

# JIKO-"Wisdom-Light"

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Monthly Newsletter of the Aiea Hongwanji Mission Embrace Change - Action (Open Communications)

## EVENTS OF AUGUST 2017

Aug 3	Thu	9:00am	Aiea Buddhist Women's Association meeting
Aug 5	Sat	7:00pm	Waialua Hongwanji Bon Dance
Aug 6	Sun	9:00am	Sutra Chanting Service/ Japanese Service
Aug 7	Mon		Start of Preschool 2017-2018 school year
Aug 7	Mon	7:30pm	Aiea Senior Young Buddhist Association meeting (office)
Aug 11-12	Fri-Sat	7:00pm	Pearl City Hongwanji Bon Dance
Aug 13	Sun	8:00am	Yagura and Concession Set Up/no service
Aug 13	Sun	11:30am	United of O'ahu Jr. YBA Meeting at Wahiawa
Aug 15	Tue	7:00pm	Aiea Hongwanji Mission Board of Directors' Meeting
Aug 18-19	Fri-Sat	7:00pm	Mililani Hongwanji Bon dance
Aug 20	Sun	10:00am	115th Anniversary Committee meeting
Aug 20	Sun	1:00pm	OUHHBWA meeting at Waipahu
<b>Aug 20</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>Hatsubon Service (First Year Service)</b>
<b>Aug 26</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>O-bon Service in temple (Speaker Rev. David Fujimoto)</b>
<b>Aug 26</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Aiea Hongwanji Mission Bon Dance</b>
<b>Aug 27</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Bon Dance Clean-up/no service</b>
Aug 27	Sun	noon	O'ahu Lay Convention Planning Meeting at Waipahu
Aug 28	Mon	7:00pm	O'ahu District Education meeting at Mililani

## HIGHLIGHTS OF SEPTEMBER 2017

Sep 7	Thu	9:00am	Aiea Buddhist Women's Association meeting
Sep 8	Fri	2:00pm	Honpa Hongwanji Hawai'i Board of Directors' Meeting
Sep 9-10	Sat -Sun		Honpa Hongwanji Lay Association Convention (Aiea)
Sep 10	Sun	9:00am	Family Service and Dharma School starts
Sep 12	Tue		Preschool CPK Fundraiser
Sep 16	Sat		Hawaii Federation of Jr. YBA's meeting
Sep 17	Sun	8:00am	Quarterly Temple Beautification Day/no service
Sep 18	Mon	7:00pm	O'ahu Hongwanji Council meeting at Pearl City
Sep 19	Tue	7:00pm	Aiea Hongwanji Board of Directors' Meeting
Sep 21	Thu		Peace Day Hawai'i
Sep 24	Sun	9:00am	Buddhist Dedication Day (Autumn Higan-Equinox)

## ***Aloha Members and Friends***

- This year's Hawaii State Federation of Honpa Hongwanji Lay Association's Annual Convention is hosted by O'ahu District. It will be held on September 9-10, 2017 here at Aiea Hongwanji Mission. The convention will be held in the middle of the visit of Gomonsu Kojun Ohtani, Spiritual Leader of the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha worldwide organization, headquartered in Kyoto, Japan. See page 12 of last month's issue of the JIKO for info on the special Lay Convention service and lunch with the Gomonsu for persons who are not attending the Convention as Delegates or Observers.
- Aiea Hongwanji recognizes that some individuals or families who would like to become gojikai or contributing members may not be able to afford the regular dues, which are \$125 for a husband and wife and dependent children, or \$50 for young adults under the age of 40. We would be happy to discuss a dues rate that may work for you. Please call the office at 487-2626 to leave your name & number so that the membership committee can contact you. August 2017 JIKO

**NEED THE  
ASSISTANCE OF  
THE MINISTER?**

**Please call Rev.  
Shawn Yagi at  
488-5685  
(residence), or  
487-2626 (office).  
If he is not  
available, leave a  
message on the  
answering  
machine.**

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

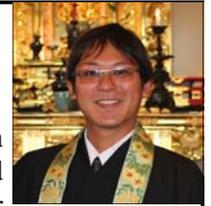
**Temple  
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also available for  
assistance. His  
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**Minister's Message**

OBON-Kangi'E -Gathering of Joy-



On August 20, we will be observing Hatsubon (first obon) and the Obon Service on August 26, which is the Memorial Service for our loved ones and ancestors. In memory of the deceased, we gather to express our gratitude for enabling us to encounter the teaching of Amida Buddha's Primal Vow. It is a great opportunity for us to strengthen our relationships with family members and friends by remembering the deceased and also to deepen our understanding of life and death by listening to the Nembutsu teachings taught by Shinran Shonin. Let us remind ourselves about the significance and the meaning of observing the service for our loved ones who have returned to the realm of Infinite Light and Life and, yet, still co-exist and live with us, as all Buddhas, in the Universal Truth of Oneness.

This is my Hana-bata-days story... My grandfather was very kind and gentle person. I always love to follow my grandfather when he visited to his Temple member's house. Japan, especially country side like my home town, has "Gakki-mairi", which means "A Buddhist ceremony or service held on the day that corresponds to the anniversary of a person's death of each month". So, almost every other day my grandfather visited the Temple member's house and made short service. Fun part was after the Sutra chanting. Family offered tea to my grandpa and they also gave me a glass of Juice and some candies.

One day my grandpa had special memorial service for his Great-grandfather but I refuse to attend the service because of, I was not able to feel any connection with deceased ancestor and I don't want to Seiza (Japanese seating style; kneeling with the tops of the feet flat on the Tatami floor, and sitting on the soles) for long period of time. So I furiously declared to my grandpa, "I will not attend, I don't want to sit on the Tatami floor, and I don't know who that guy is..." However, my grandpa talked to me very nicely.

"Listen carefully. Memorial service is perfect time to say "Thank you" and "I love you" to your ancestors. Because of him, you are able to born into this world and enjoy your life here and now."

That was like a magic word to me. I believe my Grandpa's words contain various meanings like "Gratitude", "Appreciation", "Respect", "Reflect", "Honors", "Love", "Peace" and "Nembutsu". That's how my grandpa guided me and gave me the opportunities to listen to the teachings in my daily life. When I was eighth grade, my grandfather passed away. For me, the Memorial Day for my grandpa is every day, not only his passing day. Every day, every moment, and every occasion is a precious opportunity for me to listen to the teachings of the Buddha, given by my grandfather, ancestors, and interconnected relationships with others. The memorial service can provide the opportunity to listen to the teachings of the Buddha as well as an opportunity to remember the deceased. I feel, however, that we should not be particular about the date, place, and style of the service. Rather, it becomes a great opportunity for us to reflect and appreciate this life which had been already encompassed by the Buddha of Infinite Light and Life.

As we welcome the Obon season, let us realize the true meaning and significance of a memorial service and listen to the Buddha's great teachings in our daily lives.

The annual Obon service is scheduled for Saturday, August 26, 2017, with guest speaker, the Reverend David Fujimoto of Mililani Hongwanji Buddhist Temple. The term "bon" is an abbreviation of a Japanese Buddhist term "Urabon," which is derived from the Sanskrit term "Ullumbana." "Ullumbana" means to be liberated from a spiritual state of pain and hunger caused by greediness, one of three blind desires. Even as we reflect on the sorrowful consequence of basic human defilement, we, as Jodo Shinshu Buddhists, joyfully reflect on the Primal Vow Power of Amida Buddha which has been fulfilled, thus enabling us to live in gratitude. The Bon Service is called the "Gathering of Joy" in Jodo Shinshu tradition.

In Gassho, Rev. Shawn K. Yagi

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hi everyone,

I hope you are well. We had an adventure! A few weeks ago, Claire, our favorite daughter Aly, her husband Brett (favorite son-in-law) and I climbed Mt. Fuji (or Fuji-san). Fortunately, we made it to the top and back down safely so I could tell you about it. If you are interested in this trek and want to be encouraged (or discouraged), we're the people to see.

It began with daughter Aly thinking that climbing Mt. Fuji was on my "bucket list". Possibly, but my "bucket list" is more like a series of thoughts out loud, rather than a list written on paper. Anyway, she suggested that we do it this summer. For various reasons, especially that the older we get, the less likely we would actually do it, I said yes. So did Claire, although reluctantly.

Mt. Fuji is a very popular tourist destination in Japan. Buses and cars go up to the 5<sup>th</sup> station at about 7,000 feet of elevation where there are tourist shops and small hotels (not fancy hotels). Many people start up to the summit but not everyone makes it to the top—usually because they are not prepared. If you are interested, I would encourage you to go to a website like [fujisan-climb.jp/en/](http://fujisan-climb.jp/en/) to learn more about it. And, follow their safety recommendations.

There are multiple paths to the summit of Mt. Fuji. Most people use the Yoshida trail that starts at the town of Kawaguchi-ko in the Fuji Five lakes area. Alyson and Brett started from the bottom on Thursday and walked to the 5<sup>th</sup> station on the first day. This took 6.5 hours. Very few people do this as most of the stations at the lower levels (1 through 4) are deserted. We took the bus to the 5<sup>th</sup> station level to meet them. We rested overnight in a "hotel" and all four of us started up to the summit on Friday morning.

The weather was great. Temperatures were in the 70s and no rain. The trail zigzags up the face of Fuji-san—sometimes gently sloping, and sometimes rocky and need to be careful about your footing. Sometimes the trail was fairly steep so that we felt safer walking/climbing on all fours. There is some forest at the start, but quickly becomes shrubs/grass and later just rock/sand/dirt with very few plants. Standing at the lower level and looking up towards the summit, I remember thinking— it is so steep and so far away!

It took us about 7.5 hours to get to the mountain hut Goraikou-kan at station 8.5 (about 10,000 feet). We went at a slow pace with many stops to catch our breath, rest our legs, have snacks and drink water. These really are huts—not hotels and not hostels. You need reservations to stay here. Definitely not the usual bed and breakfast—although we did have dinner there and we had a bed that we shared (love to talk about the mountain hut). We got there at about 4:30 pm, had a small dinner at 5:30 pm and were in bed by 7:30 pm. No shower, so no need to change clothes. Just wipe down some body parts with Baby wipes. And by the way, keep all of your own rubbish in a bag and take it with you to your hotel in Kawaguchi-ko.

Woke up at about 1:30 am, got dressed in warmer clothes, packed up and started up the mountain at 2:15 am to try to get to the summit before sunrise at 4:20 am. We needed headlamps to light our way. We made very slow progress the rest of the way. Had to stop so many times and so many people passed us. Thought that we probably would not make it since our progress was so slow. We just kept at it and made it to the summit at about 4:00 am! See our photo.

Sunrise from the top of Mt. Fuji was unforgettable! We shared a small bottle of sake (best sake ever!), took a few photos and started down. The journey down took over 4 hours. The last 2-3 hours were agony for me. My legs, particularly quadriceps muscles were burning constantly. My legs hurt for 3 days.

It was a great life experience. I was asked if we had fun. My answer is: the most fun part is talking about it after it is over. As I think about it, mostly I'm grateful. Grateful that we were healthy enough to even attempt to climb Mt. Fuji. Grateful that Aly helped to plan the trip and Brett carried extra water for all of us. Grateful that we made it. Namu Amida Butsu.

*Be your own light.*, 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.

**Namu Amida Butsu.**

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**HIS EMINENCE MONSHU KOJUN OHTANI'S OFFICIAL VISIT TO HONPA HONGWANJI MISSION OF HAWAII.** It is truly a privilege and great honor for us that His Eminence Monshu Kojun Ohtani and his entourage will be visiting Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii in September 2017.

On June 6, 2014, His Eminence Monshu Kojun Ohtani came to inherit the legacy of the Jodo Shinshu through receiving the transmission from the Monshu Emeritus Koshin Ohtani, succeeding to the posts of the resident priest of Hongwanji and the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha Monshu. Following his succession, Gomonsu Kojun Ohtani traveled across Japan, making an official visit to each district to directly exchange greetings and converse with ministers and lay delegates of affiliated temples.

From October 2016-May 2017, Gomonsu Kojun Ohtani successfully conducted a series of 80 services called Dento Hokoku Hoyo (The Commemoration on the Accession of the Jodo Shinshu Tradition) at the Hongwanji main temple in Kyoto. Two formal delegations from Hawaii attended the Dento Hokoku Hoyo, and the Gomonsu Kojun Ohtani kindly took the time and held a special audience for those delegates.

Gomonsu Kojun Ohtani is scheduled to visit Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii and its temples as follows. Please contact your temple minister or temple office for more details of this special visit.

**September 5 (Tue) – Hawaii District**

- Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin (temple and preschool visitation)
- Visitation and service at Pahoia Gravesite
- Lunch meeting with Hawaii district ministers
- Gomensetsu meeting with district leaders
- Confirmation ceremony @ Hilo Betsuin
- Welcome dinner

**September 6 (Wed) – Maui District**

- Kahului Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Lahaina Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Confirmation ceremony @ Wailuku Hongwanji
- Welcome dinner

**September 7 (Thu) – Maui District**

- Makawao Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Lunch meeting with Maui district ministers
- **September 8 (Fri) – Honolulu District**
- Hongwanji Mission School campus visit
- PBA new school building dedication service & campus visit
- PBA grand opening

**September 9 (Sat) – Oahu/Honolulu Districts**

- Wahiawa Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Pearl City Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Aiea Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation & attend Lay Convention)
- Jikoen Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Moilili Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)

**September 10 (Sun) – Honolulu District**

- Hawaii Betsuin temple building 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary kick-off service
- Confirmation ceremony @ Hawaii Betsuin
- Dinner reception with interfaith leaders, Honolulu/Oahu districts' ministers and spouses, and retired ministers and spouses

**September 11 (Mon) – Kauai District**

- West Kauai Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Kapaa Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Lihue Hongwanji Mission (temple visitation)
- Welcome dinner

**HONPA HONGWANJI MISSION OF HAWAII FIRST JOINT CONFERENCE.**

Be a part of history! Join us for the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii First Joint Conference on September 1 – 3, 2018 at the beautiful Kauai Marriott

The Conference theme is **Embrace Change – Harmony (Accept Differences).**

Our keynote speaker will be Hawaii's Attorney General, Doug Chin – a national leader in the fight for Civil Rights. Following the keynote speech, Attorney General Doug Chin and Bishop Matsumoto will join in a dialogue exploring Buddhist teachings in Creating Harmony and Accepting Differences in our world today.



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Participate in workshops relating to harmony and accepting differences:

- Harmony in Music: Taiko Drumming, Ukulele, Chanting, Singing
- Harmony in Art: Calligraphy, Photography, Crafts, Social Media Platforms
- Harmony in the Body: Health, Qi Gong, Tai Chi
- Harmony in Religion: Nembutsu Moments, Buddhist Perspectives on Peace & Harmony, Buddhism in Popular Music, Green Hongwanji



We hope you'll plan to spend a relaxing and inspiring three days and two nights on Kauai ... deepening your faith, learning new skills, making new friends... with our wonderful Shin Buddhist Sangha.



## PACIFIC BUDDHIST ACADEMY



### We're Counting the Weeks to Completion!

This past Friday marked the last day of summer school at PBA and a major milestone in our Capital Campaign.

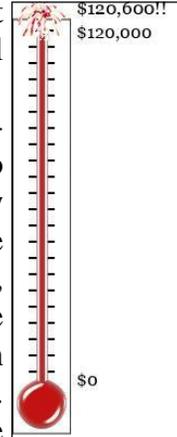
The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation made a special trip to our new classroom building and presented a check for \$1.5 million dollars to support the growth and success of PBA. The Weinberg Foundation's Grant Director Gailene Wong thanked PBA for teaching students leadership skills in the service of peace in Hawaii's communities. Mahalo to all members of our sangha whose donations inspired the Weinberg Foundation to invest in PBA's future.

"We are so grateful to the Weinberg Foundation for making it possible to construct our new building," said PBA Board Chair Leigh-Ann Miyasato. "We'll look with pride at the sign designating 'The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation Building,' and we'll always be reminded of our link to the Weinbergs' generosity and their commitment to the Hawaii community."

### Thank You for Helping us Surpass our Goal!

Because of you, Pacific Buddhist Academy reached its Annual Fund goal for the past academic year! We so appreciate all your support!

Please consider a charitable, tax-free contribution if you would like to help us get a head start for our new fiscal year! Our goal is for more students to enjoy our small-school, inclusive environment and receive benefits of a rigorous curriculum with instruction from outstanding teachers. Donations to the Annual Fund make up the difference between tuition and the actual costs of educating our students.



Please mail your donation to PBA, Advancement Office, 1710 Pali Highway, Honolulu, HI, 96813, or [make an online donation today](#). Thank you so much for considering a gift!

**Bon Dance.** Thank you to the many volunteers, including PBA students, parents, and staff, who helped at our Honpa Hongwanji Betsuin and Moiliili Bon Dances.



At the Honpa Hongwanji Betsuin, our volunteers worked with the Dharma School to serve shave ice! At the Moiliili Bon Dance, volunteers entertained children with temporary tattoos and games. We appreciate all your support!

PBA will be at the Aiea Hongwanji Bon Dance on August 26.

# PICTURES



Oahu Juniors and Advisors at the Waianae Bon Dance on July 22, 2017



Rev. Sonam Bhutia speaking at Pearl City Hongwanji on July 20.

## O'ahu United Junior YBA News

The United of O'ahu again got to have bragging rights at the 50th State Jr. Y. B. A. Convention hosted by the United of Honolulu and held at various venues: Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin, Buddhist Study Center and the Ala Moana Hotel. It was a close race and we feel honored to be able to bring the perpetual trophy home to the Leeward Coast. The United of O'ahu's members will have many responsibilities this upcoming 2017-2018 membership year.

The newly elected Federation officers are:

- President Sheera Tamura (Honolulu)
- Vice President Shane Koji Suzuki (O'ahu)
- Co-Secretaries Kano Hashimoto (O'ahu) and Allyson Kuwana (Honolulu)
- Treasurer Everett Kenji Suzuki (O'ahu)

On the United of O'ahu Level, our new officers are :

- President: Shane Koji Suzuki (Pearl City)
- Vice President: Chloe Oshiro (Mililani)
- Secretary: Kano Hashimoto (Wahiawa)
- Treasurer: Everett Kenji Suzuki (Pearl City)

The next United of O'ahu meeting will be on August 13, 2017 at 11:30 am at Wahiawa Hongwanji. We will be having installation of officers at that time.



Warren, Claire, Aly and Brett on Mount Fuji, Japan.

# Aiea Hongwanji Preschool & Kindergarten

July 13—Field Trip to Sesame Street Live

July 24- Water Bounce House

July 28—Last day of Summer Program — Family Pot Luck

Aug 7—First Day of School fo Fall Session 2017-2018

Thank you Hosha Gang for taking care of the Outdoor lights.

Paper rack has been installed in the library and new shelving for the 3's class has been delivered.

**Please drive cautiously and slow when entering and leaving Aiea Hongwanji parking lot.**



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



New Service MC  
Chad O.



Dharma School Teacher Claire Tamamoto, BWA President Arlene Sunada, Students Ransen and Chad, and Rev. Yagi at Dharma School Recognition Service on July 23, 2017

**Major Yearly  
Memorial  
Service  
Schedule**

For The Year  
2017

2016-1st year

2015-3rd year\*

2011-7th year

2005-13th year

2001-17th year

1993-25th year

1985-33rd year

1968-50th year

\* from the 2nd

anniversary,

please follow the

Japanese custom

of holding the

service the year

ahead.

Nokotsudo (Columbarium)

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

Family Memorial Service

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

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

If your family would like to arrange a memorial service for your loved one, please call 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).

August 2017

Tsugie Matsumoto	7th
Joyce Sanae Nakagawa	13th
Joyce Toshino Matsunaga	17th
Eleanor Chisato Ohira	17th
Kenso Higuchi	25th
Richard Isami Okano	25th
Satsu Hosokawa	33rd
Ura Nakatani	50th

September 2017

June Hisayo Higa	1st
Paul Tsugio Morioka	1st
Fumio Matsumoto	13th
Norio Furukawa	17th
Kazuo Kondo	17th
Hisao Mishima	17th
Clyde Takashi Yamashita	17th
Richard Tetsuo Yokomichi	17th
Nobuya Tashima	25th
Takemi Kanda	33rd
Juzo Kunimune	33rd
Shota Tokuhara	50th

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

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

*Aiea Hongwanji Mission extends its  
Deepest Sympathy to the families of  
the Late Masako Takara and  
Dorothy Sayako Mori.*

**Hatsubon honorees**

The following is a list of the deceased loved ones who will be remembered by family and friends on August 20, 2017 at the Hatsubon Service at Aiea Hongwanji Mission:

Nancy Chiyoko Furukawa June Hisayo Higa Masae Kakimoto Grace H. Kaneshiro June Yasuko Kimura Dorothy Sayako Mori	Paul Tsugio Morioka Misuye Morita June Sumii Nagamine Ellen Eiko Nuibe Masae Sakurai Ethel Kameyo Sekine	Masako Takara Hanako Tateishi Tetsuo Tateishi Roger Rikio Tokushige
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*Aiea BWA News*

BWA has been busy making many beautiful and useful handcrafted items. Be sure to stop by our Craft Sale at Obon in the Social Hall.

We are asking for dessert donations for our After Obon Meal to be dropped off at the kitchen before/during Obon. We really appreciate all the ono goodies that you donate for this event. Mahalo in advance for your kokua!

Fresh flowers and greenery are especially appreciated for our Hatsubon Service on August 20 and for the Obon Service on August 26.

On Sat. August 26 (morning), we will need lots

of help decorating the Yagura, hanging up lanterns, setting up chairs, (afternoon) preparing refreshments to be sold at Obon, working at concessions, clean up, helping in the kitchen. We also need help on Sun, August 27 (morning) for clean up. We really appreciate all your help and time at this annual event of remembrance and fellowship.

Call Warren Tamamoto or Arlene Sunada if you have questions or can help at 487-2626 (office).

Mahalo for your continued support and friendship.

Arlene Sunada



NEWS from Lotus Adult Day Care Center

The Lotus Adult Day Care Center offers a safe environment where our kupunas can interact with other Seniors and enjoy activities.

There are just a few more openings on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

If you are interested in respite care for your love ones, please contact us at 486-5050.



## THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION

The JIKO will publish names and amounts of donations made for services or projects. **NOTE:** If you DO NOT want your name published, please write "NO PUBLISH" on your check in the left bottom corner, and your name will be omitted and your donation marked "Generous Member or Anonymous". *If you wish to have your name published without the dollar amount showing, please write "DONATION \$ BLANK".*

*Donations listed here were recorded prior to approximately July 19, 2017. Donations recorded after this date will be published in next month's newsletter.*

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 <p style="font-size: 2em; font-family: cursive;">thank you</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NON MONETARY DONATIONS:</b></p> <p>Thank you to:  <b>Lily Matsunami</b>—Crocheted handicraft/mats  <b>Lori Domingo</b> – Large jar of Tsukemono  <b>Eric Shimabukuro</b> for the flowers (Kiku and carnations) he donated. The flowers were used for the main altar and nokotsudo.  <b>Thelma Tarumoto</b> for all the household appliances she donated.</p>	<p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Do you have an unwanted vehicle at home?                  If so, please consider  <b>Kokua in Kind</b> (ph. 834-6603)</p>  <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Proceeds go to Aiea Hongwanji Mission and you could get a tax deduction</p> 
<p><b>HI-5 RECYCLABLE DONATIONS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please deposit Hi-5¢ donations outside in the back (Makai) corner of hall building where our master recycler Kazuto Tomoyasu works on it on Hosha days. Thank you Kazu for your hard work!</li> <li>• Please deposit non Hi-5 items and card board at our neighborhood school depositories or your blue home recycle bins.</li> </ul> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; gap: 10px;">     </div>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To all Hall Users—Please deposit your Hi-5 recycle items in the Recycle area, not in the trash can.</li> <li>• Please note—plastic drink bottles cannot be redeemed without the Hi-5 label. If label is detached, please roll it up and stick it in the bottle. Also please remove plastic caps as they will reject containers w/caps.</li> <li>• If you would like to be recognized for your donation, please include your name. Thank you for your continued support.</li> </ul> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; gap: 20px;">   </div>		

## WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

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

We solicit donations of items for our Bon Dance on August 26 of :

- **Cans of spam (low sodium spam preferred)**
- **Bottles of water**
- **Cans of Hawaiian Sun Passion Orange drink**
- **Cans of soda: Coke, Diet Coke, 7-up**



Thank you *very* much!

## *Senior YBA News*

July 21 (Friday) was our Senior YBA dinner hosted by the Zakahi's. Yes, ono kine pupu, broke da mouth dinner and onolicious desserts!! Thanks to Wade and Carol who donated the big platter of sashimi! What a nice treat! Thank you to everyone for all the good kau kau. Our talk story time was very enjoyable and there was a lot of laughter. Yes, the Senior YBA really practices open communication.

August 20<sup>th</sup> is our Service Project – Hatsubon Service, where families gather in remembrance of a loved one who has passed in the last year. The Service starts at 5 p.m. Harriet Z. is in charge of preparing refreshments.

Please kokua. Kitchen help is needed by 3 p.m. We need our Senior YBA at the Temple by 4 p.m. to help Sensei Yagi with the flowers and food offerings from the families in attendance. Please wear your YBA shirts!!

August 7<sup>th</sup> (Monday) is our Senior YBA meeting. We will meet in our AHM office. Yes, the meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

A very warm welcome to our newest member, Diane Okawa! So glad to have you joining us!

Enjoy your last days of summer.

In Gassho,  
*George Zakahi*



## PROJECT DANA

Volunteers are still needed to assist with transportation for doctor and dentist visits, shopping, and respite visits. for the frail, elderly and disabled living at home from Waimalu to Salt Lake. Volunteers do not do light housekeeping.

Please call Frank at 772-3050 for information on becoming a Project Dana volunteer. Orientation and training will be provided to the volunteers.

Thank you very much!



## 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.

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