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Monthly Newsletter of the Aiea Hongwanji Mission

Embrace Change - Awareness (Seek Opportunities)

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			EVENTS OF MAY 2015
May 3	Sun 8:	30am– noon	O`ahu District Songfest at Aiea
May 3	Sun	11:30am	United of O`ahu Jr. YBA Meeting at Aiea
May 4	Mon	7:30pm	Senior Young Buddhist Association Meeting
May 7	Thur	9:00am	Buddhist Women's Association Meeting
May 7	Thur	6:00pm	PBA Baccalaureate Ceremony at Hawaii Betsuin
May 8	Fri	5:00pm	PBA Commencement Exercise at Japanese Cultural Center
May 8	Fri		Sanmu Meeting and Sanmu Kanji Meeting
May 9	Sat	9:00am	Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawai`i Board of Directors' Meeting
May 10	Sun	9:00am	Mother's Day Service at Aiea
May 13	Wed	9:30am	Kyogakkai Meeting at Waipahu
May 13	Wed	7:30pm	BWA Movie Nite: Hachi Everyone welcome.
May 15	Fri	6:00pm	Sr YBA Dinner at Morikawa's
May 17	Sun	9:00am	Family Service speaker Rev. Irene Nakamoto (Rev. Yagi at Lihue Hongwanji)
May 17	Sun	12 noon	O`ahu Lay Association Meeting at Mililani
May 18	Mon	7:00pm	O`ahu District Buddhist Education Meeting at Pearl City
May 19	Tue	7:00pm	Aiea Hongwanji Mission Board of Directors' Meeting
May 24	Sun	9:00am	Gotan-E Service (Shinran Shonin's Birthday)
May 29	Fri	9:30am	Aiea Hongwanji Preschool Graduation
May 30-31	Sat-Sun		World Buddhist Women's Convention (Calgary, Canada)
May 31	Sun	9:00am	Family Service and Dharma School
		<u> </u>	HIGHLIGHTS OF JUNE 2015
Jun 6	Sat	4:00pm	O`ahu Sangha O-Bon Service at Hawai`i Plantation Village
Jun 7	Sun	8:00am	Quarterly Temple Beautification Day/No service.
Jun 9-11	Tue-Thur	•	57th State Ministers Association Seminar
Jun 14	Sun	9:00am	Family Service and Dharma School
Jun 16	Tues	7:00pm	Aiea Hongwanji Mission Board of Directors' Meeting
Jun 20	Sat		Ewa Hongwanji Obon Dance
Jun 19-21	Fri-Sun		58th Jr. YBA State Convention (Oahu)
Jun 21	Sun	9:00am	Father's Day Service
Jun 26-27	Fri-Sat		Wahiawa Hongwanji Obon Dance
Jun 28	Sun	9:00am	Family Service and Dharma School

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to new member Nancy S. Matsumoto. We look forward to her participation in our temple activities. Please encourage your family and friends to join Aiea Hongwanji. Annual membership dues for 2015 are \$125 for regular members, and \$50 for those associate members who are 40 years and younger.

NEED THE ASSISTANCE OF

THE MINISTER?

Please call Rev.
Kosho 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.

Minister's Message

People sometimes ask me the question.



"Because I am from Temple family"

"When did you decide to become Minister?"

"When I was 20 years old."

In Hongwanji, people can become Minister at the age of Twenty.

I was young that time... I'm still young!

When I first began listening to Dharma Talks, I thought that it was absolutely necessary to know Shinran Shonin's teaching and to understand it well, so I frantically put all my effort into listening to talks on the Dharma because I felt that it was the quickest way to become familiar with Buddhism, Jodo Shinshu, and Amida Tathagata. However, I found that the more intent I was on listening, the sleepier I became, and the members of the sangha realized that this was how I was listening to the Dharma.

Although my intention was to hear the Buddha's teaching, before I knew it, I was attempting to make even the Buddha Dharma fulfill my own expectations and wishes, trying to have it go the way I wanted it to go.

Yes, it is true that one cannot expect to know anything about the Dharma if one does not listen to talks on the Dharma, however it is not merely trying to comprehend the Buddha's teaching. Rather, it is important to know that Amida Tathagata is working for my benefit alone, making the first move to liberate ordinary beings such as me.

Unaware of this while I endeavored to listen to the teaching, I gained a misconception of it and before I knew it, I had no idea that I had not heard the Dharma correctly.

Amida Tathagata bestows us with the path toward the Pure Land long before the idea even occurs to ordinary beings like us. Thus, the path to the Pure Land is provided for us. When we become aware that this path has been provided for us, rather than feeling happy about it, is it not likely that we are deeply surprised by it? That is the feeling that we get from Rev. Daiei Kaneko's quote.

"The path toward the Pure Land extends from the Pure Land."

Namo Amida Butsu Rev. Kosho 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 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 (classroom)	7:00 p.m 9:00 p.m.
1st Thursday	BWA Meeting	9:00 a.m 10:30 a.m.
Thursdays	BWA Craft Class	8:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.
Fridays (until June)	Eisa Drum Practice	6:30 p.m 8:30 p.m.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hi everyone,

I hope you are well and in good spirits.

Special thanks this month to Ito Kurasaki, Alan Tomisato and the Hosha gang once again for their hard work on our facility. They replaced worn out and termite infested cabinets in the kitchen and BWA storage room (see photos on page 6). The door to the kitchen was also termite-infested and was replaced. The kitchen now looks completely refreshed! Also, thank you to Russell Nonaka for finding and fixing a leak under the kitchen sink. This leak was present for months before the source was found and leak stopped. Ito and gang also found a leak in the water supply behind the temple. This project involved cutting through the concrete base to find the leak. What a big job! Thanks, everyone for helping to keep our temple and facilities running and in good condition!

At a previous Aiea Hongwanji Mission Board of Directors' meeting, we decided to seriously look into getting a photovoltaic system to help reduce our monthly electricity bill. Richard Ito heads up this project and a committee has been selected to give final approval to the project once all of the details are worked out. This project is "just in time" because federal rebates for P-V systems are due to expire in 2016. It may not be easy to get a good deal on P-V systems after the rebates expire. We will keep you informed.

At our AHM Board of Directors' meeting in April, the board approved a \$10,000 pledge to the PBA Capital Campaign. The Pacific Buddhist Academy is in the final phase of a capital campaign to construct a new school building. The building must be complete by the end of 2016 or PBA could lose a 1.5 million dollar grant from a local philanthropic foundation. We are doing our part to support the Pacific Buddhist Academy.

Why did we do this? We believe that the Pacific Buddhist Academy plays a vital role in the mission of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. The PBA provides a quality education while nurturing values such as interdependence, kindness and compassion in its students. It encourages students to develop the courage to nurture peace in their school and community. The PBA reminds us that each one of us can promote peace in our own way. If you are interested in helping the PBA, please contact the Director of Advancement, Mr. Rudiger Ruckmann, at 808-532-2649 or at rudiger.ruckmann@pbahi.org.

Have a great month, everyone!

Gassho, Warren Tamamoto

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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Lotus Adult Day Care Center: PH: 486-5050

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

NEWS FROM HEADQUARTERS

PRE-ORDINATION TRAINING PROGRAM

minister.] In anticipation of a "Foreigner's" Tokudo in 2016, the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii suggests that Temple individuals who are interested in being ordained as Jodo Shinshu clergy.

Deadline for submission of application is May 10, 2015. for the Pre-Ordination Training Program is May 31, 2015. An informational session on the BSC. A State Pre-Ordination Training Sakyamuni and other masters in India, the Buddhist Study Center (BSC) for those reflection on human existence and the realiwho are officially accepted into the program. Successful completion of the session is required to continue towards Tokudo in 2016, for which a separate application must correspondence course was established to be submitted.

For more information/application, write to Buddhist Study Center, 1436 University Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96822, or contact Rev. Kevin Kuniyuki, at phone (808) 973-6555, or email: bscdir@honpahi.org.

YBICSE 2015 YBICSE or Young Buddhist International Cultural Study Exchange is an

annual program for young adults (9th grade to age 25) appreciate who Jodo Shinshu Buddhism. The basic of this purpose



program is to expose young people to Jodo Shinshu beyond Hawaii and to share their joy of living in the Nembutsu Teaching by visiting temples and meeting with fellow Shin appreciate the Nembutsu Dharma.

July 12-24, 2015 and will be sponsored by Buddhist Churches of America, South America Hongwanji Mission, and 2016 slogan. Japan. It is a great opportunity for young Buddhists in Hawaii to visit our Mother the year 2016 is "Embrace Change: New

Temple in Kyoto and to make new Jodo Shinshu friends from other districts.

detailed information on More Tokudo or Ordination is the initial process program including travel schedule and the by which one becomes a Jodo Shinshu application form can be obtained from your temple minister or found on website: http:// www.hongwanjihawaii.com/news events/ index.html. Cost of trip: \$1,500.00. If you Leadership begin nurturing and training have questions or concerns, please contact Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani at (808) 522-9200 or hqs@honpahi.org. Deadline for application

JODO SHINSHU CORRESPONDENCE COURSE Almost 800 years have passed the program and Tokudo will be held on since Shinran revealed the teaching of Jodo April 27, 2015 via teleconferencing at 7pm at | Shinshu in Japan, following the path of Session is planned for Dec 11-13, 2015 at China and Japan. The teaching, with deep zation of dynamic Dharma, has fascinated many people around the world.

As one response to growing interest, a provide basic knowledge of Jodo Shinshu, especially for those without access to nearly temples. It also aims to provide those who are already Jodo Shinshu temple members. with opportunities to deepen their understanding. This is achieved through Internet Communication with instructors regarding specific topics related to Jodo Shinshu and Buddhism in general. The correspondence course takes on a new challenge and plays an important role in transmitting the teaching to all people who are interested in Jodo Shinshu.

Registration period for Fall 2015 Enrollment will be May 1 to Aug 15, 2015. For more information, please go to http:// jscc.cbe-bca.org/. Note—class fills up fast.

2016 CALENDAR The Honga Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Calendar Committee Buddhists from other countries who also invites Hongwanji members and friends to provide creative works of art for the 2016 This year's YBICSE will be held from Hongwanji calendar. The works of art may include photos, drawings, poems, and even Honzan and Honpa Hongwanji Mission of pictures of sculpture and pottery. Pictures Hawaii. Participants will travel to Japan to must have enough pixels to be clear when attend the Honzan's program (July 15-23) enlarged. Some cell phone pictures may not where they will meet with participants from work well for this project. For each of your Jodo submissions, please include a paragraph Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada, that describes how the picture relates to the

The Hongwanji theme and Slogan for

Amida Butsu.

Vision (Create Engagement)". We seek opportunities from which we create a <u>NEW VISION</u>, which will plan for the future and <u>Create Engagement</u> with our members and the community.

Please start thinking about ideas for submitting your works of art. The deadline for submissions is Sept 9, 2015.

If you have questions, please leave a message for Yumi Suzuki at Hongwanji Headquarters Office c/o Rev. T. Umitani at (808) 522-9205 or email address: hqs@honpahi.org. Submit entry submissions directly to Alan Kubota at alan.kubota@pbahi.org. He will also be able to respond to your technical questions.

THE 15TH WORLD BUDDHIST WOMEN'S CONVENTION IN CANADA. The 15th World Buddhist Women's Convention (WBWC) will be held in Calgary, Alberta, Canada on May 30-31, 2015 sponsored by the World Federation of Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha and hosted by the Jodo Shinshu

Buddhist Temples of Canada Women's Federation (JSBTCWF). The theme of the convention is "Embraced by the Oneness of Life" with a slogan of "One World Sangha." Approximately 2,000 delegates will be participating from Canada, BCA, South America, Hawaii and Japan. The keynote speakers are Rev. Patricia Usuki of San Fernando Valley Hongwanji Buddhist Temple (in English) and Rev. Nana Yanase of the Kyō On Ji Temple in Nara Prefecture (in Japanese).

Mrs. Susan Huntley, President of the JSBTCWF and Chairperson of the 2015 WBWC, wrote in her welcome message, "The convention is an opportunity for Jodo Shinshu followers of all ages to gather on an international scale; meet new people, learn together, share experiences and spread the circle of Dharma today and for generations to come."

From Hawaii, 68 BWA delegates, 21 non-BWA members and 10 ministers will attend the convention.

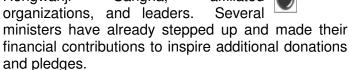
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\$6,200,000

PBA CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

A "Resolution Encouraging Support for the Current Pacific Buddhist Academy Capital Campaign for a New School Building" was submitted from the Hawaii Honpa Hongwanji Ministers Association and approved by the 103rd Legislative Assembly of Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii on Feb 13-14, 2015. A letter of request was sent from Rev. Jay Shingo Okamoto, chair of the Honpa Hongwanji Ministers Association, to the Hongwanji Sangha, affiliated organizations, and leaders. Several



<u>Fundraising Plan</u>: PBA's goal is to complete fundraising by Dec 2015 and start construction as soon as fundraising is completed.

Construction Costs: PBA's Capital Campaign budget is \$9 million for building construction costs, furnishing and equipment, and construction contingencies. The facility will provide ample classroom space to serve its current enrollment of 69 and to increase enrollment to 140. PBA's goal is to complete construction before Dec 2016.

<u>Total amount left to raise</u>: \$2.8 million. (We are continuing to raise funds in Hawaii, the continental United States, and Japan.) Recently over \$200,000

in new pledges from a foundation and individuals in Hawaii have been received. and new proposals to foundations and individuals have been made in the last several months.

- The Gagaku Concert presented by the Kinnara and Arpana Groups at the Hawaii Betsuin in Dec 2014 raised \$3,000.
- The PBA Café organized by Mrs. Tamayo Matsumoto has brought in more than \$6,000 since Sept.
- Ministers of the Honolulu District had a car wash on Jan 18. With support from PBA, they raised about \$1,500.
- Kailua Hongwanji Mission has pledged \$10,000.
- Very recently, members of Jikoen Hongwanji Mission made donations of nearly \$1,000.

The PBA offers its heartfelt appreciation to the many people who have made possible this new surge of momentum for the campaign. If you would like to make a donation to the Capital Campaign, go to www.pacificbuddhistacademy.org, or call Rüdiger Rückmann at (808) 532-2649 or email him at Rudiger.ruckmann@pbahi.org.

GRADUATION The Pacific Buddhist Academy will hold its 9th Baccalaureate Ceremony on May 7, 2015 at 6:00 pm in the Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin Hondo. The Ceremony will be officiated by Bishop Eric Matsumoto, assisted by ministers representing each district. Thirteen students will be graduating from PBA this year and they have all been accepted to colleges and universities. The Commencement Exercise will be held on May 8, at 5:00 pm at the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii.

HANAMATSURI (BUDDHA DAY) SERVICES



MC Kacie at the April 19th Family Service.



Hawaii Buddhist Council at Soto Mission on April 5 (hanamido)



Aiea Hongwanji on April 12



NEW cabinets in kitchen. Thank you to the Hosha Gang for installation and the BWA for financing this project

The Hosha Gang also installed a NEW door between the kitchen and hall. Mahalo plenty!!



ESHINNI AND KAKUSHINNI DAY April 26



BWA President Arlene Sunada was the MC at the service.



Rev. Yagi was the speaker at the service.



More Craft Fair: toothbrush rugs; lap blankets; scrubbies; patchwork rugs; tsukemoto, jelly, kim chee...

BWA Craft Fair following the service: BWA members (L to R:) Charlene, Cindy Janice and Elaine with furoshiki & washable grocery bags & hapi coats...



Senior YBA News

After over 40 years of sponsoring the Aiea Hongwanji Obon Dance, the Senior YBA will return this function back to our Kyodan. Looking back over the decades, a lot of planning and hard work went into this event to make it a success each year. I'm very grateful to the dedicated members who made the Obon Dance top priority and scheduled their summer vacation trips accordingly so that they could be here not just for that one night and weekend, but also for the weeks leading up to it. There were several reasons for returning this major event to the Kyodan, with declining manpower and decrease in leadership being of most concern. Please support our Kyodan with this year's Obon Dance.

April 24 (Friday) was our first YBA pot luck dinner. Van Ly brought her parents from Vietnam. They cooked Vietnamese chicken curry. Was broke da mouth kine ono!! We had a lot of good kine grinz and onolicious desserts.

Our next pot luck will be hosted by the Morikawa's. Save May 15th (Friday). Bring your favorite kaukau! See you all at the Morikawa's.

Next Senior YBA meeting is May 4 (Monday). Yes, our meeting will be held in our BWA kitchen. Our meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. See you there!

Let us all remember our five year theme: Embrace change; and our 2015 slogan: Awareness (seek opportunities).

In Gassho,

George Zakahi

ALEA BWA NEWS

Happy Mother's Day!

Thank you for those who attended the Eishinni-Sama and Kakushinni-Sama Service.

We had a very successful craft sale of our BWA members' hand-crafted items.

We are grateful for having such talented seamstress, Sumiko Nakahara, Charlotte Tomoyasu, and Janice Ito share their skills. Special mahalo to Elaine Kutaka for making kim chee and Helen Takenouchi for making Jaboticaba Jelly that was also sold.

Please join us on Thursdays to learn how to make some really neat stuff!

Big mahalo to Janice Ito for coordinating our "Wednesday BWA Nites". Those who attended the "Hapi Coat" session are eager to keep sewing! On May 13, it will be "Movie Nite" featuring, "Hachi", a Japanese film with English subtitles, about a dog, . Come join us at 7:30 pm for the movie and yummy refreshments.

A special thank you to new BWA members, Elaine Kutaka and Sally Ohira, for helping our other members clean the temple on Thursdays. We are so grateful to have so many dedicated members who help keep our temple clean and beautiful.

With gassho, Arlene Sunada



Aíea Hongwanjí Judo Club News

SENSEI NATALIE ROY PROMOTED TO 6-DAN.

The Aiea Hongwanji Judo Club would like to congratulate Professor Natalie Roy for her promotion to the rank of Rokudan (6-Degree Black Belt, Red and White belt).

She is only the second female in the history of Judo in Hawaii to obtain the prestigious rank of Rokudan (6-Dan). The first female to obtain that rank is Diana Ohama of Kaneohe. With that rank comes the title of Professor. So in the Judo world we recognize her title as Professor Natalie Roy.

The rank of Rokudan is a long and difficult journey. Most students starting Judo rarely obtain the rank of Shodan (1-Degree Black Belt) because of the difficulty of competing and enduring the endless hours of hard training. Students normally start their journey in Judo in their elementary school years and continue through their high school years where the Judo program exists in most public and private schools, Oahu, Maui and Hawaii Island. Each black belt rank has a minimum number of years of service plus other technical requirements before even being considered to be promoted to the next higher black belt degree. For example, going from 5th degree to 6th degree black belt the minimum number of years of service is 12 years of service plus numerous technical requirements.

In Professor Nat's case, she has been involved in Judo for 44 years! Currently, she is the head instructor of Aiea Hongwanji Judo Club, Judo Coach at Aiea High School, and Executive Secretary for the 50th State Yudashakai and a tournament official

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Major Yearly Memorial Service Schedule

For The Year 2015

2014-1st year 2013-3rd year* 2009-7th year 2003-13th year 1999-17th year

1991-25th year

1983-33rd year

1966-50th 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.

May 2015		<u>June 2015</u>	
Richard Kiyoichi Goshi	1st	Arnold Makoto Morishima	1st
Clinton Munemitsu Tokuda	3rd	Kazuye "Lillian" Yamamoto	1st
Jason Takao Nomura	7th	Yukio Hosokawa	7th
Richard Kenji Fujimoto	13th	Yoshinobu Isa	13th
Tatsue Sato Hayashi	13th	Paul Kiyoshi Nakamura Jr	13th
Hiromitsu Kido	13th	Shinki Higa	17th
Mitsuo Nakatani	13th	Fumiko Hatta Koga	17th
Kiyoe "Kay" Aoyama	17th	Isami Yamane	17th
Sadako Higuchi	17th	Patricia Yasuko Kim	25th
Shigeno Narikawa	17th	Haru Nagai	25th
George Tetsuo Omori	17th	Mitsuyo Uemura	25th
Shizuko Harada	25th	Toshio Yamashige	25th
Shunichi Kuromoto	25th	Heijiro Togami	33rd
Karleen Kikue Matsumoto	25th	Takaki Yukio	33rd
Masue Kamada	33rd		
Jukichi Nobuhara	33rd		
Tsugutoshi Sakamoto	50th		

Nokotsudo (Columbaríum)

If you would like to visit the Nokotsudo, please call the minister at 488-5685 or the office at 487-2626 well ahead of time so that arrangements can be made to open the Nokotsudo for you.

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tournaments held on Oahu.

During her prime years as a young Judo competitor, she was feared by most of her opponents. remember several competitors crying as they were being held down by Sensei Nat in a wrestling hold. Then in other tournaments her opponents would be crying and had to withdraw from competing with her before the match

The highlight of her even started. for all local, regional and national Judo completion years came in 1980 when she won the Silver medal, second place, in the Pacific Rim Judo Championships--an international Judo event held in Hawaii.

> We would like to thank Professor Nat for all the hard work and enormous service she has dedicated herself to our Judo club and Judo in Hawaii. Again, congratulations to Professor Nat.

> > Article submitted by Warren Shimizu.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION

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HI-5 RECYCLABLE DONATIONS

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 If you would like to be depositories or your blue home recycle bins. recognized for your donation, please include your name.

Note: For Hi-5 recyclables, may we ask for your kokua in removing the caps from the plastic beverage containers. In addition, plastic drink bottles cannot be redeemed without the Hi-5 label. If detached, please roll up and stick it in the bottle. Thank you for your continued support.







SAVE THE DATE

EVENT: 52nd Annual Lay Convention at Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin, 1727 Pali Hwy.

PARTICIPANTS: All Sangha members who are interested in working together toward the goals for the future of the Hongwanji are invited.

DATES: Sat., Sept. 12 – Registration begins at noon; Business Session follows;

Sun., Sept. 13 – 7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast; 11:00 a.m. closing, followed by lunch.

THEME: "Cultivating Our Garden of Gratitude"

KEY NOTE SPEAKER (Sun.): Ms. Gwen Fujie, Tonque Fu Master, on "Gratitude"

REGISTRATION Deadline is Friday, July 31.

REGISTRATION FEE: \$70 per person includes Sat. dinner, Sun. breakfast and lunch. GOLF TOURNAMENT: Friday, Sept. 11, at Waikele Country Club; 9:30 a.m. check-in.

RESOLUTIONS: Submittal deadline is Tuesday, June 30.

POSTER: Time to share! Each temple is to prepare a poster (6' x 4') that shows how we meet the "Embrace Change" challenge of attracting new members to our temple. Posters will be on display during entire Convention and featured in workshops.



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JULY 12-24, 2015 YOUNG BUDDHIST INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL STUDY EXCHANGE (YBICSE)

- Visiting Jodo Shinshu historical sites including the Hongwanji (mother temple) in Kyoto.
- Meeting with new friends from US Mainland, Canada, South America, and Japan
- Homestay Program
- Learn & experience Japanese Culture
- Many other life-changing experiences!

Candidate Qualification

- A person who appreciate the Jodo Shin Buddhism
- A Person who is currently in 9th grade through age 25
- In good health

Fifteen (15) participants will be selected from Hawaii. Cost of Trip: \$1,500.00









"Ichigo Ichie (each moment, only once)" – E. H. (Makawao)

"Great bonding experience!" - K. C (Hilo Betsuin)

"YBICSE has awakend my awareness of myself as a Shin Buddhist" – B. Y

APPLICATION FORM IS AVAILABLE AT WWW.HONGWANJIH AWAILCOM

For more info, please contact your temple minister or Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani at HQ (hus@honpahi.or 808-522-9200)

Application Deadline May 10, 2015

