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Wheel of the Sangha NEWSLETTER

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Seattle Betsuin Vision Embrace true and real life in Nembutsu



Seattle Betsuin Mission Promote, protect, and share the Buddha, Dharma and Sangha

First Saturday Book Study for July - CANCELLED; see p 3 for August details Saturday, July 13 Obon Services

12:00 pm at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery - Queen Anne Hill 1:00 pm at Washington Memorial Park - Sea-Tac 3:30 pm at Lake View Cemetery - Capitol Hill

Sunday, July 14 10:00 am OBON/HATSUBON SERVICE at the Temple Saturday, July 20 4:00 - 10:00 pm BON ODORI Sunday, July 21 3:00 - 8:00 pm BON ODORI

Friday - Sunday, July 26 - 28 NWYBL Summer Retreat

Summer Music Service: Sunday, July 7, 2013 Seattle Betsuin Ukulele Band, Betsuin Choir, Bodhi Ensemble with an Encore Performance of *Imagine*

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Betsuin Events for July 2013

MOST SUNDAYS – confirm Sundays listed below; All are invited:

8:45 am MEDITATION SERVICE at 1441 S. Main St; Sutra Chanting, 20-minute meditation, discussion.

10:00 am SERVICE - in Hondo (main sanctuary) includes Sutra Chanting, singing, and Dharma Talk

11:00 am DHARMA EXCHANGE – in dining room, Q/A, dialogue with minister and ministers assistants

MOST WEDNESDAYS 10:30 am DHARMA SUPPORT GROUP with Meditation - confirm Wednesdays below

SUNDAYS

July 7 8:45 am Meditation Service 10:00 am FAMILY Service

Family: Matt May, MA in Training

Japanese Program

DX: Matt May, MA in Training July 14 8:45 am Meditation Service

10:00 am OBON/HATSUBON SERVICE

Family: Rinban Castro Japanese Program DX: Rinban Castro

1:00 pm Obon Service at Evergreen Washelli

Cemetery (Northgate)

3:00 pm Obon Service at Sunset Hills

Memorial Park (Bellevue)

July 21 3:00 - 8:00 pm SEATTLE BON ODORI

July 28 8:45 am Meditation Service 10:00 am FAMILY SERVICE Family: Rinban Castro

Japanese Program

DX: Rinban Castro

11:45am SBBWA Cabinet Meeting

July 26 – 28 (Fri., Sat., Sun.) NWYBL Retreat

MONDAYS

<u>July 8, 15</u>
<u>July 15, 22</u>
7:30 – 9:00 Bon Odori practice
Rinban Castro (Days Off)

TUESDAYS

<u>July 9, 16</u> 7:30 – 9:00 Bon Odori practice

July 16 10:00 am

Shinran Shonin Monthly Memorial Service July 23 10:30 am Keiro Service (Rinban Castro)

WEDNESDAYS

<u>July 10</u>

10:30 am Dharma Support

7:30 - 9:00 Bon Odori practice

<u>July 17, 31</u> 10:30 am_Dharma Support Group July 23, 24 Camp Fire Karuna Award Retreat

THURSDAYS

July 4 Office Closed for Independence Day

<u>July 11</u>

7:30 – 9:00 pm Bon Odori Practices in Gym

<u>July 18</u>

1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service

6:30 pm Bon Odori Construction/Set-up July 25 Rinban Castro (Study Day Off)

FRIDAYS

July 5 Rinban Castro (Day Off) July 19 Rinban Castro (Study Day Off)

6:30 pm Bon Odori Constructon/Set-up

July 26 – 28 (Fri., Sat., Sun.) NWYBL Retreat

SATURDAYS

July 13 Obon Services as follows:

12:00 pm at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery (Queen Anne) 1:00 pm at Washington Memorial Park (Sea-Tac)

3:30 pm at Lakeview Cemetery (Capitol Hill)

July 20 4:00 – 10:00 pm SEATTLE BON ODORI
July 26 – 28 (Fri., Sat., Sun.) NWYBL Retreat

AUGUST Newsletter Deadline: Monday, July 15, 2013 8:00 pm

Sunday, August 4, 2013 Atomic Bomb Victims' Memorial Service

Saturday & Sunday, October 5, 6, 2013 Bishop Kodo Umezu

Visits Seattle Betsuin look for coming details for Kieshiki

Saturday, October 19, 2013
Women in Buddhism Conference
"The Heart and Mind That Benefits Others"

Rita No Kokoro 利他の心

Bon Odori Practices in Gym July 8 - 11, July 15, 16 7:30 – 9:00 pm





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Bon Odori: Come Rain or Come Shine

By Rinban Don Castro

Seattle summers are short and sweet. I don't know of a better climate in the summer than here. Yes, it has rained a few times in recent years at Bon Odori but, with the right attitude, our dancers have made the best of it. I remember one soaked mother and daughter a few years ago at the end of the evening's dancing. Their yukata was soaked and their hair was plastered to their foreheads yet their faces were beaming with a smile. "This is the best Bon Odori ever. We will always remember this one!" Mother and daughter are now a few years older. Maybe soon the daughter will move away to attend college. Maybe she will get a job and settle in another city but that shared experience of turning lemons into lemonade is a memory they will cherish.

I have told our Dharma School children, "If there is one expression from your temple experience that you remember, let it be 'Out of the mud grows the lotus." Of course, I also hope they remember the nembutsu as an expression of transformation and gratitude. Actually, the nembutsu and the expression "Out of the mud grows the lotus" are identical as expressions of gratitude and transformation. Shinran Shonin talks about "rubble into gold." Because of the mud, the lotus is able to become. Because of my blind passions, Amida Buddha exists.

If you look at the six character myogo (scroll central object of reverence) "na-mo-a-mi-da-butsu." you will notice that it rises vertically from a lotus flower (see the metal copy of Shinran Shonin's writing in our nokotsudo mausoleum). Out of our blind passions arises the perfect lotus of transformation expressed as the nembutsu. Without mud, there is no lotus. Without our blind passions, there is no Amida Buddha. Let's hope for clear skies this year with that gorgeous deep blue at dusk which only happens in the summer. Maybe throw in a full moon rising over the temple for good measure. However, come rain or come shine, "Namo Amida Butsu."



2013 BON ODORI

Saturday, July 21, 4 pm - 10 pm & Sunday, July 22, 3 pm - 8 pm.

Lots of help is needed on those days as well as the week before. Please sign up to volunteer.



Dance practice will run July 8-11 and July 16-17 from 7:30 to 9 pm in the gym.

-AO

Seattle Buddhist Temple Book Study Group This is a reminder that the Buddhist Study group will not be meeting in July. Our next meeting will take place on Saturday, August 3. We will be reading chapters 8-10 of Kenneth K. Tanaka's Pure Land Buddhism book. If you do not have a copy of the book, please contact Rinban Castro.

In August we will meet from 9:30-11:30 in the Memorial Hall Chapel. Everyone is welcome to stay for brown bag lunch afterward. There is no cost to attend.

Submitted by Leonora Clarke

Dharma School submitted by Joyce Tsuji We hope everyone enjoyed our last day of Dharma school event. Lots of good food and fun!! Our appreciation goes out to all who helped with the potluck, bingo, set up and take down/clean up.

Congratulations again to our perfect attendance award winner, Nathan T and to all our fabulous attendance award winners!! Well done!

Finally a big thank you goes to all the Ministers, teachers, parents, and students who made this past vear so successful. Have a terrific summer!

Classroom Reports

1st/2nd Grade - teachers Dave Scattergood and Joyce Tsuji

We made cherry trees with pink tissue paper blossoms while we discussed Shinran's poem which he wrote upon entering the monastery about "not waiting until tomorrow...". Our year wrapped up with more discussion of the Four Gratitudes especially the one pertaining to country on Memorial Day when we created American flags from construction paper. For Father's day we decorated cards and magnets with pictures of the students in them! Some of the students were easily remembering the acronym for them -Parents, All Life, Country, Three Treasures or PACT. We say goodbye to our second graders and good luck. We will miss you. We look forward to seeing our new first graders and returning second graders in the fall.

Camp Fire Sunday - April 14, 2013 Photos by Sat Ichikawa







Irene at Kagoshima Hongwanji 6/3/13





SEATTLE BETSUIN BUDDHIST WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION Submitted by Joan Nakano

SBBWA President's Message submitted by Janet Baba I hope everyone is enjoying the summer season and anticipating the Obon Season.

Orion Dinner: The May 17 dinner under chair of Michi Vaart went well. Nina Tomita-Kato, Shirley Shimada, Dennis Shibata, and Mike Teramoto prepared the dinner for about 30 homeless youths. They served a nutritious dinner of roasted chicken, green beans, potatoes with gravy, green salad, rolls, watermelon, and milk. If any member would like to prepare the next dinner in fall, please notify us through the temple office.

Craft Classes: Mae Deguchi gave a Microwave Potholder Class on May 8. The holders are ideal for the microwave oven with small sized mitts. They are made with brightly colored Hawaiian printed fabrics. Look for them on sale at the Bon Odori SBBWA Craft Booth. Rikuko Tanaka held a class on May 22 making "Tea Bag Stars" cards. The cards will also be on sale.

Bon Odori Help Wanted: Bon Odori will be held on July 20 and 21 at the temple. SBBWA will be responsible for Yakisoba and Barazushi food items for Obon. Please check the signup sheets in the basement for a shift or two, if able to help. Craft items made by members and more will be available at the SBBWA booth.

Summer Field Trip: The Activity Committee is planning an August trip to Bainbridge Island to visit the Bainbridge Island Museum and the Bainbridge Memorial with lunch following. There are plans to travel by coach bus and a ferry ride. The detailed information will follow soon. Email/Telephone tree will give information and a signup sheet will be posted in the temple hallway as soon as available. Please check with Joan Nakano in the office for further information.

Aging Workshop: The team of Cho Shimizu and Edwin Wong gave a workshop, "Talking to Family About End of Life Preparation." Shimizu gave information about Medicare and Wong talked about the financial issues. The informative evening gave much pertinent information to collect for our own use and to give to our family members. Another workshop was recommended in the fall with upcoming changes in Medicare and to see if forms are understood.

White River BWA Centennial: We have received an invitation from White River BWA to attend their 100th Anniversary Celebration on September 28, 2013 from 11:30-3:30 at the Fairwood Golf and Country Club in

Renton. Rev. Yukiko Motoyoshi of Stockton Buddhist Church will be the guest speaker. Tickets are \$30. Poster with information is posted on the SBBWA's bulletin board or contact Joan in the temple office. Hope to see you all at the Temple's Obon Festivities! In Gassho, Janet

Donations - Submitted by SBBWA Treasurer Shizue Kaku Steve Hasegawa, Kathy Hasegawa, Susie & Jeff Yamane - In Memory of Jim Hasegawa

Calendar:

July 14 Obon/Hatsubon Service

July 20-21 Bon Odori



Shiz, Miyoko, Mae, Kinue and Michi Making microwave potholders



Kats, Terrie and Tomi participating in the Aging Workshop

Scout Troop 252 On June 16, we held a troop court of honor and troop elections. At this election, Matthew Kosugi became our new Senior Patrol Leader. We will have a campout on the 21nd -22nd at North Bend to touch up on scout skills before our annual summer camp. We go to Camp Piggott from July 7 to the 13th. Most of our troop will be attending to create a fun filled atmosphere for a week. Also, we will have an Eagle Scout court of honor which will be held on Wednesday, July 31 at 7pm. Gassho, Nathan

ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE...

We would like to "thank" the following regular members, for contributing at least the minimum annual ljikai dues (the basic dues toward the Temple maintenance/operations). This is a list of those paid members that have paid for the 2013 fiscal year.

Harumi Fujioka, Helen Gota, Alan & Fumiko Groves, Yoko Hamanaka, Miyuki Hanada, Hajime & Michiko Hirata, Roy & Deanna Ikegami, Toshiko Isomura, Yoko Isomura, Kazue (Katie)Kato, Sanaye Kawahara, Frank Komoto, Hiroko (Janet) Kosai, Mariko Mano, Lisa Kumasaka-Mitchell, Shogo & Fusako Kusumi, Joe & Carolyn Schwab, Florence Sumida, Peggy Tanemura, Miyoko Tazuma, Machiko Wada, Steve & Valerie Yamasaki, Dennis & Lynne Goodrich Yasukochi, Kevin & Kari Ann Yokoyama

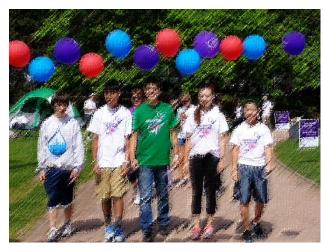
*AS A REMINDER: The minimum for basic dues towards the Church maintenance/operations, is \$250 for those over 70 years of age and \$300 for those under 70 years old. Payments are due by September 30, 2013. If you have any guestions about your membership status, contact the Betsuin office: 206-329-0800 or office@seattlebetsuin.com. (compiled by HL & SO)

Seattle Betsuin YBA RELAY FOR LIFE (JR YBA) The JR & SR YBA would like to thank the following Sangha members who made a contribution to our team, The Shinran Steppers: Michi Vaart, Alex Cassatt, Pauline Sakuma, Alan Hoshino, Yukio Morikubo, Joyce Kato, Midori Takagi, Mabel Nishizaki, Suzuko Terada, Grace Tazuma. Clara Beard, Steve & Lori Chisholm, and Tomi Zumoto.

Our goal was set at \$1000. Although teams have until August to collect donations, our team raised \$1.430.70 by the relay date, Saturday, June 15. Those who participated: Tomi Z, Tina Z-K, Emily K, Pam H, Meghan H, Julianne T, Brandt T, Alex S, the Akiyama family, Brian M, Josh M, Susie T, Rosie Y, Jason Y, and Steph.







YBA made luminaria lanterns in honor of those who were survivors and those who lost their lives due to cancer. Many of these lanterns were dedicated to family members. Many of us also dedicated lanterns to temple members who had cancer. We all had a great time participating and hope to do it again in the future. Submitted by Alex S

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Nokotsudo – for Nobuyoshi Kano	\$ 200.00	Tamako Niwa Kano
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Shio Ohara – In Memory of	\$ 100.00	Mari Ohara
Kojiro & Yasu Taki – In Memory of	\$ 100.00	Noboru & Takako Taki
Shigano Uota – 33 rd Year Memorial	\$ 100.00 \$ 100.00	Masuye Urata I & M Uota
Nokotsudo	\$ 20.00	S. Toyoshiri

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Musical Notes submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi

Belated kudos to the youth musicians who did a wonderful job providing new music in April: Emily K, Emi N., Sela C. and Meghan H. for Camp Fire Sunday and the Bodhi Ensemble for Earth Day Service. Thank vou also to Mas Tamekuni for leading the ukulele band and choir for John Lennon's song Imagine on April 28.

We appreciate Rev. Jim Warrick's service coordination with the meaningful message related to the lyrics of the song that day. We are including an encore performance of *Imagine* for the Summer Music Service on Sunday, July 7. Even though it is summer break for Dharma School we encourage families to attend. In addition to the Seattle Betsuin Ukulele Band and Betsuin Choir, the Bodhi Ensemble will perform.

Save the Dates For:

Bishop Kodo Umezu's Visit to Seattle Betsuin on Saturday, October 5, 2013 Sunday, October 6, 2013

Nomen in Buddhism Conference at Seattle Betsuin on Saturday, October 19, 2013 "The Heart and Mind That Benefits Others" Rita No Kokoro 利他の心

Betsuin Archives Committee is seeking members who served in the

U.S. Armed Forces Betsuin Archives Committee requests photos of members who served in the U.S. Armed Forces, both active and in reserves, in uniform. We've currently some 95 photos and are looking for more. This display always attracts attention each year. We'd like to continue to honor those members who have served our country, to keep the pictures current, and to add the Congressional Gold Medal members this year. Please submit photos to the Betsuin office: Attn: Betsuin Archives Committee - Sat Ichikawa.



Simple Things submitted by Gail Kaminishi



Old athletic shoes can be recycled. Call the store before going to make sure they accept them. The large Oregon company takes any athletic shoes back to recycle into running or athletic tracks.

Reduce waste by being prepared: This has already been suggested but worth reminding – when you know you are going to get take-out food at a restaurant, take your

own container. My favorite Hawaiian restaurant appreciates this because it means they do not have to buy and give out as many take-out containers. Also when dining-in, you can discreetly put reserved food in your container from home. My grandmother used to keep bags in her purse so that she could transport food items.

The large, Texas based natural foods grocery chain has added polystyrene (Stryofoam) trays and peanuts to its recycling effort. It's been many years since that service has been available to us. They also take light bulbs, cell phones, CDs and DVDs along with the usual items.

HELP WANTED

- VOLUNTEER BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENER Margaret Teramoto has been offering her service to take blood pressure measurements for our members on the last Sunday of each month for the past 20 years. She was once a part of a team, but has been doing this solo for several years. It is time for her to pass on this important monthly service to someone else.
- AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICAL SUPPORT VOLUNTEERS to set up equipment for seminars & special events.

If you are interested in offering either of these services, please notify the office at 206 329.0800 or at Office@SeattleBetsuin.com. Training is available. Submitted by Irene Goto

Summer Music Service: Sunday, July 7, 2013 Seattle Betsuin Ukulele Band and Betsuin Choir, Bodhi Ensemble Including an Encore Performance of Imagine

NOTES FROM DHARMA EXCHANGE

SUN, MAY 12 - The Dharma School Dads conducted the Mothers' Day Service in the Hondo. . . During Dharma Exchange Rinban Castro commented that all of us should be able to conduct a service because we are all on the same path. A hollow fish was struck while sensei waited for a bus in Japan, and he said it was so enchanting for him -- a reminder of "Old Japan."... Complaining, griping, moaning, etc. is called "monku." The opposite of monku is "Kansha"(gratitude),and "arigato" means "difficult to be." He commented that the seldom used "much obliged" is more Buddhistic in tone than other forms of expressing gratitude. He recalled Ouchi sensei saying "arigatai" frequently. For such a gentle person it is hard to comprehend he was training to be a kamikaze pilot toward the end of WWII. The last word of a kamikaze pilot was "Mom," not "banzai" as we hear in films. . . While undergoing ministerial training sensei worked in some hospitals and found the one in Santa Clara was very clean and the one in Oakland was dirty. He was shocked by dustballs behind the surgery door.

SUN, MAY 19 - Rev. Jim Warrick talked about the theme in the Hondo, Gotan-e, celebrating the birth of Shinran Shonen, the founder of the Jodo Shinshu sect in Japan. . . While discussing "light" he said the first filaments for electric light bulbs were made of bamboo. Also, the oldest known functioning light bulb is 104 years old and is in California. Sensei said Amida Buddha represents the highest form of Wisdom and Compassion.

SUN, JUNE 2 - Two large screens were used in the Hondo for the photos and names of deceased members of the temple during the All Sangha Memorial Service. They enhanced the experience with technology. Now, anyone can submit names/photos to the office at any time of the year to be exhibited at the next Memorial Service. . . How can we become one with Amida Buddha? Loved ones are the spirit of Amida Buddha as they share their love of family members. . . Kemi N. displayed a scroll she inherited, and has given it to the Seattle Betsuin. Monshu Koshin Ohtani presented it to Kemi's grandparents. Her grandfather, Hideo Kaneko, was one of the founders of the Palo Alto Buddhist Temple. The characters on the scroll are "Cho Zetsu," which means "superlative transcendent." In the past, she donated a scroll to the Palo Alto Buddhist Temple.

SUN, JUNE 9 - Rinban Castro opined that the longest journey we will take is from the head to the heart. . .While at a retreat in Portland sensei visited an impressive facility in Boring, Oregon, where dogs are trained for the blind. Sensei was overwhelmed by what he learned. Labradour Retrievers and Golden Retrievers are the preferred breeds because of their gentle nature. The pups stay with a family for one year and begin training at 10 weeks of age. Those families said they could only part with the dog because they knew it would be assisting a blind person. Not all the candidates become guide dogs -- hyper dogs are trained for search & rescue. The entire operation of the facility is paid for by donations from the Kiwanis Club, Lions Club and other corporate groups.

SUN, JUNE 16 -Rosalie Town ran the Dharma Exchange after her Dharma talk in the Hondo. . . A participant talked about the many ways people help each other. She told of a senior woman who thanked each of the sanitation workers individually at a gathering in New York. A participant asked Rosalie how to cultivate a positive attitude. Rosalie related that Castro sensei gave the Dharma talk when she first visited the Betsuin, and everything "clicked." She felt more at peace and happier. Another participant said he doesn't know where he would be now had he not come to the temple. A participant recounted the story of the Husky Crew in 1936 when they won gold in the Olympic Games. The crew was composed of just ordinary, humble guys who were unable to pay their way to the Games. Sports writer Royal Brougham launched a campaign to raise money to send the crew to the Olympic Games.

In gassho, Pat Bobrow