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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 Jikozen office for access information.

Sun 6/4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shotsuki Memorial Service Time: 9:00 a.m.
Sun 6/11	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sangha Family Service Time: 9:00 a.m.
Mon 6/12	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kamehameha Day Observed (Office and Preschool closed)
Sun 6/18	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sangha Family Father's Day Service Time: 9:00 a.m.• Virtual Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Time: 10:30 a.m., <i>On Zoom</i>
Wed 6/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Living Dharma Session via Zoom Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Sat 6/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• JIKOEN CHA CHA CHA SESSION CANCELLED
Sun 6/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Irei no Hi – Battle of Okinawa Memorial Service Time: 9:00 a.m.
Sat 7/1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hatsubon First Bon Memorial Service Time: 10:00 a.m., <i>RSVP required</i>
Sun 7/2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bon Memorial & Shotsuki Memorial Service Time: 9:00 a.m.
Tue 7/4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Independence Day Observed (Office and Preschool closed)

*Memorial Service Schedule for
June thru August 2023*

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)

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. 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. Shintoku Hamadon (69) July 1, 1999
 Mrs. Kameko Higa (90) July 31, 1999
 Mrs. Maka Goya (98)..... August 14, 1999

Please call the Jikoen Office at 808-845-3422 or email at jikoen1938@gmail.com at least one month before the memorial dates. Thank you.



*A Heartfelt Thank You From Bazaar Co-Chairs
Dorene Toma, Sandy Toma & June Nakamasu*

Thank You! Mahalo! Arigato! Salammat Po! Ippei Niffee Deebiru!

The 2023 bazaar was a great success! “MAHALO” to all of you who generously donated clothing, kitchenware, plants, fabrics, linens, toys, baked goods and more. We would also like to thank all of the volunteers, seen or unseen, who worked tirelessly the whole week to help set up, sort items, price and help with the sales. Some of you came from the morning and stayed till late in the evening.

To the members, families, and friends of Jikoen we want to thank you for purchasing the scrip and for your generous monetary donations. This will really help the temple with its many repairs that needs to be done.

Thank you to all of you who donated snacks and lunch for the volunteers for the whole week.

Jimmy and his crew, thank you for preparing a hearty lunch for Saturday. The volunteers never went hungry. If we missed anyone, our sincere apologies.

A special “Thank You” to the following for their generous donations:

- *Aloha Tofu for discounting the oboro tofu*
- *Eggs Hawaii for the eggs for the andagi*

On the day of our bazaar, thank you to the volunteers who took care of the parking, prepping and cooking the food items, and packing the left-over items for Cerebral Palsy to pick up. With everyone’s help, we were able to clean up quickly.

Lastly, a great big “MAHALO” to the community members for coming early and waiting patiently for the doors to open for their shopping spree. We are very grateful to all of you for making our 2023 bazaar a great success!

2022-2023 Social Concerns Fund Drive

Jikoen members and Friends of Jikoen have contributed to the current statewide Social Concerns Fund Drive from September 2022 – August 2023. Mahalo for your donations!

Your contributions make it possible for the Hongwanji Hawaii’s Committee on Social Concerns (CSC) to

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support food banks and other community services, fund innovative temple social concerns programs, and contribute to disaster/war relief efforts. The current collection period runs through August 2023, so if you have not yet contributed and would like to, you still have time. You can make a check out to Jikoen Hongwanji with “Social Concerns” in the memo line and mail or drop it off to Jikoen Hongwanji Mission 1731 N. School St., Honolulu, HI 96819. We will send one check to Honpa Hongwanji Headquarters by September 30, 2023.

Thank you for your continued support!



HILITES FROM HQ NEWS UPDATES

(May, 2023)

“Go forth...for the good of the many...”

Bishop Eric Matsumoto

On Sunday, May 7, 2023, the Pacific Buddhist Academy held Commencement Exercises for 17 Graduates of PBA's Class of 2023. It was held at the beautiful 700-seat Moanalua Performing Arts Center which is equipped with state-of-the-art audio-visual systems and LED lighting not to mention air-conditioned. As is the unique tradition of PBA, the Head of School gave a tribute to each individual Graduate. Further, each Graduate expressed their appreciation by acknowledging the support they received from their families by giving a kukui nut lei to them as families were called onstage. The feeling of sangha was strong. The following is the Benediction of the Commencement Exercises delivered by Bishop Eric Matsumoto, the 16th Bishop of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii.

BENEDICTION FOR PACIFIC BUDDHIST ACADEMY'S CLASS OF 2023 COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Today, as Pacific Buddhist Academy's Commencement Exercises for the Class of 2023 draws to a close, in the presence of Amida Buddha, All-Inclusive Wisdom and All-Embracing Compassion, let us reflect.

As we congratulate our Graduates, we hope that some of the universal Teachings and Virtues of the Buddha will guide our Graduates for the rest of their life. The most fundamental Teaching or Truth that the Historic

Buddha, 2600 years ago, became aware of is that all life, all existence is interconnected and interrelated and nothing exists in total isolation by itself as depicted by the beautiful metaphor of Indra's Jeweled Net meaning we should mutually respect, care and appreciate one another.

A virtue of an Enlightened Person is that the Buddha's very existence benefits both the Buddha and also everyone (and everything) else. It is not that one does something for oneself and does something else for someone else, but whatever one does brings benefit to (both) self and others, together, simultaneously. May our Graduates live their life and continue their endeavors guided by this virtue of the Buddha.

We hope our Graduates will be guided and inspired by Enlightened Wisdom and Compassion for more peace and harmony in the world. As encouragement, I would like to share the exhortation of the Historic Buddha to the monks and nuns of Ancient India to our Graduates (as they go forward themselves). The Buddha said, *“Go forth...for the good of the many, for the happiness of the many, out of compassion for the world, for the welfare, the good and the happiness of gods and people.”*

To slowly conclude, may we express our gratitude to one and all. Let us express our gratitude to each other. As we thank our Graduates for their endeavors, let us all express gratitude to all others who played a part in our lives.

Finally, to conclude this Benediction, for those who wish to join me, please join me in gasho/anjali, a gesture of reverence and respect in Buddhism, to recite Namu Amida Butsu, The Buddha's Name That I Call in Gratitude in response to Namu Amida Butsu, The Buddha's Name Which Calls Me to Entrust.

Namu Amida Butsu, Namu Amida Butsu. Namu Amida Butsu/ Entrusting in All-Inclusive Wisdom and All-Embracing Compassion.

Message from the Governor General of Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-Ha Bishop Chiko Iwagami for 2023 PBA Baccalaureate

First, congratulations to this year's graduates!

As we share this moment, you may be looking back on the many memories of your time spent here at PBA.

Graduation marks the end of one of many chapters in one's lifetime, and at the same time, it is also the starting

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point as you embark on a new goal. As you set off from Pacific Buddhist Academy, you will carry the memories of your days here at PBA together with your hopes and dreams in the next phase of your life.

In response to the Novel Coronavirus pandemic these past three years, in-person learning, as well as extracurricular activities and events have been limited. As a result, your senior year of high school may not have gone as you had hoped, and many may have found this very disappointing. But perhaps, these unprecedented circumstances gave us an opportunity to stop and carefully think about our lifestyle and future that we had been taking for granted.

Bulletin boards at schools are often used for making announcements and sometimes displays a motto or slogan. Buddhist temples also have this kind of bulletin board on which inspirational words or a short phrase filled with Buddhist wisdom are shared. Maybe you have seen one of these. A few years ago, a Japan-based Buddhist organization called Bukkyo Dendo Kyokai held a contest of inspirational phrases shared by Buddhist temples through their bulletin boards. This contest, which is called “Let it Shine! Temple Bulletin Board Project” has been gaining attention in Japan. The Grand Prize winner for 2020, which was selected from a total of 1,677 entries, was a remark made by a salesperson of a drugstore in Kanagawa prefecture, which was displayed at a temple in Kumamoto prefecture. It read, “The thing that scared me the most was not COVID, but humans.”

We were faced with many challenges when the first state of emergency was declared in Japan in April 2020. The media reported that a healthy person with no underlying health conditions had died of COVID-19 within a couple of days. People were panic buying face masks and hand sanitizers. Customers were lashing out at store employees because of the empty shelves. Some were even engaging in the reselling of medical masks and price gouging. In learning that we become infected through contact with others, we have become suspicious of people around us. Sadly, this has led to stigma and discrimination against frontline medical workers and COVID-19 patients. Everyone is scared in the same way, but the feeling of fear has driven us into an egocentric shell. The phrase, “the most terrifying are humans,” is a description of the reality of us humans, which was revealed in the circumstance of the pandemic.

The phrase that took second place in the contest that year was one that was displayed on the bulletin board of Tsukiji Hongwanji in Tokyo, a Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-

ha branch temple. The phrase is, “Even if you hurt me, I would not hurt you back. This is Buddhism.”

In fact, Sakyamuni Buddha taught us that if you take revenge on someone, in turn, that person will take revenge on you, and so in this way, the hatred would never end. In the sutra, Dhammapada, it states “In this world, if we respond to hatred with hatred, hatred will never cease.” It explains that hatred will cease only by relinquishing it. I hope every one of you will always be able to share in the joy and sadness of others, not putting oneself first.

What awaits us in the future is unknown. There may be happy occasions, as well as some sad ones too. Please continue learning more about Buddhism, which is the spiritual legacy of this school’s foundation, and Buddhism will surely provide you with the guidance you need whenever you are feeling lost in your own fear or hatred.

Our lives are all interrelated and interconnected. It is important that we keep in mind this feeling of gratitude for one another, as we continue to practice the spirit of placing our hands in gassho, and make every effort to respect and uphold the dignity of all life. In today’s world, we are too often only concerned with the results. Although you may endeavor, it may not always pay off. However, try to not feel distressed in such situations, and try not to boast when your efforts are rewarded. All you need to do is just continue in your efforts. When this naturally comes to you, you are then a truly respectful and beautiful human.

It is my hope that you will face things you encounter with a feeling of gratitude that “thanks to you, I am enabled to dedicate myself to this.” Then, I am confident that a bright future will await you.

In closing, I would like to extend my congratulations once again. Thank you.

May 4, 2023

*Governor General IWAGAMI, Chiko
Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha*

President’s Message for the 2023 PBA Baccalaureate

Congratulatory message to the Pacific Buddhist Academy Class of 2023 on behalf of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii .

Bishop Matsumoto, Head of School Josh Morse, Former

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Jikoen Hongwanji Mission
1731 N. School Street, Honolulu, HI 96819

June 1, 2023

Dear Jikoen Ohana,

As we celebrate the Obon season, we take this time to remember our loved ones. We are giving families the opportunity to purchase Memorial Ribbon(s) to honor your departed loved one(s) and adorn the lanterns around the yagura. Ribbons will be available on a limited, first-come, first-served basis so make sure to get your request in on time.

Please mail your completed order form(s) and a “Memorial Ribbon Donation” of \$20.00 for each ribbon by **Friday, June 23, 2023**; check payable to: **Jikoen Hongwanji**. For more information, please contact the office at 808-845-3422 or email jikoen.info@gmail.com. Thank you!



In Gassho,

Rev. Shindo Nishiyama, *Resident Minister*

2023 OBON MEMORIAL RIBBON Order Form

Please PRINT clearly. Mail order form and \$20.00 donation for each ribbon to Jikoen by **JUNE 23, 2023**. Please follow the character limits below. If you go over the limit, it will result in either a portion of the name being cut off or the name being printed very small. Your kokua is greatly appreciated! Thank you!

In Memory of

First Name(s) (Please limit to 15 characters only):

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Last Name(s) (Please limit to 15 characters only):

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Donated by (Please limit to 30 characters only)

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Contact Name _____

Contact Phone _____ Email: _____

Address _____ City/St./Zip _____

Please mail your check and form to: **Jikoen Hongwanji 1731 N. School St. Honolulu HI 96819**

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Head of School Pieper Toyama, ministers, teachers, parents and most importantly, the Pacific Buddhist Academy graduating class of 2023, good evening. It is my privilege to offer congratulations on behalf of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii to you, the Pacific Buddhist Academy class of 2023.

Today, I would like to share with you one of my favorite stories (it must be a favorite since I shared it last year). You may know it. I have enjoyed reading this story again and again to my children and grandchildren. It is Momotaro, the Peach Boy—one of the best loved folk stories of Japan. It is the story of an older couple who dream of having a child of their own. Their dream comes true in the form of a giant golden peach floating down the river into the arms of Obaa-san. Planning to feast on the peach, they are surprised when the enormous peach bursts open and inside the peach is a tiny baby boy. Their dreams of having

a child are fulfilled and they named him MOMOTARO, the Peach Boy. Momotaro grows up to be smart, strong and brave. He helps with the work of the village and he learns the skills of a samurai.

As he grows into a young man, Momotaro learns that for many years, evil ogres (oni) would arrive at the village to rob, kill and plunder. Momotaro announces that he will go to the Inland Sea and defeat the ogres so that they would never return to the village. His parents prepare him, as best they can, for his journey. They prepare kibi-dango, a special Warrior's food. Ojii-san laid out Momotaro's knife, sword, sash and tessen-iron fan, the garb of a samurai. Then, armed with all that he knew and all that he was, Momotaro set out. This line from the story has always been particularly meaningful to me, and perhaps your parents as we see you attain this milestone in life and move forward to a future that is still unwritten. Notice the careful choice of words. "Then, armed with all that he knew and all that he was, Momotaro set out."

On his journey, Momotaro encounters a giant dog, a monkey and a pheasant. These animals become his friends and allies in the battle against the evil oni. Momotaro crosses the Inland Sea to arrive at the home of the evil oni. With the help of his brave companions, Momotaro defeats the ogres. He recovers stolen treasure and returns home. Along the way, Momotaro returns stolen treasure to all of the villages. He finally arrives at his home village with the unclaimed treasure and he is able to care for his parents for the rest of their lives.

This story is much more exciting than the abbreviated summary that I've shared with you today. It is a good choice for this occasion. Momotaro's parents cared for him and loved him. They were concerned for his future, but they prepared him the best way that they knew. Your parents and family are always thinking about you.

Hopefully none of you will be headed for real battle, but we know that this journey of life doesn't always go exactly the way that we think it will. You will have your own challenges in life. The saying goes, "Life is a bumpy road". Your "weapons" and your "armor" are the skills, knowledge and values that you have gained through your hard work, nurtured by your parents and your school community. You will meet new people along the way. Like Momotaro did, choose your close friends wisely. You will face difficult choices in your life. I suggest that you ask yourself a few simple questions along the way. Did I do my best? Did I do what is right? Did I care for and help others?

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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

June 2023

- **03 Mrs. JoAnn Yosemite**
- **10 Dr. George Tanabe**
- **17 Rev. Mariko Nishiyama**
- **24 Mr. Pieper Toyama**

⚡ 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.

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Finally, Momotaro returns to his home village. Returning home in this context means maintaining connections with your friends, family and school community. Remember the Buddhist teaching of interdependence. We are interconnected and interdependent with everyone and everything around us.

In closing, I'd like share that special line from the story of Momotaro with minor changes: Then, armed with all that they knew and all that they were, the Class of 2023 set out.

Aloha and Best Wishes, Namō Amida Butsu.

*May 4, 2023
Dr. Warren Tamamoto
President, Honpa Hongwanji Mission
of Hawaii*

Living Treasures of Hawai'i™ Nomination for 2024

The Living Treasures of Hawai'i™ Committee has updated the nomination form and process and is ready to accept submissions for 2024. Information and the nomination form is available at the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Headquarters Office located at 1727 Pali Highway, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 or on our website <https://hongwanjihawaii.com/living-treasures/>.

The completed nomination (nomination form with any letters of recommendation) must be received by the Living Treasures Committee no later than the close of business on August 1st. Any nomination received after August 1st will be considered for the following year. The presentation will be made in February of the following year. For additional information, please call our office at (808) 522-9200.

64th Annual Honpa Hongwanji State Ministers' Association Seminar

The 64th Annual Honpa Hongwanji State Ministers' Association Seminar will be held on June 6-8, 2023, via Zoom hosted by Honolulu District Ministers' Association. The theme of the seminar is "Taiki Seppo: Exploring Modern Methods of Sharing the Dharma." The keynote speaker will be Bishop Marvin Harada of the Buddhist Church of America (BCA) and Rev. Shoukei Matsumoto, Hongwanji minister of Komyoji temple in Tokyo.

66th Jr. YBA State Convention

The Hawaii Federation of Junior Young Buddhist Associations will be holding its 66th Jr. YBA State Convention on June 23-25, 2023, at the Buddhist Study Center, Moiliili Hongwanji and University of Hawaii at Manoa hosted by the United Jr. YBA of Oahu. The theme of this year's convention is "SANGHA, Our Interdependent Environment."

Propagation Program Grant

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii "Propagation Program Grant Committee" would like to announce to all of you that "Propagation Program Grant" is available to all of you for "New and wonderful ideas for propagating Nembutsu teachings into our community". Would you like to share your wonderful and creative Dharma projects with all of our community? If so, take action right away! We all are looking forward to seeing your innovative ideas!

The committee reviews all grants applications, which meet the following criteria:

1. New, innovative, creative ideas or activities focusing on Buddhist Education and the propagation of the Dharma.
2. Each project may be funded only once within 5 years.
3. The maximum amount of the grant must not exceed \$10,000.00
4. The project would have statewide implications/potential.

For more information regarding this program or to apply, please check with your resident minister or HQ.

HQ Bookstore Update

The new book is available at HHMH Bookstore!

Dharma Is Everywhere: Reflections Shared at the California State Assembly, by Reverends Bob and Patti Oshita

published by American Buddhist Study Center, 2022, \$20 each

About the Authors

Reverends Robert (Bob) and Patricia (Patti) Oshita are retired ministers of Buddhist Church of America (BCA).

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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 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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They served at the Buddhist Church of Sacramento for 32 years. When they retired it was among the BCA temples with the largest numbers of members.

In 2016, they were asked to be chaplains for the California

State Assembly. They were the first Buddhist (and first husband and wife team) to serve the Assembly. Their two-term chaplaincy ended in December 2020. "Dharma is Everywhere" is an inspiring collection of their mindful and heartwarming messages to the California State Assembly.

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 July, 2023:

Kiyoko Akamine ~ July 30, 1997 (86)
Mae Setsue Arakaki ~ July 25, 1997 (61)
Francis T. Arata ~ July 22, 1997 (89)
Agnes Tsugiyo Asato ~ July 30, 2009 (95)
Shokazu Asato ~ July 21, 1997 (82)
Maka Awakuni ~ July 3, 1971 (80)
Howard William Bates ~ July 8, 2010 (74)
Moga Gaza ~ July 2, 1989 (85)
Tsuruko Gushikuma ~ July 26, 2019 (89)
Shintoku Hamadon ~ July 1, 1999 (69)
Haruko Miyasato Higa ~ July 11, 2009 (96)
Jinichi Higa ~ July 7, 1988 (74)
Kameko Higa ~ July 31, 1999 (90)
Kamatoku Higa ~ July 23, 2003 (99)
Loren Masami Hieda ~ July 16, 2021 (65)
Masako Higa ~ July 5, 2014 (76)
Robert Jenko Higa ~ July 15, 2012 (84)
Ruby Fumie Higa ~ July 15, 2014 (90)
Steve Sadaaki Higa ~ July 3, 2021 (97)
Takeshi Higa ~ July 21, 1997 (96)
Ushiya Higa ~ July 23, 1989 (96)
Nae Higashionna ~ July 2, 2011 (95)
Yasushige Ifuku ~ July 14, 2004 (91)
Clara Kikuye Irei ~ July 19, 2021 (95)
Shozen Irei ~ July 6, 1971 (94)
Robert Takeo Isa ~ July 2, 2016 (98)
Donald Seisuke Ishiki ~ July 8, 2006 (89)
Betsy Tatsue Kakuni ~ July 26, 2022 (96)
Elaine Kaneshiro ~ July 31, 2004 (89)
Koichi Kaneshiro ~ July 16, 2008 (81)
Masaichi Kaneshiro ~ July 28, 2004 (91)
Otsuru Kaneshiro ~ July 6, 2012 (101)

Paul Hiroshi Kaneshiro ~ July 12, 2010 (62)
Seichi Kenneth Kaneshiro ~ July 23, 2007 (83)
Albert Hajime Kawabata ~ July 6, 2016 (74)
Harry Kido ~ July 28, 2009 (94)
Akiko Kishi Kie ~ July 23, 2021 (95)
Charles Noboru Kimura ~ July 28, 2009 (91)
Sadako "Sadie" Kinoshita ~ July 26, 2012 (94)
Kazue Ella Kipi ~ July 31, 2003 (83)
Mitzie Mitsuko Kiyabu ~ July 17, 2022 (97)
Dennis Kiyuna ~ July 31, 1995 (50)
Kiichi Kobashigawa ~ July 31, 2010 (91)
Hanami Kohatsu ~ July 23, 2017 (86)
Byron Tetsuo Kuwana ~ July 15, 2000 (45)
Betty Maeshiro ~ July 20, 2018 (92)
Kamato Minei ~ July 4, 1988 (89)
Riyosuke Miyahara ~ July 18, 2007 (91)
Toshio Miyamoto ~ July 27, 2010 (92)
Karen Yukie Miyasato ~ July 25, 2017 (87)
Seiko Miyasato ~ July 18, 2019 (99)
Toshi "Frances" Miyashiro ~ July 18, 2014 (88)
Yoshiko Moribe ~ July 30, 2020 (100)
Robert Shoichi Moriyama ~ July 4, 2006 (94)
Steven Kunio Muramoto ~ July 4, 2018 (71)
Nabe Nagamine ~ July 28, 1989 (84)
Alfred Nakachi ~ July 19, 1988 (63)
Lillian Setsuko Nakagawa ~ July 31, 2020 (91)
Tsuneo Nakama ~ July 19, 2022 (91)
Harold Yoshimitsu Nakamura ~ July 20, 2017 (68)
Hideki Nakamura ~ July 28, 2012 (90)
Rose Sadako Nakamura ~ July 10, 2020 (91)
Mrs. Usa Nakamura ~ July 7, 1999 (97)
Glenn Jitsuo Nakasone ~ July 8, 2013 (64)
Kame Yoshiko Nakasone ~ July 10, 1999 (91)
Warren Susumu Nakasone ~ July 10, 2019 (77)
Wayne Take Nakasone ~ July 14, 2009 (56)
Jinsho Nako ~ July 20, 2014 (97)
Makoto Nishimura ~ July 8, 2008 (84)
Ryoko Makisan Norris ~ July 6, 2013 (82)
Haruko Ohara ~ July 19, 2018 (102)
Marian S. Okimoto ~ July 20, 2004 (86)
Kiyoshi Okuhara ~ July 24, 2009 (92)

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Leslie Toshimichi Onaga ~ July 18, 2013 (55)
 Takeyei Onaga ~ July 21, 2016 (91)
 James Shunyei Oshiro ~ July 22, 2010 (83)
 Jerry Oshiro ~ July 28, 2018 (83)
 Kame Oshiro ~ July 20, 2000 (100)
 Kami Oshiro ~ July 23, 1989 (93)
 Kimie Oshiro ~ July 2, 2021 (95)
 Kimiye Oshiro ~ July 2, 2021 (95)
 Mitsuo Oshiro ~ July 25, 2003 (95)
 Nancy Natsue Oshiro ~ July 18, 2016 (82)
 Tokusho Oshiro ~ July 16/1989 (78)
 Jane Fumie Sakima ~ July 26, 2016 (92)
 Jane Serikaku ~ July 6, 2018 (79)
 Taeko Serizawa ~ July 13, 2006 (80)
 Matsui Shimabukuro ~ July 24, 1995 (94)
 Matsuko Shimabukuro ~ July 14, 1989 (87)
 Sachiko Shimabukuro ~ July 12, 2008 (87)
 Seisun Shimabukuro ~ July 28, 2020 (91)
 Takeichi Shimabukuro ~ July 12, 1998 (83)
 Rev. Yoshiko Shimabukuro ~ July 20, 2021 (109)
 Yoshiko Yoza Shimabukuro ~ July 17, 2013 (99)
 Ohide Shimamoto ~ July 9, 2003 (91)
 Alan Genichi Shinsato ~ July 12, 2003 (48)
 Masae Doreen Shinsato ~ July 24, 2006 (81)
 Omito Shinsato ~ July 7, 1998 (97)
 Ian Takashiba ~ July 10, 2018 (40)
 Edward Chiyotoku Takara ~ July 26, 2000 (64)
 Paul Susumu Takushi ~ July 1, 2010 (61)
 Hideko Tamanaha ~ July 15, 2017 (85)

Mito Tamashiro ~ July 14, 2003 (91)
 Thelma Tamayo Tamashiro ~ July 5, 2001 (76)
 Geroge Soyei Tamayose ~ July 29, 2021 (87)
 Albert Takeo Teruya ~ July 21, 2002 (89)
 Sachiko Teruya ~ July 7, 2017 (94)
 Wallace Takeshi Teruya ~ July 13, 2005 (90)
 Shizuo "Billy" Tokuda ~ July 30, 2014 (89)
 Haruko Torigoe ~ July 15, 2014 (87)
 Ruth Uchida ~ July 7, 2020 (94)
 Senji Ueunten ~ July 31, 2003 (79)
 Rick Yasuhiro Uezu ~ July 23, 1990 (infant)
 Yasuo Uezu ~ July 20, 2011 (91)
 Kameyo Uyehara ~ July 20, 1996 (98)
 Kami Uyehara ~ July 4, 1989 (94)
 Yasunobu Uyezu ~ July 6, 2008 (93)
 Ellicy Shizue Wakabayashi ~ July 13, 1995 (72)
 Satoru Wakakuwa ~ July 29, 2019 (89)
 Mitsuyo Watanabe ~ July 19, 1989 (93)
 Bernice Kiyoko Yamane ~ July 9, 2015 (82)
 Yoshiko Yamashiro ~ July 5, 2005 (85)
 Nancy Y. Yamauchi ~ July 4, 2017 (100)
 James Keitoku Yasuda ~ July 18, 2009 (94)
 Lincoln Masato Yoshimitsu ~ July 26, 2012 (89)
 Chiyoko Yoza ~ July 2, 2015 (93)
 Ronald Jiro Yoza ~ July 18, 2018 (71)

Namu Amida Butsu

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General Operations (\$1 - \$99)

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Eshinni/Kakushinni Day (\$100 - \$299)

Miscellaneous (\$1 - \$99)

 IMO Doris Toshiyo Yamaguchi

 Lumbini Preschool (Hailee Yamada – Panda Bear Class)

Gotan-E

 IMO Bishop Yoshiaki Fujitani

Gotan-E

 IMO Bert Shiira

Miscellaneous (\$100 - \$299)

 IMO Steve Higa

 Offertory January thru May 2023

IHO Myrtle Hirayama

 IMO Katsumi Shinsato

IHO Myrtle Hirayama

Miscellaneous (\$300 - \$499)

 IMO Nobushige Nakasone & Craig Oshiro (Shotsuki)

Miscellaneous (\$500 - \$599)

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii
 Social Concerns for storm damage

Offertory

04/24/2023 Service\$160.00
 Eshinni & Kakushinni Day
 04/30/2023 Service\$305.00
 Family Dharma Moments



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Bon Dance Practices

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

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

July 7 - NO PRACTICE
 July 14
 July 21 - NO PRACTICE
 July 28

August and September practices TBD

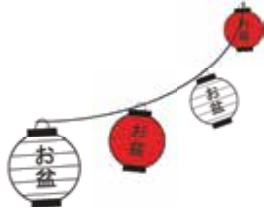
Dates and times may be subject to change. Confirm by email to: info@youngokinawans.org or visit: www.youngokinawans.org

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii 2023 Obon Schedule

HONOLULU TEMPLES	PHONE	BON SERVICE	BON DANCE
HONPA HONGWANJI HAWAII BETSUIN 1727 Pali Hwy., Honolulu	(808) 536-7044	July 2, 10:00 AM	June 23–24, 6:00 PM
JIKOEN HONGWANJI MISSION 1731 N. School St., Honolulu	(808) 845-3422	July 2, 9:00 AM	July 22, 5:30 PM
MOILIILI HONGWANJI MISSION 902 University Ave., Honolulu	(808) 949-1659	July 9, 9:00 AM	July 1, 5:00 PM
WINDWARD BUDDHIST TEMPLE 268A Kuulei Rd., Kailua	(808) 262-4560	July 2, 9:00 AM	July 8, 7:00 PM

OTHER OAHU TEMPLES	PHONE	BON SERVICE	BON DANCE
AIEA HONGWANJI MISSION 99-186 Puakala St., Aiea	(808) 487-2626	July 22, 6:00 PM	July 22, 7:00 PM
EWA HONGWANJI MISSION 91-1133 Renton Rd., Ewa	(808) 681-5222	June 25, 11:00 AM	<i>No Bon Dance</i>
MILILANI HONGWANJI MISSION 95-257 Kaloapau St., Mililani	(808) 625-0925	<i>No Public Bon Service</i>	August 18–19, 7:00 PM
PEARL CITY HONGWANJI MISSION 858 2nd St., Pearl City	(808) 455-1680	<i>No Service</i>	August 12, 7:00 PM
WAHIAWA HONGWANJI MISSION 1067 California Ave., Wahiawa	(808) 622-4320	June 17, 6:00 PM	June 23–24, 7:00 PM
WAIALUA HONGWANJI MISSION 67-313 Kealohanui St., Waialua	(808) 637-4395	<i>TBD</i>	<i>TBD</i>
WAIANAЕ HONGWANJI MISSION 85-762 Old Government Rd., Waianae	(808) 677-4221	July 9, 10:30 AM	July 15, 7:00 PM
WAIPAHU HONGWANJI MISSION 94-821 Kuhaulua St., Waipahu	(808) 677-4221	July 8, 6:00 PM	July 8, 7:00 PM

**This schedule was voluntarily compiled by Honpa Hongwanji HQ. Please contact the local temple office to confirm the schedule and for more information and details.*



Jikoen Bon Odori 2023

One Night Only! July 22 (Sat) 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

- Non-stop Okinawan and Japanese-style bon dancing
- Okinawan Lion Dance and Kachaashii Contest
- PLUS: Andagi • Ono Food • Keiki Games

Program (subject to change):

Paranku Clubs of Hawaii

Hawaii Okinawa Creative Arts (HOCA) & Shishimai

Young Okinawans of Hawaii & Ukwanshin Kabudan

Nidaime Teishin Kai

Ko'olau Sakura (formerly known as the Ko'olau Pink Ladies)

Kachaashii Contest

- Concessions and sales booths will be open from 5:30 p.m. on Saturday
- Free parking available at Kapalama Elementary School from 3:00 p.m.
- *Please come early!* The parking lot is normally full by 6:00 p.m.
- Gates will close by 10:30 p.m.
- Food booths located in the social hall and lower parking lot
- Fish pond game and t-shirts will be sold in the social hall
- Shave Ice sold outside
- The temple hondo and columbarium (*nokotsudo*) will be open

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