

Account of A-Bomb by Kenny T. Dodobara

by Rimban Katsuya Kusunoki

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

2025 is the 80th anniversary of Hiroshima and Nagasaki A-Bombings. Together, with the Seattle Hiroshima Club, I will

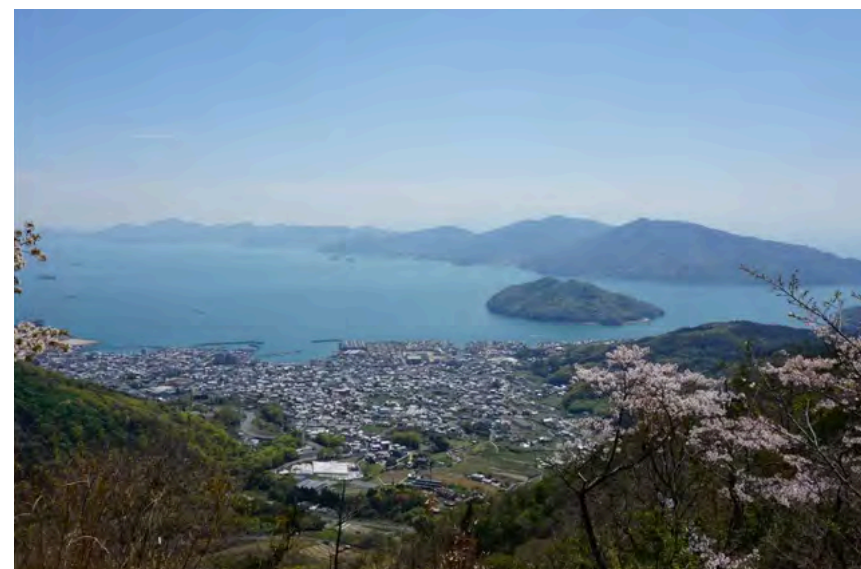


introduce the account of A-Bomb *Hibakusha* survivor who has a connection to Seattle. On this occasion, we learn from the tragedy which happened 80 years ago and think about “Peace”. Kenny T. Dodobara was aged 14 at the A-bombing. In the spring of 1941, Kenny went to Japan from the U.S. with his family. The following is my transcript of his interview with Hiroshima Club conducted on Nov. 1, 2010.

—★—
We went back to our mother’s house in Asa-gun (or Hagiwara) in Hiroshima. My father, sister, and mother were living together. When we moved back, my sister moved out. So, we took care of my mother. They had a farm. We continued to do the farming. My father started farming again, raising rice and wheat. So, we had enough rice. On the planting rice, there was a mandatory. You had to grow how much, then you had to donate to the government. We had enough to give to the government.



Photograph of Japanese rice fields, circa 1940s. (Image from U.S. Army, *Pocket Guide to Japan*, <https://www.history.navy.millresearch/library/online-reading-room/title-list-alphabetically/pl/pocket-guide-japan.html>).



View from Mt. Noro overlooking Kure.

(Photo from Japan Travel, <https://www.japan.travel/en/japans-local-treasures/cherry-blossom-viewing-mt-noro/>)

We also grew vegetables and sweet potatoes, but it was just for the family’s use. If someone wants rice, people come to our house and exchange something for rice.

There was a tall mountain between the operation and Hiroshima. Kure city was close too. The day before the Atomic Bombing, we saw the plane going through. A couple of them going in the war, I guess. Then the next day, I had to go to school and clean the school ground. Some people were working inside wiping off the window glass. All a sudden the flash came out. Then later, I don’t know how many seconds it was; then make “don” noise. We call it “Pika Don”. They dropped the “Pika Dons,” there. Then after that, some adults told us, “Go home, everybody, find what’s happened in the house...” I just walked home. It took about 10 or 15 minutes to walk home. In the meantime, I saw the cloud start form like a mushroom. Later, it started to rain. Dark brown rain started. When I saw the house, it blew out all the screen door and the ceiling.

Next, the Japanese military came to our house. They came to borrow our house for their office. We had to let them borrow the house. I believe that the military police (Kenpeitai) were at our house for one or two days. But I do not exactly remember how long they were at our house. We also had some casualties. Some people had burnt faces.



After the Atomic Bomb was dropped, I did not go to Hiroshima city, but my father did. He tried to find friends, I guess. But he couldn't find any of them. While he was coming back home, he saw a lot of people jumping to the river because it was hot.

I went to school in Hiroshima right after the following year. Some buildings were all smashed down. But we still had a class there. After the war, we still had enough rice because we were farming.

It should never happen again. It is my message I would like to leave for my sons and younger people.



View of Ota river, Hiroshima after the atomic bombing. (Photo from Australia War Memorial, <https://www.awm.gov.au/collection/C207382>)

August Chair's Letter

By Tyler Moriguchi



Otsukaresama deshita! I am writing this message three days after our 2025 Seattle Bon Odori.

When I reflect back on this year's Bon Odori, the image of a duck moving across a pond comes to mind – while the duck appears to glide effortlessly across the water, its feet are busily paddling unseen under the water. Saturday and Sunday were nearly perfect, thanks to the countless hours spent planning, coordinating, and preparing for months in advance. The week leading up to Bon Odori at the temple was busy every day with cutting, washing, cooking, sorting, moving, and cleaning; the feet churning unseen to make everything appear so smoothly.

Thank you to the Bon Odori planning committee and all the volunteers who made Bon Odori possible. It was especially heartening to see friends and family returning from out of town to help- truly the spirit of Obon.

2026 will be a busy year for the temple as we host the BCA National Council Meeting/Northwest District convention in February, as well as celebrate the temple's 125h anniversary. We will need the help of the entire Sangha to host these events. I hope you will consider offering your Dana of time to make these events a success.

In Gratitude,
Tyler

A number of temple members attended the annual Minidoka Pilgrimage in Idaho this year.

Pictured are:
Nicholas, John
Hamakami, Lynda
Hamakami, Chris
Grabowski, Janice
Deguchi, Anna
Tamura, Susie
Yamane, Jeff
Yamane, Ed Suguro.

This is at the Minidoka National Historic Site in front of the Honor Roll



Musical Notes

Submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi

Some of our Seattle Betsuin musicians have been rehearsing bon odori music as part of the Northwest Minyo Kai to perform live music at bon odori events



this summer in the Northwest.

Were you able to hear them our Seattle Betsuin bon odori event or at White River Buddhist Temple or Tacoma Buddhist Temple?

Thank you to Esther Sugai for providing service music with me for the Obon/Hatsubon service on July 27. Later this month, Esther and I will travel to Los Angeles and attend with Rev. Kusunoki, Rev. Tadao Koyaya a gagaku retreat hosted by Kinnara Gagaku Group at Senshin Buddhist Temple. The Kinnara group is the oldest gagaku group of BCA temples. In years past when Rev. Kusunoki was able to practice with the Northern California gagaku group, the two groups held retreats to practice and learn from each other. We look forward to the first time our new Seattle Gagaku Group which also includes virtual participation by ministers from Canada, can convene with the other groups. Also arriving to join this retreat will be Rev. Ryosuke Fukami from Japan who will then fly up to Seattle Betsuin and spend time teaching and performing hichiriki with us. Please

note that for the first day of the new Dharma School year on September 7, we plan special music that includes our musicians playing gagaku and western instruments.

Thanks to Joe Gotchy and Andrea Chapman, president of the Ekoji Buddhist Temple, I was offered the opportunity to participate in the Echo Ekoji podcast in July. They guided the interview both to explain the “Sing Namo Amida Butsu” gatha book project and BCA Music Committee work.

The podcast can be found on the Ekoji YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JmT-VINc6qo&t=7s>

I am glad that it was also a way for me to help Ekoji Buddhist Temple publicize the “Lantern Song” workshop there and Ekoji bon odori last month when we used Dharma Forward travel support to send Bonbu Stories to Virginia. If you are a Dharma Forward contributor, your donations have helped Bonbu Stories travel outside of California and will include their travel support at least to assist with them coming to the Northwest District as well for the BCA National Council Meeting/Northwest District Convention February 13-15, 2026. For many Music Committee projects, we are grateful for the donation support which makes it possible. Look for additional information forthcoming on ways to support the Music including for the convention as we seek sponsors. Thank you!



Susanne U. dancing tanko bushi



Jason Y, announcing “Lantern Song”

Musical Notes continued



Donna Z with the Northwest Minyo Kai



Northwest Minyo Kai woodwind players



Gwen Florence on the yagura with Wendy Hamai singing with the Northwest Minyo Kai

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.



June 29, 2025

Rev. Kusunoki's gave the Dharma Message at the 10:00 AM Service; he followed up on the previous Sunday's Dharma Talk reflecting on each of his prior week's days. His concluding thought was from Master Honen: Live a life that allows you to put the Nembutsu in the center of your life. Watch June 29th Sunday Service here: [guitar and Buddhism](#); he regards myokonin as improvisationists -- never perfecting, but appreciating. Watch July 26th Sunday Service here: [SEATTLE BETSUIN SUNDAY SERVICE | 2025-07-06](#)



At Dharma Exchange Noemi Weinsheimer and Rimban Kusunoki dialogued and entertained questions regarding Noemi's recent attendance of The Eighth Annual BCA Youth Retreat (BYR) for High School students, June 22 – 28, 2025, at the Jodo Shinshu Center in Berkeley, CA. Although a bit apprehensive about attending, she made friends, learned to enjoy chanting, and appreciated being among other Buddhist young adults and had a good time; she recommends it for other youth.

July 6, 2025 Minister's Assistant Rev. Matt May gave the Dharma Message at the 10:00AM Service. He related his guitar practice to his Buddhist practice. His guitar practice was influenced greatly by his father and also by Michael Hedges and Andre Segovia. He expressed his appreciation for different paths and different practices in both



guitar and Buddhism; he regards myokonin as improvisationists -- never perfecting, but appreciating. Watch July 26th Sunday Service here: [SEATTLE BETSUIN SUNDAY SERVICE | 2025-07-06](#)

At Dharma Exchange Rev. May asked participants to share how they appreciate the Buddha Dharma in their everyday lives. The responses included seeing different perspectives by picking peas to daily reflecting in front of their obutsudan/home altar.

July 13, 2025

There was no online streaming of this Sunday Service. After Service, Groups and individuals prepared for bon odori scheduled for the following weekend.

July 20, 2025

The second day Seattle's 93rd bon odori was held in lieu of Sunday Service and Dharma Exchange. No online video of Sunday Service is available for this day.



Bon odori attendees posted colorful paper lanterns, with passed loved-ones' remembrances, on bonsho enclosure on Sunday, July 20, 2025 in Wisteria Park.



Image from Dharma Crafts. [Dharma Crafts](#)

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.

July was a very busy month, but with impressive leadership, coordinated planning and many helping hands, SBBWA accomplished A LOT! Reflecting back on this past month, its easy to see the many ways SBBWA stays true to its mission.

Walk For Rice: It was perfect weather to walk in support of ACRS’ Walk for Rice. We had a great turnout and a lot of fun. A big thank you to our members/donors, their families and friends and out of town visitors that joined us.



Rimban Kusunoki, Karen A.

Upcoming Activities

Pickleball - August 3: 12-2 pm & August 17: 12-2 pm
Hiroshima to Hope - August 6 at Green Lake 6 pm
Inter-church softball game- August 9th hosted by Tacoma Buddhist Temple, more details to come

SBBWA continued

Daifuku Mochi Making: No one said debuting a new food item at Obon would be easy, it took lots of behind the scenes planning by dedicated leadership who enlisted help from experienced mochi makers and skillful procurement folks to get the ball(s) rolling. That said, our SBBWA members with help from family, friends and our Tacoma BWA buddies successfully pulled it off.

It was a huge success, we made over 2500 daifuku mochi! (white, pink, green and yomogi - thank you also to Ritsuko and friends for the yomogi addition!)

Thank you to our 78+ volunteers that covered 3 sessions and lunch! An extra big thank you to those who stayed ALL day long for 3 full shifts!



Our Tacoma BWA Buddies: June, Crystal, Kate, Denise, Lynn, Kazuko



SBBWA continued

Bachan's Closet:

Thank you everyone for generously donating so many items to our fundraising sale. The variety of items was immense and there was literally something of interest for just about every shopper. Arigato to our members that sorted and priced items pre-sale and to those that set up the day of Obon and to our patient, helpful sales assistants and cashiers.



BON ODORI HOSPITALITY

The Bon Odori Hospitality Committee gratefully acknowledges Betsuin members Ritsuko Kawahara, Aiko Fujii, Junko Nakano and Kanako Kashima for the meals they prepared for guest ministers attending Bon Odori. These volunteers cooked an assortment of delicious Japanese dishes and artfully arranged them for the Saturday sit down dinner and Sunday bento boxes. We also thank the Kusunoki family for hosting the guests in their home Saturday evening and allowing the use of their kitchen for preparation.



Saturday dinner



Sunday bento box



A.Fujii, K. Kashima, J. Nakano & R. Kawahara



On July 12 and 13, Seattle Betsuin had a booth at Japan Fair which was named Event of the Year from Visit Bellevue.

Krista Lee, Emi Nakashima, Alex Sakamoto, and Jason Yokoyama made the arrangements, set up the booth and staffed it with help from Ministers Assistants Irene Goto and Matt May, and Sangha members, including Ayano Kusunoki. Dean O’Shields and Ann Oxrieder were involved in planning. In addition to visiting the booth and receiving temple flyers and postcards, visitors saw a Bon Odori preview dance on the stage.

Committee seeks families of individuals housed in Nokotsudo

Last year, the Nokotsudo Committee was formed to explore converting the temple’s Nokotsudo (Columbarium) from a temporary storage location of cremains to a permanent Nokotsudo. As part of the committee’s work, we are attempting to locate family contacts for the approximately 300 individuals currently housed in the Nokotsudo. If you have a family member in the Nokotsudo, please contact the temple office at office@seattlebetsuin.org.

Also, if you would be interested in a niche in the permanent Nokotsudo, please contact the temple office.



Urns by <https://urnsbyatemo.com>



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 Religious programs i.e., (Live Streaming of Sunday services, Special Services, seminars with guest speakers, Sensei’s podcast).



Tetsuden and Kanako Kashima
Patricia Oye
Tom and Beverly Sakamoto

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

Call for Volunteers: Help Us Support And Increase Membership!

The Seattle Buddhist Temple is forming a Membership Experience Work Group and we’re looking for dedicated volunteers! This group will focus on creating a warm, inclusive experience for first-time visitors, new members, and longtime sangha members alike. From outreach efforts to hospitality and connection-building, your contributions will help us foster a truly welcoming community. If you're passionate about deepening sangha engagement and sharing all the temple has to offer, we’d love to have you join us! Contact Dean O’Shields, deanoshields@gmail.com.

Thank you for volunteering!
July 2025 Sunday Service
Steph Ojima
Kemi Nakabayashi
Alex Sakamoto
Paul Mori
Marissa Wong
Rick Wong

Thank you, Joan Nakano, Steph Ojima and
Shiz Kaku for helping with the Obon/Hatsubon
bulk mailing.

Thank you Jason Yokoyama for sorting
temple inventory.

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!

[SignUpGenius](#)



AUGUST SHOTSUKI HOYO

The August Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the Month of August

Akada, Riyoichi	Iwamoto, Shigeru	Nagasugi, Hiroto	Shimomura, Tsuru
Akada, Shizuye	Kajimura, Hareo	Nakagawa, Yoshie	Shirakata, Toshiko
Akizuki, George	Kajita, Kinichi	Nakamura, Jutaro	Suganuma, Hiroyuki
Aramaki, Shigeto	Kaku, George	Nakamura, Take	Sunahara, Margaret
Aratani, Uta	Kaneko, Jiro	Nakamura, Yuki	Suzuki, James
Aoyama, Masatoshi Martin	Kato, Kazuo	Nakanishi, Toshio	Suzuki, Tazu
Dodobara, Megumi	Kato, Tom	Nakano, Minnie	Tachiyama, Toshiko
Erie, Toshiko	Kawabata, Yoshikazu	Nakano, Sono	Takeuchi, Shigeo
Fuji, Yukiko	Kawahara, Yasunori	Nakano, Tsuruko	Taki, Noboru
Fujimoto, Kaoru	Kawamoto, Takayuki	Narimatsu, Miyoko	Tanabe, Suehiko
Fujino, Suteko (Sue)	Kikuchi, Hiroshi	Niki, Tsutomu	Taniguchi, Mitsuyo
Fujita, Kikumi	Kimoto, Gon	Nishi, Sadao	Tashiro, Toshiro
Fukei, Naka	Kinomoto, Oliver	Nishikawa, Miyuki	Tashiro, Yoshi
Furukado, Masuichiro	Kirihara, Tomoyoshi	Nishimoto, Eda	Terao, Ume
Furukawa, Yoshio	Kiyonaga, Toshio	Nishimura, Haruo	Teraoka, Seisu
Goto, Tatsumi (T.R.)	Kodama, Naoichi	Niwa, Tami	Toshi, Hisako
Habu, John	Kodama, Sadako	Nogaki, Kenko	Tsubota, Minoru
Habu, Richard	Kojima, Koichi	Nose, George	Tsuji, Tomi
Hamasaki	Komine, Kiyoshi	Ohta, Hideo	Tsukada, Hatsumi
Hamasaki, Sakae	Koon, Ying	Okada, George	Ueki, Kikuno
Hamasaki, Shimo	Kozai, Masao	Okamoto, Grace	Uyeda, Masato
Hanada, Matsu	Kubo, Chojiro	Oki, Kathleen	Wada, Corey
Harada, Kiyoko	Kubo, Frank	Oono, Yoshio	Wakazuru, Joseph
Harada, Mitsuyo	Kubota, Betty	Osaki, Take	Watanabe, Kazuo
Harada, Sadako	Kumata, Tazuko	Oye, Tetsuya	Watanabe, Yuzuru
Hata, Sachiko	Kurimoto, Yoichi	Parker, Tomiko	Wataoka, Takayo
Hayashi, Sally	Kuwahara, Susie	Saito, Kenneth	Wheeler, Robert
Hiroo, Terami	MacNealy, Denny	Sakai, Tama	Yahagi, Hiroshi
Hiroo, Yoshie	Mamiya, Yoshiko	Sakai, Yoshi	Yahagi, Takano
Holcombe, Noriko	Mano, Kasumi	Sakai, Yoshiko	Yamagiwa, Robert
Honmyo, Masayoshi	Matsumoto, Ayako	Sakamoto, Saburo	Yamaguchi, Shiro
Hoshino, Chieko	Matsuura, Robert	Sako, Kimiye	Yamamoto, George
Hoshino, Shizuye	Matsuzaki, Kiku	Sakoda, Toshio	Yamamoto, Mitsue
Hung, Shao-Chen	McLeod, Grace	Sakuma, Lindsay	Yamamoto, Tatsuya
Ikuta, Carol	Mitchell, Raymond	Sakurai, Shinji	Yamasaki, Kazuo



AUGUST SHOTSUKI HOYO

The August Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the Month of August

Imabori, Martha	Miyatake, Sumiko	Sasaki, Sachiyo	Yamashita, Kiyoshi
Imanaka, Ted	Mochizuki, Kiyoto	Seto, Kazuko	Yoshida, Elmer
Imanishi, Takeo	Morimoto, Eichi	Seto, Tatsuji	Yoshida, Keisuke
Ishida, Nobu	Moriyasu, Reikiichi	Shigihara, Takeshi	Yoshizawa, Lucy
Ishikawa, Shigeto	Muromoto, Masu	Shimada, Michelle	Yukawa, Ayame
Itakura, Akiko	Masumoto, Riye	Shimamoto, Fumi	Yutani, Alice

SEPTEMBER SHOTSUKI HOYO

The September Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the Month of September

Abe, Shizu	Imanaka, Yaeko	Masumi, Denichi	Sakai, Ryuzo
Akada, Shigeo	Imoto, Yoshitada	Masumoto, Masako	Shiigi, Aileen
Akutsu, Aimee	Inouye, Towa	Miyake, Kinsaburo	Shimabukuro, Mitzi
Akutsu, Jim	Ishii, Ben	Miyake, Naoko	Shimizu, Mary
Bobrow, Mort	Isomura, Rikio	Miyamoto, Shoichi	Shimizu, Nobue
Chigusa, Suye	Iwami, Sachiko	Miyamoto, Shoichi	Shimokon, Masaru
De Silva, Krisanthi	Kakishita, Nagisa	Miyauchi, Etsuro	Shimokon, Mitsuma
Demise, James	Kakiuchi, Kayoko	Mori, Masumi	Shinbo, Hirokichi
Fujioka, Kenneth	Kakutani, Juzo	Moriguchi, Lovett	Sumida, Go-Ichi
Fujita, Atsushi	Kamikawa, Joe	Morinaga, Kumie	Sumida, John
Fukeda, Frank	Kamimae, Kimio	Moritani, Nobuichi	Sumita, Yoshiko
Funai, Hisako	Kano, Tom	Nagaishi, Chiseko	Susumi, Yuki
Furuta, Herb	Katayama, Takeo	Nagamatsu, Komatsu	Suzaka, John
Furuta, Hideyo	Kawaguchi, Masashi	Nakamura, Eitaro	Suzuki, Yoshiko
Gee, Tony SW	Kawahara, Frank	Nakamura, Suma	Takada, Yoshiyuki
Gosho, Tatsuo	Kawamoto, Mitsuo	Nakamura, Yoshiye	Takaishi, Seiji
Goto, Takashi	Kawamoto, Yuki	Nakano, Toshikatsu	Takehara, Tadashi
Gunasekara, Mrs. H.D.E.	Kawamura, Yoshiko	Nakashima, May	Tamai, Yoshitaka
Hada, Masaji	Kawasumi, Masuemon	Nishi, Eizo	Tamura, Suma
Hagimori, Kikue	Kawata, Hatsu	Nishi, Miyeko	Tanabe, Kameyo
Hama, Miya	Kihara, Saki	Nishimoto, Tsuruyo	Tanabe, Shigeo
Hamada, Hanako	Kimura, Mitsuyo	Nishimura, Ai	Tanigawa, Kame
Hamanaka, Joseph	Kitano, Kimi	Nishio, Mitsu	Taniguchi, Takeo
Hamasaki, Kiyo	Kobuki, Frank	Nomura, George	Taniguchi, Yohachi
Hara, Dick	Kobuki, James	Ohashi, Isa	Terada, Masato



SEPTEMBER SHOTSUKI HOYO

The September Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the Month of September

Harada, Hatsumi	Kodama, Namiji	Oiye, Shoji	Terada, Matsuko
Hata, Jimmy	Komura, James	Okada, Karoku	Tomoguchi, Tomoji
Hayashida, Nobuko	Kondo, Yuzuru	Okamura, Mumeyo	Toyaji, Kimie
Hibino, Bungo	Kosai, Masayoshi	Omura, George	Uchida, Akira
Higashi, Teru	Koyama, George	Ono, Takamura	Unno, Enryo
Hirai, Riyo	Koyano, Naohide	Osaki, Mary	Utsunomiya, Fumihisa
Honmyo, Marie	Kurokawa, Taro	Osako, Masami	Uyeda, Kiyomi
Horike, Tsuyoshi	Kuwahara, George	Painter, Hal	Watanabe, Yozo
Hoshino, Momo	Litz, John	Palmer, Noriko Goto	Yasui, Sachiko
Hynes, Morie	Locklear, Milo	Quasius, Chiyoko	Yorioka, Kengo
Idesaki, Katsusaga	Lu, Akiyo	Saito, Kay	Yoshida, Koma
Ideta, Yukiko	Masuda, Satoshi	Sakai, Hiroko	Yoshida, Mitsuji
Imamura, Fumiye			



MIND OF A MINISTER - EPISODE 9

Minds of Ministers is a casual, podcast-style conversation with Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki, Resident Minister of the Seattle Betsuin

[FIND US ON YOUTUBE](#)

[FIND US ON SPOTIFY](#)

AUGUST 2025 BETSUIN SCHEDULE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
SEPTEMBER 2025 SPECIAL EVENTS September 7 1st Day of Dharma School September 20 Salmon Bento Fundraiser September 21 Fall Ohigan Service					1	2
3 10 am ATOMIC BOMB VICTIMS' MEMORIAL SERVICE	4 <i>Rimban's day off</i>	5 4:15 pm Peace Bell Ringing for Hiroshima A-Bomb	6	7 1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service	8 7:02 pm Peace Bell Ringing for Nagasaki A-Bomb	9 9 am Seattle BT / White River BT / Tacoma BT Softball Tournament in Federal Way
10 10 am SUNDAY SERVICE 10:50 am Dharma Exchange Japanese Language Service	11 <i>Rimban's vacation</i>	12 <i>Rimban's vacation</i>	13 <i>Rimban's vacation</i>	14	15	16
17 10 am SUNDAY SERVICE 10:50 am Dharma Exchange Japanese Language Service	18 <i>Rimban's day off</i>	19	20	21 1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service 7 pm Betsuin Cabinet meeting	22	23
24 10 am SUNDAY SERVICE 10:50 am Dharma Exchange Japanese Language Service	25 <i>Rimban's day off</i> 8 pm Newsletter deadline	26	27 11 am Merrill Gardens Renton	28 7 pm Betsuin Board meeting	29	30
31 10 am BCA FOUNDING DAY SUNDAY SERVICE 10:50 am Dharma Exchange Japanese Language Service						To view all services, please visit http://www.youtube.com/seattlebuddhisttemple Please call ahead to make an appointment with the Seattle Betsuin office at 206-329-0800. Visits by appointment only.



PROVIDED BY THE
NORTHWEST
MINISTER'S
ASSOCIATION

**NORTHWEST
ONLINE
BUDDHIST
STUDY
SESSIONS**

English Dharma Dialogue by Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple

Topic: Learning Japanese Buddhist Technical Terms
Textbook: Cocktail

When: Second Tuesday of the Month

Time: 6:30 – 7:30 PM PST/PDT

Contact: rev.kusunoki@seattlebetsuin.org

Jodo Shinshu 101 by Tacoma Buddhist Temple

Topic: Various

When: Second Wednesday of the Month

Time: 6:00 – 7:00 PM PST/PDT

Contact: revtadaok@gmail.com

日本語話し合い法座 By Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple

Topic: 証巻を読んでみよう！

Textbook: 教行信証現代語版

When: Every Tuesday

Time: 9:30 – 10:30 AM PST/PDT

Contact: seattlebetsuin.nihongo@gmail.com

All participating temples
are a part of the Buddhist
Churches of America.

All classes are free, but
donations are appreciated
to the respective temple.

All study sessions use
Zoom.

This flyer is up to date as
of February 2025.

SEATTLE BUDDHIST
CHURCH 1427 S
MAIN STREET
SEATTLE, WA 98144

2025 AUGUST
WHEEL OF THE
SANGHA
A MONTHLY
NEWSLETTER OF
SEATTLE BUDDHIST
CHURCH

EVERYDAY BUDDHIST:
[HTTPS://WWW.EVERYDAYBUDDHIST.ORG](https://www.everydaybuddhist.org)

**BCA EVENTS Buddhist
Churches of America
Buddhism | Buddhist
Churches Of America**



**seattle betsuin’s
meditation is on Zoom
only. Email: newsletter@seattlebetsuin.com for the
link**

**2025 SEATTLE BETSUIN SUNDAY SERVICES
and DX (Dharma Exchange)**

- August 3 Atomic Bomb Victims’ Memorial Service**
- August 10 Sunday Service
Dharma Exchange
Japanese Language Service in dining room**
- August 17 Sunday Service
Dharma Exchange
Japanese Language Service in dining
room**
- August 24 Sunday Service
Dharma Exchange
Japanese Language Service in dining
room**
- August 31 BCA Founding Day Sunday Service
Dharma Exchange
Japanese Language Service in dining room**

**DHARMA EXCHANGE
AFTER SERVICE
11:00 AM IN-PERSON**

5-Minute
Dharma
Message



DIAL THE DHARMA PODCAST

Available in English | 日本語 | Español

**CHANT ALONG WITH MINISTERS TO AUDIO OF SUTRA
CHANTING BY CLICKING CHANTING | BCA
(BUDDHISTCHURCHESOFAMERICA.ORG)**



**PERSONAL SERVICES PERSONAL SERVICES - SEATTLE
BETSUIN BUDDHIST TEMPLE
[HTTPS://SEATTLEBETSUIN.ORG/SERVICES/](https://seattlebetsuin.org/services/) “FOR FAMILIES”
•MEMORIAL SERVICES •WEDDING CEREMONIES •HOME &
HOSPITAL VISITS •FUNERALS & PILLOW SERVICES**

**CONTACT US
SEATTLE BETSUIN
BUDDHIST TEMPLE
1427 S MAIN STREET
SEATTLE, WA 98144
PHONE: 206. 329.0800
FAX: (206) 329-3703
OFFICE @SEATTLEBETSUIN.ORG
WWW.SEATTLEBETSUIN.ORG**

**OFFICE HOURS:
10:00AM-3:00PM
CALL FOR RECORDED
UPDATES AND FOR
EMERGENCIES

MINISTER 24 HOURS
206.329-0800 EXT. 2
REV KATSUYA KUSUNOKI,
RIMBAN**

**WHEEL OF THE SANGHA EDITORS
MIDORI TAKAGI, ENGLISH:
NEWSLETTER@
SEATTLEBETSUIN.ORG
MACHIKO WADA, JAPANESE
DEADLINE VARIES - USUALLY 4TH
MONDAY EACH MONTH AT
8:00 PM**