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GOEN –Karmic conditions

by Rinban Katsuya Kusunoki

In 2008, I came to the USA for three months to have training and to see and experience what it means to be a minister in BCA. After I finished this 3 months of training, I went back to my home in Nagasaki, Japan in December. My plan was to move to the United States as a minister in April of 2009. While I waited for my visa, I was working at my family temple in Nagasaki. December is a season of many Bonenkai (year end parties); January is a season of many Shinnenkai (New Year parties).

On the 2nd of January, I attended an alumni reunion at my high school. There were over 100 people attending this Reunion. I had not seen many of my classmates since we graduated high school almost 13 years before. I was surprised because I could not recognize some of my classmates. Anyhow, I was able to spend an enjoyable evening with my classmates. At that Alumni Reunion, I re-met a friend. Her name is Ayano Hamamoto. We went to the same elementary school, the same Junior High School and the same High School. But after we graduated from high school, I seldom saw her. It was so good to see her again after all those years. And since we had known each other for so long, we talked a lot and also drank a lot until 4 o'clock in the morning. 4 months after that High School Alumni Reunion, Ayano changed her name. She became Ayano Kusunoki. We got married in April of 2009. I am still amazed at how our lives have come together. I had already known Ayano for many years, but I did not know that someday, she would be my wife.

In the beginning of January, 2009, I didn't even know where she lived, I didn't know where she worked or if she had a boyfriend or not. When I think about it, it is really amazing. If I did not participate in that alumni Reunion, we would never have re-met. If my parents didn't get married, and I was not born in 1977 we would never have been in the same class. What if I was born in 1978, things would be very different. What if I went to another high school, What if I took part in the Minister's Overseas training in 2009 instead of 2008, What if my visa to come to the USA came quickly and I didn't have to wait, or even if I had left that Alumni Reunion early and went back home instead of staying and getting to know her again. If all the Karmic events were not as they were, then we would never have met and we would never have gotten married. But we got married because so many, many things happened. It is truly unbelievable when I think about all the things that had to happen so that Ayano and I could become husband and wife. In Japanese, we call this, Fushigina En; Unbelievable and Amazing Karma.

Even this moment right now has deep Karma. Now, I am here and share the Dharma in Seattle. Because there are so many people who have worked to establish and maintain this temple over the years. Because Bishop

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What's Inside Message from Rimban Kusunoki

Dharma School Book Study Donations Membership Salmon Dinner **Dharma Echange SBBWA** Sangha Dinner Lecture by Dr. Haneda **DS Field Trip**

The Seattle Betsuin Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations April - May 2017

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June 2017 Book Study Group Announcement

The next meeting of the Buddhist Study Group will take place on Saturday, June 10. We will discuss the Myokonin O-Karu and her poems of Shinjin - by Hoyu shida. This book is out of print. Contact Leonora Clarke Leonora.clarke3@gmail.com for a copy.

The book selection for our July 1 meeting will be Kaikyo by Jane Imamura.

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

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

Umezu reassigned me to Seattle Betsuin and Seattle Betsuin accepted Bishop's assignment. Because you are the member of the Seattle *Betsuin*, I can be here and share the Buddha Dharma. For without you being here. I would have no reason to be here.

All the events and all the people and the entire chance meeting in our lives create the karma of our lives. Everything is connected to each other. Everything is interdependent. This is "En". This is Karma. We are here today because of "En". We live today because of Karma. It is the Buddhist path to aware of Karma and express our appreciation of our life. Gassho.

All-Sangha Dinner Friday, May 26, 2017 5:30 pm

Thank you, to those who have responded to our membership drive. It culminates with **Sangha Night**; go to page 6 for details.

ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE...

We would like to "thank" the following <u>regular members</u>, for contributing their minimum annual Sustaining Membership dues (the basic dues toward the Temple maintenance/operations). These are the most recent paid members for the fiscal year of 2017.

Don & Karen Akira, Gaylen Akira, Lindsey Albano, Masatoshi Aoyama, Gene & Yuki Arinobu, Lauren Asaba, Marian Asaba, Connie Ozeki-Chinn, Steve & Lori Chisholm, Yasuko Desaki, Burke Dykes, Aiko Fujii, Ginee Fujii-Ogard, Sue Fujino, Toshi Fukeda, Bill & Beverly Glasser, Eileen Hamamoto, Miyuki Hanada, Reiko Hara, Steve Harada, Sue Hatai, Roy & Deanna Ikegami, Iwako Iseri, Tetsuden & Kanako Kashima, Mary Katayama, Kazue Kato, NinaTomita-Kato, Sanaye Kawamura, Ann Kawasaki Romero, Shizue Kikuchi, Diane Kitano, George Kodama, Tom Kodama, Bill Komoto, Janet Kubota, Patricia Kubota, Shoqo & Fusako Kusumi, Haruko Mamiya, Rick Mamiya, Yoshiko Mamiya, Andrea Mano, Jack Matsui, Tetsuo & Linda Miyata, Sheri Mizumori, Tyler Moriguchi & Thy Pham, Kemi Nakabayashi, Curtis & Charlene Nakayama, Dean O'Shields, , Mari Ohara, Michiye Ohtani, Tokuzo & Mari Okumura, Irene Saito, Sono Sakaguchi, Tom & Beverly Sakamoto, Joe & Carolyn Schwab, Joyce Sato, Robert Seko, George Shimizu, Sato & Darlene Shimizu, Aaron Spencer & Midori Takagi, George Suetsugu Jr., Kazue Tagami, Kuniko Takamura, Haruso & Sonoe Taketa, Susie Taketa, Rikuko Tanaka, Fumie Taniguchi, Ted & Akico Taniguchi, Calvin & Yvette Terada, Hideko Terada, Kayoko Terada, Margaret Teramoto, Stuart Teramoto, Shokichi Tokita, Dolly Tokunaga, Julianne Tosaya, Tazuko Uyenishi, Michiko Jean Vaart, Rob Weinsheimer & Kari Palmer, Ken Yocom & Anna Tamura, Fusae Yokoyama, Kevin & Kari Ann Yokoyama, Mary Yoshida, Crystal Honmyo Yoshimi, Donna Zumoto, James & Tomiko Zumoto

We'd like to 'welcome back' Dean O'Shields and 'welcome' Lindsey Albano, Diane Kitano, Ginee Fujii-Ogard, and Aaron Spencer as new members of our Sangha.

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 are due by September 30, 2017, for this fiscal year**. 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)

Musical Notes Thank you to the Seattle Betsuin Ukulele Band for leading the sangha in song for the Hanamatsuri and Earth Day services in April. Our Sangha Singers were pleased to learn that Rinban Kusunoki recognized *Hanamatsuri Kyoshinkyoku* during our kambutsu singing time before the special service as we welcomed him to Seattle Betsuin. We were also happy to feature the Bodhi Ensemble youth musicians and Mark Taylor for the Earth Day Music Service on April 23. Hieu and Jared have assisted me with music at the children's services this spring. For the service at Keiro on May 21, Dharma School music was coordinated by Allison. We value student involvement and if willing and available during the summer services, opportunities can be arranged. Please let me know! Thank you also to Donna Zumoto for providing percussion support throughout the year.

submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi, June, 2017

Dharma School News

Please join us for the last day of dharma school on June 11 for attendance awards, and high school and college graduate recognition. DS will be hosting a potluck luncheon to celebrate this day and ask that you consider bringing your favorite dish to share. We will have

some fun activities for the kids. Please come and enjoy this final all Sangha event of our school year and welcome Ayano and Yuiya Kusunoki, wife and son of Rinban Kusunoki! -ig



The DS students conducted a service for Keiro Nursing home residents on Gotan-e. The service was led by the high school class and included chanting, gathas, incense offering and gifts for the attendees.

Classroom Reports

<u>Infant/Toddler class</u> made wooden hanging hearts colored by the kids with their picture in the middle for Mother's Day. Mostly we play due to the frequency of longer special services.

Pre K/K class talked about visiting a nursing home and what to expect. This led to a discussion about the compassion of the Buddha. The students decorated battery tea lights to give as gifts to the residents of Keiro at the annual Dharma School visit. On Mother's day, the class listened to a story about a mother's love and talked about the importance of their own mothers. They made gifts and cards to honor their mothers on this special day.

<u>First/second grade</u> celebrated Children's/Boy's Day by making samurai hats out of paper and coloring a paper carp "windsock". We read a "Yoko" story where a mother shows her love for her daughter and then decorated pots that we filled with marigolds for the Moms. Finally we joined the rest of the DS in the service for the residents of Keiro on Gotan-e.

2017 FDSTL (Federation of Dharma School Teachers' League) Conference Five Seattle Betsuin Dharma School teachers attended the 2017 FDSTL Conference hosted by Central District at the Fresno Family Dharma Center on April 23. Guest speaker, Rev. Peter Hata of the Higashi Honganji Buddhist Temple in Los Angeles, addressed the theme "Music: A Path to the Dharma." Rev. Hata, an original member of the group "Hiroshima" spoke about the musical path he followed and how he encountered the Dharma along the way. The afternoon speaker, Gordon Ah Tye, also a gifted musician, played the keyboard and sang some of his original compositions which have been sung in our own services. He entertained attendees while providing insights on how to influence our Dharma school students through music.

After dinner, conference attendees were treated to a ukulele group performance while enjoying food truck shaved ice.

The following day, the teachers attended the Fresno Sunday service where the Fresno choir was joined by the Dharma School choir. Rev. Matt Hamasaki's heartfelt Dharma talk emphasized the theme of the conference and encouraged the Sangha to find the Dharma through music.

The Seattle Betsuin attendees express their gratitude to the Central District for hosting a most enjoyable conference and to the benefactors from our temple whose generosity made this trip possible.



submitted by Joyce Tsuji

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Application information including eligibility and financial aid may be found online at www.buddhistchurchesofamerica.org. The application deadline is June 1, 2017. For more information, email: cbe@bcahg.org or phone (510) 809-1460.

Dharma School Goes on a Field Trip! On Sunday, 30 April

2017, 25 Seattle Betsuin Dharma School students and their parents took a field trip and joined the members of the Tacoma Buddhist Temple for their Family Service. What made the visit even more special is that the visit also included Dharma School students from White River Buddhist Temple. All of the students and parents were greeted warmly by members of the Tacoma Buddhist Temple lead by Rev. Kakihara and Ministerial Assistants Michiko Yukawa, Fred Pelger, and Miki Hisato. The students even had a chance to hear a Dharma Talk by Rev. Kakihara's friend, Fred the Frog. Once Family Service was concluded, all of the students divided up by their specific classes, worked on projects, and had a nice group lunch hosted by the Temple families. This field trip played an important role of helping bring joy to the hearts of our neighbor Temple through the voices of our beautiful children reciting the Nembutsu together. Our children served as the true ambassadors of the Buddha Dharma and they are our hope for the future. This will be the first of many exchanges that our Dharma Schools will attempt to do so that we as a Puget Sound Sangha can grow together, learn and support each other, and build the Shin Buddhism of tomorrow.

Gassho.

Calvin Terada, Dharma Dad,1st Vice President & Vice Chair Religious Department



SBBWA June News

Thank you everyone for attending New Members' Installation Service and all members' luncheon. I hope everyone enjoyed the day with fellow BWA members. We are excited to introduce 5 new members. Lindsey Albano, Elyse Kadokura, Kiyomi Taketa-Ozanich, Marissa Wong and Mae Yamasaki. Our vice presidents, Janie and Kanako, planned a fun day with a delicious bento lunch, ping-pong game, golf putting, board games, knitting, and crocheting. We were teachers and learners during this activity time.

We made a \$50 donation for the "Hiroshima to hope" project. The event will be held on August 6 at Green Lake in Seattle for the annual lantern floating ceremony. This event is to honor victims of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and all victims of war. (from the website: fromhiroshimatohope.org)

Summer outing suggestions: we are planning a Mystery Tour excursion in August. Look for information regarding this outing.

BWA fundraiser planned for the spring is postponed. We will plan for the fall and will let you know the date later.

Activity committee is asking for donations of gently used Yukatas, Getas, Obis, etc. for the merchandise booth at Obon Odori.

Walk for Rice: Thank you for your generous donation for the ACRS annual fundraiser. Our goal is \$500 for the food bank. And please consider walking with our group on June 25 at Seward Park. More detail, please contact the office.

General donations: with much appreciation Yoshie Hiroo, Takiko Miyauchi, Elsie Taniguchi, Miyoko Tazuma, Michiko Vaart, Machiko Wada, Fujie Yamasaki

submitted by Machiko Wada



Mariko-san 99 years young picture by Julie Mayeda



Pictures from new member service and membership luncheon,

April 30, by Aki Taniguchi









seeking gently used Yukata, Geta, Obi, etc. for the merchandise booth at Obon Odori.

Reverend Dr Nobuo Haneda's 2017 lecture at

Seattle Betsuin Twenty-five or more folks gathered in the dining room on May 5 to hear

Reverend Nobuo Haneda's English talk on "Shakyamuni and Shinran, Buddhism as a Teaching of Self-Examination".

He energetically illustrated that it is easier to go with the flow rather than carry our attachments with us through life, since the power of Amida is already going our way.

Reverend Haneda then explained how Shinran's and Shakyamuni's life experiences and realizations were similar despite occurring nearly 1500 years apart. Born aristocratic and having lost parents during their childhood, they each questioned traditional ideas of their time. They became seekers before the age of thirty and met teachers whom they credit for their experiencing Shinjin (deep awakening by Shinran) or Bodhi (taking refuge in innermost aspiration by Shakyamuni).

Rev. Castro was among the attendees and noted: "There was an important point that Dr. Haneda made; he stressed how both the Buddha and Shinran emphasized The Three Marks of Buddhism: Dukkha, (suffering), Impermanence and Selflessness. They both addressed the experience of Dukkha and the attachments to self which bring it about. As "The Great Physician", the Buddha's main concern was the practical issue of Dukkha, the cause of Dukkha and the elimination of Dukkha. For Shinran, the issue was the same. This answers the criticism by some scholars that Jodo Shinshu is not Buddhism."

Finally, Sensei stressed that we must live life fully so that there are no regrets at the end of life. "Full Stop!" submitted by Karen Akira, participant of monthly Book Study.





Salmon Dinner Fundraiser - Correction: The following

paragraph was inadvertently omitted from the Salmon Dinner article last month:

A Thank You is also extended to the Betsuin's Camp Fire Group 699 for making a \$1,000.00 donation as a contribution to the purchase of a food warming unit which covers about a third of the cost. The Temple was in need of a unit to help keep the cooked salmon or pork entrees hot as packaged or served to those supporting this dinner. Having the additional food warmer will help the Temple's ability to expand the capacity of the event as well as ensuring the food is kept at safe temperatures. The event passed the inspection from the King County Department of Health with flying colors. - HL

Everyone can receive Weekly E-mail News!

The following listings are from the weekly email news of May 15, 2017

If you would like to have members of your family receive weekly messages, please have them contact Calvin Terada at calterada@comcast.net or Joan Nakano at office@seattlebetsuin.com.

May is Membership Month

Submitting your Sustaining ("Ijikai") Membership dues early helps the temple plan and budget for the year. Volunteers will be in the temple fover before and after service to accept your membership forms. Thank you to everyone who has already submitted their 2017 membership dues.

Sangha Night on 5/26

Join us for an evening of community and sharing on Friday, May 26. Sangha members will lead workshops and demonstrations to share their knowledge with others. Dinner will be served 5:30-6:30, workshops will begin at 6:30.

Here are the workshops we have lined up:

- Buddhist Tea Ceremony Demonstration (Leonora Clarke & Rev. Castro)
- Cooking Demonstration (SBBWA)
- Kanzashi Making (Tara Tamaribuchi-Gibbs)
- Bike Maintenance & Repair (David Gibbs)
- Pride March Sign Making (Engaged Buddhism group)
- Sake Tasting/Talk (Tyler Moriguchi)
- Kids Nenju Making (Mae Yamasaki)
- Open Gym for Kids (6:30-7:15)
- Adult Only Pick-up Basketball Game (7:15-8:00)
- Scout Activity (Cub Scouts)

Please RSVP here so we can get a head count for dinner: https://goo.gl/forms/OE8CT3qUICdf3hR93!

Guest Speaker Elaine Donlin June 18, 2017

Elaine Donlin, Minister's Assistant from the Buddhist Church of San Francisco will be sharing her experience and learning about Engaged Buddhism, LGBTQIA and Shin Buddhism with us on Sunday, June 18. She will be giving a Dharma Talk at service and then participating in Dharma Exchange. We invite everyone to this event, especially with our participation in the Pride Parade the following weekend.

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Toban Signup

Volunteers are needed to help with "Toban Duty" for the coming months. Volunteers help prepare tea and refreshments for Dharma Exchange Sunday mornings in the downstairs dining hall. Sign up sheets are in the dining room.

ACRS Walk for Rice 6/24

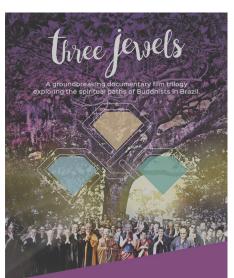
Join the SBBWA for a 2.5 mile walk at Seward Park on Saturday, June 24, 2017. This yearly event is to raise funds for the ACRS (Asian Counseling and Referal Service) food bank. Your donation supports the ACRS Food Bank, which serves over a million pounds of food annually to our community's most vulnerable families. Your generosity means that over 5,100 individuals many of whom are children and elders-have access to nutritious, culturally-familiar food. Please visit www.walkforrice.org and help us meet our (SBBWA) goal of \$500.00

Seattle Pride Parade 6/25

The Seattle Buddhist Temple is participating in the Seattle Pride Parade. The Parade is about supporting LGBTQ individuals and communities. All Sangha members are invited to march in the Parade. Our participation demonstrates that the Sangha is inclusive and welcoming to all. For more information, to sign up to march, and to volunteer to help organize for the Parade, contact Anna Tamura

Seeking Kimono and Yukata

SBBWA's Activity & Craft Committee is asking for donations of gently used kimono, yukata, zori, tabi, ornamental hair pieces, etc. to sell at their Bon Odori Craft Table. Please donate your clean garments, and bring to the temple office with your names and contact information. We thank you for your donation.



Documentary film previews of "Three Jewels - Buddhism in Brazil"

with Rev. Kentaro Sugao will be shown at Seattle Betsuin in Japanese and English on Tuesday, June 13, 2017.

Japanese: 10:00 am English: 7:00 pm

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https://www.indiegogo.com/projects/three-jewelsbuddhism-in-brazil#/

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Endowment Fund: Something to Consider....

Donations to the temple are vital to sustaining and carrying on the teachings of Shinran Shonin for our current and future generations. As we grow older it is an opportune time to evaluate our resources. Whether you choose to give during your lifetime or in your will you might consider the donation of stocks or other securities as a meaningful way to help in continuing the teachings of Jodo Shinshu. If you are interested in this form of donations, please contact the Endowment Fund Committee to assist you.

In Gassho,

Craig Nakano Fund Management member

Notes on Dharma Exchange, an after-service discussion

April 23, 2017 Rev. Warrick led the discussion. No notes were submitted. - ig April 30, 2017 MA Irene Goto led the discussion in Rev. Castro's absence. One participant said that in his recent trip to Japan with Rev. Sala that they visited many temples. He learned that temples were originally built on hills. Shinran came down from the Hill and to e the level of the common people and taught by example that all people are equal. Nishi Hongwanji was originally built on Ryukoku Hill, (Ryukoku-zan). Rev. Kusunoki joined Dharma Exchange later; he said that people in Japan are not as interested in Buddhism or religion as in the past. - iq



May 7, 2017 Rev. Warrick led the discussion. No notes were submitted.

May 14, 2017 – MA Rosalie May posed the question: How many wives did Rennyo have? According to her reading he had five. He also had two mothers as did Shinran Shonin. A participant recalled reading that Rennyo had two wives.

Families today are different. Rosalie said she is in a close relationship with a group of people who have children, and their activities are shared by friends in the circle; i.e., Rosalie takes some of the children to swim lessons and others stay with them when ill, as parents all work. . . Stories of mothers taking care of us forever were shared, and a participant recalled thanking her dying mother for taking such good care of her. . . Rennyo did amazing things such as sending letters around the country to keep the common people in touch with the Dharma. A participant asked if it is possible to read translations of his approximately 300 letters. Rosalie responded that they are still in the process of being translated and that there are four or five such letters in the purple service book. Also, it is possible to read some translations on the Internet under "Gobunsho" or "Rennyo's letters." It was he who promoted Jodo Shinshu to be the biggest sect in Japan. Rennyo turned the Shoshinge into a chant for the common people.

In gassho, Pat Bobrow [Welcome Back, Pat!]

SAVE THE DATE!

5th Women in Buddhism Conference at Seattle Betsuin 9:30am – 3:30pm Saturday, September 23, 2017 Speakers:

Rev. Carol Myokei Himaka Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church Rev. Candice Shibata Berkeley Buddhist Temple Professor Kyoko Tokuno, PhD Jackson School of International Studies, U of W

Betsuin Events for June 2017

MOST SUNDAYS - confirm at www.SeattleBetsuin.org. "coming events" listing

10:00 am - 10:45 SERVICE - in Hondo (main hall) includes Sutra Chanting, singing, and Dharma Talk

10:45 - 10:55 "Sangha Gathering" - offer incense, "meet and greet" after service in the Main Hall (hondo)

10:55 am - 11:30 (Children's Dharma School in classrooms from 10:45 - 11:30)

DHARMA EXCHANGE – in dining room, Q/A, dialogue with minister and minister's assistants; **PARENTS' DHARMA EXCHANGE** in Memorial Hall Chapel - discussion among parents of Dharma

School children while children are in class; a minister or minister's assistant attends **SITTING IN GRATITUDE MEDITATION** - meets in foyer, ends at 1441 S. Main St; 20-minute sit.

SUNDAYS 10:55am Meditation*

June 4 10:00 am ALL SANGHA MEMORIAL SER-

VICE

Youth/Adult: Rinban Kusunoki

Japanese: Video DX: MA Irene Goto DSDX: Rinban Kusunoki Meditation: MA Matt May

11:45 am SBBWA Board Meeting

1:30 pm Sangha Award Class

June 11 8:30 – 9:15 am Monthly ministerial staff

meeting in MH Chapel

10:00 am AWARDS & RECOGNITION SERVICE

(last day of Dharma School) Youth/Adult: Rinban Kusunoki Japanese: Rinban Kusunoki

DX: MA Matt May

Meditation: MA Leonora Clarke

11:30 am Dharma School end of year party & luncheon and welcome reception for Ayano and

Yuiya Kusunoki

<u>June 18</u>

10:00 am FAMILY SERVICE

Adult: Guest speaker, Rev. Elaine Donlin, Buddhist Church of San Francisco

Japanese: Rinban Kusunoki

Combined DX/DSDX: Rev. Elaine Donlin

Meditation: MA Irene Goto

<u>June 25</u>

10:00 am BISHOPS' & RINBANS' MEMORIAL SERVICE

Adult: Rinban Kusunoki Japanese: Video DX: Rinban Kusunoki

Meditation: Rev. Warrick
11:45 am SBBWA Cabinet Meeting

MONDAYS no events scheduled

TUESDAYS

June 13 Documentary film previews of "Three Jewels – Buddhism in Brazil" with Rev. Kentaro Sugao 10:00 am Japanese, 7:00 pm English

June 27

10:30 am Keiro Service (Rinban Kusunoki)

WEDNESDAYS no events scheduled

THURSDAYS 1:30 pm Nikkei Manor Service

June 1 Rinban Kusunoki MA Irene Goto

FRIDAYS

June 2 12:00 pm Gojikai Service and Luncheon

Meeting (Rinban Kusunoki)

June 16 10:00 am Shinran Shonin Monthly Memorial

Service (Rinban Kusunoki)

SATURDAYS

<u>June 10</u> 9:30 am – Noon Book Study Group: Myokonin O-Karu and her Poems of Shinjin by Hoyu Ishida (Rev. Castro)

July 2017: Major Events of Interest

<u>July 1 Saturday</u> Book Study Group: <u>Kaikyo</u> by Jane Imamura

July 5-7, 10-11 Bon Odori dance practices 7:30 – 9 pm

July 8, Saturday Obon Cemetery Services 12:00 Noon Mt. Pleasant, 700 W Raye St, QA Hill

1:00 pm Washington Memorial Park, 16445 Intn'tl Blvd S 3:00 pm Lake View Cemetery, 1554 15th Ave E, Capitol Hill

July 9, Sunday Obon Services

10:00 am Obon/Hatsubon at Seattle Betsuin
1:00 pm Obon Cemetery Service at Washelli
3:00 pm Obon Cemetery Service/Sunset Hills

July 13 – 14 Bon Odori set-up

<u>July 15 – 16</u> Seattle Bon Odori Festival

July 21 - 23 NWYBL Retreat

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Major Events of Interest at Seattle Betsuin

May 29 Monday 10am

Nisei Veterans Memorial Day Service at Lakeview Cemetery

June 4 (Sunday) 10am All Sangha Memorial Service
 June 10 (Saturday) 9:30am Book Study Group – Myokonin O-Karu and her Poems of Shinjin by Hoyu Ishida;
 June 11 (Sunday) 10am Awards & Recognition Service; last day

of Dharma School; potluck/welcome to Ayano & Yui-chan Kusunoki June 13 (Tuesday) Documentary film previews of "Three Jewels

– Buddhism in Brazil" with Rev. Kentaro Sugao, at Betsuin:

10:00 am Japanese; 7:00 pm English

<u>June 18 (Sunday)</u>10am Guest speaker: Rev. Elaine Donlin <u>June 25 (Sunday)</u> 10am Bishops'/Rinbans' Memorial Service

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