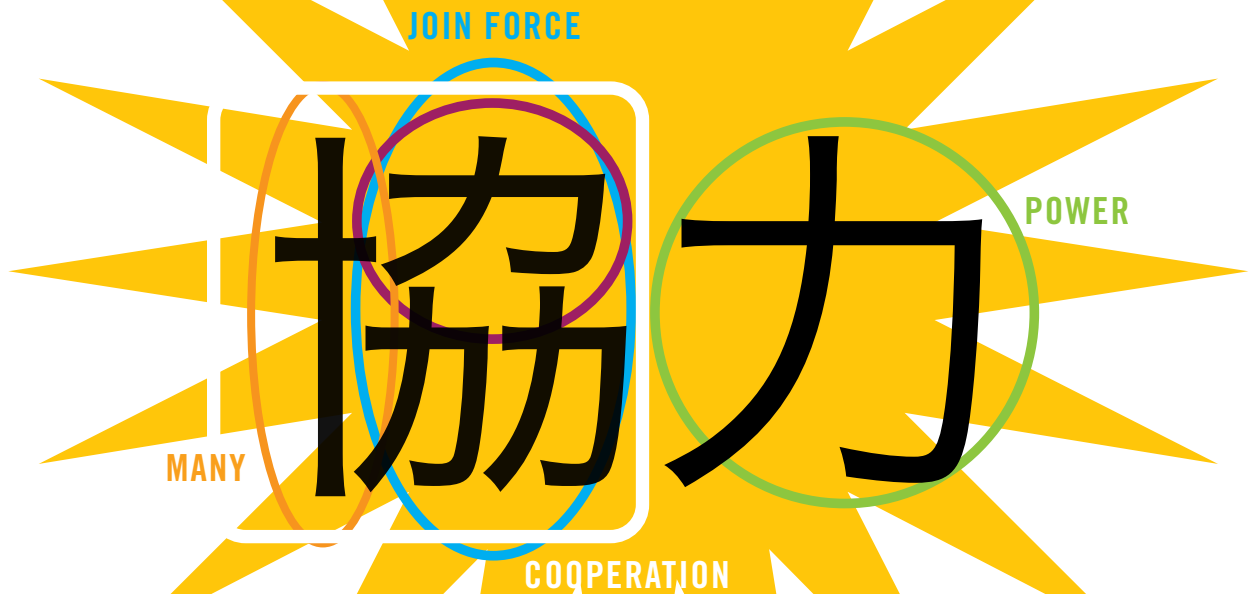
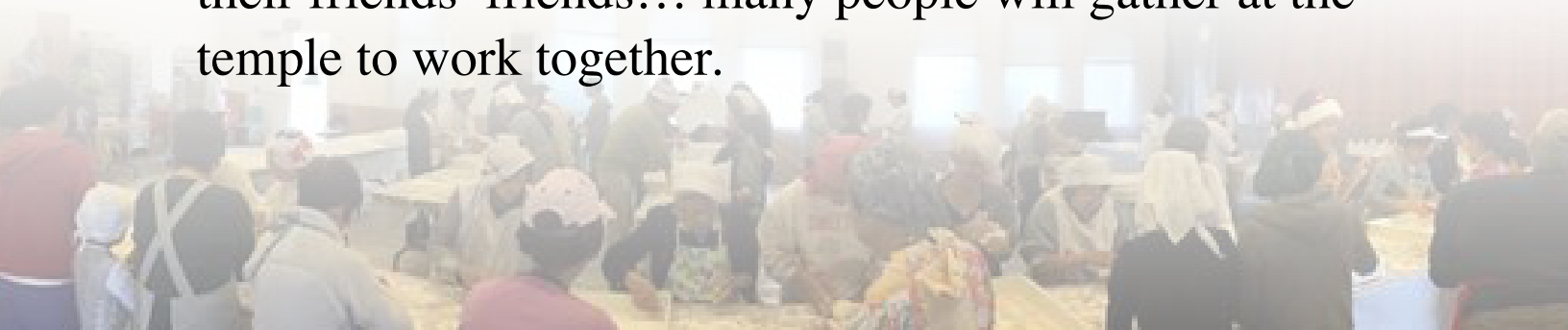


Shinjin and Cooperation

KYORYOKU



We will have our annual *mochitsuki* on Saturday, December 10th. This will be our first *mochitsuki* in three years. Due to Covid-19, in 2020, we did not have a *mochitsuki*. Last year, our *mochitsuki* was scaled down and limited in the number of participants and we did not sell the *mochi*. Finally, this year, we will have a *mochitsuki* like we did before. Senshin temple members and their families and friends and their friends' friends... many people will gather at the temple to work together.



Mochitsuki is hard work and since each person has his or her own personality, sometimes conflict may occur due to the difference of views. However, as Buddhists, we can try to cooperate with each other.

The kanji, 協 is read “*kyo*” and means “cooperation”. This

kanji consists of two parts. One is 十 on the left side and three 力 on the right side. The right side *kanji*, 力, read “*chikara*” means “power”. Three “力 power” means “to join force”. And left side *kanji*, 十 means “many,” so the *kanji* 協 means “cooperation”. In Japanese, they have a word “*Kyo Ryoku*” it means cooperation and kanji is 協力. *kanji* is the same *kanji* with *kanji*. They

priests, scholars, and aristocrats.

During the discussion, Shinran Shonin said to the other disciples, “The Master possesses vast wisdom and learning, so I would be mistaken if I claimed to be the same in those respects, but in Shinjin that is the cause of birth, there is no difference whatever... (CWS p.678).”

All others were skeptical about his thought. Seeing that Honen Shonin taught, “My Shinjin has been given by Amida, so it is the same with Amida Buddha. A person with a different Shinjin will surely not go to the Pure Land to which I will go.”

Each person is different, but Shinjin itself is the same. There’s no “my” Shinjin or “your” Shinjin”. All receive Shinjin equally and since Shinjin belongs to Amida, the contents and quality of Shinjin is the same. With this awakening, we can know that “all are different but the same” and this awakening urges us to leave the attachment to the small, false self. When conflict occurs, we always cling to our small self. “I am right, you are wrong” comes from a small self. “I may be right, you may be right, so let’s talk and cooperate together” comes from the universal self, which can be found in Shinjin. If we think we are working for “my own” sake, conflict occurs but if we think that we are working for the Buddha, for the temple, for the community, or for people who like mochi, things go smoothly. When we put aside our ego, things go well. Let us join forces (*kyoryoku shimasho*) to have a joyful Mochitsuki.

Namoamidabutsu

REV. RYUTA FURUMOTO

“My Shinjin has been given by Amida, so it is the same with Amida Buddha. A person with a different Shinjin will surely not go to the Pure Land to which I will go.”

often say, “*Kyoryoku shimasho*,” which means, “let’s cooperate together.”

As Shin Buddhists, the principle of joining our forces can be Shinjin, entrusting mind to Amida. We are sharing the same mind, so we can cooperate together, as our body parts work together.

Shinran Shonin taught that “My Shinjin and the Master’s are one.” This remark is written in *Tannnisho* (A Record in Lament of Divergences, CWS p.678). “The Master” means Honen Shonin. When Shinran Shonin was learning *Nembutsu* teaching under Honen Shonin in Kyoto, there was a big discussion among the disciples. It was about Shinjin. “If each disciple’s Shinjin and Honen Shonin’s Shinjin are the same or not.” Most of the disciples thought, “my Shinjin should not be the same as Honen Shonin’s.” Honen Shonin read all sutras and commentaries five times and he did visualization practice to see Amida, so he was respected as “Honen of the No. 1 Wisdom,” from

南無阿弥陀仏という名前

古本竜太

近年、日本の子供たちの名前の読み方が難しすぎて先生がこまっていると聞きます。今は昔と違って個性を尊重する風潮があるので、珍しい名前を持つ子供が少なからずいるそうです。その名前には今まで日本にはなかったような西洋風のもののや、言葉の音に漢字を当て字した

ものなど、謎解きのような名前もあって、読むのが難しいのです。たとえば、あるウェブサイトによると、

光宙（ぴかちゅう）、姫星・希星（きてい）、男（あだむ）、七音（どれみ）、緑輝（さふあい）、火星（まあず）、姫凜（ぶりん）、皇帝（しいざあ）、礼（ぺこ）

などがその例で、このような名前は音や壮大な意味などから「キラキラネーム」と呼ばれているそうです。昔はひろし、たかし、よしこ、ゆうこなどがポピュラーな名前でしたが、ゆう子や幸子など、最後に子つくのは、昭和風で年配の方のようなので、シワシワネームというらしいです。ちょっと失礼な感じですね。

最近の子供たちの名前は変わっているな、と驚かされますが、浄土真宗の阿弥陀仏の名前もだいぶ変わっています。真宗では阿弥陀仏の名前は、「南無阿弥陀仏」で意味は「阿弥陀仏に帰命します」または「帰命しなさい」です。南無は「帰命します」や「帰命しなさい」との動詞ですが、動詞が名前に含まれているのは最近の名前でもなかなかなく、意味をみてもかなりの個性のある名前です。

親鸞聖人は、南無阿弥陀仏という名前には人々を帰命させ、救うことができるだけの力と功德がこめられていると考えておられ、「帰命とは本願召喚の勅命（教行信

証、行巻）」と言われます。

「帰命」とは、衆生を招き喚び続けておられる阿弥陀仏の本願の仰せです。（現代語訳）

阿弥陀さまの「帰命しなさい」「まかせなさい」との呼びかけにこたえたのが、私たちがとなえる「南無阿弥陀仏」です。この呼びかけと功德のおかげで、私たちが念仏をとなえることができ、浄土への往生が決まるのです。

阿弥陀とは無量の光という意味がありますので、ある意味キラキラネームですし、昭和どころか、はるか昔からある名前なので、シワシワネームだともいえるかもしれません。いずれにせよ、いつの時代でも名実ともなったすばらしい名前として皆から尊敬をもって称えられるのが「南無阿弥陀仏」だと味あわれることであります。

南無阿弥陀仏



Monthly Memorial DECEMBER

Shotsuki Service December 4 at 10a

Seshu (Observant)
Deceased Relation To Obervant, Deceased

Akahori, Ted Sister-in-law Uyetake, Yoshiko	Motokane, Eddie Mother Motokane, Helen	Usui Family Father Usui, Frank
Domoto Family Grandmother Domoto, Tsuchiyo	Nishida, Russell Father Nishida, John	Wakinaka, Vickie Mother Wakinaka, Esther
Fujimoto, Miki Mother Fujimoto, Mary	Nishida, Lori Grandmother Nishisaka, Ritsuko	Yoshihata, Dorothy Husband Yoshihata, Sokumei
Hashimoto, Miwa Father-in-law Hashimoto, Thomas K.	Nishisaka, Merrie/Nishisaka, Scott Grandmother Nishisaka, Ritsuko	Yoshimura, Brett and Susan/ Yoshimura, Evelyn Father/Brother Yoshimura, Victor
Hirayama, Kiyome Son Hirayama, Glen	Nishisaka, Merrie/Nishisaka, Scott Grandmother Sanada, Tsuta	
Ikari, Kathy Grandmother Kato, Kikuyo	Ohata, Ron Father Ohata, Shigetoshi Michael	
Iriye, Kenny Father Iriye, Kazunori Henry	Ota, Joanne Father Ota, John	
Kamikawa, Emi Mother Kamikawa, Violet	Sonday, Reiko Grandmother Fukumoto, Kinu	
Kojima, Chikako Father Uneda, Harry Kazushi	Takashima, Iris Grandfather Yasuda, Hikokichi	
Lew, Judy Mother Matsuda, Mickey	Tomita, Misao Father Nakamura, Masutaro	
Matsubayashi, Kazuo Father Matsubayashi, Moriichi	Tomita, Misao Husband Tomita, John	
Minami, Jean Brother-in-law Minami, Yoshimi	Tsuji, Hisako Mother-in-law Tsuji, Takiye	
Mori, Johnny Father Mori, Yasuo	Ushirogata, Mutsuo Sister Hagiwara, Naruko	
Mori, Wendy Father Sahara, Hiroshi	Usui, Aiko Father Nishiyama, Masakichi	
	Usui, Aiko Brother Nishiyama, George	
	Usui, Nancy Mother Shimabukuro, Kiyoko	

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.

Senshin 2022

Oseibo Service
Sunday December 18 10a

We are going to hold the **Oseibo service** on Sunday, December 18 at 10am. The Japanese word **Oseibo** literally means “the end of the year”. “O” is an honorific prefix, “sei” means year, and “bo” means the end; however, in Japanese, the word **Oseibo** indicates “year-end gift”. In our tradition, we present *Oseibo* gifts to ministers and others who help to maintain the temple functions as an expression of our appreciation for their support, guidance, and kindness during the year. We will have an *Oseibo* year-end luncheon following the service.

Jyoya-ye
End of Year Service
Saturday December 31, 2022, 5p

We are going to hold a virtual **Jyoya-ye service on New Year's Eve**. *Jyoya-ye* is a year-end service that literally means the gathering (*ye*) of *Jyoya* (eliminating the night). “Eliminating the night” implies “the night, wishing to remove the dirt or filth collected during the year.” In this case, the dirt or filth means our blind attachments, the memories of misconduct, and troubles that accumulated during the year. With the wish of dispelling these undesirable wants, thoughts, and memories, we hold the year-end service, welcoming the New Year with a refreshing mind. We will chant “*Ojo Raisange, Shoya ge*. (The Gatha of the Early Evening of the Gatha of Praising the Birth in the Pure Land).” You can learn chanting *Ojo Raisan* by attending the chanting class, after the Sunday service in November and December.

Shusho-ye (Gantan-ye)
New Year Day Service
Sunday January 1, 2023, 10a

Shusho-ye, or Gantan-ye, simply means “Service for the New Year.” The literal translation of *Shusho-ye* is “a gathering for a revision, modification or correction.” New Year Day is an opportunity for us to refresh our hearts and minds by reflecting upon the past year's mistakes so that we can correct them and begin the new year in the right direction. Our New Year Service will begin at 10:00 a.m. This year, for the first time in three years, we will have *ozoni* and *sake* in the Social Hall. There will be a *taiko* and *Shishimai* performance in the courtyard following the service.

Bodhi Day Service
Sunday, December 4, 10a

In Mahayana Tradition, we celebrate December 8th as **Bodhi Day**. Bodhi Day is the day to celebrate Shakyamuni Buddha's attainment of enlightenment. About 2500 years ago under a pippara tree, later called Bodhi tree, Gautama Siddhartha awakened the truth of the universe and became the Buddha. To commemorate the special day for the Buddhists, this year, we are going to hold a **Bodhi Day service** on Sunday, December 4.

Bodhi Day Movie
Carving the Divine
by Yujiro Seki

Following the Bodhi Day service, we are going to watch a film Carving the Divine (2021). It is a documentary film that offers a rare look into the 1400-year-old Buddhist woodcarving tradition and the practitioners struggling to preserve its legacy in a rapidly changing Japan. The film provides profound insight into the Japanese psyche as well as the nature of human perseverance through suffering. The film is directed by Yujiro Seki. For more information regarding the film: <https://www.carvingthedivine.com/>

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.



OCTOBER DONATIONS

Dennis and Celia Huey *Donation*
Meri and Wayne Fong *Zoom seminar/service*
Masao Kodani *Dana*
Sachi Oda *Nokotsudo*
Kikuko Nishida Trust *Donation*
Anonymous *Donation*
Wasabi Kai *Orei*
Patty and Fred Yamano *Funeral Service for Staci Yamano Kent*
Johnny Mori *In memory of Staci Yamano Kent*
Jean Minami *Nokotsudo*
Craig & Cindy Ogawa *In memory of Staci Yamano Kent*
Yonsei Basketball Association *Orei*
Janice Lynn Funo *Funeral for Deborah Funo*
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Kazuo and Ikuko Matsubayashi *Donation*
Dale Shirasago *Dana*
Bill and Yetsuko Fukawa *Donation*
Faith United Methodist Church Troop 719 *Donation - Sam Yamashita's Eagle Project*
Paul Hiramoto *Nokotsudo*
Edward Ito *Dana*
Madalyn Adams *Nokotsudo*
Madalyn Adams *Memorial for Lillian Kuwata*
Madalyn Adams *Osaisen*
Kenneth Hatai *Dana*
Akiko Hayashida *Donation*
Mayumi Kodani *Donation*
Cathy Iyemura *Bukkyo Gakuin*
Nancy and Jim Usui *Ohigan*

OCTOBER FLOWER DONATION

Ellen Shimohara
Toshiko Yamaguchi
Mark and Reiko Soday
Arlene Yokoyama
Merrie Nishisaka
Ted and Julie Akahori
John and Debbie Hiramoto
Betty Yamashita

OCTOBER 2022 SHOTSUKI HOYO

Observant *In Memory Of*
Ted & Julie Akahori
Mother Umeji Akahori
Lisa Hashimoto
Henry Hashimoto
Deb & John Hiramoto
Sumiko Hiramoto
Paul Hiramoto
Sumiko Hiramoto
Tamotsu Ito
Mother Toshiye Ito
John & Wendy Mori
Tsutaye Mori
Edward K. & Helen Motokane
Edward Y. Motokane
Richard & Helen Nakawatase
Kise Nakawatase
Merrie Nishisaka
Mary Ann Nishisaka
Merrie Nishisaka
Sam Sanada
Brent & Mary Roath
Masako Wada
Michiko & Richard Sakakura
Motoji & Joe Sakakura
Reiko and Mark Soday
Kiyoko Nimi
Wilbur & Iris Takashima
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Betty Yamashita
Grandfather Uetsusabura Ito
Arlene Yokoyama
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Anonymous (Fidelity Charitable)
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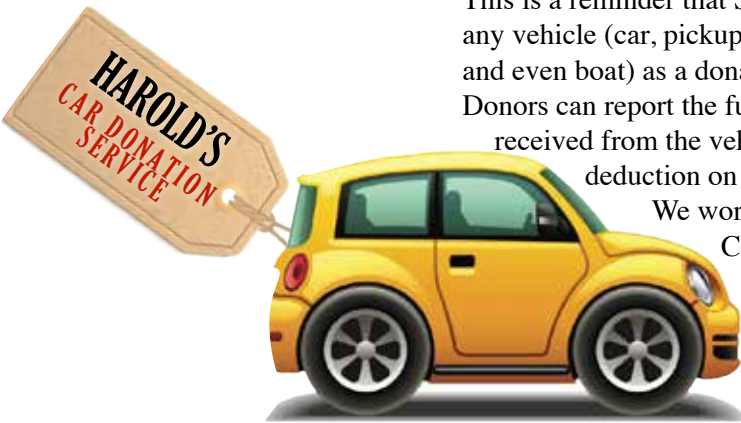
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Dorothy & Bert Higa
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Hollywood Buddhist Church
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Cathy Iyemura
Janis Ishitani
Glen & Joyce Isomoto
Jill & Fred Katsuda
Jeanne Kawawata
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Donation 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.

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.

Amazon Smile

Did you know that when you shop at smile.amazon.com and designate Senshin Buddhist Temple as your charitable organization, Amazon will donate back 0.5% for qualifying purchases?

From April to June of this year we have

received \$222.36. Since we have been participating in the program a few years ago, we have received \$984.23.

Go to <https://smile.amazon.com> and select Senshin Buddhist Temple from the list of charities

Thank you for your support.

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, guest speakers, *Prajna* newsletter mailing and a full-time minister. 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.**

Updates

& ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Message from the Board

Senshin's 70th Anniversary and Keiro-kai celebration was held on November 6 and we were fortunate to have beautiful weather and a courtyard buzzing with energy and happiness. Thank you to the 70th Anniversary planning committee and Kathy Ikari, the lead coordinator, for making it happen. It was a heartwarming welcome back celebration after almost 3 years of separation but bittersweet in that we lost so many precious Sangha members during that time.

I couldn't help but think about Rev Mas saying we are verbs, not nouns. The "verb-ness" of everyone who passed through Senshin over seven decades was palpable. It literally moved me to tears. I think we all have a responsibility to do what we can for Senshin and get just a little more involved. Whether it's participating in

a temple activity, joining an organization, getting our kids and grandkids to come out to a memorial service or Chicken Teriyaki, helping with a special project or serving on the Board of Directors, please be a verb and add to this great vibe called Senshin.

Now is a good time to start. Koichi Uyemura becomes Board President this month. To you younger folks, despite your busy schedules, mark Koichi's term as the beginning of your era at Senshin.

My *toban* as President of the Board of Directors is over. I was often a *Bombu* but deeply appreciated your support and encouragement to keep things going. Thank you to the Board of Directors, former temple Presidents and Board members who advised me, and to you for helping Senshin thrive during a very unusual time.

In Gassho,
RUSSELL NISHIDA

Winter Youth Program Wednesday, December 21

The Winter Youth Program is for Dharma School students, Sangha Teens, Jr. YBA, and Sr. YBA. The purpose of this program is "Getting to Know Each Other." The participants will gather to chant together, learn together, and play together. The older kids can teach and help the younger kids with many things such as helping with their winter break homework.

This year, we are gathering on Wednesday, December 21. The program starts at 9 a.m. with a service and Dharma message. The participants can come and leave anytime. For college preparation, the youth can learn and practice skateboarding in our enlarged parking lot. For lunch, we will serve the best hamburger in L.A.

Contact Rev. Furumoto for more info regarding the schedule and program.

B W A

How quickly the time is going. Another year will soon be over and it's time to reflect on where we have been and where we will be.

What a wonderful fun filled day we had on 11/6 during the Senshin 70th Anniversary/Keiro- Kai celebration honoring our super seniors and offering gratitude to our pioneer members. We are still a vibrant temple because of them and all of you. Our hearts were full of joy to see so many happy familiar faces again. The BWA ladies thrilled the Sangha with our "BWA" song and dance. Special shout out to our creative song writers and choreographers Sandra and Lee Aguilar. Thank you to Marilyn Shimabukuro and her creative team for the handmade leis given to each of our super seniors.

Thank you to those who purchased White Elephant treasures on line at our first Senshin BWA Virtual Bodhi Boutique last month. Pick up dates for your purchased treasures will be on Dec 3rd & 4th and 10th & 11th from 10 am to 12 noon at Senshin. Thank you to Ann Saneto, Harumi Kawaguchi, Tammy Matsubara, and Julie Akahori for expertly setting this up.

We thank JoAnn Komai and Sandra Aguilar for so brilliantly and courageously leading the group through the pandemic years.

We are happy to present our new cabinet of officers for 2023-2024:

Co Presidents

Sandra Aguilar/Fujie Ohata

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Qris Yamashita/ Suzanne Toji

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Treasurer Arlene Yokoyama

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We gratefully acknowledge the following for their generous Dana:

Madalyne Adams *in memory of mother,*
Lillian Kuwata



Deb Hiramoto *in memory of mother-in-law, Sumiko Hiramoto*

Marilyn Shimabukuro *in memory of mother, Fumie Shimabukuro and Auntie, Doris Shigaki*

Iris Takashima *Senshin BWA Members' Memorial*

Beverly Rogers *IBS Eshinni and Kakushinni Professor of Women and Buddhist Studies Endowment Fund*

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Deb Hiramoto, Donna Ebata, Ikuko Matsubayashi, Jean Minami, Suzanne Toji, Mat Uyeno

Eshinni-ko, Kakushinni-ko, Lady Takeko Kujo and Senshin BWA Members' Memorial

Kelvin and Yoko Nishikawa *in memory of Minoe Uyemura, Sekiyo Nishikawa, and Edith Nishikawa*

Kelvin and Yoko Nishikawa *Special Qris Yamashita 70th Anniversary and Keiro Kai raffle prize*

Our next meeting: December 4.

A B A

ABA has been focused on the 70th Anniversary Celebration and Keiro Kai. ABA donated three raffle prizes: a bottle of sake, 7 kilos of rice, and a kitchen utensil set. We also decided that rather than having Co-Presidents Henry and Ron sing for our entertainment portion, we would play Bingo for cash prizes. (We placed two cards

in each Keiro Kai elder's envelope.) Time constraints limited Bingo to one game, and Johnny Mori was the sole winner of that game. We heard Wendy was quite pleased with the prize.

For the future, please watch this space as ABA hopes to have Bingo

in the next year. We hope to bring back the rummage sale, chashu bao sale, obon food sales, bingo at Kei Ai, and other activities. We look forward to ABA and the Sangha meeting in person in the future.

MOCHITSUKI

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10 from 7:00am until completion

Please join us in one of our annual get-together/work-together activities and in continuing a Senshin tradition. Remember, the Mochitsuki is a Temple activity and is one of the few activities that brings together all age groups. It is the closeness that Mochitsuki and other temple activities foster that has kept our temple so strong and centered. So come out and spend the day with friends making our own "certified pounded" mochi. As always, lunch will be served.

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7 from 7:00pm

Please join us to wash the rice, if you are able

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11 from 8:30am - 11:00am

Please pickup your orders at the temple and join us for Osoji (Temple clean-up) from 8:00am - 12:00pm

If you have any questions, please contact:

Joyce Yamashita
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洗心仏教会

10月感謝録:

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葬儀:故S山野-P/F山野, 故D.Funo-J.Funo

12月法要スケジュール:

1日(木)	7p.m.	理事会
4日(日)	8:30a	婦人会例会
	9:45a	日本語法要
	10a	祥月/成道会法要
	11a	ドキュメンタリ映画 ” Carving The Divine”
7日(水)	6:30p	仏教学院—オンラインクラス: 古本先生
10日(土)	7a-	餅つき
11日(日)	8a-noon	大掃除
18日(日)	10:00a	家族礼拝—お歳暮
	12noon	忘年会おとき
25日(日)	10:00a	家族礼拝
31日(土)	5p	除夜会法要
1月1日(日)	10a	修正会/新年法要

12月法要当番: 婦人会

12月本堂当番: C横田,E村上,R勝田

12月お花当番: 3日W/J森,10日S東司,17日C家村,24日I高島,31日古本先生

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月供花:T&J赤堀,E下原,T山口,M/R.Sondy,A横山,M西川,j/D平本,B山下

2023年1月の予定:1日修正会—新年法要,15日報恩講—梅津名誉開教使

故L桑田追悼:M.Adams
故S山野追悼:J森,C/C小川
故K米田追悼:K米田
Zoom法要:M/W.Fong
納骨堂:P平本,M.Adams,S小田,J南

除夜会

除夜会とは年末の法要で、「夜を除く集まり」と書きますが「夜を除く」とは、その年に身に付いた埃や垢を取り除くという意味です。埃や垢とは、私たちの煩惱、またこの一年間に起きた間違いや悩みごとなどを指します。そういった煩惱や嫌な思い出を取り除くことを願ってお勤めするのが除夜会ですが、浄土真宗では、そういった煩惱や嫌な思い出を引き受けてくださる阿弥陀さまに感謝し、「煩惱を断ぜずして涅槃をうる」とはどういうことなのかを考えるご縁でもあります。

修正会(しゅしょうえ)、元旦会(がんたんえ)

一月一日にお勤めする法要を修正会といいます。新年の最初の日に心を正しい方向に修正するという意味があります。また、元旦にお勤めするので、元旦会ともいいます。浄土真宗では、阿弥陀如来に「お金がもうかりますように」、「病気になりにませんように」とか「いい大学にはいれますように」などのことを祈りません。そういう願いはたいがい自分のエゴを拡張することになるので、本当の安心をえることが難しくなるためです。修正会は、そういう自己中心の願いがある自分を反省し、その自分を受け入れてくださる阿弥陀如来に感謝し、一年を心安らかに生きていくきっかけとなる法要です。

Jr Y B A

In October, the Juniors helped with the Dharma School’s Day of the Gaki, a celebration very similar to that of Halloween. They assisted Mr. Wilbur in running the event.

The Juniors took a well deserved break after the successful 70th Anniversary Celebration of Senshin in early November. In December the Juniors are helping with the preparations for Mochitsuki, and will be helping out during the actual event on the 10th. If you have any questions about Jr. YBA, or would be potentially interested in joining, please contact our parent advisor, Mrs. Juriko Yamada at afstue@gmail.com.



2023 Senshin Nembutsu Retreat Theme:
Healing Trauma in the Twenty-First Century:
The Path of the Foolish Being and Boundless Compassion

We live in a time of enormous change and challenges: The Covid-19 pandemic, the war in Ukraine, climate change disasters, high inflation, and political extremism. In the midst of such difficulties and suffering, many are experiencing trauma. Buddhism teaches us that trauma may be understood through the lens of the First Noble Truth of Suffering. When we understand suffering deeply, there arises the awareness of the foolish being illuminated, enveloped, and dissolved into the Great Ocean of Light of Boundless Compassion. Through teachings and stories, we will explore together this Shin Buddhist path of Great Compassion.

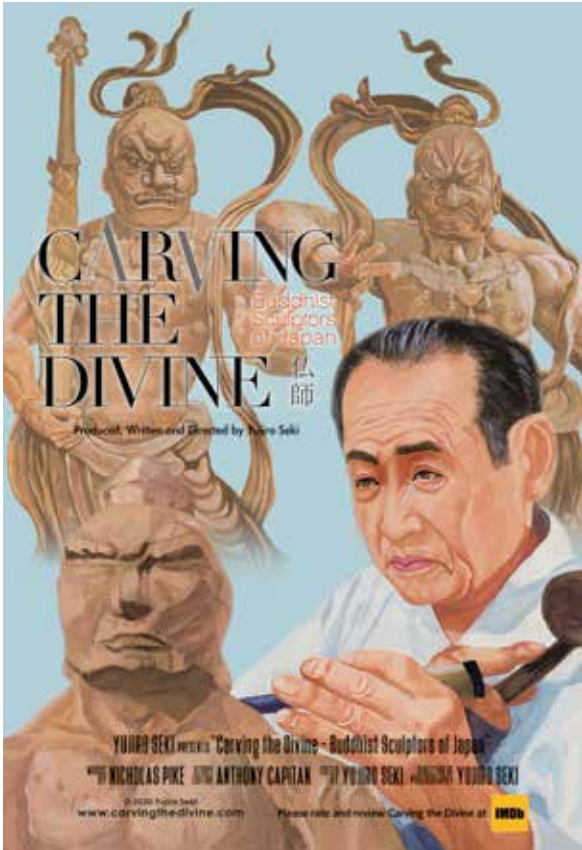
Rev. Dr. Mark T. Unno is a Professor of Religious Studies, Religious Studies Department Head at the University of Oregon and has spoken numerous times at Senshin Buddhist Temple. He is the son of Rev. Taitetsu Unno, former minister at Senshin.

Please come join us. The program will be similar to the retreats in prior years featuring morning, afternoon and evening sessions on Saturday and a morning session on Sunday. A buffet Santa Maria-style dinner is available on Saturday evening and a Deli Sandwich lunch us offered on Sunday. Breakfast is offered to those staying overnight at the hotel on Friday and Saturday. Registration forms for the Retreat, hotel rooms and meals are available on Senshin’s website or on request. Register early as Rev. Mark has been a very popular guest speaker in the past.

Our discussions are usually free-flowing and often include sharing of personal stories that are illuminating, meaningful and something that doesn’t often happen in our usual encounters at Senshin.

The 2023 Senshin Nembutsu Retreat will be held February 4 & 5 at the Palm Garden Hotel in Thousand Oaks. You must pre-register. The registration form may be found on the website: senshintemple.org. The registration deadline is January 9.





Carving the Divine - Buddhist Sculptors of Japan is a documentary film that offers a rare look into a 1400-year-old Buddhist woodcarving tradition and the practitioners struggling to preserve its legacy in a rapidly changing Japan. The film provides profound insight into the Japanese psyche as well as the nature of human perseverance through suffering.

Carving the Divine has become the official selection for 30 film festivals, showing in a total of 22 countries, and won awards at 13 festivals worldwide, such as winning the Best Director Award of a Foreign Language Documentary at World Cinema Milan and premiering at the famous Raindance Film Festival in London.

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Director Yujiro Seki

Born and raised in Japan, Yujiro Seki discovered his passion for film-making when he was in high school. Through making his first feature film, Sokonashi Deka (The Enigmatic Detective), he became enamored with the imaginative possibilities of cinema and vowed to master the art through study in the United States. Despite the fact that starting a new life in a new country was a challenge in itself, Seki earned a BA in Film from the University of California, Berkeley, and completed a short film, Sashimi Taco, for his senior, honors thesis. Following his graduation, Seki moved to Los Angeles to work as a director of the video department for Intermarket Design, and as a film instructor at Montecito Fine Arts College of Design. After attaining permanent U.S. residency, Seki began studying full time in the Cinematography program at UCLA Extension. Upon graduating from that program, he embarked on the journey of making his feature documentary project, Carving the Divine: Buddhist Sculptors of Japan

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
				10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio 7p Temple Board Meeting		
4 Bodhi Day Service	5	6	7	8	9	10 Mochitsuki
8:30a BWA Reikai 9:45a Japanese Dharma Message 10a Monthly Memorial Service/ <i>Shotsuki Hōyō</i> ; Bodhi Day Service 11a Movie <i>"Carving the Divine"</i> following service		10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio	6:30-7:15p Senshin Bukkyo Gakuin, Basic Teaching of Jodo Shinshu 1-5 (online), Rev. Furumoto 7p Mochigome rice washing	10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		7a Mochitsuki
11 Osoji	12	13	14	15	16	17
8a-12noon <i>Osoji</i> / Temple clean-up 8:30a-11a Pick up mochi orders No service		10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio		
18 Oseibo Service	19	20	21	22	23	24
10a <i>Oseibo</i> Service 12noon <i>Bonenkai</i> / <i>Oseibo</i> Luncheon	7p Virtual <i>Zadankai</i>	10:30a-2p WasabiKai Open Studio	9a Winter Youth Program			
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
10a Family Service 11a Chanting Study Class						5p <i>Joya-E</i> End of the Year Service

Jan 1 Oshogatsu

10a *Shusho-e*, New Year Day Service

DECEMBER TOBAN

Service Toban B W A
Hondo Toban Carole Yokota, Eugene Murakami, Richard Katsuda

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Dec 3 Wendy / Johnny Mori
Dec 10 Suzanne Toji
Dec 17 Cathy Iyemura
Dec 24 Iris Takashima
Dec 31 Rev. Furumoto

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Upcoming in JANUARY 2023

Jan 1 *Shusho-E* - New Year Day Service
Jan 15 *Hoanko* Service, guest speaker Rev. Kodo Umezu