

Wheel of the Sangha



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Take Refuge in the Light of Joy

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Momentum

By Rinban Don Castro

The most universal symbol for Buddhism is the wheel, as in "The Wheel of the Sangha" the name of our newsletter. Even before images of the Buddha were produced, the Dharma Wheel was used to represent the Buddha in scenes of his life. Some of these very early and important sculptures still exist. The great Buddhist King Ashoka (269-232 B.C.E.) often had the wheel incorporated into the many pillars or carved rock faces where his imperial edicts were proclaimed. It is this wheel with many spokes that is on the modern flag of India.

As you study statues of the Buddha, you learn that there are quite a number of hand gestures (mudras in Sanskrit). Each of these mudras represents a different aspect of the Buddha's life or teaching. There is one mudra that represents the Buddha's first sermon and is referred to as "The Turning of the Wheel of the Dharma." The Buddha set the Dharma Wheel in motion 2,500 years ago in Sarnath, India and the Dharma has rolled through time and space,

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President's Message

by Yukio Morikubo

Thank you to all who helped at Bon Odori. Bon Odori is a lot of hard work, but it is also a fun and heartwarming celebration of life. It is a chance to strengthen personal connections with family and friends, and an opportunity to make new acquaintances as we work together for a common goal. It is also a chance to treasure the memories of those who aren't there, and whose presence is missed. In the midst of our busy, modern lives, mixing manual labor with community and centuries-old tradition can be restorative. It reminds us of who we are.

This year, as always, our team worked to keep Bon Odori fresh and up-with-the-times. Ron Hamakawa and the Obon committee, including Tom Sakamoto, Marie Kosai-Luke and Chris Kosugi, secured sponsorships from Ajinomoto, King's Command and Kirin Beer. They tweaked the menu, adding gyoza to our already impressive list of food choices. Gwen Florence and her fellow dance instructors rolled out two new dances, one traditional and one modern. Emi N., a tenth grader, introduced a Cosplay (Japanized "kosu-puree" or costume play) event for our youth. And behind the scenes, Calvin Terada and Michael Garnett upgraded our communications and sound systems. A heartfelt arigatoo to our entire Bon Odori team.

If you didn't have a chance to join us this year, I hope you'll make an effort to be there next year. It can be chaotic and you have to extend yourself to be involved. But if you make the effort, I'm positive you'll be glad you did.

Now that Bon Odori is done for this year, enjoy some down time before the fall. Your Betsuin board and other leaders are still working to advance our various planning initiatives for the Betsuin. We'll communicate to the membership about where we are on those starting in September.

For now, enjoy August. It's time to rest – *gokuroosama* and *gassho*.

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through thick and thin, to us today. Our study of Buddhist history gives us an understanding and appreciation of this great treasure we have received. If we have no knowledge of our history and heritage, we have no appreciation of the many hardships that were undertaken on our behalf.

When we recite the Three Treasures, the third treasure is Sangha and we say, "I take refuge in the Sangha." The Sangha is the living embodiment of the Buddha Dharma which are the first two treasures. Through all our services we spiritually connect with the Sangha – past, present and future. It is especially through our major services that we ponder and appreciate different aspects of the Sangha. For instance, this summer we had a wide range of themes for our major services. Since June we have observed All Sangha Memorial Service, Bishop and Rinban Memorial Service, Obon, Hatsubon and Bon Odori, and this month we will observe the Atomic Bomb Victims Memorial Service. Through these services we more deeply appreciate the momentum of the Dharma. Each generation has kept the wheel rolling. If it had not met the most urgent needs of the human heart, it would never have rolled up to today. Let us each do our part to add momentum and keep the Dharma Wheel rolling.

17th Annual Kids Summer Program attendance was at capacity.

"What is KSP?" A question posed to some of our camp attendees this year. Answers: "Cultural", "Educational", "Socializing with Friends", "Singing", "Taiko", "Crafts", "Snacks", "Fun" and "Exhausting"! These answers, enthusiastically given, encompass the atmosphere and embodiment of KSP.

This year, KSP hosted 109 kids, 22 sempai and 12 teachers/instructors. The camp could not be successful without all of the volunteers, who not only came from the Seattle Betsuin Temple but the community at large. Volunteers gave of their time and talents to ensure that cultural traditions continue to be recognized and appreciated. We thank all the volunteers, teachers/instructors, sempai, students and families who participated in this year's camp.

In Gassho, Leanne Nishi-Wong, Gayle Teramoto, Gary Shibata, Co-Chairs



Musical Notes: submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi

Sacramento Betsuin hosted a wonderful choir festival on June 21. Jean Taketa was visiting family in California and enjoyed the program in the audience. I was fortunate to participate with the Palo Alto Buddhist Temple choir, directed by Alice Fukushima. PABT was the temple that I grew up in through high school. Since last year Rev. Dean Koyama has been the resident minister at PABT. Due to being the facilitator of arranging for the music of Donna Sasaki's composition Centennial Celebration to be shared with PABT for its 100th anniversary celebration this fall, I was given the music for the choir festival, in return, and asked by the PABT choir to sing with them. I flew to Sacramento and even got a ride back to the Bay Area from Alice. If only more of our choir could have also attended! Perhaps when the choirs (Fresno, San Jose, Mountain View, San Francisco along with Palo Alto and Sacramento) convene again in 2 years in San Jose, we can form a Pacific Northwest group to attend. This goal is my vision as I think about how to proceed to coordinate music activities at Seattle Betsuin.

With sincere gratitude for all her years of guiding the choir, we announce that Terrie Tanino has resigned from her position as choir director. Terrie had been an original member when Linda Castro formed the Seattle Betsuin choir in 1986. She has graciously agreed to lead the choir for her final time on August 3 at the Atomic Bomb Victim's Memorial Service. Her dedication and leadership to the choir will be greatly missed. The choir will continue, though we welcome any new participants or suggestions for a new director. In the meantime, the focus will be to teach the sangha new music that we can all sing together. In particular, we hope that everyone young and old(er!) will enjoy the musical selections in preparation for the Family Music Service in November and the Northwest District Convention that we are hosting in February. Rev. Harry Bridge from the Buddhist Church of Oakland will return for the NWD Convention as keynote speaker and bass guitarist. We plan to have Merwin Kato (the drummer with Deems Tsutakawa in the beer garden during Bon Odori) and my husband Jim Norton on saxophone join Rev. Harry to create the musical energy for the convention theme Everyday Rhythm of the Nembutsu. Continued participation by our youth musicians and ukulele band will be a valuable part of our sangha music. Thank you to pianists Kristy C and Emi N for volunteering for summer service music in July and August along with Florence Sumida on the organ and ukulele music coordinated by Mas Tamekuni. We look forward to the continued efforts of the Bodhi Ensemble during the Dharma School year.

SBBWA Submitted by Janet Baba and Kanako Kashima

We thank all who helped with this summer's Kids Summer Program and the Bon Odori Festival. We appreciate all your time and effort for the two Temple

Programs. Both events were successful due to your diligent hours of commitment!

FBWA Youth Exchange:

Rosie Y. and Kristi F., our FBWA Youth Exchange recipients, traveled to Japan on July 16, to meet Lady Ruzumi Ohtani, visit Nishi Hongwanji in Kyoto, and for a homestay experience in Hokkaido. Following their trip, Rosie from Seattle and Kristi from Portland will both write reports of their travels and hopefully speak at the FBWA Conference in Irvine, in October. We are very proud of Rosie & Kristi!





Bishop Umezu and Rinban Castro with Exchange Students

FBWA Conference: SBBWA's Early Bird Group Registration for Southern District's 43rd FBWA Conference is currently closing, on July 31. After August 15 the cost increases from \$112.50 to \$137.50 for members. Cost for tours and obento are additional. "Sharing Our Life Stories as Buddhists," theme for the conference with nine speakers, will be held October 10-12, 2014, at the Hotel Irvine Jamboree Center, in Irvine, CA. Hotel reservations and flight arrangements are to be made on your own. Information packets are available in the temple office. Contact Machiko Wada, Joyce Kato or Betsuin office for more information.

Walk for Rice: Our SBBWA Team walked the Seward Park Loop on June 28 to raise funds for "Walk for Rice," and raised over \$1,000. Our team comprised of Shizue Yahata, Sachiko Kusachi, & Joyce Kato, and was joined by Ed Kato & Dennis Shibata. Asian Counseling and Referral Service sponsors this walk for ACRS's Food Bank, which supplies Asian Foods for the Asian population.

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...SBBWA continue

Kids Summer Program: KSP's activity filled week for



over 100 students, held June 23-27, took place at Seattle Betsuin Temple with a daily morning service, Japanese language, taiko, cooking, calligraphy, sumi-e, manju making, odori, kite making, story-telling

and more. Our SBBWA members, Leanne Nishi-Wong & Gayle Teramoto were two of the program's co-chairs. Also members were classroom teachers, Judith Nakamura, Nina Tomita-Kato, Janet Baba, Erin Taylor, and Shizue Yahata. Numerous members supported the program during this week for cooking, *ikebana*, calligraphy, *manju* making, *odori*, and *kamishibai*, or story telling with pictures. The program would not have been possible without our member volunteers. Thank you, volunteers!

In Gassho, Janet

Calendar:

SBBWA Board Meeting Hiroshima to Hope SBBWA Cabinet Meeting



Aug. 3 Aug. 6 Aug. 24



Tour Group to Strawberry Farm



SBBWA Volunteers for 2014 BonOdori











The Seattle Betsuin Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations May - June 2014

Funeral / Memorial / Nokotsudo:			Given by:		
Akio Kuwahara – In Memory of	\$	500.00	Akio/Kinue Kuwahara Charitable Trust		
Tomiko Okano – 49 th Day Memorial	\$	400.00	Kimiko Calhoun		
Takako Taki – Inurnment Service	\$	400.00	Noboru Taki		
Tetsuya "Ted" Oye – In Memory of 7 th Year	\$	350.00	Sunako (Sunkie) Oye		
James Hasegawa – Inurnment Service	\$	300.00	Stephen Hasegawa		
Shunichi Horikoshi – 25 th Year Memorial	\$	300.00	Duane & Ann Mayeda		
Yuriko Kamada – Inurnment Service	\$	300.00	Estate of Yuriko Kamada		
Michiye Nomura – Inurnment Service	\$	300.00	Lewis Nomura		
Kazuo Nakagawa - 13 th Year Memorial Service	\$	250.00	Yoshie Nakagawa & Richard Yamamoto		
Isamu Yoneyama – 13 th Year Memorial Service	\$	250.00	Yoshie Nakagawa & Richard Yamamoto		
Teruo Maruko – 1 st Year Memorial Service	\$	200.00	Keiko & Tsukasa Namekata		
Nokotsudo for Akio Kuwahara	\$	200.00	Kinue Kuwahara		

Remembrances for: Given by:

James Hasegawa Kazuko Kajimura Hatsumi Higa Fusae Yokoyama

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Yamashita; James & Eileen Yoshida; Mary Yoshida; Nobuo Yutani

<u>Temple Supervision</u>: Spokane Buddhist Temple \$ 100.00

Yakima Buddhist Temple \$ 100.00

General Donations:

Paul & Teresa Mori General Donation

Joe & Carolyn Schwab Endowment
Sheri Mizumori Endowment

- submitted by Pauline Sakuma





Boy Scout Troop 252

has been very busy the last couple months. At the beginning of May, the troop attended the Thunderbird District camporee taking place at Seward Park. Throughout the camp the troop competed in competitions relating to various scout skills including orienteering, canoeing, and an iron chef



competition. Troop 252 was well-represented being the largest troop there, and successfully completing all of the competitions. The week after that those elected by the troop attended the Order of the Arrow ordeal, to become members of OA, scouting's honor society. The troop also attended several NVC events including flag ceremonies, flag placings, and a tour of the NVC hall. Our own Taylan



also designed a Chief Seattle scout patch and plans to sell it, and all the money raised will help support the Susan G. Komen foundation! The month of June was also very busy, the troop held a court of honor to award those who earned merit badges and rank advancements. We also went camping at North bend and went on a hike. The summer will also be a busy one for us since we plan to attend a week long summer camp in Eastern Washington,

run the Kori booth at bon practice, help at the teriyaki booth and obon, and plan to have some fun troop outings in August! The troop will run



regular meetings again during the school year. Gassho, Alex

2014 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS – CONGRATULATIONS! submitted by Shizu Kaku On Sunday, May 25, at the 10am service our scholarship recipients were honored with their parents. A reception with cake was held in the high school classroom after the service.

The Seattle Betsuin Tsujihara Family Memorial Scholarship Fund granted 5 high school students scholarships of various amounts. The recipients are sons and daughters of temple members from Bellevue, Kent, and Seattle who will major in biomedical sciences, art, and public health at University of Washington, Green River Community College Occidental College, and John Hopkins University.

Masaru & Mitsuma Shimokon Scholarship Fund granted one college scholarship to a student enrolled at University of Washington majoring in biochemistry.

We are thankful to have great parents who brought their sons/daughters to temple and gave them the support and encouragement all young people need to be successful and caring individuals. Our recipients have shown with their intelligence, common sense, and the Nembutsu, they are ready for the next step in their lives. Thank you to everyone who helped with the service/reception & scholarships. Special thanks to Tish Oye for generously donating the high school glass awards and Mae Yamasaki for making ribbon leis in their high school colors. "Arigato" to Sat Ichikawa for taking their pictures & giving them copies.

September 20 and the Third Annual Women in Buddhism Conference

will be here before we know it. It's time to complete a registration form (available on the temple website, in the temple foyer, and on page 8 of this newsletter) and guarantee your place at the event.

This year's presenters promise to bring new information and insights. They are:

- Rev. Midori Kondo, Associate Minister at Honpa Hongwanji, Hilo Betsuin and Resident Minister of Lihue Hongwanji Mission, ret.; She will focus on "nembutsu in one's life".
- Sierra Lee- Brenner, Licensed Mental Health Counselor and Board Certified Art Therapist, will help us create mandalas as a contemplative expression with a focus on Buddhism.
- Carol O'Dowd, Resident Minister, Longmont (Colorado) Buddhist Temple, says: "My commitment to women's issues has been consistent throughout my career in public service having served on various Boards and Commissions addressing women in government, economic development, business and religion." Her presentation will be titled, "Eleven Worthy Women".

If you have attended this conference, like most attendees you took something positive away from the experience and found it worthwhile. If you haven't yet been, we know you'll appreciate having the chance to take advantage of this rare opportunity to learn from other women Buddhists.

Save the Date for Northwest District Convention

February 13-15, 2015, Bellevue Westin Hotel; "Like" the convention on THE popular social network and receive updates as speakers and the program becomes more solidified: https://www.facebook.com/buddhistconvention submitted by Ann Oxrieder

Buddhist Churches of America CENTER FOR BUDDHIST EDUCATION

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Go to bcasites.net for online registration and program updates or BuddhistChurchesofAmerica.org.

AUGUST 9, 2014 Saturday 1 - 4 pm BCA Center for Buddhist Education & JSCC August Workshop: Dr. Lori Meeks, CBE Public Lecture on "Neither Monk nor Laywoman: Buddhist Renunciation and the Female Lifecycle in Pre-Modern Japan"; FREE and Open to the Public

August 29 – 31, 2014 Eastern Buddhist League - 2014 Conference, Washington, D.C. "Buddhism: Flourishing through Difference"

August 30 – September 1, 2014 So. Dist. Jr. Young Buddhist League (SDJrYBL)
Hosted by OCBC at Orange Co. Hilton, Costa Mesa
SD JR National YBL Conference: "Plug into Buddhism:
Access Buddhism through Technology - Experience it like never before"

September 9, 2014 BCA Center for Buddhist Education at Jodo Shinshu Ctr., Berkeley, CA Speaker: Rev. Patricia Usuki 8th Annual Baby Boomer Seminar: "www.com - Who, Where, Why"

AUGUST BUDDHIST STUDY GROUP submitted by Leonora Clarke

The Buddhist Study Group will meet on Saturday, August 2 at 9:30-11:30am in the Memorial Hall Chapel. We will to discuss an article by Charles Jones called *Foundations of Ethics and Practice in Chinese Pure Land Buddhism* If you are interested participating, please email Leonora Clarke clarkel@uw.edu to receive a pdf of the article. Everyone is welcome to stay for brown bag lunch afterward. There is no cost to attend.

Registration for

The Third Annual Women in Buddhism Conference at Seattle Buddhist Temple a day to gain understanding of the connection between Buddhism and women's everyday lives "To think of the Buddha is to be thought of by the Buddha"

Saturday

September 20, 2014

9:30 am - 3:30 pm

Presenters:



Reverend Midori Kondo Associate Minister at Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin, Resident Minister of Lihue Hongwanji Mission, Retired



Sierra Lee-Brenner
Licensed Mental Health Counselor and
Board Certified Art Therapist, Seattle &
Bainbridge Island....mandala as a
contemplative expression with a focus
on Buddhism...



Reverend
Carol O'Dowd
Resident Minister, Longmont Buddhist
Temple, Longmont, CO, Mountain
District,Buddhist Churches of America

Registration is required so that we can provide meals for participants: Cost: \$35 per person which includes lunch; you may choose vegetarian in registration form below. Please register by Sunday, September 14, 2014 Questions: Contact the temple office at 206.329-0800 or email at office@seattlebetsuin.com. Send completed form & check payable to: Seattle Betsuin Religious Department, Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Church, 1427 S Main Street, Seattle, WA 98144 Attention: Etsu Shimbo. Thank you for registering. It will be a wonderful day!

Detach below and mail:

	September 20, 2014 Women in Buddhism Conference Registration Form - Please print				
Name					
Address		Phone	Email		
Amount enc	closed: \$35 for conference a	and lunch: \$	check here for vegetarian:		
		Donation: \$	Thank you for your dana.		
	Total E	Enclosed: \$	Check number:		

Notes on Dharma Exchange

June 22, 2014 - MA Rosalie May asked what the assembled group thought about the term "Lord Buddha" in the gatha Lord Buddha Speaks to Me. The reaction was mixed, and a participant thought the actual music sounds more like something from a Christian church. . .MA Matt May spoke of the advantage of words on a scroll over a statue. A participant felt most Christian religions are hierarchical, whereas in Buddhism everyone in the Sangha is equal. . .A participant recalled a child in her class refused to sing when others sang "Onward Christian Soldier.". . .A participant mentioned Rosalie (Town) May's article in the May "Wheel of Dharma" concerning Christianity and the growth of American Buddhism.

June 29 - Rev. Jim Warrick was asked: To whom did Rennyo address the 80 letters referred to in your Dharma talk today? He replied that some of them were addressed to specific individuals, and others were copied and sent to groups of people as a sort of memo. . . Jim Sensei asked the group which religion is 2nd most popular (after Christianity) in Washington State. The surprising answer is Buddhism. . . Younger members of the Betsuin are using social networks more and more. . . the Kids Summer Program (KSP) has grown considerably after approximately 14 years. This year 109 kids signed up. The kids are exposed to different aspects of Japanese culture each year, including taiko, Japanese songs, food, calligraphy, and tai chi, etc. . . Irene MA reported she has changed her mind about using the titles "Lord" and "Saint" in reference, respectively, to the Buddha and Shinran. She decided it is all right for all religions to use such titles, not just Christians. . . True entrusting, Pure Land, inner glow, settled mind, and state of grace are all part of the same idea. . . A visitor from the Maitreya Project shared information and flyers on a conference to be held July 18, 19, and 20 at the Unity Church. Buddhist relics will be on display, and the project is involved in creating a statue of the "future Buddha," Maitreya. No charge.

July 6 - Rev. Jim Warrick referred to his telling a story June 29 about the angry woman who uttered the Nembutsu three times a day before her obutsudan. Sensei wanted to make it clear that besides saying the Nembutsu it is important to live the life of the Nembutsu. . . The term "true entrusting" is preferred over the word "faith." . . He went on to say, in order to be born in the Pure Land there are three conditions to be met: A sincere heart, true entrusting, and the desire to be born in the Pure Land. . . Rinban Castro talked about "Gross National Happiness," a condition for which the people in the Kingdom of Bhutan strive. They rank seventh in that category, the Scandinavian countries among the first six. There are two types of happiness -- secular and Nirvana. Buddhism teaches us to strive for the Middle Way, neither happy nor unhappy. Sensei related the story of a previous king of Bhutan who promised to never rule like a king, but rather to protect his subjects like a parent; care for them like a brother, and serve them as a son. . . The Amish people send their older teenagers to live in the "outside" world for one year. If they ever decide to leave the Amish people and live in the outside world, they cannot return ever. And they may not visit their families. . . At the Betsuin there was a group of members who visited shut-ins, offered incense and chanted. When the idea was put forth to a now-deceased member she declined saying she didn't want them to fuss over her. Sensei urged her to view it a different way -- she would be giving the group the opportunity to show compassion. She relented and allowed them to visit.

July 13 -Irene Goto MA asked the assembled what they thought of today's Hatsubon service. A participant responded it was comforting. Others voiced the same sentiment. One suggested we can also remember the people all over the world who are dying in conflicts. . . The earliest evidence of Obon is referenced in 5th century China. The story relates to the Buddha's disciple, Mogallana, who was gifted with powers to see that his mother was in the Hell of Hungry Ghosts after she died. The Buddha told him to provide robes and food for the monks, which he did. His mother was freed and he danced for joy, a tale describing how Obon began. . . A participant was surprised at how much he missed his family who showed love for him through the difficult parts of his life. He commented how little he appreciated what he had and did not realize it. Only his sister is left and she has refused to be in touch with him. . . . Sri Lankan monks teach meditation to everyone resulting in no conflicts. . . Lanterns will be lighted on South Lake Union on September 21. They light the way for spirits of the dead to find their way back, according to the story. It is interesting to note how many Buddhist traditions have come into Western culture. . . Irene reminded us that the Women's Seminar will occur on September 20 and to sign up with the registration forms in the foyer. All are welcome to attend.

In gassho, Pat Bobrow

Memories of 2014 Bon Odori at Seattle Buddhist Church by Sat Ichikawa















Thank you to all who helped at Bon Odori. - Yukio Morikubo

Betsuin Events for August 2014

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

MEDITATION SERVICE at 1441 S. Main St; Sutra Chanting, 20-minute meditation, discussion. 8:45 am SERVICE - in Hondo (main sanctuary) includes Sutra Chanting, singing, and Dharma Talk 10:00 am 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 - call office to confirm August 1 - 31 Rinban Castro will be on personal leave; Reverend Warrick will preside

SUNDAYS

August 3 8:45 am Meditation Service

10:00 am ATOMIC BOMB VICTIMS'

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Adult: Rev. Warrick

Japanese: Rev. Gimyo Takemura

DX: Rev. Warrick

11:45am SBBWA Board Meeting

August 10

8:45 am Meditation Service 10:00 am **FAMILY SERVICE**

> Adult: MA Matt May Japanese: Program DX: MA Matt May

August 17

8:45 am Meditation Service 10:00 am **FAMILY SERVICE** Adult: MA Rosalie May

Japanese: Program DX: MA Rosalie May

August 24

8:45 am Meditation Service 10:00 am **FAMILY SERVICE** Adult: MA Irene Goto

Japanese: Program DX: MA Irene Goto

11:45 am SBBWA Cabinet Meeting

August 31

8:45 am Meditation Service: Rinban Castro

FAMILY SERVICE 10:00 am Adult: MA Leonora Clarke Japanese: Program DX: MA Leonora Clarke

MONDAYS

[Nothing scheduled as of July 21, 2014]

TUESDAYS

August 26

10:30 am Keiro Service (Rev. Warrick)

WEDNESDAYS ** 10:30 am - call office to confirm August 6, 13, 20, **10:30 am Dharma Support Group (Rev. Warrick)

(27th cancelled)

THURSDAYS

August 7

1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service (Rev. Warrick)

August 21

 $\overline{7:00-9:00}$ pm Chanting Workshop for Ministers and

Minister's Assistants with Rev. Katsuva Kusunoki, Buddhist Church of Lodi

Betsuin Cabinet Meeting 7:30 pm

August 28

7:30 pm Betsuin BoD Meeting

FRIDAYS

August 22

10:00 am – 3:00 pm Japanese Language Seminar

with Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki

Chanting Workshop for 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Ministers and Minister's

Assistants with Rev. Kusunoki

SATURDAYS

August 2 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Book Study Group -

"Foundations of Ethics and Practice in Chinese Pure Land Buddhism" by Charles B.

Jones (Rev. Warrick)

August 16 1:00 pm Shinran Shonin Monthly

Memorial Service (Rev. Warrick)

August 23 Chanting Workshop with Rev. Katsuya

Kusunoki

September 2014: Major Events of Interest

Sunday, September 7 First Day of Dharma School Saturday, September 20 Women in Buddhism

Conference with Rev. Midori Kondo, Sierra Lee-Brenner and Rev. Carol O'Dowd p. 8

Sunday, September 21 Rev. Midori Kondo to speak regarding Fall Ohigan and Rev. Carol

O'Dowd regarding Eshinni-ko/Kakushinni-ko

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August at Seattle Betsuin

Saturday, August 2 Buddhist Study Group 9:30-11:30am see page 8

Atomic Bomb Victims' Memorial Service (10:00am) Rev Warrick & Rev Sunday, August 3 Takemura will give dharma talks in English and Japanese (10:45am) respectively Sundays, August 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 Sitting in Gratitude Meditation 8:45am – 9:45am at 1441 S Main St. house

Wednesdays, August 6, 13 and 20 Dharma Support Group with Meditation 10:30am - Noon

Friday, August 22 Japanese Language Seminar with Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki 10:00am – 3:00pm

August 1 - 31

Rinban Castro will be on personal leave; Reverend Warrick will preside

Ministers: Rimban Don Castro 24 hours: (206) 779 -2214 and Reverend Jim Warrick Wheel of the Sangha NEWSLETTER Editors: English - Irene Goto Newsletter@SeattleBetsuin.com Japanese - Machiko Wada Newsletter-Jpn@SeattleBetsuin.com

Deadline to submit articles is the third Monday of each month at 8:00PM

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