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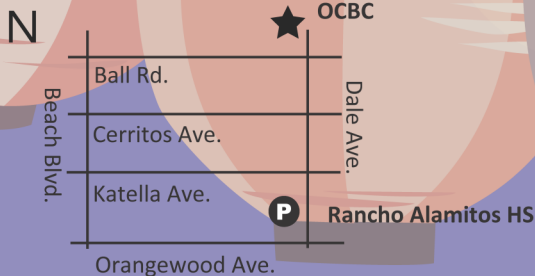
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17th World Buddhist Women's Convention
Life of Nembutsu enables us to appreciate every encounter -

During the last Japan trip, twenty-two OCBWA members and friends attended the 17th World Buddhist Women's



Convention (WBWC) on May 11th and 12th in Kyoto. There were about 2,500 Shin Buddhist women from all over Japan and overseas from North America, Canada, Hawaii, and Brazil, attending this important meeting held once every four years like the Olympics. The theme was "Life of Nembutsu enables us to appreciate every encounter."

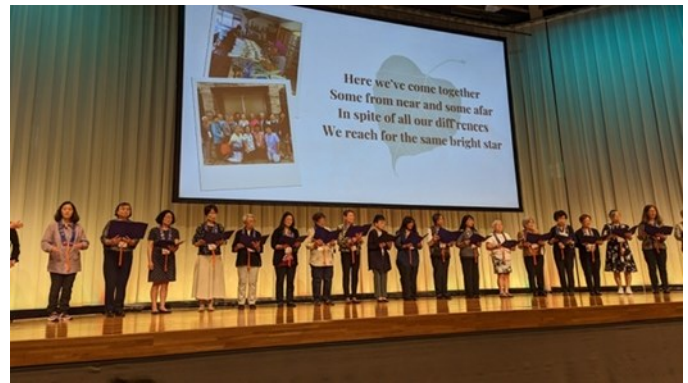
Mrs. Ruzumi Ohtani, the wife of the current Gomonsu-sama, who is the Honorary President of World Federal of JSHBWA, gave us the warm message expressing joy to meet all Shin Buddhist women all over the world, after the prolonged Covid hard time. She added that in 1961, the first world Buddhist Women's Convention was held at the Hongwanji Founder's Hall on the occasion of the 700th Memorial for Shinran Shonin. Since then, members of the Buddhist Women's Association districts of the contiguous U.S., Canada, South America, Hawaii, and Japan have come together every four years to share in the appreciation of the Nembutsu teaching and deepen friendships.



We have the wonderful theme for this conference, and the various workshops are available based on the three pillars that are social welfare, Japanese culture, and the Jodo Shinshu teaching. Today, the times and social conditions are changing at a dizzying pace, and the environment surrounding the temple and the BWA is vastly changing as well. However, regardless of the situation, for

us to be able to encounter the Jodo Shinshu teaching and have a place to come together to share in such joy is very precious.

With this convention as an opportunity, it is my hope that you will cultivate meaningful friendships while deepening your appreciation for the Jodo Shinshu teaching and reflect on your way of living as a Nembutsu follower. In so doing, let us continue to share our joy of living a life guided by the true teaching with as many people as possible, and work together toward the realization of a society in which everyone is able to live a life of spiritual fulfillment.



The highlight was the presentation of each overseas district. BCA's Federation of BWA (FBWA) presented the new Gatha "Gassho from the Heart" composed by our Rene Maruyama and Donna Sasaki, based on my English translation of Lady Takeko's poem "Gassho from My Heart." Here is the photo of our performance.

I was honored to be on stage with Janet Sakahara and other members of BCA's FBWA.



Let me share the lyrics, and I plan to talk about this Gatha in the Sunday Service on June 25, and we can sing it together.

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The 10,000 Chair Koan



In the Zen tradition, monks wrestle with koans. They can be confusing stories or a pithy dialog whose meaning is not clear. In the West, they are referred to as spiritual riddles but they are much more than that. These brainteasers are used to help reinforce the lessons being learned in their studies. They often do not have much meaning to me but that is because I am not part of an organized presentation of Buddhism within the Zen tradition.

The following is one of my favorite Zen stories but I am still not sure what it means. Perhaps it is an example of sudden awakening?

“Still deeply dejected, I took up my begging bowl early the next morning and went into the village below ... My mind was hard at work on my koans. It never left them. I stood before the gate of a house, my bowl in hand, lost in a kind of trance.

A voice [from within the house] yelled, “Go on! Go somewhere else!” But I was so preoccupied I didn’t even notice it. This must have angered the resident of the house, because she suddenly appeared, flourishing a broom upside down in her hand. She flew at me flailing out wildly, whacking away at my head ... I was knocked down and ended heels-up on the ground. I lost consciousness and lay there like a dead man.

As I regained consciousness, ... I found that the unsolvable and impenetrable koans I had been working on ... were completely penetrated. Right to the root. They had suddenly ceased to exist. I clapped my hands and laughed great shouts of laughter, frightening the people who had gathered around me.”¹

Here is an example of a koan as a short dialog.

*“A monk asks Tung-shan ‘What is the Buddha?’
Tung-shan replies ‘Three pounds of hemp.’”*

Perhaps this is illuminating the true nature of Buddhism as something every day, as a profound truth that can be found in the mundane.

¹Wild Ivy: The Spiritual Autobiography of Zen Master Hakuin, translated by Norman Waddell (Shambhala Publications)

I have always wondered what a Shin koan might sound like. Maybe I can be just as confusing and pithy within our tradition. For example, whenever a Minister Assistant is nervous about giving their first Dharma talk I always remind them that ...

“You only have to give your first Dharma talk once.”

And then I imagine a bell being rung as they realize insight. I have a vivid imagination.

I have one more example that I think is much better. Again, it is of the pithy variety.

*“A member asks ‘When do we realize Shinjin?’
The minister replies, ‘After 10,000 chairs!’”*

Did you hear the bell?

In the Zen tradition, these koans are never really explained by the teacher. But in Shin we always explain.

Prior to services, we always setup and organize all of the chairs. We carry in more needed chairs or put away the extra ones. Then we make sure they all line up horizontally in rows and vertically in columns. This is especially true in the Kodo.

There is also a Kodo at the Jodo Shinshu Center. “Kodo” is a multi-purpose hall. Thus, the folding chair which can be rearranged for different functions. Many, many chairs have been arranged and rearranged in that room as well. Prior to service we even use custom-made wooden fixtures to make sure every chair is perfectly aligned and evenly spaced.

I asked why we are so focused on chairs in our tradition and the answer was that the more you invest in the service prior then the more value you will receive during. In other words, the more you put into it then the more you get out of it.

For my koan, there is also the math of it. Reaching the level of one who has moved 10,000 chairs means that you have sincerely attended perhaps 1,000 services and listened to the Dharma for at least that many hours. Each time hearing Namoamidabutsu. Each time the mind is perfumed by the teachings. This is how we realize insight in the Shin tradition and how the bell rings.

Namuamidabutsu,
Rev Jon Turner



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17th World Buddhist Women’s Convention
Life of Nembutsu enables us to appreciate every encounter -

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With Gassho from the Heart

Here we’ve come together
Some from near and some afar
In spite of all our differences
We reach for the same bright star
And on this human pathway
We may err a step or two
But always will remember to feel deep gratitude
And hear and say the Nembutsu.
As we gassho with hands placed together
Without a shred of doubt, we joyfully receive the Truth

With Gassho from the heart
Com Gassho no coracao
Namo Amida Butsu
Namo Amida Butsu

As we gassho with hands placed together
Without a shred of doubt, we joyfully receive the Truth
Gassho shimasho, utaimasho
Namo Amida Butsu
Namo Amida Butsu

With Gassho from the heart
With Gassho from the heart
Namo Amida Butsu
Namo Amida Butsu

Lastly, the mini-obutsudan made by OCBWA members as exchange gifts were received and greatly appreciated by the ladies in Japan. It was one of the most thoughtful gifts, appreciating the life of Nembutsu which enables us to appreciate every encounter.

Namo Amida Butsu
Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra



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Liberation by *Hongan*

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When the word *hongan* (本願) appears in Shinran's writings, it is often translated as "the Primal Vow." But this translating choice constrains the interpretation in an unsatisfactory way: It consigns the "Vow" to the distant "Primal" past. This is consequential, because *hongan*—along with

shinjin (信心) and *nembutsu* (念佛)—is among the most important words that Shinran uses. English offers no simple equivalent for any of these three, and hence I prefer to leave them untranslated when I attempt to share a bit of the meaning.

The adjective *hon* (本) means principal, original, basic, essential, main, or root. The verb *gan* (願) means to aspire, to vow, to pledge, to desire, or to wish. Taken as a noun, *gan* can be either singular or plural depending on the context and on the translator's point of view. To see how the character *gan* (願) is used, consider these examples:

Ga gon chō se gan ("I have made world-transcending **vows**") from *Jūseige*

Gan ga sa butsu ("I **aspire** to become a buddha") from *Sanbutsuge*

Gan ni shi ku doku ("My **wish** is to share this virtue") from *Ekōku*

Combining *hon* (本) and *gan* (願) yields the word *hongan* which refers to the Buddha's *essential aspiration*. This basic desire or wish is formalized in Amida Buddha's forty-eight Vows in the *Larger Sutra*.

The basis of Shinran's Dharma path is liberation by *hongan*. To remind us of this, an image of Amida is placed on the altar as a visual symbol of *hongan*. Further, we can say that the Buddha's Name—Namo Amida Butsu—is *hongan's* concrete expression, a command to the listener: "You there (*Namo*)! Wake up (*Amida Butsu*)!"

It's often said that "Vow 18 is the Primal Vow," which might suggest a formula: *You will be saved if you believe in Vow 18 from long ago*. Such an explanation neglects the greater part of Shinran's teaching, leaving us with a religion that approximates Jōdoshū, the Buddhism of Hōnen's other disciples. Shinran's understanding of *hongan* is much broader, as he indicates at the outset of his main writings:

"Now, if I am to reveal the true-and-real teaching, it is the *Larger Sutra*. The outline of this sutra is that Amida awakened the transcendent Vow to open wide the Dharma-storehouse, and out of sympathy for foolish ordinary people, selected and bestowed on them the treasure of virtues [i.e., the Name]... The true essence of this sutra is to teach the Tathāgata's *hongan*, specifically, that the Buddha's Name is the embodiment of *hongan*."

The context and phrasing of this passage show that "the transcendent Vow" is Vow 17 from the *Larger Sutra*, also known as "the Vow that all the Buddhas praise the Name." Shinran devotes the first two (out of six) chapters of his main writings to presenting Vow 17 as the true-and-real expression of *hongan*. He has much to say later on about Vow 18 ("the Vow of *shinjin*"), but his discussion of *hongan*

begins with Vow 17. Further confirmation is found in his *Shōshinge* verses:

"In making the unsurpassed, supreme [forty-eight] Vows, [Amida] awakened the rare and great universal Vow [i.e., Vow 17]. During five kalpas of profound thought, [Amida] embraced this Vow, again pledging that the Name is heard throughout the ten quarters."

The Buddha's Name—Namo Amida Butsu—is the "embodiment" or concrete expression of *hongan*. When the Name is "praised" or explained by teachers—as in Vow 17—and its meaning is "heard" or understood by us—as in Vow 18—we encounter the necessary condition for the arising of *shinjin*, the *hongan*-quality that emerges from our latent consciousness. This hidden quality is aptly called the "innermost aspiration." Hearing the Name and appreciating its deep meaning constitutes the awakening of *shinjin*.

Shinran's expansive view of *hongan* is misrepresented in the reductive formula, "Vow 18 is the Primal Vow." In fact, the forty-eight Vows in the *Larger Sutra* are all expressions of *hongan*. Shinran's teaching is structured around eight of the Vows in a paired sequence: Vows 17 & 18, Vows 11 & 22, Vows 12 & 13, Vows 19 & 20. For Shinran, the first three Vow-pairs are the true-and-real expression of *hongan*. Because we are incapable of seeing this, Śākyamuni taught the fourth Vow-pair as a "provisional" or "temporary" expression of *hongan* to draw us unwittingly toward the other Vow-pairs. Shinran experienced these stages of recognition.

On the Shin Buddhist path, liberation by *hongan* means becoming aware that Amida's Vows are being fulfilled in our own life, just as the Vows were fulfilled in Shinran's life. In following this path, we are brought from a provisional recognition of *hongan* to the recognition that is true-and-real.

I am indebted to Haneda Sensei, who has shared insights for understanding Shinran that I drew on for this essay.

Gassho,
Jim Pollard



President's Message

It's hard to believe that it's already July, time for Obon. 2023 is halfway over and I am now entering the last quarter of my term. When I look back at this year I'm surprised at how quickly it has gone by, but when I think back on all the Obons I've participated in, I'm even more amazed at how quickly the years have gone. Remembering past Obons is like a sensory flashback with all the scents, sights, and sounds of Obons from my childhood. I can still picture Mr. Miyoshi, who seemed like one of the oldest men in the temple, climbing the ladder to put up the chochins, and how each booth had to be individually built using metal pipes - before EZ Up canopies. Most of the young girls wore kimonos for the Obon odori, and we were helped to get dressed by Mrs. Sakimoto, the tiniest woman, who could tighten our obi so tight that it felt like we couldn't breathe.

There was a cycle of milestones in my Obon experiences. When I was a child, the games were probably the festival's highlight for me. I can remember my parents giving me an allotment of money to be used for both my food and my games because they were busy with their festival responsibilities and couldn't stay with me throughout the day. What an early life lesson on budgeting! Fortunately, it seemed whenever my game funds were running low, there was always some friend of my parents that wanted to treat me to some games. I think I must have spent quite a few quarters trying to get my ping-pong balls to roll down into a matching set of colored muffin tins or trying to get a soda bottle to stand up with a ring tied to the end of a rope on a stick. I have to laugh thinking about the simplicity of those games, but that joy was timeless.

In my teen years, I realized that the joy the festivals brought to so many was due to the hard work of the temple volunteers, and so the start of my work shifts began when I joined Sangha Teens. Although working in a booth wasn't quite as fun as playing at one, it was still enjoyable as you were able to work alongside your friends. Certain shifts were more desirable than others, so it was like a rite of passage until you finally got to the shifts reserved for high school Seniors.

Now as an adult, my joy at the festivals comes in the form of food, and what delicious food we have! There's nothing better than the scents of teriyaki wafting from the food line and the sound of the fryer. What a treat it is to enjoy our sushi and chirashi too. I recently had the opportunity to be a part of the 6th grade Dharma School class, and one of the questions they asked me was, "What was my favorite festival food?" My answer was - "Won Tons." They were my favorite as a child and are still one of my favorites. Although for the longest time, I couldn't end the festival without a delicious bowl of udon. Probably the best part of the festival food is enjoying it the next day when you have time to sit down and enjoy it.

I know many Sangha members share fond memories of past Obons, and I think they would agree with me that this upcoming Obon Festival will have more games, food, dancers, and guests, but the cooperation and spirit of our Sangha remain the same - **"to dedicate a few days to OCBC to give back for all we've received through the year, to enjoy working alongside our friends, enjoy some delicious food, and make lifelong memories"** It is

so heartwarming to now see our youth groups assisting our BWA women, who used to prepare all the food by themselves in the past. Our festivals are truly the time to see OCBC at its finest.

I was fortunate to experience this cycle of Obon again through the eyes of my children and now I look forward to watching the excitement through my grandchildren. It doesn't matter where you are in the Obon cycle, it's just important that you are there. So, like Double Dutch jump rope, the timing's right - jump in and start volunteering.

In gassho,
Jo Ann Tanioka
OCBC President

PLEASE HELP!!

Obon Wish List

Our Obon Festival is just around the corner, and your help is needed with organizational supplies. Whenever you're out shopping, it would be easy to throw an extra item (or two) into your basket. Thank you for any help you are able to supply.

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1:00 – 2:00 pm

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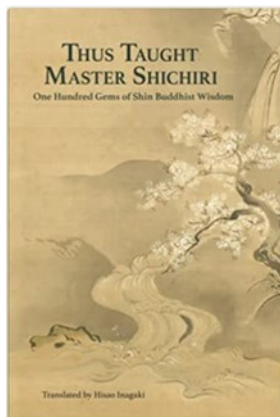
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The Shin Reader – Thus Taught Master Shichiri: One Hundred Gems of Shin Buddhist Wisdom



This book introduces English-speaking people to the illuminating thoughts of Reverend Gōjun Shichiri (1835 – 1900), a master of Jōdo Shinshū. He lived from the late Edo period to the final years of the Meiji era, when Japan was undergoing a rapid transition from a feudal country, isolated from the outside world to a modernized nation in all aspects of life.

Master Shichiri was well-known for his insightful advice to various seekers. His words show that he was an independent thinker, not bound by conventional interpretations of what the tradition taught. Ehō Hamaguchi (1874 – 1966) collected and published many of his influential sayings in several volumes. The most extensive of these is *Shichiri Wajō Genkō Roku* ('A Record of the Words and Deeds of Master Shichiri'). It was from this work that the late Reverend Professor Hisao Inagaki (1929 – 2021) selected and translated the passages found in this publication.

Broadly speaking, Master Shichiri's life can be divided into two parts: before and after the age of thirty. In his youth, he concentrated on the teachings of Shinran (1273 – 1263), the founder of Jōdo Shinshū, and also studied under several eminent teachers. It was during this period that he deepened his exceptional understanding of this tradition.

After turning thirty, he settled at a temple called Mangyō-ji in Hakata (northern Kyūshū) and engaged in propagation. This temple used to be the center of an academic school called *Ryūge-ha*; by the time Master Shichiri arrived there, it had already lost its influential position and become quite impoverished. At Mangyō-ji, he commenced classes for lay followers, priests' wives and the children of temple families.

Soon after, he revived the seminary called *Kanro-kutsu* ('Nectar Cave'), which was founded by Donryū, the former resident priest. Master Shichiri also began to convert soldiers, visited prisons, and opened an orphanage. In 1875, his temple caught fire and burned down. He immediately started work on reconstruction while continuing to educate his students.

In 1881, when he was 46, Master Shichiri accepted a request from Myōnyo, the Hongwanji's Monshu to assume the position of head administrator of the mother temple. He undertook this role for two years and devoted himself to reorganizing the denomination's community, in order to better prepare it for the demands of that age. Even so, because he was firmly convinced that the sangha could not be reformed without shinjin (entrusting mind in Amida Buddha) arising in the hearts of every Jodo Shinshu Buddhist, he left this prestigious post and returned to Hakata to concentrate on spreading the Dharma.

At age fifty-eight, he suffered a stroke and became

bedridden, but continued welcoming visitors to whom he gave spiritual instruction from his sickbed until the end of his life. On the early morning of January 29, 1900, he asked his son Junshi to chant the Shoshinge for him, after which he attained birth in the Pure Land. He was posthumously awarded the title of *kangaku*, the highest academic position in Jodo Shinshu.

Let me share some gems of Master Shichiri's Dharma messages.

Someone once asked the Master: "I want to live an easy life. How can I do that?" The Master replied, "In this stormy world, you will encounter joy and pain in anything you do. However, if you limit yourself to half the joys you're entitled to, you'll experience only half the pains that you would normally expect to suffer. In this way, you can live a relatively easy life."



The Master once related the following story. "One day, on my way to Kyoto, I went to Moji and stayed at a hotel where I waited for a boat departure. My accommodation was upstairs. In the next room was a merchant who was intently reckoning on an abacus. Before long, a servant of the lodging house told us that the departure time would come around noon. The merchant promptly packed his account books and abacus in a wicker trunk and got on board with the other passengers. When the boat set sail, he took out those items and resumed his work. Being his roommate, I thought to myself: What wonderful timing! If he had not stopped working when the departure time was announced, he would have missed the boat. How admirable it is that, having ceased his work on time and boarded the vessel, he was able to resume his duties once again! When I urge people to listen to the teaching they often say, "I am busy with my work, or I am too young to listen to the Dharma." They do not appreciate that the winds of impermanence can suddenly blow at any moment. Why do they not learn from this merchant? Why don't they first get on board the ship that is the Vow of Great Compassion and then busy themselves with secular work after that?"

It's a wonderful book to easily read and appreciate the Shin gems. – review by Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra

BWA News

It seems we were just wrapping up Hanamatsuri when Obon comes knocking on our door so keep those aprons handy! Bringing back Obon to pre-pandemic levels is very exciting as OCBC welcomes everyone to the festival.

That being said, we will need all available members to please sign up for a shift to help in your respective Toban. Whether it be sushi, wonton, or somen, shared help is always appreciated to get everything done in a timely manner so we can enjoy the delicious food together and hopefully, spend some time in the dance circle with friends and family. Thank you in advance to individuals and supporting groups who continue to assist BWA throughout the year and especially during this busy Obon season.

-Thank you to everyone who supported our Pop-up Store on June 4th. Our next Pop-up event will be held in September when OCBC resumes Dharma School. Our members will be busy during the summer making more handcrafted items and we also appreciate wrapped baked goods to sell at our booth.

-After our BWA meeting on June 10th, 32 attended a tea party at the Spring Field Tea Garden in Fullerton. The tables were nicely decorated and we enjoyed the dainty finger sandwiches, scones, desserts, and of course, the flavorful teas! We played a game "What's in YOUR Purse?" and everyone had fun finding things to check off. Thank you to the Activities Committee for chairing this party and we look forward to future events!

-On June 12th, we celebrated birthdays for Lily Masuno and Amy Iwamasa. Thank you to Junji Sarashina and Taka Noguchi for your monetary donations. 30 attendees enjoyed a delicious bento which included braised napa and ground pork, moyashi salad, roasted asparagus, and fresh fruit. Rev. Wondra conducts a special service at 11:30 am for the Japanese speaking ladies prior to lunch and raffle drawings are always a hit, so please join us at our next Senior Luncheon on July 10th as we honor our birthday celebrants and enjoy another tasty meal in the Social Hall. After a brief break in August, Senior Luncheon will resume in the fall.

-Our next BWA meeting will be held on September 17th, at 12:30 pm in the Kodo after the Fall Ohigan Service and luncheon. Please join us as we welcome new members throughout the year. The 2023 SD Buddhist Conference will be held on October 14th at the Pasadena Buddhist Temple. Details will be shared as soon as it becomes available.

OC BWA Japan Highlights – May 7-21, 2023

Summarizing a trip such as this one into a paragraph is not



an easy task as so many feelings and emotions come to mind. Our tour group of 34 along with our Kintetsu escort travelled to Kyoto for the 17th World Buddhist Women's Convention. This convention is held every four years and coincided

with the Joint Celebration of the 850th Anniversary of Shinran Shonin's Birth and the 800th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Jodo Shinshu Teaching. Chanting, singing Ondokusan, and listening to Monshu Kojun Ohtani's Dharma message together in the immense Founder's Hall at Nishi Hongwanji was a moving experience and one that will be remembered for a long time. At the Kyoto International Conference Center, we attended workshops, traded gifts with delegates, enjoyed performances by Japan, BCA, Hawaii, Canada, and Brazil, and attended the opening and closing ceremonies the following day. While on tour, we visited many beautiful and historical places in Kyoto as well as in the cities of Takayama, Kanazawa, and Tokyo. With such a wide variety of foods, there was something for everyone and no one ever complained they were hungry! Free time was spent exploring small side streets and alleys, riding railways in search of hidden gems and bargains, eating chankonabe with sumo wrestlers, or just relaxing at the hotel. The bonds of friendship were strengthened in more ways than one with lasting memories and photos to fill our hearts and Shutterfly books!

Questions: For general questions regarding BWA or its activities, you may contact Lynn Black at BWA@orangecountybuddhist.org

In Gassho,
Chris Nakamura



Tadaima (I'm home)



Thirty-three OCBC BWA members and friends have returned back to OCBC from the joint celebration of the 850th Anniversary of Shinran Shonin's Birth and the 800th Anniversary of the establishment of the Jodo Shinshu Teaching in addition to the 17th World Buddhist Women's Convention which was held in Kyoto, Japan, May 10 - 12, 2023.

There were 2,000 from all over Japan and 400 people from overseas districts in attendance for the 5th and final Session of celebration. The service was also broadcasted to the USA and I heard many were able to participate real time with us in Kyoto. It was wonderful to chant the Shoshin Nembutsu Ge and recite the nembutsu with everyone in front of Shinran's Shrine at the Hongwanji-Ha.

A deep and sincere recognition of appreciation is extended to Lynn Black and other BWA leaders who several years ago began planning and organizing the OCBC BWA contingent to attend this most notable joint celebration and the 17th World Buddhist Women's Convention. Lynn and Rika Sasaki, Kintetsu, were still scrambling days before the take-off from LAX to finalize tours accommodating participants' wishes. OCBC is grateful and fortunate to have such leaders. Every gathering on the bus or temple, or stopping place had the necessary counting of participants, usually ending with who are we missing?

Shinran Shonin sits in the main shrine in the Goeido (Founder's Hall) where we gathered. The main shrine of Amida is located in the Amidado (the main Hall of Amida Buddha) which is the next building. We were each given a translator device to follow the service and to hear the Dharma Message presented by the Monshu Kojun Ohtani. Chairs were provided to everyone. I doubt I would have lasted a minute sitting seiza (kneeled) style. I am amazed to think that 800 years ago, the same sutras are being chanted today and it is a testimony to the truth of Amida's vows. In the hall, we heard a spontaneous voice loudly reciting the nembutsu as if his true shinjin forces him to call out in gratitude. It reminded me of a "hallelujah" in a Christian service.

We all enjoyed the exposure to the culture, beauty, and experience of being in Japan and witnessing this special milestone event of the 850th Anniversary of Shinran's birth and 800th Anniversary of the establishment of the Jodo Shinshu Teaching at the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-Ha. We noticed details like the sagarifuji (descending wisteria) crest on the lanterns with lotus flowers and Amida figures along the sides, Bodhisattvas, and animals filling the panels on the outside the onajjin and in the Shoin Chambers. For the Nishi Jodo Shinshu sect, the sagarifuji adorns the ends of the roof, on doors, and in the middle of the entrance way, you know you are in Amida's Nishi country. The Hongwanji-Ha is a treasure house of historical art and craftsmanship. Gagaku (traditional court music representing the harmony in the universe) played as ministers entered the gejin and the onajjin.

The well-organized celebration had groups in and out of seating areas, into the Monbou Kaikan rooms for lunch, and then back to the buses. We were also fortunate to see retired, OCBC Resident Minister, Rev. Akio Miyaji, who

currently lives in Japan. He was well and remembered faces. It was awesome to see him.

The service included a message from the Monshu Kojun Ohtani, who asked that we rededicate ourselves to understanding the way of life from Shinran Shonin and share the true tradition to others and to the next generation as we seek peace and harmony for everyone. The Monshu declared the message "Gratitude for the Jodo Shinshu Teaching."

Then we went to the Otani Hombyo (Mausoleum) and, the giant nokotsudo (place for deceased ashes). Kathy Ito, Dolly Oishi, myself, and the entire Ito family are grateful to Rev. Dr. Wondra and Rev. Crane for arranging and providing a short service as Tomio Ito's (father) ashes were interred into the Obutsudan cabinet alongside Tomio's wife, Chizuko Ito's ashes. Did you know that the OCBC ministers provide names of those members who have passed to the Otani Hombyo Administration and they issue a certificate and it is placed in a file at the OCBC Obutsudan Hombyo? We like to thank all the OCBC members who participated in this service.

A visit to the Kyoto National Museum led us to a special showing of "Shinran: The Life and Legacy of the Founder of Shin Buddhism". Many of Shinran's personal hand written letters, his magnificent written "Kyogyoshinsho" were on display. Shinran Shonin clarified the Amida's Primal Vow and the significance of reciting the nembutsu for the ordinary person. Other historical facts and essays were also shown complimenting Shinran Shonin.

Of course, the daily intake of delicious culinary foods and obentos (especially ekiben (train station obento)) were enjoyed with the traditional picture taking and translation of protein or vegetable before being consumed. One would be surprised at how many different ways shrimps can be prepared and served. Even a simple cup of coffee or purchase of manju or snacks had the Japanese influence of one step above expectation with extensive wrapping using one piece of tape. Our purchases included a bag with handles and then with the ominous chance of rain, a plastic bag cover over the bag was provided. As we packed our bags for home it was difficult to toss out the many bags we accumulated.

The trip also included visits to various other iconic sites in Japan like the Golden Pavilion, Nijo Castle, Nishiki Market, Arashiyama, Togetsu Bridge, Tenryuji Temple, Takayama, Kanazawa Castle, Nikko Toshogu, Kamakura, and a variety of handicraft stores from making washi paper to Gold Leaf experiences.

The OCBC group returned home suffering a bit of jet lag, but it was nothing a quick visit to In 'n Out and a familiar bed couldn't fix.

The trip did end with a shocking and sad loss of one of the group members. Our wishes to comfort and heartfelt sympathies to the wife and family. The entire OCBC has lost a valuable and irreplaceable sangha member. Namu Amida Butsu.

The 18th World Buddhist Women's Convention will be held in September 2027 in Hawaii. Aloha.

On behalf of the OCBC BWA,
reporting by Rick Oishi.

Dharma School

Thank you to all of the Dharma School teachers, assistants, parents, and students

for a great 2022-2023 Dharma School year!!! OCBC has once again a wonderful atmosphere of learning about the Buddha Dharma with much exciting interaction among the members of the sangha. We are so grateful for everyone's participation!

Upcoming Events:

July 9 – Obon odori dancing before service at 8:45-9:45 am in the Social Hall

July 9 – Obon Service 10:00 am

July 15-16 – Obon Festival

Hatsumairi (Infant Presentation to the Buddha)

On May 21, there was excellent participation in the Hatsumairi ceremony, an occasion when children are being formally presented before the Buddha for the first time. Thank you to Merry Hiroshima, Janet Sakahara, Teri Whited, and Marion Nishimura for organizing the Hatsumairi. Thank you also to Rev. Wondra and Rev. Turner for making the ceremony special and to Yoko Yamashita for making the infant onenjus and to Chris Terada for her beautiful calligraphy on the certificates and to Richard Hiroshima for taking photos. A special thank you to our OCBC grandparents for getting their grandchildren to participate.

Congratulations to the following children, their parents and families: Welcome to our sangha!

Omotayo Koko – Emily and Kia Koko

Lucy Fusako Goodrich – Janelle and Chris Goodrich

Avery Reiko Martin – Kaycee and Elliott Martin

Drew Kentaro Tanioka – Krystal and Trenton Tanioka

Aiden Joichi Nishimura – Kristen and Nolan Nishimura

Akiye Tokumitsu – Sayaka and Yohey Tokumitsu

Kira Fong Oishi – Danelle and Jonathan Oishi

Malia Tung Oishi – Danelle and Jonathan Oishi

Skylah Malia Maekawa – Melissa and Chad Maekawa

Dharma School Fun Day

On the last day of Dharma School, June 11, the DS students enjoyed a fun game day in the Ball Road parking lot. We gratefully appreciate and offer a huge thank you to Tesho Aoyama and Merry Hiroshima for organizing the wide variety of games that DS students of all ages enjoyed playing! Dharma School provided hot dogs, chili, chips, cookies, water, and Capri Sun for everyone to enjoy! We would like to thank the Sports Program for generously providing refreshing popsicles! It was wonderful to see the social interaction (and competition?) among the students and even some adults!

Many thanks are extended to Len Futaba who created a video of the graduating seniors that was viewed and enjoyed by the sangha during the June 18 family service. Thank you very much for your time and your skill to create meaningful and memorable videos each year!

Tesho Aoyama and Joyce Yada have been compiling lists of DS students' names who received Freddie Right Effort/ Perfect Attendance awards for the 2022-2023 DS year. They have also worked hard to collect the names of the high school and college graduates who were recognized and

honored during the June 18 family service. Thank you for your generous and time-consuming efforts!

Obon dancing before Obon Service – July 9

Many members of the sangha miss out on Obon dancing due to their work/booth assignments during the actual Obon festival. Therefore, there will be Obon dancing for everyone from 8:45-9:45 am in the Social Hall before our 10:00 am Obon service.

Obon Festival – July 15-16

We are very fortunate and grateful to have Gail Kusano as our Obon Odori Sensei every year to teach the DS teachers the dances prior to our Obon Festival and to lead the dancers during the festival.

We hope that you will tell your relatives and friends to join us for dancing and delicious food!

DS teachers and families and the Girl Scout families will be donating baked goods for the Bake Sale. Come check out their yummy treats!

We are grateful to many Dharma School Staff members for their time and effort to chair the following Obon responsibilities: Thank you!

Sunday workers' lunch – Joanne Ishii and Chris Hirata

Bake Sale booth – Janet Sakahara, Seiju Terada, Chris Terada, and Teri Futaba

Teriberger condiments/Other condiments – Chris Hirata and Linda Nakauchi

Dharma School Gift Card Sales

Many thanks to the people who have been supporting our gift card sales to help our Dharma School. Scrip will be available during the summer months. If you are new to ordering scrip or have any questions, please email dharma.school@orangecountybuddhist.org.

Dharma School for the 2023-2024 year

The new school year will begin on September 10, 2023. We hope to see you then!

Have a fun summer! Be safe and healthy.

In gassho,
Gail Harada



Dharma School Scrip Program

**Support the Dharma School
Scrip Program!!**

Dharma School Attendance Awards and Congratulations Graduates

Congratulations to the DS students who received Freddie Awards by attending at least (22) DS classes/special services during the 2022-2023 school year. These awards were presented in their respective classrooms. We are very proud of your efforts!

Perfect Attendance

Congratulations to the following students for their diligent efforts who have achieved perfect attendance throughout their years in Dharma School. We are so proud of your impressive accomplishments!

- 1 Year Pin:** Violet Soohoo, Owen Soohoo, Ryan Sato, Kathryn Sato, Sydney Sato
2 Year Pin: Avery Hsieh, Avery Soohoo
3 Year Pin: Adalyn Yao, Ryland Yao, Camden Yao
4 Year Pin: Kenji Chaisawasdi, Alyssa Ige
5 Year Pin: Michael Morimoto, Travis Nakahira
6 Year Pin: Akio Steimetz, Kira Chaisawasdi
7 Year Pin: Megan Hsieh, Reina Yee
8 Year Pin: Kenji Steimetz, Gabriel Garcia, Diego Garcia, Kathryn Nakahira
9 Year Pin: Connor Inanaga, Satoshi Aoyama, Emma Wakabayashi
10 Year Pin: Kohei Steimetz, Olivia Inanaga
12 Year Pin: Justine Ueno, Tesshin Aoyama
13 Year Pin: Kyle Sasaki, Lauren Ueno, Shannon Ueno
14 Year Pin: Preston Sasaki
15 Year Pin: Kyle Futaba, Courtney Yada

You are to be commended for your dedication and perseverance!

Congratulations High School Graduates of 2023!

Carina Furumoto	Kayla Kashima
Preston Sasaki	Shannon Ueno
Kyle Futaba	Kallyn Kumagawa
Kenji Swun	Alex Wakabayashi
Alyssa Ige	Allyson Morishita
Gwen Takagi	Courtney Yada
Kristi Ikemoto	Kathryn Nakahira
Lauren Ueno	Jaydon Yuki

Congratulations College Graduates of 2023!

Sarah Ando	Dylan Nishi
Kyle Futaba	Michael Nishimoto
Montgomery Hamabe	Jessica Sakamoto
Michael Ishida	Logan Ueno

Congratulations to all of the graduates as you continue your education or begin your careers!

The high school and college graduates were honored at OCBC during service on June 18.

In gassho,
Gail Harada

OCBC Talbert Gakuen High School Scholarship 2023

Academic excellence of GPA's beyond 4.0, extracurricular activities, music, sports, OCBC Jr. YBA, Dharma School assistants, scouts, and articulated essays were the criteria that determined the scholarship recipients. Our High School seniors are all to be recognized for their successful graduation and we extend our wishes for the best in their future pursuits.

The OCBC Scholarship Committee gladly congratulates and awards an OCBC Talbert Gakuen High School Scholarship to the following award recipients.

Scholarship Awardees 2023

Kyle Futaba
 Alyssa Ige
 Kayla Kashima
 Kathryn Nakahira
 Preston Sasaki
 Kenji Swun
 Gwen Takagi
 Lauren Ueno
 Shannon Ueno
 Courtney Yada

Scholarships were presented by Rev. Dr. Wondra and Rick Oishi at the Father's Day All Music Service on June 18, 2023. Congratulations Scholarship Awardees!

Rick Oishi
 Scholarship Chair



Ray Tomooka Memorial Outstanding Right Effort Award 2023

OCBC Dharma School announces the recipients of the Ray Tomooka Memorial Outstanding Right Effort Award 2023.

The Ray Tomooka Memorial recognizes an outstanding OCBC organization or individual who have contribute or made our society a better place which exemplifies "Right Effort" that was generated by kindness and compassion.

This year, the Ray Tomooka Memorial Outstanding Right Effort Award goes to:

Alyssa Ige
Kayla Kashima
Courtney Yada

The selection of these three individuals was based on their many years of service to OCBC and involvement with youth groups and with Dharma School.

CONGRATULATIONS!

The individuals were presented with the award at the Father's Day All Music service on June 18, 2023, by Robert Tomooka, trustee, and Rick Oishi scholarship chair.

In gassho,
Rick Oishi
Scholarship Chair



Project Kokoro News

Kazoku No Hi – Family Day Event **Oct 8**

We hope you can join us for a day learning more about the Japanese American culture through arts, crafts, games, food, and music by Miko Shudo and Michael Murata. This is a day for all the generations so plan to come with friends and family of all ages!

Through the generous donation from the Mitsuo Kawaguchi family we are able to provide bento lunch, crafts and admission at a low cost:

Free for Seniors (70 years and older)
\$10 adults (11-69 years old)
\$5 per child (3-10 years old)
Free for kids 2 years and under (no bento)

Please register by 9/17/23 by using the QR code or link on the event flyer in this edition of the Korin. For more information you can contact Hazel or Chris:

Hazel Ando: hando@ucsb.edu or
Chris Hirata: cthira@gmail.com

Team Scattergories Game

Come join the fun of a game played on Zoom that stimulates the mind. Game time is from 10am to 11am. Please log on 10 minutes before the start time. If you would like to play, or want more information, please contact

Marion Nishimura: mieko4nish@gmail.com

PK Craft Club & Obon Boutique **July 15/16**

The Craft Club has been busy meeting every Wednesday to provide many wonderful items to sell at Obon so please come by the booth.

PK Crafts will not be holding the Wednesday weekly classes during the month of August and will resume on September 13 from 9am to 12pm. If you would like more information please contact Dorothy or Rumi:

Dorothy Matsuoka: dcmatsuoka@aol.com
or **Rumi Nakatani:** rumiko@sbcglobal.net

OCBC/Tanaka Farms CSA Program

Farm fresh seasonal produce delivered every other week for members and affiliated organizations! PK member, Bonnie Goodman, will offer recipes and meal ideas.

To signup, visit:

<https://csa.farmigo.com/join/tanakafarms>

note: be sure to select OCBC as your "pick location"

To learn more, visit:

<https://www.tanakafarms.com/about-csa>

or contact **Patty Nagatoshi:** csa@tanakafarms.com
or PK member, **Bonnie Goodman:** bgood1@cox.net

PK Membership and Involvement

If you would like to become a PK member or would like more membership information, please contact PK president **Liana Ogata:** lianaogata3094@gmail.com

In gassho,
Neddie Bokosky

ABA NEWS

Have you become like your child and can't "live" without your phone? Funny how that happens. The other day, my daughter said, "Mom, you're always on your phone!". Hmm.... Those words sounded vaguely familiar, but in the past, they were directed in the opposite direction! HAHA. Connections are so important. Those who are young and graduating, have nothing but hopes and dreams for their future. They have a lifetime of connections to make. At our age, as much as we look forward to the future, we are connected to, and like to reminisce about, the past as well. That's why reunions, listening to oldies music, and seeing old friends make us so happy. The ultimate reunion and celebrating the past, is OBON. We can dance with our ancestors (in our hearts) and enjoy the current company of our friends and family. Making it a tasty event as well, is what the ABA members will be working on.

Volunteer sign ups sheets have been shared for prepping the chicken plates on Friday, July 14, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Workers' Luncheon on Saturday July 15 from 8:30 a.m., and cooking/plating chicken teri throughout the weekend. Thank you in advance for your help!

Looking ahead, ABA will be hosting the Ohigan Luncheon on September 17. Look for more details coming your way. Then, on October 14, our "Friends, Food and Wine" event will take place from 4:00 – 7:00. This will be a fun and educational event for those who wish to connect over their love of wine and friendship. This will be limited to 100 people, so be sure to register early to reserve your spot.

Enjoy a wonderful month celebrating the fathers, the grads, the ancestors, and all of your lifetime connections!

With Gassho,
Jeanne Kumagai

Save The Date

"Friends, Food and Wine"

On Saturday, October 14, 2023, from 4 to 7 PM., Orange County Buddhist Church will host "Friends, Food and Wine", a wine tasting event. This is for the casual as well as the avid wine drinker. We will have a selection of premium wines from California, Oregon and France paired with light appetizers.

We will also have a silent auction for our attendees. This will be a fun and informative event for our Sangha and friends.

Health Benefits of Tai Chi

Why Not Try It Out?

Tai Chi focuses on mental and spiritual aspects integrated into movement. This meditative form of exercise consists of a series of movements and poses.

While tai chi is a gentle, low-impact activity, people are advised to seek medical advice before starting, especially older people, pregnant women, and those with back pain or osteoporosis.

The benefits of tai chi are said to include the reduction of stress, anxiety, and depression, and the enhancement of mood, in both healthy people and in those with chronic conditions.

Other benefits claimed for tai chi include:

- Greater aerobic capacity and muscle strength
- More energy and stamina
- Enhanced flexibility, balance, and agility resulting in better balance
- Lower blood pressure and improved heart health
- Reduced inflammation
- Fewer falls.

There is evidence that tai chi can help improve cognitive function and reduce the effects of dementia. It has been shown to reduce inflammatory response in patients with breast cancer, which may, say researchers, have implications for breast cancer survivorship.

If you are looking for a low-impact, relaxing form of exercise, try Tai Chi!

For information, email Rumi Nakatani at rumiko@sbcglobal.net.



Tomodachi Bento Project

Have you heard about Tomodachi Bento Project? We are a group of volunteers who deliver Asian-inspired foods to homebound seniors in Orange County and spend a little time with them to say "hi" and "how are you doing". Every now and then we have a volunteer who goes on vacation or doesn't feel well so we need substitute drivers to take their route.

Our lives are constantly changing so we also are looking for volunteer drivers to deliver lunches twice a month, usually the 2nd and 4th Mondays. For example, we just had one driver who became a grandma so she is babysitting and we need a person to replace her.

For more information please contact Rumi Nakatani at rumiko@sbcglobal.net.

Boy Scout Troop 578

The start of 2023 for the boy scouts starts with a bang!

On May 20, we celebrated the achievements of six hardworking scouts at the Eagle Court of Honor. This is the first Eagle Court of Honor held in person since covid started so we were very excited to have this event. The rank of Eagle is of high prestige and given to those who have earned it through hard work and determination. The scouts who were awarded the rank of Eagle are Alex Wakabayashi, Austen Lock, Matthew Nakagawa, Preston Sasaki, Zachary Mauldin, and Jaydon Yuki. At the event, they shared some of the stories and experiences that got them to where they are as well as thanking those who have helped guide them along the way. After the Eagle presentation, we moved on to the banquet where there was a menagerie of delicious food. There were more presentations and speeches and it was a fantastic event that everyone enjoyed.

On April 16-17, for the first time in years, Hanamatsuri was finally open to the public. This is one of my favorite events for the food, games, and presentations. The Boy Scouts were in charge of running food as well as the beef teriyaki. Not only this but some had the opportunity to volunteer at the different game stations including the cornhole toss, ring toss, basketball shooting, and fish ping pong toss. And with all of this, we appreciate the great community that celebrates Buddha's birthday.

On June 2-4, the scouts geared up for an exciting adventure to Frandy Park campgrounds in Kernville, CA for whitewater rafting. We set up the campsite and then had some delicious snacks that the parents provided. The next day, we had breakfast and headed to the rafting company where we got dressed in tight wetsuits and a waterproof jacket to prepare for the fun-filled day of whitewater rafting. Before getting safety rules and teaching us rafting commands, we first unloaded the rafts off of the trailer and carried them to the river. We started going down the river over some of the lighter rapids so we could get a feel for the commands and how to paddle. Towards the end, we came to the entrance of Lake Isabella where you can swim in the refreshing water and have a fun water fight with the other rafts. After lunch, we splashed through much faster rapids and made three more trips up and down the river. I cannot wait for next year's whitewater rafting trip.

Written by Colin Nakagawa.

Cub Scout Pack 578

Happy Summer everyone! Pack 578 has had a busy end to our 2022-23 year. In May we had our end of the year campout at Irvine Ranch Outdoor Education Center (IROEC) from May 19 to 21 at the Kennedy Meadows campground. The older scouts in the Webelos I and II dens got to participate in a night hike on Friday, and on Saturday morning got to do a climbing wall, and then later some zip-lining. In the afternoon the rest of the Pack was able to join in with some swimming. After our potluck dinner we had a campfire where each den got to recap their year and perform a skit to the Pack. We ended the night with a movie under the stars. Sunday morning the boys got to do some bb-gun shooting and archery before we all headed home. Thank you to the Webelos I den for hosting such a fun weekend!



The following Friday (May 26) we had our Crossover Ceremony at OCBC where all nine Webelos II scouts crossed over to OCBC's Boy Scout Troop 578. It was the second consecutive year where all scouts in the Webelos II den crossed over to Boy Scouts to continue their scouting journey. Congratulations to Bryan Ho, Connor Inanaga, Aiden Kawakami, Ethan Kawakami, Ryder Kobayashi, Caleb Lee, Kimihiro Murata, and Camden Yao. We will miss these boys and their families in Pack 578, but we are excited they all decided to continue on with scouting with Troop 578. A big thank you to den leader Kam Ho and assistant den leader Kevin Lee for leading this group of boys and also thanks to Suni Murata who was the Pack's Cubmaster and Kevin Kobayashi who was the Pack's Quartermaster these past two years.

We hope everyone has a fun and safe summer. The Pack is looking forward to Obon in July and then our annual summer picnic in August.

In Gassho,
Mike Mio
Pack 578 Committee Chair



Girl Scout Daisies



With summer approaching, Daisy Troop 2041 has been busy finishing up the year with a variety of exciting activities! This includes an outdoor adventure where the Daisies visited a nature center and participated in a hike. Along the way, the Daisies went on a scavenger hunt looking for natural items such as streams, birds, and animal tracks. They even found some interesting insects along the way!

The Daisies also tried their hand at engineering as they attempted to create a roller coaster using disposable cups, paper plates, tape and scissors. They had to design their roller coaster and implement it in a way so that a marble could roll down their whole roller coaster. They did such a great job collaborating with each other, developing teamwork skills and problem solving when an idea didn't work out as they had hoped. By the end, many were able to celebrate their successful roller coasters!

As the Girl Scout Bridging Ceremony approached, the Daisies and Brownies had a joint meeting to get to know each other and make new friends. They learned how to introduce themselves, as well as had fun together while playing games. At the Bridging Ceremony, the Daisy Troop had 11 amazing girls bridge over to Brownies and they are all excited to embark on a new Brownie adventure!

Thank you to all of the awesome Daisy parents! They have each taken on roles this year to support the troop, and their participation and help has made this year so successful!

In gassho,
Julie Tanoue-Yao
Troop Leader

Cadette Girl Scout Troop 675

Happy Summer! Even though the month of May officially ended our Girl Scout Cadette year with our End of the Year Ceremony and our last get together with our Lil' Sister Daisies, we didn't stop meeting.



We had a mixer with the incoming Juniors and new Cadette members. We played ice breaker games to get to know each other and made a Mother's Day gift.



Next, we had an End of the Year Activity in Little Tokyo, Los Angeles. We took a historical walking tour of J-Town and attended a class on making a Hello Kitty bento at the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center (JACCC).



In July, some of us will attend an Obon class where we will learn about the meaning of Obon and its traditions, as well as attending the Obon dance practices. Then on July 15 and 16, we will participate at the Obon Festival by helping with food prep, and bussing. We look forward to OCBC's Obon Festival for odori (dancing), eating yummy food, playing games and hanging out with our friends and family!

Finally, in August we will have our last End of the Year Activity by going to the Disneyland Imagination Campus. We'll be attending Disney's Arts and Humanities workshop on Theme Park Design.

The Cadettes had a wonderful 2022~2023 year, and can't wait for the next year to start!

In Gassho,
Sherry Sato



OCBC Cadette Girl Scouts with the Hello Kitty bento they made at the JACCC in Little Tokyo



OCBC Senior Girl Scouts at the Girl Scouts of Orange County Recognition Event at the Disneyland Hotel

Senior Girl Scout Troop 881

Girl Scout Troop 881 had a terrific school year! Three scouts earned their Gold Award this year: Alyssa Ige, Kayla Kashima and Kai Yamamoto. Our troop leader, Mrs. Yada was recognized for her 30 years in Girl Scouting at the annual Girl Scouts of Orange County Recognition Event at the Disneyland Hotel.

Kayla Kashima was invited to participate in a panel discussion at the annual Girl Scouts of Orange County Voice for Girls event at the Newport Beach Country Club. Kayla was selected to join the panel because of the work she did for her Gold Award, focusing on the relationship between mental health and physical well being.

The troop enjoyed a nice Mother Daughter evening in May with some games and a craft activity, it was wonderful to bring back an event that allows our busy families time to connect.

Our 11th and 9th grade scouts did a fantastic job hosting the OCBC Girl Scouts All Troop End of the Year event! Girl Scout Alumni Alyson Chang, Caroline Mendoza, Rachel Wong and Kellie Yada were guest speakers sharing messages about how their Girl Scout experience has impacted them after they graduated from high school. Chris Lock, Russell Hirotsu and Lori Wakabayashi were recognized for the GS Volunteer of Excellence Award. This award is by nomination and vetted by Girl Scouts of Orange County honoring those that have contributed outstanding service supporting GSOC's mission to build girls of courage, confidence and character.

Our 12th grade girls enjoyed Girl Scout bridging at Disneyland, adding to the many memories they have made over the years.



Congratulations to the graduating scouts: Carina Furumoto, Alyssa Ige, Kayla Kashima, Kallyn Kumagawa, Allyson Morishita, Kathryn Nakahira, Gwen Takagi, Lauren Ueno, Shannon Ueno and Courtney Yada.

In Memoriam

The Orange County Buddhist Church wishes to express its deepest sympathies and condolences to the families of the late:

Don Shuso Miyada

May the family members find solace and comfort in the infinite compassion of Amida Buddha

Namo Amida Butsu

Services Conducted

May

- 20 Fumio Demura, Burial
- 20 Leslie Sachiye Sakioka, 1-year Service
- 20 Kiyoko Sarashina, 49-day Service
- 27 William "Bill" Takashi Sakahara, 7-day Service

June

- 03 Don Shuso Miyada, Funeral
- 11 Itsuko Yada, 1-year Service
- 17 Iwashita Family, Memorial Service



Obon Dates

Senshin	July 1
Oxnard	July 8
LA Betsuin	July 8 & 9
OCBC	July 15 & 16
Venice	July 15 & 16
Vista	July 22 & 23
WLA	July 22 & 23
Higashi	July 29
San Diego	July 29
Pasadena	July 29 & 30
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Garcia, Joe/Taborga Marcia (2)	
Hoffmeyer, Matthew/Anna	Kashima, Gladys K.
Koga, Jordon	Nishimura, Rodney/Marion
OCBC Buddhist Education Center	
Ochiai, Alan/Kathy	Sarashina, Junji
Takagi, Carol/Noboru (2)	Treseder, Kathleen
Wakabayashi, Edwin/Lori	



Gotan-e Service Donations Addt'l

Arima, Janet/Chase, Steve	Doami, Koko
Fujimoto, Paul/Miyuki	Fujimura, Kay/Mary Jane
Hara, Toshiki/Nancy	Harada, Marvin/Gail
Hayata, Tomoaki/Dianne	Inokuchi, Laurence/June
Kato, Edward/Joyce	Katsuda, Fred/Jill
Kawakami, Sharon/Ken	Nakano, Ronald/Jean
Nakauchi, Steven/Linda	Nishimoto, Kazuko
Nishioka, Shirley	Noguchi, Hidetaka/Setsubo
Okinishi, Jan Y.	Onishi, Roy/Frances
Pollard, James/Hirohama, Janis	
Sakakura, Michiko	Sasaki, Donna L.
Sawada, Howard/Mika	Suzuki, Ronald/Kyoko
Togashi, Sueko	Urabe, Judith
Wada, Robert	Yada, Frank/Joyce
Yamamoto, Misae	Yamashita, Yoko

Nokotsudo Maintenance Donations

Anonymous	Matsunami, Juichi/Emiko
Morris, Sirima	Saito, Toshiko
Taira, Gary/Jane	Yamashita, Yoko

Hanamatsuri Special Donations Addt'l

Maeda, Fumiko

Hatsumairi Donations

Nakano, Ronald/Jean	Oishi, Jonathan/Danelle
Oishi, Rickio/Dolly	Tanioka, Kevin/Jo Ann
Tanioka, Trenton/Krystal	

Obon Service Donation

Chronley, Karen/Michael	Dote, Mike
Fujita, Joyce	Fukino, Helen
Hiroshima, Richard/Merry	Iwakoshi, Misako
Kano, Yorie	Kato, Yoko
Kouchi, Judy	Kurai, Noel/Judy
Kuroki, Takeshi/Ritsuko	Mabuni, George/Ellen
Matsuo, Roy/Masako	Miyakawa, Mitsugi/Mutsuko
Muramoto, Karen	Nakagawa, Maurice
Nishida, Kenneth/Kathleen	Shishido, Raymond/Arleen
Shoda, Dan/Jan	Suzuki, Kent/Nancy
Suzuki, Ronald/Kyoko	Takamoto, Ernest/Aileen
Tanji, Frank T.	Tomiyama, Alan/Akiko
Tomooka, Roy	Tsujimoto, Shoko

Obon Special Donation

Fujita, Joyce	Fukino, Helen
Kano, Yorie	Kawamoto, Howard/Taeko
Kubota, Laurie/Osborne, Dwight	
Kuroki, Takeshi/Ritsuko	Mabuni, George/Ellen
Matsuo, Roy/Masako	Miyakawa, Mitsugi/Mutsuko
Miyamoto, Katsuhiro/Michiko	Muramoto, Karen
Nishida, Kenneth/Kathleen	Ogawa, Glen/Lynda
Shishido, Raymond/Arleen	Shoda, Dan/Jan
Suzuki, Ronald/Kyoko	Takamoto, Ernest/Aileen
Tsujimoto, Shoko	Uyeno, James/Chris
Yee, Clifford/Megumi	

Osaisen

Anonymous	Nakamura, David/Chris (2)
Sisk, Mary	

**Memorial Day Service Donations**

Inokuchi, Laurence/June	Kadowaki, Paula
Miyamoto, Katsuhiro/Michiko	Nakagaki, Hiromichi/Kaoru
Nakano, Ronald/Jean	Nakawaki, Beverly K.
Nakawaki, Fushio/Yoshiko	Nakawaki, Lloyd
Okita, Roy	Tanioka, Kevin/Jo Ann
Thomas, Joann M.	Tomimatsu, Ryoshiro

Orei to the Church

Demura, Kinue	Iwashita, Gail
Iwashita, Jane	Kano, Yorie
Kashima, Kenn/Karin	Kurisu-Saltz, Phyllis
Miyada, Setsuko (2)	Sakahara, Janet
Sakahara, Robin	Sarashina, Junji
Yada Family	Yada, Frank/Joyce

OCBC Building Fund Donations

Congratulations to the OCBC Bingo Committee on another successful Bingo event. The proceeds will greatly benefit the OCBC Building Fund in support of several major projects planned for 2023 and 2024.

Thank you to everyone who responded to the donation request letter sent in late April. Due to the overwhelming response, we were not able to completely process all donations in time for this Korin deadline. The entire list of donors who answered the call will be published in the next Korin.

DONATION IN MAY

OCBC Bingo Committee

In Gassho,
Doug Iwanaga, Building Fund Treasurer

THANK YOU!
We are grateful.

光輪 七月号

第17回世界仏教婦人会大会

今年の夏の到来は少し遅いようですね。この七月号の記事を6月半ばに書いていますが、朝から曇り空で昼間になっても暖かい太陽が顔を出してくれません。いつまで、ウールのカーディガンを着ているのかしらと思っております。

前号では本山で行われた親鸞聖人誕生850年・立教開宗800年の慶讃法要についてお話ししましたね。お約束しましたように、今月号では第17回世界仏教婦人会大会についてお話しします。大会は5月11日(木)・12日(金)の両日に国立京都国際会館で開催されました。日本にある浄土真宗のお寺の婦人会メンバーの方、そして海外からは北米・カナダ・ハワイ・ブラジルのBWAメンバーが2,400名も集まりました。

今回の大会テーマは「ご縁を慶び、お念仏とともに」でした。第25代・専如ご門主さまの奥様である大谷流豆美(おおたに・るずみ)お裏方様のご臨席のもと、以下のように祝辞をいただきました。

この度の大会は「ご縁を慶び、お念仏とともに」をテーマとして開催され、また「社会

実践」・「日本の文化」・「教義」を3つの柱とするワークショップも開かれます。今日、時代や社会状況は目まぐるしい勢いで変化し、お寺や仏教婦人会を取り巻く環境も大きく変わってきています。しかし、たとえどのような状況にあつたとしても、私たちが浄土真宗のみ教えに出会い、み教えを慶ぶ皆さまと共に集う場所があるということは、大変尊いことだと思います。今大会を機縁として、お念仏を慶ぶ皆さま方の交流がより一層深まりますとともに、皆さまお一人おひとりが浄土真宗のみ教えを高く仰ぎ、その教えに生かされる慶びをこれからもより多くの方々にお伝えし、すべての人々が心豊かに生きることのできる社会の実現に向け、共に歩みを進めてまいりましょう。

大会では各海外教区からのパフォーマンスがありました。私たち北米開教区であるBCA・FWAはミュージック委員会が新たに作詞・作曲した *Gassho from the Heart* をお披露目しました。この新しい讃仏歌は九條武子様が書かれた「心の合掌」という詩を私が以前に英訳したものをもとにOCBCの丸山リネーさんが作詞、シアトル別院の佐々木ドーナさんが作曲されたものです。

以前に二度ほど、日曜礼拝でみんなと一緒に歌いましたが、これからも時折、歌いたいと思っています。とても良い歌ですよ。BCA・FWAの各寺院の代表がステージに上がって合唱したときの写真です。OCBCからは私と坂原ジャネットさんが出演しまし

た。私はソプラノ、ジャネットさんはアルトで、美しいメロディーと阿弥陀さまの願いのこもったこの歌は聴衆の心を打ち、拍手喝采をいただきました。

記念講演には本願寺 勸学・森田眞円(もりた・しんえん)先生を迎えて「願いに生かされて」と題したお話をいただきました。森田先生は私の母校である京都女子大学で長らく教鞭をとられ、現在では、もうひとつの母校である龍谷大学大学院で教授を勤められています。

アツという間に終わった世界仏教婦人会大会でしたが、ようやくコロナ終息のあと世界の浄土真宗婦人たちが一同に会した大会は迫力満点で思い出多いものでした。どちら様も阿弥陀さまのお慈悲のなかで、良い夏をお過ごしくださいませ。

南無阿弥陀仏 ワンドラ 睦



❖ 祥月法要について

祥月法要は対面法要のみとなり、ます。オンライン参加は出来なくなりますので、ご了承ください。法要中のマスク着用はご自分の体調と感染者状況にもとづいてご判断ください。往生された方のお名前を示し、ますので故人や家族の個人情報を守るため、レコーディングはされません。

❖ 七月祥月法要

7月8日(土) 午後4時30分より本堂にてお勤めします。

- ・ 日本語法話・・・ワンドラ先生
- ・ 英語法話・・・ターナー先生

❖ 八月祥月法要

6月5日(土) 午後4時30分より本堂にてお勤めします。

- ・ 日本語法話・・・ワンドラ先生
- ・ 英語法話・・・ターナー先生

❖ 「お盆法要」のご案内

- ◆ 7月9日(日) 午前10時より

ご講師は、フレスノ別院の中田和朗(なかつ かずあき)先生をお迎えして、日本語・英語による対面法話をいただく予定です。

英語法話は本堂で、日本語法話は小堂となります。皆さまのお参りをお待ちします。

❖ 「初盆法要」

7月9日(日) 午後1時より本堂で行う予定です。

す。この一年のうちで「往生され、当寺院で葬儀をされた家庭には後日ご案内をします。なお、他の仏教会・地方などでご葬儀をされ、当仏教会で『初盆法要』をお勤めされた方は、7月1日(土)までに故人のご法名を添えて、オフィスまでお申し込みください。当日用のご法名カードをご用意いたします。「初盆法要」は対面法要のみとなります。

❖ 「お盆祭り」のお知らせ

手紙でお知らせしていますように、今年の「お盆祭り」は7月15・16日に開催されます。メンバーだけではなく一般公開となります。詳細については英語版をご覧ください。多くの方々のお手伝い、またご参加をお待ちします。

❖ 納骨堂へのお参り

納骨堂へのお参りの予約は必要ありません。お寺は毎週火曜がお休みです。『光輪』に記載されているカレンダーをご参照のうえ、お参りください。なお、お寺に到着されたら、オフィス 714-827-9590 にご連絡ください。

❖ BCA・ダイアルアップ日本語法話

電話番号 800-817-7918、「2」を押すと日本語法話が聞けます。法話は日本語が話せる開教使の先生方によるものです。どうぞ、お聴聞くださいませ。

婦人会だより

花祭りが終わったばかりの気がしますが、も



うすぐお盆祭りが予定されております。今回のお盆祭りはどなたでも歓迎しパンデミックの前のレベルの参加者のレベルに戻そうと計画しており、とてもエキサイティングなイベントです。その為には皆さまのご協力を必要となりますので、当番のシフトにサインアップをぜひとも宜しく願います。すべてを時間内に終わらせ、私達も美味しい食事してお盆ダンスを家族と友達と楽しむことができる様に、すし、ワンタン、ソーメンなどお手伝いをしていただけると幸いです。年間を通して、そしてこの忙しいお盆祭りの季節のBWAのお手伝いをして頂いている方々、サポートをして頂いているグループ、誠にありがとうございます。

* 6月4日にポップアップストアをお手伝いを2して頂いた方々どうもありがとうございます。次はOCBCのダーマスクールが始まる9月に開催する予定です。メンバーの方々は夏の間に色々な商品を作るのに忙しくなります。またブースで売れる包装された焼き菓子を作っていただけたらありがたいと存じます。

* 6月25日のBWAのミーティングの後32名の方々がフライトンのスプリングフィールドティーガーデンのティーパーティーに参加されました。テーブルは綺麗に飾られてあり、サンドイッチ、スコーン、デザートそしてもちろん多様なティーを楽しみました。あなたのバックに何が入ってる?というゲームを行い色々なものをチェックオフして楽しい時間を過ごしました。

活動コミTEEの方々のこのパーティーを主催して頂きありがとうございます。将来のイベントを楽しみにしております。

* 6月12日はまさのリリースさんと岩政エイミーさんのお誕生日をお祝いしました。更科順二さん、野口タカさん、寄付金を頂きありがとうございます。30人の参加者の方々が菜っ葉と豚肉の煮込み、もやしサラダ、ローストアスパラガスとフルーツのお弁当を楽しみました。1時半にはワンドラ先生がランチの前に日本語を話す方々の為に特別なサービスを行われ、ラッフルチケット賞はいつもヒットです。今回のシニアランチは7月10日ソーシャルホールにてお誕生日のお祝いで美味しい食事を予定しております。皆様のご参加をお待ちしております。8月はブレイクとなり、9月にシニアランチは再開いたします。

* 次のBWAのミーティングは9月17日12時半から小堂で秋の彼岸サービスとランチの後に開催される予定です。新しい会員の方々の年々中歓迎しております。是非ご参加ください。2023年の南カリフォルニア区のコンファレンスは10月14日にパサデナの仏教で開催されます。詳細は後日ご報告いたします。

OCBWA 日本旅行ハイライト

5月7日―21日

この旅行を一つの段落で表現するのは色々な感情と考えが湧き出てくるため簡単ではありません。私達のツアーグループ34人の方々が近

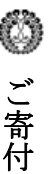
鉄旅行会社のエスコートをして頂いて17回世界仏教婦人会に参加されました。このコンベンションは4年ごとに開催されておりますが、今回は親鸞聖人のお誕生850年と浄土真宗設立800年と重なったのでお祝いとなりました。西本願寺の創立者ホールで、詠唱、恩徳讃、オータニ門主の法話を聞かせて頂くのは感激した経験で長い間の思い出となると思います。京都国際コンファレンスセンターではウオークショッブに参加致しました。他のデリゲートの方々とブレゼントを交換したり、北米、ハワイ、カナダ、そしてブラジルのパーフォーマンスを楽しませていただき、開会式と閉会式にも参加しました。

ツアーでは京都、高山、金沢そして東京で美しい歴史的な色々な場所を訪れました。色々な食事の選択もでき、参加者の皆さんはお腹が空いた時など全くありませんでした。自由時間は、狭い道を探索したり、知られていない場所やパークを探して鉄道にのったり、相撲取りとちやんこ鍋を食べたり、あるいはホテルでゆったりと時間を過ごしたりされました。この2週間の間、思い出を共に作ることででき、写真を一緒に撮ったりして、この旅行を通してもっと深く新たな友情を確認されました。

婦人会あるいは婦人会のアクティビティに関してのご質問がありましたら、ブラック・リン会長までご連絡ください。

E-mailは BWA@orangecountybuddhist.org です。

合掌 中村クリス



ご寄付

(2023年5月15日〜2023年6月17日までに御寄付戴きましたご芳名)

「祥月法要」

「祥月」法要にご寄付戴きました方々のお名前は、英語欄のページをご覧くださいませ。合計 3, 872ドル

「降誕会法要」にご寄付戴きました方々のお名前は、英語欄のページをご覧くださいませ。(敬称略・追加分)

合計 1, 015ドル

「お盆法要」にご寄付戴きました方々のお名前は、英語欄のページをご覧くださいませ。

合計 1, 310ドル

「お盆特別寄付」

大勢の方にご寄付を戴き心より感謝いたします。ご寄付戴きました方々のお名前は、英語欄のページをご覧くださいませ。

合計 1, 790ドル

「お賽銭」ご寄付です。(敬称略)

匿名

中村 クリス・デイビッド

シスク メリー

合計 931ドル

「納骨堂」にご寄付ご芳名です。(敬称略)

匿名 (2)

マツナミ ジュウイチ・エミコ

モリス シリマ

斉藤 俊子

平 ゲリー・ジェイン

山下 洋子

合計 466ドル

「仏教会にお礼」

ご寄付ご芳名です。(敬称略)

デムラ キヌエ

岩下 ゲイル

岩下 ジェイン

カノ ヨリエ

カシマ カレン・ケン

クリス・サルツ ファリス

宮田 セツコ (2)

坂原 ジャネット

坂原 ロビン

更科 洵爾

矢田 ファミリー

矢田 フランク・ジョイス

合計 2,200ドル

「花祭り特別寄付」にご寄付戴きました方のお名前です。(追加分)

前田 フミコ

「仏教会に特別寄付」

ご芳名です。(敬称略)

ブレイロック ジョセフ

土網 康子

イーグル コート オブ オーナー

ロック ファミリー・マルデン

ファミリー・中川 ファミリー・

佐々木 ファミリー・若林 ファミ

リー・ユキ ファミリー

ガルシア ジョー・

タバーガ マルシア (2)

ホフマイヤー マシユー・アンナ

カシマ グラデイス

古賀 ジョーダン

西村 ロドニー・マリオン

O C B C B E C

落合 アラン・キャッシー

更科 洵爾

高木 キャロル・ノボル (2)

トレセダー キヤサリーン

若林 エドウィン・ローリ

匿名

合計 6,123ドル

「メモリアルデーお参り」にご寄付戴きました方々のお名前です。(敬称略)

イノクチ ラリー・ジューン

門脇 ポーラ
中垣 ヒロミチ・カオル

中野 ロナルド・ジーン

中脇 ベバリー

中脇 ふしお・よしこ

中脇 ロイド

沖田 ロイ

谷岡 ケビン・ジョアン

トーマス ジョアン

富松 りょうしろう

合計 785ドル

「初参り法要」にご寄付戴きました方のご芳名です。(敬称略)

中野 ロナルド・ジーン

大石 ジョナサン・ダネル

大石 リキオ・ドーリー

谷岡 ジョアン・ケビン

谷岡 トレントン・クリスタル

合計 450ドル

 お葬儀

故宮田 ドン

2023年4月19日往生



仏教会一同、心よりお悔やみを申し上げます。

南無阿弥陀仏



OCBC'S WEEKLY WHEEL PODCAST IS HERE!

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- CHANTING
- DHARMA MESSAGE
- SPECIAL TOPICS & DISCUSSIONS

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Weekly pickleball sessions In the MPB gym.

For more information:

Wednesdays 12:30p—2:30p session email Ryan @ rko7@hotmail.com

Weekend sessions (times based on gym availability)
email Jeff/Carol @ ocbpickleball@gmail.com

2023 SDDSTL CONFERENCE



JODO SHINSHU — THIS — IS THE WAY

SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 7, 2023
8:30 am - 3:00 pm at Orange County Buddhist Church
More information to come.
Contact: dharma.school@orangecountybuddhist.org



KAZŌKU-NO-HI

FAMILY DAY



In memory and appreciation of
Mitsuo Kawaguchi

A loving father, devoted husband, proud grandfather and strong supporter of Project Kokoro. He was the epitome of family. Today, as we gather to celebrate “Kazoku No Hi” the Japanese American family and culture, we hope you will be touched by the strong appreciation Mr. Kawaguchi had for family, culture, traditions and respect for our elders and the generations that came before us and continue to share with your family the proud heritage of the Japanese American family.

Sunday, October 8, 2023

12:00 noon to 3 pm • OCBC Gym

We encourage all children to bring a grandparent or senior citizen to share this day together to learn about the Japanese American culture through arts, crafts, food, music and games.



Special Entertainment:

Live music by
Miko Shudo and Michael Murata.

COST: (includes Bento lunch, crafts & admission)

Free for Seniors (70 yrs and older)

\$10 adults (11-69 yrs old)

\$5 per child (3-10 years old)

Free for kids 2 years and under (no bento)

All ages and generations are welcome.

SPONSOR:

This event is made possible through the generous donation of the Mitsuo Kawaguchi family.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Email Hazel Ando: hhando@ucsb.edu or
Chris Hirata: cthirata@gmail.com

RSVP: Must receive RSVP & Payment online or by mail on or before **Sept 17, 2023.** (no walk ins)

PLEASE SIGN UP EARLY TO ENSURE A SEAT!

ONLINE REGISTRATON

1) RSVP Link or QR Code

[FAMILY DAY REGISTRATION](#)



2) Payment Link or QR Code

[FAMILY DAY PAYMENT](#)



“KAZOKU NO HI” October 8, 2023 • RSVP due September 17, 2023

Name _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Childrens name(s) _____

Grandparents/Senior Citizens name(s) _____

No. of Sr Citizen (70+) _____ x Free = \$0.00 Chicken & Salmon Bento (qty) _____ or Vegetarian (qty) _____

No. of Adults (11-69) _____ x \$10.00 = \$ _____ Chicken & Salmon Bento (qty) _____ or Vegetarian (qty) _____

No. of Children (3-10) _____ x \$5.00 = \$ _____ Children’s Bento

No. of Children (0-2) _____ x Free = \$0.00

Check # _____ Total Enclosed \$ _____

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Your Address/City/Zip _____

Location of Vehicle (if different) _____

Contact Info: Home Ph _____ Cell Ph _____ Email _____

Type of Vehicle: Year _____ Make _____ Model _____

Vehicle Identification # (VIN) _____

Vehicle License # _____ Odometer Reading _____

Do you have the Title, Pink Slip? Yes No Name on Title: _____

Does the vehicle run? Yes No

Comments _____

How did you hear about the program? _____ Today's Date _____

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2023 OCBC MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please complete the following form to apply for Membership
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STEP 1: MEMBERSHIP LEVEL

Single Member/Parent:

- Single Member (Young Adult): 18 to 30 years old \$66
- First-year Single Member: Over 30 years old (and any dependent children, up to 25 yrs. old) \$150
- Sustaining Senior Member: Long time OCBC supporter, 85 years or older \$164
- Sustaining Member: One adult (and any dependent children, up to 25 yrs. old) \$264
- Sustaining Kansha Member: One adult, (and any dependent children, up to 25 yrs. old). \$600
- Special membership opportunity to provide additional financial support to OCBC.

Family:

- First-year Families: Two adults over 30 years old (and any dependent children, up to 25 yrs. old) \$300
- Sustaining Senior: Two adults, Long time OCBC supporters, 85 years or older \$328
- Sustaining Family: Two adults (and any dependent children, up to 25 yrs. old) \$528
- Sustaining Kansha Family: Two adults (and any dependent children, up to 25 yrs. old). \$1200
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STEP 2: MEMBER INFORMATION

*Please provide email so that we may email you your receipt

Name _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone Home: _____ Cell: _____
 Email _____

[] Address changed [] Membership changed

Family Membership Information

Spouse Name _____
 Spouse Home: _____ Cell: _____
 Email _____
 Child Name _____
 Child Name _____
 Child Name _____

For Office Use Only:

Received by: _____
 Quick-Book Entry by: _____
 Database Entry by: _____
 BCA Entry by: _____

Emergency Contact

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Date: _____
 Date: _____
 Date: _____
 Date: _____

Regular reminder notices will not be sent to those who pay quarterly

STEP 3: MAIL

Send membership form and check to:
Mark or note on your check:

Quarterly Annually

Orange County Buddhist Church

909 South Dale Avenue
Anaheim, CA 92804

Method of Payment:

[] Check No. _____ (Make check payable to OCBC)
 [] Credit card (go to orangecountybuddhist.org)

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JULY 2023 CALENDAR

2023年 7月 カレンダー

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日 SUN	月 MON	火 TUE	水 WED	木 THU	金 FRI	土 SAT
25 8:30 AM – 瞑想 Mindfulness Service (in person) 10:00 AM – 家族礼拝 Family Service (hybrid) 11:00 AM – Adult Discussion No Dharma School until Sept 10	26 6:00 PM - Zoom BEC English Class Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra 7:00PM – Bon Odori Practice	27 OFFICE CLOSED	28 9:00 AM – (in person) Project Kokoro Crafts 12:30 PM – (in person) Dana Games/Pickleball 7:00 PM – Zoom Mindfulness Service	29 9:00 AM – (in person) Tai chi Class 7:00PM – Bon Odori Practice	30	1
2 <u>NO SERVICES</u>	3 7:00PM – Bon Odori Practice	4 OFFICE CLOSED	5 9:00 AM – (in person) Project Kokoro Crafts 12:30 PM – (in person) Dana Games/Pickleball 7:00 PM – Zoom Mindfulness Service	6 9:00 AM – (in person) Tai chi Class 7:00PM – Bon Odori Practice	7	8 4:30 PM – Shotsuki Hoyo Monthly Memorial Service (in person) 7:00 PM - Zoom BEC Japanese Class Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra
9 No Mindfulness Service 10:00 AM – 家族礼拝 Obon Service (hybrid) Rev. Kazuaki Nakata, Fresno Betsuin Message in English & Japanese 1:00 PM -Hatsubon Service	10 11:30 AM - Monday Service 12:00 PM - シニヤ昼食会 Senior Lunch/Work Party 7:00PM – Bon Odori Practice	11 OFFICE CLOSED	12 9:00 AM – (in person) Project Kokoro Crafts 12:30 PM – (in person) Dana Games/Pickleball 7:00 PM – Zoom Mindfulness Service 7:00PM – Bon Odori Practice	13	14	15 Obon Festival 2:00 – 8:30PM
16 Obon Festival 2:00 – 8:00PM	17 6:00 PM - Zoom BEC English Class Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra	18 OFFICE CLOSED	19 9:00 AM – (in person) Project Kokoro Crafts 12:30 PM – (in person) Dana Games/Pickleball 7:00 PM – Zoom Mindfulness Service	20 9:00 AM – (in person) Tai chi Class	21	22 7:00 PM - Zoom BEC Japanese Class Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra
23 10:00 AM Summer Dharma Zoom	24	25 OFFICE CLOSED	26 9:00 AM – (in person) Project Kokoro Crafts 12:30 PM – (in person) Dana Games/Pickleball 7:00 PM – Zoom Mindfulness Service	27 9:00 AM – (in person) Tai chi Class	28	29
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AUGUST 2023 CALENDAR

2023年 8月 カレンダー

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30 10:00 AM Summer Dharma Zoom	31 6:00 PM - Zoom BEC English Class Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra	1 OFFICE CLOSED	2 12:30 PM – (in person) Pickleball 7:00 PM – Zoom Mindfulness Service	3	4	5 4:30 PM – Shotsuki Hoyo Monthly Memorial Service (in person)
6 10:00 AM Summer Dharma Zoom	7	8 OFFICE CLOSED 6:00 PM – Zoom BEC Book Club	9 12:30 PM – (in person) Pickleball 7:00 PM – Zoom Mindfulness Service	10	11	12
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