

Account of A-Bomb by Ms. Sonoe Taketa, Hiroshima A-Bomb Survivor

by Rimban Katsuya Kusunoki

The 80th Anniversary of Hiroshima and Nagasaki A-Bomb.

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Nagasaki A-Bomb. I work together with the Seattle
Hiroshima Club to introduce the account of A-Bomb
delivered by Hibakusha who has connection to Seattle. On
this occasion, we learn from the tragedy which happened 80
years ago and think about “Peace”.

On August 6, 1945, I was 8 years old in elementary
school in Hiroshima, Japan. There was a beautiful blue sky
that morning. As my third-grade class was starting around
8:00 AM, I suddenly saw a blue and white flash fill the
whole classroom. This was followed by a second frightful
explosion at 8:15 AM. We didn't know what had happened.
We got down under our desks for safety. My whole body
was shaking. My ears started ringing. My teeth chattered.
After staying 30 minutes under the desk, we were told to go
outside.



Hiroshima remains after nuclear bombing
(Photo by Terence Stakey on Unsplash)



Peace Statue, Nagasaki Peace Park, Nagasaki. (Photo by Japan Journeys)

I couldn't believe what I saw outside. The blue sky had
turned black. I saw a mushroom-shaped cloud, stretching
up above a 400-meter hill in front of us. Even though the
hill blocked the city, I knew that the city was on fire. After
2 hours sitting on the ground, some burned debris started
flying over us and the black rain started. We were
dismissed from school. I walked home in the black rain.
When I arrived home, I was soaked with the black rain.
My face, body, and clothing were all black.

Two months later, I was told that the black rain had a
high content of radiation. Not until then, did we learn that
the atomic bomb had been secretly built by the Americans.
It was dropped by the B-29 bomber Enola Gay, destroying
Hiroshima city. It was estimated up to 150,000 people were
killed instantly; most were civilians. Three days after the
Hiroshima bomb was dropped, Nagasaki city was
destroyed by another atomic bomb, killing instantly
74,000. Later, many more from both cities died with
serious injuries, burns, cancer, and other effects of
radiation exposure. The school was 5 miles from the
hypocenter. I feel that I had survived the Hiroshima
bombing due to a 400 meter hill that protected us. I was
exposed to radiation but did not have any serious injury
from the bombing. Since the 1945 Hiroshima bombing, the
Hiroshima and America Joint Atomic Bomb Research
Center started. I received information about the genetic
effects of atomic radiation exposure that could cause
cancer.

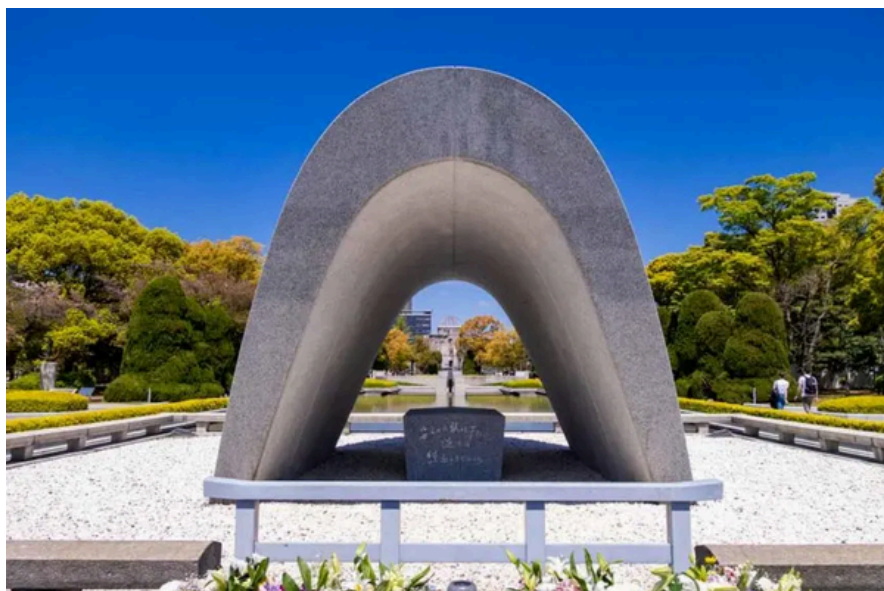




Origami Statue, Nagasaki Peace Park. (Photo by Ikidane)

I decided that it is necessary to pass on my experiences of the atomic bombing for the next generations. This is why I am writing down my experience. In 2012, my then 16-year-old granddaughter asked me for an interview about my experiences during the Hiroshima atomic bombing. She told me that she had been researching this at the library. I was surprised that she asked me for the interview as I had never talked about my experiences with her before. She told me that her school curriculum did not teach about the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings. She interviewed me with the camera and recorder. She called me to tell me that her presentation was well received by her class and teacher. They did not know about the tragedies she presented about the atomic bomb war history but praised her for her presentation.

In Japan the tragedy of the war has been taught in public school for almost 80 years. Even today the living survivors visit the schools to share their experiences of what happened during the atomic bombings. They teach a message to never repeat atomic bomb war in the future. I, too, feel it is necessary to pass on my experiences in the 1945 atomic bombing of Hiroshima for future generations. I hope by sharing my experiences of the bomb devastation, future generations will not repeat the past. Atomic and nuclear weapons must be avoided for the future of humanity.



Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park (Photo by WAmazing Discover)

May Chair's Letter

By Tyler Moriguchi

蛙始鳴 Kawazu hajimete naku, Frogs start singing (from Kurashi no Koyomi)

Happy May! I hope everyone is enjoying the warming weather and sunnier days.

As we enter our 17th month since the fire, I am grateful for the work of the Arson Restoration Reconstruction committee and the progress we are making towards fully reopening. I am pleased to announce that we have scheduled reinstallation of our Onaijin in early July, just in time for our 2025 Bon Odori.

While we continue to rebuild from the fire, the regular business of keeping the temple running continues. Thank you to the members of the Seattle Betsuin Board, who continue to address the day-to-day business of the temple.

I hope you will join us for our Gotan-e service on May 18, where we observe the birth of our founder, Shinran Shonin.

In Gratitude,
Tyler Moriguchi
chairperson@seattlebetsuin.org



Musical Notes

Submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi

How wonderful to welcome Mas Tamekuni leading the Seattle Betsuin Ukulele Band back after a 5-year hiatus to perform for the Hanamatsuri service and the “Groove and Gatha: Music with Dharma Friends” event in April! We appreciate Linda joining and welcome her any time she is in town with the other Zumotos.



Mas, Linda, Gail, Greg, Ann, and Marlene, Seattle Betsuin Ukulele Band presenting “This Land Is Your Land” (photo by Kemi Nakabayashi)

The ukulele band adds such as festive spirit. Please contact Ann Oxrieder or me if you are interested to join in-person ukulele practices. In the meantime, we are incorporating limited practices virtually on what I now call the “Singing, Strumming, and Sharing” Zoom. We are trying to stick with the first and third Monday nights from 7-8 pm and include a variety of gatha and secular selections as well as viewing music videos together. Please contact the temple office for the Zoom link. Anyone is welcome.

What a memorable music weekend we had with Rev. Harry Bridge, Miharu Okamura, and Miko Shudo on April 19 and 20! Rev. Bridge, Miharu and Miko shared thoughtful ideas of how music and the Buddha Dharma impact who they are and what they do. We were also treated to the premiere performance of a new song “June Bloom” that Miharu and Miko have just recently finished in time to share at the Manzanar Pilgrimage on April 26. If you were not able to catch them, the Earth Day Family Music Service on Seattle Betsuin YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QUA28NfHvA&t=231s>



Rev. Harry Bridge at “Groove and Gatha” (photo by Joe Gotchy)



Miharu Okamura and Miko Shudo at “Groove and Gatha” (photo by Joe Gotchy)

gives you a sense of their talent of sharing music and the Dharma. Many thanks to Alex Sakamoto who enabled us to present the live music and special needs for online streaming, including presenting Music Service Juseige with live keyboard instead of recorded video for the first time in 5 years!

Not only did Matsuri Taiko provide the conch call to open both the Hanamatsuri service and the Earth Day Music Service but also they learned the taiko beat to accompany “Lantern Song” bon odori. Thank you to all who volunteered to support “Groove and Gatha” and to everyone who participated during the weekend. I am grateful for the enthusiastic turnout.



Rev. Bridge and Miharu Okamura performing “Little Buddha” at the Earth Day Music Service (photo by Kemi Nakabayashi)



Miharu Okamura and Miko Shudo continued to entertain during the April 20 Dharma Exchange (photo by Kemi Nakabayashi)



Dancing “Lantern Song”! (photo by Kemi Nakabayashi)



Dharma Exchange Notes

Submitted by Irene Goto

Dharma Exchange takes place after Sunday Service from 11:00AM to 11:30AM, currently meeting in the gym. After enjoying coffee and tea together, we hear, and discuss various aspects of the Dharma, usually led by a minister. All are invited to participate.



Tara Tamaribuchi



March 30, 2025

Seattle Betsuin member, Artist Tara Tamaribuchi, shared her paper that she presented in a breakout session at Harvard Divinity School for a diasporic Buddhism conference, “Burning Refuge”, earlier in the month. The title of her presentation was “Liberating Buddhas in the Museum and Ourselves.” She described how she developed and facilitated the intervention that Seattle Betsuin members participated in at Seattle Asian Art Museum on February 9, 2020. Explanation of her artistic process was appreciated.

April 6, 2025

In lieu of Dharma Exchange, attendees helped prepare and enjoy Hanamatsuri Brunch and fellowship.



Hanamatsuri Brunch

April 13, 2025

Professor Joe Marino spoke on "The importance of Sanskrit for understanding Buddhism." He talked about language at the time of the Buddha, the languages first used to compose and transmit Buddhist texts, and the

contemporary importance of Sanskrit in global Buddhism. He showed English translations of short selections from the Heart Sutra to illustrate how difficult it can be to translate Sanskrit concepts. Thank you to Leonora for inviting Professor Joe Marino.

Joe Marino



April 27, 2025

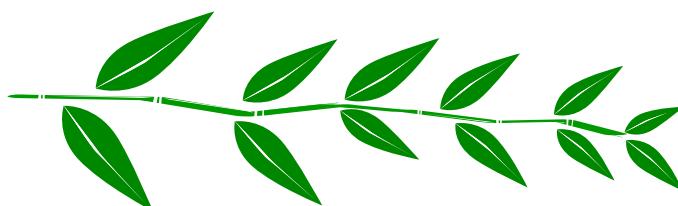
Earth Day & Family Music Service was held on Sunday, April 20, in the Temple Gymnasium. Guest speaker Rev. Harry Bridge from the Buddhist Church of Oakland delivered the English Dharma Message. See the video on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QUnA28NfHvA>



Dharma Exchange members dancing to “Lantern Song”

At Dharma Exchange Rev. Harry Bridge explained how his temple, Buddhist Church of Oakland, tries to follow ecology guidelines of the city. He sees many people frustrated with sorting recyclables. He emphasized the need to think and to understand the need to think and to understand the guidelines.

Miharu Okamura and Miko Shudo performed their newest composition “June Bloom” and also “Say Namō Amida Butsu,” by special request. They taught their composition song and bon odori dance, “Lantern Song,” inspired by Rev. Mas Kodani; participants practiced the dance.



Dharma School News

Submitted by Joan Nakano



When thinking of spring and flowers during the month of April, Hanamatsuri comes quickly to mind. Celebrating Buddha's birthday was a meaningful and delicious sangha event. Thank you to Ron and committee!

If you poured tea over the baby Buddha, you saw up close, the joint effort of many who helped construct the temporary Hanamido, Dharma School students included. We hope that you also enjoyed the edible table decorations made by Dharma School. Thank you again for supporting our Brown Bear Car Wash fundraiser. We still have tickets available if you are looking for more.



Hanamido with Baby Buddha

Another highlight in April was the Groove and Gatha seminar and Earth Day Music Service. Thank you, Kemi, for coordinating these events. Dharma School enjoyed listening to and learning new gathas and dancing with sangha and special

guests, Rev. Harry Bridge, Miko Shudo and Miharu Okamura. The 2025 Federated Dharma School Teachers League Conference in Gardena, CA will be held on April 26 and 27. We are grateful to our sangha who have financially supported our teachers to attend these learning opportunities.

Gassho,
Claire and Yvette

ALL SANGHA MEMORIAL SERVICE

Sunday, May 25, 2025, 10:00 AM

The annual ALL SANGHA MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held on Sunday, May 25, 2025, at 10AM. This important service is dedicated to honoring the lives and contributions of members and friends of the temple who have gone before us.

During the All Sangha Memorial Service, photos of those being remembered will be shown. We invite families of the deceased to submit the name and a photo of their loved one to office@seattlebetsuin.org. Please limit the file size of photographs to 100KB and include your name and telephone number in your e-mail message. Photos submitted for previous year services will be shown again unless the office is notified. If no photo is available, you may submit just the person's name to the same e-mail address, and it will be shown during the service.

The deadline for submission of photos and names is Sunday, May 18th. We cannot guarantee that photos/names received after the deadline will be included.

In Gassho,
Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple
(206) 329-0800



2025 Seattle Betsuin Scholarship Awards

The Betsuin scholarships, awarded through generous donations from the Shimokon and Tsujihara families, recognize Betsuin high school and college students. The selection criteria includes leadership and participation in the temple, BCA, school and the community, along with scholastic achievement and a commitment to stay involved in the temple. The applicants also submit an essay to show their understanding of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism.

This year's essays related to the 80th anniversary of the end of the Second World War and the Hiroshima and Nagasaki A-bomb. High school students were asked to reflect on the words of Nagasaki A-bomb survivor, Mr. Katsuji Yoshida, "The basis of peace is for people to understand the pain of others." College students were asked to reflect on a Buddha's teaching, "hatred ceases not by hatred but by love" quoted from a representative from Ceylon (Sri Lanka), Finance Minister, J.R. Jayawardena at the treaty of San Francisco in 1951.

The Harold N. & Yoshiko Tsujihara Memorial High School Scholarship recipient:

Kenzo Yokom (The Bush School) is currently the NWBYL Activities Coordinator. He has been part of Dharma school since he was six years old and has helped with numerous temple activities throughout the years. He completed the Dharma Award program and has been active in the Jr. YBA. In high school Kenzo was captain of the Varsity Ultimate Frisbee team. He was a member of the Varsity Soccer team, the Asian American Culture Club and various other clubs.

The Masaru and Mitsuma Shimokon College Scholarships recipient:

Macy Hirota (University of the Pacific) is studying Health, Exercise, Sports Science. Macy has remained involved in church activities at Stockton Buddhist Temple. She was also involved in recording gathas for the NW Buddhist Convention 2024-2025. University activities include Phi Epsilon Kappa (pre-health professional fraternity) Secretary, Nikkei Student Union Vice President, Kilusan Pilipino member, Pacific Stocktones (a cappella group) member, and Emergency Medical Services member.

A big congratulations and good luck to Kenzo and Macy!



Reverend Kusunoki, Ken Yokom, Kenzo Yokom, Tomi Zumoto (daughter of Harold N and Yoshiko Tsujihara), Kiyomi Yokom, Anna Tamura, Haru Hirota, Misa Hirota, Mark Hirota, (Not pictured – Macy Hirota)

SBBWA

Submitted by Lauren Asaba

Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Women's Association SBBWA's Mission is to cultivate religious awareness as Jodo Shinshu Buddhist women and promote fellow-ship among its members; to serve and support the Seattle Betsuin, and contribute services to the welfare of the community.

If you haven't already heard, we are months away from Obon 2025 and the SBBWA has been busy planning fundraising activities that we can participate in to make this a successful event.



Suzanne F and Tomi Z

Suzanne F. designed an infinity scarf using yukata material and then coordinated a "cut and sew" day for members to put together the scarfs which will be sold at Obon. Thank you Suzanne and everyone who participated. There are take home kits with materials available, please contact Suzanne if you're able to sew at home.

We are also collecting items for Bachan's Closet for Obon. As you clean out your closets, please consider donating to our sale.



Ann H and Momo



Donna Z



Joan N and Tina Z-K

A new menu item will also makes its debut at Obon, Daifuku Mochi! SBBWA will be making this treat with guidance from our food experts. We will have a trial run on Saturday May 17th and will sell the mochi after Gotane service on Sunday May 18th. This will be a fun learning experience, we hope you can join.

Please sign up to help!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EABAE2CA5FB6-56152706-daifuku#/>

Also, a big thank you to Janay L for regularly updating us on the progress of the pantry remodel. It sounds like there will be lots of useful features that will make it easier to access the much utilized pots, pans and utensils.

Upcoming Activities and Announcements:

May 4th – SBBWA Board Mtg

May 16th- BCA FBWA Virtual Community Fundraiser-please support by placing an order at Panda Express. Apply code 9002147.

May 17th- Daifuku mochi making, 8:30am until ~3:00pm.

May 18th- Table sellers needed , SBBWA Cabinet Mtg

May 17th and 31st- Pickleball 10am-12pm



ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

We would like to “**thank**” the following for contributing their 2025 sustaining membership dues - the basic dues towards Temple maintenance/operations (i.e. security-a high priority, staffing, up-to-date tech equipment/maintenance) plus Live Streaming of Sunday services, Special Services, seminars with guest speakers, and even our book club).



Ann Kashiwa, Masako Kubo
Yoshio and Judith Nakamura
Franklin Shinoda
Masaru and Anna Tahara
Sam and Masako Uchida

Compiled by Howard L, Ilene T., Joan N.,
& Steph O.

Thank you for volunteering!
April 2025 Sunday Service Toban
SBBWA
Steph Ojima
Alex Sakamoto
Andrea Mano
Paul Mori
Nina Tomita-Kato
Marissa Wong

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

Interested in helping out during services?
Whether it's setting up, greeting, or tackling cleanup, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Sign up using the link below!

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The Seattle Betsuin
Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations from March - April 2025

In Memory Of:	Given by:
Masayoshi “Mike” Kubo (10 yr. memorial)	June Kubo
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Akiko Payne	Appreciation for Japanese Dharma Discussion
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Peggy Tanemura	In celebration of Margaret Teramoto’s birthday



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Bodhi Day		Meri Lashley
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Fall Ohigan

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Dale and Shizue Kaku,
Tsukasa and Keiko Namekata,
Joyce Sato, Sato and Darlene Shimizu,
Kayoko Terada,
Ronald and Suzuko Terada

Additional donations will be listed in subsequent Newsletter editions.





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

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

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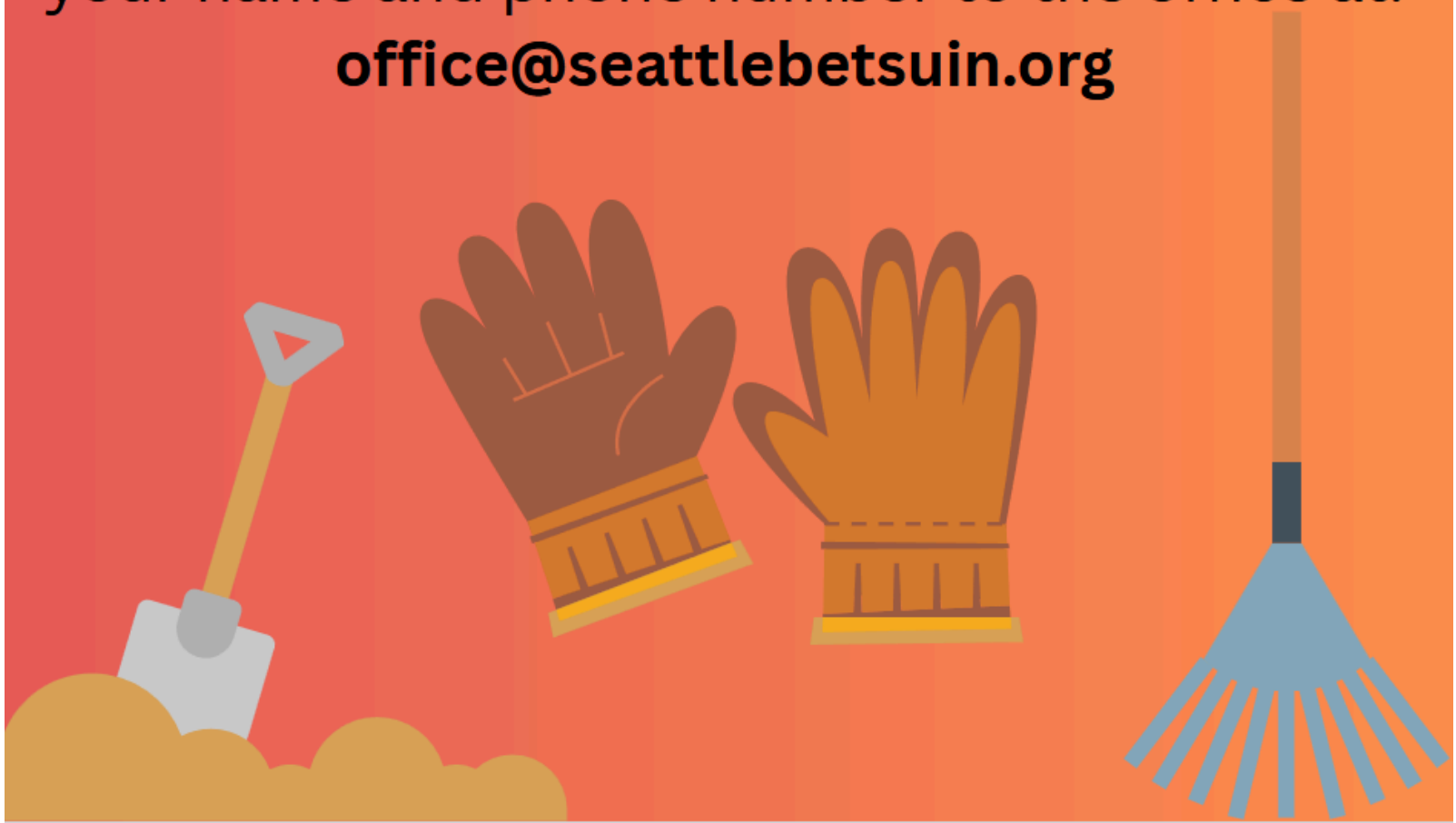
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Doi, James	Iriumi, Hayato	Mizumoto, Nobuo	Tai, Hisano
Dumont, Marion	Ishibashi, Isao	Moriguchi, Toshikatsu	Takei, Toshiko
Eguchi, Otome	Ishikawa, Kimiyo	Murakami, Tamae	Taketa, Arlene
Endo, Suzuko	Isomura, Mary	Nagamatsu, Toshiko	Tamura, Mary
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Fujimoto, Kiyoko	Kanegae, Toshie	Ninomura, Sue	Tazuma, Noboru
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Fujioka, Harumi	Kawahara, Kiyoko	Nokichi, Miwa	Terada, Yayeko
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Furuta, Terumasa	Kido, Haruko	Oiye, Nobuko	Tsukamoto, Umekichi
Hamano, Grace	Kiuchi, Janice	Okada, Sadaye	Tsuruyama, Miyo
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Harada, Charles	Kuramoto, Daisy	Pawloski, Junko	Yamaguchi, Iwao
Harui, Zenhichi	Kurimoto, Aki	Platnick, Tamiko	Yamaguchi, Mamoru
Hasegawa, Yoriko	Kurosaki, Tsuyano	Saito, Koshige	Yamamoto, Gary
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Higo, Seki	Matsubu, Shigeko	Shimizu, Haruko	Yoshimi, Aiko
Hirabayashi, Tomonobu	Matsumoto, Nobuko	Shimizu, Patrick	Yoshinaka, Catherine

MAY 2025 BETSUIN SCHEDULE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
JUNE 2025 SPECIAL EVENTS June 1 Last day of Dharma School June 8 Bishops' & Rimbans' Memorial Service Guest Speaker: Rev. John Iwohara, Gardena BT				1 1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service	2	3 10 am Japanese Seminar 2 pm English Seminar
4 10 am SUNDAY SERVICE 10:50 am Dharma Exchange - Rev. Dr. Nobuo Haneda Japanese Language Service in dining room Dharma School classes	5 10 am Japanese Seminar	6 <i>Rimban's day off</i>	7	8	9 11 am Gojikai meeting	10
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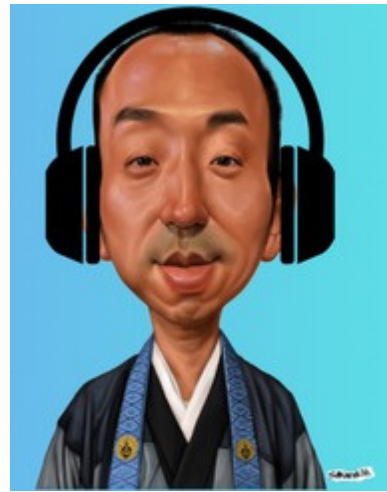


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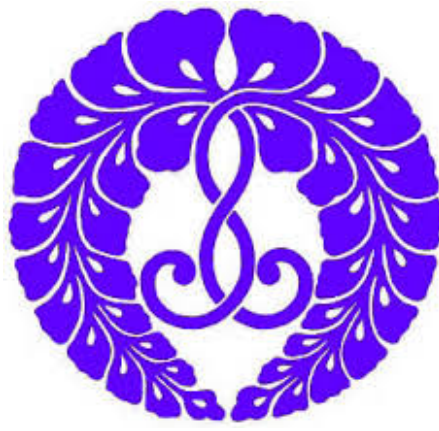
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