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Live a Real Life

September 2016

Receive the great benefit of being aware of Amida's benevolence and responding in gratitude of his virtue.

Believing is Seeing

By Rinban Don Castro

We usually hear the expression "Seeing is believing" but, for many people, their reality is determined by their pre-existing beliefs. For them, believing is seeing. A couple of years ago, National Geographic magazine featured an article on this subject which cited research studying why so many people reject scientific evidence that contradicts their scripture or belief system. This phenomenon is particularly important for the issue of climate change since responsible scientists have presented compelling evidence to show that climate change is, indeed, happening and that it has a human cause. People who are driven by a blind adherence to ideology have been termed "true believers" and can be extremely dangerous whether their beliefs stem from political, spiritual or, as is often the case, a political-spiritual ideology. In our contemporary world, most international terrorism is a result of this political-spiritual stew of beliefs.

A core goal of Buddhism is to see things as they truly are. We try to base our decisions and actions on the best evidence we are able to obtain. This makes Buddhists scientific and personally responsible. I am not saying Buddhism is science but rather scientific. Buddhism goes beyond science to include values and a commitment to eliminate dukkha (pain and suffering). Scriptures such as the Kalama Sutta support this assertion. In modern times, the Dalai Lama has restated this scientific approach. In his book "The Universe in a Single Atom," he claims that most religions regard scriptures as the highest level of authority for understanding reality. The second level of authority what can logically be inferred from these scriptures and the lowest level of authority is personal experience. The Dalai Lama correctly demonstrates that Buddhism completely reverses these three levels. He writes that Buddhists

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Fall is upon us and once again the Hondo will be full on Sundays as we welcome back our Dharma School students and their families from their summer break. As I write this article final touches are being made in the repair and repainting of the hallways around our Hondo and the temple carpets are getting a shampoo. Hidden from view, we just installed a new centralized HVAC controller which allows our office administrator, Joan Nakano, to schedule heating and cooling in our classrooms, office spaces, the Memorial Hall chapel and the dining room. You can still utilize the wall mounted thermostats in these spaces for impromptu meetings or other uses but on Sundays and for most scheduled meetings the heating/cooling system in the rooms will turn on and off automatically saving energy and reducing our utility bills. Along those same lines, the new energy efficient LED lights in the recently remodeled dining room are under the control of occupancy sensors which automatically turn on and off the lights. **Please do not manually turn off the lights in the dining room when you leave as this disables this new energy saving feature.**



Several years ago under the influence of Rinban Castro's Eco-Sangha message "that to be a Buddhist is to be an Ecologist" our temple eliminated the use of plastic food service containers and utensils and switched to compostable ones taking our game up one notch in the Recycle-Reduce-Reuse strategy. With our facility's new automation features and our use of modern heat pump technology we are extending our efforts beyond garbage, compost and recycling and now actively manage our energy usage. Thank you sensei for being our guiding

light on the path to being both Ecologists and Buddhists.

Calendar wise we have several events on the horizon beginning with our Fall Ohigan (Equinox) observance on Sunday the 18th and the hosting of the Federation of Buddhist Women's Associations national conference which runs October 7-9 at the Westin Bellevue with guest keynote speakers Dr. Sharon Suh, chair of the Department of Theology and Religious Studies at Seattle University speaking on "Occupy this Buddhist Body: Cultivating the Interdependence of Mind and Body" and Rev. Mutsumi Wondra of the Orange County Buddhist Church speaking on "Being Embraced by Namo Amida Butsu". Many other sessions are planned over the weekend so, if you haven't already registered, do so soon!

In gassho,
Alan



ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE... We would like to “thank” the following regular members, for contributing their annual Ijikai dues (the basic dues toward the Temple maintenance/operations). This is the list of those paid members for the fiscal year of 2016.

Steven Aisaka, Janet Baba, Lance & Lisa Barr, Yasuko Desaki, Gwen Florence, Kazumi Janice Goshō, Kathy Hasegawa, Sachiko Hayami, Mary Hikida, Mark & Haru Hirota, Jamie Huh, George & Kayoko Kakiuchi, Malcolm & Eileen Kanemoto, Ritsuko Kawahara, Sanaye Kawamura, Takako Kogita, June Kosai, Art & Lori Kozai, Yoshiko Kozai, Lisa Kumasaka, Carolyn Kunihiro, Kishiko Kusakabe, Doug & Masayo McLean, Kenneth & Jean Moriyama, Craig & Joan Nakano, Gayle Sordetto, Masao & Frances Tamekuni, Sadie Yamasaki, Miyoko Yoshikawa

***AS A REMINDER:** The minimum for basic dues towards the Temple maintenance/operations, is \$250 for those over 70 years of age and \$300 for those under 70 years old. **PAYMENTS FOR THE 2016 FISCAL YEAR ARE DUE BY SEPTEMBER 30 (THIS INCLUDES THOSE MAKING INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS).** If you have any questions about your membership status, contact the Betsuin office: 206-329-0800 or office@seattlebetsuin.com.

(compiled by HL, PS, JN, & SO)

Important Updates for Federation of Buddhist Women's Associations (FBWA) Conference OCTOBER 7, 8, & 9, 2015 at Westin Bellevue

Registration Deadline Extended The Northwest BWA District has extended its registration deadline to September 15. This warm and cordial invitation to you, your family and friends, is with the hope that you will attend the 44th FBWA Conference on October 7 – 9, 2016 to be held in Bellevue. The theme, “Linked in the Nembutsu, Tsunagatte” promises an exciting program for the week-end with outstanding speakers, Dr. Sharon Suh (English) and Rev. Mutsumi Wondra (Japanese).

We hope you will join us to share the Buddha-Dharma as we become linked together in Nembutsu during this bi-annual event. The Northwest District is making every effort to make it a very meaningful and enjoyable conference for you. We all look forward to seeing you.

Please contact Nina Tomita, Machiko Wada or Janie Okawa, registrar. Or, ask any SBBWA cabinet member! See you there!

Seeking Volunteer Drivers The Transportation Committee is seeking volunteer drivers to shuttle attendees from SeaTac Airport to the Westin Bellevue on Thursday and Friday, October 6 and 7, and from the hotel back to the airport on Sunday, October 9. Please contact Joan Nakano at the Betsuin office or send an e-mail to office@seattlebetsuin.com if you can volunteer to drive and please indicate your availability. A sign-up sheet is also posted on the bulletin board across from the Betsuin office.

...Rinban Castro's Message continued from p. 1

start with experience as the highest level of authority. The second level is what can logically be inferred from this experience and the lowest level is what can be gleaned from the Buddhist scriptures.

I don't want to be simplistic and imply that Buddhism and science are interchangeable or to misrepresent the Dalai Lama's analysis of Buddhism and science. He writes, “Buddhism and science clearly part company, since science, at least in principle, does not acknowledge any form of scriptural authority. But in the first two domains – the application of empirical experience and reason- there is a great methodological convergence between the two investigative traditions.” (page 29) Not just in the Buddhist world but in society as a whole, there is a great debate between the scientific community and various brands of anti-scientific fundamentalists. With crucial issues at stake, we need to know what is really going on, not what we think should be going on.

SBBWA News by Nina Tomita-Kato

Summer is now almost closing it's doors and we have another Fall to greet.

We hope to see you all at the Federation Buddhist Women's Conference to be held at the Bellevue Westin, October 7,8,9. You can register online (registration will remain open until September 15) or if you need assistance registering, please contact Machiko Wada or Nina Tomita Kato. Joan Nakano has hard copies available in the office. It promises to be an eventful and memorable experience. Please join us.

A note from KSP to our SBBWA: Kids summer program wishes to thank all the individuals who volunteered during the week. We could never have such a successful camp without all of your expertise and commitment.

Events to look forward to for September:

- 9-18 Fall Ohigan
- 9 - 25 Eshinni-ko, Kakushinni-ko Service
- 9 -1 & 9-15 Nikkei Manor service
- 9- 27 Keiro Service



Ten *monto* from Sairaku Ji, Hiroshima, visited us during ObonOdori. BWA members, Ritsuko, Kinue, Aiko and Yoshiye made a beautiful dinner for them by the request of Ron. -ihg



Musical Notes

Thank you to the Sangha Singers for leading the singing of the musical selection of Sen no Kaze with Steve Yamasaki (clarinet) and David Yamasaki (guitar) at the Atomic Bomb Victims Memorial service on August 7. We also appreciated Mas Tamekuni and the Seattle Betsuin Ukulele Band providing service music on August 14. Anyone interested in gatha singing and review of music service Sanbutsuge prior to the 10 am hondo service, please come early and join us from 9 a.m.

- submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi; photos by Sat Ichikawa



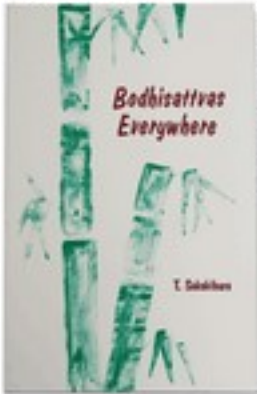
Calling all couples who were married by Reverend Don Castro

For his November 20 retirement party, we are telling the story of his life at Seattle Betsuin. Your wedding was one chapter in that story. If you have photos of him performing your wedding ceremony or standing with you in the temple, please dig out that album buried in the back of your closet or your basement, and find the picture you like best. Then scan it and send it to revcastroretirement@seattlebetsuin.com. The more photos, (like the example on the right), we collect from the hundreds of couples he married, the better our celebration.

- submitted by Ann Oxrieder



Religious Education Event



September Buddhist Study Group The next meeting of the Buddhist Study Group will take place on September 10. The book for this month is *Bodhisattva's Everywhere* by Rev. Tokuso Sakakibara (translated by Rev. Arai)

<http://bcabookstore.mybigcommerce.com/bodhisattvas-everywhere/>

Or contact me, Leonora, via the office if you would like a copy of the book.

The meeting will take place in the Memorial Hall Chapel from 9:30-11:30am. There will be a brown bag lunch afterwards. There is no cost to attend.

- submitted by Leonora Clarke



Dharma School Fundraiser - Coupon Books

Coupon Books are once again being sold as a fundraiser this Fall, with all proceeds benefiting Dharma School this year. Coupon books are being sold for just \$25. The book is full of coupons for restaurants, fast food, snacks, activities, attractions, museums, sporting events, groceries, auto maintenance, car washes, travel, rental cars, retail and so much more!

Yakima Buddhist Church holds Obon Service and Potluck on July 31, 2016



Dharma Exchange, an after-service discussion...

July 31 - Rinban Castro said he could not believe how much work caring for his wife's Guide Dog, Sparky, while she was away, is; like taking care of a baby. . . Funeral workers and leather workers are considered to be polluted in Japan. . . Apparently, there are many Caucasians who become hospital chaplains, and Shuri, Sensei's wife, encourages other Asians to become trained in that profession. The IBS offers such training, and the BCA can endorse those chaplains. . . Suzanne Phan & Ryan Yamamoto, new to KOMO TV 4-News and familiar with Sacramento Betsuin, visited the temple. Joan N. gave them our temple's website. A participant recommended we all warmly greet Sunday's newcomers.

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Seattle Betsuin Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations July - August 2016

Funeral / Memorial / Nokotsudo:

Given by:

Mineko Sakamoto – Funeral Service	\$ 1,700.00	Janet Baba
Hideko Peck – Funeral Service	\$ 1,200.00	Paul Peck
Yoshimatsu Hamanaka – 50 th Year Memorial	\$ 500.00	Yoko Hamanaka
Hajime Hirata – In Memory of	\$ 500.00	Michiko Hirata
Manabu Fujimoto – In Memory of	\$ 300.00	Joan & Craig Nakano
Hiroyuki Suganuma – In Memory of	\$ 200.00	Aiko Suganuma
Sadamu “Sam” Takashima – In Memory of	\$ 200.00	Kiyo Takashima
Michael Higa – In Memory of	\$ 125.00	Estate of Michael Higa
Dick Hara – In Memory of	\$ 125.00	Estate of Michael Higa

In Memory of:

Given by:

Manabu Fujimoto	Nelson Harano; Ritsuko Kawahara; Kenneth Kubota; Stephanie Ojima
Ken, Harumi & Russell Fujioka	Allan & Ronalee Mizoguchi
Kamechi Harada	Steve & Kathleen Harada; Seiichi & Louise Kasanuki; Ryohei & Keiko Ohtaka
Sadako Harada	Steve & Kathleen Harada; Seiichi & Louise Kasanuki; Ryohei & Keiko Ohtaka
Wesley Kosai	George & Irene Mano; Yoshio & Judith Nakamura
Florence Sumida	Leslie Sumida (Hatsubon)
Ryoto Yabuki	The Tsuboi Family
Mineko Sakamoto	Ben Bergano & Tracy Harada; Linda Briggs; Jean (Aya) Deguchi; Alice Doi; Sue Fujino; Miyuki Hanada; Setsuko Harada; Ross Hori; Akiko Kikuchi; George & Lillian Kiuchi; Dale & Karen Kodama; June Kosai; Henry & Jan Kumasaka; Carolyn Kunihiro; Joe & Brenda Matsudaira; Tetsuo & Linda Miyata; Mutual Fish Company Inc.; Craig & Joan Nakano; Curtis & Charlene Nakayama; Joe & Diana Ohashi; Barry & Marlene Okada; Nobuko Otsuji; Sunako Oye; Irene Saito; Pauline Sakuma; May Shigihara; Peggy Tanemura; Toshio & Dolly Tokunaga; David & Dina Uchida; Arlene Yamada; Jane Yamagiwa; Elaine Yoshida; Pauline Yoshida; Harry Yoshimura

Contribution to Endowment:

Carolyn Kunihiro - \$ 350.00: In Memory of Ted Kunihiro; Miyoko Sakamoto;
Ray Sakamoto; Karry Sakamoto; Linda Quintua
Joe & Carolyn Schwab
Shokichi Tokita – In Memory of Lillian Toyoko & Elsie Tokita
Katsumi & Terrie Tanino – In honor of Ted Taniguchi's 88th Birthday

Special Donation:

Marion Dumont - \$ 10,000: For the HM Kaneko Music Fund

General Donations:

For:

Two separate gifts given by Nagashima/
Hiroshima Temple guests

Appreciation for dinner & hospitality during Bon Odori

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Hajime Fukagawa

Donation of one-half of total cost for Kirin beer for the Beer Garden at Bon Odori

Jeffrey & Tina Zumoto-Ko

Appreciation for use of Gym

Alice Doi

Bank of America Employee Giving Campaign

Gail Suzaka

Bank of America Employee Giving Campaign

Edward & Joyce Kato

General Donation

Kelvin Mark & Cheryl Lieu

Appreciation for Rev. Sala Sekiya' s assistance to prepare for Tokudo

Charlotte Ramsey

General Donation

10th Anniversary of The Jodo Shinshu Center Buddhist Churches of America

Realizing the Vision



Commemoration,
Memorial Service and
Commemorative Events

Saturday, Oct 22, 2016
8:30am - 7:00pm



Jodo Shinshu Center
2140 Durant Ave,
Berkeley, CA 94704



www.BuddhistChurchesofAmerica.org

For information email Judy Kono at
JKono@BCAHQ.org or phone (510) 809-1426

The attire for the event is business casual.

Seattle Betsuin gratefully acknowledges donations received for special services as follows.

If your name is not listed, the donation may have been received after the deadline for this newsletter and will be listed in the next edition. Please accept our apologies for any inadvertent misspelling of names:

Atomic Bomb Memorial Service: Fujii, Minoru & Aiko; Kawahara, Ritsuko; Kawamura, Sanaye; Kubo, Masako; Kunihiro, Carolyn; Kuwahara, Kinue; Seattle Hiroshima Club, ; Tanaka, Rikuko; Teramoto, Margaret; Toyoshima, Michiko;

Obon / Hatsubon: Kumasaka, Lisa; Naemura, Joseph & Janie Okawa; Otsuji, Nobuko;

Hatsumairi

Hatsumairi or "First Visit" is a Jodo Shinshu tradition that acknowledges the child's first visit to the temple. Parents present their children before the image of Amida Buddha and members of the Sangha as an expression of their gratitude and desire to expose them to the teachings of the Buddha.

Children of all ages are welcome to participate in the Hatsumairi ceremony to be held during the 10:00 a.m. Family Service on October 16, 2016. If you would like to present your child(ren) at this joyous occasion, please complete the registration form below and **return it to the Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple,**

1427 S Main St, Seattle, WA 98144 or contact the temple office by **October 10, 2016.** A Dharma School representative will contact you with details. If you have any questions, please direct them to the temple office at (206) 329-0800 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. - JN

2016 Hatsumairi Registration

Child's Name

Male / Female

Month/Day/Year of Birth

Parent's Name(s) _____

Mailing Address _____

City

State

Zip Code

Phone _____ E-mail _____

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August 7 - Rinban Castro recalled that some of Rev. Terao's immediate family died in Hiroshima, and the dying wish of a family member was for him to start a temple in Spokane. He went to Spokane to speak and started the temple. He asked his brother William to re-enlist in the service so that he could go to Japan and secure an Amida Buddha statue for the new temple. His brother did so, and met the patriarch, became ordained himself, and secured the statue. When the Spokane temple burned several years ago, the statue remained unharmed and today stands in the new Spokane Temple. Sensei said Terao Hall was dedicated at the Spokane Temple and the grandchildren from Hiroshima attended the celebration. . . Sensei said an A-bomb today is small enough to fit in a suitcase and could destroy the city of Seattle if dropped offshore; an H-bomb today would destroy Seattle and Tacoma. After the bomb fell, Sensei's mother-in-law had glass shards embedded in her back in Hiroshima. Her father removed them with tweezers when she arrived home. Rinban commented that a relative was relieved when he learned the A-bomb was dropped because that meant the war was over and he would not be shipped off to Japan. Sensei made the distinction that this person was not happy the bomb was dropped, just relieved that he would not be sent overseas. . . Sensei marveled at the confluences of our lives and how our lives are made more hectic by them. . . A participant noted the reactive nature of people after 9-11 occurred. We seem to have the feeling of complete non-violence (in the way of Ghandi and Thich Nhat Hahn) to more of a "I'm sorry I had to react this way because you did thus and so." . . A participant was pleased that at the Green Lake "Hiroshima to Hope" event (at Green Lake on August 6 when lanterns are decorated and floated by the participants), the three clerics who spoke briefly were a Catholic priest, an imam, and a rabbi. . . A participant talked about the book, "Bridge to the Son" by Gwen Terasaki, who married a diplomat and lived in Japan. The movie version can be seen on internet.

August 14 - Rev. Gyomay Kubose, a Higashi minister, wrote "Everyday Suchness," and Castro Sensei, to illustrate and example of Enlightenment, told Rev. Kubose's story of the dragonfly. The more one chases the dragonfly, the less likely it is to catch it, much like Enlightenment. Just put your finger out and the dragonfly might land on it. A woman experienced this tactic, and then the dragonfly bit her! Sensei said that was Enlightenment. . . Rev. Gyomay Kubose founded the Buddhist Temple of Chicago (Higashi) in 1944. In his reflections while jogging near Lake Michigan, Rev. Koyo Kubose determined he would

start the Bright Dawn Center of Oneness Buddhism in 1996 in California near Yosemite Valley. He serves as president. . A participant asked how does one know one is on the path to Enlightenment? A teacher explained that it should take about three years; or, if one pursues Enlightenment it will take twelve years. Rinban said, if you stop to look for it you have lost it, and Zen teaching advised us to "forget self;" Self Power will not achieve enlightenment. He went on to say we are bound by blind passion, and we live a life of gratitude. The Buddhist experience is for idiots who are unable to see themselves. Rinban read a few passages of Shinran and Renyo concerning blind passion and gratitude. . . Rinban was asked what he plans to do after retirement. He responded he wants to be involved in the Spokane Temple in order to stabilize its growth. . . Sensei said we all live at the expense of other forms of life even though we are vegetarian or vegan, in that we disturb the earth while planting, which impacts the tiny animals dwelling there. Itadakimasu -- "I humbly receive this food."

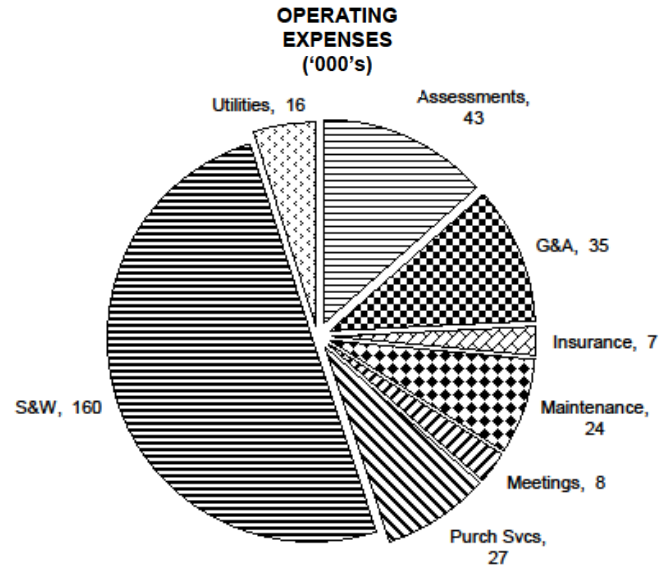
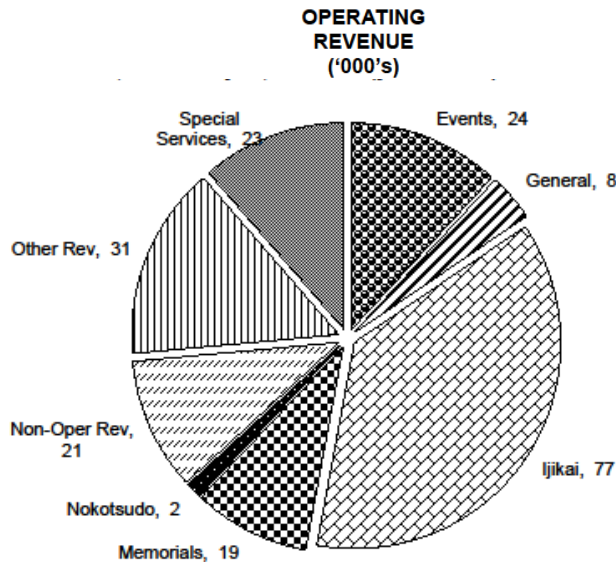
August 21 - Rinban Castro commented, "If I knew good as the Buddha knew good, I would know good. If I knew evil the way the Buddha knew evil, I would know evil." To illustrate his point he told a story. Because a man wanted to save their lives, he was chasing deer away as they were eating plants. Another person told him to let them stay as the people in the area needed the food. . . Sensei said the Ministerial Association passed a resolution in the State of California against the death penalty. Sensei said a friend of his was a probation officer in a prison and faced violent criminals/sex offenders daily. He resigned after many years. To employ the death penalty or not presents many dilemmas, i.e., leaving violent prisoners in the general prison population leaves those prisoners in danger of violence or death. A participant asked if there is the death penalty in Japan, and yes, there is. The Nishi-Hongwanji has not come out in favor of it, but the Higashi-Honganji agreed to it. Warrick Sensei asked why the Ministers Association passed a resolution because he felt it was a personal matter. It has only been in the last decade that the Ministers Association passed a resolution, and that was in favor of gay marriage. . . Castro Sensei is in favor of assisted suicide, and is willing to counsel anyone interested in it. Because the Catholic Church is firmly against such action, Sensei has conducted memorial services for Catholics as requested by the family. Jim Sensei added he would like to see the least suffering for everyone.

In gassho,
Pat Bobrow

GRAPHICAL SUMMARY OF OUR OPERATING FINANCIAL RESULTS

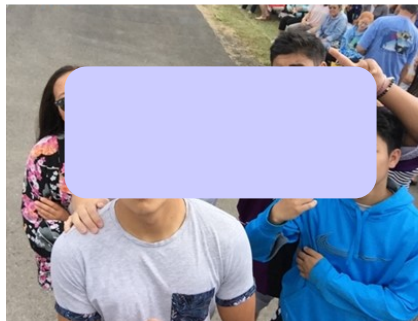
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Financial Status (preliminary)
Fiscal Year 2015 – 2016
December 1, 2015 – July 31, 2016 YTD (year-to-date)

Submitted by H. L.



Junior YBA held elections over the summer for its new officers, and will begin meetings this coming fall. The first meeting will be held October 11 at 10:30. Anyone in 7-12th grade is welcome to attend. This past summer, the Seattle Betsuin hosted the 2016 NWYBL Summer retreat “Buddhism Inside and Out” which focused on Buddhism and emotions, in relation to the movie “Inside Out”. We also had a workshop conducted by Rev. Sekiya focusing on the onajin, and rituals, and how to properly conduct a Jodo Shinshu service. Participants were split into Tobans and each toban conducted their own service, with participants

giving the dharma message, ringing kansho, chairing, and being chosho (chanting leader). Furthermore, the youth attended White River Bon Odori, played volleyball, sang karaoke, pulled all-nighters, and enjoyed each other's company. The retreat was a success, with over 30 youth participating, including some from Oregon and White River. We are looking forward to future retreats this coming year. Plans are being made currently for upcoming activities. Activities are all planned by members, and supported through fundraisers throughout the year. Anyone interested in joining JR. YBA should contact the temple office, or check out our bulletin board across from the temple office. - Alex S.



Betsuin Events for September 2016

SUNDAYS: 10:55am Meditation
(convenes in foyer)

September 4

10:00 am FAMILY SERVICE

Adult: Rinban Castro

Japanese: Rev. Sekiya

DX: Rinban Castro

Meditation: MA

11:45 am SBBWA Board Meeting

September 11

10:00 am FAMILY SERVICE

(1st Day of Dharma School)

Youth/Adult: Rinban Castro

Japanese: Rev. Sekiya

DX: Rinban Castro

Meditation: MA

Dharma School registration in Memorial

Hall Chapel

September 18 Rinban Castro at Tacoma

Temple

10:00 am FALL OHIGAN SERVICE

Youth/Adult: Rev. Sekiya

Japanese: Rev. Sekiya

DX: MA

Meditation: MA

Dharma School registration in Memorial

Hall Chapel

11:45 am SBBWA Cabinet Meeting

September 25

10:00 am ESHINNI-KO & KAKUSHINNI-KO
SERVICE

Youth/Adult: Rev. Sekiya

Japanese: Rev. Sekiya

DX: MA

DSDX: Rinban Castro

Meditation: MA

MONDAYS:

September 5 Labor Day Holiday (Office closed)

TUESDAYS:

September 6 Rinban Castro (Day Off)

September 20

6:30 pm Religious Dept. Meeting

September 27

10:30 am Keiro Service (Rinban Castro)

WEDNESDAYS:

September 7 Rinban Castro (Day Off)

September 22-24 (Thur-Sat) Rev. Sekiya at

MAP Seminar in Chicago

September 28

10:30 am Dharma Support Group (Rinban
Castro)

THURSDAYS:

September 1

1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service (Rev Castro)

September 8 Rinban Castro (Vacation)

September 15

1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service

7:00 pm Betsuin Cabinet Meeting

September 22-24 (Thur-Sat) Rev. Sekiya at
MAP Seminar in Chicago

September 22, 29 Rinban Castro (Days Off)

FRIDAYS:

September 2 Rev. Sekiya (Day Off)

12:00 pm Gojikai Service and Luncheon
Meeting (Rinban Castro)

September 9 Rinban Castro (Vacation)

September 16

10:00 am Shinran Shonin Monthly
Memorial Service

2:00 pm NW District Ministers' Meeting

September 22-24 (Thur-Sat) Rev. Sekiya at
MAP Seminar in Chicago

SATURDAYS:

September 3 Rev. Sekiya (Day Off)

September 10 9:30 am – Noon Book Study
Group: *Bodhisattvas Everywhere* by
Rev. Tokuso Sakakibara

2016 October

Major Events of Interest

October 7 – 9 FBWA (Federation of Buddhist
Women's Associations) National Conference at
the Westin Bellevue

October 10 Japanese Language Seminar with
Rev. Mutsumi Wondra from Orange County
Buddhist Temple

October 16 Hatsumairi (infant/child's first visit
to the temple) Ceremony Service

October 30 SBBWA Memorial Service

**2016 October
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Monday
September 19, 2016
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September 2016 Major Events of Interest

September 5	Temple closed for Labor Day
September 10	Book Study 9:30am - Noon <i>Bodhisattvas Everywhere</i>
September 11	First Day of Dharma School 10:00AM
September 18	Fall Ohigan Service 10:00AM
September 25	Esshinni-Ko & Kakushinni-Ko Memorial Service 10:00AM

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