

**Prajna**

## **Donation with an Apology to the Victims in Nepal**

On April 25, a large earthquake hit Nepal.

Over 8,000 people died, thousands more were injured or are homeless, and many buildings, including historical temples and palaces, collapsed or were severely damaged.

After the earthquake, we have received many inquiries as to how we can send donations to the victims in Nepal. Donations will

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be collected at Senshin temple and subsequently forwarded to the BCA headquarters. BCA is collecting donations from all the BCA temples to be sent to the Katmandu Hongwanji, Jodo Shinshu temple in Nepal. According to the head minister of Katmandu Hongwanji, Rev. Sonam Wangdi Bhutia, the temple



*“Please help Nepal and the Katmandu community in our time of suffering. The funds raised will be used to help all without regard to religion or ethnicity, since we are all part of the world community and feel strongly that we must help each other in times of need. Please be assured that all funds will be used for the restoration of the affected areas in Nepal and for only these purposes.”*

- REVEREND SONAM WANGDI BHUTIA

building did not collapse; however, it did suffer some damages. They would appreciate any donations as they are also helping victims near the temple.

If you wish to make a donation to the Nepal Earthquake Relief Fund for the victims of the earthquake and Katmandu Hongwanji, please contact the temple.

Whenever I hear news about the disaster, I always recognize my limitation and my self-centeredness. I feel sympathy for the victims and I feel sorry for them. But this “sorry” is, in a sense, a feeling of apology. My “I am sorry,” may be “I apologize to you because I cannot empathize with your sorrow perfectly.”

In Nepal, many people suddenly lost their family members and friends. Their sorrow is beyond comprehension, they suffered severe pain in their heart and mind too. But how about myself? Compared to them, my sorrow and sympathy is very small.

Buddhism teaches, “*Buddhist practice is practice of compassion,*” “*all are oneness,*” “*I am others, others are I,*” “*all beings are like family member,*” etc. I understand it in my head, but I cannot demonstrate it. If I truly believe “I am others,” the victim’s

pain would become my pain. But I do not feel the same pain as the victims. While they are crying and starving, I am watching the NBA play-off games, cheering the players and spitting popcorns from my mouth. It is very embarrassing. If I am truly thinking of the victims, I should go to Nepal and help with their recovery, but I don’t.

Shinran Shonin stated in his hymns, “*Lacking even small love and small compassion, I cannot hope to benefit sentient beings.*” “*Each of us, inward bearing, make a show of being wise, good, and dedicated. But so great are our greed, anger, perversity, and deceit.*”

Hence, Shinran Shonin taught, the only way we can attain enlightenment is through Amida’s compassion. Only Amida’s compassion can give way to overcome our suffering and self-centeredness.

Katmandu Hongwanji is the place where the Nepali people can listen to Shinran Shonin’s teaching. Through our understanding, in the long run, by listening to the teaching and receiving Amida’s compassion, we can resolve any life issues that are caused by our limitations and self-centeredness. The victims of the earthquake need both physical and mental help as well as financial support now. Due to our limitations, we cannot go to Nepal. So, with an apology to them and gratitude to Amida, let us help them by making a donation as much as possible.

*Namoamidabutsu*

REV. RYUTA FURUMOTO



## ネパール地震被災者への寄付のお願い

4月25日にマグニチュード7.8の地震がネパールで起こりました。この大地震やその後に起こった幾度かの地震の影響で大勢の方々が死傷しました。今では8000人以上の方が亡くなり、約1万5千人の方が負傷していると報告されています。また、世界遺産に登録されている歴史ある寺院や宮殿なども倒壊したり、深刻なダメージを受けたりしています。に感謝しましょう。

地震の後、お寺のメンバーの方々から、どのようにしてドネーションを送ったらいいかと問い合わせをいただきましたので、ここでみなさまにお知らせしようと思います。ネパール地震の被災者の方々への寄付は、まず洗心寺に持ってきてください。お寺で寄付を集めて、それをまとめてBCA本部へ送ります。BCA本部は全米の各寺院から送られた寄付をまとめて、ネパールのカトマンズ本願寺へ送る、という手順になっています。

BCA本部によりますと、カトマンズ本願寺のソナム先生は無事だそうです。お寺は倒壊をまぬがれましたが、所々にダメージを受けています。けれども、もうすでにお寺の近隣住民を助けるために支援活動を始め、お寺の修復をはじめ、食料、水、医療などにお金が必要なので、寄付をお願いしておられます。

ネパール地震の被災者のためにドネーションを考えておられる方は、お寺に持ってきてください。宜しく願います。

ところで、ネパール地震だけでなく、4年前に起こった東北大地震など世界各地でおこる自然災害での被害を聞くたびに、私は自分の小ささや自己中心性を反省させられます。ネパールでは突然の地震によって突然家族や友人を亡くされた方が多いことでしょう。それで「被災者の方々の悲しみは筆舌につくせません。」と心に思ったり、書いたりしますが、実際は被災者の方々の苦し

みや悲しみに、心の底から、ほんとうに同情をすることができていません。

「仏教は慈悲の教え」だとか、「すべてが一つ」だとか、「世界中の生きとし生けるものはすべて家族だ」とか、口ではいい、頭では理解していますが、そのことを実践しているかといえば、「まったく程遠い」と認めざるを得ないのです。

ほんとうに「私とネパールの人が一如（ひとつのごとし）」というなら、ネパールの方々の涙が私の涙となり、ネパールの方たちと同じ悲しみやショックを感じているはずです。地震による死傷者が増えた、などのニュースを聞くと、少しは同情し、悲しいなという気持ちはおこりますが、実際には、それよりも関心があるのはNBAのプレイオフのことで、クリッパーズの選手やファンとともに一喜一憂することのほうがあきらかに多いのです。もしほんとうに自分に慈悲心や同情心があるのなら、ただちにネパールへ行って支援活動のボランティアでもするべきですが、そんなことはしていません。

親鸞聖人はご和讃で「小慈小悲もなき身にて、衆生利益は思うまじ」といわれ、自分には人を救う慈悲なんてありえない、とおっしゃっておられますし、「外儀のすがたはひとごと賢善精進現ぜしむ」と、外見は立派に見せて同情心をもっているようにするけど、

ほんとうは自分の利益ばかりを考えている、と人間のほんとうの心持ちを教えてください。

聖人は、人間の慈悲はあてたよりにならず、ただ阿弥陀さまの大慈悲心のみが私たちをお浄土に生まれさせることができ、またこの人生での苦や自己中心性を乗り越えさせてくださるのだともお示しくくださるのです。

カトマンズ本願寺は、ネパールの方々が唯一、親鸞聖人のありがたい教えを聞くことのできる場です。私たちは、仏さまの教えを聞き、仏さまのお慈悲をいただくことで、人生に起こるすべての問題を超越することができる、との理解をもつ念仏者の集まりです。今、私たちの念仏の仲間がネパールで困っています。私たちの自己中心性のために、ネパールへいってガレキを撤去する手伝いはできませんが、被災者の方々が、また安心して仏様の教えを聞くことができるように、ぜひともカトマンズ本願寺をヘルプしましょう。よろしくお願い致します。

南無阿弥陀仏

古本竜太







# Nepal Earthquake Disaster

(reprinted from BCA Update)

On April 25, 2015, the country of Nepal was struck by a 7.8 earthquake. This disaster has left in its wake a tragedy beyond our comprehension. The enormous loss of life, the damage to the country’s infrastructure, and the effect on the livelihoods of the people of Nepal as well as many of its neighboring countries, is tremendous. Our hearts and thoughts go out to all those who are suffering as a result of this tragedy.

The Kathmandu Hongwanji, headed by Rev. Sonam Wangdi Bhutia, has always been involved in helping their community. In the wake of this disastrous earthquake their priority continues to be helping the community, in spite of the damage to their temple building. They are asking us to help support their efforts. I want to ask you to respond to their call for help.

As we respond to the call from Nepal, we must remember that tragedies and natural disasters happen constantly, all over the world. Let us remember that we are part of the world community and be willing to help at all times and in all situations. I ask that your temple or church be mindful of people everywhere. I want to encourage you to support not only this effort, but to engage in social welfare efforts in your communities as well.

REV. KODO UMEZU, BISHOP  
Buddhist Churches of America



## Nepal Earthquake Relief Fund

Your gift, big or small, will make a lasting impact on those who need it most. Send checks payable to **Senshin Buddhist Temple, 1311 W. 37th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90007**. Please note “**NEPAL EARTHQUAKE RELIEF**” in the memo section of your check. All donations will be forwarded to the BCA Headquarters Relief Fund who will send the funds to Katmandu Hongwanji. Thank you for your support and Dana.

For status updates about Rev. Sonam Wangdhi Bhutia and the Katmandu Hongwanji’s relief efforts, please visit the BCA website at [www.buddhistchurchesofamerica.org](http://www.buddhistchurchesofamerica.org) or join BCA’s Facebook group [facebook.com/buddhistchurchesofamerica](https://www.facebook.com/buddhistchurchesofamerica). If you have any questions regarding this relief effort, please send inquiries to [donate@bcahq.org](mailto:donate@bcahq.org).

## Monthly Memorial Service JUNE

Sunday, June 7, 2015 10:00am

*The monthly memorial service is usually held on the first Sunday of each month in memory of those who have passed away in that month. At the service, the list of names of the deceased, the person observing the memorial and the person’s relation to the deceased is read. The Monthly Memorial List is also published in the Prajna newsletter. To have a name entered into the Monthly Memorial List, please call the office as names may not automatically be entered after a funeral.*

SESHU (OBSERVANT)	DECEASED’S RELATION TO OBSERVANT	DECEASED
Akahori, Ted	Sister	Kawaye, Katherine
Castellon, Josyel	Grandmother-in-law	Takahashi, Misuko
Enami, Mariko	Mother	Kuramoto, Tsutayo
Enami, Mariko	Husband	Enami, Frank
Hisamune, Catherine	Mother	Fujita, Shizuye
Ikegami, Sumiko	Mother	Shigaki, Suzu
Imamura, Kikuye	Father	Yoshimura, Arakichi
Isomoto, Kiyoko	Friend	Furutani, Yasuko Jean
Kanagawa, Elso	Father-in-law	Kanagawa, Shuichi
Kitayama, Glen	Grandfather	Kitayama, Eizaburo
Kunitake, Kimiyo	Grandfather	Yamada, Shigenosuke
Kunitake, Kimiyo	Father	Yamada, Masao
Kuwata, Yuriko	Father-in-law	Kuwata, Kiyomatsu
Matsuda, Misao	Stepmother-in-law	Nishimoto, Rise
Matsumoto, Hisako	Mother	Matsumoto, Yaye
Matsumoto, Hisako	Father	Matsumoto, Kyujiro
Matsumoto, Hisako	Mother-in-law	Matsumoto, Miyuki
Matsumura, Henry	Uncle	Yamaguchi, Tetsuro
Minami, Jean	Mother-in-law	Minami, Suma
Murakami, Hisako	Father	Takahashi, Hirokichi
Murakami, Yomiko	Father-in-law	Murakami, Shinkichi
Nakawatase, Sachiko	Mother	Nakawatase, Toku
Nakawatase, Sachiko	Brother	Nakawatase, Toshinobu
Nakawatase, Yasuko	Mother	Kuramura, Kikue
Nishida, Kikuko	Father	Yamaguchi, Kinai
Nishikawa, Edith	Mother	Yoshida, Isayo
Nishisaka, Yuriko	Father	Sanada, Yukimasa
Nishisaka, Yuriko	Grandfather	Yamamoto, Eijiro
Nishisaka, Yuriko	Sibling	Baby Sanada
Phuntshog, Gedun	Mother-in-law	Takahashi, Misuko
Rogers, Beverly	Mother	Nishi, Chitose
Rogers, Beverly	Father	Nishi, Soichiro
Sato, Terry	Mother	Kishaba, Fusa
Sugita, Hideo	Father	Sugita, Yoshiaki
Takahashi, Elaine	Mother	Takahashi, Misuko
Takahashi, Sumiji	Grandmother	Takahashi, Misuko
Takahashi, Zen	Great Grandmother	Takahashi, Misuko
Takashima, Wilbur	Great Grandmother	Sato, Mika
Takashima, Wilbur	Grandmother	Taniguchi, Hisayo
Takashima, Wilbur	Uncle	Taniguchi, Kiyoshi
Takemoto, Kazumi	Mother-in-law	Takemoto, Kanayo
Takeuchi, Yo	Son	Takeuchi, Alan
Tanaka, Nobuko	Husband	Tanaka, Masuo
Terakawa, Alan	Aunt	Matsumune, Hisayo
Terakawa, Alan	Mother	Terakawa, Yoshiko
Uyeno, Matsuko	Sister	Nakamura, Agnes
Watanabe, Marsha	Father	Imai, Akio
Yamaguchi, Toshiko	Father-in-law	Yamaguchi, Kinai
Yoneda, Kiyoko	Mother-in-law	Yoneda, Tsugi



Senshin-ji Building Fund June 2015 Update

We were notified in late April that, due to its age, the Social Hall had to be tested for the presence of both asbestos and lead. This testing involves those portions of the remodeling project that are expected to be disturbed or removed during the demolition process. If either substance is found in a location that is to be demolished, we must then hire a certified remediation specialist who is authorized to remove asbestos and another who is authorized to remove lead. It may be that a single specialist can handle the removal of both.

The firm that conducted the testing is independent of the specialists who perform the removals so there are no conflicts of interest. The testing firm is only permitted to perform the tests. The remediation firm(s) is only permitted to perform removals.

The testing was completed on May 1st and the results found that the asbestos and lead contamination were not as widespread as we had expected. Asbestos is present only in the flooring of the hallway, and because both sides of the kitchen wall that adjoin the hallway

are to be removed and replaced, the hallway floor will be disturbed and thus shall require removal by the specialists.

As for the lead issue, the substance was found in the existing restrooms and in the window sills of the main room of the Social Hall. Since the entire men’s and women’s restrooms are to be completely removed and replaced with a single storage room, and the windows of the main room are all to be removed and replaced, the remediation work will be relatively confined.

The unfortunate aspect of all this is that remediation/removal of asbestos and lead is an expensive proposition. We are waiting to receive the cost estimates for the work once the specialists are selected.

We are also hoping that the remediation work will not cause a significant delay in the construction schedule, but the Satoh Brothers firm will be able to determine that once the specialists are assigned and the construction plans have been approved. The initial plan check/review and comments from DBS should have been received by the end

of May. Again, we hope that nothing in the comments from DBS will require any significant revisions of our plans.

As noted previously, the official fundraising efforts were terminated as of April 30th. However, the Senshin-ji Building Fund will gladly and joyfully accept any donations at any time!

Thank you for your continuing patience.

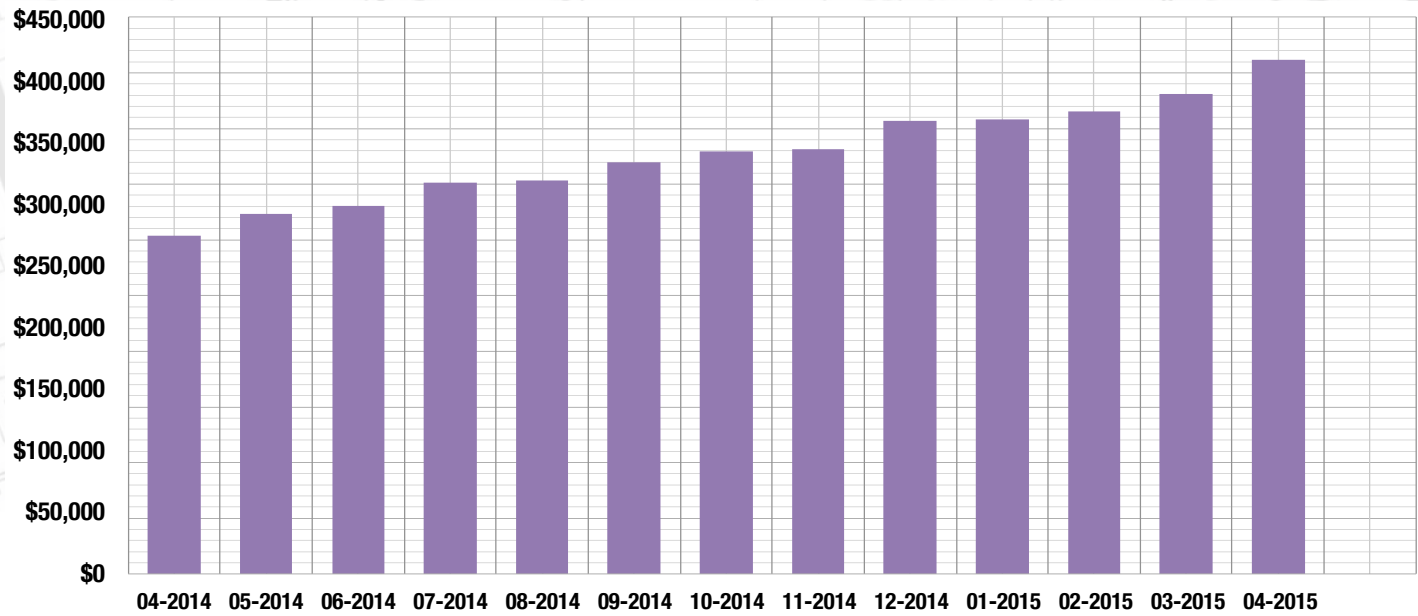
Gassho,  
Wilbur Takashima

DONATIONS RECEIVED IN APRIL:

Akamine, Don & Lynn  
Anonymous  
Kodani, Rev. Mas  
Kok, Richard & Hori, Robert  
Kono, Keiko  
Kuwata, Yuriko Lillian  
Matsuyama, Laraine  
Mikkelson, Eric & Dawn  
Takahashi, Y. Elaine\*  
Yamashita, Qris & Komai, Chris  
Yokoyama, Stan & Arlene

\* In honor of Zen Takahashi

Senshin-ji Building Fund: Social Hall  
Goal: \$500,000 by April 30, 2015



4/2/2015	Mr & Mrs Roy Usui Elso Kanagawa & Celia Huey Iwanaga Family	25th cycle memorial, Gina Usui Special Funeral donation
4/4/2015	Joyce Tonooka	Funeral donation, Ben Tonooka
4/12/2015	James & Karen Harada  Kinnara Taiko / Gagaku Masao Kodani Wasabi Kai Ron Matsuda Hiroko Meyer Neil & JoAnn Komai	49th day service, Isamu Matsumura Special Nokotsudo Orei Dana for Palm Plant cutting In memory of Ben Tonooka 3rd cycle memorial, Yoshito Yamada
	Sumiji Takahashi & Josyel Castellon  Elaine Takahashi	7th cycle memorial, Yoshiharu Takahashi 7th cycle memorial Yoshiharu Takahashi
4/19/2015	Asa & Bernice Wakinaka  Vickie Wakinaka  Alan Miyatake	Memorial service, David & Mike Wakinaka Memorial service, David & Mike Wakinaka Special, Toyo Miyatake Studio
4/26/2015	Mizutani Family	In memory of Hana Unno
4/30/2015	Beverly Rogers Elso Kanagawa & Celia Huey	In memory of Chido Aramaki Special

Listed are donations handled by the Regular Treasurer:  
**Special:** donation received with no specific reason given  
**Orei:** donation for use of temple facilities, equipment, etc.  
**Nokotsudo:** donation by families who have family cremains in the *Nokotsudo* (columbarium)  
The Regular Treasurer is required to send receipts for donations of \$250.00 and over. Receipts for all other donations will not be sent unless requested by the donor.

May 2015 Flower Donations

Tomi & Ted Akahori	Sumiko Hiramoto
Anonymous	Yoko Nishikawa
Anonymous	Yuri Nishisaka
Yo Takeuchi	Mark & Reiko Sondag
Miwako Hashimoto	Ellen Shimohara
Sumiko Hayamizu	Betty Yamashita

Senshin-ji Building Fund  
1311 West 37th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90007

Name(s)		
Address		
City		
State	Zip	Donation Amount: \$

(Please make checks payable to: Senshin-ji Building Fund)

**NOTE:** In order to maintain compliance with IRS policy, whenever we receive a check in the amount of \$250.00 or more, we will send an acknowledgement letter to the donor for his/her records. For amounts less than \$250.00, your cancelled check will serve as a receipt for the donation. *However*, if you wish to have a letter of receipt sent to you, regardless of the donation amount, please let us know and we will be most happy to comply.



# Updates & ANNOUNCEMENTS!

## Religious Committee

*Hatsubon* and *Bon Odori* are on June 27th. (see separate articles)

## B W A

We welcome all women to join the BWA in 2015. If you are interested, contact any BWA member. 2015 dues are \$10.

THANK YOU everyone for supporting our Dessert Sale, White Elephant Sale, Craft Sale and our homemade Tsukudani Sale. Thank you to all who came out to help with preparations and make the delicious desserts! Thank you to Okusan for the delicious Tsukudani!

*Next meeting: June 7, after Study Class.*

## A B A

Thank you to everyone for working at Chicken Teriyaki! Now, we are getting ready for OBON. We will be selling a new item at our booth, so hope we will be doing great. Like always, we welcome all new members to come and join our group.

## Jr Y B A

On June 14th, the Jr's will be hosting their annual Parents Day Breakfast starting at 8:00am until 10:00am. Come and join us for a delicious breakfast prepared by the Jr's.

Also, the Southern District Jr. YBL is taking orders for the 2015 Obon T-shirt. The cost is \$15 for adult sizes S, M, L, XL and \$17 for XXL. The flyer and order forms are posted out-

side the temple office on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, please contact Marilyn Shimabukuro at (818) 248-4720.

And don't forget to stop by the Jr's Shave Ice booth at Senshin's Obon later this month.

## Book Group

The Book Group last met on May 31st after Study Class, discussing the book, *Confucius Lives Next Door* by T.R. Reid. New titles, new authors and new members are welcome. Contact Lilly & Mike Yanagita (818) 956-1070, email n7willow@gmail.com.



## Facilities

The leak in the Social Hall near the stage reappeared during the rain in May. It may have to wait for repair during the renovation of the Social Hall to start later this summer. Two poles were replaced by DWP, one in the parking lot outside of the kitchen and one next to the bodhi tree. New stainless steel sinks will be installed in the Flower Room to replace the current sinks, one of which is cracked and leaks. The Hondo windows were cleaned last month, sponsored by the Jr's. An enclosure was put up to protect the light fixture at the base of the stairs of the Education Building from erratic

B-balls and dodgeballs. Lizzy has been evicted from the office. But is still seen wondering around the court yard.

## Obon Raffle Fundraiser

On Saturday June 27, Senshin will hold its annual Raffle during Bon Odori intermission. Please help support this fundraiser by entering the Raffle. You will be receiving Raffle tickets in a separate mailing. An envelope will be provided for you to send back the ticket stubs and donation check. Let us know if you want more raffle tickets to distribute to your family and friends.

If you would like to donate a raffle prize that would also be deeply appreciated.

We are grateful for your ongoing support and hope to see you at Obon!

If you have questions, please contact Debbie Hiramoto at 626.232.4736 or debhiramoto@gmail.com

## Bon Odori Practices at Senshin

You may look a fool if you dance, but you are a fool if you don't. So why not join in? And for those of you who need a little more encouragement, here are the days you can practice:

June 5 Friday  
June 9 Tuesday  
June 12 Friday  
June 15 Monday  
June 17 Wednesday  
June 23 Tuesday  
June 25 Thursday

Practices start at 7:30pm in the corner parking lot at Senshin. A-yoi-yoi!

## 2014 Senshin-ji Member Directories are here!

Reminder: 2014 Senshin Picture Directories are available to pick up in the temple office. If you had your portrait taken by Toyo Miyatake, or mailed in a picture, there is a booklet set aside for you. There are also a limited number of copies available for sale at \$20 each. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Hiramoto at debhiramoto@gmail.com.

## Social Media



SenshinBuddhistTemple



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## Chicken Teriyaki Report: Watch Out for Those Chickens!

We sold about 950 Chicken Teriyaki Dinners! And even though we followed the same, closely guarded secret teriyaki recipe, handed down for generations, the consensus was that this year's chicken was exceptionally tasty. We were fortunate to experience good weather for the event with a mild day and a slight breeze. This significant fundraising event would not be possible without the participation of so many people. The sauce preparation begins more than a week ahead and many start working before dawn on the day of the cooking. Another part of this fundraising day, was the BWA White Elephant, Craft and Bake Sale

which was very successful. Many, many thanks to those behind the scenes sorting, baking, preparing, and coordinating. A HUGE THANK YOU to the handful of key people who stay from beginning to end, making sure that everything is done the "Senshin way." The number of those participating is shrinking and we need more help to keep this signature temple fundraiser thriving. Please be on the lookout for next year's announcement and make a personal commitment to come join us next year.

It may seem crazy to try to do so many things on the same day, but with the positive reputation of this multi-faceted fundraiser bringing out so many people to visit Senshin, it makes it the ideal time to be a little crazy.

Thank you to everyone who helped, purchased and ate!





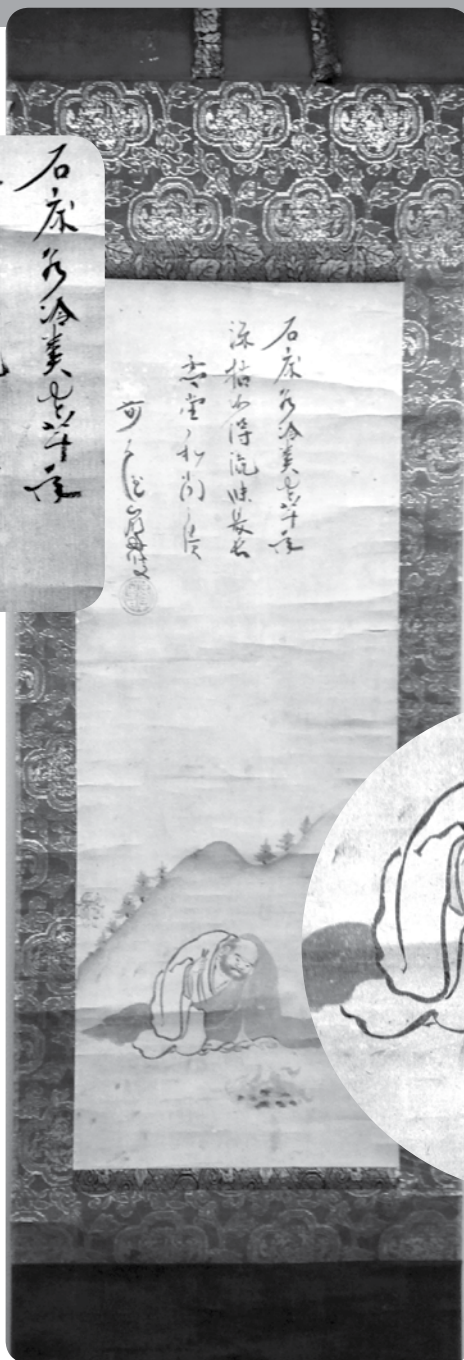
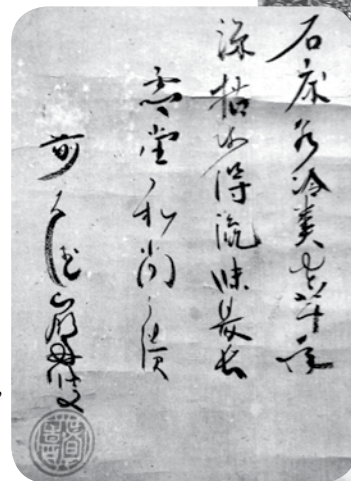
## Zen Painting

This month, Mas-sensei chose a Zen painting. A Buddhist monk is sitting on the ground and baking a sweet potato in the fire, waiting for it to be ready to eat. In the upper portion of the scroll, there is a phrase written in *kanji* which is called

*San*. Mas-sensei said, "This scroll is the most valuable piece among the temple's scroll collection." A few years ago, Mas-sensei showed all the scrolls to a curator of LACMA and this was the one scroll that the curator wanted to purchase for the museum. Mas-sensei said, "But I did not ask him what it was worth. I don't even remember how much I paid for it at an antique store in Kyoto in the 60's." He does not recall the name of the painter nor the meaning of the *San*. *San* is a phrase or a poem on the painting. Usually, the painter and the author of the *San* are different. The painter draws and then someone else, such as a monk, a poet, or an aristocrat, would write a poem, a *haiku*, or a phrase to explain and praise the painting. If the painter writes the *San* himself, it would be considered an egoistic deed. Such an embarrassing deed is referred to as *Jiga Jisan* (Drawing by himself and Praising by himself), an idiom warning the person who has too much high self-esteem. According to an English-Japanese dictionary, *Jiga Jisan* is translated as "Self Congratulation." Mas-sensei's scroll is not a "Self Congratulate" painting. The name of the painter of this scroll is not clear but the person who wrote the *San* is a high-ranked *Rinzai* Zen priest, named Ryo Shu.

*Namoamidabutsu*

REV. RYUTA FURUMOTO



## 床の間ギャラリー： 禅画

今月は、マス先生は 床の間に禅画を掛けられました。僧侶が地面に座って焚き火の中の焼き芋ができるのを待っている様子を描いています。軸の上部には賛（サン）と呼ばれる漢字で書かれた詩文があります。

「この掛け軸はお寺のコレクションでもっとも高価なもの」だとマス先生は言われます。数年前、LACMAのキュレーターにお寺のコレクションを見せたところ、この掛け軸だけ、LACMAで買取りたいと、言われたそうです。けれどもマス先生は「売る

つもりはなかったの  
で、値段はどの  
くらいかは聞  
かなかった。  
60年代、  
京都の骨董  
屋さんにい  
くら払った  
のかも忘れ  
てしまった  
よ。」と、画  
家の名も讃の  
意味も覚えてい  
ないそうです。

賛とは画に含まれて  
いる文あるいは歌（詩）のこと  
です。画家と賛を書く者は通常別人  
で、画家の描いた絵に、僧侶とか  
歌人あるいは貴人が詩や俳句、ま  
たは絵を説明し賛える短い文を添  
えるのです。けれども、もし画家  
が自分自身で賛を書くと、それは  
エゴイストチックな行為とみなされ  
ます。このような恥ずかしい行為  
を「自画自賛（自分の描いた絵を  
自分で褒める）」といい、自分を  
高く評価し過ぎる人に対する戒め  
の言葉です。マス先生の掛け軸は  
自賛の絵ではありません。画家の  
名はハッキリしていませんが、賛  
は臨済派の禅僧、嶺舟の筆による  
ものです。

古本竜太開教使  
訳 松林和夫



# SENSHINJI BON ODORI

Saturday, June 27, 2015

5:30pm	Hatsubon Service
7:00pm	Bon Odori
Intermission	Raffle Drawing
9:00pm	Omairi in Hondo
	Sento Shogon (1,000 oil lamps)
	Otoki
10:00pm	Horaku: Kinnara Taiko

### Senshin Buddhist Temple

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED  
*Bon Odori*, June 27, 2015, Saturday  
OBON is almost here!!!

We ask for your help and participation in this Temple event. The temple organizations coordinate the different aspects of this *Obon* event, but need your help to make the night successful. No experience is required, only a willingness to help and enjoy. Please call Greg Yee, *Obon* Chairperson, at (626) 289-6712, or please leave a message and he will call you back; or leave this sign-up sheet in the Temple Office. All are welcomed!

*Please circle one or more areas you are able to help during the approximate time schedule listed below and leave in Obon mailbox:*

We hope to see everyone Saturday, June 27, 2015, helping and having fun at Senshin's *Bon Odori*.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!  
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**Morning: 8am–10am**

1. Set-up *Yagura*
2. String up Lanterns and Light bulbs
3. Set up Chairs and food Booths
4. Cook *Somen*
5. Cut-up Green Onions and Kamaboko

**Starting: 3pm**

1. Cook and wrap Hot Dogs
2. Package Cha Shu Bao into bags
3. Cook Rice

**During Dancing Help in Booths: 5pm–9pm**

1. Selling Food and Drinks
2. Selling Raffle Tickets
3. Pass out Treats and Drinks to Guest Dancers
4. Check Trash Cans and Restrooms

**After Dancing: 9pm–10pm**

1. BEFORE the last dance is over, go to the kitchen and help Serve *Somen*
2. After Taiko ends, help put away the chairs in the Social Hall and Clean-Up

**Take Apart Yagura & CleanUp Parking Area: 9pm–10pm**

1. Help taking apart and putting away Yagura, Chairs, Lanterns, Lights, and Booths.
2. Close Up the Temple

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

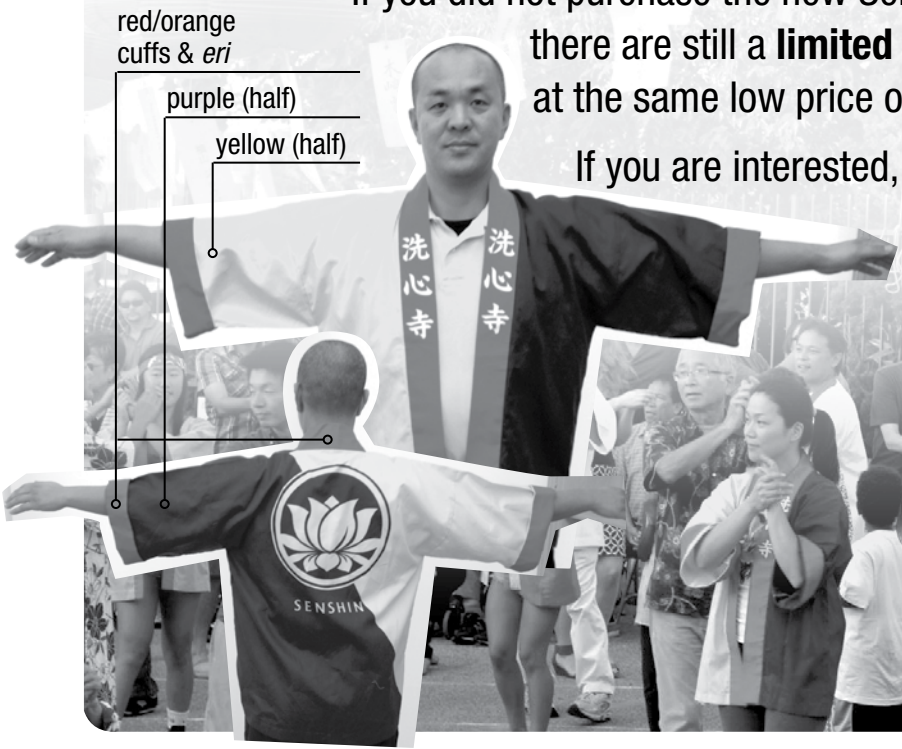
2015 Southern District Bon Odori Schedule

	DATE	DAY	TEMPLE	BON ODORI	BAZAAR
June	13	Sat	Arizona Buddhist Temple	6:45–9p	5–9p
	20	Sat	Sun Valley Buddhist Temple	7p	5–10p
	21	Sun	Sun Valley Buddhist Temple	6:30p	5–9p
	27	Sat	<b>Senshin Temple</b>	<b>7p</b>	
			West Covina Buddhist Temple	7p	2–9p
			San Fernando Valley Temple	7p	4:30–9p
28	Sun	San Fernando Valley Temple	6:30p	5–9p	
July	11	Sat	Oxnard Buddhist Temple	6p	1–9p
			Los Angeles Hongwanji Betsuin	7p	3–10p
	12	Sun	Los Angeles Hongwanji Betsuin	6:30p	3–9p
	18	Sat	Santa Barbara Buddhist Temple		
			Pasadena Buddhist Temple	6:30p	4–9p
			Orange County Buddhist Church	7p	2–9p
			Venice Hongwanji Temple	6:30p	3–9p
	19	Sun	Pasadena Buddhist Temple	6:30p	4–8:30pm
			Orange County Buddhist Church	7p	2–8:30pm
			Venice Hongwanji Temple	6:30p	1–9p
	25	Sat	WLA Buddhist Temple	6:30p	4–10p
			Vista Buddhist Temple	6:30p	12noon–8p
			Higashi Honganji Temple	6:30p	12noon–9p
26	Sun	WLA Buddhist Temple	6:30p	3–9p	
			Vista Buddhist Temple	6:30p	12noon–8p
			Higashi Honganji Temple	6:30p	12noon–9p
			Guadalupe Buddhist Temple	3p	12noon–4p
August	1	Sat	San Diego Buddhist Temple	6:30–8:30p	5–8:30p
			San Luis Obispo Temple	6:30p	1–9p
			Gardena Buddhist Temple	6p	3–10p
	2	Sun	Gardena Buddhist Temple	6p	2–9p
	8	Sat	Las Vegas	12:45p	11–3:30p

Senshin Happi Still Available for Purchase!

If you did not purchase the new Senshin happi in 2014, there are still a **limited number** available at the same low price of \$51.00 each!

If you are interested, contact **Janice at (323) 731-4617**, or at **senshintemple@gmail.com**, or leave a message in the Temple Office.



MEMBERSHIP



SENSHIN BUDDHIST TEMPLE

**Senshin membership dues for 2015** enable us to enjoy all the temple services, programs and activities (including a full time minister) at Senshin and to maintain our temple facilities. The Senshin dues include BCA dues of \$109.41. We look forward to your continuing support of Senshin.

Please return the form fully completed along with your check, so that we can make sure our information is current and complete. If you have already paid your 2015 dues, please accept our gratitude.

If you have any questions or wish to make special payment arrangements, please feel free to leave a message for Kathy Ikari at Senshin (323) 731-4617 or senshintemple@gmail.com.

Thank you for your continuing support and participation in making Senshin a very special place.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate\* \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate\* \_\_\_\_\_

\* please provide, if claiming Senior Membership Category

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

☎ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

☐ Couple/Family (includes children up to 18 years of age): **\$385**

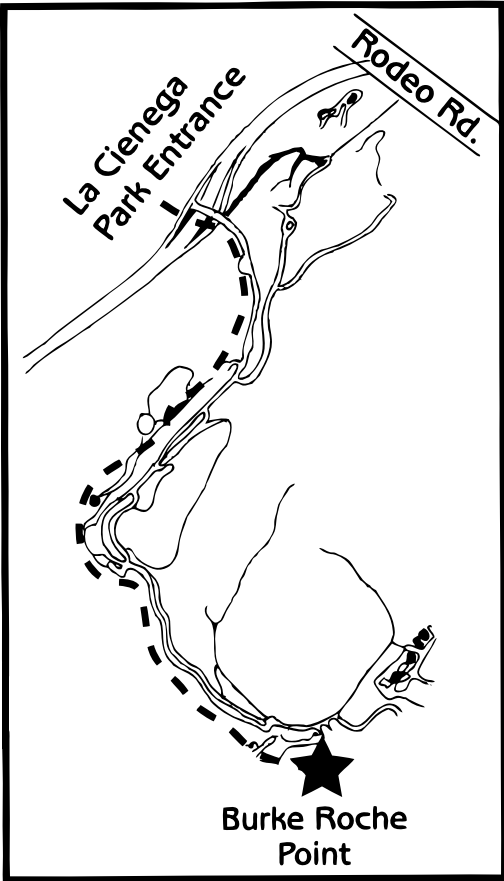
☐ Individual: **\$200**

☐ Senior (80 years+ with out BCA membership): Complimentary

☐ Senior (80 years+, with BCA membership): **\$110**

Total amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: **Senshin Buddhist Temple**  
Send/bring to: 1311 W. 37th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90007



# Senshin-ji Picnic

Date: Sunday • August 16th • 2015

Location: Kenneth Hahn Park

4100 S. LaCienega Blvd.  
Los Angeles, CA 90056



## Burke Roche Point

Follow road to the top of the hill.

\$6.00 per car entrance fee.

Limited parking at Burke Roche Point.

There is plenty of parking along the road  
that lead up to the picnic area.

There are restrooms at this picnic site.

Start of Picnic ----- 10:00 AM  
Service ----- 10:30 AM  
Potluck Lunch ----- 11:00 AM  
Games/Entertainment ----- 12:30 PM  
Picnic Ends ----- 3:00 PM

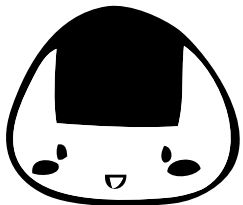
## POTLUCK ASSIGNMENTS

Last names starting with:

A through K ----- Salad & Dessert

L through O ----- Main Dish & Rice

P through Z ----- Main Dish & Vegetable



We are asking every family to bring one six pack of can soda or juice to share.  
Temple will provide water, paper goods and ice for the luncheon.

NOTE: Please bring beach chairs or mats.

Optional: Change of clothes if you want to participate in the water games or PIE EATING contest.

Questions: Contact Kelvin Nishikawa: phone (818) 957-1704 or email: nambaone@sbcglobal.net

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_ # of people \_\_\_\_\_

Age of Children \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

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or place bottom portion in the temple box.

You can also RSVP Kelvin Nishikawa: phone (818) 957-1704 or email: nambaone@sbcglobal.net

**PLEASE RSVP BY AUGUST 8TH**

## 洗心仏教会

2015年6月

### 4月感謝録:

特別寄附:	金川エルソ、ヒュイツェリア、 緊那羅太鼓、雅楽、宮武東洋スタジオ	故海野はな追悼: 水谷一家 故荒巻ちど追悼: ロジャーズベヴァリ
葬儀:	岩永一家、故外岡ベン、外岡ジョイス	故外岡ベン追悼: マイヤひろこ
納骨堂:	小谷政雄	故山田よしと3回忌: 駒井ニール&ジョアン
故松村勇49日法要	原田ジェイムス&キャレン	故カステレシジョンジョセル7回忌: 高橋すみじ
寄付: 松田ロン	高橋イレイン	
お礼: わさび会		故臼井ジナ25回忌: 臼井ロイ夫妻
故脇中デビッド&マイク追悼:	脇中あさ&バビース 脇中ヴィッキ	

### 6月日程:

4日(木)	午後7時半	理事会
7日(日)	午前9時半 午前10時 午前11時 正午	日本語法要 祥月法要 英語勉強会、キッズクラブ/太鼓 婦人会例会
14日(日)	午前8時 午前9時半 午前10時 午前11時	両親の日朝食会 日本語法要 家族礼拝 英語勉強会、日曜学校
6月15日—7月10日	西心道場夏季日曜学校	
21日(日)	午前9時半 午前10時 11時	日本語法要 家族礼拝 英語勉強会 キッズクラブ/太鼓
27日(土)	午後5時半  7時 9時 10時	初盆法要  洗心寺盆踊り 本堂お参り、千燈荘厳 法楽、緊那羅太鼓

盆踊り稽古: 午後7時半—5日、9、12、15、17、23、25日

内陣お花当番: 6日:C.家村/I.高島,13日:S.ロヴァル/C.小島,20日:B.山下/K.猪狩,27日Q.山下/D.江畑

本堂当番: D.赤嶺、D.松原、T.松原、K.上村

5月供花: 赤堀テッド&とみ、竹内よう、橋本みわこ、速水すみこ、平本すみこ、西川ようこ、西川ゆり、  
ソンデイマーク&れいこ、下原エレン、山下ベティ、匿名

### ネパール大地震被害義援金募集:

みなさんご存知のように、ネパールで大きな地震があり多くの方々が亡くなられ、建造物にも甚大な被害がでました。仏教のお寺も破壊されたようです。BCAも援助の募金を始めました。ここにネパール復興支援運動のご協力をお願いします。チェックは洗心寺宛に書き、Help Nepal Donationと記して持参していただければ、まとめてBCA本部に送付します。ありがとうございます。



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
		<b>9:30a</b> Exercise Class	<b>7:30p</b> Kinnara Gagaku	<b>9:30a</b> Exercise Class <b>7:30p</b> Temple Bd Mtg <b>8p</b> Kinnara Taiko	<b>7:30p</b> <i>Bon Odori</i> practice	
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>9:30a</b> Japanese Study Class <b>10a</b> Monthly Memorial Service ( <i>Shotsuki Hōyō</i> ) <b>11a</b> Study Class / Kids' Taiko / Kids' Club <i>BWA Reikai</i> (following Study Class)		<b>9:30a</b> Exercise Class <b>7:30p</b> <i>Bon Odori</i> practice	<b>7:30p</b> Kinnara Bugaku	<b>9:30a</b> Exercise Class <b>8p</b> Kinnara Taiko	<b>7:30p</b> <i>Bon Odori</i> practice	
<b>14 Parents' Day Breakfast</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>8a</b> Jr. YBA Parents' Day Breakfast <b>9:30a</b> Japanese Study Class <b>10a</b> Family Service with <b>Rev. Masao Kodani</b> <i>BCA Minister Emeritus</i> <b>11a</b> Study Class / Dharma School	<b>7:30p</b> <i>Bon Odori</i> practice <b>June 15 thru July 10</b> <i>Saishin Dōjō Summer Dharma School</i>		<b>7:30p</b> Kinnara Gagaku <b>7:30p</b> <i>Bon Odori</i> practice	<b>8p</b> Kinnara Taiko		
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27 Senshin Bon Odori</b>
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<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>				
<b>No Service</b>						

## JUNE TOBAN:

**Sunday Service** Temple Toban  
**Hondo Toban** Don Akamine,  
Dale Matsubara, Tammy Matsubara,  
Koichi Uyemura

## June Onaijin Flower Arrangement:

**June 6** Cathy Iyemura, Iris Takashima  
**June 13** Sheri Lovall, Chikako Kojima  
**June 20** Betty Yamashita, Kathy Ikari  
**June 27** Qris Yamashita, Donna Ebata

## Upcoming in July:

**July 12** *Obon Kangi-e* Service  
**July 20** Social Hall Remodeling begins

*All classes subject to change without notice.  
Please call a group member to confirm meeting/  
rehearsal.*