



Ganjin Lives, Part 4

Fulfilled Promises, Looking Back

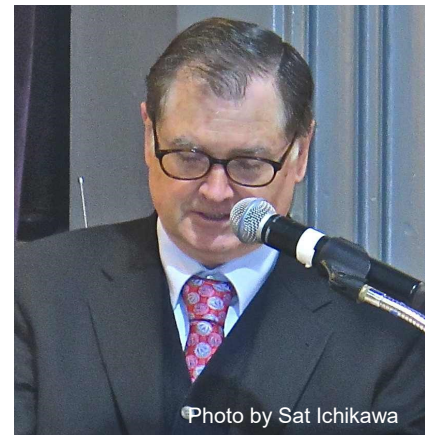
By Rinban Don Castro

Arigatai, what a great word! As Rev. Chijun Yakumo wrote in his wonderful book "Thank You: Namo Amida Butsu", "I believe *arigatai* is a term that arises naturally when we sense the intricacy of karma in our life and the profundity of the Buddha's teachings that embraces it." (page 13) *Arigatai* or *arigatoo* is generally translated into English as "thank you" but literally it has the meaning "difficult to be." Only through the pain of loss (for my sons, the loss of their mother to cancer at age 62) did the idea of presenting Linda's gatha at Ganjin's home temple arise. "You have been brought here by profound causes and conditions" were the first words spoken by Patriarch Kosho Ohtani in English at my Tokudo ordination in 1975. Forty years later, in December 2015, even more causes and conditions, some happy, some sad, enabled me to fulfill my commitment to Linda and my sons.

For my sons, presenting the gatha "Ganjin's Journey" at his home temple and gravesite was both an opportunity to honor their mother and a chance to be introduced to Japan with its ancient and sublime Buddhist culture (not to mention delicious food). My older son remarked after the trip, "When I grew up in the temple, I always saw Buddhism as something small and marginal to American culture. Going to Japan made me realize what a great tradition I grew up in."

Ganjin, the courageous traveler, is still inspiring journeys. I regard my trips to Japan with my sons in 2014 and 2015 as pilgrimages to Toshodaiji and the Hongwanji. I don't know if I would have made those two trips if Linda had not passed away and I had not made the promise to her to present her gatha. Looking back, I realize

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Rinban Castro Installing Officers at Seattle Betsuin's New Year Party

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SPRING SALMON DINNER FUNDRAISER

Save the date for this year's Salmon Dinner Fundraiser which will be held on March 19 and also having an alternative entrée option instead of salmon. We'll be mailing tickets to this event in late February or early March. As in prior years, we will need your help in making this event a financial success.

Watch for tickets to be mailed out and in your mailboxes. There will be a date suggested in the mailing for returning payment for the tickets, requests for additional tickets or if need be, returned tickets. Please help us as the payments or any returned tickets by the specified date which is before the event will help us in estimating the amount of salmon that is ordered. We hope you can understand that with the prices involved we don't want to over-estimate the quantity needed but we do want to ensure that we have enough ordered for this fundraiser.

Please help the Temple in one of its two major fundraisers by promoting or selling additional tickets to friends and other family members. Additional tickets can be acquired by calling the office or by selling any ones that you may not need and not return them to the Temple. - HL

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what a precious opportunity my sons and their wives had to spend eleven days together and to share wonderful experiences with memories to last a lifetime. It gave me and my daughters-in-law an opportunity to really get to know each other. So many kind people made the trip possible. Kemi Nakabayashi gave me an improved version of Linda's gatha so each son was able to present something new. The Hongwanji International Dept. staff accommodated our request for lodging. I could go on and on, "You have been brought here by profound causes and conditions." Arigatai

Buddhist Study Group In December and January the group viewed Sensei David Matsumoto's video lecture on Shinran's Tannisho as scribed by Yuienbo in Kyoto in the 1200's. Out of 14 translations of the Tannisho, Matsumoto's preference is Taitetsu Unno's.

In a nutshell (no laughter, please) are some terms that carry meaning for me. "Soku Toku Ojo" and "settled" are key in conveying the essence of attaining and being in the state of "Shinjin". Then "diamondlike, steadfast, soft, and gentle" describe the humanoid manifestation of this state. Finally,

having the "choice" of teachers is relevant for me as a seeker in my spiritual journey.

I have two questions (among many): Who made the statement, "Timeless history becomes real for me"? And, Do we need to learn to ride a moped if we choose Matsumoto Sensei as our teacher? - KA go to page 9 for next meeting...

Troop 252 ended 2015 on a high note and is getting a start to 2016. On December 20, we had our Court of honor where there were 6 rank advancements and 7 merit badges awarded. Right after that we had our troop elections where Drake became our new SPL. We also had a small tent competition. Coming up on April 1-3, we are having our district spring camporee at Camp Edwards and will also have a crossover campout sometime in the spring. -Drew

Bridge, Anyone? Would you like to enjoy a few hours of fun and stimulation? Then join the Temple Bridge Group that meets on Thursdays from 1 to 3:30PM in the dining room. If you play the game, used to play or never played we'll teach you or help you remember. So come join us for a fun afternoon!

[Irene Mano.](#)

Chairperson's Message by Alan Hoshino

On behalf of our entire Sangha, I thank my predecessor, Yukio Morikubo, for serving two terms (4 years) as chairperson of the temple's Board of Directors. That's a lot of worrying and quietly handling the unseen details. Thank you Yukio for taking care of us and the temple.



This year is shaping up to be a very exciting one around the Betsuin. The planning initiative started under Yukio's guidance will continue with our three Vice-Chairpersons taking new leading roles. 1st Vice Chairperson Calvin Terada has switched his focus from Communications to Programming. 2nd Vice-Chairperson Tyler Moriguchi has assumed the lead on Membership/Communications. New cabinet member and 3rd Vice Chairperson Ken Kubota is focusing on Facilities.



On the facilities front we have a new walk-in cooler being installed (thank you Howard Luke for being the project manager) and we're about to kick off a dining room renovation project being managed by Grace Tazuma and Ron Hamakawa. The small parsonage renovation is almost complete and we have just about completed a revamping of our main floor HVAC systems. Thank you to the entire maintenance committee for taking on many of the projects and fixing all the things that break. A special thank you to Cyrus Honmyo, Craig Nakashima and Gary Shibata for continuing to put in many long hours. On top of the existing projects there's also the desire to improve accessibility between floors and figure out if there's a way to fit an elevator into our floor plan and find a way to fund it. We will be reviewing our options and I'll report status on this in the coming months.

Programming wise this will be a special year for us as well as a transition year with Rinban Castro's retirement at year end. Rev. Sala Sekiya is quickly ramping up her ministry and with that we'll see new programs and ideas. In July minister's assistants Rosalie and Matt May are going to our mother temple in Kyoto Japan to receive ordination as priests (Tokudo) and when they return they'll join Jim Warrick and Irene Goto doubling our number of ordained volunteers. In their footsteps our newest minister's assistant, Doug McLean, is already starting his contribution to new programs with his Buddhism 101 and 102 classes. Many years ago we were a three minister temple. This year we will near or even surpass that benchmark and have an abundance of talent within our ministerial team to draw from.

On the financial side Treasurer Howard Luke and I have prioritized preparing consolidated financial statements (income statement and balance sheet) reflecting the entire Betsuin including its affiliated organizations. Michael Teramoto who is Cabinet Auditor #1 and also serves as chair of the Betsuin Funds Management Committee will focus on donors and the balance sheet. Julianne Tosaya, Cabinet Auditor #2, will focus on accounting systems, compliance and internal controls. Susie Taketa, Cabinet Auditor #3, will focus on the consolidated income statement. For those of you who are serving as treasurers for the various temple committees and affiliated organizations there will be a kick off meeting sometime this quarter to start the process of generating a set of consolidated financial statements and I ask for your participation and support.

Operationally a special note of thanks goes to Joan Nakano, our office administrator, who handles day-to-day operations, scheduling and keeping everything running smoothly. Temple Recording Secretary Craig Nakashima is undertaking the task of supporting Joan by looking after our Information Technology needs and corporate and temple records. Corresponding Secretary Steph Ojima will be implementing our Code of Conduct and its associated background checks as well as seeing to our insurance needs.

Last, but certainly not least, there is you, the Sangha. The temple exists both for and because of you. As you can see we have a lot on tap this year. Thank you for your past support and I hope we can count on your continued interest and support. Please speak up if you have ideas and where possible volunteer your time and expertise. If you haven't already joined our temple's support/maintenance group (Ijikai* in Japanese) or renewed your past membership please consider doing so. Your financial support enables us to provide the programs, services, facilities and ministerial staff to you and our community.

* Ijikai (iji = support/maintenance; kai = group/association)

In gassho, Alan

If you are not a SBBWA member, please join us. We are a community of Buddhist Women whose main goals are to assist within the temple, provide support to our Sangha community when needed, take part in service activities or assistance outside of the temple (community service), and to provide opportunities that are social in nature as well as educational.

SBBWA News by Nina Tomita Kato

January involved a great deal of cooking for our Food Committee with the assistance and guidance of our “master Chef”, Mrs. Kawahara. Thank you to all that were involved in presenting the temple with delicious and special dishes such as *mame* and *kimpira* for the New Year’s Party and *Otoki* (*Nigome* and *Zenzai*) for Ho on Ko on January 17.

We were saddened to lose two vital members of our organization, Mrs. Tsuchida and Florence Sumida. Our sympathy goes out to the families.



Photo by Tyler Moriguchi

Mrs. Ritsuko Kawahara was honored at Betsuin New Year Party recognizing her contribution to the temple. Betsuin president Alan Hoshino gave a speech of appreciation for her leading the cooking and organizing of many menus.

We wish all of our members a heartfelt “Happy New Year” and hope the new year will bring many fond and memorable experiences.

Musical Notes submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi

The New Year 2016 is off to a great start with music by the Seattle Betsuin Ukulele Band and the Betsuin members and guests singing along to *Ue O Muite Arukou* (*Sukiyaki*) and *What a Wonderful World* at the New Year’s party. Thank you to Dr. Tsukasa “Nami”



Photo by Sat Ichikawa

Namekata for preparing the sing along. The Sangha Singers had fun leading the singing. Nami hopes that everyone learned these songs and will continue to sing with our wish for a wonderful world. We know there is hidden musical talent and those who enjoy singing. Reading music is not a requirement for joining in the 9 am singing in the hon-do on Sundays. We also welcome help from others for service music on the piano or with other instruments. Mas Tamekuni is encouraging new people interested in learning and practicing ukulele to join the ukulele band on Sundays at from 11:45 am to 1 pm. They welcome beginners but also current or former guitar players, and Mas guarantees fun!

Betsuin musicians and Sangha Singers join me in expressing our deepest sympathy to the family of Florence Sumida, who provided over 60 years of service music as organist for the Seattle Betsuin.

– KN



Board of Directors & Betsuin Cabinet

The Betsuin welcomes the election of the following Board of Directors: Alan Hoshino, Ken Kubota, Howard Luke, Andrea Mano, Dennis Shibata, Susie Taketa, Grace Tazuma, Michael Teramoto, Sam Umeda, and Donna Zumoto

2016-2017 Betsuin Cabinet

Chairperson – Alan Hoshino
 1st Vice Chair – Calvin Terada
 2nd Vice Chair – Tyler Moriguchi
 3rd Vice Chair – Ken Kubota
 Recording Secretary – Craig Nakashima

Corresponding Secretary – Steph Ojima
 Treasurer – Howard Luke
 Auditor 1 – Michael Teramoto
 Auditor 2 – Julianne Tosaya
 Auditor 3 – Susie Taketa

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**Salmon Dinner
Fundraiser**

**Save the Date:
Saturday,
March 19, 2016**

Religious Education Events:

Buddhism 102 Minister's Assistant Doug McLean will hold his second introduction to Buddhism class on January 24 during Dharma exchange (immediately after service) in the Memorial Chapel. All are welcome.

February's Buddhist Study Group will take place on February 6, Memorial Hall Chapel, from 9:30-11:30am We will be watching the third segment of a video/lecture given by Rev. David Matsumoto on the Tannisho. Read a participant's impression of the first two segments on page 2. Bring a brown bag lunch to linger for discussion afterwards. There is no cost to attend. Please come even if you missed the first two parts of these lectures – this is a multi-part series and you can pick up anywhere. - LC

Dharmathon Enjoy Dharma talks by some of BCA's newest ministers: Rev. Matthew Hamasaki (Central California District); Rev. Kory Quon (Venice Hongwanji Buddhist Temple); Rev. Sala Sekiya (Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple); Rev. Candice Shibata (Berkeley Buddhist Temple); and Rev. Mutsumi Wondra (Orange County Buddhist Church). Friday, March 4, 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm Marriott Hotel and Visalia Convention Center, Visalia, CA 93291. Contact Phone Number: 510.809.1469. Presented in conjunction with the BCA National Council Meeting taking place at the Marriott Hotel and Visalia Convention Center from March 1 – 6, 2016. **Free and open to the public.** <http://buddhistchurchesofamerica.org/center-for-buddhist-education>

“RENNYO SHONIN'S LETTERS” Adult Buddhist Study Class, Family Dharma Center | 7:00 pmm - 9:00 pm, 2690 E. Alluvial Avenue, Fresno, CA 93720 Fresno Buddhist Dharma Center, Contact Phone Number: (559) 442-4054

Notes on Dharma Exchange:

Jan. 3, 2016 - Rinban Castro mentioned that New Year's aspiration found in service books were written by old time ministers. . . Our Enlightenment is determined through the working of Amida Buddha, and everything is working to bring it about. . . Bodhi Dharma (Daruma) is both comical and serious at the same time. He traveled from India to bring Zen to China. . . Sensei visited Kyoto Arashiyama to see the beautiful gardens and over 50 monkeys outside cages. . . A participant said there are two ways to practice -- easy and difficult, and he likened it to the mother's love for her child. Senei said both are correct at the same time. We all come to things with our own perspective. It is not possible to contrive for Enlightenment. Sensei said Buddhism is so clear on the wisdom side compared to other religions. He went on to say the longest journey in our lives is from the head to the heart.

Jan 10 Rinban Castro conducted the Dharma Exchange. On Sensei's last visit to Japan his younger son told him "only three temples." They actually visited ten temples! A participant inquired if Sensei's sons appreciated the Museum of Peace Park in Hiroshima. They saw melted Buddhist statues, and one like the Betsuin's statue in the park was near the epicenter of the blast and it sustained some scorching damage. Plants began to spring up after one year. The city is vital now, and it is a moving experience to see this museum. According to scientists, if a hydrogen bomb were

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Seattle Betsuin Gratefully Acknowledges Donations Received December 2015 - January 2016

Funeral / Memorial / Nokotsudo:

Given by:

Nokotsudo	\$ 1,000.00	Ted Nakamura
Nokotsudo	\$ 300.00	Frances Shintaku
Dick & Misao Yoshimura – In Memory of	\$ 300.00	Harry Yoshimura
Nokotsudo	\$ 200.00	Kinue Kuwahara

In Memory of:

Given by:

Sayeko Aoyama	Don & Karen Akira; Geoffrey & Bridget Smoke
Brian Fujita	Miyuki Hanada; Peggy Hanada
Florence Sumida	Don & Karen Akira
John Yamada	Don & Karen Akira

General Donations:

For:

Haruko Mamiya	General Donation
Shinya & Jayne Ichikawa	General Donation
Donald & Karen Akira	General Donation
Susumu & Hideko Tsutsumi	General Donation
Masao Koba	General Donation
Seattle Buddhist Church Gojikai	General Donation
Anonymous	General Donation
Anonymous	General Donation
Minoru & Aiko Fujii	General Donation
SBBWA	Appreciation for Upkeep and Maintenance of Temple
SBBWA	Appreciation for assistance by Pauline Sakuma

Temple's Walk-in Refrigerator The deteriorating condition of the Temple's walk-in refrigerator has led to a decision to upgrade the unit that is more temperature efficient and safe for food handling. The current condition of the materials used in the construction of the original walk-in has caused bubbles to form on the ceiling and to have a brown liquid drip in a few spots inside the unit. The demolition has occurred and all that is left are the concrete walls that formed the old walk-in. The ceiling to the walk-in was constructed of wood and demolition of this has exposed the crawlspace to the area under the Hondo. The opening to the new walk-in necessitated the cutting of the concrete so you can see a new opening that is approximately 12' high as to the previous opening that was about 7' high. The drain line has been installed as well. We are awaiting the installation of the unit which is currently being manufactured at this time and anticipate the work will be completed by early March. - HL

The *deadline* to submit
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS
is Monday, April 4, 2016 before or by 2:30pm to the temple office. For applications and/or questions, please contact
 Shizue Kaku via the temple office 206-329-0800 or email: office@

SCHOLARSHIPS for High School Seniors and College Students

HIGH SCHOOL: The Seattle Betsuin Tsujihara Family Memorial Scholarship Grant and Seattle Betsuin Continuing Education Grant are offering scholarships to high school seniors graduating in 2016.

COLLEGE: If you are a student currently enrolled and completed one year of college, the Masaru & Mitsuma Shimokon Scholarship Grant is offering scholarships for careers as nurse practitioner, medical doctor, registered nurse, engineer, or computer science. Other fields in the technical, math and science programs may also be considered. This is a one-time only grant.

All high school and college applicants or their parent(s) must be a member of good standing of the Seattle Buddhist Church.

The deadline is 2:30pm on Monday, April 4, 2016. - SK

2016 FAMILY MEMORIAL SERVICE SCHEDULE

Traditionally, family memorial services are held for the deceased on designated anniversaries. These are significant occasions to honor the memories of our loved ones while listening to the Buddha Dharma. If you have a family member who has passed away in the following years, you are encouraged to conduct a family memorial service.

Year of Death

2015.....	1 st annual memorial.....	1 year from date of death
2014.....	3 rd anniversary memorial.....	2 full years from date of death
2010.....	7 th anniversary memorial.....	6 full years from date of death
2004.....	13 th anniversary memorial.....	12 full years from date of death
2000.....	17 th anniversary memorial.....	16 full years from date of death
1992.....	25 th anniversary memorial.....	24 full years from date of death
1984.....	33 rd anniversary memorial.....	32 full years from date of death
1967.....	50 th anniversary memorial.....	49 full years from date of death

Please call the temple office at (206) 329-0800 to schedule a service. - JN

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 for the fiscal year of 2016.

Gary & Sandee Hamatani, Scott Kurashige,

Peter Kusakabe, Amy Shibuya,

Thomas Smith, Arlene Yamada, and Nobuo Yutani

***AS A REMINDER:** The **minimum** for basic dues towards the Temple 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, 2016, for this fiscal year.** If you have any questions about your membership status, contact the Betsuin office: 206-329-0800 or office@seattlebetsuin.com.

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

The Betsuin gratefully acknowledges the donations received for the following special services. If your name is not listed, the donation may have been received after the deadline for this newsletter and will be listed in the next edition. Please accept our apologies for any inadvertent misspelling of names:

Ho’Onko: Akira, Donald & Karen; Asaba, Marian; Baba, Janet; Bobrow, Patricia; Chisholm, Steve & Lori; Deguchi, Mae; Dodobara, Kenny & Yoshie; Fujii, Minoru & Aiko; Fujino, Suteko (Sue); Fujita, Florence; Fukeda, Toshiko; Furuta, Mary Y.; Groves, Fumiko; Habu, Gordon & Mae Yamasaki -; Hamakawa, Ron; Hamatani, Jane; Hanada, Miyuki; Hanada, Peggy; Hara, Reiko; Hirata, Michiko; Hoshino, Alan A.; Ichikawa, Satoru & Grace; Isomura, Toshiko; Jofuku, Scott; Kaku, Dale & Shizue; Kaneta, Miyoko; Kashima, Tetsuden & Cecilia Kanako; Kashiwa, Ann T.; Katayama, Mary K.; Kato, Nina Tomita -; Kawahara, Ritsuko; Keltner, Marc & Janice; Kikuchi, Shizue; Ko, Jeffrey & Tina Zumoto -; Kogita, Takako; Kojima, Esther; Kubo, Masako; Kunihiro, Carolyn; Kusachi, Sachiko; Kusakabe, Peter; Mano, Mariko; Masunaga, Fumiye; Matsui, Tsugio Jack; Mayeda, Duane & Ann; Mayeda, Julie; Miyauchi, Takiko; Mizumori, Sheri; Mori, Paul Bruce & Teresa; Naemura, Joseph & Janie Okawa -; Nagai, Ernest & Sanaye (Sunnies); Nakabayashi, Kemi; Nakagawa, Yoshie; Nakamura, Yoshio & Judith; Nakanishi, Kiyoko; Nakano, Craig & Joan; Nakano, Junko; Namekata, Tsukasa & Keiko; Ohtani, Michiye; Okada, Emiko; Otsuji, Nobuko; Oxrieder, Gregory & Catherine Ann; Oye, Sunako (Sunkie); Ozanich, Kiyomi Taketa -; Sako, Masako; Sakuma, Pauline; Shibata, Dennis M.; Shigaya, Kenneth; Shigaya, Mary S.; Shigaya, Teruko (Terrie); Shimada, Shirley; Shimizu, Roy & Kazumi; Shimizu, Sato & Darlene; Shintaku, Frances; Suguro, Nori; Tahara, Masaru & Anna; Takamura, Kuniko; Takano, Jean; Takashima, Kiyoko; Takemura, Yoshiaki & Naomi; Taketa, Haruso & Sonoe; Taketa, Susan; Tamekuni, Masao & Frances; Tanaka, Rikuko; Taniguchi, Theodore & Akiko; Tanino, Katsumi & Terrie; Tazuma, Miyoko; Terada, Allan & Kayoko; Terada, Calvin J. & Yvette; Terada, Ronald & Suzuko; Teramoto, Stuart; Uchida, Sam & Masako; Vaart, Michiko Jean; Watanabe, Keiko; Wong, Leanne Nishi -; Yahata, Shizue; Yamasaki, Fujie; Yamashita, Dennis & Elaine Aoki -; Yokota, Sumie; Yokoyama, Kevin & Kari Ann; Yoshida, Fuyo; Yoshimi, Crystal; Yutani, Nobuo; Zumoto, James & Tomiko;

New Year’s Eve / Day Service: Kämmerer, Michele; Kosai, Hiroko Janet; Kuwahara, Kinue; Monson, Ann; Nakanishi, Mildred; Shimizu, Roy & Kazumi; Tsue, Jean; Voageley, Bill;

Bodhi Day: Kaminishi, Gail; Suganuma, Aiko; Yokoyama, Fusae;

- HL



Thank you very much for your generous support throughout this past year. As we welcome the New Year rejoicing in the Nembutsu teaching together, we do so with the sincere wish that 2016 is a joyous and meaningful year for you. Gassho.

Dharma Exchange...*continued from p. 6*

dropped in Green Lake it would reach Tacoma. Sensei asked, "Why was Hiroshima, a civilian target, selected?" A participant thought it was because there were munition factories located there. Kyoto, Nara, Osaka and Kamakura were spared by Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson because of his visits there as well as his interest in preserving Japanese culture. . . A participant who had visited the museum could not bear the idea of returning to the Museum of Peace Park -- it would be too painful. . . Sensei said our final moment is settled when shinjin is reached. . . Sensei related that a Shaman he knew was devoted to Jizo.

Jan 17 Ho-onko was celebrated in the Hondo by Rinban Castro who lead the Dharma Exchange. He indicated the intent of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism is to be inclusive. Our task is to understand and appreciate the significance of "Just as I am." There is nothing I have to do,

which is like a mother's love for a child -- she gives her unconditional love and it is returned. . . the Tannisho was discussed and was deemed to be a truly satisfying work. . . Japanese American Buddhists simply did not understand Buddhism according to the ministers in the 1970's, and a participant regretted that he did not understand the sutras at that time. He is happy he understands now. A participant asked if the Buddha spoke of Amida Buddha. Sensei said no, he did not, but he spoke of "waking up," meaning becoming Enlightened. According to one minister, Amida is "Dynamic Dharma." It implies the total awakening of the entire Universe. . . Early on, the author Eben Alexander thought the consciousness died when the body died. After he had a near death experience, in which he saw figures of family members, celestial beings and the core of existence, he changed his mind. His book is called "Proof of Heaven."

In gassho, Pat Bobrow

Betsuin Events for February 2016

SUNDAYS 10:55am Meditation

February 7 *

10:00 am SCOUT SUNDAY / NIRVANA DAY /
PET MEMORIAL

Youth/Adult: Rinban Castro

Japanese: Rev. Sekiya

DX: Rinban Castro

Meditation: MA

*11:45 am Vegetarian Potluck
hosted by Dharma School

February 14 (NW Convention in Idaho)

10:00 am FAMILY SERVICE (No Dharma School)

Youth/Adult: MA Matt May

DX: MA Matt May

No Japanese Program or Meditation

February 21

10:00 am FAMILY SERVICE and
CHILDREN'S SERVICE

Children: MA Doug McLean

Youth/Adult: Rinban Castro

Japanese: Rev. Sekiya

DX: Rinban Castro

Meditation: MA

11:45 am SBBWA Cabinet Meeting

1:30 pm Sangha Award Class (Rinban Castro)

February 28

10:00 am FAMILY SERVICE

Youth: Rinban Castro

Adult: Rev. Sekiya

Japanese Program

DX: Rev. Warrick

DSDX: Rev. Sekiya, MA Doug McLean

Meditation: MA

1:30 pm Sangha Award Class

MONDAYS

February 1 Rinban Castro (Day Off)

February 8 Rinban Castro (Day Off)

February 15 Office closed for Presidents' Day

TUESDAYS

February 2 Rinban Castro (Day Off)

February 9 Rinban Castro (Day Off)

February 16 Rinban Castro (Day Off)

10:00 am Shinran Shonin Monthly Memorial
Service (Rev. Sekiya)

February 23 10:30 am Keiro Service

WEDNESDAYS

February 10 Rev. Sekiya (Day Off)

February 17 Rinban Castro (Day Off)

THURSDAYS

February 4 1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service

February 11 Rev. Sekiya (Day Off)

February 18 1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service

FRIDAYS

February 5 Rev. Sekiya (Day Off)
12:00 pm Gojikai Service and Luncheon
Meeting (Rinban Castro)

February 12 Office Closed for Convention
travel day

February 12 – 14

**Idaho-Oregon Buddhist Temple |
2016 Northwest Buddhist Conven-
tion "Seeking the True and Real" 1:00
pm - 12:00 pm (14th) 286 Southeast
4th Street Ontario, OR 97914 Idaho-
Oregon Buddhist Temple Contact
Phone Number: (208) 707-2021**

February 19 Rev. Sekiya (Day Off)

SATURDAYS

February 6 Rev. Sekiya (Day Off)

February 6 9:30 – 11:30 am Book Study Group
– Video/Lecture, Part 3, by Rev. David Matsu-
moto on "Tannisho"

February 20 Rev. Sekiya (Day Off)

March 2016: Major Events of Interest

March 2-3 (Wed-Thurs.) BCA Ministers'

Association Meeting in Visalia, CA

March 4-5 (Fri-Sat) BCA National Council

Meeting in Visalia, CA

March 13 (Sunday) Camp Fire Sunday Service

March 19 (Saturday) Salmon Dinner Fundraiser

March 20 (Sunday) Spring Ohigan Service

**2016 March Newsletter Deadline:
Monday, President's Day,
February 15, 2016
8:00 pm**

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February 2016 Major Events of Interest

February 7

Boy Scout Sunday / Nirvana Day / and
Pet Memorial / Vegetarian Potluck Luncheon

February 12 – 14

NW District Buddhist Convention in Ontario, OR

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