Bonbu means a foolish being, an ordinary being, an unenlightened being, or a troubled person. Shinran Shonin states in the Notes on Once-Calling and Many-Calling, "we are full of ignorance and blind passions. Our desires are countless, and anger, wrath, jealousy, and envy are overwhelming, arising without pause to the very last moment of life. They do not cease, disappear or exhaust themselves."

To put it simply, *Bonbu* is *bakatare*. *Baka* means foolish and *tare* means drip or drool. Although we try to hide it, it naturally

happens. When we doze off and drool, it's embarrassing.

A few months ago, I really felt like I am bonbu, and I was ashamed of myself. It happened when I bought a mask. At the time the COVID-19 situation began, I couldn't find face masks in any stores. I already had five or six disposable masks but I

wanted to buy an extra mask, just in case.

I searched around several grocery stores and finally found a mask at Marukai. I thought, "I am lucky." There were a couple of masks on the shelf so I wanted to buy this one right away before the other customers noticed it. I picked it up immediately and put it in my shopping basket.

The mask was a Kawaii mask. It was a Sanrio's Hello Kitty face shaped mask. It was slightly smaller, which I thought seemed to fit Kitty's face size

I returned to my home and proudly showed the mask to my family. "Here, Kitty's mask is kawaii. Isn't it amazing that I was able to find this mask?" I said. My daughter said, "It looks a little small. Let me see the package." So I handed the mask to her and she said, "Dad, this mask is for your eyes, not your mouth. It's an eye mask." "What?" At Marukai, I was so excited and without my reading glasses, I did not pay attention to the words on the package. When I used my reading

themselves over matters of no urgency." This part of the sutra describes how bonbu are foolish. Bonbu tends to lead a frivolous life. We often do things that we don't have to rush, and we compete with others and we get into trouble.

However the larger sutra also shows that Bonbu can be good by Amida Buddha's vow power.

Shinran Shonin understood that, because we are *Bonbu*. Amida established the vow enabling us to be born

BONBURAKATARF NAMOAMIDABUTSU

nicely. For if it were too big, it would not look kawaii. I thought that was why Sanrio made it slightly smaller. And, I thought maybe some people feel embarrassed to put a Kitty's face mask on their faces but I have no issue with it. I wanted the mask anyway, so I grabbed the mask off the shelf quickly and bought it.

glass and looked closely, indeed, it said "eve mask."

I realized that was why no one was buying the mask, because it was so small. I was so embarrassed and ashamed. I didn't have to buy another mask because I already had six extra masks. But, at that time, people were rushing out to buy masks so I got greedy and thought I should get more. But I failed and felt ashamed.

Then, I remembered the words of the Larger Sutra:

"the people in the world are so shallow and vulgar as to quarrel among

in the Pure Land and to become a Buddhas. If we are not *Bonbu*, something is wrong. Because we have greed, anger, and stupidity, Amida wishes to save us. When our foolishness (which means self-centeredness) and such deed comes out, that is the time Amida Buddha is working for us. When we see our bakatare, at the same time, we can think of Amida Buddha's compassionate working. In this way, we can pay attention to our foolishness and reflect on it. Consequently, we try to have less ego and live peacefully.

Namoamidabutsu.

REV. RYUTA FURUMOTO

不急の事を争う 古本龍太

「しかるに世の人、薄俗にしてともに不急の事を争う」

大無量寿経にある言葉ですが、不急の事を争う、と言って急がなくても よいことで争いあってあくせくとし、失敗することが多いのが、私たち 凡夫だとお示しくださっているご文です。

凡夫は簡単に言えば、ばかた くても、ついつい垂れてくるので す。うとうとして、よだれが垂れる ことがあり、恥ずかしい思いをされ たこたことがあるかもしれません が、あのようにバカなのが出てくる のが凡夫です。バカとは、自己中心 うむさぼりの心などです。

数ヶ月前に、自分はバカがたれ

ていたのです。それで、あるグ れ、ということで、出そうと思わな ロッサリーストアに行ったら、マス 入れ、仏にさせてくださるのが、阿 クを見つけることができて、「やっ 弥陀様だと親鸞聖人がお示しくださ た」と思いました。人に買われる前 に買わないといけない、と急いでマ スクをバスケットに入れました。と ころが、買った後、家に帰って、そ のマスクをよくよく見てみると、そ の思いから出る、もっと欲しいとい れは口にするマスクでなくて、目に する、アイマスクだったのです。私 は、大無量寿経の言葉を思い出し、

必ず救うと願い、お浄土に受け っています。

仏様が、凡夫がダメなの知って いるので、必ず救うとの願いを建て てくださったということは、ばかが 出たら、そこに仏様が働いてくださ っている、仏様が目当てにしてくだ さっているということです。それ で、いよいよ頼もしいお慈悲だと、

たな、恥ずかしいな、ということが ありました。新型コロナウイルス の感染が拡大し始めて、みんなマスたな。」と反省しました。 クを競うように買っていました。そ のため、どのお店に行ってもマスク が売り切れてましたし、入荷すれば すぐなくなるという状況でした。

あのとき、私は5、6枚使い捨 てのマスク持っていたのですが、念 のため、予備でマスク買おうと思っ るように、不急の事を争って失敗し

仏様の見方だったら、自分より 先に、「あなたマスク使いなさい、 私のあげよう。」とするところを、 凡夫は、人より先に、「もっとマス クを持っておこう、人より先に買っ 南無阿弥陀仏 ておこう。」とそういう浅ましい、 欲の多い心が出てくるのです。そし て、失敗するのです。ついつい、バ 力が垂れてくるわけです。

本当は、欲の多い心、貪欲は無 くさないと、仏にはなることができ ないのですが、その凡夫を、ほって おけないと、かわいそうに思われ、

「本当にお経がお示しくださってい 仏様に感謝し、自分がバカなのを反 省していきます。急がなくてよいこ とをあせって行いがちですが、でき るだけバカなのが出ないように、お 念仏をとなえて日暮させていただき ましょう。。

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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 Praina 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 SEPTEMBER Virtual Shotsuki Service September 13 at 10a

SESHU (OBSERVANT)	DECEASED'S RELATION TO OBSERVANT	DECEASED
Akahori, Ted	Wife	Akahori, Tomi
Akahori, Ted	Brother-in-law	Miyazaki, Dr. Fred
Harada, James	Father	Harada, Tom
Hayamizu, Sumiko	Husband	Hayamizu, Robert T.
Ito Family	Mother	Ito, Toshiye
Kitayama, Glen	Mother	Kitayama, Kimiko Esther
Kitayama, Glen	Grandmother	Kitayama, Kimiko
Kitayama, Glen	Grandmother	Nakagawa, Ritzu
Kok, Richard	Father	Kok, Yoke Chuan
Kodani, Masao	Wife	Kodani, Shirley
Kodani, Richard	Father	Kodani, Fred
Kojima, Chikako	Father-in-law	Kojima, Tom
Kunitake, Kimiyo	Grandmother	Wada, Tamae
Kunitake, Kimiyo	Grandmother	Yamada, Tsugi
Matsuda Family	Father	Matsuda, Miyoshi
Miyata, Satoshi	Mother	Miyata, Taka
Mori, Johnny	Mother	Mori, Tsutaye
Murakami, Eugene	Brother	Murakami, Raymond
Nakamura, Bob	Father	Nakamura, Harukichi
Nakawatase, Helen	Sister	Hosaka Lew, Anna
Nishikawa, Edith	Father	Yoshida, Frank Eiichi
Ogawa, Jerry	Father	Ogawa, Kikuo
Rooks, Curtis, Rooks, Mariko	Mother, Grandmother	Rooks, Kikuyo
Sawada, Keith	Grandmother	Oshita, Umeko
Shimabukuro, Marilyn	Aunt	Oshiro, Misao
Shimabukuro, Marilyn	Grandmother	Shimabukuro, Yoshiko
Shimohara, Ellen	Father-in-law	Shimohara, Henry
Shirasago, Gary and Dale	Brother	Shirasago, Glenn
Shirasago, Gary and Dale	Father	Shirasago, George
Sugano, Michiko	Grandmother-in-law	Kanazawa, Fude
Takashima, Iris	Father	Jinde, Seichi
Takashima, Wilbur	Great Grandmother	Takashima, Haru
Tanezaki, Barbara	Father	Kakita, Bene
Terrell, Jackie	Father-in-law	Fukumoto, Katsumi
Tsunoda, Satsuko	Father-in-law	Tsunoda, Yaichi
Unno Family		Unno, Rev. Enryo
Usui, Aiko	Husband	Usui, Roy
Uyemura, Koichi	Father	Uyemura, Tamio
Wakinaka, Bernice	Son	Wakinaka, Lester
Yoneda, Kiyoko	Husband	Yoneda, Kazuo

Fall Ohigan Seminar and Service

Our Fall Ohigan (equinox) Seminar will take place on Saturday September 19, from 10:30am. The guest speaker will be Rev. Dr. Takashi Miyaji (Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church). The seminar topic will be "The Essential of Jodo Shinshu." The lecture will be an online streaming lecture. Ohigan Service will be on Sunday September 20 at 10am.

We will send the link to join the seminar and the service later via e-mail. If you have not received the link by Thursday September 17, please contact the temple.

秋のお彼岸セミナー 並びにお彼岸法要のご案内

9月19日(土)にお彼岸セミナーを行います。セミナーのご講師は南アラメダ郡仏教会の宮地崇師です。セミナーはオンラインストリーミング形式で行われます。参加のためのリンクは後にemailで送ります。お彼岸法要は9月20日(日)10時からです。こちらもオンラインストリーミング形式で営まれます。もし9月17日(木)までにリンクが送られない場合は、お寺に連絡してください。

Dial the Dharma

With the Coronavirus crisis, BCA created "Dial the Dharma." By calling "Dial the Dharma" 800-817-7918. You can listen to Bishop Rev. Harada's Dharma message in English or a Japanese Dharma message by various Japanese speaking ministers. Both English and Japanese messages will be renewed every other week on Wednesday. For English, press 1 and for Japanese press 2.

ダイヤルザダルマに日本 語法話

現在、BCAでは電話をすれば5分間の法話を聞くことができるプログラムを始めていて、コンピューターをあまり使わない門信徒の方から好評を得ています。5月からは日本の法話を聞くことができるようになりました。(800)817-7918に電話すると、原田総長の声で英語の方は1を日本語の方は2を押すように言われますので、2を押してください。日本語の法話は2週間に一度、水曜日に更新されます

Complimentary Service Books

Dear Senshin members and friends,

The Temple currently has about 400 copies of the Sunday service book. They have gone unused due to restricted in-person attendance in the hondo.

So that you can read from a book during our weekly service webcasts or refer to it at anytime in your home, we are offering up to 2 complimentary copies per household. These copies will be yours to keep. Next year, in celebration of Senshin's 70th anniversary, we will be printing new service books.

If you would like copies or have questions please call Debbie Hiramoto at 626.232.4736 or email her at debhiramoto@gmail.com. For those who would like it mailed we are asking for \$5 to cover postage.

We will also have a one day drive up giveaway on Saturday, September 12, between 10am - 12noon.

DANA: SEPTEMBER 2020

Sean Miura

Ronald Wakasa

Susan Shigaki Young

Tak & Betty Yamashita

Saishin Dojo

Kenneth Hatai

Masao Kodani

Jean Minami

Ruby Kiyohara

Ruby Kiyohara

Stephen Fugita

Katherine Koyanagi

Saburo & Joyce Kami

Lloyd Inui

7/29/2020 Eugene Murakami

07/24/20



Listed are donations handled by the Regular Treasurer:

Special: donation received with n 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 al other donations will not be sent unless requested by the donor.

	JULY 202	0 DONATIONS			
07/07/20	07/07/20	Yasuhiro Osako	Dana		
		Dale Shirasago	Dana		
		JoAnn & Neil Komai	Dana, Mask Project		
		Deb Nishida & Neil Hurley	Dana, Mask Project		
		Karlyn Ichinaga	Dana, Mask Project		
	Linda & Koichi Uyemura	Dana, Mask Project			
		Deb & John Hiramoto	Dana, Mask Project		
		Erica & Ramon Calzadias	Dana, Mask Project		
	7/10/2020	Akira Takemoto	In memory of Kazumi Takemoto		
no	7/10/2020	Kazuhiko Takeuchi, Diep Ho	In memory of Kazumi Takemoto		
	Kiyome Hirayama	In memory of Kazumi Takemoto			
		Tom Ito	In memory of Tokuo Ito		
		Satomi Saneto	In memory of Koima Saneto		
		Kiyome Hirayama	In memory of Koima Saneto		
		Mabel Shimasaki & Family	In memory of Frank Nakano		
d		Ted Akahori	In memory of Frank Nakano		

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	Tom Ito	In memory of Tokuo Ito
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	Mabel Shimasaki & Family	In memory of Frank Nakano
	Ted Akahori	In memory of Frank Nakano
	Wilbur & Iris Takashima	Nokotsudo
07/12/20	Dale Shirasago	Dana
7/21/2020	Denise Takehara	Mask Donation
	Masao Kodani	Dana
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	Lance Nagano	In memory of Julia Nagano
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	George Yamazawa	Orei
	Susan Young, Janice Shigaki	1st year Memorial Service Alfred & Doris Shigaki
	Chikako Kojima	In Memory of Noreen Kojima, Natalie Kojima
	Chikako Kojima	Covid-19 donation
	Yoshiko Takeuchi	Birthday, 7-16
	Grace Uyeshima	Nobuko Tanaka memorial
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In memory of Frank Nakano

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Covid-19 Donation

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In memory of Dr. Frank Nakano

UCLA Honorarium, consultation fee

Orei, Filming

Orei, Donation

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Ted & Julie Akahori Ruby Kiyohara Chikako Kojima Tammy & Dale Matsubara Jean Minami Merrie Nishisaka Betty Yamashita

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JULY 2020 DONATIONS (cont'd)	
Miwako Hashimoto	Nokotsudo
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Arlene Yokoyama	Obon
SHOTSUKI HOYO JULY 2020	
Donor	In Memory of
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Donation College Savings 529 Plan

Senshin has a College Savings 529 Plan to help with the costs of higher education for our minister's family. Contributing to this fund will provide tax-free income for the minister's children when they are college age. In eight years at 7%, monies put in today could almost double by the time they are ready to go to college.

If you would like to contribute, you have two options:

- 1. Write a check out to Senshin Buddhist Temple along with a memo or note indicating you would like to contribute to the 529 account.
- 2. You can write a check out to MESP (Michigan Education Savings Program) and mail it directly to PO Box 55925, Boston, MA

02205-5925. Be sure to send a note indicating the contribution is to go to the Senshin Buddhist Temple, Account #9393725.

If you write a check to Senshin, there is no minimum. If you write a check to MESP, the check must be \$25 or more.

Owned by the temple, the intention of the fund is to provide additional support to its minister and family. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Eugene Murakami at (909) 861-0697 or genemura@ roadrunner.com.

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 vehicles picked up, processed and refurbished as necessary to bring in the highest sale amount for the donated vehicle.

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 acknowl-

edged 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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ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Board News

On behalf of the Board, I hope everyone is safe and healthy. We ask for your continued support to keep the temple functioning during the COVID-19 closure.

Here is what is going on at the temple even though we are closed.

- Thank you Wilbur Takashima for handling and taking care of the termite infestation.
- Thank you Doug Matsuda for removing some of the old trees on the Raymond Street side of the temple.
- The Board is currently looking into renovating the rental property.
 Again, everyone please be safe and healthy.

Gassho, CHIKAKO KOJIMA.

BWA

There was a recent study on what it takes to live to be 100 years and beyond. The study ranked several aspects of our lives from the least to the most powerful predictor of whether an individual would live a long life. The results were interesting and surprising. Certainly, low blood pressure, weight, exercise, and lack of smoking and drinking were all on the list of predictors. However, the top two predictors were social in nature. Number 2 was close relationships. These are the people who you have around you, family and friends that you can depend on whenever you need help or support. If you have a group of those kind of people in your life, they are a strong predictor of how long you will live.

The Number 1 Predictor was social integration. This means how much you interact with people as you move through your day. These are not just the people who mean a lot to you, but also others that you might run into casually throughout your day like your mail carrier, the clerks in the stores or people you see walking in your neighborhood. According to the study, those interactions are the strongest predictors of how long you will live.

We have many Super Seniors at Senshin. They have very healthy lifestyles, but they also have many close relationships and social interactions with family, friends and of course, their Senshin Family. That being said, during the past several months of the COVID-19 pandemic, it's been very challenging for all of us to keep up our social interactions as we shelter-inplace. As we continue along down this path, please stay in touch especially with our older members. Cards and letters are nice, but a phone call would be even better. Give them a personal opportunity to connect with you. It'll be a WIN-WIN!

Speaking of a long life, we gratefully acknowledge the generous dana from Yo Takeuchi celebrating 101 years of a good life! Happy Birthday, Yo!

ABA

During this unsettling time, how fortunate we are to be living in a world with such wonderful ways for us to keep in touch. While we have not been able to meet regularly, ABA held Zoom gatherings in June and August where we enjoyed visiting, sharing -- and a few games of Bingo! Fan favorite "Bingo Man" Greg Yee led the games and added much levity. Not the same as being on the bus as we had to provide our own snacks, but the next best thing.

Jr Y B A

Unfortunately... Summer has come to an end and school has begun. Most of us are starting off with online school, and will possibly be experiencing the hybrid version for the first time. Hopefully, our fellow, adolescent classmates will have the courtesy to wear a mask and hopefully, our trustee wifi routers will serve us well. This school year will definitely be a time of uncertainty and discovery as the school districts try to navigate around the pandemic and keep the students safe.

As for upcoming events, the Southern District Jr. YBL will be holding their very first virtual conference with the virtual scavenger hunt on August 31st - September 5th and the conference gala on September 6th. Also, our first Senshin Jr. YBA meeting of the year will be on September 13th, where we will determine the board positions. The new high school graduates, Erin Akamine and Kyla Jackson, will be deeply missed as they embark on their new journeys in college (please continue to help your dear Jr. YBA friends... once a member, always a member). I hope everyone continues to stay safe in all ways possible. For information on Jr. YBA, please contact Debbi Fukawa at debfukawa@ gmail.com. .



Although temple activities have been put on hold due to the Covid 19 virus, that hasn't stopped the WasabiKai potters from meeting...like many of you we have kept in touch via Zoom. We have held Zoom gatherings every two

weeks. Everyone misses coming to the studio to work, socialize and of course have lunch together. We are currently talking about drive-by pick up of clay / tools to enable those who wish to continue working in clay. I encourage everyone to view instructional videos on YouTube. There are so many great teachers out there who can guide you to explore any craft or art form you are interested in. Young-Ae and Ricki Aihara are also offering exercise and Yoga for those who may be interested in something physical.

The West Entrance Project is slowly making progress. Reed fencing around

the BBQ area has been installed. Many new plants has spruced up the area thanks to Mike and Lilly Yanagita, Tarabu and Nobuko, and Rev. Mas' variegated black bamboo is taking hold. Plants have also been placed in the Bodhi Tree area. It's a nice place to spend some quiet time in.

I have been taking care of the scrubs in Wasabi Kai cont'd pg 10.



Hondo Toban Volunteers Needed

Senshin is seeking new volunteers to join the *Hondo Toban* group. This group is made up of 12 separate crews, each of which has four persons assigned to it. Due to various circumstances, the *Hondo Toban* group has lost quite a few members over the past several years, leaving some of the crews with only two or three people. We prefer to have four-person crews since they provide a buffer in case one of the individuals in the crew cannot help on a particular date during that crew's assigned month.

With the 12 crews, we can maintain a schedule that requires each crew to work only one month in every 13-month rotation. This is because we do not have services during the month of August. This also permits each crew to have a different month assigned to it during each 13-month rotation, which is preferred since some months have five weekends. No crew wishes to be assigned a 5-weekend month every year!

Each crew decides when it wants to meet at the temple. Most meet on a Saturday morning. Each crew has a lead person who contacts the others in the crew to set the day and time to meet when that crew's toban month comes around. The lead person also

is responsible to secure the key to the *Hondo*, usually obtaining it from Rev. Furumoto. In some cases, a lead person already has a key to the *Hondo* so he/she will not need to secure the key from the office. In fact, if the toban crew meets on a Saturday morning after 9:00 AM, Rev. Furumoto will already have opened the *Hondo* for the Flower *Toban* group that prepares the *Naijin* flowers on Saturday mornings. In those circumstances, the lead person does not have to worry about the key.

The responsibilities of each *toban* crew are as follows:

- 1. Dry mop beneath the pews to get the dirt/dust/debris out onto the aisles.
- 2. Vacuum the carpet in the *Gejin* (pew) area of the *Hondo*, including the steps and the elevated area in front of the *Naijin*.
- 3. Vacuum the *Naijin* carpet, the hallway floor behind the *Naijin* and the floor of the flower prep room.
- 4. Vacuum the carpets in the crying rooms and straighten/arrange the furniture and chairs in those rooms
- 5. Vacuum the tile area in the foyer and dust the tabletops.
- 6. Wipe/clean the wooden parts of the pews with dust rags.
- 7. Wipe/clean the handrails along the

- windows and the wood sills below the windows.
- 8. Wipe/clean the organ.
- 9. Wipe/clean the three podiums (two tall, one short).
- 10. Arrange the service and funeral books in the holders on the backs of the pews.

All of the above work can be completed in approximately 45 minutes when four people are working, and within an hour even if only three individuals are present.

If you would like to be a volunteer, please contact Wilbur Takashima at (310) 398-9558 or at his email, wktakashi@aol.com. We would be most happy to assign you to a crew, and your help would be valued and appreciated! If you have a friend and/or spouse who wants to volunteer with you, that would be great.

Covid-19 Modifications to Hondo Toban tasks:

Until we are able to resume regular services, each *toban* group will only have to clean twice a month rather than each week of the assigned month. And, of the above 10 responsibilities, Nos. 4 and 10 can be omitted until we resume regular services.

洗心仏教会 2020年9 月

6月感謝録:

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納骨堂:W&l高島 故Noreen/Natahie小島追悼:C小島

マスクプロジェクト:J/N駒井,D西田,N.Hurley

K.Ichinaga,L/K植村,D/J平本,E/R.Calzadias 故D:

マスク 寄付:D竹原

誕生日お祝い:Y竹内

故N田中追悼:G上島 故D紫垣追悼:S紫垣Young

故Y藤田追悼:S藤田

故T伊藤追悼:T伊藤

9月法要スケジュル:

3日(木)午後7時 ヴァチャル理事会

6日(日) おやすみ

13日(日)午前9時半 ヴァチャル納骨堂法要

9:45ヴァチャルキッズお話10時ヴァチャル祥月法要

19日(土)午前10時半 ヴァチャル秋のお彼セミナー 宮地崇開教使:南アラミダ郡仏教会

20日(日)午前9時半 ヴァチャル日本語法要

10時 ヴァチャルお彼岸法要 宮地崇開教使

27日(日)午前9時45分 ヴァチャルキッズお話

10時 ヴァチャル家族礼拝

8月供花:T&J赤堀,R清原,T&D松原,C小島,M西坂,B山下

9月法要当番:アバ **本堂当番:**TBD

お花当番:5日D.竹原,12日D&J平本,19日D&R小谷,26日K.Meigneix,10/3日MFujimoto&C.Rooks

お寺の法要は、Stan Fukawaさんが設置されたヴァチャルサイトを通して行われています。コンピュターをお持ちの方は、メールアドレスを古本先生に知らせ、ぜひ登録してください。

"離れても一緒"だという体験を味えます。

今後のスケジュルは州、郡、市の指示いかんによって変わりますので、その節には通達します。

Wasabi Kai cont'd

Obon Alley and watching Roberto's garden flourish.

Things in the courtyard could use some love if you have time. Doug Matsuda has been working solo around the perimeter of the Temple.

Looking ahead to better times. Bob

Beginning Yoga Class for Senshin Sangha Online!

Now more than ever is the time to keep your body moving and your mind calm. Beginner yoga classes offered online through Zoom and taught by Riki Aihara. No experience necessary or equipment required. We will cover basic yoga techniques, meditation and stretching. Most of class can be done in a chair. Take care of your physical and mental health during this time. Email riki.aihara@gmail.com for more info.

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Thinking Body/Moving Mind TBMM

Young Ae Park will resume her movement technique/exercise class on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:30am through Zoom. For information please contact Young Ae at dancejourneyhome@yahoo.com.

Aruku-Kai "Let's Walk" Club!

Aruku-Kai "Let's Walk" Club: *Walking Together, Apart!*)

While Aruku-Kai members cannot *aruku* "walk" together, we can *aruku* apart, together. We encourage all Sangha members to walk, breathe fresh air, and take in your surroundings. If space allows, we may be able to share our photos from our walks apart, together in future *Prajnas*. Please share photos for inclusion, to Lauren.Ohata@gmail.com.



Following Activities have been cancelled

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Beginning Yoga Class for Senshin Sangha online class continues Mondays 10a

Exercise Class / TBMM

Sangha online class continues Tuesday & Thursday, 9:30–10:30a

Karate Club

Wednesdays 4:30p

Aruku-Kai "Let's Walk" Club Kinnara Gagaku/Bugaku Classes Kids' Taiko, Taiko WasabiKai Organizational meetings

West entrance

Ogawa Scholarship Awardees

Although we normally present the scholarships to the recipients at one of our July services, the Covid-19 pandemic has kept Senshin from holding normal in-person services. As a result, we

asked the two awardees, Erin Akamine and Mina Mizutani, together with their parents, to meet on Sunday, August 9th at Senshin. During this early afternoon gathering, Furumoto sensei was the presenter of the scholarship awards. As you can see from the photos, Sensei, Erin and Mina kept their masks on when the awards were presented.

Since they were a household unit, Erin and

her parents, Lynn and Don, and her sister Michelle were able to remove their masks for the family photo. Similarly, Mina and her parents, Stephanie and Garren, were able to do the same. We really did not want the masks to obscure the smiles!

smiles!
Erin was scheduled to begin
classes at UC Santa Cruz this Fall, and Mina was to begin classes at Columbia University's
Teachers College. However, the Coronavirus situation has unfortunately stopped either of the
awardees from attending their institutions in person, and both of them will be attending classes
online. That's a big disappointment, but we are sure that Erin and Mina will make the best of it.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	August 31	1	2	3	4	5
	10a Virtual Yoga 7p Virtual Zadankai	9:30a Virtual Exercise Class		9:30a Virtual Exercise Class 7p Virtual Temple Board Mtg		
6 No Service	7	8	9	10	11	12 Service Book give-away
	10a Virtual Yoga	9:30a Virtual Exercise Class		9:30a Virtual Exercise Class		10a-12noon Temple parking lot
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Virtual Fall <i>Higan</i> Seminar
9:30a Virtual <i>Nokotsudo</i> Service 9:45a Virtual Kids' Talk 10a Virtual Monthly Memorial Service	10a Virtual Yoga	9:30a Virtual Exercise Class		9:30a Virtual Exercise Class		10:30a-12noon Seminar Guest Speaker, Rev. Takashi Miyaji So Alameda County Buddhist Church
20 Fall <i>Higan</i> Service	21	22	23	24	25	26
9:30a Virtual Japanese Study Class 10a Virtual Fall <i>Higan</i> Service Guest Speaker, Rev. Takashi Miyaji Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church	10a Virtual Yoga 7p Virtual Zadankai	9:30a Virtual Exercise Class		9:30a Virtual Exercise Class		
27	28	29	30	Oct 1	Oct 2	Oct 3
9:45a Virtual Kids' Talk 10a Virtual Family Service	10a Virtual Yoga	9:30a Virtual Exercise Class		9:30a Virtual Exercise Class		

SEPTEMBER *TOBAN*:

Sunday Service ABA Hondo Toban TBD

SEPTEMBER *Onaijin* Flower Arrangement:

Sept 5 Denise Takehara

Sept 12 Deb & John Hiramoto

Sept 19 (Fall *Higan* Seminar) Denise & Richard Kodani

Sept 26 Kate Meigneix

Oct 3 Miki Fujimoto & Curtiss Rooks

THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED:

- Yoga and exercise classes, available online
- Karate, Taiko, Kids' Taiko, Gagaku and Bugaku
- Wasabi-kai
- Organization meetings
- Board and committee meetings will be conducted virtually.



