

Account of A-Bomb by Kiyoko Nakanishi

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.” Kiyoko Nakanishi was aged 4 at the A-bombing. An interview with Kiyoko Nakanishi and the Seattle Hiroshima Club can be viewed here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iBzvAqjAYB0>

On August 6th, 1945, my elder sister came back home to get something, I was standing under the eaves. I can't remember why I was there. After the A-bombing, my body was soaked with something like oil, according to my mother. I don't know if it was oil or so-called “black rain.” According to my memory, all the walls of my house were blown out, and only the flames were left. I remember my grandpa picked cigarettes found on the ground. Soon after that, we were afraid of the approaching fire, and decided to evacuate to the bamboo grove, which was a ten-minute walk from our house. On the way, a lot of debris were scattered such as tiles, wood and glass. It was very hard to walk. My mother made pumpkin rice that morning. We took it to the bamboo grove. When we slept on the bamboo grove, I remember that I felt pain because the bamboo stubble stuck in our bodies. I don't remember what kind of shoes I put on. I only remember we walked on the very bumpy road.

My house was burnt down and wasn't rebuilt at that time because my father was not with us. Right after the A-bombing, we moved to the hometown of my father's brother-in-law where was in Minochi in Yuiki-cho. After moving there, my younger sister and I suffered from a disease, something like children's dysentery. And we lost our hair according to my mother. It must be side effects of the



A shirt donated by Toyoko Matsumiya in 2012 to the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum still shows stains from the black rain radioactive fallout from the atomic bombing Aug. 6, 1945.

<https://www.japantimes.co.jp/news/2018/08/06/national/history/black-rain-radiation-1945-hiroshima-bombing-can-still-detected-survivors-shirt-study/>

radiation. We were hospitalized for almost one month. Then, we stayed at the uncle's house until my father came back from the military. My mother had a really tough time to get food for us.

After my father came back, we could no longer stay at the uncle's house, so we came back to the place where our house was. We could not afford to build a new house. My father brought a bus from somewhere and slept in the bus for a while. . In the meantime, my father came up with the money and rebuilt a house little by little. We lived in the bus for quite a while. After the A-bombing, we had food distribution at a bank in *Yokogawa*. A-bomb victims went



“Hair Loss Effect Atomic Bomb” in *A Tale of Two Cities: Hiroshima and Nagasaki*, (Photo from: <https://melaimagpantay.wordpress.com/2012/11/30/a-tale-of-two-cities-hiroshima-and-nagasaki/hair-loss-effect-atomic-bomb/>)

Kusunoki, continued

went there to get food. When I went there, the white wall of the bank turned black. It was not because it was burned, but because of flies. When somebody came close to the wall, it turned white. Flies gathered all over the wall. When I came across the wall, the flies went away, and the wall became white again. Flies bred as such. When we got injured, the injury crawled with maggots. I remember the skins of A-bomb victims were like tattered clothes hanging from their arms. Their skins were burnt and hung. It was an inferno.



“Matsumura Kazuo, 32 years old in August 1945,” (Image from MIT Visualizing Cultures, Ground Zero 1945,

https://visualizingcultures.mit.edu/groundzero1945/gz_essay04.html

I entered Oshiba elementary school, which was several blocks away from my house. There was food distribution from the U.S. to our school like a cup of raisins to each of us. We had classes outside. Because there were not enough classrooms for everybody, we used them in turns. We got raisins, and also compact sewing kits. They gave us such things. We cultivated the school yard and planted potatoes or so. Sometimes we found human bones buried in the school yard. Because many people were killed by the A-bomb, their bodies were cremated at the corner of the school yard. So I remember the smell. When I was an elementary school student, human bones were found buried in the school yard. It was horrific.

Our life didn't get better. I was poor because of the A-bomb.

We shared the tools for calligraphy or painting with my siblings because we could not afford to buy them for each of us. We did not live comfortably. Then, I went to Nakahiro junior high school in Yokogawa. Our life had improved a little bit. However, if others knew I was an A-bomb survivor, they looked at me weirdly. Even in Hiroshima, because not everyone in Hiroshima was a victim of the A-bomb. So, I never told to anybody that I was an A-bomb survivor. I felt very bad about it. There was discrimination against the A-bomb survivors. It was said in Japan if A-bomb survivors married, their children would be disabled. So, I never mentioned about the A-bomb then. (The researchers proved that radiation has no influence over the survivors' offspring.)

Because I experienced the A-bomb, I don't want my children or grandchildren to have the same suffering as I had. I hope for a world free from war.

October Chair's Letter

By Tyler Moriguchi



As we enter November, talk turns to the end of the year and the new year

to come. This has been an eventful year for the temple, reconstruction is nearing completion, and we hope to open completely in early 2026.

The end of the year is often a time of charitable donations. If you are in a position to do so, please consider the Seattle Betsuin in your end-of-year giving. Besides monetary donations, the temple would be grateful to be considered in your estate planning, such as IRA required minimum distributions, stock donations, or naming the Seattle Betsuin as the beneficiary of an insurance policy.

For more than a century, the Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple has been a place of refuge, reflection, and connection — a spiritual home where generations have come together to listen to the Dharma, celebrate traditions, and support one another in community. By including the Temple in your estate plans, you help ensure that this legacy of compassion and wisdom continues to flourish for future generations. Your planned gift sustains our ability to share the teachings of the Buddha, preserve our temple's history, and nurture the Sangha for years to come. If you have already included the Seattle Buddhist Temple in your plans, please let us know so we can honor your kindness and commitment to its enduring future.

If you have questions or would like to arrange a planned gift, please contact the temple office at office@seattlebetsuin.org.

In Gratitude,

Tyler Moriguchi



Musical Notes

Submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi

It's autumn in Seattle, but don't let the cooler weather and rain get you down. We are excited to offer the Autumn Music Service on November 23 featuring Rev.



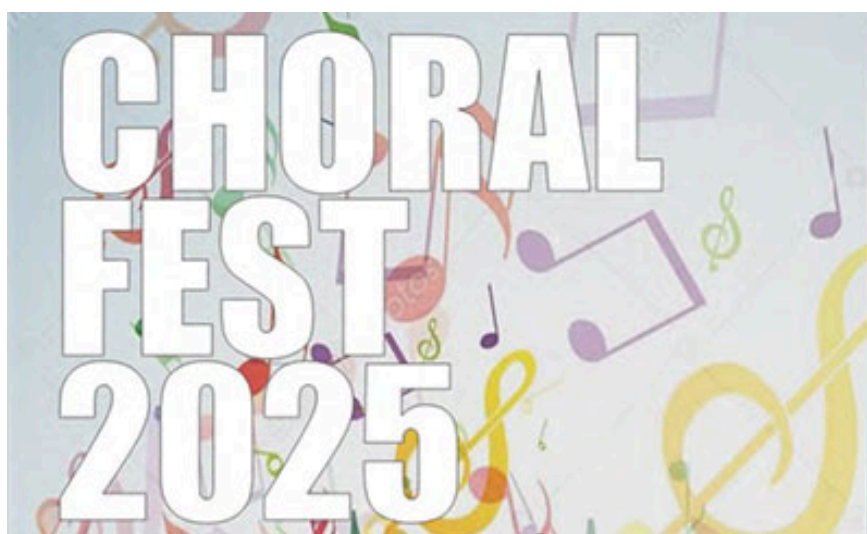
Peter Hata as the guest speaker and the Saturday afternoon, November 22 seminar. Registration is free for youth 18 and under and don't forget to invite your friends and family nearby or from afar for the hybrid format of Connecting the World Through Music: How Astronaut and Musician Sarah Gillis Brought Together Youth Orchestras From Around the World...While in Orbit Hundreds of Miles Above the Earth. Share the website registration link:

<https://seattlebetsuin.org/event/connecting-the-world-through-music/>



Reverend Peter Hata, Jazz Musician and Music Professor

We will also have temple musicians presenting the gathas for the Autumn Music Service, so please encourage your friends and family join, ideally in-person but also on the YouTube live-stream.



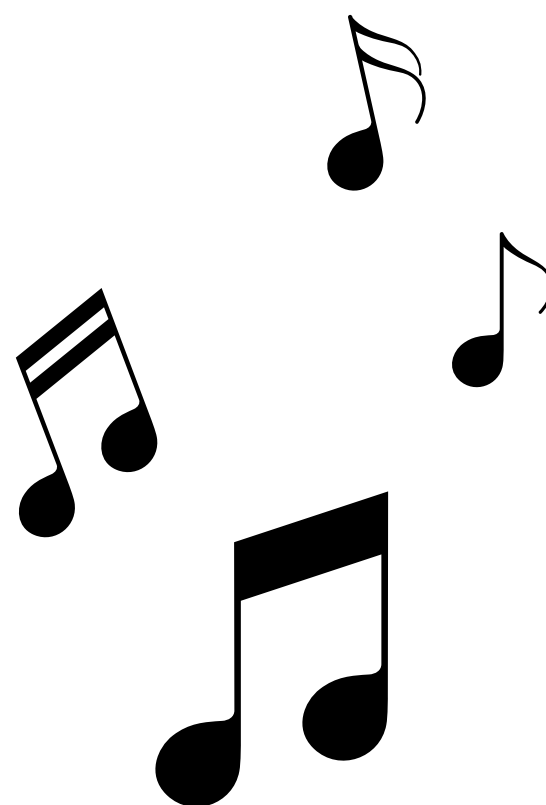
The videorecording of the Choralfest 2025 in Honolulu from September 21 is now available on the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii YouTube channel if you missed the Zoom option. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WgzYzp9xcpk&t=971s>

Look for articles in the upcoming issues of the BCA Music Newsletter on the Choralfest and in the BCA Wheel of Dharma on the Gagaku retreat at Senshin Buddhist Temple in August.

Many at Seattle Betsuin recognized Edythe Vassall, who used to work for BCA in Berkeley and then relocated to Hilo, Hawaii. How wonderful that Edythe was willing to lead the sangha in singing "A Special Place" for the service on October 26! We welcome Edythe to support our temple music while she is temporarily residing in Seattle until the next phase of her life journey.



Please mark your calendars for the Autumn Music Service on November 23 featuring Rev. Peter Hata as the guest speaker. Rev. Hata, now retired from his most recent post at Los Angeles Higashi Honganji, is the original guitarist for the Southern California-based band Hiroshima. He has selected a special topic for a Saturday afternoon seminar on November 22 as well. See flyer for details on Connecting the World Through Music: How Astronaut and Musician Sarah Gillis Brought Together Youth Orchestras From Around the World...While in Orbit Hundreds of Miles Above the Earth.



Sunday Service and Sunday

Dharma Exchange Notes

Submitted by Irene Goto

Sunday Services take place each Sunday at 10:00AM in person in the temple's gym. To view the service remotely, live-streamed, sign-up for Seattle Betsuin's weekly e-news (newsletter) at www.SeattleBetsuin.org and receive the live-stream link and other news via e-mail.

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

Recorded Sunday Dharma Messages, and occasional Dharma Exchanges, are available at

www.youtube.com/SeattleBuddhistTemple



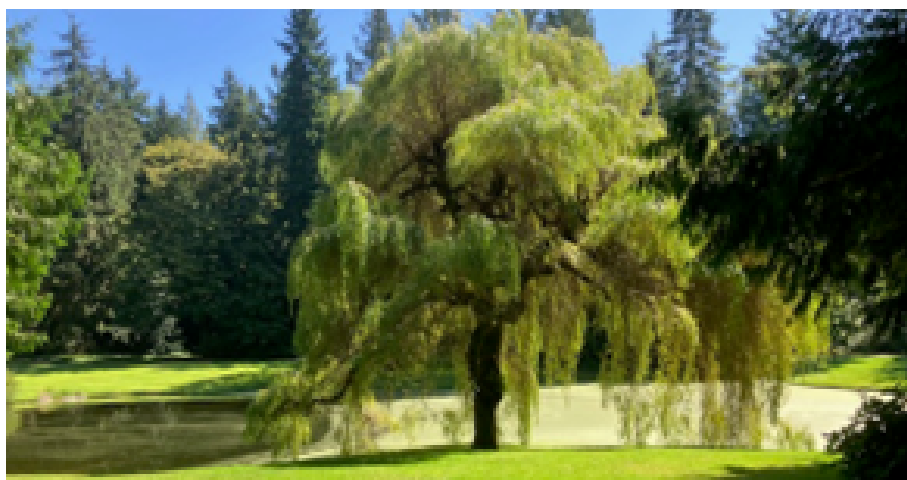
September 28, 2025

Dharma Message [Fearing the Wind: A Jātaka Tale](#) | [Dharma Message](#) | [Reverend Irene Goto](#) | [2025-09-28 - YouTube](#)



Irene Goto on September 28

Dharma Exchange After Sunday Service and coffee/tea social, Minister's Assistant Leonora Clarke described how she finds peace in these turbulent and uncertain times. She visits Bloedel Reserve on Bainbridge Island, WA, and sits amid the outdoor sanctuary there. She asked others where their peace lies. Answers included: "in the faces and smiles of their children", "in tending their backyard garden", "in visiting Bellevue Botanical Gardens".



www.bloedelreserve.org. Photo by Leonora Clarke

October 5, 2025

[Dharma Message Renewal: Jodo Shinshu for Today](#) | [MA Alex Sakamoto](#) | [2025-10-05](#)



Minister's Assistant Alex Sakamoto on October 5



Grace Tazuma and Gary Shibata at Oct 5 Dharma Exchange



Dharma Exchange Grace Tazuma and Gary Shibata shared slides showing the history of the arson restoration project from January 2, 2024, the date of the second and worst fire, to the present date. They started by saying that everything in the Hondo and Memorial Hall was affected by smoke and soot.

Leanne Nishi-Wong headed the remediation phase which included removal of ozone, asbestos and lead, and preservation of archives. This lasted from January 2024 to September 2024. An ice blaster was used in the basement to help deodorize the garage.

Grace and Gary have been leading the restoration phase which has involved, among other things, updated wiring to bring electrical to code, structural and seismic reinforcement work, painting, insulation, and flooring, as well as new security features and audiovisual equipment.

Grace and Gary thanked Alan Hoshino for his electrical and mechanical support, Leanne Nishi-Wong for her remediation work, Alex Sakamoto for his work on the AV updates, and the many volunteers who stepped in to paint, move furniture, load and unload objects going to and coming from Japan and made it possible today to be anticipating a grand opening in the spring.

Sunday Service and Sunday Dharma Exchange Notes Continued



October 12, 2025

Dharma Message [The Power of Community](#) | [Dharma Message](#) | [Reverend Matt May](#) | [2025-10-12](#)



Reverend May on October 12

Dharma Exchange Rev Matt asked the sangha to reach out and get to know someone that they did not know. Lively discussions ensued without interruption until 11:30 when Rev Matt announced the end of the session. Parents left to pick up their children from Dharma School downstairs.

October 19, 2025

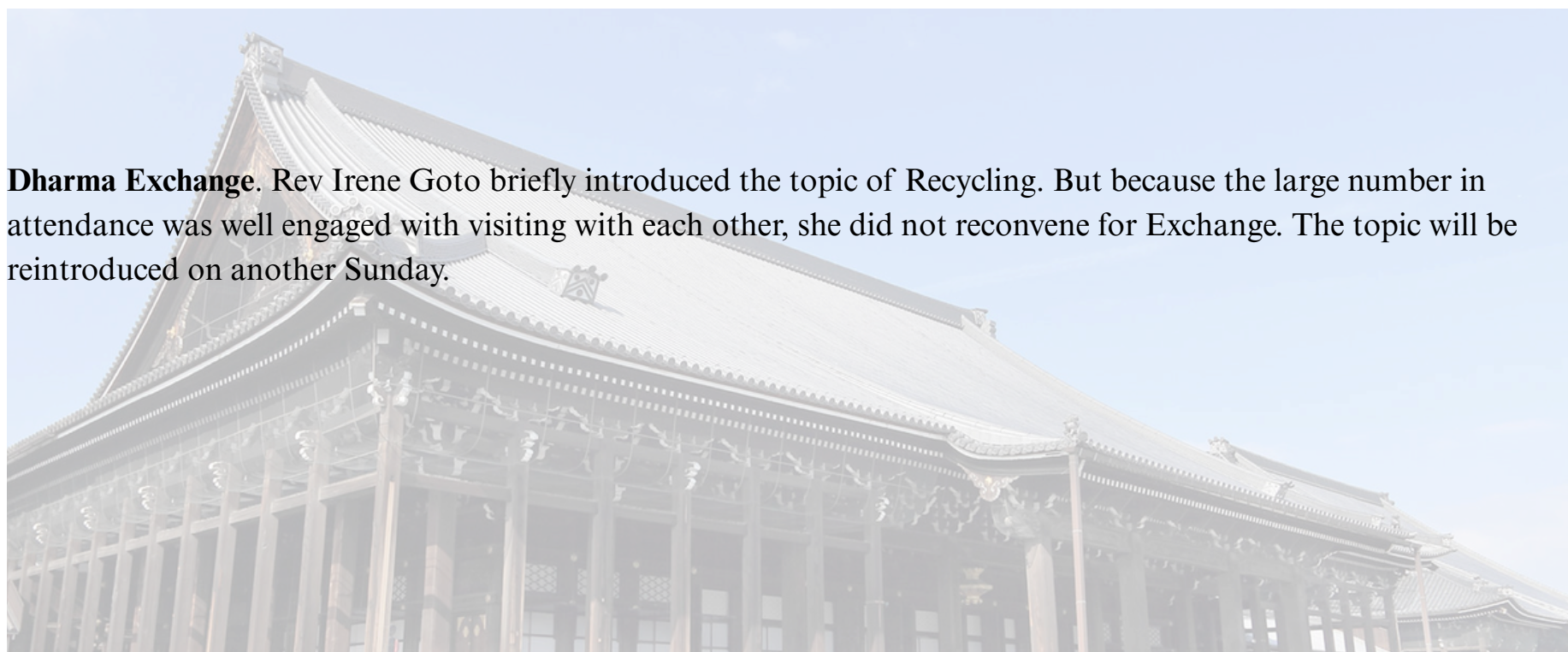
Sunday Service and Dharma Message [SEATTLE BETSUIN SUNDAY SERVICE](#) | [2025-10-19](#) Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Women's Association Annual Memorial Service



At left is Reverend Rimban Katsuya Kusunoki delivering the Dharma Message. He related his family's visit to family cemeteries in Japan on his recent visit there and the deep meaning of those visits. At right is one of the photos of past SBBWA members that were shown during service.



Dharma Exchange. Rev Irene Goto briefly introduced the topic of Recycling. But because the large number in attendance was well engaged with visiting with each other, she did not reconvene for Exchange. The topic will be reintroduced on another Sunday.



Sunday Service and Sunday Dharma Exchange Notes Continued

October 26, 2025
Sunday Service and Dharma Message [SEATTLE BETSUIN SUNDAY SERVICE | 2025-10-26](#) on Interdependence



Rev. Kusunoki on October 26



Storytelling during set-up of Table-or-Treat

Dharma Exchange
Table-or-Treat/Halloween Party with Pumpkin Carving Contest was hosted by Dharma School, Camp Fire, Scouts and many others in the gym. Chili/Rice Bento and Apple Crisp dessert were provided in addition to the tables of treats and games – no Tricks!



Some 100 youth and adults of all ages interacted at Table-or-Treat/Halloween Party



Kamakura Daibutsu. Photo by <https://blog.japanwondertravel.com/the-best-buddhist-temples-in-japan-21538>

Dharma School News

Submitted by Joan Nakano



The Dharma School has celebrated the fall season with two lunch fundraisers to ease the cost of students attending convention. The middle school students got a science lesson on osmosis when they squeezed the takuan! Our annual Halloween party was successful as usual with kids in costumes and candy. SBBWA ran the bobbing for doughnuts game, and Sensei's table broke with sweet tradition so the kids could enjoy salty sembei as well!

Gassho, Claire and Yvette



Temple Clean-up

Sunday, November 2, 2025 at 10:50 AM

No after service programs

Please bring work gloves, rags, Swiffer cloths and cleaning supplies.

A snack will be provided at 11:30 am in the gym.

SBBWA

Submitted by Susie Yamane

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.

Fall is a busy time for our SBBWA members! We truly appreciate all the time and energy our members give to our temple. We participated in many events over the month.



On September 27th, temple members got a chance to see the Mariners vs Dodgers game and hoping for a glimpse of Shohei Ohtani! Many SBBWA members attended too! Unfortunately, Shohei didn’t play, but we still had lots of fun! Thank you, Kemi N, for getting us great seats!



SBBWA continued

Submitted by Susie Yamane



On September 28th, our dedicated SBBWA Board of Directors members came together with delicious lunch goodies before our monthly meeting. Many important topics were discussed and the social gathering along with the always amazing food made for a nice break.



SBBWA continued

Submitted by Susie Yamane

Our SBBWA members continue to come through with their kitchen skills to help with tsukemono making for the temple's Salmon Bento Fundraiser. Along with other members, 20 huge heads of cabbage were carefully sliced and prepped. Thank you to Shiz K, Susie Y, and Ileene T for the extra work throughout the week.



SBBWA's Food Committee oversaw ohagi making for the Salmon Bento Fundraiser as well as for the next day's Ohigan service, where we offered all attendees ohagi after service. We made over 400 ohagi for the temple fundraiser and another 100+ for Ohigan service. Thank you to Gail S and Ann H for taking the lead and organizing this early morning, multi day task!



SBBWA continued

Submitted by Susie Yamane

And of course, SBBWA members helped along with the rest of the sangha to plate and bag the Salmon Bentos, corn, and desserts! Kusunoki Sensei is always around to help too!



SBBWA finishes October with our Annual Memorial Service where we honor almost 850 past members and recognize the many contributions they provided to the temple. Since the pandemic (2020-2025), we have lost 46 members and wanted to pay special tribute to them during this service. Long time member, Ritsuko K offered incense as our SBBWA representative.



SBBWA continued

Submitted by Susie Yamane

On final activity at our temple was the annual “Trunk or Treat” event put on by Dharma School. Because of weather issues, it was moved indoors and called “Table or Treat”. SBBWA set up a Pokémon inspired table and offered a donut game. Thank you to Erin T and Vic Y for their help! Also a big thank you to Ron H, Marie, KL and Joan N for the delicious lunch of chili frank rice bowls and apple crisp! There were many tables of activities with Kusunoki Sensei including his table about his dharma talk on the two headed bird and playing “jan-ken-po”. It was a hit!



SBBWA continued

Submitted by Susie Yamane



SEATTLE BETSUIN BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Submitted by Ann Oxrieder



October 23, 2025

Topics covered include:



The Arson Restauration Project will receive an award this month from the Association of King County Historical Organizations



The formation of two new committees and a request for help. First is a short-term task force to study options and make a recommendation for purchasing a Customer Relationship Management (CRM) program to help us track donors and manage membership information. The second committee involves a longer-term commitment to planning fundraising programs that will support daily operation expenses as well as major capital projects. People interested in helping with either of these projects should contact Tyler (chairperson@seattlebetsuin.org).



The budget information for 2026 with a board vote planned for the November meeting

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

TROOP 252 UPDATE

Submitted by Mark Henley

Article by Jasper H.



In the month of October, Troop 252 scouts participated in a variety of activities that helped them learn new skills, bond as a troop, and enjoy the outdoors—even when the weather didn’t cooperate.

One of the highlights was working towards the Railroading Merit Badge. Under the guidance of Mr. Ketcherside, our dedicated merit badge counselor, the scouts learned about the history and importance of railroads, as well as how they operate today. To make the experience hands-on, we took the streetcar from near the Temple to King Street Station. The picture below is Troop 252 scouts at King Street Station. Riding the streetcar was a fun way to see public transportation in action and appreciate the engineering behind it. After our journey, the troop enjoyed some delicious bubble tea together, which was a great way to relax.

Later in the month, we went camping at the Temple’s North Bend property. Despite the rainy, cold, and windy conditions, we were able to have a fun time. Setting up camp in challenging weather was a valuable learning experience, and everyone appreciated having a warm fire to gather around! Scouts practiced their outdoor skills, including fire building, tent setup, and cooking.





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.





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, and even our book club).



Eric Ashihara, Clara Beard, Katherine Brownlee, David Gibbs & Tara Tamarabuchi, Ann Hasegawa, Pam Horn, Alan & Lori Hoshino, Yaeko Ito, Brady Kameshige, Rick Kawaguchi, Frank Kiuchi, Evan Ko, David Lee & Dianne Kosai-Lee, Krista Lee, Howard Luke & Marie Kosai-Luke, Janay Luke, Bryce Matsuda, Matt & Rosalie May, Yukio & Karen Morikubo, Corey & Claire Murata, Kiyoko Nakanishi, Nori Nakamura, Tokuzo & Mari Okumura, Troy Parke & Terada, Gerald Quintua, Angela Sanchez, Kengo Sakamoto, Zach Semke & Ann Ishimaru, Neil Snyder & Lisa Lindstrom, Naomi Takemura, Ileene Tanabe, Lori Tanaka, Michael & Gail Teramoto, Don & Amy Tokunaga, Paul & Mabel Tomita, Brandt Tosaya, Gary & Julianne Tosaya, Kiana Tsang, Henry & Christine Watanabe, Harry Yoshimura, Mark Yuasa

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

Our 2025 sustaining membership count has been sent to the BCA. ‘WITH PALMS TOGETHER IN GASSHO’, the Committee would like to express our deepest gratitude to those who contributed the suggested membership dues (or more) for this year.

We would like to ‘WELCOME’ Brady Kameshige and Frank Kiuchi as new members to our Sangha.



Thank you for volunteering!

October Sunday Service

Thank you to Matsuri Taiko, Jr. YBA, SBBWA and Dharma School for preparing coffee, tea and treats for after-service refreshments.

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Thank you to Joan Nakano, Steph Ojima, Shiz Kaku for helping with the Betsuin Anniversary/Eitaikyo/Muen Hoyo mailing.

Thank you to Gary Shibata, Henry Watanabe, Craig Nakashima, Dennis Shibata, Corey Murata and Steve Kubota for having maintenance work parties on October 4th and 25th to complete various projects in and around the temple.

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 September - October 2025

Funeral/Memorial/Nokotsudo	Given by:
Rikuko Tanaka - Graveside Service	Estate of Rikuko Tanaka
Nokotsudo	Bruce Brundige & Grace Tazuma
In Memory Of:	Given by:
Jordan Aisaka	Steven Aisaka
Masako Kubo	June Kubo, Kevin & Kari Ann Yokoyama
Hiro Miyahara & Kiyo Miyahara	Brad & Gayle Miyake
Toshio Ohara – 1 st year memorial	Kevin & Kari Ann Yokoyama
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Anonymous	General Donation
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Special Services

Fall Ohigan

Given by

Anonymous, Lauren Asaba, Janet Baba, Janice Deguchi, Aiko Fujii, Suzanne Fujinari, Ron Hamakawa, Yoko Hamanaka, Reiko Hara, Jamie Huh, Yaeko Ito, Dale & Shizue Kaku, Gail Kaminishi, Tetsuden & Kanako Kashima, Ann Kashiwa, Ritsuko Kawahara, Ileene Kawahara-Tanabe, Marc & Janice Keltner, Jeffrey Ko & Tina Zumoto-Ko, M. Carolyn Kunihiro, Wayne Kuramoto, Irene Mano, Sibyl Mar, Brian McKinney & Susan Taketa, Sheri Mizumori, Ernest and Sanaye Nagai, Yoshio & Judith Nakamura, Kiyoko Nakanishi, Joan Nakano, Junko Nakano, Tsukasa & Keiko Namekata, Mabel Nishizaki, Barry & Marlene Okada, Dean O'Shields, Patricia Oye, Connie Ozeki-Chinn, Pauline Sakuma, Robert Seko, Dennis Shibata, Roy & Kazumi Shimizu, Sato & Darlene Shimizu, Frances Shintaku, Esther Sugai, Masaru & Anna Tahara, Sonoe Taketa, Masao & Frances Tamekuni, Kevin Tanemura, Peggy Tanemura, Grace Tazuma, Miyoko Tazuma, Calvin & Yvette Terada, Ronald & Suzuko Terada, Margaret Teramoto, Nina Tomita-Kato, Sam & Masako Uchida, Sam Umeda, Machiko Wada, Keiko Watanabe, Kate Wehr, Rick Wong & Leanne Nishi-Wong, Akiko Yabuki, Dennis Yamashita & Elaine Aoki, Kevin & Kari Ann Yokoyama, James & Tomiko Zumoto



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Gotan-e:	Ileene Kawahara-Tanabe, Dennis Yamashita & Elaine Aoki
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Hoonko:	Ileene Kawahara-Tanabe, Dennis Yamashita & Elaine Aoki
New Year's Eve & Day	Ileene Kawahara-Tanabe
Spring Ohigan	Ileene Kawahara-Tanabe, Dennis Yamashita & Elaine Aoki

Additional donations will be listed in subsequent Newsletter editions.





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



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Iseri, Isamu
Isomura, Kiyou
Isomura, Nobuo
Isomura, Toshiko

Morimoto, Denichi
Morimoto, Nobu
Morimoto, Ruth
Morishima, Toshio

Suzuki, Yahachi
Tabusa, Matsuyo
Taguchi, Miho
Takahashi, Minosaku

Yoshinaka, Hanako
Yoshino, Lillian
Yukawa, Shizuye



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Aoki, Takao
Aoyama, Yoshiko
Araki, Nisaku
Asai, Daisaku
Bovee, June
Chen, Frank
Deguchi, Seiichi
Ding, Joyce
Dodobara, Yoshie
Doi, Mary
Donchak, Kimiko
Fujihira, Teruko
Fujioka, Takeno
Fujishima, Sono
Fujita, Brian
Fujita, Tomiko
Furuta, Sumiko
Furuta, Yoshio
Hale, Don
Hamano, Gladys
Hamasaki, Harry
Harada, Kameichi
Harada, Roger
Harrison, Roy
Hata, Cheryl
Hibino, Haruko

Kato, Tony
Kawafune, Hisami
Kawahara, Masao
Kawasaki, Meriko
Kawasaki, Yoshiko
Kido, Tom
Kikuchi, Mitsuyoshi
Kinomoto, Yutaka
Kobuki, Haruko
Kogita, Kaylin
Kokita, Kaoru
Komoto, Amie
Komoto, Kimiyo
Komura, Elizabeth 'Betty'
Kondo, Miyoko
Koura, Arthur
Koura, Florence
Kuramoto, Masayo
Kyono, Motoji
Maekawa, Shojiro
Mano, Akira
Maruhashi, Mary
Masuda, Kika
Masuda, Rose
Matsuda, Misu
Matsui, Takashi

Nakamura, Lucile
Nakamura, Ruby
Nakamura, Sakae
Nakata, Hanako
Nakatani, Roy
Nakauye, Uichiro
Nishimoto, Hideko
Nishimura, Haruko
Nose, James
Oba, George
Obata, Henry
Okada, Bart
Okada, Fumiko
Okada, Yoshito
Oki, Shizuno
Ono, Koshun
Ono, Shigeru
Ono, Wayne
Osaki, Aiki
Otsuji, Nobuko
Ozaki, Luisa
Ozeki, Kikuo
Saito, Yasu
Sakaguchi, Takeshi
Sakai, Nobuyo
Sakamoto, Kiyo

Suyematsu, Toshio
Tachiyama, Misayo
Takahashi, Masao
Takano, Komaji
Takenaga, Misao
Tamada, Junichi
Tani, Shigemi
Tanigawa, Frank
Taniguchi, Saye
Taniguchi, Theodore
Taniguchi, Toshio
Tanji, Shizuko
Tomoguchi, Ayako
Tosaya, Kazuko
Tsubouchi, Kinko
Tsuchida, Florence
Tsuchida, Vicki
Tsukamaki, Kanichi
Tsutsumi, Tamotsu
Utsunomiya, Setsuko
Uyeda, Henry
Uyeda, Paul
Uyeda, Toshie
Uyeda, Ryu
Wakayama, Helen
Watanabe, Eitaro



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Hirasawa, Walter	Matsumura, Sue	Sakamoto, Noboru	Watanabe, George
Horikoshi, Fusano	Miura, Yoshio	Sako, Sawayo	Watanabe, Ihei
Huynh, Thai	Miyamoto, Fusako	Sapp, Madelyn	Watanabe, Shiro
Ideta, Akio	Miyata, Mikiko	Shibata, Fusaye	Watanabe, Yoshiye
Imanishi, Shigeko	Miyatake, Robert/Steven	Shigaya, Harry	Yamaguchi, Tomi
Inouye, Isamu	Miyoshi, Yoshitaro	Shigaya, Ken	Yamamoto, Christopher
Ishii, Setsunosuke	Mizuhara, Kiyoshi	Shigeno, Kimi	Yamamoto, George
Iwamoto, Yoshito	Mizumori, George	Shimizu, Sengo	Yamamoto, Noe
Izumi, Norio	Mizumoto, Choichi	Shinsato, Yoshinori	Yamane, Amy
Jinda, Iyo	Mori, Aiko	Shiota, Yoshio	Yamane, Kōzō
Jinguji, Masayo	Mori, Takao	Simpson, Nellie	Yamane, Toku
Kajiwara, Tadashi	Moriguchi, Akira	Suda, Sumiko	Yamashita, Goroku
Kaneta, Miyoko	Morita, Mary	Suetsugu, Wayne	Yamauchi, Betty
Kano, Masuko	Moriya, Kenji	Sugita, Reiko	Yasuda, Satoshi
Kashima, Yoshiko	Moriya, Mary	Sumida, Florence	Yasui, Sumi
Kashiwa, Herbert	Murakami, Jeff	Sumida, Koichi	Yokota, Tatsue
Katayama, Chikuji	Nabeshima, Yoshikuni	Sumimoto, Shizuyo	Yoshida, Kiyoko
Katayama, Mary	Naganawa, Yei	Sumita, Sam	Yoshida, Umeno
Kato, Mie	Nakagawa, Hanako	Sunohara, Hiroko	Yuki, Koma
Kato, Shigeo			



NOVEMBER 2025 BETSUIN CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
DECEMBER 2025 SPECIAL EVENTS December 7 Bodhi Day Service December 31 Joya-e (New Year's Eve Service)						1
2 10 am SUNDAY SERVICE 10:50 am TEMPLE CLEAN-UP	3 <i>Rimban's day off</i>	4 9:30 am Japanese Dharma Discussion on Zoom	5	6 1:30 pm Nikkai Manor Service	7	8 10 am Gagaku practice
9 10 am BETSUIN ANNIVERSARY & EITAIKYO & MUEN HOYO SERVICE 10:50 am Dharma Exchange Japanese Language Service Dharma School	10 <i>Rimban's day off</i>	11 VETERANS DAY <i>Observed</i> <i>Office Closed</i>	12	13	14	15
16 10 am SUNDAY SERVICE 10:50 am Dharma Exchange Japanese Language Service Dharma School	17 <i>Rimban's day off</i>	18 9:30 am Japanese Dharma Discussion on Zoom 6:30 pm Evening Study Session on Zoom	19 11 am Merrill Gardens Renton	20 1:30 pm Nikkai Manor Service 7 pm Betsuin Cabinet meeting	21 12 pm Gojikai meeting	22 1:30 pm Connecting the World through Music Seminar with Rev. Peter Hata
23 10 am AUTUMN FAMILY MUSIC SUNDAY SERVICE 10:50 am Combined Dharma Exchange & Japanese Language Service Dharma School	24 <i>Rimban's day off</i> 8 pm Newsletter deadline	25 9:30 am Japanese Dharma Discussion on Zoom	26 11 am Merrill Gardens Renton	27 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> <i>Office closed</i> 7 pm Betsuin Board meeting	28 <i>Office closed</i>	29
30 10 am SUNDAY SERVICE 10:50 am Dharma Exchange Japanese Language Service Dharma School						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.

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Rev. Peter Hata

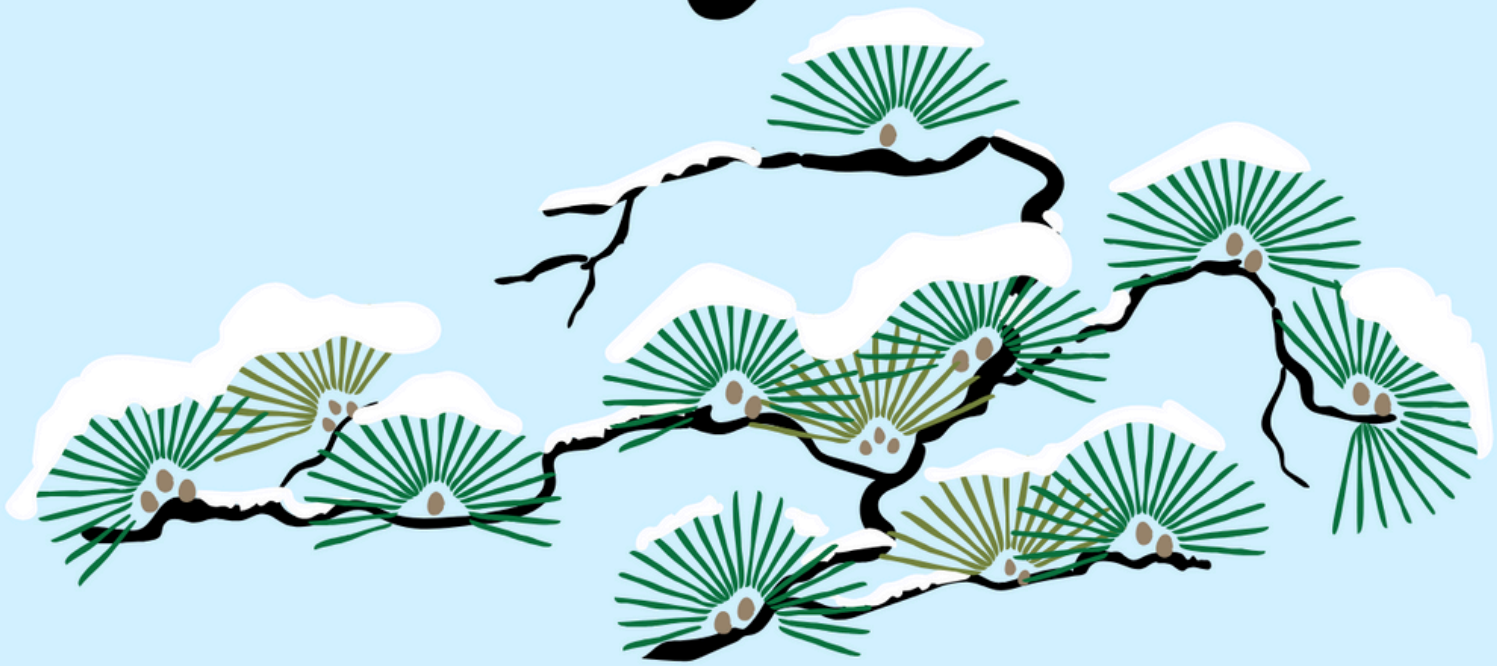
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and DX (Dharma Exchange)

Nov 2

Sunday Service
Temple Cleanup

Nov 9

Betsuin anniversary & Eitaikyo and Muen Hoyo Service
Dharma Exchange
Japanese Language Service

Nov 16

Sunday Service
Dharma Exchange
Japanese Language Service
Dharma School

Nov 23

Autumn Family Music Sunday Service
Combined Dharma Exchange & Japanese Language
Service
Dharma School

Nov 30

Sunday Service
Dharma Exchange
Japanese Language Service
Dharma School

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AFTER SERVICE
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5-Minute
Dharma
Message

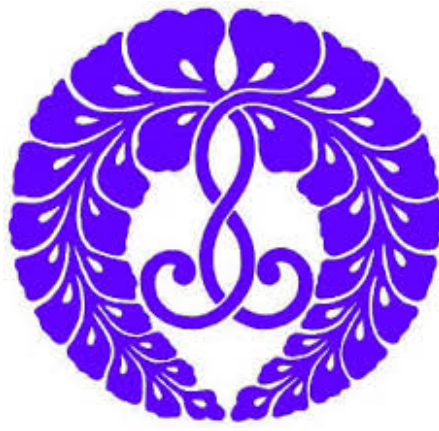




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