Shoshin-Ge was composed by Shinran Shonin, the founder of Buddhism. In his major work, Kyo Gyo Shin Sho (The True Teaching, Practice, and Realization of the Pure Land Way), Shoshin-Ge appeared at the end of the chapter on Gyo, which means practice.

The original title of Shoshin-Ge was Shoshin Nenbutsu Ge. Shoshin means true entrusting, true faith, or true awakening. Sho means true, and *Shin* is the abbreviation of *Shinjin*, which means entrusting, faith or awakening. Shinjin does not have a universally fixed correct translation. Scholars or ministers have discussed the translation of *Shin* or *Shinjin* for over 100 years, but the discussion is still going on. So, now, people prefer to use *Shinjin*, remaining untranslated. *Nenbutsu* means reciting the Buddha's Name, Namoamidabutsu, and Ge means a verse or a hymn – the verses of the true entrusting is the meaning of Shoshin Nenbutsu Ge.

Shinran Shonin wrote the summarization of the Jodo Shinshu teaching in verse style.

In the first two lines, he wrote the meaning of Namo Amidabutsu, then praising Amida Buddha based on the content of the Larger Sutra, followed by the brief digest of the seven Pure Land Masters of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism.

When we get used to chanting Shoshin-Ge, we also get used to the Jodo Shinshu teaching.

I first heard *Shoshin-Ge* at a temple service. I attended the service for the first time and I was the only young person at the service. Most of the attendees were senior people. Once they started chanting, I noticed that some people were chanting Shoshin-Ge by heart. Others loudly chanted Shoshin-Ge by reading the service book. I was the only person who was not chanting Shoshin-Ge. I felt embarrassed to be chanting what I was not familiar with. I thought it did not make sense to chant verses which I did not know the meaning of. So I just listened. I felt the sound of the chanting was strange but attractive. I do not remember the Dharma message at that service, but I remember the *Shoshin-Ge* chanting.

Later, as I chanted Shoshin-Ge over and over, I gradually became used to the rhythm and melody. I even became familiar with several words and phrases which helped me to deepen my understanding of the teaching. This is the way Buddhist learn the teaching. At first, by learning how to chant. We do not have to know the meaning. In this way, gradually, somehow, we grow to know the meaning of the words and phrases.

In Shoshin-Ge, there appears the word, Akunin (evil person) or Issho Zoaku (committed evil all his life). I did not understand why such negative words were written in sacred writings.

I even wondered "Who is an evil person?" But later, as I listened to the teaching, I found that "Akunin, who committed evil," is none other than myself. Evil, in Jodo Shinshu, means self-centered or ego-centric. Self-centeredness develops greed, anger, hatred, jealousy, and envy, which cause troubles to us and others. That is the reason Dharmakara Bodhisattva (Amida Buddha) established the Vow enabling us to be born in the Pure Land where we can be totally free from ego and attain perfect peace. As I became familiar with chanting Shoshin-Ge, the meaning of the words and the message of Shinran Shonin became clearer.

We will have classes to practice chanting Shoshin-Ge and other chantings. They will help us to deepen our understanding of the *Nembutsu* teaching so please come to the Sunday services and attend classes to chant Shoshin-Ge.

Namoamidabutsu.

REV. RYUTA FURUMOTO

正信偈をとなえられるようにしましょう。 古本竜太

京都の本願寺では、毎朝のお勤めで「正信偈」を唱えています。何十年 か前までは、浄土真宗の念仏者の家では、お仏壇の前で正信偈を唱えて 一日が始まりました。あるメンバーの方は、幼い頃、正信偈を唱えなけ れば朝食を食べられなかったと言われてました。

正信偈は、浄土真宗の開祖である 親鸞聖人が書かれたもので、主著「 教行信証」の「行」の巻の終わりの 方に書かれています。

「正信偈」は「正信念仏偈」がオ リジナルのタイトルです。「正信」 とは正しい信心という意味で、英 語では true entrusting, やtrue faith, と訳されます。学者や僧侶が 100年以上前から信心の訳語を議 論していますが、いまだに議論が続 いています。だから、今は訳さずに Shinjin と言われる方も多いです。

親鸞聖人は、浄土真宗の教えの要 約を漢文の詩の形式を用いて120句 で書かれています。最初の二行で「 南無阿弥陀仏」の意味を示し、次に 「大経」の内容に基づいて阿弥陀仏 を讃え、そして七高僧の教えを簡潔 に示されています。

最初はあまり正信偈に書かれてい ることの意味がわかりませんが、唱 えるのに慣れてくると、教えもわか ってくるようになっています。

私が初めて正信偈を唱えるきっ かけとなったのは、あるお寺の法要 の時でした。その時初めて法要にお 参りしたのですが、若い人は私一人 で、ほとんどの参拝者は年配の方々 でした。正信偈が始まると、みなが 大きな声でとなえ、中には正信偈を 暗記されている方もおられました。 私は初めてでしたし、あまり意味の 分からないものを唱えるが恥ずかし いこともあり、他の人が唱えるのを ただ聞いていました。その音は不思 議なものでしたが、魅力的でした。 その時の法話の内容は覚えていませ んが、正信偈のお勤めに衝撃を受け たことは覚えています。

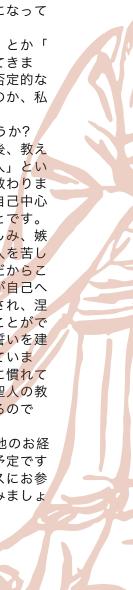
その後、正信偈を唱えているう ちに、だんだんリズムやメロディー に慣れてきました。そうなってくる

と、いくつかの言葉やフレーズにも 慣れ、教えの理解を深めることがで きました。これは仏教の教えの学び 方で、最初はお経や偈文の唱え方を 覚えるのですが、その時は言葉の意 味はわからなくてもいいのです。不 思議なことに唱えているうちに言葉 の意味が分かってくるようになって いるのです。

「正信偈」の中に、「悪人」とか「 一生造悪」という言葉が出てきま す。最初、なぜこのような否定的な 言葉が聖典に書かれているのか、私 には分かりませんでした。

「悪人とは誰のことだろうか? 」と思ってましたが、その後、教え を聞いていくうちに、「悪人」とい うのは、私自身のことだと教わりま した。浄土真宗の悪とは、自己中心 性やそこからでる煩悩のことです。 自己中心は貪欲、怒り、憎しみ、嫉 妬、妬みを生み、自分や他人を苦し めるのです。聖人は、それだからこ そ、阿弥陀如来は、私たちが自己へ のとらわれから完全に解放され、涅 槃という完全な平穏を得ることがで きる浄土に生まれるための誓いを建 てられたとお示しくださっていま す。正信偈をとなえることに慣れて くると、言葉の意味や親鸞聖人の教 えがわかるようになってくるので

今年は「正信偈」やその他のお経 や偈文を唱える練習をする予定です ので、ぜひ日曜礼拝やクラスにお参 りして「正信偈」を唱えてみましょ



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Monthly Memorial SEPTEMBER Shotsuki Service September 11 at 10a

Seshu (Observant)

Deceased Relation To Obervant, 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.

Ikari, Kathy *Husband* Ikari, Kei

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, Anna Lew

Nishikawa, Kelvin Grandfather 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

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Shirasago Family *Father* Shirasago, George

Sugano, Michiko *Grandmother-in-law* Kanazawa,
Fude

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Takeuchi Family Takeuchi, Yo

Tanezaki, Barbara Father Kakita, Bene

Terrell, Jackie
Father-in-law
Fukumoto, Katsumi

Tsunoda, Satsuko Father-in-law Tsunoda, Yaichi

Umemoto, Marty & Kathie Grandmother Akamichi, Ishi

Umemoto, Marty & Kathie *Father* Matsuda, Miyoshi

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

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.

SPECIAL SERVICE: SEPTEMBER 2022 5

Senshin Fall Ohigan (Equinox)

Seminar Saturday September 24 Service Sunday September 25

The guest speaker for both the seminar and service will be Rev. Kiyononbu Kuwahara, (Jodo Shinshu International Office, Berkeley Buddhist Temple, Marine Buddhist Temple). The seminar and the service will be hybrid, (in-person and on-line).

Saturday September 24, Seminar

10:30 am: Opening service 10:40 am to 12noon: Lecture

Sunday **September 25, Ohigan Service** 10:00 am

秋のお彼岸セミナー並びにお彼岸法要のご案内

9月24日(土)にお彼岸セミナーを行います。セミナーのご講師は浄土真宗インターナショナルオフィス、およびバークレー仏教会の桑原浄信師です。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25日(日)10時からです。セミナーも法要もハイブリッド形式(インパーソンとオンラインの両方)で行います。

Senshin Online Ohigan Study Class

We will have Online Ohigan Study Classes on September 21, 22 and 23 from 6:30pm to 7:15pm. The speakers will be Rev. Mas, Rev. Aki, and Rev. Furumoto

DANA / FUNDRAISING: SEPTEMBER 2022

Listed are donations handled Dale Shirasago Dana 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.

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JUNE 2022 SHOTSUKI HOYO

Observant In Memory Of

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Jean Minami *In Honor of* Tak & Betty Yamashita's 66th Wedding Anniv.

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Judy Nakatani

Deb Nakatomi &

Bob Miyamoto

Debra Nishida &

2022 Obon Raffle Fundraiser

Our gratitude to everyone for your generous support of our 2022 Obon Raffle fundraiser. Through your raffle ticket donation we are able to continue funding the important religious programs at Senshin. Additional thanks to the following business friends and individuals who generously donated many amazing prizes, cash and in-kind items.

Akahori, Julie Akahori, Ted Akamine, Don & Lynn Anonymous Calzadias, Erica & Ramon Ebata, Donna Higa, Dorothy Hiramoto, John Horiuchi, Edna Ishitani, Denise Ishitani, Janis Isomoto, Glen & Joyce Kanagawa, David & Judy Kawaguchi, Harumi & Glen Reverend Mas Kodani Kojima, Chikako & Uneda, Yoko Komai, Neil & JoAnn Matayoshi Nishiyama, Connie & Dexter Mickelson, Dawn & Eric Minami, Jean Miyamoto, Bob & Deb Mizutani, Garren &

Stephanie

Nagano, Lance

Nishida, Deb & Hurley, Neil

REMINDER Membership Dues

Have you paid your 2022 Senshin Temple membership?

We are still accepting payments for 2022 membership dues payments. If you have

forgotten, please take the time to do so. Your membership dues are needed to help

cover the Temple's operating costs for utilities, insurance, routine maintenance of

temple building & grounds, temple program activities, quest speakers, *Praina* news-

letter mailing and a full-time minister's. A portion of the 2022 dues is used to pay

the \$166.90 BCA assessment that Senshin must pay for each temple member. For

information, please contact Kathy Ikari at 310 345-1174.

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Ogawa, Jerry
Shirasago, Dale & Susan

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Pepperidge Farms

Toji, Suzanne

Feast from the East

Umemoto, Kathie & Marty

Uyemura Family

Yamashita, Betty & Tak

Yamashita, Qris & Komai, Chris

Yee, Greg

Yokoyama, Arlene

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. 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 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.

Kikuo and Kaoru (Kay) Ogawa Memorial Scholarship Awardees

We are pleased to announce the recipients of the 2022 scholarships from the Kikuo and Kaoru (Kay) Ogawa Memorial Scholarship fund. The two awards this year were presented to high school graduates. Each of them received a \$1,000.00 stipend as well as a plaque that memorializes the award. Their names have also been added to the perpetual plaque that hangs in the temple's Social Hall.

The awardees are Paige Mizutani (daughter of Stephanie and Garren Mizutani), and Carter Kawaguchi (son of Harumi and Glenn Kawaguchi).

Paige will continue her education at Colgate University in New York, and Carter will pursue his studies locally at the University of Southern California.

We congratulate Paige and Carter, and wish them well in their college careers.

Panda Express Fundraiser Results

Congratulations and thank you to the Senshin Sangha for their help with our Panda Express Virtual Fundraiser on July 8. We were able to raise \$2258 from over \$8,000 in sales! That's a lot of orange-flavored chicken! Support came from all across the country: HI, OR, IL, TX, MA, WA, VA, NY, NJ and CA. The key to those amazing results was everyone participating and spreading the word to their families and friends. Additionally there were many other generous donations totaling about \$1760 coming in from people that weren't able to order a meal

but wanted to join the Panda Party too. Our grand total for the fundraiser was about \$4000! It was wonderful knowing that so many people came together for our temple. It was easy, fun and a huge success! Your participation and support made it all happen. A special

word of appreciation to Reverend Furumoto for his help in promoting

the project every week. Once again, many thanks

and congratulations!

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.

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& ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Message from the Board

Welcome back from the 2022 harvest! As of this writing, the latest surge of COVID seems to be trending down and we're hopeful conditions will be good for returning to Sunday services on September 11. We will continue to monitor the situation closely and make adjustments as needed.

Plans for Senshin's 70th Anniversary/Keiro-kai celebration are firming up and we're looking forward to a fun and memorable afternoon. This celebration is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, November 6 after service and will include otoki, entertainment and a raffle.

California Assembly Bill 506 (AB506) requires screening and training for volunteers who interact with children at Senshin. This is a law that has been in effect since January 1, 2022. If you volunteer in a Senshin organization that serves youth, please reach out to the adult coordinators for more information.

Join us on Sundays in person or on Zoom at 10:00am. Please check out

our new website at senshintemple.org for the link to Sunday services, COVID updates, the calendar, links and content that might interest you.

In Gassho, RUSSELL NISHIDA

B W A

Hope everyone had a great Summer. Thanks to all the ladies who leaned in to help out with Saishin Dojo. The kids reminded us to always have fun in the moment. Also, thanks to those who came out to make the spam musubi for our private Obon fund raiser. It was so heartwarming to see each other and hear all the chatter and laughter again.

The BWA ladies gathered to attend the Japanese American National Museum exhibit "Sutra and Bible" on 8/13. This exhibit shared the inspirational stories of how the Japanese Americans, who were incarcerated during WWII, were resilient in practicing their faith. We thank them all for protecting our culture, Dharma, and the Sangha.

We gratefully acknowledge the generous Dana from :

Madalyne Adams Memorial for Grandmother, Kogiku Kuwata Fujie Ohata Hatsumairi Toban Lynn Nakawatase In memory of Kaz Nakawatase

Saishin Dojo Orei, Noon Supervision

Jr Y B A

The Jrs. started the summer with the return of Sento Shogon, the 1000 Oil Lamp display at Obon. As we haven't set up the display since 2019, we were able to get through it with the help of our amazing Jr. YBA Alumni! Special thanks to Stan and Debbi Fukawa, the wonderful alumni parents who helped from beginning to end, and made everything look perfect. To prevent major spills, more thanks to Bob Miyamoto and Tammy Matsubara for their help with wax dipping and reinforcing the bases of the oil lamps. Our temple president, Russell Nishida, put in a lot of work to make sure our display table was perfectly aligned and just right. And our Obon Chair, Koichi and Linda Uyemura, made sure we disposed of our used



oil and got messy in the process. As always, thank you Rev. Mas Kodani for your continued support with making sure we have the wicks and lanterns ready. And to all who lit a candle in memory of a loved one, thank you for bringing some light to our courtyard!



Thank you to Susan Ogawa, for donating your winning obon raffle ticket to the Dodger game!

Dear Temple members,

We look forward to the Southern District Jr. YBL Conference at OCBC all-day on Saturday, September 3, our first in-person conference since 2019! We will get together with all of the Jr YBA members in the Southern District, and enjoy fun activities and workshops with the theme, "Finding Dharma in Disneyland." We look forward to the new school year with more in-person activities and hopefully meet more Jrs. So, if you are a high schooler who wants to join, please contact our new parent advisor, Juriko Yamada at afstue@gmail.com.

graphs taken before November 5. We hope all members will participate in the celebration! Please contact **Debbie Hiramoto at debhiramoto@ gmail.com** for more information or to make an appointment for a sitting.

Message from Dharma

Senshin 70th Anniversary Picture Book

On November 6, 2022, Senshin Buddhist Temple will celebrate its 70th

Anniversary by holding a special service and luncheon. We will com-

bers and their families as well as affiliate temple organization group

pictures. Our last book was published in 2014 so we are due for an-

other. The four dates for sittings at Senshin are: Sunday, Sept 18;

Wednesday, Sept 21; Saturday, Oct 15; and Sunday Oct 30. If these

date do not work for you, you can directly arrange your sitting appoint-

ment at Toyo Miyatake Studio in San Gabriel. Please have your photo-

memorate the anniversary with a picture book including Senshin mem-

School Teachers Dear Sangha Families:

Furumoto-sensei and Dharma School teachers had a chat last month and decided that due to low participation we will suspend regular Dharma School classes. We realize that as a Sangha we are still in transition as far as coming regularly to temple, and our young families have a lot of demands on their time.

We will have some special family-oriented events throughout the year and encourage you to attend:

October 30: Day of the Gaki (Senshin version of a Halloween Party)

December 10: Mochitsuki April (tbd): Hanamatsuri May (tbd): Children's Day

We will keep you informed about any new programs and event details. If you want to be added to a Senshin Families email list, contact Chris Aiha ra, aihara.chris@gmail.com

Thank you,

Ms. Chris, Mr. Wilbur and Ms. Jana

Social Media

Instagram: Users are now able to not only follow accounts, but hashtags. You can follow **#SenshinEverything** and also tag your posts of Senshin with the hashtag if you'd like others to see solely your Senshin pics.

That's #SENSHINEVERYTHING.

You can now view the Senshin Google Calendar here: https://bit. ly/2Gbhc27

If you would like to add the Senshin Calendar to your iPhone or iPad:

- 1. Launch the Settings app on your iPhone or iPad.
- 2. Tap on Mail, Contacts, Calendars.
- 3. Tap on Add Account...under the Mail section.
- 4. Tap on Other.
- 5. Tap on Add Subscribed Calendar under the Other section
- Enter or copy in the following link: https://calendar.google.com/ calendar/ical/jr9b2e26vovo0a0rhht 9kt6i0k%40group.calendar.google. com/public/basic.ics





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How wonderful it was to have Saishin Dojo back at the temple after suspending it for 2 years because of the pandemic! Wasabikai was happy to work with the students and instructors again on their pottery projects. It was great to see all of their determination and concentration to make their pottery pieces just right, and their delight and pride when they saw their finished projects. We love to see the students unleash their creativity, particularly

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WASABI KAI cont'd

when they go a little outside of the box. Like the 1st grader that made her pinch pot heart-shaped instead of round, or the 5th grader that made elaborate clay cut-outs and stuck them onto each side of his vessel! We hope this experience of creating with clay will spark an artistic interest, and will be a memento for them, their mom, dad, grandma, or grandpa, for years to come.

Interested in pottery/classes? Contact: Bob Miyamoto 323 791.2719



NEED VOLUNTEERS
Chicken Teriyaki Fundraiser, Sunday,
October 9th

Well, it's time again where the sweet aroma of chicken soaked and barbequed in Senshin's secret teriyaki sauce.

This is a great time to come out and help the

temple at this once a year fundraiser. It's time to get together and enjoy each other's company while serving up some of the best chicken teriyaki found anywhere in the city!

So please save this date since it will be upon us in no time! This fundraiser is open to all members willing to put in some time. First shift starts at 7am



and goes to about 2:30pm that day. We generally work in two hour shifts so if you care to volunteer, we could sure use the support.

Whether you belong to one of the service clubs or not, please come out and support Chicken Teriyaki and Senshin!

For more information and how to sign up, please contact me, **Chikako Kojima at chikak@att.net or cell phone 1-310-749-4964.**





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First Name	T	Home	REQUIRED
Last Name			
Email Address			
Number of dinners at \$20 each	=		
☐ Payment included (check/cash)	\$		

ORDER FORM

Here is the order form for Chicken Teriyaki dinners.

No tickets will be printed or mailed. This order form is also available on our website.

Chicken Teriyaki is a major fundraiser for Senshin.

Thank you for your continued generous support.

QUESTIONS?

Call Debbi Fukawa 626-487-7231 or email, debfukawa@gmail.com

Please make checks payable to SENSHIN BUDDHIST TEMPLE Mail this order form to: Senshin Chicken Teriyaki 1311 W. 37th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90007 OR drop off your order in the Teriyaki mail slot in the temple office.

10 JAPANESE UPDATES: SEPTEMBER 2022

2022年9月 洗心仏教会

6&7月感謝録:

寄付:M小谷,Dennis/Celia Huey,I&K松林,K畑井 D白砂,C.Whiting,A渡辺,K小川,S&R大西,D比嘉

BCA dana:D&G上島

お礼:西心道場 ,4世バスケットボール

納骨堂:M冨田,N&W永谷,E&S紫垣,

お賽銭: M.Adams, 初参り:C&C小川 車寄付:C.Perez

葬儀: R松川,原田一家,L中渡瀬

お盆提灯: K小柳,S水谷

仏教学院,ブッククラブ: E村上 Rosedaleメモリアル:L西田

お祝い:T&B山下-66年結婚記念

初盆:K猪狩,D西田N.Hurley,R西田,T山口,H高島 R松川一家,J竹田一家,Mr./Mrs.D末広,P白砂 J&W森,L神田/D.Gleeson,L.Kelly,J,G&L堀本 L前田,C広戸,D岡部,S実藤,D&A実藤,B平山,

故L堂本追悼:L前田,C広戸,D岡部

故G浜田追悼:J浜田

故K松川追悼:J南W&I高島

故H平山追悼:J&D平山

故Y原田追悼:D原田

故K中渡瀬追悼:M上野

故M神田追悼:L神田

故M桑木追悼:D比嘉

故K実藤追悼:K川口

故M田中追悼:G上島

故F中谷7回忌: G松村,J中谷

PandaExpressファンドレイザー: W&I高島,M小谷

N&J駒井,B山下,B田中,R中綿瀬,S島田,M西坂

Y&L宮城島,B八幡,A横山,I.Satogilles,N上田

E.Mikkelson,M&R.Sonday,D比嘉,K&Y西川,P本河

R&D小谷,M山田,J.Margolis,D.Trihey

9月法要スケジュル:

1日(木) 7p.m. 理事会 USCフットボール駐車場(ファンドレイジング) 3日(土) 3p.m. 南加地区JrYBL総会、OCBCにて オールデイ 4日(日) お休み

11日(日) 8:30a 婦人会例会 10:00a 祥月法要

USCフットボール駐車場(ファンドレイジング) 17日(土)

Fresno State

日本語法要 18日(日) 9:30a 10:00a 家族礼拝

11:00a 勉強会

21(水),22(木),23(金

6:30p-7:15 お彼岸勉強会

10:30a-12:00 秋のお彼岸セミナー 桑原清信開教使(JSIO) 24日(土)

10:00a 秋のお彼岸法要 25日(日) 桑原清信開教使(JSIO) 10月1日 USCフットボール駐車場(ファンドレイジング)

Arizona State

9月法要当番: ABA 9月本堂当番: K植村,D/T松原,A湯川

9月お花当番: 3日P森川,10日C家村,17日R堀,R.Kok,24日A横山,10/1日F大畑 もし予定日に当番ができない時には、Iris(310-951-0160)またはitakashima@aol.comまでご連絡ください。

10月の予定: 9日:チキン照り焼き(ファンドレイジング),ホワイトエレファント&ベークセール 23日:恵信尼、覚信尼,婦人会メモリアル法要&セミナー,講師:悦子三瓶

6月供花:M上野.B.Rogers,J&D平本,M西坂,C久宗,J南,T&D松原,R清原,T赤堀,匿名

7月供花:J&D平本,P白砂,T山口,B山下,K&I松林,A横山,C小島,G&J磯本,L田中,J南,M島袋,T&J赤堀,S宮田,匿名

洗心寺は11月6日,2022年に 設立70周年のお祝い法要と昼 食会を行います。

同時にお寺の会員、家族の方々 及びお寺の各役員の写真帳を作 成する計画です。(前回の写 真は2014年に撮りました)撮 影の日は9月18日(日),21日(水).10月15日(土).10月30日(日)です。もし都合がよくない場 合は、皆さん各自でSan GabrielのToyo Miyatakeスタジオと 予約をしてください。写真は11 月5日までに撮ってください。

または、ジーン南さん、 minamijean@gmail.com, (323)394-9353までにご連絡 ください。このお祝いに、みな さん参加しましょう。

Celebrate!!

Senshin's 70th Anniversary & Keiro Kai (our Senior temple members, 80 years and older)



Sunday, November 6, 2022 The Celebration will begin at 10am

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITES* 70th Anniversary Service 10am Senshin & Keiro Kai photo after 70th Anniversary Service Lunch 12noon Senshin's Own Entertainers 12:30pm

Keiro Kai Honorees Senior Temple members over 80: Free Adults: \$25 Children (11 years and under): \$15 RESERVATIONS DUE OCTOBER 25, 2022 *Local covid protocols will be observed

SENIOR TEMPLE MEMBERS OVE	ER 80 (FREE):		
Name	Birthdate		
Phone	Email		
Name	Birthdate		
Phone	Email		
TEMPLE MEMBERS/FRIENDS: AD	ULTS \$25, CHILD \$15		
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Name	Phone/Email	Adult \$25	Child \$15
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Please send your reservation and check payable to Senshin Buddhist Temple, by October 25.

Mail to: Senshin Buddhist Temple **Attn: 70th Anniversary** 1311 W 37th Street, Los Angeles CA 90007.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
				1	2	3	
				10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio 7p Virtual Temple Board Meeting	1	3p Fundraiser: USC Parking (Rice OWL) All day : SD Jr YBL Conference hosted by OCBC (in person)	
4 No Service	5	6	7	8	9	10	
		10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio			
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
 8:30a Virtual BWA Reikai 9:45a Japanese Howa 10a Monthly Memorial Service/Shotsuki Hōyō and Family Service 11a Chanting Class 		10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		7:30p Fundraiser: USC Parking (Fresno State Bulldogs))	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Fall <i>Higan</i> Seminar	
10a Family Service, Rev. Masao Kodani, BCA Minister Emeritus 11a Chanting Class	7p Virtual Zadankai	10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio 6:30-7:15p Ohigan Study Class (online)	6:30-7:15p Ohigan	10:30a-12noon Fall Higan Seminar: Rev. Kiyonobu Kuwahara (JSIO)	
25 Fall <i>Higan</i> Service	26	27	28	29	30	Oct 1	
10a Fall Higan Service: Guest speaker, Rev. Kiyonobu Kuwahara (JSIO)		10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		TBDp Fundraiser: USC Parking (Arizona State)	

SEPTEMBER TOBAN

Service Toban A B A **Hondo Toban** Koichi Uyemura, Dale Matsubara, Tammy Matsubara, Amy Yukawa

SEPTEMBER *Onaijin* Flower Toban

Sept 3 Paige Morikawa Sept 10 Cathy lyemura

Sept 17 Robert Hori/Richard Kok

Sept 24 (Fall Ohigan Seminar) Arlene Yokoyama

Oct 1 Fujie Ohata

(Note: If you are unable to fulfill the week you are scheduled, please contact Iris at (310) 951-0160 or itakashima@aol.com)

Upcoming in OCTOBER 2022:

Oct 9 Senshin Chicken Teriyaki Fundraiser, BWA White Elephant and Bake Sale

Oct 23 Eshinni-ko/ Kakushinni-ko/ BWA Memorial Service and Seminar, Guest speaker, Rev. Etsuko Mikame (San Jose)

Nov 6 Senshin 70th Anniversary Service and KeiroKai