

“Tragedy at Rajagriha: Ambition & Anger – the Contemplation Sutra”

Submitted by Rimban Katsuya Kusunoki

Ukraine war is still going on. Another war broke out in Israel. Hatred is rising in people’s minds and clashing with each other. I am afraid that this world is being divided into two halves. Buddhism is the teaching of being freed from a cycle of suffering and a chain of hatred, and pursuing the state of perfect tranquility (*satori*, enlightenment). While walking the Buddhist Path, we learn the teaching of interdependency, rather than dividing friend and foe. We learn the view of oneness, rather than the dualistic view. Our lives, views cultures, traditions, histories are all different. All different people are living together in this world. Everyone is connected and interacting with each other. It is the Buddhist path to awaken Buddha-nature (universal truth) and our Bonbu (ordinary being, imperfect self) -nature. I strongly wish that all wars would stop right away and everyone would live in peace and harmony. On this occasion, I would like to introduce one of the three Pure Land Sutra, the Contemplation Sutra, and think about how we as Bonbu can live in this World together.

About 2500 years ago, there was the Magadha kingdom in ancient India. King Bimbisara and the queen Vaidehi were both devoted Buddhists and deeply appreciated the Sakyamuni Buddha’s teaching. They had a child, and his name was Prince Ajatasatru.

One day, Ajatasatru met a Buddhist monk, Devadatta who was a Sakyamuni Buddha’s cousin. Devadatta was a clever monk and had a strong ambition to become a head of the Buddhist community. Devadatta seduced Ajatasatru with subtle flattery. **“You remove your father from the throne and become the king of this kingdom. I remove Sakyamuni Buddha and become the leader of Buddhist Sangha. Then, we can control this kingdom as we like!”**

Ajatasatru rose to the bait and imprisoned his father, King Bimbisara, to starve to death. Queen Vaidehi was shocked when she heard her husband was imprisoned by their son. She secretly delivered some food and drink to her husband. King Bimbisara also begged Sakyamuni Buddha to send his disciples to the prison. Sakyamuni Buddha received his wish and sent his disciples, Mahamaudgalyayana (*mokuren*) and Venerable Purna (*furuna*). They visited him and delivered Buddhist precepts and teachings. He was able to hear Buddha Dharma and walk the Buddhist Path. Because of their support, King Bimbisara was able to maintain his body and mind in good health although he was in prison.

Even after three weeks, Ajatasatru had not received any notice of his father’s passing. Ajatasatru asked the guard,

“Is my father still alive?”

The guard replied,

“Queen Vaidehi was secretly delivering some food and drinks for him. Sakyamuni Buddha’s disciples visited him to deliver Buddha Dharma. So, he is still alive.”

Upon hearing these words, Ajatasatru got angry and mad at his mother who did an act in betrayal against him. He took out a sword and tried to kill her. At that moment, two wise and intelligent ministers stopped him from killing his mother. He was convinced by their appeal, but still Ajatasatru was in a rage, and he imprisoned Queen Vaidehi as well.

From the prison, Queen Vaidehi also begged Sakyamuni Buddha,

“Sakyamuni Buddha, I need your guidance. Please send your disciples, Ananda (*anan*) and Mahamaudgalyayana (*mokuren*) to me.”

Sakyamuni Buddha received her earnest wish and sent these disciples to her. Moreover, Sakyamuni Buddha himself also visited her in the prison. When Vaidehi raised her head after bowing, she saw Sakyamuni Buddha, whose body was the color of purple-gold, sitting upon a lotus flower. She cried bitterly and asked Sakyamuni Buddha,

“Why do I experience such a horrible thing? Why do I have such a wicked son? Why and what karmic relations could have caused you to become a

...**Tragedy** continued from p. 1

relative of Devadatta?"

Her son imprisoned her husband to starve him to death and, moreover, she was almost killed by her own son. Her sorrow and suffering rose one after another in her mind. She kept injecting her concerns and frustration with the words of “why, why, why” to Sakyamuni Buddha. Contemplating the karmic causes and conditions of the tragedy at Rajagriha, Ajatastru’s Birth was deeply connected to this tragedy. (To be continued)...



Dharma School News

Submitted by Joan Nakano

We are in the swing of the DS year! We had our first Children’s service, chaired by the high school class on the first Sunday of October. Service was followed by Pizza in the gym to get to know each other and raise support for the families and children at Lahaina Hongwanji. Thank you for your dana, as we collected donations through the month, and DS students did extra chores so they themselves could also contribute. During class and parent exchange, our students and families also wrote notes of encouragement and care, that will be included with the contributions. We had a temple wide drill, and classes evacuated the building in a safe and timely manner. In case of a real situation, parents will meet to retrieve their children from their classes at Wisteria Park. Middle School will lead Children’s Service on October 29, which will be followed by the highly anticipated Trunk or Treat. We are looking forward to welcoming the various youth groups, as well as the entire sangha to join us.

Gassho,

Yvette Terada & Claire Murata

Dharma School Superintendents

Classroom Report

Students from the **3/4/5 grade class** decorated posters and the contribution container to encourage support for the families and children at Lahaina Hongwanji, in addition to making cards. We will open and close our class in gassho every week with the onenjus that we made this month. We also began making personal obutsudans, so thank you to our friends who saved kamaboko boards for us! We are looking forward to Trunk or Treat!



Pack 252 Update

submitted by Mai Ketcherside

In October the Pack went to Camp Halloween and the overnighter at Camp Edward. Despite the rain, the Cubs all had a great time. Please stop by the bake sale on 11/12(Sun) after the Ochigo service. We'll have mini bento boxes, baked goods, and coffee from Espresso Vivace!



COVID and MASKS

Effective September 10th

Due to the increase in COVID cases, we are bringing mask requirements back.

Please wear masks in classrooms and Hondo.



Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Women's Association

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. Submitted by Kanako Kashima

October was a relatively quiet month.

SBBWA purchased beautiful furniture for the room by the foyer and the lounge, Thanks to Tina Z-K and Susie T.

We had our annual SBBWA Memorial service that was conducted on Sunday, October 22. It was a beautiful service that honored SBBWA Members who had passed away. There were two screens set up with a slide show that had pictures and/or the names on the screen in a slideshow. "Gassho from the Heart" was the gatha that was sung. This piece made its premier at the Buddhist Women's World Convention in May of this year. This year we lost nine members: Yuki Arinobu, Marian Asaba, Yasuko Desaki, Frances Harada Kobayashi, Nobuko Otsuji, Teruko Shigaya, Fukuyo Yee, Sumie Yokota and Isoko Yoshihara.

After Dharma Exchange on the same day, The cabinet, some past presidents and other members had a farewell luncheon for SBBWA copresident Janie Okawa, who has moved to Vancouver, Washington to be closer to family. We ordered obento from the White River Fall Bazaar, that was picked up by Yukio Morikubo and Jeff Yamane – our special Door Dash drivers! Arigatou!! We enjoyed a nice obento with dessert from Nina T-K, Machiko W., Janet B. and Fran S., and Kiyo T's famous chiffon cake! A good time of fellowship was had.



Janie O.



L-R: Ritsuko K., Aiko F., Tomi Z and Kinue K.



SBBWA cabinet: L-R: Tina Z-K, Mae Y., Lauren A., Janie O., Kanako K. Karen M., Suzanne F. and Susie Y.



Buddhist Book Study group decided to move in a new direction for the coming year — a series of visits to local Buddhist Temples. We visited our neighbor Koyasan on Sunday, September 24, for the Goma Fire Ceremony and the Sakya Monastery of Tibetan Buddhism on Sunday, October 22.

Wayne and I will send out a brief article to read that will help us prepare for our visit. (Optional: coffee/tea gathering after the service to discuss).

If you would like to join us on our next temple visit, email newsletter@seattlebetsuin.org for details.

Gassho, Leonora and Wayne

Submitted by Irene Goto



Musical Notes

Submitted by
Kemi Nakabayashi

On Sunday, November 19, we will hold our 15th Annual Autumn Family Music Service. Please plan to join us as we plan some new and

some familiar music for this special service. Better yet, let's invite extended family and friends!

Thank you to the Seattle Betsuin BWA for supporting the FBWA Music Project from the initial resolution to the BCA Federation of Buddhist Women's Associations (FBWA) in 2021 to the video and stage performance at the World Buddhist Women's Conference in Kyoto earlier this spring. The overview and completion of the project was reported at the recent BCA FBWA representatives meeting on October 21. We were happy to include it as the featured gatha at the recent SBBWA Memorial Service on October 22 and share it with the Seattle Betsuin sangha.

If you were not able to join the Bonbu Stories webinar premiere of the "Lantern Song", the video has been posted on the BCA Music YouTube channel. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pCKVBURyhzs>

Learn about the talented Bonbu Stories team and the new bon odori song and dance, commissioned by the BCA Music Committee for the BCA 125th anniversary year. Tyler Moriguchi along with the other two Bon Odori/Taiko subcommittee co-chairs Elise Fujimoto and Christine Kubo organized the webinar to present this exciting new creative effort.



College Welcome Dinner

Follow-up Submitted by Tina Zumoto Ko

This year's College Welcome Dinner had 30 young adult folks come and meet new friends at the temple, meet Sensei and have a great homecooked dinner. The event started with a short service in the hondo followed by a tour of the onajin and then a walk to the park to ring the bonsho. They toured the grounds, walked through the alley, and learned about the mural painted by one of the participants. Susie and Connor led a session on how to play the card game Hanafuda. A delicious and abundant dinner organized by Marie



and Joan was appreciated by the many grad students and folks living on their own. Pickle ball and ping pong rounded out the night. Rides were given to the light rail stations and back to campus. We enjoyed getting to know all those who came to learn about our temple and those sangha members who spent time to help out with this event.

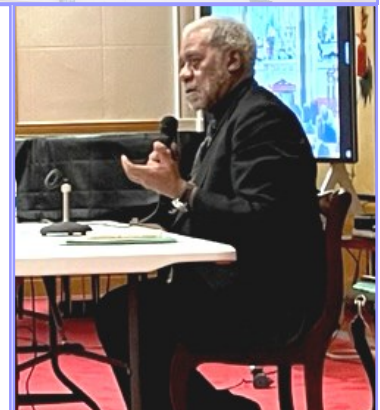


SEATTLE BETSUIN BUDDHIST TEMPLE

WHAT TEN WORDS OF WISDOM WOULD YOU SHARE WITH YOUR GRANDCHILDREN?

Betsuin Sangha enjoyed Dharma Talk and Q/A session with Dr. Charles Johnson on October 15, 2023. Dr. Johnson enjoyed a tour of our temple given by Rev. Don Castro.

Submitted by
Irene Goto



ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

We would like to “thank” the following for contributing their 2023 sustaining membership dues - the basic dues towards Temple maintenance/operations (i.e. - fix the roof, remodel of the Memorial Hall) and programs (i.e. – Live Streaming of Sunday services and Special Services, seminars, and book club).

Michele Anciaux-Aoki, Carol Aoki-Kramer, Kayla Butler, Jeni Chin, Harrison Chinn, Leonora Clarke, Diane Deaver, Bonnie Dussler, Burke Dykes, Florence Fujita, David Gibbs & Tara Tamaribuchi, Irene Goto, John & Lynda Hamakami, Stephen Hasegawa, Mark & Haru Hirota, Cyrus & May Honmyo, Yaeko Ito, Loraine Jacobs, Gail Kaminishi, Rick Kawaguchi, Mark & Jan Keltner, Emily Ko, Evan Ko, Jeff Ko & Tina Zumoto-Ko, Steven Kubota, Irene Mano, Sybil Mar, Bryce Matsuda, Tomio Moriguchi, Ruby Nakamura, Kiyoko Nakanishi, Dang Nguyen & Nicole Shimizu, Nancy Okawa, Tish Oye, Ann Quan, Kengo Sakamoto, Joyce Sato, Robert Seko, Frances Shintaku, Leslie Sumida, , Susie Taketa, lleene Tanabe, Michael & Gayle Teramoto, Stuart Teramoto, Bob Umeda, Sam Umeda, Tazuko Uyenishi, Victor Yagi, Jeff & Susie Yamane, Sadie Yamasaki, Yoko Yanari, Curtis Yokoyama, Jason Yokoyama, Trevor Yokoyama, Mark Yuasa, James & Tomiko Zumoto

We would like to ‘WELCOME’ Emily Ko and Dang Nguyen as new members of our Sangha.

(Compiled by Howard, lleene, Joan, Pauline & Steph)



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IS LIFE A MATTER OF BEING LUCKY OR UNLUCKY?



There are those who swear they were born under an unlucky star. We hear persons say: "He's so unlucky." "She's had nothing but bad luck for years." Or, "If my luck holds out I'll do such and such." And so on. Then there are the fatalists who flatly say, "nothing good ever will happen for

me."

There are those who still carry a rabbit's foot for good luck; charms of myriad kinds; and who go thru all sorts of little rituals thinking it will bring good luck. And who doesn't smile and pluck a four leaf clover? A crow perched in one's yard and cawing is "engi". A tea leaf standing straight up in one's cup is lucky. Fours and nines aren't good. Twins are unlucky, in some countries. On and on the superstitions go, and millions believe life is made up of being lucky or unlucky.

However there is a Law of Cause and Effect existing for all things, all beings and it brings changes constantly. And Karma is the Law in action.

Karma makes sense. It is logical and just. It agrees with the latest data of science. It explains the so called inequalities of life. Karmic results come at the right time, when we have the privilege of being able to learn lessons. Karma isn't a punisher, its a conditioner. Karma is ceaseless. Karma can be greatly influenced by our present and future action. If we want a certain future, we can strive towards it. No one is holding a stick over our heads. Others may influence us, help or hurt us, but in the long run, we make decisions for ourselves as nearly as we are able.

There are ten kinds of actions which bring bad results:

Killing, stealing, (outright stealing or taking the good name of another); lying, slandering, harsh speech; talk which may be true yet harms another; selfishness and coveting; bearing grudges and having false views.

There are ten kinds of actions which bring good results:

A genuine reverence for all life; trying to follow a code of ethics for the sake of all; being happy when others are happy and understanding and kind when they are unhappy; quiet meditation (seiza); listening to the Dharma with an open, eager heart of faith; trying to see life straight; without looking for or expecting a return; spreading the Dharma; living a life of thankfulness to Amida Buddha and lastly repeating His Holy Name from a sincere, unwavering heart.

To sum it up; we do not get wrapped up in superstitions or spread them around to the younger generation; we'll be doing everybody a good deed. If we seek to follow the Bodhisattva ideal for the sake of all and out of thankfulness to Amida Buddha, we'll come closer to being willing to give our hearts to Him. If we bear in mind that the Law of Cause and Effect is universally experienced by all things, all beings, we won't feel life is a matter of being lucky or unlucky.

G.Mc.

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The Seattle Betsuin Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations from 2023 September - October

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Jordan Aisaka – 1 st year memorial	\$500.00
Masatoshi Aoyama – Funeral/Reception	\$2,300.00
Shumien Chiang Ho – Nokotsudo	\$1,000.00
Lakshman Kodagoda – 7 th year memorial	\$500.00
Fumiko Okada – Nokotsudo	\$75.00
Karoku Okada - Nokotsudo	\$75.00
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Jinsei Takamura – Nokotsudo	\$100.00

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SEATTLE BETSUIN EVENTS

Sitting in Gratitude Meditation

meets each Sunday morning in person at 1439 S Main St from 9:00AM -9:45AM. We open with SanBujo, sit for 20 minutes, chant Nembutsu and close with discussion. Join virtually, email: newsletter@seattlebetsuin.org

Shōtsuki Hōyo Memorial (monthly memorial service sponsored by the temple) in-person only; next takes place **Wednesday, November 15, 2023** at 10:00AM. The names of those loved -ones remembered are listed on page 11.

Wednesday Services with Rev. Katsu

Rev. Katsu is holding in-person service most Wednesdays at 10:00am at the Seattle Betsuin for any who wish to attend! Services will primarily focus on the chanting and discussion of the Three Pure Land Sutras.

Usually on first Wednesday of each month, he will hold a memorial service (Shotsuki) followed by "Ojoraisan" chanting workshop.

See calendar on p. 13 for November services.

Buddhist Book Study see p. 3

Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple

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NOVEMBER 12, 2023

For Kids Age 2 to 8 years old
Join the procession by reaching out to Ayano Kusunoki or Katherine Brownlee



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Written by Reverend Masao Kodani

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Second Tuesday of Every Month
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2023 SALMON DINNER FUNDRASIER by Howard L.

The Seattle Betsuin held its Salmon Dinner fundraiser on September 23, 2023 and for the first time in 4 years after the Covid-19, we returned to having a dine-in option along with the drive-thru. We sold about 1,100 entrée meals for this year's event. The price of the entrée was raised to \$23.00 this year to help offset some of the increased prices for the ingredients and still raise funds. The amount raised did not meet what was budgeted of \$25K, net, but still a success in terms of the Sangha coming together to hold an event and for the many that were able to meet friends at the Temple.

A new system was tried out this year that allowed for e-tickets. The use of this system provided a learning lesson and avoided the processing fee that is charged for use of Credit Cards in the previous years. Pre-sales are a must as we need to pre-order the salmon quantities and ensure we have enough and not be left with excessive unsold amounts. While offering a dine-in option, we experienced over a 50-60% drop in this option. While still not meeting financial goals which are still not finalized, holding this event was a success for the Temple and the Sangha as members were able to focus and come together to hold an event. While many members were involved, a special shout-out to Ron Hamakawa, Marie Kosai-Luke, Joan Nakano, Steph Ojima and Susie Taketa as primary committee members for attending the meetings since Spring.


A special thank you to a local farm in Kent that donated the fresh corn for our event. 23 cases of fresh local corn was donated that helped with our expenses. They have a large roadside stand that is open most of the year offering fruits, vegetables, plants, holiday items, etc. The corn was recently harvested so perfect timing for the event. It is the support of the businesses in the community that contribute to the success events by the Temple and is very much appreciated.

Thank you to all the Sangha members who helped to put on this event and to contribute to the bake sale. I don't have all the names and did not want to inadvertently exclude anyone but please accept my thanks and those of the Betsuin for helping to put on the 2023 Salmon Dinner Fundraiser.



BCA EVENTS


Buddhist Churches of America




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BUDDHIST PHILOSOPHY


Monthly study series on how Buddhist teachings understand the world and provide us with guidance



REV. CJ DUNFORD
The non-essential self as community in a hyper-individualistic society: opposing worldviews to promote mutual care
September 24, 2023



REV. KIYONOBU KUWAHARA
Gifts from Buddha: how Buddhist teachings transform our lives
November 12th, 2023




CATHERINE SHAW
What is a Buddhist? What do Buddhists do and why? Ethics, practice, and worldviews
October 29, 2023

Final wrap-up session: review, discussion, and Q&A with all speakers
December 10, 2023

Hosted by the
BUDDHIST TEMPLE OF MARIN
60-minute hybrid sessions
1pm after Sunday Service


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00:00 / 09:04

1 Junirai	09:04
2 Sanbutsuge	07:38
3 Juseige	06:12
4 Shishinrai	02:23
5 Sanbujo	04:25
6 White Ashes	03:10
7 Shonin Ichiryu Sho	01:20
8 Zenshokada	04:44

COMMUNITY POSTS

Remembrance Gallery: Those imprisoned at Puyallup Fairgrounds

Submitted by Sharon Sobie Seymour, Project Manager



The Puyallup Valley Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) is building the Remembrance Gallery to bring awareness and to commemorate the Japanese and Japanese Americans unjustly incarcerated on the then, Puyallup Fairgrounds, during WWII. Located inside the WA State Fair grandstand, which is part of the original confinement site, the Gallery is a unique combination of an historical experience and memorial. Through interactive technology and immersive media design, personal stories and in-depth content will be displayed. Visitors can step inside a re-created 1942 horse stall living quarters as well as view the 7,600 names of those imprisoned on the fairgrounds.

The Puyallup Valley JACL is asking for your help to spread the word about the Remembrance Gallery. **We have a deadline of December 1, 2023, to make spelling corrections or name inclusions** for this permanent memorial portion of the Gallery. Please visit and send friends and family to <https://www.puyallupvalleyjacl.org/puyallup-assembly-center-names>.

The Gallery will open September 2024 and to date, \$1.7 million has been raised, bringing us closer to our goal of \$1.85 million. Our Honorary Co-Chairs are Bill Weyerhaeuser, Frank and Penny Fukui.

For questions, contact Sharon Sobie Seymour, Project Manager, ssproevents@comcast.net.



MORE BCA EVENTS

Buddhist Community Gathering
Cultivating The Spirit of Well-Being Through The Dharma
 Saturday, November 11, 2023
 1pm - 3pm PST
[Click Here to Register \(Online Gathering\)](#)

Join our online Buddhist Community Gathering and hear three auspicious Buddhist teachers discuss how they develop and sustain a spirit of well-being for themselves and the diverse communities they serve. Each teacher will share their Buddhist practices and engage in conversation with one another on the topic.

Bishop Marvin Harada
 Reverend Harada is Bishop of the Buddhist Churches of America. He previously served as head minister of Orange County Buddhist Church for 33 years. He received degrees from the University of Oregon, the Institute of Buddhist Studies, Chuo Bukkyo Gakuin Seminary, and Ryukoku University.
 Visit the [Buddhist Churches of America site](#) for more about Reverend Harada. View the Lion's Roar [Meet a Teacher Interview](#) with Reverend Harada.

Valerie Brown
 Valerie is an author, ordained Buddhist-Quaker Dharma teacher in the lineage of Zen Master Thich Nhat Hanh and the Plum Village tradition, facilitator, and executive coach specializing in leadership development and mindfulness with a focus on diversity, social equity, and inclusion. Her latest book, *Hope Leans Forward: Braving Your Way toward Simplicity, Awakening, and Peace* (Broadleaf, 2022), received the Nautilus Gold Award for Eastern Spirituality.
 Visit [Valerie's website](#) to learn more about her.

Dr. Eduardo Duran
 Eduardo's work is informed by traditional teachings from Indigenous elders that continues to unfold into an ongoing hybrid model to address individual and collective soul wounding. He has written several books including: *Native American Post Colonial Psychology, Healing the Soul Wound, & Buddha in Redface*. The unfolding themes in these writings are an integration of traditional Indigenous and Western cosmology as these interface with the shape shifting of consciousness in our present Zeitgeist.
 View an interview with Dr. Duran on [psychotherapy.net](#).

For questions about the Buddhist Community Gathering, please email ybt@vbtemple.org

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NOVEMBER SHOTSUKI HOYO

The November Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the month of November. This service will be combined with the Joint Memorial Service on Wednesday, November 15, at 10 AM.

Abe, Ricky Kunimitsu	Iwamura, Yoshiye	Morishima, Toshio	Takahashi, Minosaku
Akizuki, Kikuko	Jinka, Kinuko	Morita, Yonezo	Takano, William
Arinobu, Ginya	Jitodai, Ikuno	Mukai, Shizuko	Takao, Mineyo
Asaba, Kei	Kajioka, Mary	Muraoka, Toshie	Takashima, Hanayo
Asaba, Tamae	Kano, Osamu	Nagaye, George	Takayoshi, Raku
Asakura, Tomiko	Kariya, Masanobu	Nakagawa, Dorothy	Takehara, Fusae
Deguchi, Ben	Kataoka, Julie	Nakamura, Shikajiro	Takei, Rikizo
Deguchi, Mae	Katayama, Francis	Nakano, Hikotaro	Takemura, Mary
Feragen, Hisako	Katayama, Glenn	Nakano, James	Tamura, James "Jim"
Fifer, Kiyoe	Kato, Shizu	Nakano, Kazuo	Tanaka, Harue
Fujino, Haruo	Kawaguchi, Matahei	Nakano, Smith	Teranishi, Spencer
Fujita, Kaname	Kawamura, Thomas	Nakata, Gerald	Terao, Eiyu
Fujita, Sachiko	Kawase, Kirino	Nakatani, Kenny	Toyaji, Tadae
Fujiwara, Momoe	Kido, Tsuya	Nakawatase, Shiwo	Tsuchida, Kitaro
Fujiye, Yoneko	Kitajima, Hide	Natsuhara, Jack	Tsue, Yoshio
Fukuchi, Yoshio	Kitano, Hiroko	Nishi, Gentaro	Tsuji, Yasu
Fukuda, Hatsue	Koba, Teruo	Nishimori, Tsue	Tsujihara, Yoshiko
Furugori, Sen	Koga, Hisaye	Nishizawa-Martinez, Akiko	Tsutsumi, Kii
Furukawa, Kazuko	Komine, Masako	Oba, Michiko	Uyeda, Aiko
Furuta, Kiwa	Kono, Robert	Ogino, Kono	Uyeno, Lillian
Goto, Morita	Kubo, Chiyeno	Okada, Hisano	Watanabe, Atsushi
Green, Leslie	Kubota, Tadashi	Okada, John	Watanabe, Suna
Hamanaka, Yone	Kubota, Takemitsu	Okada, Mamoru	Yakushijin, Toshiko
Hamasaki, Kimiye	Kumasaka, Roy	Okada, Matsuno	Yamagiwa, Hidejiro
Hasegawa, Hiroko	Kuramoto, Sumi	Ondo, Mae	Yamagiwa, Michihiko
Hayakawa, Tatsuro	Kusakabe, Brian	Ono, Shigeo	Yamaguchi, Masao
Hayashi, Kiyomi	Kuwahara, Akio	Otsuka, Eiichi	Yamamoto, Harry
Higa, Hatsumi	Maruoka, Shuzo	Rhoades, Dixie	Yamamoto, Hiroshi
Higa, James	Masumoto, Tadashi	Saito, Sutejiro	Yamamoto, Kimie
Higa, Tsuyuko	Matsuda, Esther	Sakamoto, Shigeo	Yamasaki, Yasuo
Higashi, Mina	Matsui, Masuko	Sako, Masako	Yamato, Hisataro
Hiraoka, Rose	Matsumoto, Benjamin	Sakoda, Aya	Yamauchi, Howard
Horikawa, Hideyoshi	Mayeda, Frank	Sanada, Seiichi	Yamazaki, Toshio
Hoshiba, Yasukichi	Mikami, Yoshie	Segimoto, Toshie	Yanagimoto, Shokichi
Iida, Bob	Mitoma, Mabel	Seino, Sueki	Yoda, Wayne
Ikeda, Robert	Miyauchi, Yoshiko	Shibuya, Masanari	Yokoyama, Kazuo
Ikeda, Taijiro	Mizuta, Sadano	Shimizu, Umetaro	Yokoyama, Lawrence
Imanishi, Toshiko	Mori, Harue	Shirasago, Suna	Yoshida, William
Inouye, Hisa	Morikawa, Akiye	Soejima, Roy	Yoshihara, Hide
Iseri, Isamu	Morimoto, Denichi	Suto, Judy	Yoshihara, Teruo
Isomura, Kiyou	Morimoto, Nobu	Suzuki, Yahachi	Yoshinaka, Hanako
Isomura, Nobuo	Morimoto, Ruth	Tabusa, Matsuyo	Yoshino, Lillian
Isomura, Toshiko		Taguchi, Miho	Yukawa, Shizuye

DECEMBER SHOTSUKI HOYO

The December Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the month of January. This service will be combined with the Joint Memorial Service on Wednesday, January 10, at 10 AM.

Aoki, Takao	Kawafune, Hisami	Nakamura, Lucile	Suyematsu, Toshio
Aoyama, Yoshiko	Kawahara, Masao	Nakamura, Sakae	Tachiyama, Misayo
Araki, Nisaku	Kawasaki, Meriko	Nakata, Hanako	Takahashi, Masao
Asai, Daisaku	Kawasaki, Yoshiko	Nakatani, Roy	Takano, Komaji
Bovee, June	Kido, Tom	Nakauye, Uichiro	Takenaga, Misao
Chen, Frank	Kikuchi, Mitsuyoshi	Nishimoto, Hideko	Tamada, Junichi
Deguchi, Seiichi	Kinomoto, Yutaka	Nishimura, Haruko	Tani, Shigemi
Ding, Joyce	Kobuki, Haruko	Nose, James	Tanigawa, Frank
Doi, Mary	Kogita, Kaylin	Oba, George	Taniguchi, Saye
Donchak, Kimiko	Kokita, Kaoru	Obata, Henry	Taniguchi, Toshio
Fujihira, Teruko	Komoto, Amie	Okada, Bart	Tanji, Shizuko
Fujioka, Takeno	Komoto, Kimiyo	Okada, Fumiko	Tomoguchi, Ayako
Fujishima, Sono	Komura, Elizabeth 'Betty'	Okada, Yoshito	Tosaya, Kazuko
Fujita, Brian	Kondo, Miyoko	Oki, Shizuno	Tsubouchi, Kinko
Fujita, Tomiko	Koura, Arthur	Ono, Koshun	Tsuchida, Florence
Furuta, Sumiko	Koura, Florence	Ono, Shigeru	Tsuchida, Vicki
Furuta, Yoshio	Kuramoto, Masayo	Ono, Wayne	Tsukamaki, Kanichi
Hale, Don	Kyono, Motoji	Osaki, Aiki	Tsutsumi, Tamotsu
Hamano, Gladys	Maekawa, Shojiro	Otsuji, Nobuko	Utsunomiya, Setsuko
Hamasaki, Harry	Mano, Akira	Ozaki, Luisa	Uyeda, Henry
Harada, Kameichi	Maruhashi, Mary	Ozeki, Kikuo	Uyeda, Paul
Harada, Roger	Masuda, Kika	Saito, Yasu	Uyeda, Ryu
Harrison, Roy	Masuda, Rose	Sakaguchi, Takeshi	Wakayama, Helen
Hata, Cheryl	Matsuda, Misu	Sakai, Nobuyo	Watanabe, Eitaro
Hibino, Haruko	Matsui, Takashi	Sakamoto, Kiyo	Watanabe, George
Hirasawa, Walter	Matsumura, Sue	Sakamoto, Noboru	Watanabe, Ihei
Horikoshi, Fusano	Miura, Yoshio	Sako, Sawayo	Watanabe, Shiro
Huynh, Thai	Miyamoto, Fusako	Sapp, Madelyn	Watanabe, Yoshiye
Ideta, Akio	Miyata, Mikiko	Shibata, Fusaye	Yamaguchi, Tomi
Imanishi, Shigeo	Miyatake, Robert/Steven	Shigaya, Harry	Yamamoto, George
Inouye, Isamu	Miyoshi, Yoshitaro	Shigaya, Ken	Yamamoto, Noe
Ishii, Setsunosuke	Mizuhara, Kiyoshi	Shigeno, Kimi	Yamane, Amy
Iwamoto, Yoshito	Mizumori, George	Shimizu, Sengo	Yamane, Kōzō
Izumi, Norio	Mizumoto, Choichi	Shinsato, Yoshinori	Yamane, Toku
Jinda, Iyo	Mori, Aiko	Shiota, Yoshio	Yamashita, Goroku
Jinguji, Masayo	Mori, Takao	Simpson, Nellie	Yamauchi, Betty
Kajiwara, Tadashi	Moriguchi, Akira	Suda, Sumiko	Yasuda, Satoshi
Kano, Masuko	Morita, Mary	Suetsugu, Wayne	Yasui, Sumi
Kashima, Yoshiko	Moriya, Kenji	Sugita, Reiko	Yokota, Tatsue
Kashiwa, Herbert	Moriya, Mary	Sumida, Florence	Yoshida, Kiyoko
Katayama, Chikuji	Murakami, Jeff	Sumida, Koichi	Yoshida, Umeno
Kato, Mie	Nabeshima, Yoshikuni	Sumimoto, Shizuyo	Yuki, Koma
Kato, Shigeo	Naganawa, Yei	Sumita, Sam	
Kato, Tony	Nakagawa, Hanako	Sunohara, Hiroko	

November 2023 Seattle Betsuin Schedule

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3	4
					1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service	10:30 am Japanese Playgroup	
				<i>Rimban's half day off</i>			
5	TEMPLE CLEAN - UP	6	7	8	9	10	11
9 am	Meditation	<i>Rimban's day off</i>				VETERANS DAY	VETERANS DAY
10 am	SUNDAY SERVICE English Dharma Talk (Rev. Don Castro)					<i>Observed</i>	9:30 am Eitaikyo
11 am	Temple Clean-up (No after service programs)				7 pm Betsuin Cabinet Meeting	<i>Office Closed</i>	Seminar (Japanese)
					<i>Rimban's half day off</i>		11 am Eitaikyo
							Seminar (English)
12		13	14	15	16	17	18
9 am	Meditation	<i>Rimban's day off</i>	9:30 am Japanese Dharma Exchange	10 am Shotsuki Monthly Memorial Service		10:30 am Japanese Playgroup	
10 am	BETSUIN ANNIVERSARY & EITAIKYO & MUEN HOYO SERVICE with OCHIGO English Dharma Talk (Rev. Nariaki Hayashi, Denver BT)		6:30 pm Evening Study Session		1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service	11 am Gojikai (Zoom)	3 pm Gagaku
11 am	Dharma Exchange & Japanese Language Service (Guest Speaker - Rev. Hayashi)				7 pm Betsuin BoD Meeting		Practice (Hybrid)
19		20	21	22	23	24	25
9 am	Meditation	<i>Rimban's day off</i>	9:30 am Japanese Dharma Exchange	10 am Wednesday Dharma Exchange	Thanksgiving Day <i>Office closed</i>	<i>Office closed</i>	
10 am	AUTUMN MUSIC SERVICE English Dharma Talk (Rimban)			11 am Merrill Gardens Renton			
11 am	Dharma Exchange Japanese Language Service (Video)	8 pm Newsletter deadline					
26		27	28	29	30		
9 am	Meditation	<i>Rimban's day off</i>		10 am Wednesday Dharma Exchange			
10 am	SUNDAY SERVICE English Dharma Talk (Rimban Kusunoki)						
11 am	Dharma Exchange Japanese Language Service (Video)		6 pm Gagaku Practice (Zoom)				
11:45am	Naijin Tour				<i>Rimban's half day off</i>		

DECEMBER 2023 SPECIAL EVENTS

December 3 Bodhi Day Service
December 31 New Year's Eve Service (Joya-e)

To view all services, please visit

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2023 FAMILY MEMORIAL SERVICE SCHEDULE

	<u>2011</u>
	13th year memorial
	<u>2007</u>
	17th year memorial
	<u>1999</u>
<u>Year of Death</u>	25th year memorial
<u>Service</u>	<u>1991</u>
	33rd year memorial
<u>2022</u>	<u>1974</u>
1st year memorial	50th year memorial
<u>2021</u>	Please call the Temple
3rd year memorial	office at (206) 329-0800
	to schedule a service.
<u>2017</u>	- JN
7th year memorial	

NEW! RIMBAN REV. KUSUNOKI
IS HOLDING IN-PERSON AND ONLINE
EVENING STUDY SESSIONS
SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
6:30pm

Next Session: November 14, 2023
TO REGISTER, SEE FLYER ON P. 8

Shotsuki/Joint Memorial Service will
take place in-person on Wednesday,
NOVEMBER 15, at 10:00AM
see page 12.

Seattle Betsuin's **BOOK STUDY** Group will visit various Buddhist temples in the region.
For details see p. 3 and email newsletter@seattlebetsuin.org

2023 RELIGIOUS SERVICES Sundays

9:00AM Meditation, in-person at
1439 S Main St and via Zoom

10:00AM SERVICE

In-Person and Live-Streamed

<https://youtube.com/seattlebuddhisttemple>

Wednesdays

10:00AM Sutra Chanting

Monthly Memorial (*Shotsuki Hoyo*) on Nov 15*
Chanting of Ojoraisan and Dharma Discussion

* SEE p. 13 for calendar or online at
[https://seattlebetsuin.com/
calendar/](https://seattlebetsuin.com/calendar/)

Dharma Exchange
Sundays after Service
11:00AM in-person
temple Main Hall



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- Memorial Services
- Wedding Ceremonies
- Home & Hospital Visits
- Funerals & Pillow Services

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