

The *Daruma* is a very popular form of folk art in Japan. The people like the roly-poly shape of the *Daruma*. The round shape represents resilience; therefore, the people like the *Daruma* doll.

The *Daruma* is often used to make a wish, a prayer or a reminder. Some of them are sold without eyes. The new owner of the *Daruma* is supposed to draw in the eyes. When making a wish, he draws in the left eye of the *Daruma* and when his wish comes true, he draws in the right eye.

Students who wish to enter prestigious universities place a *Daruma* on their desks, a candidate of the

Diet member placed a big *Daruma* in his election office, and a person who is on a diet draws the left eye on her *Daruma* wishing to lose weight.

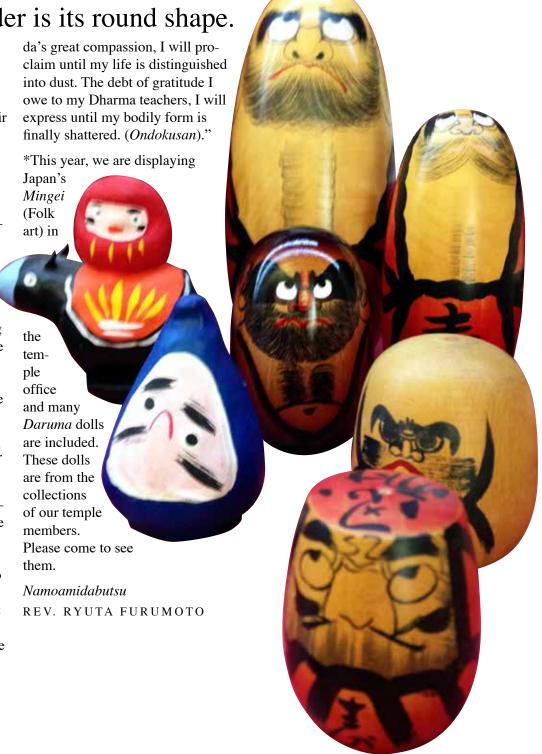
The reason why the *Daruma* is used for a prayer or a reminder is its round shape.

Because of the shape, it cannot be knocked down. Even though it is pushed, it comes back standing again. It reminds the people of the importance of making an effort to make their express until my bodily form is wish come true. There is a Japanese proverb which often relates to the Daruma, "Nanakorobi Yaoki," (seven times falling down but eight times standing up again). The Daruma is a symbol of "never giving up." For people who do not believe in prayer, like Jodo Shinshu followers, the Daruma doll is that symbol.

However, the origin of *Daruma* is thought to be the founder of Zen Buddhism, Bodhi-Dharma. According to a legend, in the 5th century C.E., he came to China from India. He stayed in Shaolin temple in Henan Province. As legend states, during his stay in the temple, he had been sitting nine years without moving an inch. Therefore, his arms and legs decayed and fell off. However, due to his diligence, he was able to attain enlightenment. Inspired by this story, in Japan where Zen Buddhism had flourished, Dharma became a popular *Daruma* doll.

Jodo Shinshu, or Shin Buddhism is not Zen Buddhism, hence there are no temples that sell Daruma dolls. However, what we can learn from Daruma or Bodhi Dharma is the "never give up" spirit. Until we can understand the teaching, to keep listening is very important. Our ears and mouths will not decay since we use the ears to listen and the mouth to recite the Nembutsu. We can learn the spirit of Bodhi Dharma.

Shinran Shonin wrote that: "The debt of gratitude I owe to Ami-



## だるま

玉那お寺のオフィスに写真やアートなどを展示するところがありま す。毎年、展示品を変えているのですがご存知でしたでしょうか? 今年の展示品は日本の民芸品で、だるま、こけし、獅子舞の人形な どがかざってあります。そこで、今回は展示品のひとつである、だ るまについて書いてみたいと思います。

は、ことわざにある「七転び八起

き」のごとく、たおされても起き

上がる不屈の精神を想起させるの

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置かれるのです。ある人は祈願の

は祈願をしないので、もし置くな

ら、不屈の精神で目的が達成され

るまで頑張る、ということを心に

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ために置きますが、浄土真宗で

だるまは日本でとても人気があり ます。思うに、ずんぐりむっくり した形が好まれる理由のひとつで はないでしょうか? 丸い形は円満 とかハーモニーを表しますし、太 めの形が豊穣をイメージさせま

新しいだるまには普通、目は書 いていません。購入した人が願

い事をこめて、左

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るまが

目を書き入れ、 だるまの人形の起源は、禅宗の その願いが成 就したら右 大成者、菩提達磨(ボディダル マ)にあると言われています。伝 入れると 説によると、5世紀に達 いうなら から中国にやってきて、 わしにな 年」と言って、九年間、壁に向か っていま って座禅され、悟られたといいま す。九年間もの長い間、 生の机や かなかったので、手足がくさって とれたというのです。それで、だ るまの人形には手と足がないので などにだ す。悟りという大きな目的を達成 されたことは、不屈や忍辱、精進 置かれて の精神をあらわすので、だるま人 いるのを 形が願い事をかなえるためのシン よく見ま ボルとなったのです。

> 達磨大師は禅宗の方ですが、わ れわれ浄土真宗の念仏者もその不 屈の精神に学ぶところがありま

> > す。教えがわかるまで聞 く、ということです。真宗 ころがあるので、最初はな かなかピンとこないことが あります。けれども聞き続

> > > けていくと、必ずわ かってくるようにな ります。達磨大師 が九年座り続けら

れたように、われわれも聞き続け ていくことが大切です。そして、 教えがわかってきてからも、続け て聞き、念仏していくのです。 親鸞聖人がいわれております。 「如来大悲の恩徳は身を粉にして

も報ずべし 師主知識の恩徳も骨 を砕きても謝すべし(恩徳讃) と、仏様や善知識のご恩を心にと どめ、念仏し、聞法にはげんでい きましょう。

南無阿弥陀仏 古本竜太



**MONTHLY MEMORIAL:** MAY 2017

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.

## **Monthly Memorial Service MAY**

Sunday, May 7, 2017 10:00am

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SESHU (OBSERVANT)	DECEASED'S RELATION TO OBSERVANT	DECEASED
Akahori, Ted	Sister	Akahori, Helen
Arita Family	Mother	Arita, Yoshi
Ebata, Donna	Husband	Ebata, Duane
Harada, Yuki	Brother	Okubo, Hirotaka
Hashimoto, Miwa	Daughter	Hashimoto, Janice Miyo
Hayamizu, Sumiko	Father	Nakashima, Hashigoro
Hiramoto, Sumiko	Husband	Hiramoto, George
Hori, Robert	Father	Hori, Takashi
Ikegami, Sumiko	Mother-in-law	Nozawa, Shinako
Iriye, Kenny	Mother	Iriye, Midori
Komai, JoAnn	Mother	Yamada, Alice
Kuwata, Yuriko	Husband	Kuwata, Kijiro
Kuwata, Yuriko	Brother-in-law	Kuwata, Kiemon
Kuwata, Yuriko	Sister	Ogura, Toyoko
Miyagishima, Lily	Husband	Miyagishima, Yoshimi
Munekata, Ryo	Father	Munekata, Tadajiro
Murakami, Eugene	Father-in-law	Tamura, Jimmy
Murakami, Eugene	Grandmother	Inouye, Hisako
Matsumura, Henry	Grandmother	Yamaguchi, Fujiko
Nakagawa, Fred	Father	Nakagawa, Motoharu
Nishida, Lori	Grandfather	Nishisaka, Yoshio
Nishikawa, Yoko	Grandmother	Uyemura, Minoe
Nishikawa, Yoko	Mother	Uyemura, Chizuko
Nishisaka, Yuriko	Father-in-law	Nishisaka, Yoshio
Ohata, Ron	Brother	Ohata, Kevin
Okazaki, James	Mother	Kuroi, Osae
Rogers, Beverly	Grandmother	Tokaji, Masano
Rogers, Beverly	Step-Grandfather	Tokaji, Kaname
Saiki, Yumi	Mother	Yoshida, Toshiko
Sato, Terry	Father	Kishiba, Uichi
Sonday, Reiko	Grandmother	Nimi, Kameyo
Sugano, Michiko	Husband	Sugano, Leo
Takashima, Wilbur	Grandmother	Takashima, Tsume
Takashima, Wilbur	Father	Takashima, Katsumi
Tanaka, Nobuko	Husband	Tanaka, Masuo
Terrell, Jackie	Mother-in-law	Fukumoto, Tomiko
Toji, Suzanne	Father-in-law	Toji, Mamoru
Torio, Taye	Mother	Sugimoto, Shizue
Toyama, John	Father	Toyama, Seikichi
Tsuji, Hisako	Husband	Tsuji, Shoichi
Ushirogata, Yukie	Mother	Matsushita, Tsune
Usui, Aiko	Mother	Nishiyama, Chiyeko
Uyemura, Koichi	Grandmother	Uyemura, Minoe
Uyemura, Koichi	Mother	Uyemura, Chizuko
Yamashita, Betty	Father	Takahashi, Tokuso
Yoshida, Miyeko	Father	Suzuki, Urao

GOTAN-YE: MAY 2017 5

# Gotan-ye and Infant Presentation Ceremony

This year, we will observe **Gotan-ye** on Sunday, May 14th. Gotan-ye is the celebration of Shinran Shonin's birth. Shinran Shonin was born on May 21,1173. Gotan means "birth" and Ye means "gathering." We also hold infant presentation ceremony in conjunction with *Gotan-ye*. The attendees will receive a small *nenju* as a gift and take a hand print to commemorate the special occasion. If you wish your children or grandchildren to attend the ceremony, please call the temple by May 7th. The speaker will be Rev. Mas Kodani.

9:30a: Japanese gathering

10a: Gotan-ye and Infant presentation ceremony

11a: Study Class and Dharma School

## 降誕会および初参りの おしらせ

2017年の降誕会法要および初参りを5月14日 (日) 10時から行います。 降誕会は親鸞聖人の誕 生をお祝いする法要です。ゲストスピーカーは名誉 開教使の小谷政雄先生です。

初参りは子や孫が仏さまの教えを聞いて立派な大人 になるようにと願ってお勤めされる式で、親鸞聖人 の誕生をお祝いする降誕会の法要の時にあわせて式 を行います。参加者にはお念珠やギフトが贈られ、 記念に手形と足形をとります。新しく生まれたお子 さんやお孫さんとぜひ一緒にお参りください。お子 さまの年齢が2才か3才くらいまででしたら初参り に参加できますので、お申し込みやご質問はお寺に 電話してください。法要後、スタディクラスがあ り、その後はおときの接待があります。

9時半、日本語の集い

10時、降誕会法要、初参式

11時、英語スタディクラス(大人)ダルマスクー

ル (子供)

**DONATIONS:** MAY 2017



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.

MARCH 20	11 / DONATIONS	
3/5/2017	Jean Minami	Donation for Grill
	Chikako Kojima	Donation for Grill
	Harry Uneda	Donation for Grill
	Yoshiko Takeuchi	Nokotsudo
	Elso Kanagawa & Celia Huey	Donation
	Jacob & Catherine Espinoza	Donation for Grill
	Don Akamine	Donation for Grill
	Marilyn Shimabukuro	Donation for Grill
	Patricia Honkawa	Donation for Grill
	WasabiKai	Donation for Grill
3/12/2017	Neil & JoAnn Komai	Donation for Grill
	Hidehiro & Kimiko Matsukawa	Donation for Grill
	Marilyn Shimabukuro	In memory of Shigeichi Shimabukuro
3/18/2017	Chikako Kojima	13th cycle memorial, George Kojima
	Robert Hori	Donation for Grill
3/19/2017	Russell Nishida	Memorial for Yasue Nishida
	Kikuko Nishida	Memorial for Yasue Nishida
	Gene & Connie Matayoshi	Nokotsudo, in memory of Kama Matayoshi and Yoshiko Matayoshi
	Yoko & Richard Miyagawa	Nokotsudo
	Richard & Denise Kodani	Donation for Grill
	Toshiko Yamaguchi	Social Hall Dedication Ceremony
	Ruby Kiyohara	Social Hall Dedication Ceremony
	Roy & Terry Nakawatase	Social Hall Dedication Ceremony
	Kirk Nishikawa	Social Hall Dedication Ceremony

#### SHOTSUKI HOYO: MARCH 2017

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Donor	In Memory of
Ted, Tomi & Julie Akahori	Brother-in-law, Harry Kawaye
Miwako Hashimoto	Mother, Tsuruyo Nioshimura
Chikako Kojima	Husband, George Kojima
Chikako Kojima	Grandfather, Teruji Takaki
Ethyl & Gwen Mayekawa	Father, Takashi Tanaka
Gene & Connie Matayoshi	Mother, Yoneko Matayoshi
Edith Nishikawa	Mother-in-law, Sekiyo Nishikawa
Ellen Shimohara	Father, Michio Shinoda
Iris Takashima	Grandmother, Shige Yasuda
Iris Takashima	Grandmother, Itsu Jinde
Suzanne Toji	Father, Jack Muneo Totsubo
Yukie Ushirogata	Father, Ichitaro Matsushita

DONATIONS (cont'd): MAY 2017

SHOTSUKI HOYO: MARCH 2017 cont'd

Donor

In Memory of Matsuko Uyeno Sister, Hatsue Iwasaki Matsuko Uyeno Mother, Itono Nakamura Kiyoko Yoneda Sister, Hatsue Iwasaki Kiyoko Yoneda Mother, Itono Nakamura

#### MARCH BUILDING FUND DONATIONS

Ikegami, Sumiko Takashima, Iris & Wilbur Matsubara, Dale & Tammy Takeuchi, Yoshiko Usui, Frank & Susie Sonday, Mark & Reiko

#### APRIL FLOWER DONATIONS

Richard & Yoko Miyagawa Anonymous Fujie & Ron Ohata Anonymous Kik Nishida Motoko Saneto Edith Nishikawa Yo Takeuchi Michiko Masada Toshiko Yamaguchi Jean Minami

Senshin Given a 'Facelift' with an **Eagle Scout Project** and Friends

## **Senshin Vehicle Donation**

This is a reminder that Senshin will take any vehicle (car, pickup, truck, motorcycle, and even boat) as a donation to the temple. The funds realized from these donations are earmarked for the Senshin-ji Building Fund. Donors can report the full amount of funds received from the vehicle donation as a deduction on their tax returns.

We work with Harold's Car Donation Service (HCDS) to have the vehicles picked up, processed and refurbished as necessary to bring in the highest sale amount for the donated vehicle. Even if the vehicle is not operational, it can still have salvageable value, sometimes for more than we could expect.

Once the proceeds from the vehicle donation are received by Senshin, a letter is sent to the donor to acknowledge the vehicle donation. The letter includes details of the donated vehicle and the amount for which the vehicle was sold or salvaged. All donors will be acknowledged in the Prajna.

If you have any questions about the program, or wish to donate a vehicle, please contact either Jean Minami (323) 938-0048, or Wilbur Takashima (310) 398-9558.

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## Senshin-ji Building Fund April 2017 Update

The Certificate of Occupancy (C of O) for the Social Hall was issued on March 6, 2017 and received at the temple mailbox on March 15th. We now have an official written record that our Social Hall has been accepted by the Department of Building and Safety, signifying that we have satisfied all of the required inspections.

Our dedication ceremony was held following the *Ohigan* Service on March 19th.



As of March 29th, final detail work was still being performed by the Satoh Brothers subcontractors. Due to scheduling issues, we lost almost three weeks in getting this detail work started. Most of the work involved adjustments to the doors, the thresholds and the parking lot canopy.

One unfortunate matter involved the stainless steel countertop for the kitchen island cabinet. As you may recall from a previous article, that stainless top had to be replaced due to an error in its length. After a few weeks time, the new top was fabricated and it was installed on March 20th. The day after it was installed, a small dent was discovered as the kitchen was about to be re-stocked. Apparently, the dent was sustained either during the loading of the top onto the delivery truck or during the unloading of the top from the truck. The subcontractor attempted to remove the dent, but was unsuccessful. Therefore, another stainless steel countertop had

to be fabricated. It was scheduled to be ready for installation during the first week of April. We hope that this third countertop will be good to go once it has been installed.

The Social Hall remodeling project is the final one for the temple complex. Due to the extreme generosity of so many members and friends of Senshin, combined with the resources available from our Investment Fund (*Zaidan* and *Eitaikyo* funds), we have

now completed a journey that began in June 2005 when the Senshin-ji Building Fund was started. With the infusion of donations, the initial project began in April 2007 with the remodeling

of the area behind the *Onaijin* and the construction of the *Nokotsudo*. That was followed by major landscaping work along 37th Street and Raymond Avenue, and extensive concrete work between the Hondo and the *Nokotsudo*.

In February 2009, the main altar in the Onajin was completely refurbished, including new gold leafing. In mid-2009, design work began for the remodeling of the first floor of the Education Building. Construction on this building was essentially completed in March 2011. In April 2011, after the discovery of major drywood termite damage in some parts of the Mon and the upper floor of the Education Building (that was not a part of the first floor work), the Board decided to tent and fumigate the Mon, the Hondo, the Education Building and the Social Hall building (the *Nokotsudo* is a solid concrete structure, and thus was not susceptible to any termite damage). It looked like we had a 3-tent circus

on our complex. After the fumigation, it was then decided to install a completely new walkway along the entire length of the Education Building.

In June 2011, it was discovered that the timbers of the breezeway canopy of the Social Hall were badly deteriorated by both dry rot (water damage) and termite damage that happened long prior to the tenting and fumigation in April. Thus, the Board decided to demolish the entire breezeway structure to avoid any potential collapse.

Next up was the replacement of the exterior doors of the Hondo building, and a refurbishing and repainting of the adjacent wood structures. That work was done in conjunction with the complete replacement of the windows on the second floor of the Education Building. The existing windows were damaged and leaking, having suffered from dry rot and some termite damage. All of this work was completed by the end of August 2012. By the end of 2012, the Board had decided to continue the fundraising for the Building Fund with the goal of remodeling the Social Hall. In April 2013, the design plans for the Social Hall were underway. As chronicled in the *Prajna* articles for the past two years, there were various issues that kept us from beginning the remodeling construction work when we first wished, but it began in August 2016 and dragged on for two months longer than we had anticipated. We just had to keep in mind that the building was 79 years old and like our human bodies, it would be tough to rejuvenate something of that age!

It is now the responsibility of all of us to watch over and maintain the temple buildings. Maintenance will be the key to ensuring that we can effectively use these facilities for decades to come. The Board of Directors owes all of you a deep sense of appreciation for your financial generosity and for your patient support during all these years.

In Gassho, WILBUR TAKASHIMA



## **Religious Committee**

*Zadankai* is on May 15. Call JoAnn Komai for more information.

### **BWA**

BWA gratefully acknowledges the following donations:

Gene and Connie Matayoshi, in memory of Yoneko Matayoshi Yoshiko Takeuchi, in memory of Sharon

Rev. and Mrs. Kakuyei Tada, New Year Donation

Keith Shimabukuro, Marilyn, Gilbert and Ross Leong, *Orei* Thank you everyone for your support of our White Elephant, Craft and Bake Sales!

Our next meeting is on Sunday, May 7, at 8:30am. We welcome new members, young and old, to join us.

### ABA

Derek Lam joins ABA! Welcome aboard. Attention "younger" adults: Join ABA, too. We support temple activities, have fun and eat well. Please contact Russell Nishida (nishida257@cox.net).

The Temple Rummage Sale will be returning this year and will be held on Saturday, August 5th. Further information will be forthcoming on when donated items can be brought to Temple.

## Jr. Y B A

April was another busy and productive month for Jr. YBA. In addition to participating in Senshin's annual Chicken Teriyaki, several of our members attended this year's second Southern District Seminar hosted by Pasadena and San Fernando Temples, where everyone enjoyed seeing friends and learning about Buddhism. Special



thanks this month to the Leong/Shimabukuro family and the BWA for their generous *orei*, and to everyone for supporting our Bake Sale. We hope to see everyone at Parents' Day Breakfast on June 11! If you are a high school student and are interested in joining the Jr. YBA, please contact Stephanie Mizutani at mizfive@yahoo.com or Diane Yokoyama at hkyfan9@yahoo. com.

# The Kikuo and Kaoru Ogawa 2017 Memorial Scholarship

The purpose of these scholarships is not only to honor the late **Kikuo and Kaoru Ogawa** but to recognize the efforts of a graduating high school senior and a person wanting to change his/her direction in life through education. This could be through a college, university, trade or technical school. Those with the desire to further their education will be considered for these scholarships. Consideration will first go to members of Senshin Buddhist Temple. If a qualified recipient is not found, the scholarship will be opened to members of any Buddhist Temple in the Los Angeles area.

#### **Scholarship Award:**

A one-time scholarship of \$1,000 will be awarded to each of two individuals.

#### **Requirements:**

- 1. Must have graduated high school or passed the GRE test by June of the application year or earlier.
- 2. Applicant must be accepted by or enrolled in a college, university, trade school, or technical school, or must show intention of attending one of those institutions.
- 3. Must obtain and complete the application as stated below.
- 4. Scholarship funds must be applied towards tuition, fees, books and other educational expenses as deemed appropriate by the scholarship benefactors.
- 5. Must be the member of a Buddhist Temple/Sangha.

#### **Application:**

An application may be obtained by contacting Wilbur Takashima by email at wktakashi@aol.com or by calling him at (310) 398-9558. The application will require a two-page essay and two separate recommendations. Details are provided in the application package. The deadline for submitting the application will be June 18, 2017. The scholarships will be presented at the Senshin Obon service on July 16, 2017.

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### **Facilities**

The locks on the Breezeway Ladder Shed have been replaced. A leaking toilet water valve in the Education Building Men's restroom has been repaired, and all of the valves in both men and women restrooms have been tightened.

## **Book Group**

New titles, new authors and new members are welcome. Contact Lilly & Mike Yanagita (818) 956-1070, email n7willow@gmail.com.

### **Exercise Class / TBMM**

"Thinking Body, Moving Mind" (TBMM) is a movement technique/ exercise class, held on every Tuesday and Thursday morning 9:30am to 10:30am at Senshin for the past 12 years in the Social Hall. The purpose of the class is reflected in the title: To highlight the importance of the bodymind connection in achieving and maintaining essential vitality in our daily life.

The movements are derived from yoga, tai chi and modern dance exercises, and combined in the following ways:

- 1. To build and maintain a strong core.
- 2. To make the body more flexible and limber, thus to increase the range of motion.
- 3. To impart knowledge to move smartly and swiftly to prevent injuries from bad habits and falls.

Although the class is designed for senior adults, the intensity of the each exercise can be adjusted for any adult

## **Obon Raffle**

Senshin *Bon Odori* and Raffle will be July 1. As part of the day's activities we will hold our Annual Raffle to raise funds for Temple activities. This year the Raffle Committee is requesting your help with prize donations. We appreciate any donation you can give and hoping this extra request will not be a hardship. Gift cards from any vendor are very popular and allow us to easily mail out to winners if they are not present.

Your prize donations will be raffled off at intermission along with three major cash prizes and distributed immediately after the odori ends. Donor names will be acknowledged on a banner to be displayed that evening. If you have any questions, please call Debbie Hiramoto at (626) 232-4736. Thank you so much for your support!!!!!

of different age groups, so open to any body. TBMM was designed and has been led by Young Ae Park, a former Assistant Professor of Dance at Arizona State University.

Please, come and join the class and take this opportunity to be good to yourself.



Joining the Wasabi-kai was the first time I had ever taken a class without worrying about doing well. I don't mean that I did not care about the outcome, but learning usually involves a fair amount of performance anxiety on my part, even when there is ostensibly no right or wrong answer to things.

By contrast, Bob's ceramics class is a great exercise in focusing mental and manual attention on forming the clay, while simultaneously relinquishing control over how it turns out.

Several times during our meetings, he would advise students not to be afraid of making mistakes. I think this is the best thing a teacher can say.

What it really means is to try, to experiment, but to let go of an expected outcome or some imaginary perfection. Letting go of that imaginary perfection can leave us open to many more possibilities for making something interesting than clinging to something perfect and boring might do.



These thoughts reminded me that while in India last year, I met a perfumer whose best-selling scent is called "My Mistake" since he made it by accidentally mixing two separate perfumes. Later during that same trip, I spoke with a bartender who said that the whisky I ordered was the product of the distiller's mistake. Both were unique works of art that I would never have encountered had their makers not embraced the unexpected. – *Mayumi* 

Questions ... contact Bob at miy-amoto@mac.com or (323) 791-2719. Please visit us on Facebook

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#### BON ODORI TOBAN

# OBON is almost here!!! Volunteers needed! Bon Odori, July 1, 2017, Saturday

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!

We hope to see everyone Saturday, July 1, 2017, helping and having fun at Senshin's *Bon Odori*.

#### THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!

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

#### 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	

#### 2017 Southern District Bon Odori Schedule DATE DAY TEMPLE BON ODORI BAZAAR June **10 Sat** Arizona Buddhist Temple 6:45 5-9p Sat Sun Valley Buddhist Temple 7p 5-10p **18** Sun Sun Valley Buddhist Temple 6:30p 5-9p 24 Sat West Covina Buddhist Temple 7p 1-9p San Fernando Valley Temple 7p 4:30-10p **25** Sun San Fernando Valley Temple 6:30p 4:30-9p Sat Senshin Temple July **7**p **Sat** Oxnard Buddhist Temple 6p 1-8:30p Los Angeles Hongwanji Betsuin 7p 2-10p **Sun** Los Angeles Hongwanji Betsuin 6:30p 2-8:30p **15 Sat** Santa Barbara Buddhist Temple 12noon-5p Orange County Buddhist Church 7p 2-9p Venice Hongwanji Temple 6:30p 3-9p **16 Sun** Orange County Buddhist Church 7p 2-8:30p 6:30p Venice Hongwanji Temple 3-9p 6:30p 22 Sat Pasadena Buddhist Temple 4-9p Vista Buddhist Temple 6:30p 12noon-8p 23 Sun Pasadena Buddhist Temple 6:30p 4-8:30p 6:30p Vista Buddhist Temple 12noon-8p 29 Sat WLA Buddhist Temple 6:30p 4-10p 5:30p Higashi Honganji Temple 1-9p **30 Sun** WLA Buddhist Temple 6:30p 3-9p Higashi Honganji Temple 5:30p 1-9p San Diego BuddhistTemple, *Odori* 5p Sat San Diego Buddhist Temple (at Balboa Park) August 5 10a-9p 6:30p 12:45p 11a-3:30p Las Vegas **12 Sat** Gardena Buddhist Temple 6p 3-10p **13 Sun** Gardena Buddhist Temple 6p 3-9p

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# **Senshinji** *Hatsumairi* Infant Presentation

The *Hatsumairi* is a special service at which an infant is presented for the first time to the Buddha, Dharma and Sangha at the temple, hence the term "*Hatsumairi*" which means "First Going". Parents bring their infant child or children to the temple for the first time to present them before the image of the Buddha Amida and to the members of the Sangha, expressing their desire to expose them to the Buddhadharma, the teachings of the Buddha.

Senshin Temple's *Gotanye* Service, the birthday of Shinran Shonin, will be held on Sunday, May 14, 2017. All babies born since the last *Gotanye* Service, or thereabouts, are invited to participate in this year's *Hatsumairi*. Please fill out the registration form below and mail it to Senshin Temple no later than May 7th. The *Hatsumairi* will be held as part of the *Gotanye* Service at 10:00am when your child will be presented a *Nenju*, a certificate and gift.

9:30 am Japanese gathering 10:00 am *Gotan-ye* and *Hatsumairi* Service 11:00 am Study Class and Dharma School



2017年の降誕会法要および初参りを5月14日(日)10時から行います。 降誕会は親鸞聖人の誕生をお祝いする法要です。ゲストスピーカーは名誉開教使の小谷政雄先生です。

初参りは子や孫が仏さまの教えを聞いて立派な大人になるようにと願ってお勤めされる式で、親鸞聖人の誕生をお祝いする降誕会の法要の時にあわせて式を行います。参加者にはお念珠やギフトが贈られ、記念に手形と足形をとります。新しく生まれたお子さんやお孫さんとぜひ一緒にお参りください。お子さまの年齢が2才か3才くらいまででしたら初参りに参加できますので、お申し込みやご質問はお寺に電話してください。法要後、スタディクラスがあり、その後はおときの接待があります。

9時半、日本語の集い

10時、降誕会法要、初参式

11時、英語スタディクラス(大人)ダルマスクール(子供)

# ··· Hatsumairi Registration Form

Name of Child								
Name in Japanese	Charac	ters, if a	applicable					
Date of Birth								
Place of Birth								
Sex (circle one)	M	F						
Name of Parents								
Address								
Phone				Email				

Please mail Registation Form to: Senshin Buddhist Temple, Hatsumairi Registration

1311 W. 37th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90007 Or email to: senshintemple@gmail.com

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### **Social Media**



SenshinBuddhistTemple



@senshinji

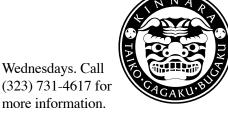


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# Kinnara *Gagaku* and *Bugaku*

Classes are held at Senshin on Wednesdays at 7:30pm. Beginners or experienced are welcomed.

GAGAKU (the music) meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. BUGAKU (the dance) meets on the 2nd and 4th



## **Karate Club**

We are now forming a Senshin Karate Club. The purpose of this club is to enhance the physical and mental health of the temple members and their friends as well as learning Buddhist thoughts through the training.

We will have Senior class (over 60), Adult class (younger than senior or who think they are young), and Children class. Senior class focuses on balance training and good blood circulation. Children class focuses on self discipline and strengthen the

energy and body coordination. Adult class focuses on everything. Instructor is Rev. Furumoto. If you are interested, please ask Rev. Furumoto for more information.

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## *Otoki* Cookbooks

Copies are still available from the Hongwanji Place Book-

store, located next to the Library at Senshin. For price and details, email Hongwanjiplace@yahoo. com or call (323) 731-4617.

Rirthdate

# MEMBERSHIP SENSHIN BUDDHIST TEMPLE

#### Senshin membership dues for 2017,

together with fundraising activities and donations throughout the year, generate the funds that enable us to enjoy Senshin temple program activities and services (including a full-time minister), as well as maintain the temple grounds. The 2017 Senshin dues include the BCA assessment paid for each Senshin temple member.

Please return the form with your payment, so we can keep our information updated. 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. We look forward to seeing you at Temple.

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Name		Birthdate*
* Required if claiming Senior Member	ship Category	
Address	City	State Zip
<b>T</b> Phone	Email	
MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES		
☐ Couple/Family (inc	cludes children up to 18 ye	ars of age): \$ <b>400</b>
☐ Individual: \$210		
☐ Senior (80 years+ v	without BCA membership)	: Complimentary**
☐ Senior (80 years+ v	with BCA membership): \$1	120**
TOTAL AMOUNT ENGLOSED:		

\*\*For couples, if there is only one qualifying senior, the non-qualifying spouse is asked to pay for an Individual membership.

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

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Social Hall Dedication March 19, 2017









JAPANESE UPDATES: MAY 2017

### 洗心仏教会

## 2017年5月

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#### 4月感謝録:

#### 特別寄付:

キチングリル: J.南,C.小島,H.畝田,J&CEspinoza 追悼故T.西村一M.橋本

D.赤嶺,M.島袋,P.本川,わさび会,N&J駒井, 故G.小島13回忌—C.小島

H&K松川,R.堀,R&D小谷 故T.高木一C.小島

ソシャルホール落成式: T.山口,R.清原,K.西川 故T.田中―E&G前川

R&T中渡瀬 故Y.又吉—G&C又吉

納骨堂:Y.竹内,G&C又吉,R.宮川夫妻故S.西川一E.西川寄付:E.金川/Celia Huey故M.篠田一E.下原追悼:故H.河江一T/T&J赤堀故J.とつぼーS.東司追悼:故Y.西田一R.西田,K.西田故I.松下一Y.後潟

故S.安田/I.神出一I.高島 故S.島袋一M.島袋

故H.岩崎/I.中村一M.上野 故H.岩崎/ I.中村一K.米田

#### 祥月法要寄付:

故H.赤堀一T.赤堀, 故Y.有田一有田家族, 故D.江畑一D.江畑, 故H.大久保一Y.原田, 故J.橋下—M.橋下 故H.中島—S.速水, 故G.平本一S.平本, 故T.堀-R.堀, 故K.大畑一R.大畑 故S.野沢一S.池上, 故M.入江一K.入江, 故A.山田一J.駒井, 故K.桑田一Y.桑田、 故T.小倉一Y.桑田 故T.宗像一R.宗像, 故J.田村一E.村上, 故H.井上一E.村上, 故Y.宮城島-L.宮城島 故M.上村一Y.西川, 故C.上村一Y.西川 故F.山口─H.松村, 故M.中川─F.中川, 故Y.西坂一L.西田, 故Y.西坂一Y.西坂, 故O.黒井一J.岡崎, 故M. 戸梶一B.Rogers 故K. 戸梶一B.Rogers 故T. 吉田一Y. 佐伯 故U.結柴一T.佐藤, 故K.新見一R.Sonday, 故L.菅野一M.菅野, 故T.高島-W.高島, 故K.高島-W.高島 故M.田中一N.田中, 故T.福本一J.Terrell, 故M.東司一S.東司, 故S.杉本一T.鳥生, 故S.富山一J.富山 故C.西山一A.臼井、 故M.上村一K.上村, 故C.上村一K.上村 故S.计一H.计. 故T.松下一Y.後潟, 故T.高橋一B.山下、故U.鈴木一M.吉田

#### 5月日程:

4日(木)午後7時半理事会7日(日)午前8時半婦人会例会

午前9時半 日本語法要

10時 祥月法要

11時 英語勉強会、キッズクラブ

12時 お盆準備会議

14日(日) 午前9時半 日本語法要

10時 ご誕会,初参り、小谷正雄名誉開教使

11時 英語勉強会、日曜学校

21日(日) 午前9時半 日本語法要

10時 家族礼拝

11時 英語勉強会、キッズクラブ

28日(日) 午前9時半 日本語法要

10時 家族礼拝

11時 英語勉強会,日曜学校

29日(月) メモリアルデイ法要、於:墓地

#### 5月法要当番: Dharma スクール

本堂当番: J.森,D.相原,D.江畑,Q.山下

内陣お花当番:6日:S.LOvall,H.松村,13日:C.森田,M.渡辺,20日:C.家村,I高島,27日B.山下,K.猪狩

供花寄付のリストは来月に載せますので、ご了承ください。

**6月の予定**: 6/11 —ペヤレンツデイ朝食、6/19 — 西心道場サマーDharmaスクール

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		9:30a Exercise Class	<b>7:30p</b> Kinnara Gagaku	9:30a Exercise Class 10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio 7:30p Temple Bd Mtg 8p Kinnara Taiko		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
8:30a BWA Reikai 9:30a Japanese Study Class 10a Monthly Memorial Service / <i>Shotsuki Hōyō</i> 11a Study Class / Kids'Club / Kid's Taiko 12noon Obon Meeting		9:30a Exercise Class	<b>7:30p</b> Kinnara Bugaku	9:30a Exercise Class 10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio 8p Kinnara Taiko		
<b>14</b> Gotanye	15	16	17	18	19	20
9:30a Japanese Study Class 10a Gotanye (Shinran Shonin's Birthday) Hatsumairi (Infant Presentation) Rev. Masao Kodani, BCA Minister Emeritus 11a Study Class / Dharma School	<b>7:30p</b> Zadankai	9:30a Exercise Class	<b>7:30p</b> Kinnara Gagaku	9:30a Exercise Class 10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio 8p Kinnara Taiko		
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9:30a Japanese Study Class 10a Family Service: 11a Study Class / Kids'Club / Kid's Taiko 1:30p ABA Bingo at Keiro		9:30a Exercise Class	<b>7:30p</b> Kinnara Bugaku	9:30a Exercise Class 10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio 8p Kinnara Taiko		
28	<b>29</b> Memorial Day	30	31			
9:30a Japanese Study Class 10a Family Service: 11a Study Class / Dharma School	Memorial Day Services at cemeteries	9:30a Exercise Class				

#### **MAY TOBAN**

**Service Toban** Dharma School **Hondo Toban** John Mori, Doug Aihara, Donna Hokoda-Ebata, Qris Yamashita

#### **MAY Onaijin Flower Toban**

May 6 Sheri Lovall / Henry Matsumura

May 13 Carrie Morita / Marsha Watanabe

May 20 Cathy Iyemura / Iris Takashima May 27 Betty Yamashita / Kathy Ikari

#### **Upcoming in JUNE 2017**

June 11 Parents Day Breakfast June 19 Saishin Dojo Summer Dharma School All classes subject to change without notice. Please call a group member to confirm meeting/rehearsal.