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“Obon: precious occasion to meet with our loved one ”

by Rimban Katsuya Kusunoki

Summer has come. Now it is time for *Obon*. Due to Covid-19, we are going to have virtual *Bon Odori* and virtual *Obon /Hatsubon* service. One day in June I visited the temple gym. *Yagura* tower and *chochin* lanterns were set up for *Bon Odori* video recording. My heart pounded with excitement as I saw this *Bon Odori* set up. There is a Japanese word “*baka*” which is generally translated as stupid. This word is used when someone speaks ill of others. But it has another meaning. We use it when we describe a person who is deeply engaged in one thing and a person who is full of enthusiasm about one thing. When I was a child, I played baseball every day. My parents called me “*yakyu* (baseball) *baka*”. I see many “*Obon baka*” in Seattle who absolutely love *Obon* and keep the authentic spirit of *Obon* alive. Although they have their busy schedule, they make time and devote themselves to Seattle *Obon*. They have meetings many times and talk about *Obon* a lot. They prepare and set up for *Obon*. They think about programs and food sales. They exchange their ideas of T-shirts design. I enjoy attending the meetings and working with

them. It is my honor to be a part of Seattle *Obon baka*. There is a synonym of “*baka*” which is “*ahō*”. It also is used most times when people make fun of others. Occasionally, it is interpreted differently and used to describe a person who is absorbed in doing one particular thing. There is one famous *Bon odori* in Japan which is called *Awa Odori*. There is a phrase which is repeated in a song for *Awa Odori*.

“You’re a fool (*ahō*) if you dance, and a fool (*ahō*) if you just look on. If you’re going to be a fool (*ahō*) anyway, you might as well dance.”

I hope that both foolish beings who dance and just look on get together and enjoy *Bon Odori* together next year. I look forward to doing it. This year, we all enjoy *Bon Odori* at home.

The word “*baka*” originated from Buddhism. Thus, I heard. It was a Buddhist monk’s slang and meant ignorance or blind passions which is one of the three poisons. It is not a word to describe a person who has no knowledge. It is a

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Rimban Kusunoki giving Hōwa at Service on June 20, 2021

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Virtual 10:00AM Services: Sunday, Wednesday, & Sat., July 3, 2021 with Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial

Go to <https://youtube.com/seattlebuddhisttemple> Search “playlists” for past services.

Calendar: p. 19 and at SeattleBetsuin.com/calendar

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word to describe a person who does not have wisdom eyes. A person who does not have wisdom eyes to see things through their self-centered mind. A person who has wisdom eyes sees things through the truth. The truth is the Buddha Dharma.

It is often said that our loved ones who passed away come back at the beginning of the *Obon* season and they go back to the other world at the end *Obon* season. People generally hang *chochin* lanterns for our loved ones not to get lost and to come back to right place. People also float *Tōrō* lanterns on the water to send our loved ones off. Some people think if they do not follow these traditions properly, they are haunted by their loved ones and punished. Some people may think they do not want a deceased person to come back to their place. These people observe *Obon* to avoid being haunted and punished. Their understanding and behavior come from their ignorance and self-centered mind.

In Jodo Shinshu, all nembutsu followers (Shin Buddhist followers) are born into the Amida Buddha's Pure Land when their life ends in this world. Then, they come back to this world as Bodhisattva to guide people. They take various forms for us to encounter the Buddha Dharma which give us Wisdom eyes to accept each life just as it is. Our loved ones become karmic conditions for us to listen and recite Namoamidabutsu. Bodhisattvas are working 24/7 everywhere without limit. Contrarily, we only have our limited perspective. We think our loved ones come back to this world only during the *Obon* season and we can only meet them during this period of time. It is important to know that we only have our limited ability. We use our full limited ability - we con-

template on our loved ones while lighting lanterns, floating lanterns on the water, dancing *Obon* dance, and visiting our loved ones' gravesites. Some people try to deliver their gratitude and honest thoughts to their loved one by observing these traditions. During *Obon*, people use these traditions to communicate with them instead of using the normal human communication methods and reunite with them. Each *Obon* tradition gives us the opportunity to reflect upon our life and our loved ones' lives. It is the one important significance of *Obon*.

Shinran Shonin wrote in his *wasan* (hymns),
"Those who reach the Pure Land of happiness Return to this evil world of the five defilements, Where, like the Buddha Sakyamuni, They benefit sentient beings without limit."

(Hymns of the Pure Land, No. 20, CWS P. 329)

Those who returned to this world as Bodhisattva are sending us their message.

Do not worry. I am always with you everywhere. Listen to the Dharma. Open your eyes of wisdom. Each day is a precious day. Cherish your life.

It is how I appreciate this *wasan* (hymns).

How are you planning to spend your time during this year's *Obon*? It is the only time to celebrate the "2021" Seattle *Obon*. Please do not overlook the *Obon* invitation from your loved one. Are you ready? I would like to enjoy this precious moment and sincerely experience this *Obon* with you.

Gassho,

Musical Notes by Kemi Nakabayashi

This month, to coincide with the *Obon* season, the BCA gatha recordings of *Obon no Uta* and *Obon, Obon, It's Festival Day* are featured on the BCA website Chanting and Music webpage. The lyrics of *Obon no Uta* are written by Lady Takeko Kujo. Yumi Hojo, who celebrated her 100th birthday in March of this year, recalls that she wrote *Obon, Obon It's Festival Day* as one of the first gathas in the English language for BCA temple use.

This year is also a celebratory 25th anniversary year for the *bon odori* song and dance *Ei Ja Nai Ka*, written by PJ Hirabayashi. PJ's website TaikoPeace has an entire section devoted to *Ei Ja Nai Ka* with

excellent information and history of this piece including audio recording, lyrics, and videos. *Ei Ja Nai Ka* was originally written to commemorate the hard work and perseverance of the Issei, first generation immigrants from Japan to America. Here is the website link to check out: <https://taikopeace.love/ejnk>

Lastly, Orange County Buddhist Church offered this year's annual Father's Day Music Service on its public YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6KiAnd860tM>. Watch for the OCBC Jammers ukulele video performance, the Cherry Blossomz singers, and our Dharma flutist friend Annette Inouye from Vista Buddhist Temple, among the many performers.

In-Person OBon Cemetery Services

Reverend Katsuya Kusunoki will be conducting cemetery services as part of the Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple's 2021 Bon Odori festival. While Virtual Bon Odori II will be streamed on the Temple's YouTube channel, the Obon cemetery services will be conducted at each of five cemeteries on Saturday, July 10, and Sunday, July 11. Temple members and families are invited to attend each of the services. Attendees will be expected to wear masks and practice social distancing protocols. Any change in state and local regulations will be announced prior to the start of each service.

Dates and times for the services are:

Saturday, July 10

- 12:00 P M at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery
700 W Raye St, Seattle, WA 98119
- 1:00 PM at Washington Memorial Park
16223 International Blvd, SeaTac, WA 98188

- 3:30 PM at Lake View Cemetery
1554 15th Ave E, Seattle, WA 98112

Sunday, July 11

- 1:00 PM at Evergreen Washelli Cemetery
11111 Aurora Ave N, Seattle, WA 98133
- 3:00 PM at Sunset Hills Memorial Park
1215 145th PI SE, Bellevue, WA 98007

Please consider attending these culturally important and meaningful services. It will be a good way to reconnect with family and friends during the Obon season. Your attendance will also be a way to thank Reverend Kusunoki and the ministerial and temple staff for all the hard work they have done to keep the Dharma alive and relevant during the pandemic.

Those interested in visiting the Temple's columbarium should contact the main office and request an appointment (206-329-0800 or office@seattlebetsuin.com).

- submitted by Joe Gotchy

Shotsuki/Joint Memorial Service will be live-streamed on **Saturday, July 3, 2021** at 10:00AM. See p.17 for the names of those loved-ones who will be remembered. <http://www.youtube.com/seattlebuddhisttemple>



Betsuin Tea Talk

by Leanne Nishi-Wong
"Temple News"

The Seattle Betsuin's 89th Obon Odori (dance festival) will premier on July 17th, 2021 at 5:00pm, via

YouTube (www.youtube.com/c/SeattleBonOdori).

This festival has been celebrated in Japan for more than 500 years and originated with the story of Maha Maudgalyayana (Mokuren). Obon Odori welcomes and commemorates the spirits of our ancestors and loved ones who have passed on.

This year's Hatsubon Services (memorials to loved ones who have passed within the last Obon year), will be held July 10th and 11th at several cemeteries around the Seattle area. Safety protocols, including mask wearing, will be followed at these services. Information is available on the temple website...

www.seattlebetsuin.com

Annual Obon Odori gatherings, reunite families who honor their ancestors, by setting out lanterns; visiting

and cleaning gravesites; dancing in festivals and making offerings (ozen) to their family Obutsudans, temples and gravesites.

The Seattle Betsuin's Obon Odori is its largest fund-raising event of the year. As this event is not possible in-person, please consider a donation, in memory of your loved one(s), to the Betsuin. Sponsorship and booster information is available on the Obon website. Your gift sustains the temple services, educational programming, facilities and personnel.

Please visit the temple Obon's website (www.seattlebetsuin.com/vsbo21/) to pre-order merchandise, food and cocktail kits, which are available by drive-thru pick-up on July 17th. Find us on Facebook/Instagram/Twitter @SeattleBonOdori.

Please join the Betsuin's Obon Odori events in honoring those who have touched our lives.

Thank you for your continued support of the Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple.

In Gassho,
Leanne



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89TH ANNUAL

Seattle Bon Odori

July 17, 2021 from 5pm via YouTube

LIVE STREAM LINK

www.youtube.com/c/SeattleBonOdori

FACEBOOK/INSTAGRAM/TWITTER

@SeattleBonOdori

WEBSITE

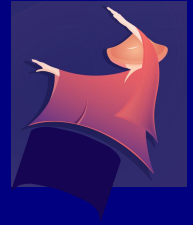
Seattlebetsuin.com/vsbo21/

Pre-ordered food, cocktail kits and merchandise

89th Seattle Bon Odori - VSBO 2021

The Seattle Bon Odori Committee has been closely monitoring the Covid-19 pandemic activity in our community; and out of an abundance of caution has decided to **suspend in-person Bon Odori this year**. Similar to last year, we are planning on premiering Virtual Seattle Bon Odori (VSBO) in the evening of **Saturday, July 17, 2021**.
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...continued **89th Seattle Bon Odori - VSBO 2021**



In addition to our online event, we will be offering a selection of favorite foods, cocktail kits and merchandise drive-thru pick-up prior to the premiere of VSBO 2021. Enjoy our home-made Bon Odori menu items from the comfort of your home during the premiere of VSBO! Online ordering and additional information will be coming shortly.

Bon Odori has always been a time for our community to gather and celebrate the lives of our ancestors with deep gratitude and appreciation. While we will not be gathering physically this year, we hope you will spend this Obon season reflecting on your loved ones and dance with joy.

Mask up, stay safe and we look forward to seeing you at our drive-thru event, as well as during the premiere of VSBO 2021.

In Gassho (palms together),

Ron T. Hamakawa
Chairperson
Seattle Bon Odori

Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki
Rinban (Head Minister)
Seattle Betsuin

ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE...

We would like to “**thank**” the following for contributing their **2021** sustaining membership dues - the basic dues towards Temple maintenance/operations (i.e.- fix the roof) and operations and programs (i.e. – Live Streaming of Sunday services and Special (i.e. All Sangha Memorial) services; Dharma School classes; seminars;). The minimum for individual membership is \$400 (for under 70 years of age), and \$350 (for 70 years of age and over).

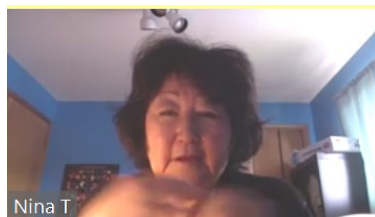
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(Compiled by Howard, Joan, Pauline & Steph)

Dharma Exchange welcomes discussion



May 16, 2021 on Maitreya Charity in Mongolia led by Gail Kaminishi via Zoom



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May 23, 2021 on Grace McCleod led by Nina Tomita-Kato and Paul Mori via Zoom

Seattle Betsuin's 89th Bon Odori will be held virtually, premiering Saturday, July 17, 2021 at 5pm on YouTube.com/c/SeattleBonodori.

On behalf of Dharma School,

thank you to our Dharma School teachers, board members, parents, students and sangha. During this year of pandemic isolation, health concerns and uncertainty, Dharma School felt like a necessary, stabilizing touchstone of normality, even though we did everything online or through the mail. This year in addition to class time, we enjoyed all Dharma School events which included a read aloud, an online talent show, group salt-clay craft, and a few evening sessions for parents, one where we could process the violence against Asian-Americans with a Jodo-Shinshu approach. Our students wrote letters in English and in Japanese to temple elders so we could maintain our connections, and on June 13, we concluded our DS school year with a scavenger hunt.

Our 14 teachers, Mae, Joan, Kari Ann, Marie, Dave, Joyce, Ileene, Yvette, Claire, Tara, Harrison, Jason, Kiana and Ron, volunteered their time and energy to create Buddhist learning experiences for temple children during the school year. As with the rest of the world during the 20-21 school year, they conducted classes online or sent lessons to families to work through with their kids. We thank our Dharma School teachers for taking the time to be steady adults in our children's lives, modeling a life of gratitude and appreciation. Thank you for being flexible and adapting throughout the year, keeping our students engaged with DS.

We would also like to acknowledge our five graduating seniors, Allison, Brent, Evan, Metta, and Tai. We know you will do well in your future endeavors, and we will always be here to support you!

As superintendents of the Dharma School, we would like to thank the parents, Akiko, Betty, Connie, Diane, Erin, Kathy, Penne and Victor, who serve on the Dharma School board. In the past, you did so much planning, shopping, dishwashing, accounting, meeting, serving, showing up early and staying late, all while parenting your wonderful children. This year, you put your efforts into planning fun online events like the talent show, salt clay crafts, and more. For us, Dharma School board meetings were a welcome social gathering where we could let go a little and imagine we were back together at temple.

Thank you to every parent and student of the Dharma School. You are what makes this fun, necessary, and rewarding. Thank you to Rinban Kusunoki for his belief in the importance of the Dharma School and his continuous support. Thank you to Leanne Nishi-Wong and the Betsuin board for your thoughtful leadership. Finally, thank you to the Seattle Betsuin sangha. Many of you have had children in the Dharma School, been teachers in the Dharma School and even attended Dharma School yourself. We see your kindness, your service, and your gratitude. The students see your kindness, your service and your gratitude.

We don't know what September will look like, but stay tuned! We are already talking about the many possibilities of safe, educational, spiritual activities, and we welcome your ideas and suggestions. Have a wonderful summer and again, thank you for your support to Dharma School.

Gassho, Claire and Yvette

We thank our students who persevered through the 20-21 school year with us in the Zoom 3/4/5 class. We are happy to share that we had 4 students, Ami, Kira, Minh and Zoe who earned Perfect Attendance Awards! During our last class together, we played Kahoot, as a review of many of the topics we learned throughout the year! After the last day of DS service, many of our students participated in the All-DS Zoom scavenger hunt event, running around sharing their items that they found. We will miss our 5th graders who will be moving up to the middle school class and look forward to welcoming new and returning students this fall! Have a wonderful summer!

Gassho, Ileene and Yvette

[See more Dharma School News from Kathy Hasegawa on p. 11]



Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Women's Association

Submitted by Janie Okawa

SBBWA's Mission 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.

Walk for Rice team - a special thank you for everyone in the temple that support the ACRS fundraiser for team SBBWA. We did meet our goal and more! Because of you, ACRS now provides 2,250 bags of groceries and 2,000 culturally familiar meals to home-bound seniors and people in need each week.

From Hiroshima to Hope, August 6th - Many SBBWA members support the *From Hiroshima to Hope* event on August 6th at Green Lake Park with a monetary donation and providing food for volunteers during the evening's events. If you are interested in helping out, contact Janie Okawa.

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Seattle Betsuin 2021 Dharma Exchange

Sundays July - 11:00AM - 11:30AM - via Zoom

Date	Topic	Lead
July 4	No Dharma Exchange	National Holiday
July 11	"Our BonOdori" History	Rev Irene Goto
July 18	"Moving Forward Just As We Are"	Rev Katsuya Kusunoki
July 25	"Remembering Lotus Fresh Air Camp"	Rev Irene Goto

The Zoom link appears in our *Weekly E-Newsletter* - Sign up for our *Weekly E-Newsletter* at:

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/rjidJqn/betsuinweekly>

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DIAL THE DHARMA

Call the toll free number - 800-817-7918 to hear Bishop Harada's message

Push "1" for English and "2" for Japanese

Everyone is invited to *From*

Hiroshima to Hope

The event will take place at Seattle's Green Lake on August 6, 2021, a Friday evening. After a program including Hieuh and Minh playing together with violin and shamisen, the Seattle Kokon Taiko will perform; Rev. Kusunoki will give a "blessing", Seattle Times columnist Naomi Ishisaka will speak, followed by a cellist and dancer. Rev. Kusunoki will talk about Nagasaki and the *toro nagashi*, lantern floating, and help lead the procession to the water to launch lanterns. Aiko Fujii will contribute her calligraphy on the lanterns and SBBWA members will provide food for the volunteers.

To put on this event, we need many volunteers. Please come to volunteer; check out the *From Hiroshima to Hope* volunteer site which should be ready to use by the beginning of July. We need help during the program but especially after the launching and for the collection of lanterns! Know how to row a boat? We need you! Questions? Call Shirley Shimada via the temple office at 206.329.0800. Thanks.



Styrofoam Recycling

July 5 Meet in the temple alley promptly at 11AM. Friends on the Eastside can arrange a mutually convenient meeting time with Gail prior to July 5. See <http://www.styrorecycle.com/> for guidelines. *Styrene foam is going green! They've moved! Visit their new location in Kent "PARK 234". Now located at 23418 68th Ave S. (West Valley Hwy) Kent, WA 98032. Closed Saturdays, Sundays and major Holidays.*

Submitted by Gail Kaminishi

Lotus Skyliners, Boys in the Band A Book Project



The Skyliners. Front row: Patsy Nakashima, Akira Ichikawa (piano), Tom Kubota, Dennis Tsuboi, Shuzo Tsuchiuchi, Mabo Takenaga, Tets Miyata, Akira Moriguchi, Irwin Yoshimura, Don Kinsley. Second row: Mamo Yoshida (drums), Paul Tomita, Fred Kikuchi, Norm Furukawa, Shinya Ichikawa. Third row: Bill Nakashima, Vic Kihara, Ben Takashima. Photo courtesy of Tom Kubota

Submitted by Janet Baba and Shinya Ichikawa

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They were a unique group of teenagers who came out the incarceration camps more than 70 years ago, lost in life, looking for things to do and trying to understand discrimination and injustice brought on by the incarceration of 120,000 people of Japanese ancestry during World War II.

Fortunately, community leaders from the Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Church had the foresight to recognize their needs. They asked Donald Kinsley, a Caucasian music teacher at Washington Jr. High School to form a band for the Buddhist Church. Many of the teenagers from the Buddhist Church were already playing instruments at Washington Jr. High so they knew Mr. Kinsley. Thus, the temple dance band was formed and became the Lotus Skyliners. It was the only big band of 22 music-playing members during this era. The highlight of the band was the two road trips they took up and down the west coast, playing at churches and the Civic Auditorium in San Jose, California.

Those of us who were fortunate enough to participate as a Skyliners Band member realized how important the band and Don Kinsley were in developing our character, teaching us lifelong values and becoming successful citizens in society," said Gary Yamashita, a trumpet player in the band.

We feel this beautiful and powerful story should be preserved as an important part of our history and be told to aspiring community citizens, young and old, as a shining example of what can be done through unique programs that give guidance and hope for the future to the young and underserved.

With this in mind, the Skyliners Committee has decided to publish a book on this special chapter of our community history.

Skyliners Committee Members

Kenneth Aoki, Saxophone
Victor Kihara, Trumpet
Shinya Ichikawa, Trombone
Dennis Tsuboi, Saxophone
Gary Yamashita, Trumpet

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Janet Baba and Shinya Ichikawa will discuss this project at our Sunday Dharma Exchange on August 22, 2021 at 11:00AM. Join us!



anniversary dance

The Lotus Skyliners was organized in 1952, more than 30 years ago and is one of the oldest Nisei organizations in Seattle.

Each year, members of the Nisei celebrate this anniversary with a semi-formal dance held in the Seattle gym.

The theme of last year's dance was "Ta-Mai" which means "The sea." The background of the band would played a typical dance under water.



The combined talents of the Seattle Buddhist Church members were essential to the arrangement program of Kinsley. One of the first Buddhist temples in Seattle is named in honor of Mr. Kinsley.

They met at the Sunday School sponsored in the Japanese temple. They were careful not to disclose the many skills seen in a school.

The Buddhist temple served a Japanese folk dance in the evening hours of the evening.

The Lotus Skyliners played a group of features who have called in various positions. "Kinsley" presented a Japanese classical for the arrangement of the first edition.

Chair, bassoon etc was furnished by the Lotus Skyliners.



skyliners

Though the Lotus Skyliners were formed only two short years ago, dance enthusiasts have welcomed them one of the best young bands in Seattle. This success was the product of many hours spent in practice under the careful guidance of band leader Don Kinsley.

It was in March, 1952, that Mr. Kinsley, with the support of the Lotus Shyobai and YEA organized the group. Many of the members were students of Mr. Kinsley at Washington Jr. High School.

The 22 member band consists of three trumpets, three trombones, seven saxophones, one bass, one piano, one guitar and two sets of drums. Vocalists for the group are Patsy Nakashima and Harry Tsubi.

The Skyliners have played at many dances and have performed at entertainments. They were also featured at the Northwest Young Buddhist League Convention in Spokane and Wigwag.

The highlight of this year's schedule for the Skyliners will be their summer tour in August of Washington, Oregon and California. They will spend two and a half weeks playing for the many Bessies along the Pacific Coast.

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Buddhist Book

Study group met in-person for the first time since the beginning of the Covid-19 lockdown at Shirley's home on Saturday, June 12, 2021, anticipating rain. Leonora shared her Sanskrit class final, translation of the Burning House passage from the Lotus Sutra. The next meeting date is yet to be determined. To receive a notification, e-mail newsletter@seattlebetsuin.com and specify SBC Book Study to receive a current update and Link.

Submitted by Irene Goto

Dharma Talks Available on the Internet – mostly audio, some documents: years, 2003, 2004, 2005 go to:

[Buddhism - Jodo Shinsu - Why I am a Buddhist \(seattlebetsuin.com\)](#)

Dharma School Weekly E-Newsletter

June 18, 2021 posting from Kathy Hasegawa, editor:

Hello DS Parents,

This will be the last weekly DS newsletter for the summer, but I'll plan to post a few newsworthy updates during the summer break. Be Safe out there!

Happy last day of school (for most children) and also congratulations to our High School Seniors. Class of 2021, you survived what no other class has had to endure - Congratulations and *Gambatte!* Allison S, Brent N, Evan K, Metta K, Tai N,

DS UPDATES: Here's the Pre-K-K perfect attendance kids: Yuiya, Sylvia, and Frances. A few other notables for the 3/4/5 class were: Ami, Kira, Minh and Zoe. The DS teachers did an amazing job keeping the kids engaged and involved. I want to reiterate all the Thank You's shared with the Sangha at Sunday's service. And thanks to all for making the last All DS Scavenger Hunt a success. And many thanks to our organizers, including our MC, Victor Yagi!

In Gassho, Kathy Hasegawa



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Seattle Betsuin's 89th Bon Odori will be held virtually, premiering Saturday, July 17, 2021 at 5pm on YouTube.com/c/SeattleBonodori.

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June Shotsuki Hoyo in

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<p>SATURDAY JULY 3 *11 AM - 1 PM REGISTER ONLINE</p>	<p>SHINSHU AND CHRISTIANITY Rev. David Quirke-Thornton Shin Buddhist Fellowship, United Kingdom</p>	  <p>Rev. Quirke-Thornton</p>
<p>SATURDAY JULY 24 *11 AM - 1 PM REGISTER ONLINE</p>	<p>CREATING INCLUSIVE SANGHAS: WORKING COMPASSIONATELY WITH OUR THOUGHTS & ASSUMPTIONS Mushim Patricia Ikeda East Bay Meditation Center Rev. Harry Bridge Buddhist Church of Oakland</p>	  <p>Mushim Ikeda Rev. Bridge</p>
<p>SATURDAY AUGUST 7 *11 AM - 1 PM REGISTER ONLINE</p>	<p>THE ESSENCE OF THE THREE PURE LAND SUTRAS & HOW WE CHANT THEM Rev. Kiyonobu Kuwahara Berkeley Buddhist Temple Rinban Katsuya Kusunoki Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple</p>	  <p>Rev. Kuwahara Rev. Kusunoki</p>
<p>SATURDAY AUGUST 21 *11 AM - 1 PM REGISTER ONLINE</p> <p>(3-25)</p>	<p>RENNYO'S CONTRIBUTION TO HONGWANJI THOUGHT Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra Orange County Buddhist Church</p>	  <p>Rennyō Shōnin Rev. Wondra</p>

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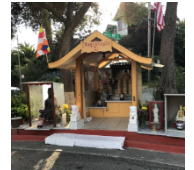
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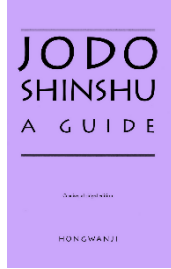
<https://ohthepodcastsyoullgo.wordpress.com/2017/11/16/oakland-buddha-statue/>

- **PACIFIC WORLD** Journal of the Institute of Buddhist Studies: <https://pwj.shin-ibs.edu/> Issues of the Pacific World Journal from 1980's to current. All the articles can be downloaded in pdf. Recent issues are more specialized but some in the 1980s were directed to general audience but still of interest.

- **MURYOKO** 'Infinite Light'



Journal of Shin Buddhism (main articles): <http://nembutsu.info/contents.htm> This is from the Australian Jodo Shin group.

-  **Jodo Shinshu: A Guide** is available as a [PDF on the BCA website](#). BCA stands for Buddhist Churches of America. This abridged edition provides an overview of Buddhism, Shinran Shonin, and the Jodo Shinshu teaching. <https://www.buddhistchurchesofamerica.org/jodo-shinshu-a-guide/>



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JULY SHOTSUKI HOYO

The July Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the month of July. This service will be combined with the Joint Memorial Service on Saturday, July 3rd, at 10AM and will be livestreamed on the Betsuin YouTube channel: <http://www.youtube.com/seattlebuddhistemple>

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Chu-Chan, Mee	Inouye, Shizu	Nagaishi, Shigeo	Tanemura, Toshikazu
Demise, Ayako	Ishida, Kenichi	Nakagawa, Nami	Taylor, Fusako
Fugami, Irene	Ishii, Miyoko	Nakamura, Jimmie	Terada, Kimi
Fujihira, Shiro	Kajimura, Tsutomu	Nakamura, Saiji	Terada, Minoru
Fujimoto, Asataro	Kajita, Aico	Nakashima, Fumiko	Terada, Toshiko
Fujino, Paul	Kaku, Yoshi	Nakashima, Yoneko	Terao, Sadao
Fujita, Aiko	Kanaya, Mary	Nakawawa, Katsuko	Tokunaga, Joe
Fujita, Jack	Katayama, Donna	Nakayama, Kozo	Tsuboi, Tamiye
Fukai, Kiyoshi	Katayama, Yoshiko	Namba, Chieko	Tsuchida, Tsune
Funai, Aubrey	Kato, Michiko	Nishi, Asako	Tsujihara, Naoto
Funamori, Yoneko	Kato, Sumiye	Nishimoto, Junzo	Tsujii, Janet
Furuta, Charles	Kawahara, Kikuno	Nitta, Sami	Tsukui, Florence
Furuta, Ikuno	Kawahara, Masano	Nogami, Hamano	Uchida, Yoshio
Furuta, Isamu	Kawanishi, Fusa	Nomaguchi, Chiyokesa	Yabuki, Haru
Gota, Helen	Kitano, Osamu	Ogohara, Kazue	Yamagiwa, Paul
Hamano, Kinuyo	Kiuchi, Kin	Okawa, Miye	Yamaguchi, Atsumi
Harada, Yoshito	Kiyonaga, Hideji	Okimura, Teimei	Yamaguchi, Kozo
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Harui, Margie	Koura, Hatsuko	Ono, Kiyoko	Yamamoto, Ichiro
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Hirai, Mikiye	Mizuki, Tomoko	Sako, Yoshiaki	Yoshimura, Dick
Hirano, Tokino	Mizumori, Nancy	Seko, Roy	Yoshino, Minoru
Hirata, Hajime	Mizuno, Hatsue	Shimbo, Sakayeko	Yuki, Motoitsu
Hirata, Osamu	Mori, Kerry	Shinoda, Ronald	
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AUGUST SHOTSUKI HOYO

The August Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the month of August. This service will be combined with the Joint Memorial Service on Saturday, August 7th, at 10AM and will be livestreamed on the Betsuin YouTube channel:

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Akizuki, George	Kajita, Kinichi	Nakamura, Yuki	Sunahara, Margaret
Aramaki, Shigeto	Kaku, George	Nakanishi, Toshio	Suzuki, James
Aratani, Uta	Kaneko, Jiro	Nakano, Minnie	Suzuki, Tazu
Dodobara, Megumi	Kato, Kazuo	Nakano, Sono	Tachiyama, Toshiko
Erie, Toshiko	Kato, Tom	Nakano, Tsuruko	Takeuchi, Shigeo
Fuji, Yukiko	Kawabata, Yoshikazu	Narimatsu, Miyoko	Taki, Noboru
Fujimoto, Kaoru	Kawamoto, Takayuki	Niki, Tsutomu	Tanabe, Suehiko
Fujita, Kikumi	Kikuchi, Hiroshi	Nishi, Sadao	Taniguchi, Mitsuyo
Fukei, Naka	Kimoto, Gon	Nishikawa, Miyuki	Tashiro, Toshiro
Furukado, Masuichiro	Kinomoto, Oliver	Nishimoto, Eda	Tashiro, Yoshi
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Harada, Sadako	Kubota, Betty	Oye, Tetsuya	Watanabe, Kazuo
Hata, Sachiko	Kumata, Tazuko	Parker, Tomiko	Watanabe, Yuzuru
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JULY 2021 BETSUIN SCHEDULE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AUGUST 2021 SPECIAL EVENTS August 8 Atomic Bom Victims' Memorial Service August 15 NW Ministers Obon Service						
4 Independence Day holiday 9 am Meditation on Zoom 10 am KSP SUNDAY SERVICE streamed English Dharma Talk (Rev Matt May) Japanese Dharma Talk (Rinban) 11am Dharma Exchange CANCELED Noon SBBWA Board Meeting on Zoom	5 Rinban's day off	6 Rinban's day off	7 10 am livestream Morning Service 11 am Sutra Chanting & Dialogue - Zoom	8 10 am Japanese Play Group on Zoom 11 am Seattle Japanese Dharma Gathering - Zoom	9 11 am Gojikai Service	10 12 pm Obon Cemetery Svc @ Mt Pleasant 1 pm Obon Cemetery Svc @WA Memorial 3:30 p Obon cemetery Svc @ Lake View
11 Meditation on Zoom OBON / HATSUBON SERVICE streamed English Dharma Talk (Rev Don Castro) Japanese Dharma Talk (Rev Yoshiaki Takemura) Dharma Exchange (Rev Goto - "Our ObonOdori History") 1 pm Obon Cemetery Service @ Evergreen Washelli 3:00 pm Obon Cemetery Service @ Sunset Hills	12 Rinban's day off	13 Rinban's day off	14 10 am livestream Morning Service 11 am Sutra Chanting & Dialogue - Zoom	15 11 am Seattle Japanese Dharma Gathering - Zoom	16 10 am Japanese Play Group on Zoom 10 am Shinran's Monthly Memorial Service	17 5 pm VIRTUAL SEATTLE BON ODORI
18 Meditation on Zoom SUNDAY SERVICE livestreamed English Dharma Talk (Rinban) Japanese Dharma Talk (Rinban) Dharma Exchange (Rinban - "Moving Forward Just as You Are")	19 Rinban's day off	20 Rinban's day off	21 10 am livestream Morning Service 11 am Sutra Chanting & Dialogue - Zoom	22 11 am Seattle Japanese Dharma Gathering - Zoom CANCELED	23	24
25 Meditation on Zoom SUNDAY SERVICE stream English Dharma Talk (MA Jason Yokoyama) Japanese Dharma Talk (Guest spkr, Rev Kojo Kakihara) Dharma Exchange (Rev Goto - "Lotus Fresh Air Camp")	26 Rinban's day off 8 pm Newsletter deadline	27 Rinban's day off	28 10 am livestream Morning Service 11 am Sutra Chanting & Dialogue - Zoom	29 11 am Seattle Japanese Dharma Gathering - Zoom	30	31 2 pm Gagaku practice

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2021 FAMILY MEMORIAL SERVICE SCHEDULE

In the Jodo Shinshu tradition, family memorial services are held on designated anniversaries to express gratitude and recall cherished memories of our loved ones while listening to the Buddha Dharma. While the Temple is closed due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Rinban Kusunoki will read your loved one's name during the Joint Memorial Service livestreamed on most Saturdays at 10 am or will conduct a virtual service for your family and friends. If you have a family member who passed away in the following years, you are encouraged to hold a memorial service in 2021:

<u>Year of Death</u>	<u>Service</u>
2020	1st year memorial
2019	3rd year memorial
2015	7th year memorial
2009	13th year memorial
2005	17th year memorial
1997	25th year memorial
1989	33rd year memorial
1972	50th year memorial

Please call the Temple office at (206) 329-0800 to schedule a service.
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July
Online Service Schedule
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10:00AM

Wednesdays
+ 11:00 AM Sutra Chanting & Dialogue

Saturday, July 3, only
Joint Memorial and Shōtsuki Hoyo
see p. 17 and p. 18

Thursday, July 16, only
Shinran Shonin's Memorial

Sundays' Services
Virtual, Pre-recorded

Dharma Exchange
Every Sunday
via Zoom
11:00 - 11:30AM
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Discussion
Topics

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Dharma Exchange
Link by signing up for
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