

Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple, A Shin Buddhist Temple
Jodo Shinshu Nishi Hongwanji-ha

An online monthly newsletter of Seattle Buddhist Church

The Path which a fellow nuisance can walk together

by Rimban Katsuya Kusunoki

Seattle Betsuin has been conducting services at the Nikkei Manor on the first and third Thursday of every month. I usually go there to officiate a service once a month. One day, I was preparing for the Nikkei Manor service. I was relaxed because there was nothing scheduled after the Nikkei Manor service. Just before I left for the Nikkei Manor, my wife asked me, "I am not feeling well. Please go to pick up Yuiya (our son) at school." She also told me that she promised her friends to watch their children after school. My free and easy afternoon turned into a busy and rushed time. Before my son was born, I could only think about my schedule. Now, I often need to adjust my schedule to my son's schedule. I feel it bothers me sometimes, but it is also the true joy of life as a parent.

There was a person who was distressed about how he lived his life due to the birth of his son. His name was Gautama Siddhartha who became Sakya-muni Buddha later. He left his palace at the age of twenty-nine and sought a path to attain enlightenment. It was one of the major events in his life. I assume that he was not able to make a decision in a single day. It must have taken years to make the decision. While he was thinking whether he should renounce the world, his son was born. He named his son "Rahula" which means obstacle.

The practice for attaining enlightenment is not easy. The person has to abandon everything else and completely focus on seeking the path. The seekers must commit their lives to practice attaining enlightenment. A baby was born while Gautama Siddhartha was thinking whether he should renounce the world and walk the path as an ascetic. Parental affection must have arose in his mind, that he wanted to hold his baby, play with his baby, and watch his baby

grow up. His love and attachment to his son became obstacles and caused his doubt to step into the ascetic life. From his son's name "Rahula", I feel his emotional conflict between his love toward his son and his sincere mind to seek the path to attain enlightenment.

In the Larger Sutra, the twelve lights are listed to explain Amida Buddha's Wisdom and Compassion. One of the lights is called "Unhindered light". It means that Amida Buddha's Wisdom and Compassion reaches anyone and nothing can be an obstacle to illuminate beings. Amida Buddha's light reaches all beings anywhere and anytime. Sun light could be blocked by roof and wall, but what could be a barrier to obstruct the way to attain enlightenment? These are my afflictions, to my family and my attachment to wealth, etc. These are also called Three Poisons (Greed, Anger, Stupidity, or Ignorance). My attachments and three poisons cause me to hesitate to walk the path and to wander into a byroad. These block the right path to follow so I cannot find my goal -- where should I go and how can I get there. Amida Buddha clearly shows us that the Pure Land is my goal and the Nembutsu (recitation Amida Buddha's Name, "Namoamidabutsu") path is the way to get there. Amida Buddha's lights illuminate the path for us to follow. Amida Buddha's light is also called Unhindered light because the light breaks all barriers (my attachments and three poisons) that I have. The light gently guides and grasps me.

I have my son. I have my family. I don't think I can leave them behind, renounce the World, and walk the path of an ascetic. I can only live my life in this human secular world which is filled with human's blind passions and attachments. Amida Buddha shows me that there is a path for me. "No worries, Recite Nembutsu with your son and walk this path together. Please come to my Pure Land and become Buddha together." It is the message from Amida Buddha. Amida Buddha prepared this Nembutsu path for me. The ultimate goal as Buddhists is to attain

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enlightenment. To achieve the goal, my attachments and blind passions are the obstacles. My son could be my obstacle and I am the obstacle to my son. The Nembutsu path is the path that a fellow nuisance can, hand-in-hand, walk together. The unhindered light is not the light to eliminate obstacles. It is the light to illuminate them. It accepts everything including all obstacles which I have. In this way, the obstacles are no longer the obstacles instead these are my dharma fellow. We, as ordinary beings which is also called “*Bonbu*” are all born into Amida Buddha’s Pure land as we are. I appreciate that there is the path which we can all walk together. To express my sincere feelings, I recite Nembutsu “Namoamidabutsu (I take refuge in Amida Buddha)” every day.

Spring has come. More sunlight shines everywhere. It is gradually warming up. My son loves to play Baseball. It is one of my pleasures to play catch with my son outside. I am quietly hoping that my son becomes just like Shohei Ohtani. I am a fond and dotting parent. Under the blue sky, while playing catch with a future Shohei Ohtani, I appreciate the unhindered light of Amida Buddha.

Gassho,

Betsuin Board of Directors Member Profile

Each month we will feature a profile of a Betsuin Board member.



Name: Tyler Moriguchi, Betsuin Board Chairperson

Hometown: Seattle

How many years have you served on the board:
About 15?

Do you serve on any other Boards? If so, which ones? Seattle Japanese Garden

Hobbies/Interests: Soccer, Bon Odori, Cooking

Favorite Food? Hot pot!

Something people probably don’t know about you:

I once opened for the Southern All Stars with the taiko group Za Ondekoza at an outdoor concert in Yokohama, Japan.

News from the Chair

by Tyler Moriguchi, Chairperson



Happy Spring to everyone. As I write this message, the cherry blossoms are blooming throughout the city. While *sakura* blooms evoke thoughts of rebirth and renewal, they also bring to mind the words of Matsuwakamaro, the young Shinran Shonin.

**“For him who counts on tomorrow,
Like the fragile cherry blossom,
Tonight, unexpected winds may blow.”**

Smoke and fire cleanup continues at the temple. While most of the temple has been cleaned, the first and second floors of Memorial Hall, gym ceiling, and Hondo are still being assessed. We hope to have a timeline for completing the cleanup and moving on to the reconstruction phase soon. Thank you to the Arson Restoration Project committee for leading the daunting task of refurbishing and rebuilding our temple.

I would also like to take a moment to recognize the Archives Committee, that has been working tirelessly since the first night of the fire to preserve and document as many temple records as possible. Thank you also to the countless community volunteers who reached out to the Betsuin to donate their time and expertise. To date more than 1,200 volunteer hours have been spent to preserve the temple archives.

Even though we do not yet have a date for reopening, I am happy to announce that we have decided to hold the Seattle Bon Odori on July 20 and 21, 2024. While Bon Odori will most certainly have a different look and feel, there will be dancing in the street again this year.

Gassho,
Tyler Moriguchi



2019 BonOdori at Seattle Betsuin by Natalie S

Temple Restoration Update

For the week of March 17-23 , 2024

I'm happy to report that the Onaijin container arrived in Japan on March 20th and is scheduled to arrive at Wakabayashi within the week.

The asbestos abatement company completed the abatement of the Memorial Hall garage and stairwell. An estimated 400,000 pounds of contaminated material was removed.

The cleaning company reports 75% completion. Work this week included the Memorial Hall garage and stairwell, kitchen, and pantry.

The Archives Committee continues to sort, catalog, and scan temple records and artifacts. To date, the Archives Committee has recorded over 1,000 volunteer hours.

Submitted by:

Tyler Moriguchi

Seattle Betsuin Chairperson

Styro Recycle Tuesday, April 30

10:45-11:15am (it is possible to meet on a Sunday, depending on temple services. If you can only come on a Sunday or can meet on the Eastside please leave a message with your number at the Seattle Betsuin office (206) 329-0800.

Meet at the back parking lot with your clean, dry, no tape:

- *styro food containers, separated by white, black, yellow, blue
- *flexible foam packing sheets
- * formed styro
- *packing peanuts in a separate bag

For detailed information see <https://styrorecycle.com/what-we-accept/>

Please note that occasionally there are too many large protective formed styro pieces to accept. If you have a Bellevue zip code you can take them to the Bellevue drop off facility. Thanks for participating in recycling.

Submitted by Gail Kaminishi

Buddhist Book Study

We meet **Monday, March 18th**, at 1:30pm at Konko Church, [Seattle | KCNA \(konkofaith.org\)](http://SeattleKCNA(konkofaith.org)) for an enlightening introduction by Rev.

Mitsue Giuliatti on its history and practices. Afterwards we were served tea and donuts. So we did not reconvene at Cheeky Café.

At our next meeting we will return to our discussion from

Thus

Taught Master Shichiri: One Hundred Gems of Shin Buddhist Wisdom by Gojun Shichiri

(available on Amazon). Email newsletter@seattlebetsuin.com for updates.

Submitted by Leonora & Irene



ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

We would like to “**thank**” the following for contributing their **2024** sustaining membership dues - the basic dues towards Temple maintenance/ operations and programs (i.e. – Live Streaming of Sunday services and Special Services, seminars, and the book club).

Aiko Fujii, Suteko (Sue) Fujino, Ron Hamakawa, Daniel Jung & Eriko Yamaguchi, William & Beth Kawahara, Brian McKinney & Susie Taketa, Joshua McKinney, Tsukasa & Keiko Namekata, Pauline Sakuma, Tracy Yamada, and Sadie Yamasaki

We would like to ‘**WELCOME Daniel Jung & Eriko Yamaguchi and Tracy Yamada** as new members of our Sangha.

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

Pack 252 Update

Submitted by Mai Ketcherside
On March 10th the Pack held the Pinewood Derby race. This year the event was held at the Chief Seattle Council's Urban Center. Many Cubs participated while their parents volunteered to make the event a big success. Also this month, 2 Arrow of Light Cubs have officially crossed over to the Troop 252. Congratulations!



Tacoma Sukiyaki Lunch Sunday, April 21, 2024

Dine-In: 11:00am - 1:30pm

Drive-Thru: 2pm - 4pm

Come for a yummy Sukiyaki luncheon (chicken teriyaki option) at Tacoma Buddhist Temple.

See order form below with QR code or order online on the link below:

[Online Sukiyaki Order](https://www.tacomabt.org/sukiyaki-food-menu/)

<https://www.tacomabt.org/sukiyaki-food-menu/>

Submitted by Irene Goto

Dharma School News

Submitted by Joan Nakano

Dharma School is still meeting on the first Sunday of every month. On March 3rd, our Camp Fire group chaired service and shared delicious snacks with us after class. We are fortunate to have the continued support of our community, as our sangha attends services at our sister temples, Wisteria, Densho, and/or online throughout the month. On March 24, Bishop Umitani from Hawaii was the guest speaker at the joint Spring Ohigan Service held at Tacoma Buddhist Temple. Seattle DS was invited to attend class and enjoy the daifuku manju that the 3 BWA groups made for all of us after family service. After class we were invited on a field trip with Tacoma students to Tower Lanes, where we enjoyed bowling and pizza together. Let's support our Tacoma dharma friends by ordering Sukiyaki for their spring fundraiser that will be held on Sunday, April 21. Hope to see you there!

In Gassho, Dharma School Superintendents

White River Buddhist Temple News: [Apr2024.pdf \(mcusercontent.com\)](https://www.mcusercontent.com/Apr2024.pdf)

Help Needed for the Spring Plant Sale!

May 4, 2024 at 10am

We are taking donations of potted plants, bedding plants, vegetable starts, flower starts, perennials and more. Decorative pots, tools and any other garden related items are also welcome. Questions or want to help? Email us at:

office@wrbt.org

Federation of Buddhist Women Association's Panda Express Fundraiser

Friday, April 12

On April 12, place online orders at Panda restaurants nationwide. 28% of sales will be donated to support FBWA 2024 conference. You can choose pickup or delivery. **Use code 920186 at checkout.** Thank you for your support.

Submitted by Irene Goto

Musical Notes

Submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi
We had a great turnout at Wisteria Manor for the Camp Fire Service on March 3! Thank you to Ami for the musical accompaniment on flute for “Ondokusan II”. The NW District joint Spring O-Higan service at Tacoma Buddhist Temple was a special opportunity to hear Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani’s Dharma messages. Since he also trained at the Gonshikidosho in Japan for the special certification in ritual and chanting, Rev. Umitani practiced and joined the Seattle Gagaku group on ryuteki (the dragon flute) for the service music. Donna Sasaki was the service pianist, presenting her composition “With Gassho from the Heart” with Tacoma BT flutist, fitting for the combined memorial service for Lady Takeko Kujo.




April will be a music-filled celebratory month. Although Hanamatsuri will be celebrated at Koyasan temple this year, we have a new gatha video of “A Flower Grows” prepared by Marissa Wong, featured on the Seattle Betsuin YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLN-W5PUBhUr-Ny8e99lGa6YfwWNZxAIuT> along with public access to the video of “Precious Earth” recorded by Gabe Shen with video editing by Alex Sakamoto for Scout Sunday 2023. Earth Day Music Service will be presented in the Densho space as a hybrid service on Sunday, April 21.

The flyer for the special fund-raising concert for our Arson Fire Restoration Fund offered by Nobuko Miyamoto on Saturday, April 27 at 7 p.m. in the Pigott Auditorium at Seattle University now includes the registration link. Please invite your extended family and friends to join in this special opportunity to experience live Nobuko’s “100,000 Stories” musical presentation and fill this grand 400-seat auditorium.

The separate flyer information is also provided to register for the EcoSangha seminar “Dancing in a Circle: The Environmental Buddhism of Nobuko Miyamoto” also at Seattle University. The EcoSangha seminar will be on Sunday, April 28 at 2 p.m. in Oberto Com-

mons in the Sinegal Center for Science and Innovation. Space is limited, so please don’t delay to register. Rev. Don Castro will introduce the program with a short chanting invocation, explanation of the Buddhist meaning of “mottainai”, and introduce Nobuko who will “talk story”. Bon odori dancing of Nobuko’s “Mottainai” and “Kangie” will be presented for all to join and dance at the conclusion.

A Concert in Support of the Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple Arson Fire Restoration



**Nobuko Miyamoto's
120,000 Stories**

An intimate concert with
Derek Nakamoto, Music Director
&
Guest Artists
Chic Street Man
&
Francis Wong


Saturday, April 27, 2024
7:00 PM

Pigott Auditorium • Seattle University

Nobuko Miyamoto is an iconic dancer, creative artist and activist, who will be presenting an intimate concert through storytelling of her amazing life. She will be accompanied by music director Derek Nakamoto and guest artists Chic Street Man and Francis Wong.

Nobuko Miyamoto's 120,000 Stories is a multi-generational journey with stories that address issues such as race, gender, multiculturalism, and climate change.

Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple is grateful for her offer to present this concert as a fund-raiser for the Seattle Betsuin Arson Fire Restoration Fund, hosted by Seattle University.



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Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple & Seattle University EcoSangha presents




Nobuko Miyamoto

EcoSangha Workshop
Dancing in a Circle:
The Environmental Buddhism
of Nobuko Miyamoto

An interactive Earth Day seminar session
including Bon Odori dancing
Mottainai and Kangie

Sunday, April 28, 2024
2:00 PM

Oberto Commons
The Sinegal Center for Science and Innovation



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THE EMPTINESS WITHIN

There is an emptiness or void that lies deep within all of us. An emptiness which cries out to be fulfilled. An emptiness which arises from the deep seated doubts, anxieties and apprehensions as to the real meaning and true nature of this life, mine, yours, and of those whom we love.

As we awaken with each day, we are confronted with and are forced to cope with numerous work, family and socially related problems. As we attempt to deal with each one we experience emotions that range the gamut from minor irritation, frustration, anger to perhaps despair and the only appreciable tangible result appears to be the friction and disharmony which arises both within and without oneself and one's family.

No matter how one tries to continue to savor or hold on to pleasurable sensations and experiences and discovers it is a futile endeavor. The desire for 'happy', pleasurable experiences arises from a wish to balance off or to justify the daily plight we find ourselves in and must endure isn't it 'funny' or 'happy' or pleasurable experiences are so fleeting while mundane problems continue to linger on.

Is that all there is to life? Is there nothing but to dream of future prosperity, one's children's success, or the plastic/psuedo material comforts of modern society?

Shinran Shonin says emphatically, 'No!' There is a life of peace, joy and gratitude which awaits all men. All this seen of Buddha-Nature which lies deep within us needs is to be nurtured by the waters of the Ocean of the Amida's Primal Vow. Man is, has been, and will always be surrounded by Amida Buddha's Infinite Wisdom and Compassion. It is but for us to open our eyes and to truly see who we really are; what we are actually doing; and in what directions we are presently moving.

If we are able to do this, then we shall recognize the importance of Amida's great gift, which manifests itself through his Name, Namu Amida Butsu. And having entrusted ourselves to Amida through his Name, we are made to truly appreciate and realize the Life of Gratitude and Thanksgiving which awaits the Man of Shinjin. However, the first step in realizing the depths of spirituality we ultimately live in is to recognize the gnawing doubts, anxieties and apprehensions of the emptiness within

Gassho, Reverend Dennis Yoshikawa
Seattle Buddhist Church Research - 1427 So. Main St.
Seattle, WA 98144 by Kayla B., Archives Committee

Northwest Joint Spring Ohigan and BWA Memorial and Lady Kujo and Lady Ohtani Service

was held on March 24, 2024 at Tacoma Buddhist Temple to a capacity-filled hondo. Members from White River, Seattle, and Tacoma Buddhist Temples were able to hear Bishop of Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii, Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani, give his Ohigan dharma messages—one especially moving for the dharma school students. To the adults he recalled the fire of Lahaina and the compassion of Amida Buddha and the meaning of west, the symbolic direction of the Pure Land, and the meaning



of Ohigan, to reach the other shore.

Many thanks to the Tacoma sangha for their wonderful hospitality and the BWA members of the three temples for their delicious daifuku mochi. Watch Rev. Umitani's messages at [Northwest Joint Spring Ohigan and BWA Memorial and Lady Kujo and Lady Ohtani Service, March 24, 2024 \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...).

Submitted by Irene Goto

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 Tina Zumoto Ko

April 11 9:15 am Walk on the Wild Side! join us for a group outing to Woodland Park zoo for the Senior Zoo Walk. Senior Zoo Walkers - Woodland Park Zoo Seattle WA those 54 and over can participate \$20/quarter.

Our **New Member/All Member** lunch will be held **April 28 11:30 am** at Wisteria View Manor after the Eshinni-ko Kakushinni-ko service. The membership of our organization is open to all women who are dues paying members of the Seattle Betsuin. If you are interested in joining us, please contact office@seattlebetsuin.org.

Our annual Eshinni-ko and Kakushinni-ko service will be at Densho. It celebrates the wife of Shinran Shonin and their daughter who laid the foundation of Hongwanji. Our temple mural in the alley depicts Shinran with Kakushinni-ko, as the artists Emily and Hana are daughters. The offering collected from SBBWA members for this service is distributed to support our temple youth organizations.

Ohigan was celebrated with White River and Tacoma temples. A fun Saturday was enjoyed as 11 of us went to Tacoma to make over 1200 odaifuku mochi with both their BWAs for all that attended the service on Sunday. Thank you to Denise and all the wonderfully welcoming Tacoma folks who treated us to a yummy chili dog lunch.



Institute of Buddhist Studies (IBS) Event 2024 Taitetsu Unno Memorial Lecture: Sharon Suh (shin-ibs.edu) **Also offered by Zoom.**



2024 UNNO MEMORIAL LECTURE

A lecture on Asian American identity and Buddhism by Dr. Sharon Suh. Held at the Institute of Buddhist Studies, 2140 Durant St, Berkeley

'Emergent Dharma endeavors to make clear that Asian Americans not only do Buddhism differently, but that there is a flourishing world of Buddhism beyond seated meditation aimed at relieving individual and collective suffering.'

The Seattle Betsuin Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations from 2024 February - March

Funeral / Memorial / Nokotsudo:

Ruby Nakamura – Funeral	\$1,000.00	Nakamura sisters
Noriko Nishikawa – Funeral	\$700.00	Steven Nishikawa
Tsutomu Senaga – Funeral	\$200.00	Michael & Kim Sokoloski
Hiroyuki Suganuma - Nokotsudo	\$100.00	Aiko Suganuma
Tsutomu Kanzaki - Nokotsudo	\$100.00	Michael & Patricia Kanzaki

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Jane Hamatani	Marc & Janice Keltner
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Nobuko Otsuji	Meri Shimada
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PSYCHOLOGY OF SHINJIN

And how it affects our daily lives

10 AM - 4 PM
11 MAY

A doctrinal, therapeutic, and practical application of Shinjin in our daily lives.



REV KIYONOBU KUWAHARA



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JODO SHINSHU CENTER

2140 Durant Ave
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REGISTRATION LINK


In-person Registration
<http://tinyurl.com/PychShinjin>
 email: cbe@bcahq.org

Zoom Registration **JODO SHINSHU CENTER: MAY 11, 2024** ([google.com](https://www.google.com))


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Certified Minister's Assistant with Vista Buddhist Temple (BCA) and ordained in the Zen tradition of Thich Nhat Hanh




Denise Matsubara Lapidus
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Alan Hirahara, Chef
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Suzi Ko, Therapeutic massage
Arts and Crafts



Workshop space is limited.
 Registration will open on Feb. 5th
<https://forms.gle/asUrK9pS9SchgEB87>

cbe@bcahq.org

APRIL SHOTSUKI HOYO

The April Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the month of April.

Arlin, Lillian	Ito, Tsune	Masunaga, Fumiye	Saiki, Ululani
Aoyama, George	Iwamura, Katsuzo	Matsui, Melvin	Sakamoto, Leah
Asaba, Joanne	Jinka, Noboru	Matsui, Mitsue	Sakuma, Cedric
Asaba, Larry	Kanegae, Roy	Matsumoto, Thomas	Sakuma, Katherine
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Asakura, Ume	Kano, Shigeo	Matsuno, George	Sasame, Teru Kan
Baba, Sadao	Katayama, Akira	Mikami, Takumi	Shibata, Tom
Baba, Yuriko	Katayama, Chima	Mitchell, Peggy	Shigaya, Mary
Clem, Cora	Kato, Hisako	Miyake, Yukiko	Shinbo, George
Dodobara, Masako	Kato, Kuniye	Mizokawa, Shigeyo	Shinoda, Kimi
Ekinaka, Fumiko	Kato, Mitsu	Mizuhata, Michiko	Shintaku, Tomeko
Emata, Hideji	Kawada, Noboru	Mizuhata, Sueko	Sudo, Eiko
Fujii, Ernest	Kawahara, Makie	Mizuta, George	Sudo, Mamoru
Fujii, Kozaburo	Kawanishi, Teikichi	Mizuta, Kimi	Suetsugu, Etsuko
Fujii, Minoru	Kawasaki, Victor	Mochizuki, Yoneko	Suzuki, Tohachi
Fujii, Yoshito	Kido, Edward	Morisaki, Harry	Takashima, Sadamu
Fujioka, Chikayo	Kihara, Yayeko	Moritani, Shigeru	Takemoto, Kazuo
Fukuhara, Tadashi	Kimura, Haruyo	Nagai, Tamotsu	Takemoto, Misako
Glass, Nadine	Kimura, Kikuno	Nagamatsu, Kimiko	Takenaga, Shige
Gojio, Shōtarō	Kishida, Yaso	Nagata, Inori	Takeshita, Kazuko
Groves, Fumiko	Kitashima, Richard	Nakamura, Alan	Tamura, Tokio
Hagimori, Kaoru	Kogita, Marion	Nakanishi, Shizuichi	Tanaka, Masaye
Hagimoto, Shuichi	Kondo, Keiji	Nakano (Infant)	Tanemura, Masao
Hanada, Iwao	Kondo, Teruko	Nakano, Haruko	Toyogi, Susan
Hanada, Seiji	Kondo, Yo	Nakano, Krista	Tsubokawa, Terumi
Hara, Ricky	Konishi, Tom	Nakashima, Hidehiro	Tsukamaki, Asako
Harada, Toshio	Kono, Asano	Nakashima, Masao	Tsutsui, Komatsu
Haraguchi, Mitsuru	Kubo, Kazuo	Nakashima, Masato	Usui, Chise
Harrison, Mitsue	Kubo, Masayoshi	Nakashima, Yoshiko	Uyeda, Nobukazu
Harui, Norio	Kubo, Tomi	Nishimoto, Masao	Wittshirik, Hiromi
Hata, Carmen	Kuramoto, Amy	Nitta, Bobby	Yabuki, Ryoto
Hayashida, Tani	Kurita, Mio	Nitta, Yoshiko	Yamada, Asaichi
Higashi, Hatsune	Kuwada, Kazuo	Ogami, Tayeko	Yamaguchi, Moto
Hoshino, Gayle	Lee, Toh	Ohashi, Mokichi	Yamamoto, Kay
Ikemura, Terunobu	Mack Harada	Okamoto, Masao	Yamane, Shizue
Imabori, Teruo	Maeshiro, Asamitsu	Okamura, Mineko	Yamazaki, Hitoshi
Inouye, Hajime	Masuhara, Ichiyo	Okuma, Linda	Yanagawa, Shigeto
Ito, Itsuko	Masuhara, Kenichi	Okumura, Yoshiko	Yorita, Teruo
Ito, Nami	Masumoto, Henry	Quiett, Kathleen	Yoshihara, Fujiko

MAY SHOTSUKI HOYO

The May Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the month of May.

Akizuki, Harry	Izumi, Kosumi	Nishizaki, Elaine	Teramae, Isao
Aramaki, Towa	Kadoguchi, Misano	Noritake, Cyrus	Tomita, Theodore
Asaba, Iku	Kamimae, Misue	Nosho, Setsuno	Tomota, Yaeko
Baba, James	Kawaguchi, Sadaye	Oba, Sayoko	Toyaji, Toshio
Barda, Clifford	Kihara, Jane	Ogata, Fred	Tsubota, Tsuyoshi
Deguchi, Jene	Kihara, Koichi	Ogohara, Yoshitami	Tsuchida, Takeshi
Demizu, Kosumi	Kihara, Yoshito	Okabe, Fuku	Tsuji, Shohichi
Edamura, Fusa	Koga, Hiroshi	Okada, Hiroshi	Tsurukawa, Fujio
Fujii, Hisato	Kono, Kazuye	Okano, Albert	Ueki, Hisayoshi
Fujimoto, Mitsuyo	Kubo, George	Okasaki, Gin	Uno, Hikoichi
Fujishima, Craig	Kubo, Taiko	Okubo, Asako	Uno, Miyeko
Fujita, Kayo	Kubota, Yoshiko	Osaki, Mitsuko	Uno, Riichi
Fujita, Shizuko	Kumasaka, Henry	Ouchi, Sadamaro	Urakawa, Masaye
Fujitomi, Hajime	Kumata, Kenryū	Sakaguchi, Naoki	Uyeji, Toshio
Fujiwara, Teruko	Kuramoto, Tetsuo	Sakai, Grace	Uyetsuka, Hajime
Funakubo, Tei	Kusakabe, John	Sakai, Sumi	Watanabe, Aimie
Furukawa, Kano	Livanas, Ramona	Sakata, Howard	Watanabe, Kazumi
Goto, Shizue	Mamiya, Ron	Sakuma, Kazuo	Watanabe, Taki
Habu, Toki	Matsui, George	Shimada, Masayuki	Yamada, John
Hada, Maki	Matsui, Tsugio Jack	Shimbo, Shizuko	Yamada, Masako
Hamasaki, Jolene	Matsumoto, Suma	Shirakata, Kiku	Yamagishi, Fude
Hamasaki, Tokiya	Miyahara, Hiromu	Sudo, Shigeo	Yamamoto, Sadako
Hara, Lisa Shizuko	Nagamatsu, Shoji	Sueda, Ella	Yamamoto, Yaeko
Harris, Nga	Nagamatsu, Sumio	Suetsugu, George	Yamane, Jim
Hasama, Yoshimi	Nagano, Makoto	Suto, Fred	Yamasaki, Fujie
Hasegawa, James	Naito, Richard	Tachiyama, Jack	Yamasaki, Rise
Hattori, Hideo	Nakagaki, Daisen	Takano, Shigeo	Yamashita, Akino
Hayashi, Harold	Nakamoto, Satoru	Taketa, Shimano	Yasui, Kiyoshi
Hikida, Robert "Bob"	Nakamura, Joyce	Tamaki, Akiko	Yoneyama, Isamu
Hikida, Torazo	Nakano, Sawako	Tameno, George	Yoneyama, Mitsu
Hikoyama, Taka	Nakauchi, Kazuma	Tanaka, Bill	Yoshida, Sakae
Hiraoka, Willy	Nakayashiki, Satono	Tanaka, Misao	Yoshida, Yoshiko
Hori, Ross	Nguyen, Nhan	Tanaka, Norio	Yoshimi, Frank
Ideta, May	Nikaitani, Kenjiro	Taniguchi, Harry	Yoshitake, Taro
Iguchi, Chieko	Ninomura, Taisuke	Tatsumi, Hanako	Yuasa, Sharon
Imada, Dick	Nishizaki, Akio	Terakawa, Shigeru	Yutani, Kazue

April 2024 Seattle Betsuin Schedule

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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	May 5	Scholarship Service at Koyasan Temple	<i>Rimban's day off</i>	9:30 am Japanese Dharma Discussion on Zoom	<i>Rimban's day off</i>	11 am Gojikai (Zoom)		
	May 19	Gotan-e Service			1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service			
	May 26	All Sangha Memorial Service						
	7		8	9	10	11	12	13
	10 am 12 Noon	Brunch at Densho Joint Hanamatsuri Service at Seattle Koyasan Buddhist Temple	<i>Rimban on vacation</i>	<i>Rimban on vacation</i>	<i>Rimban on vacation</i>	<i>Rimban on vacation</i>	<i>Rimban on vacation</i>	3 pm Gagaku (Zoom)
14		15	16	17	18	19	20	
10 am 11 am	FAMILY SUNDAY SERVICE at Densho (limited seating available) JAPANESE SERVICE at Densho	<i>Rimban's day off</i>	9:30 am Japanese Dharma Discussion on Zoom 6:30 pm Evening Study Session on Zoom	<i>Rimban's day off</i>	1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service 7 pm Cabinet meeting			
21		22	23	24	25	26	27	
10 am 11 am	FAMILY SUNDAY SERVICE at Densho (limited seating available) JAPANESE SERVICE at Densho	<i>Rimban's day off</i> 8 pm Newsletter deadline	9:30 am Japanese Dharma Discussion on Zoom	<i>Rimban's day off</i> 11 am Merrill Gardens Renton	7 pm Board meeting		7 pm Earth Day Benefit Concert at Seattle University	
28		29	30					
10 am 2 pm	ESHINNI-KO & KAKUSHINNI-KO MEMORIAL SERVICE at TBD (SBBWA only) Guest Speaker: Rev. Cyndi Yasaki (WRBT) Earth Day Seminar at Seattle University	<i>Rimban's day off</i>	9:30 am Japanese Dharma Discussion on Zoom					

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SUNDAY SERVICES**

9:00AM Meditation, via Zoom only

**April 7 10:00AM Brunch at Densho behind
the temple; 12Noon Hanamatsuri Service
at Seattle Koyasan Buddhist Temple**

**April 14 10:00AM Family Service at
Densho; Japanese at 11:00AM (seating limited)**

**April 21 10:00AM Family Sunday Service
at Densho (seating limited) Japanese at 11:00AM**

April 27 7:00PM Nobuko Miyamoto at SU/p.5

**April 28 10:00AM Eshinni-ko & Kakushin-
ni-ko Memorial Service** guest speaker Rev
Cyndi Yasaki, WRBT; location TBD

1:00PM Earth Day EcoSangha Workshop
at Seattle University see flyer on page 6.

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Dharma Exchange
occasionally after Service
11:00AM in-person
Densho Building
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