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Jodo Shinshu Nishi Hongwanji-ha

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The Dharma Everlastingly...

by Rimban Katsuya Kusunoki

November is the month of Betsuin's anniversary and Eitaikyo Muen Hoyo (Perpetual Sutra + Memorial Service for those without living descendants). The Eitaikyo service is for people to practice and listen to the Jodo Shinshu teaching everlastingly. Therefore, the Eitaikyo donations contain the people's wish to everlastingly spread the teaching and maintain a Buddhist temple where people listen to the Buddha's teaching. We usually have Ochigo procession during the service. According to the Betsuin yearbook, the first Ochigo procession was conducted in 1908 when the old temple building was dedicated. Today, I would like to introduce some statues, scrolls, and Bonsho bell which the Seattle Betsuin has received. These were all donated by our dedicated members and the Nembutsu followers. It is their wish for the Nembutsu teaching in Seattle to thrive.

Scrolls and Statues in the Memorial Hall Chapel, information provided by Rev. Don Castro.

The "Busshin: Namo Amida Butsu" scroll was donated to the temple by the same person who donated the "Kannon" scroll to a rummage sale that the Seattle Betsuin used to host about 20 years ago. Both scrolls came from the same person, but Rev. Castro doesn't know who it was. He bought the Kannon scroll at the rummage sale for around \$75. He could not believe it was there. Later, he realized the mounting is the same on both scrolls. He decided to donate the scroll to the temple very informally; he just hung it where there was no other scroll. He used to hang a scroll with the Amida-kyo (Amida Sutra) which he bought at an antique store in Ballard, but he decided to bring it home.

The Kannon statue belonged to Mr. Sotaro Kawabe of the Kawabe Foundation who was president of the temple from 1958 to 1964. He had a gift shop and this statue stood at one side of the door. Rev. Castro understands there was another statue on the other side of the door – probably Seishi Bosatsu. The Amida in the crown has always been missing since the Betsuin acquired it. Mrs. Yasutake, a relative of Mr. Kawabe and used to be on the Kawabe Board, actually, donated the statue.

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Bonsho, (large bell), in Wisteria Park was donated by Mr. Yehan Numata.

Join Seattle Betsuin's Virtual Programs

We have ongoing book study, weekly meditation sessions and Dharma exchange following our weekly Sunday services. See information below on how to join .

Weekly Zoom Meditation 9:00am on Sunday. Contact Leonora Clarke (clarkel@uw.edu for a Zoom link).

Next Seattle Betsuin Book Study will meet on Saturday, November 14, at 9:30AM. See p. 6 for details.

To be notified of Zoom links to Buddhist Book Study, Sangha Exchange, and Dharma School, go to newsletter@seattlebetsuin.com, and specify the group in the subject line. You will be emailed a link.

Online Jodo Shinshu Services:

<https://youtube.com/seattlebuddhisttemple/>

...Rimban's Message continued from p. 1

The Gandhara statue was donated by a friend of Ellen Hale; the temple had a plastic box placed around it to protect it. Some years ago, Dr. Meiji Yamada, an authority on Gandharan art, pointed out that it is from two different statues: the head is a bodhisattva and the body is a Buddha, but the two pieces are genuine. The statue is somewhere around 1,700 years old and is from a region that is present-day Afghanistan and Pakistan. After the destruction of Buddhism in that region, many Buddhist statues were buried by time and weather in the sand and soil; they became precious art objects as they were excavated by archeologists and treasure hunters or, more recently, destroyed by the Taliban. These statues were originally painted, and you can still see a little paint on the lips of the statue.

Shinran Shonin's Statue and Bonsho bell in the Wisteria Park, information from the Seattle Betsuin yearbook of the 90th anniversary of our temple and the 50th anniversary at its present site, and also from Rev. Don Castro.

The Bonsho bell in Wisteria Park was donated by Mr. Yehan Numata and dedicated on September 26, 1982. It is one of a number of Bonsho Mr. Numata donated to BCA temples. Mr. Numata was the founder and President of the Buddhist Promotion Foundation (Bukkyo Dendo Kyokai) in Tokyo, Japan. The Betsuin built the belfry. Following the Bonsho donation, Mr. Numata donated the statue of Shinran Shonin. The Betsuin built the stand for the statue and Mr. and Mrs. Numata attended the dedication on February 13, 1983.

Mr. Numata's deeds manifest the radiant jewels of the Pure Land and his spirit reflects the heart of Shinran. The foundation for the statue was donated by Mrs. Mitsuma Shimokon and Mr. Masaru Shimokon. The bell tower was designed by Tom Kubota and funding for the tower and its foundation was provided by Mr. and Mrs. H.T. Kubota.

The precepts or admonition of the seven past Buddhas (七仏通戒偈) are inscribed on the Bonsho bell: "do no evil, cultivate good, purify one's mind - this is the advice of the Buddhas"

Shinran Shonin's Wooden Statue by Memorial Hall Entrance, information provided by Roy Shimizu and Rev. Don Castro.

The statue was originally owned by Sam Taniguchi, husband of Fumie. When Rev. Doei Fujii was the head minister, Rev. Castro heard that Mr. Taniguchi had a friend who made chain-saw sculptures and he showed him a small metal statue of Shinran Shonin. Mr. Taniguchi asked his friend if he could make a chain-saw sculpture of the figure of Shinran Shonin and the friend said he thought he could.

When the Taniguchi's moved from Camano Island to Seattle, Mr. Taniguchi wanted to find a new home for it. Jim Komura requested the statue and received it for the temple.

At the Seattle Betsuin 100th anniversary celebration in November 2001, the statue was installed by Jim Hasegawa. The Nyubutsushiki Muen Hoyo Service (Dedication Ceremony for the Shinran Shonin Wooden Statue) was observed at the installation.

In addition, Dharma School made a time capsule which was buried under the statue and is due to be uncovered in 2026 when the Betsuin is going to celebrate the 125th anniversary.

Rev. Katsu's Updated Daily Service Live Streaming Schedule [https://youtube.com/ seattlebuddhisttemple](https://youtube.com/seattlebuddhisttemple)

Monday, 10:00 AM
Morning Service

Tuesday, No Service

Wednesday, 10:00AM AM
Morning Service

Thursday, 10: 00 AM Morning
Service & 11:00 AM Sutra
Chanting and Dialogue

Friday, No Service

Saturday, 10:00 AM Joint
Memorial Service,

Sunday, 10:00 AM Pre-recorded
Virtual Sunday Service

Betsuin Tea Talk with Leanne Nishi-Wong

The leaves are falling

Pumpkin treats in the oven

Grateful for today

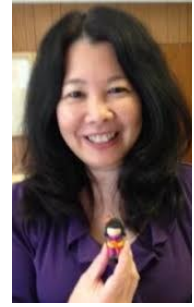


Photo by Tomi Zumoto

Thanksgiving is celebrated in various parts of the world during this month. It is a day for thankfulness, for the blessing of the harvest and for the preceding year.

At the beginning of the pandemic, the Dharma School students created “Gratefulness Jars”. Every day, each person in the household would write one thing they are thankful for on a piece of paper and place it into the jar. I imagine the jars must be full after all these months.

Starting today, please take out one piece of paper a day and read it out loud. Are you still grateful for your daily choices? These daily affirmations will take you through the dark and dreary upcoming months and bring you into the sunshine of Spring. If you have not begun a “Gratefulness Jar” or missed days of submissions, it is never too late to start or continue.

While this year has been a difficult one, it has also brought many positives. Technology has allowed dharma connections with others from around the world and within the Seattle Betsuin sangha. Services, workshops, webinars, meetings and dharma exchanges via YouTube, Zoom, email, phone calls and social media, continue to bring thoughtful, surprising, and heartfelt messages. If you are unable to utilize any of the technological offerings, need assistance or have any comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at seattlebetsuinchairperson@gmail.com or leave a message in the temple office.

I wish to acknowledge all of you for your continued support of the Seattle Betsuin. Whether you are watching, reading, or learning from home; volunteering with your time and talents; or reaching out to others to keep us all connected... thank you!

Hoping your grateful event for today is a good one.

Gassho,
Leanne

We are now recruiting for next year's Board of Directors.

The election will be held in late November. The term is for three years.

Anyone interested in volunteering must be a dues-paying temple member and have an interest in helping guide the temple into the future. Challenges ahead include ensuring we continue to be a welcoming temple for a diverse Sangha, while maintaining the health of an aging facility filled with history and memories.

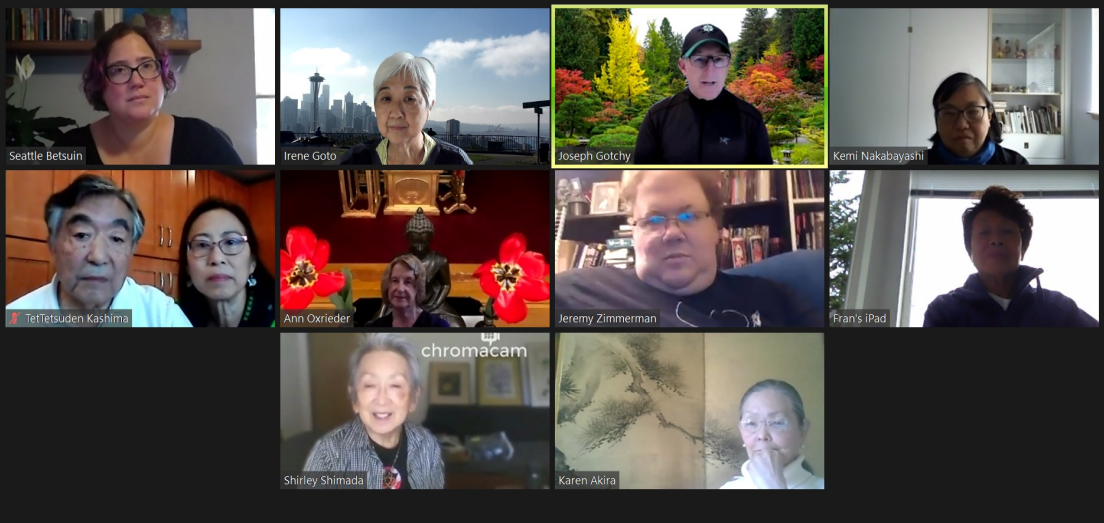
People of all ages and talents are encouraged to apply.

Anyone interested, please send a note to seattlebetsuinchairperson@gmail.com.

Gassho, Grace Tazuma and Ann Oxrieder

ZOOM KEEPS OUR LINKS BRIGHT AND STRONG

Meditation meets each Sunday mornings at 9:00AM—9:45AM. We start with a few minutes of catching up, open with SanBujo, Sitting in Gratitude Meditation for 20 minutes, chanting of Nembutsu and close with more catching up. If you would like a link to join us on Zoom, email newsletter@seattlebetsuin.com and specify SBC Meditation. Please join us.



Sangha Exchanges will be on November 1, and 15, 2020 at 11:00AM. Please find the Zoom links in the Weekly E-News prior to the given Sunday or email requests to newsletter@seattlebetsuin.com.

Yakima Buddhist Church's sangha was joined by Seattle sangha members Oct. 4. Lon Inaba read a Dharma Talk by Rev Paul J. Vielle from his book Dharma Whispers: The Quiet Way of Buddha's Wisdom. On October 18, Rev. Rosalie May conducted Yakima's first Pet Memorial Service for the members. Yakima Buddhist Church is located in Wapato, WA. Submitted by Irene Goto



ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE...

We would like to “thank” the following for contributing their 2020 sustaining membership dues - the basic dues towards Temple maintenance/operations and programs. The minimum for individual membership is \$400 (for under 70 years of age), and \$350 (for 70 years of age and over).

Kathrine Brownlee, JoAnn Kosai Eng David Gibbs & Tara Tamaribuchi, John & Lynda Hamakami, Jane Hamatani, Paul Harada & Michelle Nishina, Mark & Haru Hirota, Maya Hirota, Rob & Mai Ketcherside, Chieko Kubota, Farrell & Tina Lusher, Hugh Matsubayashi, Joe Naemura & Janie Okawa, Ted Nakamura, Alexander Peterson, Sengo Sakamoto, Masako Sako, Robert Seko, Zachary Semke & Ann Ishimaru, Gail Suzaka, Sadie Yamasaki, Fusae Yokoyama, Mark Yuasa

(There was a slight error in the March posting for Alexander Peterson. This posting reflects the correction.)

We'd like to 'WELCOME' **Katherine Brownlee, Maya Hirota, Rob & Mai Ketcherside, and Farrell & Tina Lusher** as new members to our Sangha.

(Compiled by Howard, Joan, Pauline & Steph)

DS Students and Teachers adapt to video conferencing

Submitted by Joyce Tsuji

Although DS has not been able to gather in person, we have still been able to participate in annual activities with a twist. We had our first virtual Hatsumairi ceremony via Zoom; parents presented two students from our Pre-K/K class before the image of Amida Buddha and DS friends as an “expression of their gratitude and desire to expose them to the teachings of the Buddha.” Also, the DS students enjoyed a fantastic Halloween party that was hosted by our middle school students! Students attended a spooky story time in costumes and masks.....with of course, lots of CANDY!

We continue to encourage our DS families to find ways to practice Dana. We have had two successful card mailings to our 70+ sangha members and will have one more this year for a Bodhi Day/holiday mailing. During this month, please send batches of cards to the temple, knowing that you will be bringing smiles and cheer to our senior sangha friends. DS is also grateful to partner with the SBBWA to reach a goal of collecting over 500 pairs of socks for the homeless through Seattle's Operations Nightwatch! Thank you for your support!

Gassho,
Claire and Yvette

Classroom Activity Reports

3/4/5 Class We continue getting to know each other through games and conversations. This year our class is focusing on "The Golden Chain II," and will be working to memorize and continuing to find ways to keep our links “bright and strong.” We read Say Something by Peter H Reynolds, and talked about how as ordinary human beings, we all have the ability to practice compassion by "saying something" through our thoughts, words and deeds. We invite our sangha to listen to the author, Peter H Reynolds read his book aloud at <https://youtu.be/d4waMR24zsl> We began writing some of our compassionate deeds on paper links and will be sharing them with each other in a future class.

1st/2nd Grade Class We started the year with 6 lively and fun students, one even joining us from Illinois. They seem interested and wanting to participate in our new Zoom virtual classes which we have every other week. The kids are very used to the form of meeting. I am the one learning. We started by listening to a story about listening and what happens when we don't. We are also discussing the Golden Chain. To keep us “bright and strong” we thought up foods we could eat and played a game of guessing the fruit as it was being drawn. We chatted about “thinking pure and beautiful thoughts, saying pure and beautiful words” before we played a rousing game of Halloween bingo! - Joyce Tsuji

Musical Notes

submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi

The BCA Ad Hoc Music Committee has been meeting as subcommittees as we continue to organize and plan efforts, anticipating the presentation of our proposed charter at the BCA National Board meeting on December 5. In the meantime for service music, a few new gatha recordings were completed for our recent special services. Flutist Annette Inouye from Vista Buddhist Temple again assisted with a collaboration to enable vocalists Alice Fukushima from Palo Alto Buddhist Temple and Tony Hale from Berkeley Buddhist Temple to record *Shinran's Family* for the Seattle Betsuin Eshinniko and Kakushinniko Memorial Service. Thank you also to Junko Nakano for recording *Asoka no Sono / Asoka Garden* for the SBBWA Memorial Service with me. BCA gatha recordings made as companion audio to the BCA **Shin Buddhist Service Book** were also included as background music for the memorial tribute to our SBBWA members who have passed. Those recordings were organized by the late Jane Imamura and her daughter

ter Rae Imamura. They engaged a professional opera singer, the late Mika Shigematsu, to record the Japanese gathas with Rae as pianist. Special thanks to Alex Sakamoto and Connor McKinney for the tremendous work putting together the video components of the audio recordings. For additional information about the BCA Ad Hoc Music Committee, please see the November issue of the BCA **Wheel of Dharma**.

Please mark your calendars for Saturday evening, November 14, the rescheduled date of "In the Spirit of Giving: An Evening of Music with OBT". Additional details to register for the Zoom link to support our Dharma friends in Portland can be found on the Oregon Buddhist Temple website.

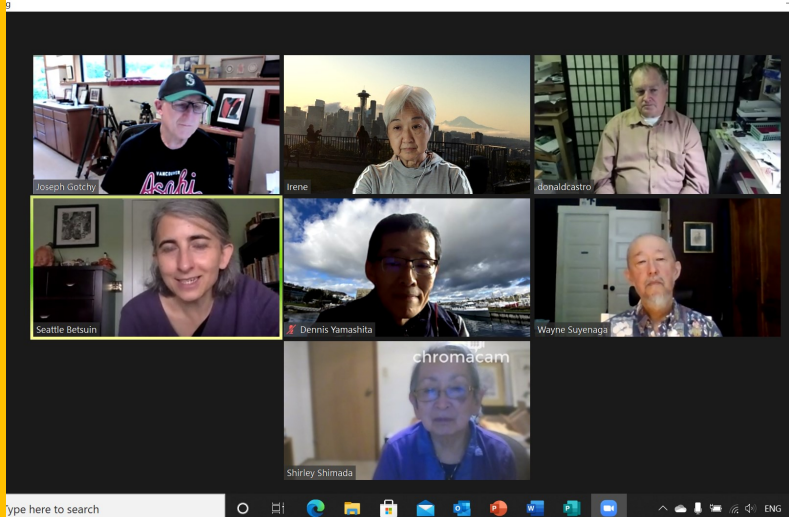
For Sunday morning, November 22, our Seattle Betsuin 12th annual Autumn Family Music Service will be produced as a Northwest District Music Service. Not only will all the temples in our district be represented, but also the Cherry Blossomz singers from California will be featured as guest performers.

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Buddhist Book Study

held a bonus session on Saturday, October 17, 2020 for open discussion - Rick Stambul's Zoom lecture, Jimmy Carter, Presidents Hoover and Obama, Rev. Miyaji's podcast on nembutsu; John Litz, Don Hale and Ellen Hale, Letters of Rennyō, policy on holding memorial services. Resources suggested for Saturday, November 14, 2020, 9:30AM discussion are podcasts: Yoshifumi Ueda, "What is Shinjin", http://nembutsu.info/ueda_shinjin.htm and James Dobbins, "Shin Buddhism, the Nembutsu Experience and Faith", <http://www.shin-ibs.edu/documents/pwj-new/new5/06Dobbins.pdf>. Email clarkel@uw.edu for Zoom link.

Submitted by Irene Goto



EVERYDAY BUDDHIST

At Everyday Buddhist, we understand how the COVID19 pandemic and the ongoing social injustice issues may be causing you to feel anxious, angry, sad, and/or overwhelmed. In an effort to support our fellow and aspiring Buddhist practitioners, we are offering frequent blog posts, more free content, and livestream "How To" offerings. We invite you to join us and make your everyday a little more peaceful. **EVERYDAYBUD-**

Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Women's Association

(SBBWA)'s Mission Statement is to cultivate religious awareness as Jodo Shinshu Buddhist women and promote fellowship among its members; to serve and support the Seattle Betsuin, and contribute services to the welfare of the community.

The Annual SBBWA Memorial Service was held on October 25, 2020 to honor 810 grandmothers, mothers, sisters, extended family members, and friends who have passed away since the SBBWA began in the early 1900s. Their hard work and dedication to the temple has been invaluable. Thank you to all of you who joined us, and to Tina and Susie for organizing our first online service.

To promote fellowship and spread cheer in these difficult times, SBBWA will be sending birthday greetings to our members. Members, please let Tina or Margaret know your **birthday month!**

Sock it to Homelessness - SBBWA is also coordinating with Dharma School to collect 500 new socks for our neighbors at Nightwatch who hope to get

20,000 pairs to provide comfort to the homeless. See the drop off and pick up information in the Weekly ENews; collection at the temple is scheduled for November 14 from Noon - 2:00PM.

Upcoming Events:

Board meeting, November 1
NWD BWA meeting November 14

Submitted by Janie Okawa



Above: homemade card by Yoko Yanari.



Above: drop off box at the Teradas

HATSUMAIRI

Welcomed Frances and Violet and their families on Sunday, October 18, 2020
Via video conference



Montoshikisho, onenju, parent's pledge and certificate were mailed to their homes in advance of the ceremony. Rimban Reverend Katsuya Kusunoki officiated.
Submitted by Irene Goto

Center for Buddhist Education (CBE) YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/buddhistchurchesofamerica>

New videos include Rick Stambul's riveting talk, "Good Trouble," sharing his personal stories as a civil rights activist, historical notes on racial inequality in America, and thoughts as a Shin Buddhist. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kXePaSgQIE8>

SOCK IT TO HOMELESSNESS

SBBWA and Dharma School are teaming up and have set a goal to collect 500 pairs of socks by November 15th to donate to the homeless. We invite all our Sangha to join with us to provide some comfort, especially during this isolating

time. Will you help us meet our goal? Follow our progress over the next four weeks right here in the Betsuin Newsletter!

Comfort tired feet. Lift weary spirits.

Give someone hope.

Here are ways to participate and donate: • Host a Sock It Box on your porch. Get the word out that we are collecting socks! Make a sign, put out a Sock It Box on your porch. Let neighbors, friends and family know about our Temple's goal. Call/text your sock count each Friday to (206) 718-5889. • Collect and Donate New Socks. Regular and large men's or women's sizes are in highest demand. Please no dress socks or used socks. • **Drive-through drop-off - available in the alley behind the Seattle Betsuin Temple on Saturday, November 14 from 12 Noon -2:00pm**



BCA J.A.M.S.

Jodo Shinshu Artists & Musicians Showcase

-Calling All Musicians, Singers, Magicians, Dancers, Poets...

-Perform in the 1st annual BCA Youth Concert.

A fun and exciting virtual event for everyone to enjoy!!!

-Submit your 3-5 min. audition video at the link below (due Nov 1st)

-Questions: email "Koichi" bkmizushima@bcahq.org

EVENT DATE: JAN 10

1:00PM PST

DONATIONS APPRECIATED

Audition: <https://forms.gle/UjsjBkAZChbXrKYT8>

Shin Buddhist Study Series

Special Lecture 1

Topic: The Larger Sutra Volume 1 "The Forty Eight Vows"
 Date: Wednesday, December 23rd
 Time: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
 Lecturer: Rev. Henry Adams (San Mateo Buddhist Temple)



Special Lecture 2

Topic: The Larger Sutra Volume 2 "Topic: T.B.D."
 Date: Wednesday, December 16th
 Time: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
 Lecturer: Rev. Dr. Takashi Miyaji (Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church)



Special Lecture 3

Topic: The Contemplation Sutra "Topic: T.B.D."
 Date: Wednesday, February 3rd
 Time: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
 Lecturer: Rev. Dr. Muri Wondra (Orange County Buddhist Church)



Email rev.kusunoki@seattlebetsuin.com for details or sign up for our email list at the link below. Zoom links will be provided via email to those who sign up



SEATTLE BETSUIN BUDDHIST TEMPLE

www.seattlebetsuin.com/fallstudy

Rev Adams was excellent!

Don't miss the next two!



WOMEN IN BUDDHISM

Tools for Spiritual Wellness



A Webinar Gathering • October 3 & 4, 2020

Registration: Free • Details: seattlebetsuin.com/2020wib

THANK YOU!

In the first weekend of October, from 120 to 140 participants engaged with the Dharma and a group of five outstanding Buddhist educators at Seattle Betsuin's seventh Women in Buddhism conference, a webinar titled: Tools for Spiritual Wellness.

Psychiatrist and assistant minister Dr. Carmela Javellana Hirano opened the first day's events with a presentation: "Radical Humility: Jodo Shinshu Path to Joy."

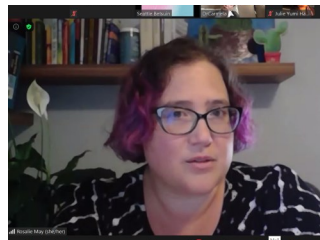
"We are constantly transformed by Amida," she said. Realizing everything is impermanent helps us see that there is nothing we can hold onto, nothing we can rely on. We are helpless with our own helplessness. As a result we become humbled. Over time, gratitude pervades our minds.

Dr. Bonnie Duran, who practices in the Theravada tradition, spoke about the Dharma for undoing internalized stereotypes and focused on self-compassion as well as compassion for others. She is a practitioner of metta meditation, also known as loving-kindness meditation. "No one can be free of suffering until all are free from suffering. Be true to yourself for the benefit of all." She ended her presentation with a short guided meditation.

Dr. Sharon Suh's presentation focused on meditation and yoga as important tools for healing after experiencing trauma, and led a short meditation.

Dr. Mizumori shared ways maintaining a healthy brain that include healthy eating, which a traditional Japanese diet supports, exercise and meditation.

Artist, Tara Tamaribuchi, says she approaches art from the perspective of her Asian American heritage and her Buddhist background. She described several significant installations, including working with the Seattle Art Museum on a project to teach museum visitors to make paper flowers, which they would use in a ceremony with Rimban Kusunoki to re-



Rev. Rosalie May, moderator



Artist, Tara Tamaribuchi

-invigorate a Buddhist statue at the museum.

On behalf of the planning committee, Seattle Betsuin Religious Department, BCA Center for Buddhist Education and SBBWA, thank you, all, who registered and attended – some 200 in all. Thank you for your generous donations. Proceeds will enable us to plan for future Women in Buddhism events.

Gassho,
Ann Oxrieder, Irene Goto
Rosalie May, Gail Kaminishi

Message from Bishop Marvin Harada Letting go of our Attachments Buddhism

teaches a life of non-attachment. The opposite of non-attachment, is "attachment," which leads to many problems in life. If we become attached to money, we become greedy and selfish, and will never be satisfied, no matter how wealthy we might become. We can become attached to relationships. When our children grow up, we have to let them go into the world and live their life. I remember when we took my daughter off to college. They had an orientation for the parents. They told us, "Please do not call your child every day after they start college." I thought, some parents call their kids every day when they go off to college? When we lose a loved one through death, at some point we have to let go. We cannot remain in grief forever. We can become attached to the future. What will happen if they don't find a cure for the virus? What will happen if the economy doesn't come back? We can become attached to the past. We think, "I am never ever going to forgive so and so for what they did to me." But, if we stop and think about it, who is the one who suffers when we hold on to bitterness about the past? We are the one who suffers. - buddhischurchesofamerica.org

Funeral and Memorial Services During Covid-19

Life and death continue during the current pandemic, and questions naturally arise about how to deal with the passing of loved ones when we cannot gather in person due to the Covid-19 pandemic. In response, we at the Seattle Betsuin have had to adapt our funeral rituals, practices and services.

Here are some questions and answers about how you can access the Buddha Dharma when a loved one passes.

Q. In Jodo Shinshu, is it acceptable to wait to have a funeral or memorial service until we can gather in person?

A. Yes, there is no problem with waiting. The significance of Jodo Shinshu funerals and memorial services is for people to reflect upon their own lives and their loved ones' lives by listening to the Buddha Dharma and expressing appreciation to Amida Buddha. We can wait until the family feels comfortable to schedule in-person funeral and memorial services.

Q. Is religious counseling available for those coping with the loss of a loved one?

A. Yes, Rev. Kusunoki is available for counseling by e-mail, phone, or on-line conferencing services.

Q. Is it possible to have a virtual pillow service, funeral or memorial service?

A. Yes, traditional Buddhist end-of-life services are available using on-line conferencing services such as Zoom or Facetime.

Q. Are outdoor funeral or gravesite services available?

A. Yes, weather permitting. However, outdoor or gravesite services are generally short services and therefore will not typically include all elements of a typical funeral service. All appropriate Covid-19 precautions should be followed so these services should be small, socially distanced gatherings.

Q. Should we contact the Betsuin even if we want to wait to hold an in-person funeral service?

A. Yes, we recommend that you contact the Temple office to discuss your plans to hold a funeral service at some time in the future. Depending on your family's desires, we can ask a member of our Sodan committee to contact you to discuss possible timing and other options if the restrictions on in-person services continues for an extended time.

Q. What other services does the Betsuin offer to observe the passing of a loved one during the pandemic?

A. We hold memorial services every Saturday at 10:00 AM via YouTube. These services are held not only for our members but also for the COVID-19 victims who died during the week.

You may have your loved ones remembered in a Saturday service. Your loved one's name will be read immediately preceding the beginning of sutra chanting. You are welcome to invite family and friends to the online service.

Please contact the Temple office office@seattlebetsuin.com or Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki rev.kusunoki@seattlebetsuin.com if you wish to consult / discuss or schedule a memorial service.

Seattle Betsuin Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations September – October 2020

Funeral / Memorial / Nokotsudo:

Asako Teranshi – Funeral Service	\$ 500.00	Estate of Asako Teranishi
Albert Shintaku – In Memory of	\$ 500.00	Frances Shintaku
Lakshman Kodagoda – In Memory of	\$ 200.00	Kimiko Kodagoda
Nokotsudo for Kameichi Harada	\$ 100.00	Steve & Kathleen Harada
	\$ 100.00	Seiichi & Loiuse Kasanuki
Nokotsudo for Sadako Harada	\$ 100.00	Steve & Kathleen Harada
	\$ 100.00	Seiichi & Loiuse Kasanuki

Given by:

In Memory of:

Russell Fujioka
 Jack Habu
 Jane Mitsuko Kihara
 Yoshie Mamiya
 Tome Mattila
 Krista Nakano
 Etsuko Betty Suetsugu
 Shimano Taketa & Hanayo Takashima

Given by:

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 Ray Kihara (for SBBWA Memorial)
 Stephanie Ojima; Louise Sakuma
 Allan & Kayoko Terada; Fusae Yokoyama
 Laura Pankiewicz – In memory of Krista on her birthday
 Gary Gant
 Kiyoko Takashima (for SBBWA Memorial)

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	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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8	Meditation on Zoom SUNDAY SERVICE streamed on YouTube Adult Service (Rinban) Japanese Service (Rinban) DS Parents Dharma Exchange on Zoom	9 10 am livestream Morning Service 11 am Seattle Japanese Dharma Gathering - Zoom	10 <i>Rinban's day off</i>	11 <i>Veterans Day Holiday</i>	12 10 am livestream Morning Service	13 <i>Rinban's day off</i> 10 am Japanese Play Group on Zoom	14 10 am livestream Joint Memorial Service 12-2pm SBBWA & Dharma School sock drive drop off (alley)	
15	Meditation on Zoom BETSUIN ANNIVERSARY/EITAIKYO & MUEN HOYO SERVICE streamed Adult Service (Rinban) Japanese guest spkr (Rev Noritaka Imada) Sangha Exchange on Zoom	16 10 am livestream Morning Service 11 am Seattle Japanese Dharma Gathering - Zoom	17 <i>Rinban's day off</i>	18 10 am livestream Morning Service 11 am Sutra Chanting & Dialogue - Zoom	19 10 am livestream Morning Service 10 am Japanese Play Group on Zoom	20 <i>Rinban's day off</i>	21 10 am livestream Joint Memorial Service	
22	Meditation on Zoom AUTUMN MUSIC SERVICE streamed Adult Service guest speaker, (Rev Yuki Sugahara, Oregon) Japanese Service (Rinban) DS Parents Dharma Exchange on Zoom	23 10 am livestream Morning Service 11 am Seattle Japanese Dharma Gathering - Zoom 8 pm Newsletter deadline	24 <i>Rinban's day off</i>	25 <i>Rinban's vacation</i>	26 <i>Thanksgiving</i>	27 <i>Rinban's day off</i>	28 <i>Rinban's vacation</i>	
29	<i>Rinban's vacation</i> Meditation on Zoom SUNDAY SERVICE streamed on YouTube Adult Service (Rev Matt May) Japanese guest speaker, (Rev Yoshimichi Ouchi, Toronto) Adult Dharma message on YouTube	30 <i>Rinban's vacation</i>	<i>To view all services, please visit http://www.youtube.com/seattlebuddhisttemple</i>					
9 am								
10 am			December 13	December 2020 Major Events Virtual Bodhi Day (Enlightenment Day) Service combined with NW District Ministers Association				
11:00 am			December 31	Virtual New Year's Eve Service (Joya-e)				

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