

# Monthly Newsletter

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### THIS MONTH'S EVENTS

Sangha family services are offered weekly on Sundays from 9:00a.m. (exceptions appear in the schedule).

Sat, 9/1 thru Mon 9/3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Honpa Hongwanji State Joint Conference</b> Location: Ala Moana Hotel (9/1 - 9/2) / Honpa Hongwanji Betsuin (9/3)</li></ul>
Sun 9/2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>NO SERVICE</b></li></ul>
Sat 9/8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>ABC's of Buddhism (see page 2 for details)</b> Time: 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Location: Buddhist Studies Center</li></ul>
Sun 9/9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Fall Ohigan &amp; Shotsuki Service</b> Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama</li><li>• <b>JBWA Monthly Membership Meeting</b> Time: after service, Location: Temple Hondo</li><li>• <b>BBQ Fundraiser Set Up</b></li></ul>
Sat 9/15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Drive-Thru BBQ Chicken Fundraiser (see page 5 for details)</b></li></ul>
Sun 9/16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Sangha Family Service</b> Speaker: TBA</li><li>• <b>Board of Directors Monthly Meeting</b> Time: after service, Location: Temple Hondo</li></ul>
Sun 9/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Sangha Family Service</b> Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama</li></ul>
Sun 9/30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>NO SERVICE AT JIKOEN</b></li><li>• <b>Statewide Choralfest at Hawaii Betsuin (see page 4 for details)</b></li></ul>
Sun 10/7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Sangha Family Service</b> Speaker: Rev. Shindo Nishiyama</li><li>• <b>Board of Directors Monthly Meeting</b> Time: after service, Location: Temple Hondo</li></ul>



## DHARMA LIGHT Buddhist Studies Program

**Saturdays Sept. 8,15,22,29 – 2-3:30pm  
at the Buddhist Study Center**

### *The ABC's of Buddhism: Universal Teachings*

**Instructors: Jayrd Oshiro MLA, Dexter Mar CMLA**

What is Buddhism? Learn the terminology, concepts, and history of “original” Buddhism and understand the common source of all Buddhist paths and the connection to the Jodo Shinshu path. Why do people “take refuge” in Buddhism?

Designed for those new to Buddhism, this course covers the fundamental aspects of Buddhism. Through the study of its foundational elements—teachings, rituals, and stories—this course introduces the various beliefs and practices of one of the world’s major religions. Portions of the PBS documentary, “The Buddha”, will be used to enhance understanding.



#### **Course Learning Opportunities**

By the end of the course we will have had the opportunity to:

- Comprehend the historical context for and development of the Buddhist tradition.
- Examine the basic beliefs and practices of Buddhism.
- Develop an understanding and appreciation for the unity and diversity of the various paths in Buddhism.

#### **Class Pre-requisites**

None. Bring your questions for informal discussion.

#### **About the instructors:**

**Jaryd Oshiro:** Minister Lay Assistant, Jikoen Hongwanji Mission

**Dexter Mar:** Certified Minister Lay Assistant and Buddhist Study Center Program Chair.

**WHEN:** Saturdays at 2-3:30pm, September 8, 15, 22, 29.

**WHERE:** Buddhist Study Center, 1436 University Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96822

**COST:** \$20 per person, **due at 1<sup>st</sup> class** in cash or preferably by check made out the "HHMH".  
(Tuition assistance and scholarships are available.)

**PRE-REGISTRATION:** Call the Buddhist Study Center (808) 973-6555 to pre-register & pay the first class

**QUESTIONS:** Contact the Buddhist Study Center at (808) 973-6555

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Doris Oshiro*

I hope everyone has fully recovered after the Hurricane Lane scare that brought the islands to a halt for a few days!! If at any time, there are damages to your home caused by the recent storm or if you were required to evacuate or need assistance, please contact us so we can help you. The Hurricane season is not over yet, so please be prepared.

July was very busy with our Obon events. It was such an amazing weekend! Please accept my sincere gratitude for your continued support and on behalf of Jikoen, I extend my appreciation to the many volunteers who made it a success.

From the set up, to the food, games, entertainment, temple tours, sound system, friends of Jikoen, community service groups, donations, memorial ribbons, refreshment crew, clean up and more. This was a community effort of gratitude and joy for dancing, eating, cooking, donating and just being a spectator! We are truly grateful for everything that you do for Jikoen and want to say thank you very much! Through your efforts and kindness, this year's bon dance was enjoyed by all!

Our Osouji Beautification Day was rescheduled from August 12 to August 19. We owe much to each of you and all the volunteers when needed! Power washing was done in July. They sorted the recyclables, scrubbed the tables and chairs, jealousies, cleaned the stage area and the social hall, columbarium and hondo. Sincere apologies if this last minute change caused any inconvenience. Mahalo for your understanding and support! Please mark your calendars for our next Osouji Clean Up day, Sunday, October 28.

September 1–30 is designated Foodland's Annual Community Matching Gifts Program: Give Aloha! I urge you to support Jikoen Hongwanji by participating in this program to raise funds for our temple (see the full information in this newsletter).

September 15 is our Semi-Annual Drive-Thru BBQ Chicken Fundraiser. If you are able to assist in any way, we need your help. We are always in need of volunteers.

With palms together, I bow in Gassho and thank you very much for being part of our Jikoen Ohana. Please accept our sincere mahalo! Thank you, not only for Bon Dance, Osouji Beautification Day and fundraising but throughout the year!

In Gassho...

## TEMPLE NEWS

### *Mahalo to Family Promise Donors and Volunteers*

Together with Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin, Kailua Hongwanji and Moiliili Hongwanji, Jikoen hosted four families from July 29–August 5. Volunteers prepared and served meals, donated food and supplies, slept overnight and made financial contributions. They made a difference in the lives of families who have fallen onto hard times.

All four temples of the Honolulu district have banded together to be participants in this program to help homeless families by providing overnight lodging for one week and meals (breakfast and dinner) for families. These families used the Social Hall from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. daily. Each morning, the families went to work, school or the Family Promise Day Center where they met with staff, cared for young children, learned life skills and sought housing and employment.

YOU helped in this all-important community-service project and for that we are truly grateful for your expression of DANA (selfless giving).

Thank you for your continued support of Family Promise!



### *Bon Dance*

Volunteers worked tirelessly weeks in advance and thanks to all of your efforts we had a successful 2018 Bon Dance. Thank you to all who came early to help with the set up and those who stayed late to breakdown & cleanup. Much Mahalo to all who volunteered.

Our sincere thanks for the many Hatsubon, Obon, and Obon Memorial Ribbon donations we received this year! Each year we are humbled by your generous donations and continued support.

A heartfelt thank you to **Penny & Keith Teruya**, who each year continue to donate the “Make and Take” craft in the social hall. They provided all the material for the Lighted Fish Lantern and all proceeds were donated to Jikoen in memory of their son, Jared Teruya who passed away in 2013 at the young age of 12.

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Thank you to:

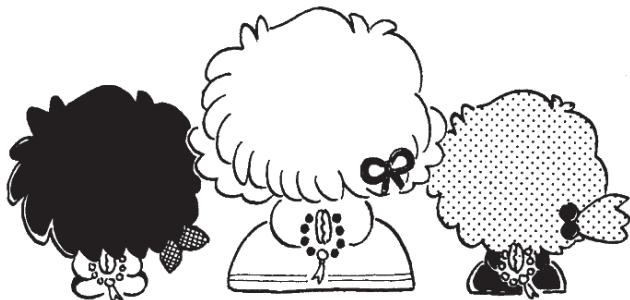
- MCs: Skyler Nishiyama & Shelby Oshiro*
- Sound System: Gary Shimabukuro*
- Eggs Hawaii*
- Aiea Taiheji Yagura Gumi*
- Armstrong Produce*
- Ewa Fukushima Bon Dance Club*
- Farrington High School – ASB, Alumni, Key Club*
- Hawaii Eisa Shinyuu Kai*
- Hawaii Jaycees*
- Hawaii Okinawa Creative Arts*
- Jamba Juice Hawaii*
- JET Alumni Association*
- Jikoen Dharma School Ohana*
- Jikoen Buddhist Women Association*
- Kiwanis Club of Kaneohe*
- Lanakila Okinawa Nenchosha Club*
- Nidaime Teishin Kai*
- Okinawa Minyo Kyokai Hawaii*
- Pacific Buddhist Academy-Hyaku Sen Ki Kai Taiko*
- Paranku Clubs of Hawaii*
- Parking volunteers*
- Roosevelt High School Leo Club*
- Thomas Transport*
- Ukwanshin Kabudan*
- Urizun Minyo*
- Windward Community College TRIOS*
- Young Okinawans of Hawaii*
- Kachashi trophy donors: Okinawa Minyo Kyokai Hawaii & Ukwanshin Kabudan*

Thank you, thank you, thank you to you, your family, friends, and supporters!

Sincere apologies for not being able to acknowledge all of the individual volunteer names!

Please mark your calendars for next year's Bon Dance July 19-20, 2019

*Sincere Mahalo! Ippei Niffee Deebiru!*



### 2018 Memorial Service Schedules

- 1st Year Memorial .....passed away in 2017
- 3rd Year Memorial.....passed away in 2016
- 7th Year Memorial.....passed away in 2012
- 13th Year Memorial.....passed away in 2006
- 17th Year Memorial.....passed away in 2002
- 25th Year Memorial.....passed away in 1994
- 33rd Year Memorial.....passed away in 1986
- 50th Year Memorial.....passed away in 1969

Call Rev. Nishiyama at 808-845-3422 to make an appointment at least a onth prior to the service.

## Choralfest Music Service at Hawaii Betsuin

*Sunday, September 30, 10:00 a.m.*  
*Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin*

Singers from temples statewide will raise their voices in praise of the Buddha-Dharma. They will be directed by Hongwanji Living Treasure Nola Nahulu, and accompanied by pianist Francis Okano.

Everyone is invited to this unique service.



# Semi-Annual BBQ Chicken Fundraiser






Saturday, September 15, 2018

**Pick-up Time:**  
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 pm

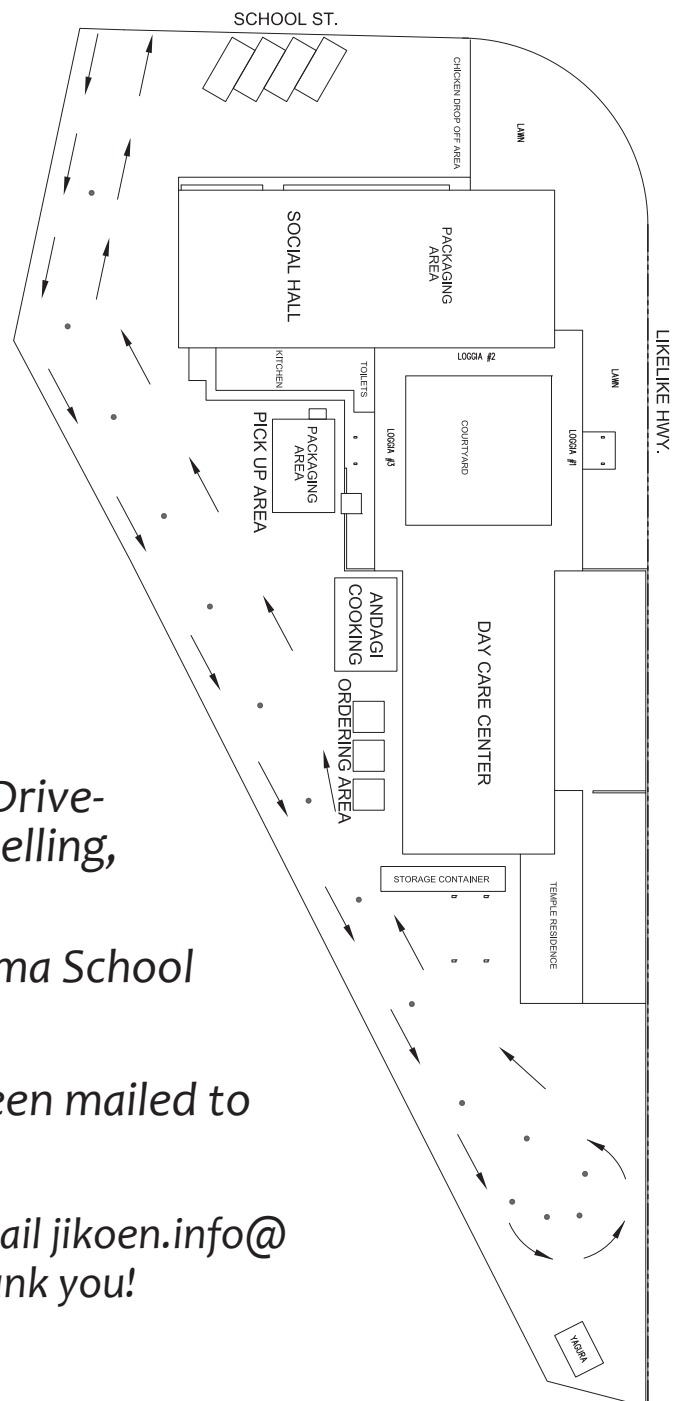
**Cost: \$12.00 Whole Chicken**

Other food items on sale: *sushi, takuan, and andagi*

**Drive-Thru Service!**

-  *Please pre-pay your order to guarantee availability.*
-  *Come early as items do sell out quickly.*
-  *Volunteers needed to facilitate Drive-thru Service, parking, packing, selling, and clean-up!*
-  *Parking also available at Kapalama School with shuttle service to Jikoen*
-  *Tickets and order forms have been mailed to you.*

Please call the office at 845-3422 or email [jikoen.info@gmail.com](mailto:jikoen.info@gmail.com) for ticket and inquiries. Thank you!





## HILITES FROM HQ NEWS UPDATES (August, 2018)

### *Jinji - Ministerial Assignments*

Rev. Bruce Nakamura, currently serving at Kona Hongwanji Mission as its Resident Minister, will be assigned to Honokaa Hongwanji Mission as its Resident Minister as well as Kamuela Hongwanji Mission, Kohala Hongwanji Mission, and Paauilo Hongwanji Mission as their Overseer Minister as of September 15, 2018.

### *Urasenke Gannenmono Kenchashiki*

Dr. Genshitsu Sen, the 15th Grand Master of the Urasenke tea school, performed a ceremonial tea offering (*kencha*) at the Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin on July 19, 2018. The temple was filled by a number of people from Hawaii and Japan. Dr. Sen offered two cups of tea: one was offered to Amida Buddha, the other was offered in honor of *Gannenmono*, the first Japanese immigrants who arrived in Hawaii 150 years ago. It was Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii's honor to be able to receive Dr. Sen for this historical *Kenchashiki*.

### *BWA Exchange Students*

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Federation of Buddhist Women's Associations hosted two exchange students from Japan, Fuuka Sasaki and Miwa Kakoi, from August 9 through 16. They visited Kauai, Hawaii Island and Honolulu United BWA. Through this program, they visited various Hongwanji temples, Hongwanji HQ, Pacific Buddhist Academy and Hongwanji Mission School, and also met BWA members, ministers and members. They also visited different sightseeing spots and had various other experiences in Hawaii.

HHMH Federation of BWA host two female delegates from Japan every other year. Next year, we will send two delegates to Japan. For further information and application, please visit the HHMH Federation of BWA Website: <http://hawaiiibwa.org/programs/student-exchange>.

### *Honouliuli Bon Service*

Hawaii Buddhist Council (HBC) and Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii (JCCH) held the second Honouliuli

Bon Service at the Honouliuli Internment Camp, located near Waipahu on Oahu, on Wednesday, August 15. Bishop Eric Matsumoto and Rev. Kazunori Takahashi represented the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii and attended this service.

The Honouliuli Internment Camp was constructed to accommodate Japanese Americans also Italians and Germans during World War II. This camp was the only one built for prolonged detention on Oahu. It opened in 1943 and closed in 1946. In February 2017, the drum which was used for the Bon Services was found at the Nichiren Mission of Hawaii. Because of this discovery, HBC started the Bon Service in honor of those who had hardships at this camp. This site was designated as a National Monument in 2015, but it is not open to the public. JCCH is the organization to contact regarding this site.

### *2018 Peace Day Interfaith Celebration*

This year's Peace Day Interfaith Celebration is coming up Friday, September 21, 2018, 6:30 p.m. at Hawaii Betsuin. The theme for this year's event is Cultivating Peace.

In 2007, Hawaii passed a law declaring September 21st of each year as Peace Day to promote peace programs, improve international relations, and increase educational awareness of peace. Advocacy by Pacific Buddhist Academy students and Jr. YBA members played an important role in final approval of the bill.

Since then, the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii and co-sponsors have held annual celebration of peace on or near Peace Day, featuring speakers from diverse faith traditions as well as a variety of musical and dance performances. Pacific Buddhist Academy continues to play an important role in presenting the event. All are invited to this uplifting celebration of peace on September 21!



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# Jikoen Hongwanji

**The oak tree is the symbol of the 80th anniversary.**

For Jikoen, the oak tree is an appropriate symbol for the oak is known for its robust longevity. Its sturdy trunk and firm roots enable it to withstand fierce storms. Its branches and leaves provide welcoming shade for all, just as they are.

Come and join us in gratitude for Jikoen's triumphs over adversity and the shelter it has provided to the community over the course of its 80 years.

**Sunday, November 18, 2018**

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## Ryukoku University Graduate School Hawaii Seminar

11 graduate school students with Professor Eisho Nasu and Associate Professor Bunei Takada of Ryukoku University Shin Buddhist Studies will have a Hawaii Seminar at various temples on the Big Island and Oahu from August 28 to September 5. This will be the seventh time for Ryukoku University to bring their students to Hawaii to hold this seminar. They will have lectures from Hawaii Kyodan ministers, participate in different activities and study the significance of Jodo Shinshu propagation through learning how Jodo Shinshu Buddhism have been propagated in Hawaii. They will also participate in a part of the HHMH Joint Conference.

### Emergency Disaster Related Actions

#### 1. Western Japan Flood

Summer 2018 flooding throughout western Japan has killed over 220 people and dislocated many thousands.

The information on damages caused by the heavy rain is being updated. As of August 16th, at least 125 Jodo Shinshu temples were damaged. Members of at least 275 Jodo Shinshu temples were affected, with nearly 60 dead or missing.

Hawaii Kyodan responded with an initial donation of \$5,000 to Honzan from the Social Welfare Fund to support Hongwanji-related temples and those who are affected from this disaster. In addition, “Western Japan Flood Relief Fund” was created, and it run through August 31, 2018. After this special collection, the collected contributions will be sent to Honzan.

#### 2. Osaka Earthquake

On June 18, 2018, the 6.1 magnitude earthquake occurred in northern Osaka and affected a wide area of western Japan. As of August 3, Hongwanji in Kyoto, Ohtani Mausoleum, Dendoin (the Buddhist Institute for the Propagation of Buddhism) and at least 226 Jodo Shinshu temples were damaged. Members of more than 58 Jodo Shinshu temples were affected. Hawaii Kyodan decided to send a donation of \$5,000 to Honzan from the Social Welfare Fund.

### ATTENTION: PLEASE KŌKUA!



Due to limited space, we will **not** be able to accept donations of Bazaar items at this time.

**Please do not leave any items in the social hall or at the front gate.**

Instead, please consider dropping off or calling your favorite local charity for pick up.

Bazaar items will be accepted again in March, 2019.

Please call the office should you have any questions 845-3422.



*Mahalo for your continued support!*

## GREEN HONGWANJI

REFUSE ♻️ REDUCE ♻️ REUSE ♻️



REPURPOSE ♻️ RECYCLE

Please continue to support being a Green Hongwanji!

Bring your own cups, utensils and plate for refreshments & fellowship after service.

**Mahalo!**



## 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 will be held on the first Sunday of each month at 9:00am, in memory of those whose date of death falls in that month. We also recognize the efforts of those who have passed before us and thank them for their continuing influence in our lives and for giving us the opportunity to share the Dharma.

Here are our loved ones who will be remembered on the second *Sunday, September 9 (There will be no service on September 2)*:

- Robert Kiyomitsu Agena ~ September 04, 2003 (age 76)
- Hideko Arata ~ September 28, 2013 (age 94)
- Tsuruyo Oshiro Asato ~ September 13, 2012 (age 102)
- Lillie Haruko China ~ September 21, 2012 (age 95)
- Miyoko Inamine China ~ September 17, 2012 (age 90)
- Zensuke "Harry" Chinen ~ September 13, 1999 (age 78)
- Hiroshi Higa ~ September 15, 2014 (age 94)
- Mildred Hanae Higa ~ September 29, 2003 (age 76)
- Yoshihiro Higa ~ September 12, 2013 (age 90)
- Shinchiyu Higa ~ September 30, 1999 (age 74)
- Fumiko Higashionna ~ September 13, 2012 (age 88)
- Grace Mori Honda ~ September 13, 2003 (age 79)
- Melvin Kaoru Iha ~ September 2, 2016 (age 73)
- Yuriko Kagiyama ~ September 16, 2012, (age 101)
- Mr. Seiko Kaneshiro ~ September 20, 2016 (age 92)
- Joyce T. Kekona ~ September 23, 2015 (age 71)
- Kain Robert James Klaneski ~ September 26, 2013 (age 2 months)
- Edward Kohagura ~ September 22, 2014 (age 75)
- Tsuruko Kohashikawa ~ September 11, 2012 (age 97)
- Frederick Ryomatsu Kotani ~ September 10, 2003 (age 72)
- Setsuko Machida ~ September 11, 2013 (age 85)
- Lewis Shoki Matayoshi ~ September 2, 2012 (age 90)

- Yoshinobu "Nobu" Miyashiro ~ September 27, 2000 (age 73)
- Carl Tsuneo Mizusawa ~ September 17, 2005 (age 60)
- Henry Tsutomu Nagamine ~ September 15, 2016 (age 75)
- June Taeko Nakachi ~ September 13, 2013 (age 77)
- Haruye Nakamura ~ September 23, 2014 (age 96)
- Elsie Kiyoko Okuhara ~ September 1, 1999 (age 82)
- Clara Fusako Sakamoto ~ September 16, 2013 (age 93)
- Masao Sakumoto ~ September 24, 2015 (age 88)
- Sachiko Teruya ~ September 10, 2017 (age 93)
- Wes Toshio Shimabukuro ~ September 25, 2009 (age 51)
- Shizue Tokuda ~ September 24, 2014 (age 99)
- Yoshi Uyehara ~ September 5, 1999 (age 78)
- Carl Tadashi Uyeunten ~ September 21, 2006 (age 62)
- Isamu Henry Yahiro ~ September 4, 1999 (age 65)
- Alma Kiyo Yogi ~ September 10, 1999 (age 80)
- Stanley Yoshinori Zaha ~ September 27, 2002 (age 83)
- Kameko Zukemura ~ September 26, 2014 (age 100)
- Jean Fumiko Zukeran ~ September 19, 1998 (age 77)

If you would like to honor your loved one, please call the office at 845-3422, email the Jikoen office at [jikoen.info@gmail.com](mailto:jikoen.info@gmail.com), or email Rev. Nishiyama at [jikoen1938@gmail.com](mailto:jikoen1938@gmail.com).



***Just a Friendly Reminder...It's not too late to become a Jikoen Kyodan member...***

Yearly Membership Contribution:

- **\$90 per adult with dependent children**
- **\$180 per family with dependent children**

**Please email [jikoen.info@gmail.com](mailto:jikoen.info@gmail.com) or call the office at 845-3422 for a Membership Form.**



## SUBMIT TO THE JIKOEN NEWSLETTER

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- Although subject to change, issues for Jikoen's Newsletter will be published monthly.
- Volunteer writers are welcome.
- Email articles to [jikoen1938@gmail.com](mailto:jikoen1938@gmail.com).
- Jikoen reserves the right to edit all material for clarity and accuracy.

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We have some exciting news – Jikoen has been accepted for Foodland’s Give Aloha Program! Please tell your family and friends to choose Jikoen as their selected organization and to make a donation. Foodland will match a portion of all of the donations, per Maika’i Number.

**Organization Name: Jikoen Hongwanji Mission**  
**Organization code: 78918**

- ♥ *From September 1-30, donations to Give Aloha participating organizations will be accepted at checkout at all Foodland, Sack N Save and Foodland Farms stores statewide.*
- ♥ *Customers must use their Maika`i Card to make a donation*
- ♥ *A portion of all donations will be matched.*
- ♥ *Donations made without a Maika`i Card will not be matched.*
- ♥ *Individuals must use their own Maika`i Card to make a donation.*

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