

# Monthly Newsletter

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## THIS MONTH'S EVENTS

*All scheduled Sunday services will be held in-person and via Zoom in the Hondo unless otherwise noted. All other in-person activities and events as noted. We will continue to follow all Federal, State and City safety protocols. Please keep in mind that service schedules are subject to change without notice. Thank you for your understanding.*

*For all Zoom services and programs please contact the Jikoen office for access information.*

Sun 5/7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>NO SERVICE AT JIKOEN</b></li> <li>• <b>World Buddhist Women's Convention Group to Japan</b></li> </ul>
Sun 5/14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>NO SERVICE AT JIKOEN</b></li> </ul>
Wed 5/17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>NO LIVING DHARMA SESSION</b></li> </ul>
Sun 5/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Gotan-E Shinran's Birthday &amp; Shotsuki Memorial Service</b> Time: 9:00 a.m., Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama</li> </ul>
Sun 5/28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sangha Family Service</b> Time: 9:00 a.m., Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama</li> <li>• <b>Virtual Board of Directors Monthly Meeting</b> Time: 10:30 a.m., <i>On Zoom</i></li> </ul>
Mon 5/29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Memorial Day Observed (Office and Preschool closed)</b></li> </ul>
Sun 6/4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Shotsuki Memorial Service</b> Time: 9:00 a.m., Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama</li> </ul>
Sun 6/11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sangha Family Service</b> Time: 9:00 a.m., Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama</li> </ul>
Mon 6/12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Kamehameha Day Observed (Office and Preschool closed)</b></li> </ul>

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

John Toguchi

### *Congratulations on a Successful 2023 Bazaar*

**June Nakamasu, Doreen Toma and Sandy Toma** did an awesome job co-chairing the 2023 Bazaar. After a three-year pause, the event was an overall success thanks to the leadership of the co-chairs. Many volunteers provided hands to sort through the donations, price, sell and at the end pack what was not sold for donation to United Cerebral Palsy. Thank you to all those who donated to the bazaar.

We learned a lot from resuming this annual event and made necessary adjustments to deal with changed conditions. We will use what we learned to plan our 2023 Bon Dance. Our largest event requires more members, friends, and affiliates to come together once again to make it successful.

At the bazaar, I was filling in where help was needed and did a stint at the andagi tent. The ladies from Lanakila Okinawa Nenchosha Club came early that morning to help us. They were fun to work with and taught me a lot. We truly appreciated and needed their help in this key area.

Like baking, andagi making is about science. The mixed ingredients make a small sticky ball of dough that morphs into a large crispy andagi when fried. The temperature must be right but also fluctuates. Lawson Kita was a master in making temperature adjustments. A dropped blob of dough turns into a crispy round sphere. I'll have to find out the science (or magic) behind that.

At a certain point, the batch of partially cooked andagi was transferred into the adjacent wok to finish. Once golden-brown outside and fully cooked on the inside, the andagi were removed from the oil and quickly cooled down to maintain crispness. Once sufficiently cooled, the andagi were bagged and taken to the social hall where customers were waiting.



A series of causes and conditions created delicious andagi. That coupled with the practice of dealing with changes in conditions achieved the right result. Who knew andagi could be used to explain Buddhism.

## TEMPLE NEWS

### *Memorial Service Scheduled for May thru August 2023*

#### 1st Year Service (Died in 2022)

Mr. Senmatsu Ueunten (92).....	May 5, 2022
Mrs. Juliet Yukiko Jakahi (85) .....	May 12, 2022
Mrs. Angela Shizue Uehara (99).....	May 14, 2022
Mrs. Shigeo Jane Nakamura (90).....	May 25, 2022
Mr. Bert Masamitsu Shiira (81).....	June 4, 2022
Mrs. Ivy Haruko Shiroma (98).....	June 6, 2022
Mr. Jinji Higa (97) .....	June 29, 2022
Mrs. Margaret Aiko Ueunten (93).....	June 30, 2022
Miss. Mitzie Mitsuko Kiyabu (97).....	July 17, 2022
Mr. Tsuneo Nakama (91) .....	July 18, 2022
Mrs. Betsy Tatsue Kakuni (96) .....	July 26, 2022
Mrs. Fumie Tengan (91).....	August 3, 2022
Mrs. Chiyo Sadoyama (99).....	August 28, 2022
Mrs. Lynne Yoshiko Nakasone (89) .....	August 30, 2022

#### 3rd Year Service (Died in 2021)

Mrs. Sadako Tokuda (94) .....	June 7, 2021
Mr. Randel Sadao Kobashigawa (63) .....	June 18, 2021
Mrs. Nancy Hideko Oshiro (86) .....	June 26, 2021
Mrs. Kimiye Oshiro (95).....	July 2, 2021
Mr. Steve Sadaaki Higa (97).....	July 3, 2021
Mr. Loren Masami Hieda (65) .....	July 16, 2021
Mrs. Clara Kikuye Irei (95) .....	July 19, 2021
Mrs. Nora Osue Tamanaha (93).....	August 18, 2021
Mr. Dave Yoshiaki Kaneshiro (73).....	August 31, 2021

#### 7th Year Service (Died in 2017)

Mrs. Jane Kyoko Shimabukuro (87) .....	May 1, 2017
Mrs. Hatsuye Oshiro (92) .....	May 4, 2017
Mrs. Aileen Aiko Oshiro (63).....	May 6, 2017
Mr. Chosei Kenneth Arakaki (98) .....	May 20, 2017
Mr. Max Wayne Yoshiteru Shinkawa (71) .....	May 23, 2017
Mr. Herbert Toshiyuki Oshiro (92) .....	June 7, 2017
Mrs. Ethel Haruko Isa (95) .....	June 19, 2017
Mrs. Kyoko Kamiya Kuniyuki (82) .....	June 28, 2017
Mr. Don Shinichi Tsukahara (52).....	June 30, 2017
Mrs. Nancy Yamauchi (100).....	July 4, 2017
Mrs. Hanami Kohatsu (86) .....	July 23, 2017
Mrs. Karen Yukie Miyasato (87).....	July 25, 2017
Mrs. Yukiko Yahiku (96) .....	August 28, 2017

#### 13th Year Service (Died in 2010)

Mrs. Iku Irene Nakamura (94) .....	May 16, 2010
Mrs. Chieko Shinsato (94) .....	May 2, 2010

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# Bon Dance Practices

Friday Evenings / 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. / Jikoan Social Hall:

May 5  
May 12  
May 19 - NO PRACTICE  
May 26

June 2  
June 9  
June 16 - NO PRACTICE  
June 23  
June 30

Dates and times may be subject to change. Confirm by email to: [info@youngokinawans.org](mailto:info@youngokinawans.org) or visit: [www.youngokinawans.org](http://www.youngokinawans.org)

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- Mrs. Sue Teruko Omizo (87)..... June 15, 2010
- Mrs. Ikuyo Bates (75)..... June 16, 2010
- Mr. Joji Oshiro (92) ..... June 18, 2010
- Mr. Paul Susumu Takushi (61) ..... July 1, 2010
- Mr. Howard William Bates (74) ..... July 8, 2008
- Mr. Paul Hiroshi Kaneshiro (62) ..... July 12, 2010
- Mr. James Shunyei Oshiro (83) ..... July 22, 2010
- Mr. Toshio Miyamoto (92)..... July 27, 2010
- Mr. Kiichi Kobashigawa (91)..... July 31, 2010
- Mr. Masanobu Kaneshiro (77) ..... August 9, 2010
- Mrs. Thelma Haruko Upton (91)..... August 12, 2010

### 25th Year Service (Died in 1999)

- Mr. Robert Yumei Higa (74) ..... May 1, 1999
- Mr. Richard Isamu Higa (85) ..... May 12, 1999
- Mr. Shintoku Hamadon (69) ..... July 1, 1999
- Mrs. Kameko Higa (90) ..... July 31, 1999
- Mrs. Maka Goya (98)..... August 14, 1999

Please call the Jikoan Office at 808-845-3422 or email at [jikoan1938@gmail.com](mailto:jikoan1938@gmail.com) at least one month before the memorial dates. Thank you.

## Living Dharma Gathering

via  zoom

Please mark you calendars for the next sessions:

- **May 17 (Wed) – NO SESSION**
- **June 21 (Wed), 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.**

You will need to download the Zoom App or access from a web browser. Please RSVP to get the login information by calling the office at 808-845-3422 or emailing [jikoan.info@gmail.com](mailto:jikoan.info@gmail.com)



### OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

*The Jikoan ohana sends its sincere condolences to the families of our Dharma friends:*

**Matsuko Kaya Matsumoto** (94) of Lāna‘i City, Hawai‘i, passed away on February 27, 2023 in Honolulu, Hawai‘i. She was born on April 2, 1928 in Kaua‘i, Hawai‘i. She is survived by sons Colbert Matsumoto (Gail) and Kurt Matsumoto (Lyn Utsugi); sister, Helen Takenouchi (Frank) and four grandchildren.

**Katsumi Shinsato** (100) of ‘Aiea, passed away peacefully on February 18, 2023. Born on June 4, 1922 in Waipahu to Katsuichi and Usa Shinsato.

He is predeceased by wife Yoshiko and daughter Eunice Nose and is survived by children Melvin Shinsato (Jae Sook), Karen Tamayoshi (Glenn, deceased), Andrea Oshiro (Wayne) and Edwin Nose (son-in-law), 10 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren. He was the headmaster of Shinsato Shosei Kai where he taught sanshin for over 50 years; a proprietor of a fish stall, liquor store and grocery store and retired from the Hawaii State Department of Education at age 69.

**Senmatsu Ueunten** (92) of Pearl City, a Korean War Army veteran and retired FAA technician, passed away on May 5, 2022 at home. He was born in Lawai, Kauai. He is survived by his wife, Cynthia; son, Alvin (Carole); daughters, Julia (Kevin) Nakamura and Irene (Todd) Saito; brothers, Thomas, Stanley (Mildred), George and Marvin; and five grandchildren.

*May happy memories and the O-Nembutsu sustain you in your sadness. Namo Amida Butsu.*



## HILITES FROM HQ NEWS UPDATES

(April, 2023)

### *“Aloha, Where East Meets West: A Significant Mo‘olelo (Story) From My Faith”*

Bishop Eric Matsumoto

Earlier this year, in observance of the United Nation’s World Interfaith Harmony, numerous faith traditions gathered for the 3rd World Religions’ Conference sponsored by the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of Honolulu at their Kalihi Mosque. Bishop Eric Matsumoto was invited to represent the Buddhist Community. Each tradition was given 7 minutes for a presentation on the theme. The following message is a condensed version of the message shared by Bishop Matsumoto introducing the story of Kisagotami (slightly adapted) from BDK’s *The Teaching of Buddha*:

*Once, there was a young woman named Kisagotami, the wife of a wealthy man, who lost her mind because of the death of her child. She took the dead child in her arms and went from house to house begging people to heal the child. Of course, they could do nothing for her, but finally a follower of the Buddha advised her to see the Blessed One (Sakyamuni Buddha).*

*The Blessed One looked upon her with empathy and said: “To heal the child I need some poppy seeds; go and beg for four or five poppy seeds from some home where death has never entered.”*

*So (she)...sought a house where death had never entered, but in vain. At last, she was obliged to return to the Buddha. In his quiet presence her mind cleared and she understood the meaning of his words. ... (she)...became one of his disciples.*

This actual story from the life of the Historic Buddha shares the truth or reality of impermanence, that everyone and everything is subject to change including the human body which, born of conditional causes and conditions, is thus subject to old age, sickness and death. This may sound pessimistic, but in actuality it depicts reality. The goal of Buddhism is to be in touch with reality and in that way attain perfect peace and tranquility by becoming aware and thus not attached to false perceptions of our ego. As the Historic Buddha said,

*Life is ever changing; none can escape the dissolution*

*of the body. ...the true Buddha is not a human body: -it is Enlightenment. A human body must die, but the Wisdom of Enlightenment will exist forever in the truth of the Dharma...*

This understanding of the impermanent nature of the self, however, does not totally negate life and living and deny the significance of the body as we find in the following quote.

*Those who hear and receive the Buddha’s teaching know that their lives are transient...so they do not become attached to them. At the same time, they do not neglect to take good care of their bodies, not because they wish to enjoy the physical pleasures of the body, but because the body is temporarily necessary for the attainment of wisdom and for their mission of explaining the Path to others.*

The Buddhist view embraces old age, sickness and death as a natural part of life. Ajahn Brahm shares

*I came to know...a region steeped in Buddhist teachings...(where) death was accepted by all in a way that defied Western theories of grief and loss. ...there is an alternative to grief. Not that grief is wrong, only that there is another possibility.*

*Loss of a loved one can be viewed in a second way, a*

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## *Born Again* **UCHINANCHU** *The Hawaii Experience*

### **BOOK PRE-ORDER UPDATE**

**If you have pre-ordered your BAU book through Jikoen Hongwanji in 2021, pending no further delays, the book is scheduled to debut sometime this summer. The pre-ordered price at cost will be determined when the book is published.**

**We will keep you informed of its progress. Mahalo for your patience and understanding.**



# BSC Summer Session 2023



**Buddhist Study Center Summer Session 2023**  
**June 5-9, 2023 ~ 6:00-8:00 p.m. (HST)**

## “Shinran’s Challenge: A Shin Buddhist in the 21st Century”



**What does a Jodo Shinshu Buddhist look like?** It is a difficult question to answer. However, if we go back and investigate the works of Shinran Shonin, there is a wealth of suggestions and themes presented by our founder. He enables us to envision what the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist identity looks like, even today. Shinran Shonin is challenging every one of us to think about what it means to be a Jodo Shinshu Buddhist.

As the American Buddhism movement develops, there is a growing challenge to sustain the teaching brought to us by Shinran Shonin. Let us delve during this weeklong session into these suggestions and themes to have a better understanding of being a Shin Buddhist in the 21st Century.

**Our Summer Session speaker is Rev. Dr. Takashi Miyaji.** Since August 2020, Rev. Miyaji has been the minister of the Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church. In addition to his ministerial duties, he teaches at the Institute of Buddhist Studies located in Berkeley, California.

Rev. Dr. Miyaji graduated from the University of California at Berkeley with a bachelor’s degree in philosophy and Japanese language and literature. He received a master’s degree in Buddhist Studies from the Institute of Buddhist Studies in Berkeley, California. Rev. Miyaji received a master’s degree in Shin Buddhist Studies and completed the doctoral coursework at Ryukoku University in Kyoto, Japan.



**Everyone is Welcome!** Please see Summer Session brochure [here](#) for class schedule & other details. **Register** online at: <https://bit.ly/bscsummersession2023> (also go to [www.bsawahawaii.org](http://www.bsawahawaii.org) for brochure & registration links or use QR code provided). Or, fill in the form below & mail to the BSC. **Please register by Saturday, May 27, 2023.**



**Donations Welcome:** Suggested tax deductible donation is \$10/session. All gifts received will be donated to the BSC & go toward furthering Buddhist education. Give online at <http://bit.ly/hhmhdonate> Or, checks can be made payable to HHMH & mailed to the BSC (note BSC Summer Session on check).



### ~ Registration Form for BSC Summer Session 2023 ~

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Temple (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Email/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I will be attending: In-person  - or - Online

**Mail to:** Buddhist Study Center 1436 University Ave. Honolulu, HI 96822 **Questions?** Call the BSC office at 808-973-6555.

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*way that avoids the long days of aching grief.” “Grief is seeing only what has been taken away from you. The celebration of life is recognizing all that we were blessed with, and feeling so very grateful.*

From my own Jodo Shinshu or Shin Buddhist Tradition, I am recalling a poem written by Ayako Suzuki. She died of cancer, but she wrote the following remarkable poem.

*Now I finally understand the Buddha's words.  
For this life that I have received,  
I am very thankful.  
For this body that is able to listen  
To the Buddha-Dharma,  
I am very thankful.  
For the Nembutsu that I have been able to receive,  
I am very thankful.  
And now, with inner joy and gratitude,*

*I also receive the end of my life.*

Ayako Suzuki encountered both the Wisdom and the Compassion of Enlightenment. It is not the attainment of Enlightenment by her, but she came into contact with it. On one hand, she came to understand one aspect of the Wisdom of Enlightenment that life is subject to change and at the same time she experienced the embrace of the Amida Buddha's Great Compassion known as Namo Amida Butsu, which, unconditionally, just as we are, embraces one and all who Entrust, and vows that no matter what I shall never abandon you (and all who Entrust) under any circumstance and eventually bring about your Enlightenment.

Now, what does this have to do with “East meets West?” There is much we can learn from this “Eastern” view of life and when combined with the “Western” role of medicine and health care, it can produce a much more balanced view of life and a realistic role of medicine and health care which will benefit patients and health care professionals too. I am a supporter of the integration of spiritual care into health care for a more wholistic approach as being advocated by individuals such as Dr. Christina Puchalski.

To conclude, for us of Hawai'i guided by the Aloha Spirit, we are in a good position to offer to the world, a very special gift. Hawai'i is truly where “East meets West” and today's program is a prime example of it. I am honored to have been able to share today. Thank you and Namo Amida Butsu/Entrusting in All-Inclusive Wisdom and All-Embracing Compassion.

### *Kapolei Buddhist Sangha News*

On April 17, 2023, twenty-five people connected with the Kapolei Buddhist Sangha, a few who were part of the original Sangha rallied together by the late Rev. Henry Tanaka who was the founding minister of the Kapolei Sangha, gathered at the Buddhist Study Center for a closing service. The Sangha decided to close by the end of April 2023. The service was officiated by Bishop Eric Matsumoto assisted by current minister of KBS Rev. Bert Sumikawa who also shared a brief history of KBS. Former ministers Rev. David Nakamoto and Rev. David Fujimoto were also in attendance. Rev. Daido Baba and Derrick Inouye also assisted. Hawai'i Kyodan State President Dr. Warren Tamamoto, besides saying a few words, together with O'ahu Hongwanji Council President Mr. Russell Nonaka, offered incense. What was envisioned as a very simple closing service with only a handful of people

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## **WHITE WAY RADIO**

Mō'ili'ili Hongwanji's Weekly  
Dharma Message

⚡ **Saturdays at 7:45 am – 8:00 am on  
KZOO AM1210 or Spectrum 888 KZOO  
Radio**

⚡ Weekly messages go to  
[www.moililihongwanji.org](http://www.moililihongwanji.org)

### **May 2023**

- **06 Bishop Tatsuya Aoki**
- **13 Rev. Shindo Nishiyama**
- **20 Rev. David Nakamoto**
- **27 Mrs. Irene Nakamoto**

⚡ Japanese-language Dharma talks Saturdays on KZOO AM1210 on Saturdays 7:30 am – 7:45 am; on-demand dharma talks in Japanese

⚡ Dharma talks in Japanese are produced by Hawai'i Betsuin and are archived on their website

⚡ Your donation to Mō'ili'ili Hongwanji will be greatly appreciated to help support the White Way Radio broadcasts.

# KAHUKU HONGWANJI MISSION SCHOLARSHIP

*The Kahuku Hongwanji Mission closed its doors in February 2013 after serving its membership for 111 years.*

*To maintain the legacy of the Kahuku Hongwanji Mission and to develop the future generations of the Hongwanji, Kahuku Hongwanji Mission established a scholarship to support students at the college level.*



## **Eligibility:**

- The applicant must be a student attending or registered for enrollment in an accredited university, college, or a post-high school program in the State of Hawaii.
- The applicant must show interest in Buddhism, and be active in a Hongwanji program, either at the Hawaii Kyodan level or at a branch temple.
- The applicant must be a full-time student and registered for a minimum of 12 college credits per semester.
- The applicant, at the time of the application, must have a required minimum high school, college, or university in Hawaii GPA of 2.5.  
(\*Those who registered for enrollment and not yet received Hawaii college/university GPA must submit their GPA after the first semester.)
- The applicant must submit the application form with an essay on “Dharma and My Life”.

**Application Deadline:** July 31 of the year of application

**Scholarship Amount:** \$2,000.00 each / two recipients



## **HONPA HONGWANJI MISSION OF HAWAII SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

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*Revised on March 28, 2022*

## SHOTSUKI JOYOUS MONTHLY MEMORIAL SERVICE

Shotsuki Monthly Service is a time to remember our loved ones and a time to express gratitude in Gassho. This memorial service is usually held on the first Sunday of each month at 9:00 a.m., in memory of those whose date of death falls in that month. We also recognize the efforts of those who have passed and thank them for their continuing influence in our lives and for giving us the opportunity to share the Buddha-Dharma.

*Here are our loved ones who will be remembered in the month of June, 2023:*

Karen Yoshie Agena ~ June 20, 2006 (65)  
 Harry Seiichi Akamine ~ June 11, 2006 (91)  
 Stanley Seiji Akamine ~ June 18, 2020 (75)  
 Taro Arakaki ~ June 18, 2007 (88)  
 Yasuko Arakaki ~ June 19, 2013 (101)  
 Seitoku Arume ~ June 22, 1999 (89)  
 Howard Tadashi Asato ~ June 20, 2019 (68)  
 Ikuyo Bates ~ June 16, 2010 (75)  
 Dr. Nadhipuram Bhagavan ~ June 17, 2018 (86)  
 Janice Reiko Sumitani Buder ~ June 27, 2015 (66)  
 Takamitsu Chinen ~ June 18, 2011 (97)  
 Tsuru Chinen ~ June 16, 1995 (92)  
 Richard Norio Fuji ~ June 5, 2013 (73)  
 Uto Ganeku ~ June 13, 1990 (94)  
 Haruko "Evelyn" Gushi ~ June 1, 2005 (90)  
 Fumiko Higa ~ June 24, 1998 (87)  
 Thelma Hideko Higa ~ June 13, 2004 (79)  
 Tokucho Ige ~ June 2, 2020 (100)  
 Jane Inafuku ~ June 11, 2009 (63)  
 Ethel Haruko Isa ~ June 19, 2017 (96)  
 Karole Uchihira Kaneshiro ~ June 24, 2005 (79)  
 Francis Kazuo "Frenchy" Kaneshiro ~ June 4, 2013 (82)  
 Gary Jitsuo Kaneshiro ~ June 16, 2021 (80)  
 Jane Hanae Kaneshiro ~ June 11, 2020 (84)  
 Kenneth Keniichi Kaneshiro ~ June 7, 2006 (102)  
 Masei Kaneshiro ~ June 19, 2001 (95)  
 Mildred Mitsuyo Kaneshiro ~ June 14, 2018 (84)  
 Natsue "Nat" Kaneshiro ~ June 26, 2009 (80)  
 Nobuo Kaneshiro ~ June 5, 2007 (100)  
 Florence Kamimura ~ June 17, 2014 (90)  
 Shuichi Kina ~ June 8, 2014 (83)  
 Kame Kiyabu ~ June 16, 1987 (90)  
 Randal Sadao Kobashikawa ~ June 18, 2021 (63)  
 Kyoko Kamiya Kuniyuki ~ June 28, 2017 (82)  
 Kameko Kuwae ~ June 5, 1987 (72)  
 Gilbert Koyu Makishi ~ June 19, 1994  
 Jane Kimie Matsumoto ~ June 12, 2019 (100)  
 Janet Haruko Miyasato ~ June 8, 2007 (85)  
 Kenneth Kenichi Momohara ~ June 10, 1990 (72)  
 Flora Shizuko Moriyama ~ June 22, 2019 (94)

Rev. Norito Nagao ~ June 4, 2003 (83)  
 Hisashi Nagai ~ June 20, 2013 (87)  
 Takeshi Nakagawa ~ June 10, 1998 (75)  
 Shizuko Nakama ~ June 30, 2013 (97)  
 Hanayo Kuniyuki Nakano ~ June 04, 2001 (96)  
 Hisako Tobara Nakasato ~ June 16, 1996  
 Richard Sadao Nakasone ~ June 1, 2011 (78)  
 Jacqueline Noborikawa ~ June 15, 2019 (21)  
 Elsie Usano Omori ~ June 7, 2013 (95)  
 Yuriko Okamoto ~ June 21, 2015 (79)  
 Sue Teruko Omizo ~ June 15, 2010 (87)  
 Grant Kosei Onaga ~ June 1, 2019 (96)  
 Herbert Toshiyuki Oshiro ~ June 7, 2017 (92)  
 Joji Oshiro ~ June 18, 2010 (92)  
 Nancy Hideko Oshiro ~ June 26, 2021 (86)  
 Jean Yoshiko Sakanashi ~ June 18, 2006 (47)  
 George Hiroyuki Sakoda ~ June 6, 2005 (73)  
 Masaichi Sesoko ~ June 21, 2005 (83)  
 Masahide Shimabuku ~ June 24, 1985  
 George Shimabukuro ~ June 3, 2011 (82)  
 Sadako Shimabukuro ~ June 9, 2015 (90)  
 Sume Shimabukuro ~ June 17, 2005 (83)  
 Mike Kazuo Shimabukuro ~ June 12, 2000 (72)  
 Sumiko Shinkawa ~ June 13, 2000 (71)  
 Masakichi Shiroma ~ June 18, 2000 (82)  
 Shizuko Shiroma ~ June 20, 2017 (76)  
 Yoshinori "Ginny" Taira ~ June 30, 2011 (82)  
 Thomas Saneo Tamanaha ~ June 23, 1998 (59)  
 Ted Gonsuke Tamashiro ~ June 18, 2001 (90)  
 Warren Eiji Tamashiro ~ June 1, 2009 (80)  
 Raymond "Shagg" Shigeru Tarasawa ~ June 14, 2014 (80)  
 Shizu Toguchi ~ June 27, 2011 (81)  
 Yoshino Toguchi ~ June 1, 2016 (90)  
 Sadako Tokuda ~ June 7, 2021 (94)  
 Uto Tokuda ~ June 11, 1987 (94)  
 Larry Kenichi Tokuhara ~ June 16, 2019 (79)  
 Clarence Noboru Tonouchi ~ June 2, 2011 (70)  
 Don Shinichi Tsukahara ~ June 30, 2017 (52)  
 Takeno Tsukahara ~ June 26, 2015 (88)  
 Sharon Midori Uyehara ~ June 8, 2015 (56)  
 Herbert Eiyu Yamaguchi ~ June 20, 2015 (84)  
 Fumiko Yoshimoto ~ June 29, 2015 (92)  
 Satoru Wauke ~ June 14, 2003 (77)  
 Richard Hiroshi Zukemura ~ June 28, 2014 (92)

### *Namu Amida Butsu*

If you would like to honor your loved one, please call the office at 808-845-3422 or email [jikoen.info@gmail.com](mailto:jikoen.info@gmail.com) with your name and contact information and we will get back to you.



## DONATIONS FROM MARCH 18, 2023 THRU APRIL 18, 2023

**General Operations (\$1 - \$99)** -----

Dec., Jan., Feb

**General Operations (\$100 - \$499)**

March & April

**General Operations (\$500 - \$599)**

**Bazaar (\$1 - \$99)**

Anonymous  
Anonymous

Koko Head Martial Arts  
Academy

**Bazaar (\$100 - \$299)**

**Bazaar (\$1000 - \$1099)**  
Anonymous

**Hanamatsuri (\$1 - \$99)**

**Hanamatsuri (\$100 - \$299)**

**Miscellaneous (\$1 - \$99)**

Anonymous  
Cha Cha Cha

IMO Katherine Kanako Higa  
(Shotsuki)

Cha Cha Cha

IMO Eleanor Nakamoto

IMO Aaron Shimabukuro &  
Grandmother Uta Shimabukuro

IMO Rev. Yamasato, Rev.  
Fujitani & Chiyoko Shiroma

IMO Lillian Oshiro

Cha Cha Cha

IMO Bert Shiira

IMO Eleanor Nakamoto

**Miscellaneous (\$100 - \$299)**

IMO Yoshiko Uechi

IMO Takejiro Nakamasu  
(Shotsuki)

IMO Richard & Ayano  
Nishimiya (Shotsuki)

IMO Nobushige Nakasone  
(Shotsuki)

IMO David & Mitsue Aka

IMO Bert & Sadako Shiira

Social Concerns

IMO Kenneth Tome

IMO Peter Seizen & Frances  
Fusae Hanashiro

IMO Shoyei Shimabukuro &  
Aaron S. Shimabukuro

IMO Larry Tokuhara  
(Nokotsudo)

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Maeshiro & Hatsuko Kaneshiro

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in attendance turned out to be moving final service of Kapolei Buddhist Sangha as members including some supporters from O'ahu temples attended and came forth to share their warm thoughts and gratitude tinged with a bit of sadness in their hearts. Bishop Matsumoto encouraged everyone to not focus on only their sadness and emphasized the importance of continuing to live a life of Nembutsu. He quoted from the late Rev. Henry Tanaka's book, *Shin Buddhism 24/7*, in which Rev. Tanaka quotes a saying by Rev. Masahiro Yoshimaro, "Living Nembutsu means the constant examination of myself in the presence of the (Amida) Buddha." He concluded by saying that though Kapolei Buddhist Sangha may no longer exist, as individuals they could still share their awareness, joy and gratitude of Amida Buddha's Great Wisdom and Compassion as expressed by Shinran Shonin "I praise Amida's wisdom and virtue, So that beings with mature conditions throughout the ten quarters may hear. Let those who have already realized shinjin, Constantly respond in gratitude to the Buddha's benevolence." The evening ended with delicious refreshments planned by KBS President Cyrus Sakai. President Sakai expressed Kapolei Buddhist Sangha's gratitude to all those who had supported KBS all these years! "Thank you very much and Namō Amida Butsu."

### ***Social Concerns Community Giving Update***

The Committee on Social Concerns recently made donations to extend compassionate action into the local community:

#### Community Giving

- \$2,500 Ohana Arts—Peace on Your Wings Japan Tour
- \$2,500 Commission on Buddhist Education "Buddhism and Coming Out" initiative to support LGBTQIA+ trainings and educational materials for temples.
- \$1,000 Maui Farm
- \$1,000 Vibrant Hawai'i
- \$500 Hawai'i State Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters 2023 Summit

#### Disaster Relief

- \$250 Shut Down Red Hill Mutual Aid—Matching grant to supplement Green Hongwanji Committee/Honolulu Hongwanji Council donation to purchase clean water

for families affected by the Red Hill water crisis.

- \$1,000 Omimai for Kahului Hongwanji Member

#### Golden Chain Grant

- \$500 Windward Buddhist Temple "Kailua Service Care Events" assisting homeless individuals in the community.
- \$1,000 Puna Hongwanji Buddhist Temple "Children's Day Sharing Joy" community event.
- \$1,000 Nā'ālehu Hongwanji Mission "Help the Seniors Project" assisting kupuna living alone in the community.

The Committee on Social Concerns serves a vital role in sharing the living teachings of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism in practical and meaningful ways that directly impacts the lives of individuals and communities. Mahalo for your continued support!

### ***Book Launch***

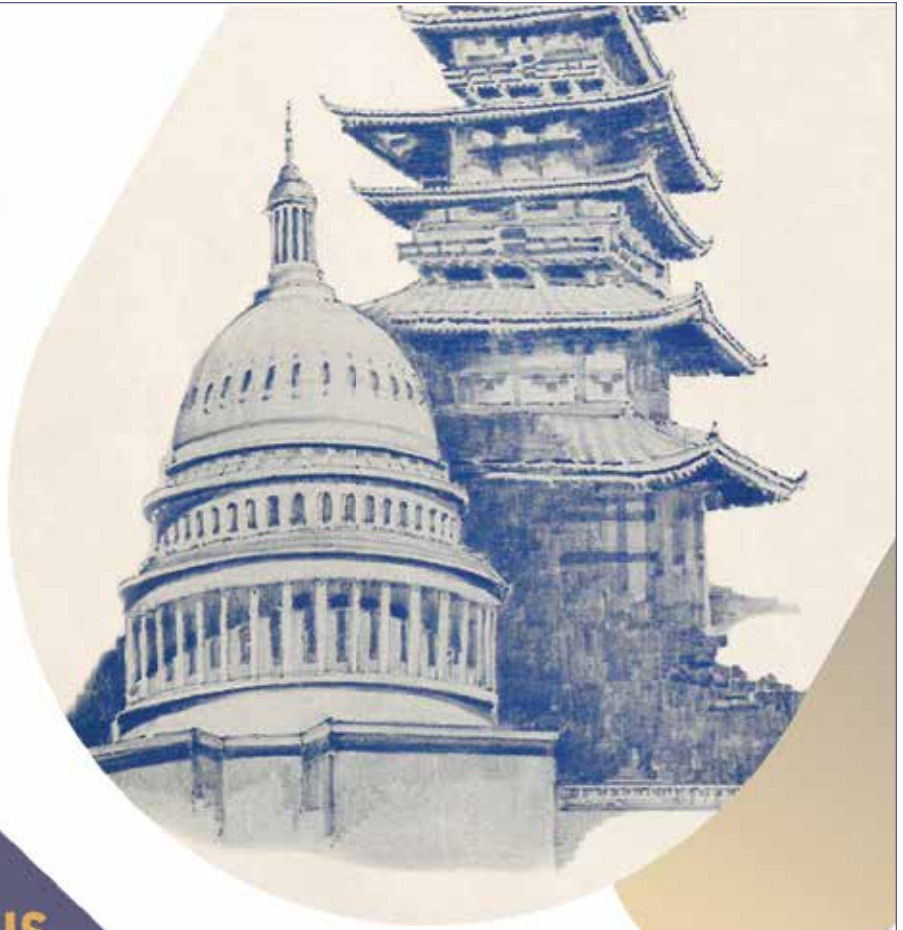
The Institute of Buddhist Studies announces a new book launch for Dr. Scott Mitchell's new book, *The Making of American Buddhism*, on May 24th at 10:00 am HST on Zoom. The moderator will be Dr. Chenxing Han.

Dr. Mitchell was the 2022 Summer Session speaker at BSC. At that session, Dr. Mitchell introduced the source material for his new book to the attendees. The primary source is the Berkeley Bussei. In addition, the following is a quote from an interview posted on the Institute of Buddhist Studies web page Dr. Mitchell gave in 2019 regarding his book *The Making of American Buddhism*.

*My current project is a study of a series of publications by the Young Buddhist Association of the Berkeley Buddhist Temple in the 1950s, the Berkeley Bussei. These were, basically, literary journals with essays by Buddhist laypeople and priests, as well as philosophers, poets, play-writes, and artists. I'm interested in exploring what their work has to say about Buddhist modernity and American Buddhism at the transnational intersection of global Buddhist modernity and Japanese American history — and what these conversations can tell us about Buddhism and Buddhist communities in the present.*

Please follow the link: <https://www.shin-ibs.edu/event/race-place-and-religious-labor-a-book-launch-event-for-the-making-of-american-buddhism/> for more information.

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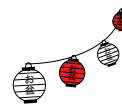


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## 2023 Jikoen Bon Dance

- **Saturday, July 22, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.**
- **Free Parking at Kapālama Elementary School**

Bon Dance planning has begun and we must walk before we can run an event like we did three years ago. ***It's one night only.***

We plan to continue our traditions of delicious andagi... BBQ plate with Okinawan Sweet Potato Pie...OG Fish Scooping Game...Eisa and Shisa Parade...Kachaashi Contest...Live Music and Lively Dancing.

Since the last bon dance, we haven't come together to put on large events. Jikoen members, friends and affiliate volunteers are needed to make this a successful fundraiser for Jikoen. *We need your help!*

*Let us know you're there to help by calling the office at (808)845-3422 or sending us an email to [jikoen.info@gmail.com](mailto:jikoen.info@gmail.com). More information on ways you can help to follow.*

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