



Monthly Newsletter of the Aiea Hongwanji Mission Embrace Change - Transformation (Walk in Peace)

<u>NEED THE</u> <u>ASSISTANCE OF</u> <u>THE MINISTER?</u>

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.

Aiea Hongwanji Mission, 99-186 Puakala St, Aiea 96701 PH: 487-2626 Email: aieajiko@gmail.com Website: aieahongwanji.org <u>Minister's Message</u>.

Ohigan services are conducted yearly in the Spring and the Fall. The devotion lasts one week. During this seven day period, the middle of the week marks the Spring and Autumn equinoxes. Although its dates may differ slightly from year to year, this middle day, known as "chu-nichi," is considered to be significant because the lengths of



day and night are equal. Generally, the "middle day" falls on March 21st for Spring Ohigan and September 22nd for Autumn Ohigan.

Higan is an abbreviation of "To-higan"-literally meaning "to arrive at the other shore." In the original Sanskrit, it is "Paramita" which has the same meaning. In Buddhism, the world of illusion is referred to as this shore and the world of enlight-enment is called the other shore. Transcending the life of birth and death and crossing over the sea of worldly passions means to reach the other shore of enlightenment. Buddhism, indeed, is dedicated to turning illusion into enlightenment and all the Buddhist practices are essentially directed to this noble purpose.

The various sutras teach the Six Paramitas as the way of reaching the other shore from this shore. The Six Paramitas consist of the following:

 $D\bar{a}na$ - GivingMay I be generous and helpful. $S\bar{\imath}la$ - GuidanceMay I be guided by the Buddhist precepts. $Ks\bar{a}nti$ - ToleranceMay I regard the mistakes of others with sympathy. $V\bar{\imath}rya$ - PerseveranceMay I do my best in all things.

Dhyāna - Meditation May I reflect deeply on my life through the Buddha's teachings.

Prajñā - Insight May I understand the meaning of Namo Amida Butsu.

(Shin Buddhist Service Book: Buddhist Education Center)

Any person who faithfully practices the Six Paramitas can reach the other shore and attain enlightenment. However, the searching question is, "Can we really practice this difficult path of self-power?"

This is the most important question in our religious life. A flower blooming on a precipice may be desirable but may also be out of our reach. So too is a lofty ideal that is unattainable in the practical world. We live a life that is beset on the one hand by the busy hours of daily work and on the other by the pursuit of recreation in order to seek respite from the daily stress. Even the regular weekly worship at temple is a difficult practice to follow.

How much more difficult is the complete practice of the Six Paramitas. That is why Shinran Shonin taught the teaching of Nembutsu. According to Shinran Shonin, Amida Buddha manifested himself as Bodhisattva Dharmakara and meditated and practiced for infinite number of kalpas in order to fulfill all the virtues embodied in Namo Amida Butsu. Namo Amida Butsu is the crystallization of the practice of the Six Paramitas and all the other good practices. This name is given to all sentient beings as a gift. Therefore, when we understand Amida's great labor of love that is

(Continued on page 2)

(Continued from page 1)

inherent in the Nembutsu and awaken faith in Amida Buddha, the Six Paramitas and the other practices are transferred to us and become our spiritual treasure. We are thus given the true cause for our enlightenment in the Pure Land through the grace of Amida Buddha. This religious experience is known as the awakening of faith.

When we truly realize Amida's infinite compassion, there arises within our hearts a natural expression of gratitude for salvation that is assured. Because of this feeling of gratitude, those, who follow Shinran Shonin, gave the Higan service a special name, unfamiliar here in Hawaii, but called-"Sanbutsu E," meaning, "a service to praise the virtues of Amida Buddha." The Higan services, then, achieve a new significance as a dedication to the practice of Six Paramitas in gratitude.

It would be most fitting to practice all the Six Paramitas in gratitude but if that is impossible, at least we would like to practice the first- "giving". The act of giving can be demonstrated in three ways-the gift of faith, the gift of material objects, and the gift of peaceful mind. Furthermore there are the "seven gifts of poor". These are gifts which anyone can give even without power and material possessions. The seven gifts are: gentle eyes, a smiling face, gentle words, a gentle attitude a kind heart, sharing our possessions, cooperative living. In other words the giving of the seven gifts does not mean merely to show a smiling face but actually practice deeds based on warm heartedness and compassion. Let us start with the practice of the "seven gifts of the poor" and from there proceed expand and deepen our Spirit of Thanksgiving to embrace all the practices of the Six Paramitas.

Namo Amida Butsu Rev. Shawn K Yagi

EVENTS OF SEPTEMBER 2019							
1	Sun	9:00am	Sutra Chanting Service				
2	Mon	olocum	LABOR DAY HOLIDAY (Preschool/Lotus Closed)				
5	Thu	9:00am	Aiea BWA Meeting				
6	Fri	1:00pm	Sanmu Meeting & Sanmu-Kanji Meeting (Hawaii Betsuin)				
7	Sat	9:00am	Hawaii Kyodan Board of Director's Meeting (Hawaii Betsuin)				
8	Sun	9:00am	Family Service & 1st of Dharma School				
		11:30am	Oahu United Jr. YBA meeting at Pearl City Hongwanji				
9	Mon	7:30pm	Sr. YBA Meeting AHM Office				
13-15	Fri-Sun		56th Honpa Hongwanji Lay Association Convention (Hawaii)				
14	Sat	3:30pm	HAIB Dharmachakra Festival @ Soto Mission				
15	Sun	9:00am	Family Service & Dharma School				
17	Tue	6:00pm	AHM Board of Director's Dinner Meeting				
21	Sat		Peace Day Hawai'i/United Nations International Day of Peace				
22	Sun	8:00am	Quarterly Temple Beautification Day—No Service				
23	Mon	6:15pm	Oahu Lay Association Meeting at Waipahu Hongwanji				
		7:00pm	Oahu Hongwanji Council Meeting at Waipahu Hongwanji				
26	Thurs		Royal Hawaiian Band at Aiea Hongwanji Hall				
28	Sat	10:00am	Project Dana 30th Anniversary Celebration (Dole Cannery Pomaikai Ballroom)				
29	Sun	9:00am	Autumn OHigan-Equinox Service (Josh Morse, Guest Speaker, Head of School				
	at Pacific Buddhist Academy)						
		<u>++</u>	IGHLIGHTS OF OCTOBER 2019				
3	Thu	9:00am	Aiea BWA meeting				
6	Sun	9:00am	Service and Dharma School				
		1:00pm	Oahu United Jr. YBA Mtg at Wahiawa Hongwanji				
11-13	Fri-Sun		Minister's Lay Assistant Retreat (BSC)				
13	Sun	9:00am	Service and Dharma School				
14	Mon		Discoverer's Day (Federal holiday, Preschool/Lotus Closed)				
15	Tue	7:00pm	Aiea Hongwanji Mission Board of Directors' Meeting				
20	Sun	9:00am	Service and Dharma School				
26	Sat	5:00pm	Hawaiian Dinner				
27	Sun	9:00am	Service and Dharma School				
	If you are homebound, in a care home or in the hospital, and would like me to visit, please						
	call me, Reverend Yagi at 488-5685 to make arrangements.						

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi everyone,

I hope you are well. The 16th World Buddhist Women's Convention will be held in San Francisco, California on August 30-September 1, 2019. The theme of this year's convention is "Live the Nembutsu". The WBWC is held every 4 years in a different city. Four years ago (2015) the 15th WBWC was held in Calgary, Canada. Hawaii hosted the 14th World Buddhist Women's



Convention in 2011 at our Convention Center. Jodo Shinshu Buddhist women (and some men) from all over the world including Canada, South America and Europe attend this convention. One of the keynote speakers will be Rev. Yukiko Motoyoshi from the Stockton Buddhist Temple. Rev. Motoyoshi was the Resident Minister at Mililani Hongwanji many years ago. We'll look forward to seeing her again. I'm also looking forward to attending and sharing my impressions with you.

I hope you were watching on TV or listening on the radio as the University of Hawaii Warriors football team beat the University of Arizona last evening, 45-38. We love to attend the Warrior home games. Looks like Hawaii has a good team this year-talented and it appears very well coached. It will be a difficult season as there are a number of very tough opponents on the schedule. We'll just take it one game at a time and hope for the best!

Today we attended the Joint Honolulu and Oahu Ohana Day and Registration Day at the Hongwanji Mission School. The Hongwanji Mission School operates as a private coeducational preparatory school (kindergarten to 8th grade) adjacent to the Hawaii Betsuin in Nuuanu. The campus includes a swimming pool and gymnasium. About 350 students from kindergarten to 8th grade attend Hongwanji Mission School.

We started our day with a morning service and Rev. Yagi was our speaker. Rev. Yagi started the day off very well with his message to the young people. Following the service we had an icebreaker activity. Then the pool and gymnasium were open to everyone. Some of the young crowd ended up in the gym shooting baskets or trying pickleball. Most of the younger children enjoyed themselves in the pool for about 2 hours. We had a really nice lunch of chili, hot dogs, rice, and chips. We also had lots of desserts along with shave ice and strawberry slush (like guri-guri). It was a good chance for Oahu and Honolulu temple members to meet and interact in an informal setting.

Please check your calendars. Sunday, September 8th we will start having regular Sunday Dharma Services. Hope to see you her at 9 am. Then on Sunday, September 22 we will have Temple Beautification. We hope you will help us keep our temple beautiful. Sunday September 29th will be our Autumn O-Higan service. Hope to see you then!

With both palms together,

Warren Tamamoto

<u>AIEA HONGWANJI HALL WEEKLY ACTIVITIES</u>						
Sunday	Dharma Service (temple)	9:00 a.m 10:00 a.m.				
Sunday & Thursday	Hosha Work Days	8:30 a.m 11:30 a.m.				
Monday - Wednesday, 8	& 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 #1	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.				
Mondays only	Zumba Class #2	7:30 p.m 8:30 p.m.				
Tuesday & Thursday	Judo	5:30 p.m 8:30 p.m.				
Tuesday & Thursday Sanshin Class (classroom or Lotus) 7:00 p.m - 9:00 p.m.						
1st Thursdays	BWA Meeting (kitchen)	9:00 a.m 10:15 a.m.				
Thursdays	BWA Craft Class	8:30 a.m 1:00 p.m.				

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.

Aiea Hongwanji Preschool and Kindergarten: PH: 488-0404

Lotus Adult Day Care Center: PH: 486-5050

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii HEADQUARTERS UPDATE

1727 Pali Highway, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Phone: (808) 522-9200 Fax: (808) 522-9209



Web: www.hongwanjihawaii.com Email: hgs@honpahi.org

Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/pages/Honpa-Hongwanji-Mission-of-Hawaii/528681867268518</u> Instagram: <u>https://www.instagram.com/honpahongwanjihawaii_official</u>



BISHOP'S CORNER Bishop Eric Matsumoto

Peace Day in Hawaii 2019 Message

As Peace Day in Hawaii (September 21st) approaches and our various Hongwanji Shin Buddhist Temples prepare to spread the important message of

peace, harmony, non-violence and reconciliation, and other community organizations also observe remembrances related to World War II in August and September, I would like to share my message and aspiration for this year's Peace Day in Hawaii. I humbly ask that we all take some time to reflect guided by the Wisdom and Compassion of Supreme Enlightenment. May Amida Buddha's Light of Wisdom and Compassion illumine our hearts and minds so we may be able to deeply reflect, come to some life-changing realizations which has the potential of transforming myself and the world and thus contributing to lasting peace and happiness.

As we lament about the suffering from wars including the mass shootings and bombings which are continuing to happen around the world and in our nation too, let us take a deeper look at ourselves and the world. Many times, as we look at situations of our life and world, we focus only on the However, with the Wisdom of conditions. Enlightenment to guide us, let us see the need to become aware of the deeper causes of suffering together with the conditions. Any fix by only addressing the conditions will be good only as long as the conditions do not change, but by addressing the cause of suffering we can snip the suffering at its root. It is, indeed, most difficult for us humans, people, to look at our own selves. My ego does not want to reveal itself even to its own self. With Enlightened Wisdom to guide, we are able to understand that the true cause of suffering in the world is ignorance and the afflictions which arise

from it like arrogance, anger, greed, envy, selfcenteredness, fear and so forth. Unless, we address the root cause which is ignorance and these afflictions which arise from it, we will continue to be plagued by negatives which in its extreme forms result in so much devastation, destruction and even loss of life which our normal minds cannot even fathom unless one has experienced it or seen it for oneself. Hence, the importance of listening to voices of those who have experienced the worst of humankind.

However, at the same time, we must also hear the voices, the Wisdom and Compassion, of those who have attained the highest levels of attainment, so we have hope, can aspire and begin to walk the path of peace and harmony. Thus, today, regardless of religious affiliation or even if you do not have one, let us embrace Wisdom and Compassion which aspires for the peace and happiness of not only one, a few, or many, but all life, all existence. May we be guided by an All-Inclusive Wisdom and All-Embracing Compassion known as the Buddha of Immeasurable Life and Infinite Light whose Name is Namo Amida Butsu (the Buddha's Name That Calls Us (to entrust). May we be guided and our path be illuminated by a Presence which goes beyond our ego as a person, nation, religion, and even as humankind to realize true interdependence and realize the common wish of all life, all existence to be happy, free and safe. May the Buddha's Light of Wisdom and Compassion guide, nurture and inspire us! Please allow me to recite the Buddha's Name Which I Call (in gratitude) to conclude my message. Namo Amida Butsu.

2020 PEACE DAY RELATED EVENTS

Peace Day Lounge and Recognition at VegFest Oahu

September 21, 2019				
11:30 am – 5:00 pm				
Civic Grounds at Honolulu Hale				
HHMH, PBA & Honolulu Hongwanji Council				

HHMH brings Peace Day awareness to the 4th Annual VegFest Oahu, held this year on Peace Day, September 21. ннмн will have а "Peace Day Lounge" throughout the event, a 15'x15' tent with banners and displays about Peace Day and our organizations, peace-related activities (e.g., crane folding), and a configuration that encourages talking story. Peace Day will be recognized from the event stage by the event producer, Bishop Matsumoto, and a performance by the Hawaii Betsuin Choir ("Golden Chain").



YBICSE

The 2019 Young Buddhist International Cultural Student Exchange (YBICSE) program was held from July 15 to 27, 2019 at our Mother Temple or Honzan, the Hongwanji in Kyoto, Japan. Nine youth, Alexandrianna Harman (Hawaii Betsuin), Kayla Koyanagi (Aiea), Everett Suzuki (Pearl City), Lauren Suzuki (Pearl City), Koji Suzuki (Pearl City), Jay Rikio Acohido (Wahiawa), Shoshi Hashimoto (Wahiawa), Kai Okuni (Makawao), Donavan Ikeuchi (Wailuku), represented Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii in this program. Chaperones were Rev. Shinkai Murakami (Wailuku) and Ms. Gay Tanaka (Mililani).

There were 31 youth participants from four oversea districts, BCA, Canada, South America and Hawaii. They visited the Honzan, experienced a home stay

and traveling to several historical/significant sites including Hino Tanjo-in (Shinran Shonin's birth place), Mt. Hiei where Shinran Shonin practiced Tendai Buddhism for 20 years, Shoren-in Temple where Shinran Shonin took tokudo ordination, Otani Honbyo (Otani Mausoleum) where Shinran Shonin's ashes is buried together with other Hongwanji sangha member's ashes, Hongwanji Hiroshima Betsuin and Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum, etc. Six participants attended the Confirmation Rites (Kikyoshiki) at Honzan and received Buddhist Name from Gomonshu Kojun Ohtani.

The Hawaii group also visited Ryukoku University which was established as a seminary of Hongwanji, and Tsukiji Hongwanji in Tokyo. They also did sightseeing in Kyoto and Tokyo including visits to Tokyo Disneyland, Tokyo Sky Tree, Asakusa, etc.

The following is the comments from some participants: "Meeting other youth who were just as dedicated and involved expanded my view of the widespread effect of Buddhism across the world." "This has made me gain a more deeper view of Buddhism. Which before I only had a slim of the top layer of it but now I feel like I've gained a deeper view of Buddhism and what the teachings mean."

Rev. Murakami, the minister chaperone, said: "It was a great experience for all of our youths and for them to learn not only from the books and lectures about Hongwanji and other historical places, but they also learned and received the great personal experiences through this special program. All of our youths learned not only about the histories of our Hongwanji, but also how our Hongwanji temples are assisting our communities with a sincere mind of care and bringing joy through the great guidance of the Nembutsu.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to the Honzan staffs for their selfless efforts and kindness which made this great program and very memorable for our youths. I am very grateful that our youths are able to experience this once in a lifetime learning opportunity. I would also like to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii for allowing me be a part of the program. The youths on this trip have taught me many things along with the in-depth history about the different temples."

HONOULIULI BON SERVICE

Hawaii Buddhist Council (HBC) and Japanese



Hawaii participants in front of Honzan's Administration Building Altar.

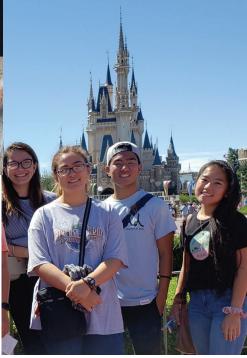
Kyoto strolling on rickshaw with Gay Tanaka (Chaperone)



Home stay Temple (Nara)



Tsukiji Hongwanji



At Tokyo Disney Land



September 2019 JIKO



Headquarters Update (Continued from page 5) Cultural Center of Hawaii (JCCH) held the third Honouliuli Bon Service at the Honouliuli Internment Camp, located near Waipahu on Oahu, on Bishop Eric Wednesday, August 14, 2019. Matsumoto and Rev. Kazunori Takahashi represented the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii and attended this service. Bishop Matsumoto delivered his Dharma Message during the service. The message is on the Hawaii Kyodan Website:

https://hongwanjihawaii.com/message/2019honouliuli-bon-service-dharma-message/

The Honoulili Internment Camp was constructed to accommodate Japanese Americans also Italians and Germans during World War II. This camp was the only one built for prolonged detention on Oahu. It opened in 1943 and closed in 1946. In February 2017, the drum which was used for the Bon Services was found at the Nichiren Mission of Hawaii. Because of this discovery, HBC started the Bon Service in honor of those who had hardships at this This site was designated as a National camp. Monument in 2015, but it is not open to the public. JCCH is the organization to contact regarding this site.



HONPA HONGWANJI CALENDAR COMMITTEE

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR THE HHMH 2020 CALENDAR

New five-year theme: Building Healthy Sanghas 2020 Slogan: Embracing Generosity and Openness The Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii (HHMH) Calendar Committee invites individuals and groups to provide photos for the Hongwanji calendar. The photo will need to be able to be clearly enlarged. We welcome cell phone pictures as some now have the technology to take pictures to do so. You may submit more than one photo. For each, please include a paragraph describing how the picture relates to the 2020 slogan: Building Healthy Sanghas: Embracing Generosity and Openness. Please encourage your temples and organizations to submit photos to us! If you have questions, please leave a message for Yumi Suzuki at the Hongwanji Headquarters Office Rev. Takahashi at 522-9200 or address: hgs@honpahi.org. For photo email submissions, please submit directly to Alan Kubota at lenscapeshawaii@gmail.com. He will be able to respond to your technical questions. Thank you.

Please submit pictures that are landscape oriented

PACIFIC BUDDHIST ACADEMY

(horizontal).

DEADLINE: Monday, September 23, 2019.

The Pacific Buddhist Academy will host a Fall Open House on Thursday, October 24th from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Open House is a perfect opportunity for interested families to learn about the school, educators, and class curriculums. Families can meet teachers and learn about academic subjects. This years approach will feature a separate "talk story" session for parents and students. Students will be able to ask other PBA students questions about the school, and parents will be able to meet one-on-one with Josh to ask their questions. Refreshments will be provided!

PBA LIGHTING OUR WAY BANQUET

Pacific Buddhist Academy's 14th Annual Lighting Our Way Awards Banquet will be held on Friday, November 15, 2019. from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Waialae Country Club.

We are pleased to announce that our honorees for 2019 include Leslie Wilcox, President and CEO at PBS Hawai'i and longtime board member and advisor for many philanthropic organizations; Louise K.Y. Ing, co-founder of the law firm Alston Hunt Floyd & Ing and recipient of many awards for her civic engagement; Warren and Claire Tamamoto. volunteer leaders with the Honpa Hongwanji Mission numerous other community of Hawaii and organizations; and the Hawaiian Airlines Team Kokua Program, home to the company's

philanthropic and community service activities. You can become a ponsor, purchase **individual tickets**, or make a **donation** to support the Banquet by going to PBA's Banquet website,

https://www.pacificbuddhistacademy.org/giving/ events/lighting-our-way-banquet/14th-annual-lightingour-way-banquet-sponsorships-and-tickets or by

AHM Family Highlights

0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0

On June 30th, Elaine Kutaka's grandchildren broke world records during a National Powerlift Competition qualifying both Brooklyn and Micah to participate in the upcoming world competition. Hundreds of participants from all over the world will gather at Bally's Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada in November. Let's all cheer on both youngsters as they continue to train and prepare to break even more world records!

During the National competition, Brooklyn entered the Dead Lift category and lifted 337 pounds off the floor without any downward motion. Micah broke the world record in his age and weight group by bench pressing 133 pounds. Kudos and Congratulations!!!

A recent graduate of Pearl City High School, Brooklyn is not only strong in body...but also mind. She has aspirations to enter the nursing program at Kapiolani Community College upon completing her undergraduate studies. Her strength will definitely be an asset when moving patients.

Silent Auction

To all the individuals who had a hand in assisting us to prepare and launch our first silent auction during this year's Obon...*Many Thanks...For the Generous Donations*: Richard Ito Cindy Nonaka

Carol Enomoto (Elaine Kutaka's sister)

Susan Morishige

Thank you to All for their Hard Work and Manpower prior to

and during the Obon Silent Auction:Elaine KutakaMavis NiinoRichard ItoDoreen TakataCharlene AsatoDoreen Takata



Laulima...Kokua...Kuleana...

It took many hands (*laulima*...working together) to assist (*kokua*...help without being asked) with the hanging of the windcatchers in preparation for our 2019 Obon. These h a r d w o r k i n g i n d i v i d u a l s t o o k the responsibility...*kuleana*, to ensure our hall was ready for the evening festivities. Many thanks to the following members who worked tirelessly long into the afternoon, after enduring the hot morning sun following the yagura set up.

Our heartfelt *MAHALOs* to: Mark Haimoto, Claire Tamamoto, Reverend Shawn Yagi, Helen & Frank Takenouchi, Jean Okamoto, Susan Morishige, and Jr. YBA member, Chad Okawa.

USDA Nondiscrimination Statement

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program, complaint or discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Form, (AD-3027) found online at: <u>http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint filing cust.html</u>, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442;
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov
- This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

HI-5 RECYCLABLE DONATIONS

- If you would like to be recognized for your donation, please include your name.
- We are not able to recycle detergent bottles, milk bottles, ensure bottles. We can only recycle Hi-5 items. Please dispose
 of other items in your own blue bin.
- 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.
- Thank you for your participation and continued support. To improve the efficiency of our recycling program, could you please dispose of all caps from the bottles and do not include garbage and other non-Hi-5 items. Thank you for your efforts to keep Hawaii and Aiea Hongwanji GREEN.

Major Yearly Memorial	<u>Nokotsudo (Columbaríum)</u> If you would like to visit the Nokotsudo, please call the residence at 488-5685 or the office at 487-2626 <u>at least two days in advance</u> so that arrangements can be made to open the Nokotsudo for you. The best days to visit the Nokotsudo are Thursday and Sunday mornings.				
Service	Famíly Memoríal Service				
Schedule For The Year	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,				
2019	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.				
2018-1st year	<u>September 2019</u>	<u> October 2019</u>			
2017-3rd year*	Thomas Yoshinori Katayama1stNancy Harumi Nakagawa1stAlbert Goro Takushi13th	Richard Megumi Matsunaga 13th Iwao Kojima 17th Greg Shuji Morishima 17th			
2013-7th year	Saburo Nadai 33rd Tokio Sudo 13th	Hiroshi Tateishi 17th			
2007-13th year	Nobue Morita 50th	Edwin Ichiro Kakimoto 25th Ayako Taniguchi 25th			
2003-17th year		Thelma Tsuyako Yamaguchi25thNoboru Suzukawa50thAkira Teramoto50th			
1995-25th year		Hama Yoshida 50th			
1987-33rd year	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				
1970-50th year	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.				
* from the 2nd	<u> </u>				
anniversary,	WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER We would like to extend a very warm welcome to new member <u>Mr. Wesley & Mrs.</u>				
please follow the	<u>Charlene Unten</u> . We look forward to their participation in our temple activities. Please encourage your family and friends to join Aiea Hongwanji. <u>Pro-</u>				
Japanese custom	spective members should please call the office at 487-2626 for the paperwork.				
of holding the	<i>P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P </i>				
service the year	Aiea Hongwanji Mission extends its Deepest Sympathy to the families of the Late Mr. Russ Duncan Woolsey and Mrs. Elsie Fusako Unten				
ahead.	PROJECT DANA				
30	Volunteers are needed to assist with transportation for doctor and dentist visits, shopping, and respite visits. for the frail, elderly and disabled living at home in the area from Waimalu to Salt Lake. A Big Thank You to Frank and Helen Takenouchi for their ongoing work with Project Dana.				
	L	September 2019 JIKO			

10

On behalf of Aiea Hongwanji Mission, we wish to extend our deepest GRATITUDE for all the donations received for 2019 Obon Festival! If for some reason we overlooked your name, please accept our humble apologies and know that your generosity has been greatly appreciated.

Masa & Gail Tazawa Shigeo & Sumi Asato Earl & Cindy Asato Ben Kaito Fay Minami Jamielvn Ann & Alan Tomisato Roy Matsumoto Earl Asato Rex Imaye George & Thelma Kawaguchi Jan & Kayla Koyanagi Cindy Nonaka Jane Kondo Aki Okamoto Carol Yamamoto Frank & Helen Takenouchi Masaru Oshiro Pam Tasaki Alice Suma Alice Tasaki Marcia (Hisao Shimabukuro) Hara Fay Yamaguchi Lynn & Larry Onaka Eleanor Matsunaga Ann Tominaga Charlotte Tomoyasu

Chex Mix. Pastries & Cookies 16 cans of Spam, Pastries 2 cases Soda, 8 cans of Spam Castella Cake, Banana Cream Pie, \$20 **Pickled Vegetables** Japan Cookies Case Beer, Venison, Nori, steaks, poke, Yaki Manju, Salmon Rice Fruits 2 boxes Krispy Cream Donuts 1 bottle Sake Tako Poke & Opihi, Gau Gee Specialty Coffee Packages Salsa Dips, Chips, Chocolate Pretzels, Baked Goods, Snacks **Boiled Peanuts** Ahi Poke 10 cans of Spam 4 bottles Somen Sauce, 9 pkgs Nori 2 gal. bottled water $4 \frac{1}{2}$ doz. Cupcakes Spam & Bottled Water Crochet Doilies 1 box of Pastries 2 trays of Blueberry Cream Cheese Dessert 12 cans Spam, Cocoa Cake 12 doz. Homemade Guava Jelly 2 cases Water Mangoes



BWA News

On Aug 22 &23 we treated ourselves to lunch to bid a fond Aloha to Janice before she moves to California. Janice has created and shared many new sewing projects and delicious recipes. She promises to keep in touch and come back to visit. Thanks, Janice for all you have done.

Claire and Susan M will attend the 16th World Buddhist Women's Convention in San Francisco on Aug 30-Sep 1. They will share their experiences at our Sept 5 meeting.

We thank Helen, Elaine K, Sally and Thelma for faithfully arranging the flower donations for our weekly services. We appreciate all the generous flower donations, too.

A big MAHALO to our Sunday Hosha ladies and Itosan who prepare delicious refreshments and lunches on Sundays and Thursdays.

Happy Grandparents Day! Although only one day is recognized, we should show our appreciation to our grandparents, parents, children and friends everyday. We all too often take for granted all the things done for us by others.

Arigatoo to All for your continued support and donations throughout the year!

With Gassho,

Arlene Sunada

AHM Office Volunteers

In an effort to keep our office open to the public, we are continuously seeking volunteers. If you are able to assist us in performing light office duties such as answering the phone, taking messages, and filing, please call us at 487-2626.

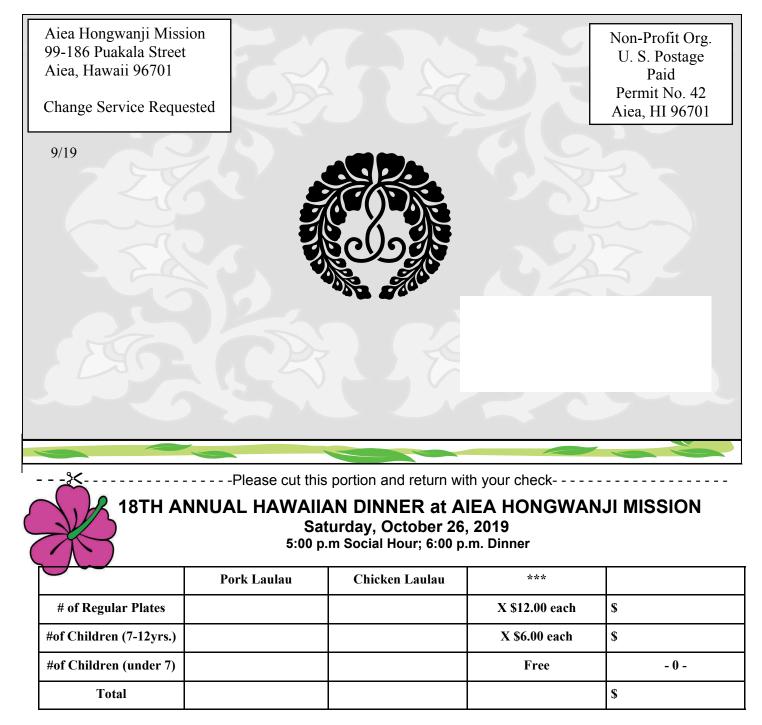
From the Office Staff: Thank you to the following BWA ladies (and their extended family members) who volunteered their help to fold and prepare the July and August JIKO for mailing: *Elaine K., Brooklyn (Elaine's granddaughter), Micah (Elaine's grandson), Helen, Jean, Mavis, Susan, and Thelma.*

GOLDEN CHAIN 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. Namo Amida Butsu.

September 2019 JIKO





Dine-in Only Phone: *** Donation (No Refunds)

Name:__

Address:_____

Make checks payable to Aiea Hongwanji Mission at: 99-186 Puakala Street, Aiea, HI 96701 (PHONE: 487-2626)



DEADLINE for early registration is <u>OCTOBER 6th</u> (limited to first 250 orders)

After Oct. 6th, Regular Plates are \$15 each and Children (7-12 yrs) plates are \$7 each.

We welcome dessert donations and your kokua to make this an enjoyable and memorable event! Food preparation will begin at 5:30 pm on Friday, October 25, 2019 (to wrap laulaus).

Mahalo for your continued support!

