 PM. Deadline for November Issue: October 19, 2015 at 8:00 PM

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