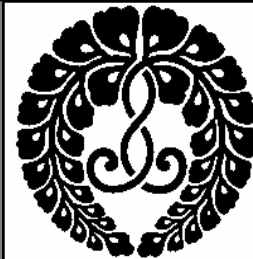


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EVENTS OF JUNE 2016

June 1	Wed		First Day of Preschool Summer Session
June 2	Thur	9:00am	Aiea BWA meeting
June 4	Sat	4:00pm	O`ahu Sangha O-Bon Service at Hawai`i Plantation Village
June 5	Sun	9:00am	Family Dharma Service and Dharma School
June 5	Sun	10:30am	Temple Improvement Meeting
June 5	Sun	11:30am	Jr. YBA Meeting
June 5	Sun	1:00pm	OUBWA meeting at Waianae
June 12	Sun	8:00am	Quarterly Temple Beautification Day/no service
June 13	Mon	7:30pm	Sr. YBA Meeting
June 14-16	Tue-Thur		Rev. Yagi will be at the 58th State Ministers Association Seminar (Kauai)
June 18	Sat	7:00pm	Ewa Bon Dance
June 19	Sun	9:00am	Father's Day Service
June 21	Tue	6:00pm	AHM Board of Directors' Dinner Meeting
June 24-25	Fri-Sat	7:00pm	Wahiawa Hongwanji Bon Dance
June 24-26	Fri-Sun		59th Jr. YBA State Convention (Maui)
June 26	Sun	9:00am	Family Dharma Service and Dharma School
June 28	Tue	7:00pm	O`ahu Hongwanji Council Meeting at Wahiawa

HIGHLIGHTS OF JULY 2016

July 3	Sun	9:00am	Family Dharma Service and Dharma School
July 4	Mon		Independence Day HOLIDAY
July 7	Thur	9:00am	Aiea BWA meeting
July 10	Sun	9:00am	Family Dharma Service and Dharma School
July 11-15	Mon-Fr	6-9pm	Buddhist Study Center Summer Session (Dr. Jeff Wilson)
July 17	Sun	9:00am	Family Dharma Service and Dharma School
July 19	Tue	7:00pm	O`ahu District Education Seminar: Jeff Wilson at Aiea
July 20	Wed	7:00pm	Aiea Hongwanji Mission Board of Directors' Meeting <u>new date</u>
July 24	Sun	9:00am	Dharma School Recognition Service
July 29	Fri		Last day of Preschool Summer Session
July 31	Sun	9:00am	Sutra Chanting Service/ Japanese Service

Aloha Members and Friends

- If you would like to receive your JIKO newsletter via email, please let us know. The emailed JIKO is in color throughout the newsletter, and not only on selected pages.
- Please call the office if you are interested in renting the hall for a party. Members are eligible for a discount on hall rentals.
- Correction to information on the Hawaiian Dinner printed in last month's JIKO. The correct date for the Hawaiian Dinner is Saturday, **October 22, 2016**. Please **SAVE THE DATE!!**



NEED THE ASSISTANCE OF THE MINISTER?

Please call Rev. Shawn K. Yagi at 488-5685 (residence) or 487-2626 (office).

If he is not available, leave a message on the answering machine.

For religious emergencies (Makuragyo or bedside services), please call Rev. Yagi on his cell phone, 364-2825.

Temple President, Warren Tamamoto, is also available for assistance. His pager number is 576-4136.

June 14-16, when Rev. Yagi is at the State Ministers Seminar, if there is a religious emergency, page Warren Tamamoto (576-4136) for assistance. Or leave a message at the office (487-2626)

Minister's Message



Father's Day. On June 19, we will have Father's Day Service. Let us learn and think about what Father's Day is.

History. The observance of Father's Day has increasingly become more popular for a number of years throughout the country. The credit for making the first suggestion probably belongs to Mrs. John Bruce Dodd of Spokane, Washington. The idea occurred to her in 1909 as a suitable tribute to her own father, who had successfully reared a family of children after the death of their mother. She first wrote, proposing that the third Sunday in June be set aside for honoring all fathers, to Rev. Conrad Bluhm, then president of Spokane Ministerial Association, and the proposal was approved. The first celebration of the day was observed in Spokane in June 1910, and in 1936, a national Father's Day Committee was formed with headquarters in New York City. Today all rejoice that the day is now observed in keeping with the honor and dignity deserved by fathers. The rose is the symbol of the day, sons and daughters wearing a red rose in honoring a living father, a white one if the father is no longer with them. Greeting cards, gifts, special services and sermons are common signs of the occasion, and sometimes, Father-and-son and Father-and-daughter banquets are held.

Amida Buddha and Father. Amida Buddha has three main qualities or characteristics, Great Wisdom, Great Compassion and Great Power. These are inseparable but the Great Wisdom quality of Amida is most often compared to a father's guidance of his children. Just as a father's wise guidance over his children is unselfish and directed solely toward the welfare of his offspring's present growth and their future, so Amida's Wisdom is pure, perfect and unlimited, and it will never fail us. Father's wisdom, though great and unselfish, is limited; whereas Amida's Wisdom is infinitely more powerful and good. His Great Wisdom showed Him the best possible way to save all men from ignorance and offering, and He vowed He would not "attain the title of 'Buddha' until and unless I can save all beings and in the universe." His Great Wisdom and Compassion give us faith which guarantees our future enlightenment unconditionally and therefore, makes possible a happy, fruitful present life.

Seishi-Maru's Father. In Okayama Ken, about 100 miles west of Kyoto, Japan, there lived a warrior whose name was Tokukuni Urumano and his wife and son Seishi-Maru (born in 1133). In those days Japan was in a critical condition as a result of continuous battles among the different war lords and revenge was openly permitted among them. When Seishi-Maru was only eight years old, his father was seriously hit by an arrow one dark night, and Seishi-Maru immediately thought of revenge and told his dying father about it. But his father told him to forgive his slayers and explained, "You should not be revengeful because if you do, their sons will do the same and vengeance will be repeated and the cycle of evil will never cease." Though Seishi-Maru was still young, when he heard the last words of his father, he realized his mistake and decided to become a Buddhist priest. When he was thirteen years old, Seishi-Maru went to Mt. Hiei (near Kyoto), then the mecca of Japanese Buddhism. Later he became the famous Honen Shonin, the founder of the Jodo Sect of Buddhism.

In Gassho, Rev. Shawn K. Yagi

AIEA HONGWANJI HALL WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday	Dharma Service	9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Sunday & Thursday	Hosha Work Days	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Monday to Wednesday, & Friday	Preschool Use	8:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
Monday & Thursday	Kumon Class	2:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Monday & Wednesday	Zumba Class	6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday	Judo	5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday	Sanshin Class	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
1st Thursday	BWA Meeting	9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.
Thursdays	BWA Craft Class	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hi everyone,

Happy summer! Yes, the O-Bon season will soon be here and I hope you are able to participate in some of the Bon dances around the island. Please keep your eye on our monthly calendar and we'll have the Bon schedules included (page 8 in the Jiko).

Last week I traveled to San Francisco on a work-related trip. I left Honolulu on Wednesday afternoon at 1 pm and returned on Friday evening at about 9:30 pm. Yes, a trip to the mainland and back in just 2 and ½ days. When I got to the Honolulu airport on Wednesday at about 11:00 am, the terminal was packed. The line went out the door and I was immediately concerned about making my flight. I have a Hawaiian Airlines Platinum status and a TSA pre-check status. However, that did not help me because the airport personnel said that everyone had to go in the same line where the bomb-sniffing dog could screen every passenger. I was a little irritated, but quietly got in line with everyone else. The line went quickly enough and I had no problem catching my flight.

The next morning (Thursday) I turned the television on to the news and the story of the EgyptAir Flight 804 that was lost over the Mediterranean Ocean. The story has continued to dominate the news. I'm not sure if the bomb-sniffing dog at the Honolulu Airport on Wednesday was a result of the loss of EgyptAir Flight 804. It seems (to me) likely that the plane went down due to an act of terrorism although mechanical problems have not been ruled out. I extend sincere condolences to the families and friends of the airline crew and the passengers of EgyptAir Flight 804.

The events of the past week made me realize that I should be so grateful that I returned safely. I got to San Francisco safely, so I'm grateful that airport security (TSA) is doing their job. Our return flight was delayed. This was a minor inconvenience. Better safe than sorry. I know that airport security, airline maintenance personnel and the flight crew must all do their jobs to get us to and from our destination. Namu Amida Butsu.

You may have read in the news about the Kumamoto earthquakes in April. The lethal Kumamoto earthquakes damaged approximately 400 Hongwanji temples. Temple members can contribute to a special relief fund established by the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. Please consider sending in a check for the Kumamoto Relief fund. All funds collected will be sent to Headquarters and in turn sent to Japan. Thank you.

Temple clean-up is scheduled for Sunday, June 12th. Please look at your calendar and come and help us if you are able. Taking care of our temple, buildings and ground is a difficult and time-consuming job. Currently we pay for some of our cleaning services. However, there are a lot of things that volunteers can do to keep our facility in good shape. If you are fit and able to help, please come down and help.

Gassho,
Warren Tamamoto

NEWS from Lotus Adult Day Care Center (LADCC)

- If you have an aging senior who is in need of care on a daily or part time basis; the Lotus Adult Day Care Center might be the answer. We provide safe, physically and mentally interactive care for your loved ones.
- Though the Lotus Adult Day Care Center is nearing capacity, we are still accepting applications for part-time and full-time participants.
- Give us a call at 486-5050 if you are interested in learning more.



Mettabhavana Meditation

Amida Buddha surrounds all men and all forms of life with Infinite Love and Compassion. Particularly does he send forth loving thoughts to those in suffering and sorrow, those in doubt and ignorance, to those who are striving to attain Truth; and to those whose feet are standing close to the great change men call death, Amida Buddha sends forth oceans of Wisdom and Compassion.
Namu Amida Butsu.

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GOVERNOR GENERAL'S MESSAGE ON THE 2016 KUMAMOTO EARTHQUAKE.

I would like to express my heartfelt sympathy to those who were affected by the Kumamoto Earthquake that struck the Kyushu region of Japan on April 14, 2016.

To those who have lost their lives, and the family and friends of the bereaved, I extend my deepest condolences. Sharing in the sadness of those who have been evacuated from their homes and being unable to establish contact with their friends and relatives, I cannot imagine the anxiety that is felt. It is my hope for the safety of all missing persons and a speedy recovery of all that have been affected.

Immediately following the first earthquake, the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha Buddhist organization started a relief fund and has been making arrangements to dispatch relief assistance to the affected areas. A Kumamoto Earthquake Emergency Headquarters at the Hongwanji headquarters in Kyoto and an on-site disaster management office at our Kumamoto district office have been established to grasp a better understanding of the situation in the area so that we may be able to provide those affected with the appropriate support both physically and emotionally.

The difficulties and stress that come with staying at evacuation sites and the on-going aftershocks are resulting with anxiety about what the future entails. Paying our deepest respects to those who have devoted themselves to on-site relief activities in the affected areas, we will also do our utmost in contributing to relief support and caring for the safety of all people and a quick recovery of the area.

Governor General Chiko Iwagami
Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha

KUMAMOTO EARTHQUAKE RELIEF FUND. The earthquakes on April 14 and April 16 in Kumamoto Prefecture, Japan killed scores of people and caused extensive damage to buildings and infrastructure. Nearly 400 Hongwanji temples suffered damage, up to and including structural collapse.

Hawaii Kyodan responded immediately with an initial \$5,000 donation to Honzan to help those impacted by the quakes. Further, a "Kumamoto Earthquake Relief Fund" has been created to allow temples, members and friends in Hawaii to contribute towards the relief effort. The funds will be sent to Honzan to support Hongwanji-related temples and those who are affected from this disaster and also to the Consulate General of Japan assisting with donations to aid victims of the earthquakes.

The special collection will run through June 30, 2016,

and we are requesting each temple (make your check payable to Aiea Hongwanji Mission) to collect donations and submit the payment to Headquarters "Kumamoto Earthquake Relief Fund" noted on the check. Donations can also be made on-line by using the Donate link at hongwanjihawaii.com. Donations will have a direct impact on the lives of people in Kumamoto as they recover from this disaster. We know that temples and members generously contribute towards our annual Social Concerns Fund Drive and we humbly ask for your support once again for this special collection.

****Please see the flyer of the Relief Fund on page 12.**

DHARMA-CON 2016 "TOUCHED BY KINDNESS".

Held on April 16-17, 2016, Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin Sangha Hall. Congratulations to Hawaii Island for taking to heart the Hongwanji theme "Embrace Change." Their innovative idea of banding together two organizations - Hawaii Island Hongwanji Council & Hawaii Island Buddhist Women's Association - to host a conference worked, and participants gathered from throughout the state.

This piece on the first page of the conference booklet was the sentiments shared throughout the weekend.

"Touched by Kindness" by Rev. Bruce Nakamura
(Adapted & Inspired by "Yasashisa ni Deattara")

*If you are touched by kindness, share it with others.
If you think you are fortunate, spread its joy to others.
If you meet suffering, patiently endure and go forward.
If you are lonely, open your heart and let others in.*

If you see change, let your old self die to new opportunities.

Value these rare encounters to be truly human and a Dharma friend.

*Like flowers connecting in circles of Aloha,
We are one in the heart of Great Compassion
To become Amida Buddha, touching all with Kindness.
Namo Amida Butsu*

The conference opened with a service and it was wonderful to see Pacific Buddhist Academy graduate Blayne Nakasone, student at UH Hilo as the MC. In the welcome messages shared by Bishop Eric Matsumoto, Council President Keith Yamakawa and BWA President KT Cannon Eger were messages of: the importance of the Sangha and opportunities to share the Dharma; to create wonderful places and pass the message along; and together we can do so much more - a spiritual filling station.

Keynote speaker Mayor Billy Kenoi shared a simple message of values brought by the Issei from Japan that have been handed down to each succeeding generation of respect, perseverance, and gratitude. Even though we may see tragedy daily on the news, we can empower ourselves by sharing a smile, giving a hug, or waving a shaka sign that will help others. That is the gift Hawaii has for the world - share your aloha!

In the breakout session in small facilitated groups, we

thought about how we have given kindness to others or how others have given kindness to us. We shared our experience with our partners, then with the whole group. We placed the post-it notes on a T-chart of tangible kindness or intangible kindness vs. the past, present and future. Varying experiences of kindness opened our eyes to the ways it occurs in our daily lives.

After a delicious spaghetti lunch, we had the opportunity to attend two workshops from the six available. BJ Soriano ran two workshops - "Pen a Song of Kindness" and "Gathas for Humanity." The others were "Brew a Cup of Kindness" (about tea), "Buddhist Values in Literature," "Live in a Kinder & Healthier Hawaii" (Blue Zone's Project), and "Weave a Lei of Kindness."

A banquet awaited us at dinner with prepared by the Hilo Betsuin and Puna Hongwanji. After dinner was a presentation by Koichi Sayano of the Los Angeles Betsuin. He is currently the vice president of the Federation of Dharma School Teachers' League. He had a power point presentation of FDSTL that helped the attendees understand the organization. They will be having their conference on April 30-May 1, 2016 in Sacramento.

Following this was the entertainment portion with the Maui group from Lahaina, Kahului, Wailuku, and Makawao with leader Rev. Tennes singing the "Banana Boat Song" with Buddhist lyrics. Next was the Honolulu group from Moiliili and Hawaii Betsuin singing "Living Gratefully" and a song with lyrics from PBA student Megan Sakata and music by Debbie Kubota "Peace is a Seed". We ended the evening with Tracy Tsuha from the Four Temple Council singing a cappella a song he merged of "Nembutsu" and "Yesterday" and he called it "Nembutsu Yesterday."

On Sunday the Dharma message was given by Bishop Matsumoto at the morning service and Pieper Toyama wrapped it up by sharing his reflections of the conference. The conference paved the way for streamlining the operations of Hawaii Kyodan and increase opportunities to share the Dharma.

ACCESSION CEREMONY TOUR. The Accession Ceremony (The Commemoration on the Accession of the Jodo Shinshu Tradition; *Dento Hokoku Hoyo* 伝灯奉告法要) will be conducted from October 2016 through May 2017 (a total of 80 services) at our mother temple (Honzan) in Kyoto, Japan.

The Accession Ceremony is conducted before Amida Tathagata and Shinran Shonin to formally announce that the newly-inducted Head Priest (25th Gomonshu Kojun Ohtani) shall take on the responsibilities as Monshu, following in the footsteps of his predecessors to spread the Dharma to new generations and embracing the opportunity to spread the Nembutsu teaching to a greater number of people. It is also a festive occasion welcoming everyone to celebrate the inauguration of the new Monshu.

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii has coordinated two special tours with a spiritual significance to participate in the Accession Ceremony and to enrich your spiritual understanding and appreciation as well as sightseeing and fellowship.

October 2016 Tour: Registration has closed.

March 2017 Tour: Registration is extended -Aug 31, 2016

For more information on the March tour, visit the website at hqs963.wix.com/hhmhdhhtour, or call the temple office at 487-2626.

WHITE HOUSE ACKNOWLEDGES BUDDHIST OBSERVANCE. According to a report by Tensung Repa, dated May 3, 2016, "This week, for the first time in America's history, the President of the United States has acknowledged and celebrated the main Buddhist holiday of Vesak".

Bishop Eric Matsumoto was one of several Buddhist leaders from across the Nation who sent a letter of recommendation encouraging the President to recognize this important Buddhist observance.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 29, 2016

I send greetings to all those observing Vesak.

Vesak is a special day for millions of Buddhists to honor the birth, enlightenment, and passing of Buddha. At temples around the world, Buddhists use this time to engage in prayer and reflect on the virtues of wisdom, courage, and compassion. By taking part in these acts of humility, the men, women, and children who uphold the proud traditions of Buddhism contribute to the diversity of cultures and religions that define our common humanity.

As you come together to mark this occasion, I wish you all the best.



BSC SUMMER SESSION 2016—"MINDFULNESS AND BUDDHISM IN AMERICA". Guest Lecturer Dr. Jeff Wilson is an associate professor of religious studies and East Asian studies at Renison University College. He is the author of *Mindful America: The Mutual Transformation of Buddhist Meditation and American Culture* and numerous other books and articles on the adaptation of Buddhism and mindfulness in America. Dr. Jeff Wilson will draw on his recent book "*Mindful America*" to provide a thorough look at the Mindfulness movement in America today and address its implications for Hawai'i.

Mindfulness is the most popular aspect of Buddhism in contemporary America, and secularized mindfulness practices are now embedded in schools, hospitals, therapy, the military, and many other aspects of our culture. From stress relief to Star Wars, mindfulness has

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Excerpt from the March 2017
Accession Tour info.

Aiea Hongwanji Preschool

- Thank you to all Preschool Families who participated in the Jump rope for Heart on Friday, April 15. We raised a total of \$2059 for the American Heart Association. We appreciate the time and effort you put in to help raise the money for such a great cause.
- Thank you for everyone who went to the Pearlridge California Pizza Kitchen (CPK) for our quarterly Preschool Fundraiser on May 10.
- On Monday, May 23, Ronald McDonald was at Aiea Hongwanji for a fun session with the students.
- Prechool Graduation ceremonies were held on Friday, May 27 in the Aiea Hongwanji Mission Social Hall for the Dolphins, Manini, Honu and Whales.
- June 1st is the First Day of Summer Session.





MOTHER'S DAY flowers — Dharma School class.



Gotan-e Service Flowers



Pomegranates from our garden



COLORED PICTURES



Sutra chanting at the service for the new Photovoltaic system which is finally in operation. These boxes are the inverters.



Rev. Shawn K. Yagi at his U.S. Citizenship Ceremony (above) and the cake celebration the following day with the BWA (below).



Richard explains about the Inverters.



Senior YBA News

A big MAHALO to the Morikawas for hosting our Senior YBA pot luck dinner on Friday, May 20th. Again, plenty ono kine pupu, dessert, and of course the main dishes. We all enjoyed broke da' mouth kaukau. We also enjoyed the talk story time.

Our Senior YBA meeting is June 13th (Monday). As usual, our meeting will be held in our BWA kitchen. Yes, meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

Don't forget our Service Project – Ewa Hongwanji obon dance on June 18th (Saturday). We will be working in the food booth. Call me if you want to participate in this event. We need to be there by 5 p.m. Concession booth opens at 5:30 p.m.

Enjoy your summer!

In Gassho, *George Zakahi*



Aiea BWA News

Congratulations to Aaron N, an Aiea Jr. YBA and Dharma School student and to other 2016 Graduates! Best wishes for success in whatever path you choose.

Happy Father's Day to all our Fathers!

On May 12, the BWA ladies celebrated Rev. Yagi's U.S. citizenship with delicious cake. Congratulations, Rev. Shawn Kosho Yagi!



The BWA ladies continue to create beautiful handcrafted items for our Obon Craft sale.

If you know anyone who would like to join us on Thursdays mornings, please invite them or call 487-2626 for more info. We also put together the Jiko for mail out on the last Thurs. of the month.

Thanks again to those of you who bring flowers for our Sunday services. They really brighten up the temple and are very much appreciated.

Our wishes for a speedy recovery to Charlotte! 

With Gassho,
Arlene Sunada



*Aiea Hongwanji Mission extends its
Deepest Sympathy to the families of the late
Suekichi Higa,
Annie Morimoto,
Glenn Masuda,
Matsue Shimabukuro,
and Harry Sumida.*

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii
2016 Obon Schedule

HONOLULU	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	PHONE	BON SERVICE DATE	TIME	BON DANCE DATE	TIME
Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin	1727 Pali Hwy, Honolulu	(808) 536-7044	July 3, 2016	8&9:30 AM	June 24-25, 2016	6:00 PM
Jikoan Hongwanji Mission	1731 N. School St., Honolulu	(808) 845-3422	July 3, 2016	9:00 AM	July 15-16, 2016	6:00 PM
Kailua Hongwanji Mission	268A Kuulei Road, Kailua	(808) 262-4560	July 10, 2016	9:00 AM	July 16, 2016	6:00 PM
Moiilili Hongwanji Mission	902 University Avenue, Honolulu	(808) 949-1659	July 10, 2016	9:00 AM	July 1-2, 2016	6:00 PM
OAHU	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	PHONE	BON SERVICE DATE	TIME	BON DANCE DATE	TIME
Aiea Hongwanji Mission	99-186 Puakala St., Aiea	(808) 488-5685	August 27, 2016	6:00 PM	August 27, 2016	7:00 PM
Ewa Hongwanji Mission	91-1133 Renton Rd., Ewa	(808) 681-5222	June 18, 2016	6:00 PM	June 18, 2016	7:00 PM
Milliani Hongwanji Mission	95-257 Kaloapau St., Milliani	(808) 625-0925	August 14, 2016	4:00 PM	August 19-20, 2016	7:00 PM
Pearl City Hongwanji Mission	858 2nd St., Pearl City	(808) 455-1680	August 13, 2016	5:30 PM	August 12-13, 2016	7:00 PM
Wahiawa Hongwanji Mission	1067 California Ave., Wahiawa	(808) 622-4320	August 18, 2016	6:00 PM	June 24-25, 2016	7:00 PM
Waiialua Hongwanji Mission	67-313 Kealohanui St., Waiialua	(808) 637-4395	August 6, 2016	6:00 PM	August 6, 2016	7:00 PM
Waianae Hongwanji Mission	85-762 Old Government Rd., Waianae	(808) 677-4221	July 10, 2016	10:30 AM	July 16, 2016	7:00 PM
Waipahu Hongwanji Mission	94-821 Kuhaulua St., Waipahu	(808) 677-4221	July 9, 2016	6:00 PM	July 9, 2016	7:00 PM
Oahu District Bon Service	Hawaii Plantation Village	(808) 488-5685	June 4, 2016	4:00 PM	No Dance	



Pacific Buddhist Academy News

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST ALUMNI/AE!

Mahalo to everyone - parents, grandparents, guardians, teachers, trustees, staff, alumni, and many friends - for sharing and celebrating a rite of passage with our seniors at Pacific Buddhist Academy's Baccalaureate Service and Commencement Exercises last week. Congratulations and best wishes to our young scholars who crossed the stage to begin a new chapter in their exciting life journeys. We look forward to your coming back to tell us about your college experience and other roads traveled. Our newest group of alumni/ae is now official!



(From "What's New at PBA" May 12, 2016 edition, <https://www.pacificbuddhistacademy.org>)

Join the Spring Challenge To Help Us Reach Our Goal!

Thanks to a very generous supporter, donations to our Spring Appeal will be matched dollar for dollar! Please consider joining the Spring Challenge! Your contribution will be doubled.

All donations help us enhance programs for our students and give more families the opportunity to send their children to Pacific Buddhist Academy. Our goal for the Annual Fund this year is \$120,000. Your support creates a relationship between you and PBA that fosters a promising future for our students.

Donations may be sent by regular mail to:

Advancement Office
Pacific Buddhist Academy
1710 Pali Highway
Honolulu, HI 96813

By phone: please call Rüdiger Rückmann, Director of Advancement, ph: 808-532-2649.

Or online via Paypal at : <https://www.pacificbuddhistacademy.org/giving/give-online>



Mahalo to Megan, Class of 2017, for her beautiful peace poem that graces the packets of non-GMO seeds enclosed in our Spring Appeal.

BSC Summer Session—Dr. Jeff Wilson (Continued from page 5)

CLASS SCHEDULE

Monday, July 11, 2016 (BSC)
6pm Registration
6:30-9 Session (Opening Service) starts
Lecture: Dr. Jeff Wilson
What is Mindfulness?

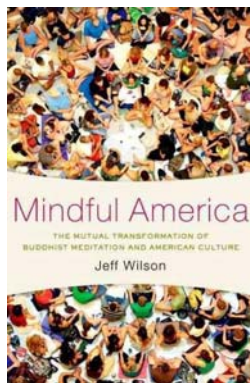
Tuesday, July 12, 2016
6pm Registration
6:30-9 Lecture: Dr. Jeff Wilson
Making Mindfulness American

Wednesday, July 13, 2016
6pm Registration
6:30-9 Lecture: Dr. Jeff Wilson
Mainstreaming Mindfulness

Thursday, July 14, 2016
6pm Registration
6:30-9 Lecture: Dr. Jeff Wilson
Making America Mindful

Friday, July 15, 2016
6pm Registration
6:30-9 Session (Closing Service) starts
Lecture: Dr. Jeff Wilson
Mindfulness and Buddhism Learning from Each Other

become an unavoidable part of our society. But what is mindfulness, and where does it come from? What changes has it made on America, and what changes has America made on mindfulness? What are its upsides and downsides? And how can secular mindfulness practitioners and active Buddhists learn from and support one another?"



Oahu District will be hosting a Seminar with Dr. Jeff Wilson on July 19, 2016 at Aiea Hongwanji. More info forthcoming in the July issue of the JIKO.

Dates of Seminars

July 11-15, 2016; BSC
July 16-17, 2016; Kauai District
July 18, 2016; Maui District
July 19, 2016; Oahu District
July 20, 2016; Honolulu District

**Major Yearly
Memorial
Service
Schedule**

For The Year
2016

2015-1st year
2014-3rd year*
2010-7th year
2004-13th year
2000-17th year
1992-25th year
1984-33rd year
1967-50th year

* from the 2nd anniversary, please follow the Japanese custom of holding the service the year ahead.

Family Memorial Service

In the Japanese Buddhist tradition, families hold memorial services (Nen-ki Hoyo) in memory of our loved ones, and to express our gratitude for Amida Buddha's Infinite Light.

The Buddha's Wisdom and Compassion embrace our loved ones in the land of peace and happiness. May we also remember Amida's embrace on our lives as we remember those who have departed.

If your family would like to arrange a memorial service for your loved one, please call the temple at 487-2626 (please leave a message if no one is available). You may schedule the service either before or after the memorial date. The ideal time is when as many family members as possible will attend. If you have any questions about memorial services, please call Rev. Yagi at 488-5685 (residence).

June 2016

Hisako Kinoshita	1st
Kazuye "Lillian" Yamamoto	3rd
Arnold Makoto Morishima	3rd
Harumi Nishikata	13th
Jane Yaeko Harada	13th
Shigeki Nakashima	13th
Yukie Kondo	13th
Kazuo Ikeda	25th
Saburo Harada	25th
Rikichi Hoshino	33rd
Katsuji Shintani	50th
Misae Watanabe	50th
Yoshimi Ohara	50th

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Sachiko Toyofuku	3rd
Hiroshi "Harold" Chinen	7th
Flora Fuyuko Kamei	7th
Seitaro Hoshino	13th
Masayoshi Fukuchi	13th
Kay Kiyoko Tokushige	17th
Raymond Takeichi Tanaka	17th
Junichi Ukita	25th
Asako Saito	25th
Naomi Lynette Okamura	50th

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We appreciate your assistance in updating our memorial records and contact information when you call in for a Memorial Service. Thank you.

Nokotsudo (Columbarium)

If you would like to visit the Nokotsudo, please call the minister at 488-5685 (residence) or the office at 487-2626 at least two days in advance so that arrangements can be made to open the Nokotsudo for you. The best days to visit the Nokotsudo are Thursday and Sunday mornings.

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