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Monthly Newsletter of the Aiea Hongwanji Mission, a Buddhist Temple Embrace Change - Harmony (Accept Differences)

			EVENTS OF JUNE 2018
June 1	Fri	6:30-8:30pm	Aiea BWA sponsored Dance Party in Hall
June 2	Sat	0.00 0.00p	Bon Dance at Plantation Village in Waipahu
June 3	Sun	9:00am	Family Service and Dharma School
June 3	Sun	11:00am	Lotus Committee meeting
June 3	Sun	11:30am	United Jr. YBA of O'ahu meeting at Pearl City
June 3	Sun	2—4pm	Oʻahu District English Seminar at Pearl City with Jeff Wilson:
000	<b></b>	p	Understanding Japanese Buddhist Diversity
June 4	Mon		First Day of Preschool Summer Session
June 4	Mon	7:30 pm	Aiea Senior Young Buddhist Association meeting in office
June 7	Thu	9:00am	Aiea BWA meeting in Hall kitchen
June 8	Fri	5:00pm	Farewell to Wade and Carol
June 9	Sat	9am—noon	Honolulu District Lecture at BSC with Jeff Wilson:
			Buddhist Influences in American Culture
June 9	Sat	1—3 pm	Oʻahu United Honpa Hongwanji BWA Open House at Mililani
June 10	Sun	8:00am	Quarterly Temple Beautification Day/no service
June 10	Sun	noon	Oʻahu Lay Association Preconvention Meeting at Mililani
June 12-14		Tue-Thu	60th State Ministers Association Seminar (Honolulu)
June 16	Sat	7—10pm	Ewa Hongwanji Bon Dance
June 17	Sun	9:00 am	Father's Day Service
June 18	Mon	7:00 pm	Oʻahu Hongwanji Council meeting at Waipahu
June 19	Tue		Preschool's CPK Fundraiser (Pearlridge location only)
June 19	Tue	6:00pm	Aiea Hongwanji Mission Board of Directors' Dinner Meeting
June 24	Sun	9:00am	Family Service and Dharma School
June 29	Fri		61st Jr. YBA State Convention on Hawai'i Island (start)
June 29-30	Fri/Sat	7:00 pm	Wahiawa Hongwanji Bon Dance, also Hawaii Betsuin.
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July 1	Sun Sun	9:00am	61st Jr YBA State Convention on Hawai'i Island (end) Family Service and Dharma School
July 1 July 4	Wed	9.00am	Independence Day HOLIDAY (Preschool/Lotus closed,
•			no Kumon or Zumba)
July 5	Thu	9:00am	Aiea BWA meeting
July 7	Sat	10am-1pm	Oʻahu District: Metta MiniGolf at Pearlridge
July 8	Sun	9:00am	Family Service and Dharma School
July 15	Sun	9:00am	Family Service and Dharma School
July 17	Tue	7:00 pm	Aiea Hongwanji Mission Board of Directors' Meeting
July 23-27	Mon-Fri		Buddhist Study Center Summer Session (Dr. Kenneth Tanaka)
July 27	Fri	0.000	Last day of Preschool Summer Session
July 29	Sun	9:00am	Dharma School Recognition Service
July 31	Tue	7:00pm	2nd English Seminar at Wahiawa with Dr. Kenneth Tanaka

#### **NEED THE**

#### **ASSISTANCE OF**

#### THE MINISTER?

Please call Rev.
Shawn 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.

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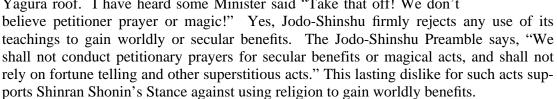
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#### Minister's Message

Bon Dance season is around the corner! I humbly ask for your help and support again. Our Hatsubon (First Obon) Service will be held on August 19 and Bon Service and Dance will be held on August 25.

During Obon season, a lot of Temples hang Teruteru Bozu under their Yagura roof. I have heard some Minister said "Take that off! We don't



In contrast, there are many temples of other schools in Japan today that actively foster benefits. Any foreign visitor can easily see the fortune papers tied to tree branches seeking everything from success in College entrance exams to household prosperity, longevity and protection from fire. Temple visitors often direct incense smoke with their hands onto the parts of the body that are giving them aches and pains. That the favorite spot for this "smoke blessing" is the top of the head shows the high value of brain power in the competitive Japanese society.

These requests are certainly not evil in the secular sense, but they go against the Buddhist principle (Second of Four Noble Truth) that desire is the cause of suffering. Shinran Shonin was, thus, strongly against such practices.

However, I wonder what happened if the Minister just rejecting without giving an explanation to people. I felt this is part of my job to search and study, then share with people. Here is result.

-Teruteru bozu (てるてる坊主) - The Sunshine Monk

Teruteru bozu are made from white cloth or tissue bound together with a bit of string. They are usually hung upright from the eaves of a house, and are used as talisman in the hopes that tomorrow will bring good weather.

In some areas of Japan the dolls are used by farmers on days when they hope for rain instead of sun. The dolls are hung head-downwards and called furefure bozu or ameame bozu (both meaning roughly The Rain Monk).

And although teruteru bozu is the most common name, they are also known as teretere bozu and sometimes hiyori bozu.

Teruteru bozu appeared around the middle of the Edo period in Japan. In the book "Kiyu Shoran" (Inspection of Diversions) the author writes of the custom that if the teruteru bozu is successful, and the following day is clear, then its head is washed with sacred sake and the doll is sent into a river to be washed away. In Edo period Japan, rivers were thought to connect to the afterlife and the realm of the gods, so sending the teruteru bozu down the river was returning it to home. The origins of the custom are vague. Some say that it comes from China, where Untou Ningyo (cloud-clearing dolls) and Ameku Musume (rain banishing girls) are just a few of the similar customs that can be found.

Again, In the Essential of Jodo Shinshu, "Guided by the teaching of Shinran Shonin, we shall listen to the compassionate calling of Amida Tathagata and recite the Nembutsu. While always reflecting on ourselves, amidst our feelings of regret and joy, we shall live expressing our gratitude without depending on petitionary prayer and superstition".

So, from this season, let us see Teruteru Bozu as a Kawaii (cute) charm, and let's enjoy Dharma and Sangha.

Namo Amida Butsu, Rev. Shawn K. Yagi

If you are homebound or in a care home or hospital, and would like Rev. Yagi to visit with you, please call him at 488-5685 to arrange a visit.



#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone,

I hope you are well. We had a nice time at the **Oahu District Joint Gotan-E Service** and **Song Fest** at Waipahu Hongwanji on May 20<sup>th</sup>. The Dharma School Teachers of Oahu planned the event for the Oahu



district temples. Laurie Rubin was the guest speaker. Laurie is a co-founder of **Ohana Arts**, a performing arts company for teens and pre-teens. Laurie spoke about how music has opened many doors for her—in her work, in play and in shaping her family. Laurie reminded us of the Buddhist concept of Impermanence. She reminded us to accept our limitations, be grateful for what we have and do the best we can with what we have. Thank you, Laurie for sharing with us. Rev. Jeffrey Soga and his Waipahu assistants performed a skit for the group as well. Following the service, the participants were divided randomly into three groups. We were taught a song by a minister "coach" and then performed that number for the entire group. We had tasty bento lunch to close the day.

The same afternoon we rushed over to the Aiea Bowling Alley for the "Buddha Bowling Bash". About forty participants from the Oahu District had a great time bowling, and then everyone headed down to our Social Hall for refreshments to close out a very busy day. Looking back, a good way to spend a relaxing and fun time with fellow Sangha members.

On Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup> we are having an "Aloha Party" for two of our members, Wade and Carol. Wade's job is taking him to "the United States of America" (just kidding, we are the USA). We are going to miss them. They serve on the Board of Directors and Wade has been our Treasurer. They are active members of the Sr. YBA. They attend services and all of our AHM activities. They are leaders in helping to organize our Annual O-Bon celebration. That is not a complete list of the ways that they help our temple. W&C, please retire to Aiea. Sangha members please call the office if you are able to attend on Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup>.

This is a good time to remember others who are working hard to keep our facilities in good shape. Thank you, as always to the Buddhist Women's Association for the delicious meals and the Hosha gang for their hard work maintaining the buildings and grounds. Thank you especially to Allan and Aki for installing the **air conditioning** in the back of the temple. The ladies can now arrange their flowers in comfort. Also, thanks to Mark for replacing the **timer** for the Social Hall. I noticed that Mark and George were working late on Sunday afternoon and now the lawn in front of the temple looks immaculate!

With both palms together,

Warren Tamamoto

#### AIEA HONGWANJI HALL WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

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	Sunday	Dharma Service (temple)	9:00am—10:00am
	Sunday & Thursday	Hosha Work Days	8:30am—12:30pm
	Monday to Wednesday, & Frie	day Preschool Use	8:45am—11:45am
	Monday & Thursday	Kumon Class	2:00pm—5:30pm
	Monday & Wednesday	Zumba Class #1	6:00pm—7:00pm
	Mondays only	Zumba Class #2	7:30pm—8:30pm
	Tuesday & Thursday	Judo	5:30pm—8:30pm
	Tuesday & Thursday	Sanshin Class (classroom or Lotus)	7:00pm—9:00pm
	1st Thursdays	BWA Meeting (kitchen)	9:00 a.m—10:00am
	Thursdays	BWA Craft Class	8:30am—1:00pm

#### 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.

Namo Amida Butsu.

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#### INTRODUCTION OF NEW MINISTER. Rev. Kerry

Kiyohara is *kaikyōshi* minister serving the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. He received *tokudo* ordination in 2016, graduated Chuo Bukkyo Gakuin Seminary and received *kyōshi* certification in 2018.

Rev. Kerry Kiyohara previously built profitable brands and businesses over two decades as a creative copywriter, corporate executive, and strategy consultant. He graduated with BA and MBA degrees from



University of Southern California, and worked in Tokyo, Beijing, and Shanghai.

Rev. Kerry Kiyohara speaks English, Japanese, basic Spanish, survival Chinese, and struggles with *da kine* Hawaiian Creole English. He is very happy to be called 'grandpa' by a precious six-year-old granddaughter.

Rev. Kerry Kiyohara is currently taking the New Minister's Orientation at Headquarters and Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin. He will be assigned to Makawao Hongwanji Mission on Maui as its Resident Minister as of June 1, 2018.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL CONCERNS. From: Dean Sakamoto, Chair of the Committee on Social Concerns. The Office of the Bishop and the Committee on Social Concerns (CSC), together, have been in contact with temple ministers and presidents for flood damage assessments on the Island of Kauai and Oahu and for volcanic disaster related impacts on the Island of Hawaii. While we have not received reports of any temple damages, unfortunately, we have been advised that some temple members from Kauai have been impacted by the flood and several temple members on the Island of Hawaii have been impacted by the volcano disaster.

"Omimai", a Japanese custom that is often used to enquire (inquire) and call or visit someone who is ill, such as when visiting someone in the hospital. The CSC uses the term "Omimai" to reach out and respectfully express our concern to a member (or a temple) who have experienced some type of unexpected hardship such as property damage from a disaster.

At the May 5<sup>th</sup> Board of Directors meeting, the CSC reported the following Emergency Disaster related actions (coordinated with the Office of the Bishop):

 A donation of \$4,000 to Kauai Hongwanji Council (KHC) with KHC to determine and distribute funds to

- organization(s) and/or individual(s) working towards flood disaster relief efforts on Kauai. Suggested list of organizations was provided by CSC to KHC.
- A donation of \$1,000 (via Kapaa Hongwanji) to the Hanalei Nihonjin Kai Cemetery (5013c) damaged by flood. Kapaa Hongwanji will coordinate and distribute funds.
- Omimai of \$500 to a Kapaa Hongwanji member affected by the flood (property flooded).
- Omimai of \$500 to a Kapaa Hongwanji member affected by the flood (property flooded).
- Omimai of \$500 to a West Kauai Hongwanji member affected by the flood (property flooded).
- A donation of \$1,100 to the Hawaii State VOAD (Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster)

The Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii continues to assess the volcano disaster impacts to our members (and temples), and because of the unpredictable nature and the potential damages that an active volcano may cause, this assessment will take some time as conditions continue to change over time. We have initially requested the Hawaii Island temple ministers and presidents at Puna Hongwanji and Hilo Betsuin to keep the Office of the Bishop and the CSC informed as information becomes available, and also to provide assistance to those in need to the extent that a temple or a member is able to provide.

At this time, the CSC is not planning to set-up a special collection and will rely on available funds from the Social Welfare Fund which is replenished through donations from annual Social Concerns fund drives. We are grateful for the generous donations from our members and the CSC will continue to monitor the fund balance to ensure that a minimum level remains available in the fund, especially considering the 2018 Hurricane season will approach soon.

It is understandable that members may want to make a donation with good intentions to help, and our Hawaii Island committee representative, Mr. Ken Okimoto, advises: "Before you donate, pay attention to what kinds of donations are requested; be sure who or what responsible group is willing and able to handle your donation; don't just donate whatever to whoever."

Monetary donations are usually quicker, easier to coordinate, and allows maximum flexibility for the recipient to meet unmet needs. It is the donor's responsibility to research an organization or a fund is valid and will be used for disaster relief efforts before a donation is made. If any assistance is needed, please contact the CSC.

I would also like our members to know that the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii is an official member of the Hawaii VOAD (Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster). The Hawaii VOAD consists of non-profit organizations, faith-based groups, and partner government agencies. Please visit: <a href="https://www.hivoad.communityos.org">www.hivoad.communityos.org</a> for information. Also, information on the Puna lava flow can be found at <a href="https://www.punalavaflow.com">www.punalavaflow.com</a>. Disaster preparedness is everyone's responsibility.

**ESHINNI 750<sup>TH</sup> MEMORIAL SERVICE.** In April, Bishop Eric Matsumoto and Hawaii Federation BWA

president Lois Toyama attended the 750<sup>th</sup> Memorial Service for Eshinni-sama. The services were held at Honzan over a two-day period. Representatives from the World Federation about my thoughts on how to live "moving forward just as we of Buddhist Women's Associations participated in a very formal processional at the beginning of the service. Japanese BWA representatives dressed in beautiful kimono, and all the representatives wore the beautiful blue montoshikisho embossed with magnolia that are the official montoshikisho of

Gagaku musicians opened the service as many ministers marched in wearing their formal attire. Three hundred members of the Japan BWA, as well as many others who wished to honor Eshinni, filled the hall. After one service, the president of the Japan Federation of BWA read a narration of the life of Eshinni and Shinran. This reading was interspersed with four songs that capture their life in Echigo and the continuing legacy of Eshinni.

Immediately after the second service, the World BWA Representatives traveled to Echigo (modern day Niigata) to visit the area where Shinran Shonin and Eshinni-sama spent many years. They saw cold, windy Kotogahama Beach where Shinran was exiled. They visited Kokufu Betsuin which stands on the site of Takegahana Cottage where Shinran and Eshinni once lived. Bishop Matsumoto and Lois placed lei at the stone pagoda which is believed to be Eshinni's burial site.

Fittingly, at the World Federation BWA meeting which was held in conjunction with the Eshinni 750<sup>th</sup> Memorial services, representatives voted on a resolution to honor Eshinni and her daughter Kakushinni. An Eshinni-Kakushinni Endowed Chair will be established at the Institute of Buddhist Studies in Berkeley. There will be a worldwide campaign to raise a \$3 million endowment. The interest from this endowment will be used to hire a professor at IBS. This position will honor the impact which Eshinni and Kakushinni had on the establishment of the Hongwanji and will train future ministers who will promote the vision and passion of these two women.

A donation of \$300 (30 people giving \$10 each) from every temple around the world will make this dream a reality. BWA Presidents and temple presidents will be asking for donations at your temples. We hope that everyone will join in this opportunity to honor Eshinni-sama during this year of her 750<sup>th</sup> Memorial and to spread the Dharma for future generations.

HQ BOOKSTORE UPDATE.

"Moving Forward Just As You -Living in These Uncertain times", Written by Monshu Kojun Ohtani (\$10.00). This book was written by 25<sup>th</sup> Monshu (Head Priest) Kojun Ohtani of Honzan (Nishi-Hongwanji) and originally published in Japanese with the title "Arinomamani, Hitamukini" in September 2016.



This English version was recently published by Hongwanji Office, Berkeley, CA. English Translation was Two hundred eight of your fellow

done by Rev. Takashi Miyaji a Kaikyoshi Minister at BCA.

Monshu Kojun Ohtani wrote, "In this book I will talk are," so that we are not led astray by our wavering hearts or the chaotic world we live in. We do not have to feel like we always need to be in control of our lives. In fact, our worries and concerns in life are the stepping stones to finding the true source of strength. I sincerely hope that this easy to understand reading can in some way lead to great joy for anyone who may be bearing on one's shoulders the many fears and anxieties of life."

"Searching for Mary Foster", written by Dr.

Patricia Masters (\$15.00) book is published by American Buddhist Center and distributed by Buddhist Study Center. Chapter 7 is devoted to the Pure Land and Mary Foster's connections to the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii and Bishop Yemyo Imamura.

Foreword from the book: "Almost forgotten in the land of her birth--Hawaii, a debt of gratitude to Pat Masters for this book which brings



back to present memory the captivating life including spiritual journey and contributions of Mary Elizabeth Mikahala Robinson Foster, one of the greatest benefactors of Buddhism in the world including Jodo Shinshu in Hawaii." (Bishop Eric Matsumoto, HHMH)

Please stop by HHMH Bookstore at HQ office to buy new books or contact Yoshiko at hgbooks@honpahi.org to order or call (808)522-9202. HHMH Bookstore offer 10% off price for the orders from HHMH temples and ministers.

BWA STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM **JAPAN IN 2019.** Every other year, we send two female delegates to Japan as exchange students in compliance with a resolution adopted during the Third World Buddhist Women's Convention held in Honolulu in June 1967. The stated aim of the resolution was "nurturing future leaders for Jodo Shinshu women's activities through exposure to Buddhist culture in Japan, oriental culture and youth movement and as a mission of good will.

#### **Seeking Delegates for the 2019 Exchange Program**

What: Student Exchange Program to Japan When: Late July to early August 2019 (14 days) Who: Two Hawaii women, ages 17-23 years old

Whv: Be exposed to Buddhist and Asian culture; Be a

missionary of good will

Completed applications must be received by: Student Exchange Committee Chairperson

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Federation of BWAs, 1727 Pali Highway, Honolulu, HI 96813 by Oct. 31, 2018. To download the application/for more information, ask a BWA member, call 522-9200 or go to: http://hawaiibwa.org/ programs/student-exchange/

**HONGWANJI JOINT CONFERENCE.** Don't miss out! (continued on page 10)



# Alea Hongwanji Preschool & Kindergarten

#### May Activities:

- 2—HPD Solo Bikers Visit in Hall
- 9—Story Time Marine Eco Tour Inflatable Shark in Hall
- 25 Graduation: 4's and 5's!!





#### PACIFIC BUDDHIST ACADEMY

Ho'omaika'i 'ana to the PBA Class of 2018!



Congratulations, and warmest aloha to the graduates!!

picture from the PBA's newsletter: What's New at PBA

# OUHHBWA Open House

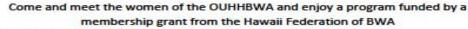
Women from Oahu Hongwanji Temples invited to a program to introduce you to the

Oahu United Honpa Hongwanji Buddhist Women's Association

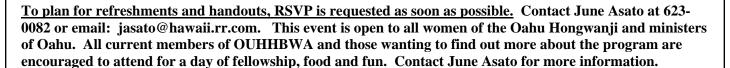
Affiliated with the Hawaii Federation of BWA and the World Federation of BWA Saturday, June 9 2018

@ Mililani Hongwanji

@ Mililani Hongwanj 1:00 PM to 3PM



- What is the BWA and a brief overview of the OUHHBWA and the Hawaii Federation
- . What do the active BWA units do to meet the objectives of this organization
- · A program on healthy foods—based on plant based recipes and Blue Zones Princi
- Food sampling and demonstrations
- Hear some testimony from the current members of the OUHHBWA









# Major Yearly Memorial Service Schedule

For The Year 2018

2017-1st year 2016-3rd year\* 2012-7th year 2006-13th year 2002-17th year 1994-25th year 1986-33rd year 1969-50th year

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

ahead.

#### Nokotsudo (Columbaríum)

If you would like to visit the Nokotsudo, please call the residence at 488-5685 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.

#### 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 Rev. Yagi at 488-5685. (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.

June 2018		July 2018		
Dorothy Sayako Mori	1st	Midori Taonouchi Okino	3rd	
Masako Takara	1st	Kiyoko Watanabe	13th	
Sumiko Nakahara	3rd	Henry Kenji Togami	17th	
Satoko Sadamaru	3rd	Shizuko Kawamura	17th	
Shigeru Aoyama	3rd	Hatsuji Imamura	25th	
Doris Mitsuko Shimizu	7th	Mitsuko Nakahara	50th	
Hazel Kikue Matsumoto	7th			
Fusae Mildred Marumoto	7th			
Ethel Yoshiko Sudo	7th			
Yoshinobu Kihara	13th			
Jeanne Kikue Terada	25th			
Shizuko Suga	33rd			
Tamayo Muraki	50th			

Aíea Hongwanjí Mission extends its Deepest Sympathy to the families of the Late Alvin Tokuno, Kenneth Takata and Kikue "Kay" Higuchi.

We apologize if we have inadvertently made an error in printing the name of your loved one, or the date of memorial. Please inform the office of any errors at 487-2626 so that we may correct our records.

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

#### ALEA BWA NEWS

Please join us in the hall after Sunday services to relax and talk story. The BWA will be serving refreshments in the hall after every Sunday service. Coffee, water and snacks will be available so please come. Your donations of homemade goodies or other edibles will be gratefully accepted. Thank you to Arlene Sunada who has made sure that there are refreshments every Sunday until this becomes a regular tradition

Thank you to all who contributed to the success of the April 22 Eshinni and Kakushinni Day service and Church Bazaar. Food items, many of them donated by member makers, were very popular.

The BWA will be helping to fund the attendance of 3 Aiea Jr. YBA members to the Junior YBA State Convention in June. The Juniors wrote a very nice letter requesting support and we are happy to help.

Thank you to Helen Takenouchi, Thelma Kawaguchi, Sally Ohira and Elaine Kutaka, - the faithful crew that makes sure there are fresh flowers and greenery in the nokotsudo and at every Sunday service. Your work to arrange the flowers and to clean up is very much appreciated by all.

Have you noticed the attractive displays of beautiful large anthuriums at the altar? Thank you to Jean and Aki Okamoto for bringing the anthuriums from their yard.

Janice Ito, President

#### GOLDEN CHAIN OF LOVE

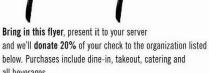
**OF LOVE** I am a link in Amida Buddha's Golden Chain of Love that stretches around the world. I must keep my link bright and strong. I will try to be kind and gentle to every living thing and protect all who are weaker than myself. I will try to think pure and beautiful thoughts, to say pure and beautiful words and to do pure and beautiful deeds, knowing on what I do now depends not only on my happiness or unhappiness but also that of others. May every link In Amida Buddha's Golden Chain of Love become bright and strong and may we all attain Perfect Peace.

#### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to new members, Larry and Elaine Tochiki. We look forward to their participation in our temple activities. Please encourage your family and friends to join Aiea Hongwanji. Prospective members should call the office at 487-2626 for the paperwork.

Namo Amida Butsu.

# Pizza with a purpose



#### Fundraiser in support of: Aiea Hongwanji Preschool

Tuesday, June 19, 2018 (All Day)

Valid at the following location: California Pizza Kitchen 554 Pearlridge Center 808 487-7741

Join the Pizza Dough® Rewards program and receive a free Small Plate on your next visit after registering. Register today at cpk.com or download our new app today!



Fundraiser offer valid only on the date(s) and at the CPK location identified on the flyer. Only 501c organizations and non-profit schools are eligible to participate in CPK's fundraiser program. CPK will donate 20% (twenty percent) of all food and beverage sales to the organization. Tax, gratuity, gift card and retail sales are excluded from the donation. Offer valid for dine-in, takeout, online, extending, curbside or delivery orders placed directly with CPK. Not valid for third-party delivery. Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near restaurant. For more information about the 501c organization participating in the fundraiser; please contact the organization directly.

members have signed up for the first ever Hongwanji Joint Conference from Sept 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Ala Moana Hotel. But don't worry... there's always room for you! Registration is open until July 20<sup>th</sup>. Forms are available on the Hongwanji website or from your temple president.

The theme, "Embrace Change – Harmony (Accept Differences)" gives you the opportunity to select from a wide variety of workshops. Express harmony in music with taiko, chanting, ukulele, and gatha singing. Deepen your awareness of harmony in Buddhism by learning Buddhism through contemporary songs, by attending a panel of ministers who will speak on peace and harmony in Buddhist teachings, by participating in a discussion of Monshu Kojun Ohtani's new book, or by taking a photography session and learning to see with fresh vision.

You can explore harmony in society in workshops on issues being addressed by our social concerns committee, on LGBTQ awareness, on green Hongwanji, and on Islam in a panel presentation by members of the Manoa Mosque.

These are just a sampling of the workshops available. We hope you'll take advantage of these opportunities to deepen your awareness and sense of interconnectedness. We are so fortunate to have so many people willing to share their skills and knowledge with us.

Of course, in addition to services and workshops, there's the opportunity to talk story with your friends from across the state. Saturday night is a free night, and the Okinawan Festival is just down the block at the Hawaii Convention Center. Sunday night is our banquet with great food and good entertainment. It's a weekend not to be missed... see you there!

#### HI-5 RECYCLABLE DONATIONS

- Please deposit Hi-5¢ donations outside in the back (Makai) corner of hall building where our master recycler Kazuto Tomoyasu works on it on Hosha days.
- Please deposit non Hi-5 items and card board at our neighborhood school depositories or your blue home recycle bins. We are not able to recycle detergent bottles, milk bottles, ensure bottles.
   We can only recycle Hi-5 items and request that you dispose of other items in your own blue bin.
- If you would like to be recognized for your donation, please include your name.
- To all Hall Users—Please deposit your Hi-5 recycle items in the Recycle area, not in the trash can.
- Please note—plastic drink bottles cannot be redeemed without the Hi-5 label. If label is detached, please roll it up and stick it in the bottle. Also please remove plastic caps as they will reject containers w/caps.

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• Thank you for your continued support. Thank you for your efforts to keep Hawaii GREEN.



#### HONOLULU HONGWANJI COUNCIL LECTURE on

### **Buddhist Influences in American Culture** with DR. JEFF WILSON

### Saturday, June 9, 2018 from 9am to 12 noon at Buddhist Study Center 1436 University Avenue

Light refreshments will be provided.

**Registration Information --** Please complete and submit form below with registration fee to Hawaii Betsuin Office. **Registration Deadline: June 5, 2018**. Call Hawaii Betsuin Office for more information: 536-7044.

K————-REGISTRATION FORM————-					
Name	Phone Number	Email Address			
Mailing Address		Temple Affiliation (if any)			
How did you learn about this event? Temple Announcements/News Bulletin	Registra	tion Fee \$5.00 per participant.			
Word of Mouth Newspaper		Payment may be made by cash or check.			
Other (Describe)	Make ch	Make checks payable to Honolulu Hongwanji Council.			

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Hawaii Federation of Buddhist Women's Associations 1727 Pali Highway Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

#### SEEKING DELEGATES FOR THE

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM TO JAPAN JULY-AUGUST 2019

What: Student Exchange Program to Japan When: Late July to early August 2019 (14 days) Who: Two Hawaii women, ages 17–23 years old Why: Be exposed to Buddhist and Asian culture;

Be a missionary of good will

- 1. Obtain applications from temple offices or at www.hawaiibwa.org, search for "Student Exchange"
- Submit completed application to: Student Exchange Committee Chairperson Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Federation of Buddhist Women's Associations 1727 Pali Highway Honolulu, HI 96813
- 3. Applications must be received no later than

#### October 31, 2018.

If you have any questions, call 808-522-9200 or contact a BWA member.

#### Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii

2018 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 8, 2018	8&9:30 AM	June 29-30, 2018	6:00 PM
Jikoen Hongwanji Mission	1731 N. School St., Honolulu	(808) 845-3422	July 1, 2018	9:00 AM	July 20-21, 2018	6:00 PM
Kailua Hongwanji Mission	268A Kuulei Road, Kailua	(808) 262-4560	July 22, 2018	9:00 AM	July 28, 2018	6:00 PM
Moiliili Hongwanji Mission	902 University Avenue, Honolulu	(808) 949-1659	July 15, 2018	9:00 AM	July 6-7, 2018	5:00 PM
OAHU	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	PHONE	BON SERVICE DATE	TIME	BON DANCE DATE	TIME
Aiea Hongwanji Mission	99-186 Puakala St., Aiea	(808) 487-2626	August 25, 2018	6:00 PM	August 25, 2018	7:00 PM
Ewa Hongwanji Mission	91-1133 Renton Rd., Ewa	(808) 681-5222	June 16, 2018	6:00 PM	June 16, 2018	7:00 PM
Mililani Hongwanji Mission	95-257 Kaloapau St., Mililani	(808) 625-0925	August 12, 2018	9:00 AM	August 17-18, 2018	7:00 PM
Pearl City Hongwanji Mission	858 2nd St., Pearl City	(808) 455-1680	August 11, 2018	5:45 PM	August 10-11, 2018	7:00 PM
Wahiawa Hongwanji Mission	1067 California Ave., Wahiawa	(808) 622-4320	Contact temple office		June 22-23, 2018	6:45 PM
Waialua Hongwanji Mission	67-313 Kealohanui St., Waialua	(808) 637-4395	August 4, 2018	6:00 PM	August 4, 2018	7:00 PM
Waianae Hongwanji Mission	85-762 Old Government Rd., Waianae	(808) 677-4221	July 21, 2018	6:00 PM	July 21, 2018	7:00 PM
Waipahu Hongwanji Mission	94-821 Kuhaulua St., Waipahu	(808) 677-4221	July 14, 2018	6:00 PM	July 14, 2018	7:00 PM

Aiea Hongwanji Mission 99-186 Puakala Street Aiea, Hawaii 96701

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#### OAHU HONGWANJI COUNCIL presents

#### Dr. Jeff Wilson

author of Mindful America: The Mutual Transformation of Buddhist Meditation and American Culture

"Understanding Japanese Buddhist Diversity" THEME:

WHEN: June 3, 2018, Sunday, 2:00-4:00 pm

Pearl City Hongwanji Mission, 858 2nd Street WHERE:

Pearl City, HI 96782, Phone 455-1680

Dr. Jeff Wilson is the Professor of Religious Studies and East Asian Studies at Renison College, University of Waterloo. Professor Wilson received his tokudo ordination from Nishi Hongwanji and assists the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada with ministerial activities.

Zen, Nichiren, Shingon Buddhism--what are all these things? How do they relate to Jodo Shinshu, the tradition of the Hongwanji temples? In this seminar, we'll learn about the many types of Buddhism. We will explore what is similar and unique about them, and also consider what is special and valuable about Jodo Shinshu. Be sure to bring your questions about Buddhism!

## "Dance Party" 🎝



June 1, 2018, Friday 6:30-8:30 pm Aiea Hongwanji-Social Hall

\$5.00 donation for light snacks Sponsored by Aiea BWA

RSVP: Email aiea jiko@gmail.com or call 487-2626

Please join us for a nite of getting together with old and new friends and "dancing the nite away !" (Prior dancing experience and partners are not needed).

June 2018 JIKO

## SAMPLE (Approximate size 9" x 3")

Dear Aiea Hongwanji 'Ohana & Friends,

As the Obon season approaches, let us stop to reflect and remember our dearly departed. We are giving our families an opportunity to purchase a memorial windcatcher. These are tags with the names of loved ones hanging from lanterns surrounding the yagura. Honor your ancestors with a windcatcher attached to a lantern and dance for joy along with them.

Cost is \$20 each, payable to Aiea Hongwanji Mission.

Deadline for ordering is Friday, July 13, 2018.

Windcatchers are available on a limited, firstcome, first-served basis, so please turn in your requests and payments in a timely manner.

Submit your name(s) to Diane Okawa via email, <a href="mailto:okawad123@hawaii.rr.com">okawad123@hawaii.rr.com</a> or mail your completed form to Aiea Hongwanji. Send your payment to:

Aiea Hongwanji Mission 99-186 Puakala Street Aiea, HI 96701 Note: Obon Windcatcher

With Gassho,

Reverend Shawn Yagi Resident Minister



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WINDCATCHER ORDER FORM (\$20.00 per windcatcher)			
Name:	Phone #:		
Name(s) on Windcatcher:			