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Monthly Newsletter of the Aiea Hongwanji Mission Embrace Change - Awareness (Seek Opportunities)

EVENTS OF AUGUST 2015

Aug 1	Sat	7:00pm	Waialua Hongwanji Bon Dance
Aug 2	Sun		No Service (Rev. Yagi will return on Aug 4)
Aug 2	Sun	10:00am	Bon Dance Food Committee Meeting
Aug 3	Mon	1:00pm	Preschool First Aid/CPR class
Aug 5	Wed	7:30pm	BWA Sewing Night
Aug 6	Thur	9:00am	Aiea Buddhist Women's Association Meeting
Aug 6-8	Thur-Sat	7:00pm	Encore Performance <i>Peace on Your Wings</i> (Hawaii Theatre)
Aug 7,8	Fri-Sat	7:00pm	Pearl City Hongwanji Bon Dance
Aug 7-10	Fri-Mon		Young Adult Retreat at Kailua Hongwanji
Aug 8-9	Sat-Sun	2:00pm	<i>Peace on Your Wings</i> (Hawaii Theatre—Matinee)
Aug 9	Sun	9:00am	Sutra Chanting Service / Japanese Service
Aug 9	Sun	10:00am	Temple Improvement Committee Meeting
Aug 9	Sun	11:00am	United of O`ahu Jr. YBA Meeting
Aug 10	Mon		First Day of Preschool Fall Session
Aug 12	Wed	7:30pm	BWA Sewing Night
Aug 16	Sun	8:00am	Yagura Set Up; No Service
Aug 16	Sun	Noon	Oahu District Lay Association meeting at Aiea
Aug 18	Tue	7:00 pm	Aiea Hongwanji Mission Board of Director's Meeting
Aug 19	Wed	7:30pm	BWA Sewing Night
Aug 21,22	Fri-Sat	7:00pm	Mililani Hongwanji Bon Dance
Aug 23	Sun	9:00am	Sutra Chanting Service / Japanese Service
Aug 23	Sun	6:00pm	Hatsubon Service, Speaker Rev. Kosho Yagi
Aug 29	Sat	6:00pm	Aiea O-bon Service, Speaker Rev. Hiromi Kawaji
Aug 29	Sat	7:00pm	Aiea Hongwanji Mission Bon Dance
Aug 30	Sun	8:00am	Bon Dance Clean Up; no service
Aug 31	Mon	7:00pm	Oahu District Buddhist Education Meeting at Wahiawa

HIGHLIGHTS OF SEPTEMBER 2015

Sep 3	Thur	9:00am	Aiea Buddhist Women's Association Meeting
Sep 5	Sat	9:00am	Honpa Hongwanji Hawai'i Board of Directors' Meeting
Sep 6	Sun	9:00am	Family Dharma Service and School
Sep 6	Sun	11:30am	United of O`ahu Jr. YBA Meeting
Sep 7	Mon	10:00am	Oahu United BWA Quarterly Meeting at Aiea
Sep 12-13	Sat/Sun		Honpa Hongwanji Lay Association Convention (Hawaii Betsuin)
Sep 13	Sun	8:00am	Quarterly Temple Beautification Day- Grounds and Residence; No service
Sep 15	Tue	7:00pm	Aiea Hongwanji Board of Directors' Meeting
Sep 20	Sun	9:00am	Family Dharma Service and School
Sep 21	Mon		Peace Day Hawaii/U.N. International Day of Peace
Sep 27	Sun	9:00am	Buddhist Dedication Day (Autumn Higan-Equinox) Service
Sep 28	Mon	7:00pm	Oahu Hongwanji Council Meeting at Aiea

NEED THE ASSISTANCE OF THE MINISTER?

Rev. Kosho Yagi will return from vacation Aug 4.

Until then, for religious emergencies (Makuragyo or bedside services), please call Rev. Mariko Nishiyama at 896-0488

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

Message can also be left at the office (487-2626)

After Aug 4, please call Rev. Yagi at 488-5685 (residence) or the office (487-2626.)

Leave a message on the answering machine if there is no answer.

Rev. Yagi can also be reached on his cell phone (364-2825) for urgent matters.

Minister's Message



OBON TERMS..

Bon Dance is in the middle of season! I hope lots of people enjoying Bon dance, food and fellowship. On this issue of Jiko, I would like to share with you about Term of important Obon items.

Happi (法被 Dharma-cover)

The Happi is named after a cover for a formal Chinese chair introduced into Japan by the Zen Buddhists. The Japanese did not use the chair until very recent times. The exception was the use of the chair by high ranking Buddhist monks as a symbol of their spiritual authority. A square T-shaped cloth was draped over this ceremonial chair when it was not in use. This cloth was called a Happi or "Dharma cover."

In the Edo Period (1600-1868), the firefighters of Edo (Tokyo) designed a short coat of thick, fire-resistant material as a uniform. The simple cut of the garment resembled the Buddhist chair cover and was thereafter called a Happi. The coat quickly caught on as a work uniform and Happi were made for all manner of trades, advertising the name of the store or company on the back and on the collar.

The Happi became a work coat and began to be used by many other organizations. Temple and church organizations made Happi to wear when working in bazaars and festivals, and especially in temple Bon Festivals.

Tenugui (手拭 hand-wipe)

A rectangular cotton cloth used as a towel or head-covering. They were originally made of undyed linen, but from the Edo period, they were made of cotton with colorful designs. As a head-covering, Tenugui were wrapped in many fanciful ways depending upon the wearer's occupation or social status. Kabuki troupes and schools of music and dance began to design their own tenugui as gifts or to sell as souvenirs. This custom spread to all manner of organizations and groups.

Yukata (浴衣 bath-robe)

In the Heian period of Japan, the Yukata was an unlined cotton garment used when coming out of the bath. It gradually came to be used in the summertime as casual wear. Because of its association as casual wear, it came to be worn at Bon Odori dances, in keeping with the idea of coming and dancing "sono mama- as you are." It is a light cotton garment worn with undergarments and a simple Obi with footwear usually being bare feet and Geta.

Geta (下駄 bottom-pack horse)

Simple wooden clogs consisting of a flat piece of wood with two cross pieces underneath. It is held to the foot by a thong which passed between the big toe and the other toes. It is the simplest and most basic of traditional footwear. Usually worn with Yukata, especially at Bon Dance.

Yagura (檜 tower)

The yagura is a raised platform or tower which served as watch and signal towers in Japanese villages. A lower version of this yagura is used in the Bon Odori. The yagura is set up in the middle of the dance grounds and the Obon taiko placed upon it. The dancers then dance in a circle around the yagura to the beat of the taiko.

Aiea Hongwanji Bon Dance will be held on August 29. We will have Obon Service at 6pm. Speaker will be Rev. Hiromi Kawaji, Hawaii Kyodan retired Minister; and Bon Dance will begin at 7pm. Please join us at the solemn Bon Service and wonderful Bon Dance, food and fellowship.

Namo Amida Butsu

Rev. Kosho Yagi



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hi everyone! I hope you are in good spirits. Well, O-Bon season is upon us and I hope that you have had a chance to go to a Bon Dance somewhere. If you haven't, you still have a chance to participate this year as the month of August is filled with Bon dances at Oahu temples. Please see our calendar. Remember that our **Bon Dance celebration at Aiea Hongwanji** is on **Saturday, August 29th, 2015**.

Bon Dance at a home temple is more than a summer festival with good food, lively music, dancing and rhythmic drumming. *It is a time to remember and honor our ancestors who have gone before us.* We appreciate that they are still a part of the lives we enjoy today. O-Bon is an opportunity to express gratitude not only to our ancestors, but to all who have passed on. It is a happy time and it is often referred to as *Kangi-E, "Gathering of Joy"*.

Since we are one of the last Bon dances of the year, we expect a big crowd. People come to sit and wait for the start by 3 or 4 in the afternoon. By 7:00 pm, our parking lot is full of people enjoying refreshments and looking forward to an evening of music and dance. By 10:00 pm the food is gone, last dance is done and we are exhausted. In between, it is a wonderful scene of movement, music, drums and voices.

Plan to come down to dance or help us with the work to be done. Make it a family event. Some of our families already do. Please call our office at 487-2626 and leave a message—"I'd like to help with O-Bon preparations/the Bon Dance celebration". We'll be sure to call you back!

Gassho,

Warren Tamamoto



PS Parking at the bon dance is limited to Handicap Stalls; however, we have arranged for free parking at Aiea United Methodist Church and St. Elizabeth Parish's "Navy Laundry" parking lot after 6:00 pm.

HONPA HONGWANJI MISSION OF HAWAII AFFIRMATION RITES CEREMONY (KIE-SHIKI)

DATE: **October 10, 2015**

TIME: **10:00 AM**

PLACE: **Pearl City Hongwanji Mission**

Oahu Hongwanji Council will hold Affirmation Rites as a commemorative event of the Pearl City Hongwanji Buddhist Women's Association Centennial/Kyodan 110th Anniversary.

The Affirmation Rites will be officiated by the Bishop of Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. This ritual gives the recipient a definite awareness of becoming a follower of the Buddha's teachings and a member of the Hongwanji. During the Rites, each recipient will receive his/her own Homyo (Dharma Buddhist Name) from the Bishop.

There is no limit on age; however, if the aspirant is below 20 years of age, his/her parent or guardian will be asked to sign on the official record.

It is hoped that through this ritual one will gain conviction in his/her religion and that it will be a definite start into the life of a Buddhist.

Application Fee for the Affirmation Rites is \$50. Call the temple office at 487-2626 for assistance in completing the application form. Deadline for submittal of the form and fee to the Oahu Hongwanji Council is **Sept 10, 2015**.

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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NEWS FROM HEADQUARTERS

DONATION FROM JODO SHINSHU HONGWANJI-HA TO PACIFIC BUDDHIST ACADEMY.

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii recently received funding assistance of fifty million Japanese Yen from Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha (official name for our worldwide Honpa Hongwanji organization) for the undertaking of Pacific Buddhist Academy's new school building.

Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha recently launched the Comprehensive Advancement Project to be executed for 10 accounting years from June 1, 2015 through March 31, 2025 to enrich and promote our organization on the occasions of the Commemoration Services of Transmission of Jodo Shinshu tradition in 2016-2017, the 850th Anniversary of the birth of Shinran Shonin, and the 800th Anniversary of the establishment of Jodo Shinshu in 2023.

One major focus of the Advancement Project is "contributing to the general welfare of society based on the spirit of Buddhism" and this funding assistance of JPY 50,000,000 to PBA for the year 2015 was disbursed recently as part of this effort in the Overseas Districts.

Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii and Pacific Buddhist Academy are truly grateful for the strong support from Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha.

2015 YBICSE. YBICSE (Young Buddhist International Cultural Study Exchange) participants from Hawaii departed for Japan on July 12 to attend the Honzan's official program

that will be held from July 15 to 23. The group will be chaperoned by Rev. Ai Hironaka and Mrs. Debbie Kubota. The office of the Bishop would like to express our deepest appreciation to the Hongwanji members, YBICSE participants and their families, Honzan, and many other individuals for their support and cooperation.

HQ BOOKSTORE UPDATE. HQ Bookstore is now selling the third printing (white) of Wasan book, "A TRUE PURE LAND TEACHING JODO SHINSHU and THREE PURE LAND POEMS WRITTEN BY GUTOKU SHINRAN" (\$22.00). Wasan is a collection of Japanese poems written by Shinran Shonin.

This White Wasan Book is mainly used for daily chanting of Shoshinge & Wasan. This book was first printed in 1999 by Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii in order to meet the

needs of ministers and members who were brought up with

English as their native language. Through this book you will learn how to read Japanese by Roman alphabet and how to chant the sutra by music note. Moreover you can read its English meaning on the same page. As we reprinted this third edition, we reviewed its contents and some errors or "typos" were corrected.

If you would like to purchase this white Wasan book, please contact Yoshiko at HQ Bookstore. Call (808)522-9202 or e-mail to hqbooks@honpahi.org.

6th ANNUAL PEACE WALK. Join us in remembering the **70th anniversary** of the atomic bombing of Nagasaki, Japan and the 10th anniversary of the 1600-mile pilgrimage of three Buddhist monks to save humanity from the cycle of nuclear destruction by returning the atomic flame to Trinity, New Mexico. Walk from the Hongwanji Buddhist Temple to the Nagasaki Peace Bell Memorial at Honolulu Hale (1 mile) to express our gratitude for a year without nuclear aggression and hope for continued nuclear peace.

Date Sunday, August 9th 2015

Place: Hawaii Betsuin, 1727 Pali Hwy, Hon. 96813

Time: 3 PM – Movie "GATE"; 5 PM – Welcome Remarks; 5:30 PM – Walk Begins; 6:30 PM – Aspiration and Ringing of the Peace Bell at the Nagasaki Memorial.

ONE DHARMA: WHAT MAKES YOU BUDDHIST. This was the theme for the 58th Jr. YBA State Convention hosted by United of Oahu on June 19-21, 2015 at Aiea Hongwanji and the Pagoda Hotel. The weekend was filled with workshops (Pieper Toyama's "Gratitude" workshop, Zumba and Ministers' Panel), an exciting auction (proceeds went to the Minister's Training Fund) and business meetings. It all led up to the evening's dinner/awards banquet with special guest speaker Colleen Hanabusa.

Congratulations to the 2015 Convention Contest winners:

Mr. and Ty Y.o (Oahu) and

Miss Jr. YBA Akane K. (Oahu)

Oratorical 1st Place: Alia F. (Honolulu)

2nd Place: **Kano H. (Oahu)**

Art 1st Place: Randi S. (Honolulu)

2nd Place: **Kenji S. (Oahu)**

Essay 1st Place: Sheera T. (Honolulu)

2nd Place: Allyson K. (Honolulu)

3rd Place: **Koji S. (Oahu)**

Model United The United of Oahu

Every year, United Advisors recognize hard working and committed Jr. YBA members. Congratulations to these 2015 Outstanding Jr. YBA recipients:

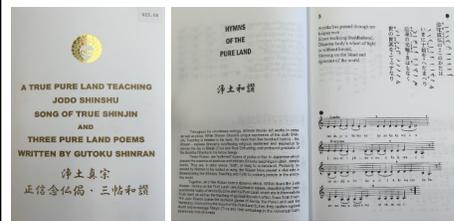
Hawaii: Michael G., Kelsey K., Shawn M.

Honolulu: Alia F., Randi S., Sheera T.

Kauai: Mie M., Shawna O., Melia O.

Maui: Rip P., Brennen W., Layke Y.

Oahu: **Kano H., Katelyn O., Ty Y.**



Musical Notes
A publication of the HHMH Office of Buddhist Education
Music Committee
July 2015 Issue is now available.
Please visit:
<http://www.hongwanjihawaii.com/music/newsletter/>



Save the Date!
CHORAL FEST 2016
September 24-25, 2016
Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin



15th WORLD BUDDHIST WOMEN'S CONVENTION.

Theme: *Embraced by the Oneness of Life.* The Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada Women's Federation hosted the 15th World Buddhist Women's Convention in Calgary, AB Canada, on May 30-31, 2015 at the Telus Convention Center. There were delegates of Buddhist women from five World Districts—Japan, Buddhist Churches of America, South America, Canada, and Hawaii—totaling 2,000 in attendance.

The Hawaii Federation of the Buddhist Women's Associations was led by Honorary Federation President



Tamayo Matsumoto, Federation President Janet H. Honda, Federation First Vice President Irene Nakamoto, Honorary Advisor Bishop Eric Matsumoto and Minister Advisor Rev. Shindo Nishiyama. Approximately 100 Hawaii BWA members and friends attended this World convention. Hawaii's ministers who also attended the Convention were Rev. Tatsuo Muneto, Rev. Jeffrey Soga, Rev. Ai Hironaka, Rev. Tomo Hojo, Rev. David Nakamoto, Rev. Mariko Nishiyama, Rev. Bert Sumikawa, Rev. Jan Youth and Rev. Shigeaki Fujitani.

Gomonshu-sama Kojun Ohtani of Honzan along with Governor of Hongwanji, Rev. Gyobun Fujino, were among the many dignitaries.

- Lady Ruzumi Ohtani was unable to attend the Convention but sent a congratulatory message.
- There were two keynote speakers: Rev. Nana Yanase of Kyo On Ji Temple in Nara Prefecture, and Rev. Patricia Kanaya Usuki of the San Fernando Valley Hongwanji Buddhist Temple in California. Both gave powerful

speeches which brought tears to the eyes of many of the listeners. We have requested Canada Federation for a copy so that we can share with everyone in Hawaii.

Hawaii was represented by Lois Toyama of Jikoen Temple on the Panel of Speakers. She spoke on how Buddhism helped her to make decisions in her career and personal life. Lois also talked about the teachings on non-dualistic thinking that helped her embrace her life more fully.

On Saturday, May 30th, the Convention opened with a Processional which included Hawaii's representatives, Tamayo Matsumoto and Janet Honda who carried a candle and flowers for offertory.

For Hawaii's share of the entertainment on Saturday, 25 BWA ladies danced the hula to the music "Lullaby for Children of the World". Thank you to Irene Nakamoto who coordinated the group and Doris Oshiro and Nola Nahulu's students who taught the hula to the group.

On Sunday, May 31st, before the World Buddhist Women's Association General Meeting, Janet Honda and Irene Nakamoto participated in the White Hat Ceremony and received certificates naming them Honorary Calgarians.

The Pacific Buddhist Academy sold hikari onenju's and the orange eyelash leis during the Convention and these items were a hit! Thank you to Fred Nonaka, Alton Miyamoto and Pieper Toyama who as top salesmen with their winning smiles and personalities sold many items to support the Pacific Buddhist Academy.

The Hawaii Federation BWA would like to thank all the BWA members, relatives, and friends who attended this awesome 15th World Buddhist Women's Convention. A special thank you to Japan Travel Bureau Hawaii for their assistance in all the travel arrangements. And lastly, our deepest Gratitude and a big MAHALO to Chair Susan Huntley and the Canada Women's Federation for all their planning, production and hospitality in hosting the 15th World Buddhist Women's Convention!

The 16th World Buddhist Women's Convention will be held on Aug 30-Sept 1, 2019 at the San Francisco Marriott Marquis Hotel. The Buddhist Churches of America BWA will be the official host. Theme: *Live the Nembutsu.* Let's plan on attending this next World Convention!

Aiea BWA News

Aloha! Summer has just flown by and we are getting ready for our Obon events. Our ladies have been busy on Wednesday nites, Thursday mornings and Sundays sewing hapi coats, and creating awesome items for our Crafts Sale at Obon. Come join us at these socials .

We will need lots of help preparing and serving refreshments and meals during the following Obon events, so please sign up in the office or kitchen if you have time to help.

- Sun, Aug 23 - Hatsubon Service refreshments time TBA
- Sat. Aug 29 - Obon set up, prep lunch for workers
- Bring Desserts for Workers Potluck and After Dance meal
- Kitchen clean up



We are truly grateful for the members who are working so hard to help clean the temple on Thursdays, donate baked goods and snacks for our Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday social hours, bring beautiful flowers for our services and share their time and talents. Thank you all for your generous dana of time and energy.

Hapi coats can still be ordered by calling 487-2626. See you at Obon !

With Gassho,
Arlene Sunada

Mixed Vegetable Kim Chee Recipe	
Vegetable: 3 Japanese Cucumbers 1 Head Cabbage 1 Daikon 2 Heads Mustard Cabbage Salt Water: 6 cups Water 3/4 cup Hawaiian Salt Sauce: 1 cup Japanese Vinegar 1-1/4 cup Sugar 3/4 cup Momoya Kimchee Base (6.7 oz bottle)	Konbu: 1 package Shiofuku Konbu (1.2 oz) Cut vegetable to desired size and soak in salt water for at least 3 hours. Rinse in cold water and drain. Squeeze out water slightly. Mix sauce and pour sauce over vegetables. Toss well. Add Konbu if desired. <p style="text-align: right;">Contributed by Elaine Kutaka</p>

Jr. YBA

The United of O'ahu Jr. Y. B. A. would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the O'ahu temples/lay members, their ministers, and Women's organizations. The United just hosted the 58th Jr. Y. B. A. State Convention. The theme was "One Dharma: What Makes You Buddhist". Although the attendees were smaller in number than usual, those that attended had a good time and the United tried different strategies to help promote bonds among Juniors statewide. Thank you for all your advertisements and donations. To our Ministers, thank you for officiating the opening service and participating at some of the activities and panels.

The United of O'ahu won the Model United award and all that this trophy represents. The last time we won this award was in 2005, 10 years ago. The United set this as one of their goals this year.

The United also won the Membership Award by having 4 new members. Thank you ministers for helping to promote Jr. Y. B. A. at your temples and encouraging young people and their parents to let them try this experience.

- Ty Y., from Mililani Hongwanji, was selected as Mr. Jr. Y. B. A. He is the outgoing Federation President and took on many responsibilities of the convention.
- Akane S.-K., from Aiea Hongwanji, was selected as Miss Jr. Y. B. A. She is a graduating senior heading for nursing school. Both of these awards Mr. and Miss carry an award of a \$1000.00 scholarship to be used for school or to help defray the cost of an upcoming Hongwanji trip, such as YBICSE.

We did not have anyone running for Federation office this year but our United officers are: Katelyn O., President; Kenji S., Vice President/Councilor; Koji S., Secretary/Councilor and Aaron N., Treasurer.

I think we can be very proud of all the Juniors that helped to make the convention a success.

The Co Chairs Kano H. and Katelyn O. had a huge responsibility and it was a good learning experience for them. If you see your Juniors at temple give them a word of praise as they all stepped up and conducted their assigned part of the convention successfully. They also improvised and took initiative to make sure all attendees had a worthwhile experience. Also, a special thank you to Rev. Hashimoto for all your efforts.

Again, Thank you for all your support.



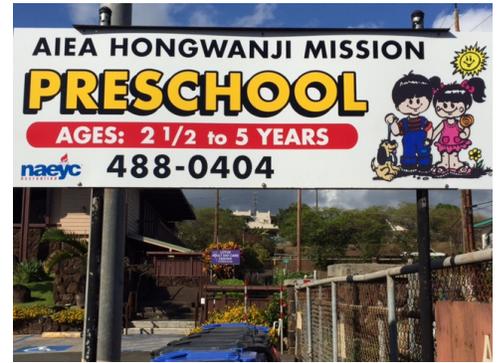
Claire Tamamoto Rev. Kojun Hashimoto
 United of O'ahu Advisor United of O'ahu Minister Advisor



Dharma School Recognition Service on July 19. L to R: Arlene Sunada (BWA President), Claire Tamamoto (DS Supervisor), Rev. Kosho Yagi, Ransen, Kacie, Wyatt, Brent Tamamoto (teacher), and Dylan.



MCs Wyatt and Dylan



Thank you to Russell N. and Jared and Aaron and Frank Takenouchi for mounting most of the new Preschool signage.



Thank you for Ito, Aki, Frank, George K., Mark H., Kazu, Shige, Itsuo and Glenn Ho of Hana Ho Painting for the Painting-Stripes-and-Curbs Project on July 4th and July 19th.



Pacific Buddhist Academy News



Summer School Last month, Master Artist Wayne Takazono took his Experiential Art Class to the Honolulu Museum of Art Spalding House, where students visited David Hockney's **L'enfant et Les Sortileges**, an outstanding exhibit of installation art. Hockney uses lighting, sculpture, and vivid colors to transform a room into an experience.

International Relations students participate in a United Nations Simulation about a Pandemic affecting the International Community.



Steven James brought his High School Readiness Math & Science class outdoors to develop measuring techniques and to collect data.



Alumni Reunion: In response to the results of a recently survey which showed that the majority of the alumni families and students would prefer a picnic instead of a formal luncheon, the reunion will be a picnic at Kapiolani Park on August 1. For more information call the PBA office at (808) 532-2649.

First Day of School: School starts on August 5!



Pre-registration Form (please print):

Name(s): _____
 Address: _____

 Email: _____
 Daytime phone: _____
 Mobile phone: _____
 Temple Affiliation (if any): _____

Please check the course(s) desired:

Many Faces of Buddhism	\$25
ABC's of Buddhism	\$20
Buddha and Christ	\$20
First Steps in Understanding Shin Buddhism- Moiliili	\$20
First Steps in Understanding Shin Buddhism- Kailua	\$20
Walking the 8 Fold Path	\$25
Parenting on the Buddhist Path	\$15
Pure Land Buddhism & Shin Path	\$25
Rituals & Traditions of Shin Buddhism	\$10

Tuition Total _____

Payments by check or cash. Make checks payable to:
 "Honpa Hongwanji Mission Hawaii" or "HHMH"

* Tuition waivers available, please just attend!

Bring to the first class or send/fax/drop off to:

Dharma Light Program, Buddhist Education
 Buddhist Study Center
 1436 University Ave, Honolulu, HI 96813

Frequently Asked Questions:

- Q:** How can I find out more about the classes?
A: Please check the course descriptions on the website for more information. www.tinyurl.com/bschawaii
- Q:** Where will the classes be held?
A: Classes will be held in at the Buddhist Study Center near UH & local temples. Check the course listing for the final location.
- Q:** Can only Temple members take these courses?
A: These courses are open to everyone. Temple membership is not required.
- Q:** What is the cost for a course, and are materials included in that cost?
A: Tuition is generally \$10-20 for each course. Some printed materials are included in that fee. Other required books and materials can be purchased at the first class session.
- Q:** How do I sign up for a class?
A: Complete the registration form and drop off, send, or fax it to the office. Pre-registration is recommended, as maximum class size is 10 students.
- Q:** Is there a way I can attend if I cannot afford the tuition?
A: Yes. Please come to class and request a tuition waiver. You are always welcome to listen to the Dharma.

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2015 Schedule
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Illuminating the Buddhist Path

BUDDHIST EDUCATION CLASSES
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 Office: (808) 973-6551

Summary of 2015 DHARMA LIGHT Courses

(Complete course descriptions on the temple website: <http://www.tinyurl.com/bschawaii>)

I. For all those interested in All Buddhisms:

The Many Faces of Buddhism in Hawaii — *Instructor: Dr. George Tanabe, UH Emeritus Professor of Religion*
 Wednesday & Thursday evenings, 6:30-8:30pm and Sat 10am-3pm, 5 sessions, Aug 19, 20, 22, 26, 27 at BSC Classroom
 Many Buddhist paths to awakening have developed and Hawaii has become home to dozens of denominations. Join us in learning about the differences and similarities of Tendai, Shingon, Pure Land, Zen, Nichiren and others. Includes a field trip.

ABC's of Buddhism — *Instructors: Rev. Blayne Higa and Dexter Mar*
 Thursday evenings, 4 classes, 6-7:30pm, Sep 3, 10, 17, 24, BSC Classroom
 An introductory encounter with the basic teachings of Buddhism. For those beginning to ask "what is Buddhism about?"

Buddha and Christ: Buddhism in a Christian Land — *Instructor: Rev. Sherman Thompson*
 Sunday afternoons, 4 classes, 1-3pm, Oct 18, 25, Nov 1, 8, BSC Classroom
 Are Buddhism and Christianity so different? Explore the connections and differences with a Christian minister who grew up as a Shin Buddhist. Learn about the Christian beliefs, practices, various denominations, and inter-faith harmony.

Walking the Eight-fold Path: How to Live the Dharma — *Workshop by Dexter Mar*
 Thursday evenings, 8 classes, 6-7:30pm, Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Nov 5, 12, 19 BSC Classroom
 Take a fresh look in this "how to" workshop on applying the basic Buddhist teachings of the Eight-fold Path to daily living. Respond to life's difficulties rather than react. Find the path to "perfect peace."

Parenting along the Buddhist Path — *Instructor: Pieper Toyama, Emeritus Head of School, PBA*
 Tuesday evenings, 3 classes, 6-7:30pm, Oct 6, 13, 20, Hawaii Betsuin Annex Temple
 Explore, share and develop parenting skills inspired by Buddhist values, beliefs and perspectives. Take the hand of a gifted and compassionate educator and journey along the path of nurturing your children and family.

II. For those interested in Shin (Jodo Shinshu) Buddhism

Understanding Shin Buddhism: First Steps — *Moiliili Instructors: Revs. Sumikawa & Higa – Kailua Instructor: Rev. Nakamoto*
 Saturday mornings, 7 classes, 10-11am: Aug 8, 15, 22, 29, Sep 5, 19, 26 Moiliili Hongwanji Temple - Oct 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Nov 7, 14, Kailua Hongwanji Temple
 What is the Shin Buddhist way of living? Learn the terminology, concepts, rituals, and services of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism to understand how to find peace and happiness.

Pure Land Buddhism & the Shin Path: Introduction to Jodo Shinshu — *Instructor: Rev. Kevin Kuniyuki*
 Monday evenings, 6 classes, 6-7:30pm, Oct 26, Nov 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, BSC Classroom
 Gain a better understanding of the meaning of Hawaii-American Shin Buddhism through exploring the roots of the Pure Land tradition. The historical development of the Jodo Shinshu path from India to America will be explained to provide a context for the evolution to the West.

Rituals and Traditions of Shin Buddhism — *Instructor: Rev. Kevin Kuniyuki*
 Monday evenings, 2 classes, 6-8pm, Dec 7, 14, BSC Classroom
 Ever wonder about WHY service rituals are done? What does the altar set up mean? How to offer incense the Shin Buddhist way? Learn about the Six Major Services and Shin Buddhist "rites of passage" rituals that give meaning to life events, such as infant initiation, marriage, and ordination.

Faculty

- Rev. Blayne Higa**, Shin minister from Moiliili Temple
- Rev. Kevin Kuniyuki**, Shin minister and Director of the BSC
- Dexter Mar**, Minister Lay Assistant and Chair, BSC Program Committee
- Rev. David Nakamoto**, Shin minister from Kailua Temple
- Rev. Bert Sumikawa**, Shin minister from Moiliili Temple
- Dr. George Tanabe**, UH Emeritus Professor of Religion & President of Bukkyo Dendo Kyokai (BDK) Hawaii
- Rev. Sherman Thompson**, Christian minister and Kamehameha Schools chaplain
- Pieper Toyama**, Emeritus Head of School, Pacific Buddhist Academy and President of Hongwanji Hawaii.

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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 (residence).

Our apologies for the inadvertent mixup in the memorial service information posted in the June and July issues of the JIKO. Please see listing below for the correct July, August and September memorial information

July 2015

August 2015

September 2015

Nokotsudo (Columbarium)

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

*With Deepest Sympathy
to the Family of the Late
Hisako Kinoshita*

Aiea Hongwanji Judo Club

Belated congratulations to Dustin Iwabuchi, and Gezlen, Malia and Christian of the Aiea Hongwanji Judo Club.

Dustin is Senior Instructor of our Aiea Hongwanji Judo Club, and the coach of the *Na Ali'i* (Aiea High School) Girls Judo Team which plays in the OIA (Oahu Interscholastic Association) Judo League, which took second place in the State. This year 2015, by vote of the league coaches, Dustin Iwabuchi was named the **2015 Coach of the Year** for the OIA Girl's Judo League (West).

Gezlen and Malia are on the *Na Ali'i* girl's judo team coached by Dustin. Gezlen was the State champ in the 139-pound class and Malia placed third in the State in the 115 pound class. Christian is on the *Na Ali'i* Boy's Judo Team. He placed 4th in the State in the 198 pound class.

Congratulations Dustin, Gezlen, Malia and Christian!! ★

Aiea Hongwanji Preschool

- Thank you to Allan Tomisato for fixing our kitchen entrance door foot plate. ♥
- Family Pot Luck was held on the last day of school. (July 24)
- First Aid/CPR training will be held on Monday, August 3 at 1:00 pm. Class is open to everyone. Please call Claire at 488-0404 for further information and to register..

MORE BWA NEWS

On Sunday, July 5, 2015, the Wailuku Hongwanji Buddhist Women's Association celebrated its 110th Anniversary. Congratulations.

On October 11, 2015, the Pearl City Hongwanji Buddhist Women's Association will celebrate their 100th Anniversary together with Pearl City Hongwanji Kyodan's 110th Anniversary. As part of their celebration they will be selling *Wisteria Delights II*, a treasured

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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.

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

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Dear HHMH Sangha & Friends,

Ohana Arts warmly invites the members of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii to attend the Encore Performances of *Peace On Your Wings* to be held at Hawaii Theatre:

- Aug 6, 7 and 8 at 7pm (Evening)
- Aug 8 and 9 at 2pm (Matinee)

This encore show will have newly designed sets, choreography and lighting, and commemorates the 70th anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Sadako Sasaki's brother, Masahiro and his son, Yuji Sasaki, a well-known singer in Japan, will be here in Hawaii, as a guest of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. Plans are for them to attend the Saturday and Sunday shows.

Ticket prices are \$38, \$28 and \$18(student). This includes the Hawaii Theatre Restoration Fee of \$3 per ticket. We recommend that ticket purchasers call by phone (808) 528-0506 or visit Hawaii Theatre (1130 Bethel Street, Honolulu, HI 96817) to order and purchase tickets. The Theatre Box Office is open Tue to Sat from 9am to 5pm. Tickets can be held at Will Call or mailed to customers at no extra cost.

Tickets ordered on line at www.hawaiitheatre.com, will incur additional charges of a \$4.50 "Convenience Fee" per ticket, as well as a \$4.50 fee per order and the \$3 Hawaii Theatre Restoration fee per ticket.

We look forward to seeing many temple members at our exciting encore performances!

Gail Taira (Ohana Arts Board Member and Volunteer)