

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

An online monthly newsletter of Seattle Buddhist Church

## “Myokonin Shoma”

by Rimban Katsuya Kusunoki

In the long history of Jodo Shinshu, there were some people who really understood and appreciated Amida Buddha’s teaching. These people are called “MYO KO NIN (rare-wonderful-person)”. There was a MYO KO NIN whose name was Shoma. He was born around the year of 1800 and passed away in 1872. He was not a scholarly person. He was a person who ardently and honestly listened to Buddha’s teaching. Because of his honest and conscientious character, many people visited him to ask him about their problems or question him about the Jodo Shinshu teaching. Let me introduce two of Shoma’s stories.



Illustration from The Episodes of Shoma and “Shoma the Myokonin” by Jim Yanagihara, Buddhist Churches of America, 1982

“**Shoma and a young female minister**” There was a young female Buddhist minister who had some questions about the Jodo Shinshu teaching. She visited a temple and conveyed her understanding and appreciation of the Buddha Dharma to the head minister of this temple. And she asked the head minister,

“Is my understanding correct? Am I able to be born into the Amida Buddha’s Pure Land?”

The head minister of this temple replied,

“Yes, you are right.”

She was so happy to hear that and went home.

After a few days, she was worried about her understanding of Buddha’s teaching, again. She visited another temple, and conveyed her understanding and appreciation of Buddha’s teaching and asked the head minister of that temple,

“Is my understanding correct? Am I able to be born into the Amida Buddha’s Pure Land?”

The head minister of that temple answered,

“No, you are wrong.”

She told each minister the same thing but one said

she was right the other said she was wrong. She was confused and didn’t know what she should do. At that time, her friend recommended that she visit Shoma to get his guidance. She asked him,

“Shoma, Which minister should I believe? Which minister’s answer is right?”

Shoma replied,

“You should not be confused with these ministers’ answers because these ministers do not own the Pure Land. I just listen to the Amida Buddha because Amida Buddha created the Pure Land and tells me that my birth in the Pure Land is settled.”

“**Shoma and his friend**” Shoma’s friends got seriously ill. A doctor gave up trying to cure his illness. This friend was also a Jodo Shinshu follower, and he used to listen to Dharma Talks and take Buddhist study classes. But when he encountered his death, he totally forgot about Amida Buddha’s teaching. He was constantly complaining to his family.

“I don’t want to die. Where am I going after I die? I am not ready yet.”

He was confused and distracted a lot. Because the family did not know what they could do for him, they decided to ask Shoma to visit him. The family expected Shoma to give him some venerable words to get relief and become settled.

Shoma arrived at his friend’s home. He passed through his friend’s bedroom and walked straight to their family Buddhist altar, OBUTSUDAN, and sat down there. Shoma opened the altar and started chanting Sutra and expressed his appreciation to Amida Buddha. The family was utterly at a loss for words because of his unexpected behavior.

The family told Shoma,

“Shoma, we don’t need you to chant a sutra today. We asked you to talk to him about the afterlife. Please go to his bedside and let him get relief.”

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## ...Myokonin Shoma... continued

Shoma replied,

“What are you saying? I didn’t make the primal vow. I have no power to save him. I don’t have anything to tell him. Amida Buddha made the primal vow **‘if he and I should not be born into the Amida Buddha’s Pure Land, may Amida Buddha not attain the perfect enlightenment.’** Amida Buddha had already attained the perfect enlightenment. This Amida Buddha is here now with us. Do you think this is not enough? Do you think we have to do something else to be born into the Amida Buddha’s Pure Land?”

Shoma’s friend who was dying heard Shoma’s words, and he said,

“That is true. I forgot the Amida Buddha’s teaching and worried about my afterlife. Amida Buddha made the primal vow for me to be born there. Amida Buddha is always with me. I don’t have to worry anything about my afterlife even though I am an imperfect person.”

He recited NAMOAMIDABUTSU and became secure.

These two Shoma stories tell us what a Jodo Shinshu follower should be. Shoma’s answer is simple and strikes to the heart of Amida Buddha’s teaching. We just rely on Amida Buddha and listen to the Amida Buddha’s guidance without any calculations. Then we just recite NAMOAMIDABUTSU with gratitude. Gassho,

## Happy November

As we transition from fall into winter, November is a time to reflect on gratitude. Not only do we observe the Thanksgiving holiday, November is the month for our annual Betsuin Anniversary and Eitaikyo Muen Hoyo (Perpetual Memorial) service (November 17<sup>th</sup>). On November 1, 1901, Reverend Kakuryo Nishijima arrived in Seattle from San Francisco to help establish the Northwest District Young Men’s Buddhist Association (YMBA). Two weeks later, on November 15<sup>th</sup>, the YMBA was officially founded. It is thanks to Reverend Nishijima, the 57 Buddhists who petitioned for a temple in Seattle, and countless others that we are here today. Not only do we observe and recognize those who helped found the Betsuin, the Eitaikyo Muen Hoyo service also recog-



nizes all who have come before us, known and unknown.

I would like to take a moment to express my gratitude to everyone who has supported the temple over the last 123 years, and especially who have helped us to recover and rebuild from the arson attack at the beginning of the year. I’m happy to report that we have begun holding services in the temple gym, allowing more Sangha members to attend in person. Reconstruction of the Hondo, offices, and Memorial Hall Chapel is set to begin this month. It is through the tireless work of so many that the Sangha continues even through these difficult times.

I hope you will be able to join us for a service soon.

In Gratitude, Tyler Moriguchi

## Call for Board of Directors Candidates

As we look toward the future of Seattle Betsuin, we are seeking new leaders to join our Board of Directors. With several long-serving members stepping down, this is a great opportunity to bring fresh ideas and perspectives to help guide our temple through an important chapter of renewal and growth.

Board members play a crucial role in shaping the future of Seattle Betsuin. They provide input on strategic and financial planning, community engagement, and participate in decision-making that will influence the direction of our temple for years to come. The commitment is a 3-year term, with monthly meetings focused on key initiatives and matters that impact member-engagement, religious & social programming and facilities just to name a few.

In the next 6, 12, 18 months, we will be re-emerging from the challenges of the arson and re-opening our temple. Now, more than ever, we need dedicated individuals who are passionate about shaping this new era for Seattle Betsuin.

Your involvement as a board member will leave a lasting legacy and help ensure the strength and vitality of our temple for future generations.

If you are interested in serving or would like more information, please contact Ileene in the Temple Office.

Gassho,  
Ann Oxrieder and Grace Tazuma

# 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 (i.e. - fix the roof, remodel of the Memorial Hall) and programs (i.e. – Live Streaming of Sunday services and Special Services, seminars, pod casts, and book club).

*Chris Grabowski, Erin Hoffman-John, Norigiku Horikawa, Alan & Lori Hoshino, Yaeko Ito, Gail Kaminishi, Rick Kawaguchi, Ritsuko Kawahara, Evan Ko, Steven Kubota, Bryce Matsuda, Matt & Rosalie May, Duane & Ann Mayeda, Yukio & Karen Morikubo, Corey & Claire Murata, Kiyoko Nakanishi, Dang Nguyen & Nicole Shimizu, Tokuzo & Mari Okumura, Tish Oye, Gerald Quintua, Kengo Sakamoto, Neil Snyder & Kisa Lindstrom, Zack Semke & Ann Ishimaru, Leslie Sumida, Ileene Tanabe, Michael & Gayle Teramoto, Mark Yuasa,*

We would like to ‘WELCOME’ Erin Hoffman-John, Neil Snyder & Lisa Lindstrom as new members of our Sangha.

**ON BEHALF OF THE SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE, WITH HANDS TOGETHER IN GRATITUD; WE THANK YOU FOR SUBMITTING YOUR 2024 MEMBERSHIP DUES.**

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

Thank you for volunteering!

Please sign up for  
**Sunday Service Toban**  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FA8AE2FA0FDC70-50134596-sunday>

Thank you for volunteering for set-up and clean-up! - Ileene

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# FALL BAZAAR

**NOVEMBER 10TH, 11AM-2PM**

PRE-ORDER FOOD | BAKED GOODS | FALL PRODUCE | RUMMAGE

Enjoy two TBT Bazaar favorites - Beef Curry and Udon for a perfect no-cook Sunday! With inside pickup, you can enjoy other sales including Bake, Fall Produce and Rummage sales within the social hall.

**Food Pre-Order and payment deadline: Oct. 31st, 10 pm.**  
Order online or by check at [www.tacomabt.org](http://www.tacomabt.org)  
Pick up food and enjoy our bake, fall vegetable and rummage sales in the temple Social Hall.

Questions, please contact Emma Inge ([emmainge17@gmail.com](mailto:emmainge17@gmail.com))

ORDER WITH THE QR CODE  
OR AT  
TACOMABT.ORG



## Find it on SeattleBetsuin.com

Informational Pamphlets - Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple

*A Brief Introduction to Buddhism*

*Why I am a Buddhist*

*On Meditation*

*A Brief Introduction to Jodo Shinshu*

*Prayer and Nembutsu*

*Is Shin Buddhism the same as Christianity?*

*Jodo Shinshu in Everyday Life*

*I Love You, I Love You NamuAmidaButsu*

*Quiet Sitting by Rev. P.K. Eidmann...*

For Children...*Baseball and Buddhism, Parents Sharing the Nembutsu Teachings with Their Young Children, Service Material and Sutras...and more!*

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WITH REV. KATSU**

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View Seattle Betsuin events online  
live-streamed and recorded  
[www.YouTube.com/SeattleBuddhistTemple](http://www.YouTube.com/SeattleBuddhistTemple)

# Pack 252 Update

Submitted by Mitsue Giuletti

The Cub Scout families enjoyed starting the school year by playing games of kickball and pizza tag at Wisteria Park. Four Cub Scouts participated in a successful Pack fundraiser at the Northwest district Buddhist Convention held at Muckleshoot Casino.



## View Past Services

<https://youtube.com/seattlebuddhisttemple>

Calendar: p.11 and at  
[SeattleBetsuin.com/calendar](https://seattlebetsuin.com/calendar)

# Dharma School

Submitted by Joan Nakano

October was a fun and busy community month for Dharma School. We continue to hold classes after Sunday family service and are excited that the gym will soon re-open for our sangha to listen to the Dharma together. We had a special guest, Lori Matsukawa, who read her newly published book, *Brave Mrs. Sato*. She encourages us to find out our family stories.

On the 20th after class, a small group of students and families trekked to Carpinito Brothers Pumpkin Patch and Corn Maze for a field trip, picking out a pumpkin for Trunk or Treat. The weather was perfect for this enjoyable outing, and we didn't even need our rain boots!

After, a few of us continued further south to pick up food and produce at White River Buddhist Temple's Fall Bazaar.

Speaking of bazaar, please don't forget to pre-order food for Tacoma Buddhist Temple's Fall Bazaar held on November 10th. Their menu looks very tasty and will also have select fall veggies, baked goods and a large selection of Japanese sale items.

We will round out October with Hatsumairi service and the highly anticipated Trunk or Treat!

Gassho, Claire and Yvette

## News Update from Marketing 10/22/2024

Hello DS Parents

So excited to announce that this Sunday service will mark the opening of the temple gym. While we are still working out some details, dress warm and please be prepared for a cool gym as heaters are not yet working, but at least it'll be dry. We will also stream service in Densho and/or dining room as an option to the gym.

Hatsumairi service will start at 10am.

Trunk or Treat will be held in the back parking lot this Sunday immediately after service. Feel free to wear a costume too! Pumpkin carving will be going on simultaneously....so you can get some tricks or treats and then come back up and carve your pumpkin. BYOP (bring your own pumpkin) ....tools and some stencils will be provided. A pumpkin contest will be held at the end with votes by attendees.



## Musical Notes

Submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi

Peace and gratitude come to mind as the themes for this month's article. Although at the time of this writing the actual logistics of the 16<sup>th</sup> annual Autumn Music Service are still being confirmed, we will have a hybrid service on Sunday, November 10. Rev. Kusunoki has designated this Dharma School year's theme of "Peace" and also reminded us at the Seattle Betsuin BWA Memorial Service how remarkable continuing to provide Seattle Betsuin temple services each week in 2024 has been after the arson fire. Whether being together in-person in the alternate spaces we've used, instead of the hondo for services or at the ballpark for the Mariners game or at Muckleshoot Casino Resort for the Northwest District Convention, or at bon odori events in the Northwest district, or afar, each time we can be together in-person has greater importance. Chanting, singing, or dancing together now has more meaning with each encounter "Ichigo, Ichie" -- each precious moment. Those of us



Donna and Janice dancing to EiJaNaiKa

at the BCA FBWA conference in San Jose last month were reminded of this conference theme in many ways by the speakers and the Friday evening bon odori activity allowed some of us to dance together with the Coast District dance leaders.

Please take a look and listen to the gatha videos on the Seattle Betsuin gatha playlist <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLN-W5PUBhUr-Ny8e99IGa6YfwWNZxAIuT> and note the gathas which have "Peace" and

"Gratitude" as themes. There are also recent gatha videos on the BCA Music YouTube channel with these themes: <https://www.youtube.com/@buddhistchurchesofamerica9267/videos>

In addition, the featured audio recordings on the BCA Music webpage now include "Seiya" (which in English can be translated "Peaceful Night") and "Quest of Life."

<https://www.buddhistchurchesofamerica.org/music>

Don't be surprised to find gathas with Peace and Gratitude to be featured in the coming months!

## Temple Restoration Update— October 21, 2024

Electrical work continues in Memorial Hall Chapel. The protective wood flooring, scaffolding, and lifts have been removed from the temple gym and stage. Preparations are under way to begin holding Sunday services in the gym beginning as soon as this Sunday (October 27th).

Tyler Moriguchi, Seattle Betsuin Chairperson

Ayame Kai's 2024

**NOV. 16**  
10AM - 2PM

# Holiday MARKET



**Saturday, November 16, 2024**  
10 AM - 2 PM

Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church  
3001 24th Ave S, Seattle, WA 98144

**Buddhist Book Study**  
Saturday, November 30, 9:30-11:00am.  
Location coming soon.  
Email:  
[Newsletter@seattlebetsuin.com](mailto:Newsletter@seattlebetsuin.com)  
for selected reading.

# SBBWA Submitted by Tina Zumoto Ko

*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.*

We thank our members for a meaningful and whirlwind October — so many of you help support our sangha in many ways! Thank you, Ann O. and Janice D., for organizing the annual Memorial Service so we may gather to remember and honor BWA/Fujinkai members who have passed away. The photo display by Joan N., with over 800 members and activities throughout the decades, brought back memories of happy times together.

“Ichi go Ichi-e Each Precious Moment, a Precious Treasure” was the theme for the 47th FBWA conference in San Jose, CA. Eighteen (18) members, including our 2 youngest members with over 300 attendees. It was a chance to meet new friends and reconnect with family and old friends. Thoughtful talks from Bishop Harada, Rev. Sakamoto, Hon. Colleen Hanabusa, Rev. Yukiko Motoyoshi, Rev. Yushi Mukojima, and Dr Paula Arai inspired us to think deeper and appreciate the moment. Workshops educated and inspired including Obon and Soul Line dancing, making handmade cards to donate, learning modern lettering, LGBTQ+ workshop. Touring J-town and mochi from Shue-I Do were amazing. We met up with our friend Penny who lives in Hawaii now and is co-chairing the World BWA conference in Hawaii in 2027. We look forward to sharing!



FBWA Conference in San Jose, CA



Card making workshop



SBBWA Moms and Daughters at FBWA 2024



Soul line dancing — great fun!

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## HATSUMAIRI “First Visit”

Sunday, October 27, 2024  
10:00 am

*Hatsumairi* or “First Visit” is a Jodo Shinshu tradition that acknowledges the child’s first visit to the temple. Parents present their children before the image of Amida Buddha and members of the Sangha as an expression of their gratitude and desire to expose them to the teachings of the Buddha.

The Hatsumairi Ceremony will be held in person on **Sunday, October 27, 2024, at 10:00 am** in the temple’s gymnasium/auditorium. \*

## 2024 Central Cal Jr. YBA Conference

AVATAR: THE LAST AIRBENDER

BALANCE EVERY NEW DAY  
November 9, 2024

[2024 CC Jr YBA Conference Website](#)

The Central Cal Jr YBA conference is for 8th - 12th Graders and is being held in Fresno, CA. This is a one day conference (7:30 am - 11pm) but there may be some folks arriving Fri and leaving on Sunday. If you are interested in chap-eroning or sharing rooms, please contact Ann Shintani (OBT): [ann@hoonko.com](mailto:ann@hoonko.com)

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you again and we look forward to meeting you and your Delegates in November!

In Gassho, Izumi Ryan and Jackson Loewen  
2024 CC Jr. YBA Conference Co-Chairs

Caroline Tao and Noreen Kajihara  
Parent Advisors

Fresno Betsuin Buddhist Temple  
2690 E Alluvial Ave.  
Fresno, CA 93720



SEATTLE BETSUIN BUDDHIST TEMPLE

### ENGLISH DHARMA DIALOGUE WITH REVEREND KUSUNOKI

Sep. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12 and Dec. 10 | 6:30PM  
via Zoom

[WWW.SEATTLEBETSUIN.ORG/SEMINARS](http://WWW.SEATTLEBETSUIN.ORG/SEMINARS)

**Tuesday, November 12, 2024:**  
English Dharma Dialogue  
with Rev. Kusunoki  
[Register Here!](#)

## Sunday, October 27, 2024

- 10:00 am - Sunday Service/ Hatsumairi Ceremony (infant/child's first visit to the temple)  
Location: Temple Gym  
Online: [Livestream via YouTube](#)

\* Please enter through the kitchen door along the back alley or through the small gym door on the far left side of the gym in the front.

- 10:45 am - Dharma School Trunk or Treat  
Location: Back Parking Lot
- 11:00 am - Japanese Howa Video  
Location: Densho Meeting Room

## Volunteer Writer(s) Needed

Volunteer(s) are needed to take over the production of the “Wheel of the Sangha” newsletter and keep the members receiving messages from Rimban Kusunoki, learning about events and programs sponsored by BCA and other temples, and getting updates from Dharma School and SBBWA.

For more information about the responsibilities, time involved, and opportunities to negotiate possible changes to make the job more manageable, please contact

Ann Oxrieder, [Communications@seattlebetsuin.org](mailto:Communications@seattlebetsuin.org).

# Seattle Betsuin Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations from 2024 September - October

## Funeral / Memorial / Nokotsudo:

Suteko (Sue) Fujino - Funeral

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Jordan Aisaka – 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Memorial

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Masaru Hamamoto – 7<sup>th</sup> Year Memorial

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### For:

In honor of Anna Tahara's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Appreciation for Japanese Dharma Discussion

General Donation

General Donation

Additional donations will be listed in subsequent Newsletter editions.

## Buddhist Churches of America Coming Events

PART 2  
Can We Grow Relationship  
Lotuses from Muddy Conflicts?  
Strategies for Dealing with Internal Conflicts

Wed. November 13 | 5-6 PM PT | Online

In this seminar, Gregg will offer some ideas of what to do and what not to do, based on his experience with Japanese Psychology and Buddhism.

GUEST SPEAKER  
**Gregg Krech**  
*Author of five books, and founder of the ToDo Institute, an Education and Retreat Center for Japanese Psychology in Vermont. He is one of the leading authorities on Japanese psychology in North America.*

MODERATOR  
**Rev. Marvin Harada**

"Much appreciation for the clear format, techniques provided and when and where they can be applied towards conflict resolution"  
- Arlene Kik, Part 1 Participant

Register for Free: [forms.gle/hii95tomv2Ejpr1x5](https://forms.gle/hii95tomv2Ejpr1x5)

BCA  
Center for Buddhist Education

2nd Annual Fall Seminar series:  
**BUDDHISM & CULTURE**  
<https://tinyurl.com/Buddhism-Culture>



Buddhism and Culture wrap-up, review and conversation on topics with all presenters  
December 15, 2024

Hosted by the  
**BUDDHIST TEMPLE OF MARIN**

60-minute hybrid sessions  
1pm after Sunday Service

390 Miller Ave. Mill Valley, CA  
Suggested donation: \$20

www.buddhisttempleofmarin.org

**CATHERINE SHAW** (she/her/hers)  
Buddhadharma, the First Multinational: Buddhism has gone over the centuries into many very disparate cultures. What has changed and what has stayed the same; and how does this matter to us  
November 17, 2024

Center for Buddhist Education  
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FALL MINI RETREAT**



Learning Make New Friends Fun

**Jodo Shinshu Center**  
2140 Durant Ave, 94704  
November 29 - December 1, 2024

**ALL HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE AGE WELCOME**

REGISTRATION & MORE INFO HERE  
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[bkminishima@bcacg.org](mailto:bkminishima@bcacg.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.*

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

## DECEMBER SHOTSUKI HOYO

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

Aoki, Takao	Kato, Tony	Nakamura, Lucile	Suyematsu, Toshio
Aoyama, Yoshiko	Kawafune, Hisami	Nakamura, Ruby	Tachiyama, Misayo
Araki, Nisaku	Kawahara, Masao	Nakamura, Sakae	Takahashi, Masao
Asai, Daisaku	Kawasaki, Meriko	Nakata, Hanako	Takano, Komaji
Bovee, June	Kawasaki, Yoshiko	Nakatani, Roy	Takenaga, Misao
Chen, Frank	Kido, Tom	Nakauye, Uichiro	Tamada, Junichi
Deguchi, Seiichi	Kikuchi, Mitsuyoshi	Nishimoto, Hideko	Tani, Shigemi
Ding, Joyce	Kinomoto, Yutaka	Nishimura, Haruko	Tanigawa, Frank
Dodobara, Yoshie	Kobuki, Haruko	Nose, James	Taniguchi, Saye
Doi, Mary	Kogita, Kaylin	Oba, George	Taniguchi, Theodore
Donchak, Kimiko	Kokita, Kaoru	Obata, Henry	Taniguchi, Toshio
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>DECEMBER 2024 SPECIAL EVENTS</b> December 8 Bodhi Day Service December 31 New Year's Eve Service (Joya-e)  <i>To view all services, please visit</i> <a href="http://www.youtube.com/seattlebuddhisttemple">www.youtube.com/seattlebuddhisttemple</a>					1	2
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10 am SUNDAY SERVICE Temple Cleanup	<i>Rimban's day off</i>			1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service		<i>College Night</i>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
10 am AUTUMN FAMILY MUSIC SUNDAY SERVICE	<i>VETERANS DAY</i> <i>Observed</i> <i>Office Closed</i> <i>Rimban's day off</i>	9:30 am Japanese Dharma Discussion on Zoom 6:30 pm Evening Study Session on Zoom		11 am Gojikai meeting in dining room  7 pm Cabinet meeting RD meeting		
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
10 am BETSUIN ANNIVERSARY & EITAIKYO & MUEN HOYO SERVICE with OCHIGO	<i>Rimban's day off</i>	9:30 am Japanese Dharma Discussion on Zoom		1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service 7 pm Board meeting		
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
10 am SUNDAY SERVICE	<i>Rimban's day off</i>	9:30 am Japanese Dharma Discussion on Zoom	11 am Merrill Gardens Renton Service	<i>Thanksgiving Day</i> <i>Office closed</i>	<i>Office closed</i>	
	8 pm Newsletter deadline					

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Temple Cleanup

**Nov 10 10:00AM AUTUMN FAMILY MUSIC SUNDAY SERVICE**

**NOV 17 10:00AM SEATTLE BETSUIN ANNIVERSARY & EITAIKYO & MUEN HOYO SERVICE with OCHIGO**

**NOV 24 10:00AM SUNDAY SERVICE**

**Dharma Exchange**  
occasionally after Service  
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