



My Father's Reminiscence of the A-bomb

by Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki

The first A-bomb was dropped on Hiroshima city on 8:15 AM, August 6, 1945, and the second one was dropped on Nagasaki city on 11:02 AM, August 9, 1945. About one-third of each city's population were instantly killed—about one hundred and forty thousand people in Hiroshima and seventy thousand people in Nagasaki. My father, the late Rev. Tatsuya Kusunoki, who was a survivor of the Nagasaki's A-bomb, was 6 years old at that time. He had unceasing desire to share his experience and his wish for peace with others. I would like to introduce the local newsletter articles of my father's reminiscence of the A-bomb written in 2013.



Overcome the religious barrier and wish for peace

Every year, the night before August 9, in Nagasaki religious leaders of various faiths— Buddhism, Christianity, Shinto (the traditional polytheistic religion of Japan), Islam and others, gather together at Nagasaki's Peace Park to have a peace assembly and memorial service for victims of the A-bomb hosted by the Nagasaki Inter-Faith organization. Rev. Tatsuya Kusunoki (75), who is the president of Nagasaki Buddhist Association, has been in charge of the Inter-Faith Peace gathering since 2012. His family temple is located 3.5km (2.2 miles) southeast from the ground zero. The

temple suffered huge damages from the bomb blast and many people took refuge at his family temple, Kougenji.

He mentioned the relationship between religion and war. "Within the history of human, religion has been the cause of war. During the WW2, our country, Japan, used Shinto for the war and the other religions also supported the war." Nagasaki is a small town where many different faiths exist. Buddhist ministers attend Christian church for Christmas. Shinto priests and Christian pastors attend *Hanamatsuri*, Shakyamuni Buddha's Birthday, to celebrate. All religious groups have emphasized Love for the humankind yet at the same time, they have fought and killed each other. The Nagasaki Inter-Faith organization was formed to overcome such a history of religion. The organization has kept working for peace. "Overcome the religious barrier and wish for peace. It is the proper aspect of religion."

Enjoy playing the game "KAMIKAZE" There is a street with many Buddhist temples in Nagasaki. The Kougenji temple, which is Rev. Tatsuya Kusunoki's family temple, is located on this street. The temple is famous for an old story that the ghost of a mother came out from her grave and went to buy some candy to raise her baby.

Rev. T. Kusunoki was the third son of his father, Rev. Monshin Ecchu, who was the resident minister of his family temple. He would wake up early in the morning and chant a sutra since he was a little boy. He was already able to chant a sutra by memory when he was five years old. His oldest brother is Rev. Tetsuya Ecchu (91) who is a famous Nagasaki historian. He has been calling his brother "Ecchu Sensei (Teacher Ecchu)" because his brother was his teacher, greater than his school teacher.

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The Kougenji temple was a very lively, crowded temple. Besides his family, there were also ministers, housemaids, boarding students, and beggars all living together.

During those days, he liked to play the game of war everyday. It was called, "Playing as a Kamikaze air corps"; he would spread his arms out and butt into the other players. Another game was to break the roofing tiles, and throwing them at each other. He had longings for war and soldiers. However, his longings changed in 1944 because the war situation was getting worse. Provisions were running short. People who lived together were now leaving for other places. Bells, altar vases, and more altar fittings made of metal were taken for making weapons. When an air-raid warning was issued, his father wrapped the Amida Buddha's statue in a white cloth and took it to a safe place. It was just like a mummy. It was very strange and scary for him to see the mummified Amida Buddha's statue. (To be continued)

Gassho,

Betsuin Sodan (Funeral/Memorial Service) Committee

Volunteers Needed (No Experience Required)

An important service the Betsuin provides to Temple members and the community is conducting funerals and memorials for individuals that have entered the Pure Land. Along with the Temple Minister, a member of the Sodan Committee, represents the Temple and helps the grieving family to arrange a meaningful service. The Betsuin's Sodan Committee is looking for member volunteers to assist with this important role. Member volunteers will learn about the funeral and memorial service rituals, be taught the types of assistance that the Temple can offer to grieving families, and help provide support to families during their difficult time. If you are interested or would like to learn more about the role, please contact Calvin Terada, Chair, Sodan Committee, at programs@seattlebetsuin.com - Seattle Betsuin Weekly Newsletter of June 18 - 24.

Scout Troop 252 In our troop, we have recently elected new positions and had our spring Court of Honor. Oscar is our new Senior Patrol Leader with Brent as Assistant Patrol Leader. On June 16 we had an Eagle Court of Honor where 6 Scouts were awarded for the rank of Eagle Scout: Chase, Josh, Samuel, Jacob, Brent and Ichiro.

The boys enjoyed another successful Scout camporee at Camp Edwards this year on the weekend of June 1 which former Scoutmaster Mark Yuasa is in charge of planning.

As Scout meetings come to a close for the summer, we are preparing for this year's summer camp which is at Camp Parsons for their 100th year anniversary.

Submitted by Gabe, Scribe, Troop 252

July Book Study Group will meet on Saturday, July 7, 2018. Everyone is welcome.

The Book: Ethics of Buddhism: Essays and Sermons in Search of a Buddhist Ethic by Ronald Y. Nakasone You may notice that this is a book that we have read before! For those who would like an additional perspective, I suggest a chapter from Sallie B. King's book entitled, Being Benevolent. The title of Chapter 3 is *Engaged Buddhist Ethical Theory*. - Leonora Clarke

Whether you read the book or not, you are welcome to a timely discussion and friendly social.

Saturday, July 7, 2018 9:30AM to 11:30AM in Memorial Hall Chapel
there is no charge to attend. -IHG

ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE...

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We would like to ‘welcome’ Alexander Bertelsen, as a new member of our Sangha

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SBBWA Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Women's Association submitted by Machiko Wada

Sangha Day - May 20 - Thank you for the members who contributed for food sampling with recipe to share. **Food contributors:** Fran Shintaka, Suzuko Terada, Leanne Nishi-Wong, Tina Zumoto-Ko, Ayano Kusunoki **Food serving assistants:** Thy Pham, Tyler Moriguchi, Donna Zumoto, Leanne Nishi-Wong

Bon Odori - July 21 & 22. Please sign up to help if you can. We are taking care of **Yakisoba booth** - Cashier & packaging. **Craft booth** - cashier and helpers.

NWBWA social event - June 16 at Snoqualmie Casino. Eleven (11) of our members enjoyed a nice lunch and a little playing time with white River temple members. Rev. Warrick and Mrs. Warrick joined us also. Rev. Jim has been assigned to white River temple since June 1. It was nice seeing him and Rona.

Orion Youth Center dinner - June 15. Some BWA members served dinner. Thank you for supporting this program.

Federation BWA Conference at Visalia, CA, is on September 14 - 16, 2018; deadline is July 20. Please let us know if you are interested in attending.

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picture from Snoqualmie Casino by Karen Murakami

July Cabinet meeting and July Board of Directors meeting have been cancelled.



Seeking Kimono and Yukata SBBWA's Activity & Craft Committee is asking for donations of gently used kimono, yukata, zori, tabi, ornamental hair pieces, etc. to sell at their Bon Odori Craft Table. Please donate your clean garments, and bring to the temple office with your names and contact information. We thank you for your donation.

Dharma Exchange Notes by Pat Bobrow

Dharma Exchange is a mix of discussion and educational programming that takes place in the dining room downstairs. Join us — we enjoy coffee and donuts almost every Sunday.

May 27, 2018 - Doug McLean explained in an overview, "How Buddhism Came to Japan." Buddhism came to China from India via the Silk Road, and from China to the rest of SE Asia by various monks over a long period of time. China received many goods that came from all over, and was an inspiration to the rest of Asia in that others in Asia wanted to adapt Chinese life. Japan received many valuable concepts from China including philosophy (Confucianism), respect for elders, Buddhism and governance. Japan wanted more from China so emissaries were sent. Okinawa was a separate kingdom which had poor soil for agriculture so became masters of shipbuilding, which in turn resulted in Okinawa becoming the trade hub of Asia. . . Doug reported that from the 7th C until now, we can divide the growth and evolution of Buddhism into four phases:

1. State Buddhism existed as a tool of the bureaucracy and promoted the welfare of the Imperial Family. Study and rituals for the benefit of the state were prevalent. Such schools declined and were absorbed by later institutions.
2. "Umbrella" Buddhism - came from China and included the Tendai and Shingon sects. They were both involved in providing a framework to unite all Buddhist teachings under one sect.
3. Populist Buddhism - In the 12th C a number of ex-Buddhist monks rebelled and established newer Buddhist sects focused on outreach and on some specific Buddhist practices. Included were Pure Land Buddhism, Zen and

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Seattle BonOdori Thrives 86 Years!

Did you know that more than one hundred years ago, a local newspaper predicted the Bon Odori festival would soon become irrelevant?

On July 12, 1908, the Seattle P.I. published an article called "Japanese Festival of Bon-O-Bon-Odori Is Ignored by Local Nipponese."

Not that there was anything wrong with the event. According to the paper, "It is a great festival in



Photo by Jameson Florence

the homeland, a time when brass shrines are re-polished and when new paper lanterns are added

to the hundreds that glow along the narrow street ways, and when all take part in the festivities. The Japanese Buddhists believe that from July 13 to 15 the spirits of the dead ancestors visit the altar sacred to them in each household..."



The problem was that "Local Japanese citizens of this country state that they are residents and citizens of this country and many of them are Christians, they observe the American days, not the holidays of their native country and the feast days of the Buddhist religion."

We're about to celebrate our 86th Bon Odori. What happened to keep the celebration going long after this article was written?

WE'D LIKE TO HEAR EVERYONE'S THOUGHTS ON WHY THE NEWSPAPER'S PREDICTION DID NOT COME TRUE. Please send an email to ann.oxrieder@comcast.net - AO

Bon Odori July 21,22, 2018 Join us for traditional Japanese dance, food, drinks, cultural displays, and a beer garden with live music and happy hour. **Dance practice dates:** July 9 -12, and 16, 17 from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

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Nichiren Buddhism. Buddhism withdrew from larger state-sponsored institutions.

4. Scholastic Revival saw the consolidation of various Buddhist schools behind a specific doctrine, practice and teacher. The Buddhist "canon" was finally printed in Japan and benefitted scholars since that time. Doug was inspired by Rev. Jim Warrick in classes he conducted on the subject. Doug's next installment will be presented on June 24 at Dharma Exchange.

June 3 - After the All Sangha Memorial Service, Rinban Kusunoki indicated several California temples do a monthly memorial service on the first Sunday of the month, while ours is held yearly. The Eitaikyo service deals with thinking about the future of the temple and how to maintain it. Muyen Hoyo service shows appreciation to those who passed without relatives. (Q) A participant asked why we chant the Amida Kyo. (A) It is long and people have the opportunity to come forward to offer incense . . . Sensei wants the DX on the Pride Parade of 6-24. Tara T. was asked why she is involved in the parade. She said several family members are gay. She recalled that two uncles were married and as a child thought nothing of it. She felt people live a segregated life and was worried that Obasan and others would be concerned. The family was changed when the TV show, "Will & Grace" was popular. . . A participant involved in parade planning was involved last year and felt happy about it. Sensei said it is impossible to be involved in every social issue. We have to understand we are Jodo Shinshu Buddhists and that social issues must come from Jodo Shinshu teaching and that

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Dharma School News

submitted by Joyce Tsuji

We hope everyone enjoyed our last day of Dharma school event. Lots of good food and fun!! Our appreciation goes out to all who arranged activities, helped with the potluck, set up and take down/clean up. Congratulations again to our attendance award winners and graduating seniors!! Well done! Finally, a big thank you goes to Rinban Kusunoki, all the Ministerial staff, teachers, parents, and students who made this past year so successful. We hope everyone has a wonderful summer!!

Classroom Reports

Pre-K/K The Pre-K/K class talked about the significance of Obon and Bon Odori and made paper lanterns. On the last day of Dharma School, the students reviewed the Buddhist symbols that they learned throughout the year. They then played Buddhist Bingo matching the symbols with descriptions of each item. Each student was able to win at least one game of Bingo and took home a small stuffed animal as their prize.

The teachers thank our students and their families for supporting our Dharma School class and we wish them a fun filled summer.

1st/2nd Grade We discussed the significance of Memorial Day and did a Memorial Day themed word search. We also talked about interdependence and how manners help with that. We read the book "What do you say Dear?" by Maurice Sendak. The kids did know what the polite responses were so they were encouraged to use them. Finally the kids worked together to make a delicious snack mix for their Dads as Father's day gifts. It came out great and the kids put it into colorful containers. They made cards that said "Monster trail mix from your little monster" ###

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we must have core teaching of Jodo Shinshu in order to participate. Buddhist teaching is not narrow. Participant Tomi said she was proud to be a Buddhist in the parade with two daughters and grandkids. What does the BCA Ministers' Association stand for? Castro Sensei noted that only Buddhist ministers voted against capital punishment. When the first gay couple was married in the Lodi Temple, Rinban was asked by the press to write an article for the local newspaper. He did so and gave to the Bishop for approval.

June 10 -18 Matt May MA planned to present "Buddhism on Air," with Rev. Dr. Ken Tanaka. This segment focused on the life of Buddha who lived in NE India. The story goes that a white elephant pierced the side of Queen Maya and she was impregnated. All Buddhist teachings come from the past through different countries. He was born a prince and named Siddhartha. "Buddha" is a title, and that is the goal of all Buddhists. He was the "Sage of the Sakya Clan". When he was born he took seven steps. When he was older he was shocked to learn that creatures prey on other animals. When he left the palace he saw an old person with a cane he asked, "I too?" When he saw a sick person he asked "I too?" When he noted a deceased person he asked, "I too?" Shakyamuni was hidden away so he did not know the life of old age, sickness and death. . . Rev. Tanaka asked, "What are the three taboos?" We don't want to think about old age, sickness and death. At age 29, Shakyamuni saw a wandering monk and he left home to search for the meaning of life. A Zen priest, Rev. Jiho Sargent, was asked by Tanaka Sensei why she was the leader of a group. She said because the meetings were in her house! However, she felt she needed training and succeeded in getting it. The layers of her clothing represent India, China, Japan and the U.S. She was asked why her head was shaved. She replied it was to illustrate cutting off attachment as well as a way to be identified as a priest. . . The Buddha did not ask us to believe him, but rather he stated how we act is most important. Buddhism is about acting not believing. . . Andrea Mano presented information on the Archives Committee's ongoing project--They conserved items of historical interest long ago. There are 300 boxes of items dating from the 1920s to the present. There are many records, books, and clothing used in the shows from an early time. Some items in the boxes are of historical value. The offer was made for the Sangha to take home other items, e.g. robes, yukatas, happi coats etc.

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Rev. Imanaka
4/4/2016 IHG

June 17, 2018. Rev. Taijo Imanaka from the Seattle Koyasan Buddhist Temple gave an overview of Shingon Buddhism, (the formal name), which began on Mt. Koya in Japan. It was founded in 806CE and recently celebrated the 117th anniversary in Seattle. Sensei reported that the home of Tendai Buddhism is Mt. Hiei. There are 117 Shingon Buddhist temples on Mt. Koya. In 2006, Imanaka Sensei went back to Mt. Koya and was named the "Cooking Monk." "If one fails two times in a row there would be trouble," said the abbot. Sensei thinks reciting Amida Buddha is a mantra. The Shingon sect is Vajrayana, and he held up a small version of the vajra, a Hindu weapon. It is no longer used as a weapon, but rather a tool to crush the Three Poisons - greed, anger and stupidity. To control them well is difficult. He said something spiritual is good, but desire and attachment are not good. Further, sensei stated that we can reach Enlightenment through our five senses -- a beautiful sight, a wonderful fragrance, a lovely sound, a delicious taste and a special touch. . . Both Zen and

Shingon find meditation to be important. He asked how to practice Zen? Become nothing. In Soto Zen participants sit facing a blank, white wall. In Shingon meditation the participant realizes something is missing outside himself. The Buddha statues and images are a bridge between being very physical and being spiritual. He said we need statues and scrolls for meditation. Shingon invites the Moon for us to enter. Eventually the Moon and oneself become one. . . We have the attitude that you are you and I am I, separate entities. Such is not the case. . In closing, Rinban Kusunoki said we will invite Rev. Imanaka to the Betsuin again. He went on to say that this was a real Dharma Exchange and that he learned a lot.

In gassho,
Pat W. Bobrow



WA State Food Handlers Permit

All volunteers planning to prepare and handle food at Bon Odori are asked to obtain their food handlers permit issued by the King County Department of Health. The test can be taken online by accessing <http://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/environmental-health/food-safety/food-worker-card.aspx>. The permit is effective for an initial period of 2 years and requires a \$10.00 fee. After you obtain your permit, please provide a copy to the Temple office. It's extremely important that we all practice safe handling, preparation and storage of food. - JN



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 am IMOP in Seattle 10 am Meditation (Rev Castro / Asst Leonora Clarke) 10 am SUNDAY SERVICE (Rev Mikame, IMOP minister) 10:50 am DX (Rev Castro) Japanese (Rev Imada, IMOP minister) 11:45am Religious Dept meeting	2 IMOP Rinban's day off	3	4 <i>Office closed</i> <i>Independence</i> <i>Day Holiday</i>	5 1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service	6 11 am - 2pm Japanese play group	7 9:30 Book Study "Ethics of Enlightenment" by Ron Nakasone
8 9:00 am Meditation (Rev Castro / Asst Leonora Clarke) 10 am SUNDAY SERVICE (Rinban Kusunoki) 10:50 am DX "Buddhism on Air" (Asst Minister Matt May) Japanese (Rinban Kusunoki) 11:45 am Funeral Planning Committee meeting	9 Rinban's day off 7:30-9pm Obon dance practice	10 10 am - noon Gagaku practice 7:30-9pm Obon dance practice	11 10 am Morning Service 7:30-9pm Obon dance practice	12 10 am-1 pm Japanese Svc @ White River Buddhist Temple 7:30-9pm Obon dance practice	13 11 am - 2pm Japanese play group	14 12 pm Obon svc at Mt. Pleasant 1 pm Obon svc at WA Memorial 3:30 pm Obon svc @ Lake View
15 9:00 am Meditation (Rev Castro / Asst Leonora Clarke) 10:00 am OBON/HATSUBON SERVICE (Rinban Kusunoki) 10:50 am DX & Japanese service cancelled 11:00 am Nokotsudo Obon service 1:00 pm Obon svc at Washelli Cemetery 3:00 pm Obon svc at Sunset Hills Cemetery	16 Rinban's day off 10 am Shinran Shonin Svc 7:30-9pm Obon dance practice 8 pm Newsletter deadline	17 7:30-9pm Obon dance practice	18 10 am Morning Service	19 1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service (Irene Goto) 6 pm Bon Odori set up	20 6 pm Bon Odori set up	21 BON ODORI 4p Event opens 4:30p Obon Svc 5:00p Dancing 10p Event ends
22 BON ODORI 3:00 pm Event opens 4:30 pm Obon service 5:00 pm Dancing begins 8:00 pm Event ends	23 Rinban's day off	24 10:30 am Keiro Service	25 10 am Morning Service	26 11:00 am Merrill Garden Renton visit (Rev Castro) 7 pm Betsuin Cabinet meeting	27 NWYBL Retreat	28 NWYBL Retreat
29 NWYBL Retreat 8:30 am Betsuin Ministerial staff meeting 9:00 am Meditation (Rev Castro / Asst Leonora Clarke) 10:00 am SUNDAY SERVICE (NWYBL) 10:50 am - noon DX "Buddhism 1 on 1" in Hondo (Rinban) Japanese (Video) in Memorial Hall Chapel	30 Rinban's day off	31		August 2018: Major Events Aug 5 Atomic Bomb Victims' Memorial Service Aug 7-9 BCA Ministers' Assoc Summer Seminar in Portland Aug 26 Rev Takashi Miyajiri (Tacoma) svc guest spkr 1-4pm Special lecture by Dr. Ken Tanaka		

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“Peace and Harmony” when we encounter the Dharma

Sundays... Please confirm at www.SeattleBetsuin.org “coming events” or
call the temple office 206.329.0800

9:00 am - 9:40 MEDITATION in Memorial Hall Chapel east wing

10:00 am - 10:35 SERVICE - in *hondo* (main hall)

10:35 am - 10:45 SANGHA GATHERING - offer incense, “meet and greet”

10:50 am - 11:30

CHILDREN’S DHARMA SCHOOL classes during the public school year
JAPANESE PROGRAM in hondo (main hall) with a message in Japanese
DHARMA EXCHANGE – a mix of discussion and educational programing;
downstairs dining room

PARENTS’ DHARMA EXCHANGE in Memorial Hall Chapel - discussion
among young adults and parents while children are in class.

TEMPLE TOUR

11:30 - 12:00 REFRESHMENTS and Social in dining room downstairs

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