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Summertime – preparing for the Obon season on the Oregon

Pureland Path

The Oregon Buddhist Temple Newsletter

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Appreciating Our Freedoms, Appreciating Our Lives

Rev. Jundo Gregory Gibbs

On the Fourth of July, we will celebrate our nation’s birthday. This year I plan to take two days off before the National holi-

day and one following it. So I will be freer than usual for the 4th this year. Probably I’ll be off with my family, perhaps camping, perhaps visiting my surviving aunt in L.A. I have resolved, this year, to spend some time reading the Federalist Papers on and around the 4th.

It is important, I believe, to reflect on the underlying principles of democracy from time to time. For Americans, and for Buddhists, no value tops freedom. Still, as Buddhists, we spend more time being concerned with and trying to enact kindness. Kindness and Freedom are joint goals for Buddhists. If we don’t invest some thought and some effort in being kind, we may come to understand the Kris Kristofferson line in a literal, non-ironic, sense, “Freedom’s just another word for nothing left to lose.”

This will be the first summer in awhile that my family will not be going off to Japan for a month or so, I will endeavor to appreciate my wife and boys. I hope you all have many people to appreciate, many reasons to be grateful and many opportunities to be kind. Our religion is based on Sakyamuni Buddha’s kindness, in leaving the serenity of meditating under the Bodhi tree and coming down the mountain to share the Dharma with all of us. Some 1800 years later, our denominational founder, Shinran Shonin, similarly left the comfort of being one of the monastic elite on Mt. Hiei to come down the mountain and share the nembutsu teaching with as many of us as possible. From time to time I make the time to slow down and appreciate the kindness of Sakyamuni Buddha and Shinran Shonin, and their considerable efforts in bringing the Dharma to us.

Last month, Rev. Mark Unno, Rev. Taitetsu Unno, Alice Unno and Megumi Unno hosted the Northwest District Ministers for our yearly study session. There was a lot of talking about our lives, a considerable amount of time spent chanting the Buddha’s teachings, and we also found time to drink wine and eat well. I

came back with another sumi-e painting by Dr. Taitetsu Unno. I placed it on the piano in our hondo/main chapel next to the rather different one I was given by Unno Sensei last year. So walk over and take a look at them if you will. Taitetsu Sensei has become a little more quiet and reluctant to expound Dharmic ideas in words each year. These beautiful art works are more how he expresses the vision of the Buddhas these days. I am happy to donate these paintings to the temple so that they may be enjoyed by many.

The last Sunday of this month, July 28, we will hold our combined Obon and Hatsubon service. Rev. Diane Johnson will be our guest speaker for this important observation. (Please see her bio on page 4.) Please join us that day. I will give a brief Japanese language message at 9:30 a.m. Rev. Diane will give the English language message at the 10 am service. I hope you will be able to join us on the 28th. Obon season turns our minds to those we love who have preceded us into the mystery of death. The Fourth of July turns our minds to the value of freedom and our indebtedness to those who have helped secure it for us. Because its Obon season I’ll be thinking about my deceased mother. Because the 4th of July is just around the corner I find myself thinking about the USA’s founding fathers, especially, this year, James Madison. I find that I have been benefited by many, many people, some of whose names I don’t even know. What do you find yourself thinking about these days? Thank you for reading this article.

In Gassho,
Reverend Gibbs

July Highlights

- July 12: OBOT Board Meeting, 7 pm
- July 16, 18, 23, 25, 30 and Aug 1: Obon dance practice, 7 pm
- July 20: OBWA Meeting, 9:30 am; Dr. Al Ono CCC and heat exhaustion prevention 11 am; Kimono Sale 12:30 pm
- July 23-26: Dharma School Camp, 9 am-2 pm
- July 27: Obon services for interred, Rose City 9 am, Gresham 10:30 am, OBT noon
- July 28: Obon services, Japanese 9:30 am, English with Hatsubon 10 am

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President's Message

Ken Garner

Knock, knock, knock. “Do you have a few minutes to talk about Amida and the Dharma as explained by Shinran?” Seeing a Jodo Shinshu follower at a stranger’s door with a well rehearsed opening is something you will never see or hear – or

most likely never will, as you can never say never. Buddhism is a non-proselytizing religion. Coming from a tradition well known for its missionary efforts, I can really appreciate this. Buddhism teaches us to let go of our prejudices. While we have found something in the Dharma, we don’t assume others will as well. We recognize other paths can be sustaining and being a Buddhist is not intrinsically better than not being a Buddhist. If people want us, they will find us and we won’t be “fishers of men.”

This is not to say that we don’t want people to join us and become new members. We do. In last month’s column I talked about feeling recharged after the Hatsumairi recognition. New members come to OBT bringing Beginner’s Mind and enthusiasm. We need new members.

Over the past two years or so we have seen our membership rolls take a noticeable downturn after several years of slow but steady growth. The natural attrition organizations experience has not been offset by an equal, or preferably greater, number of new members. This is a little disconcerting to me.

A lot of visitors walk through OBT’s doors. Many of them are completing school assignments and others are just satisfying a curiosity that they have. But there are some who are looking for something that our teachings can fulfill. How can we reach them?

Although I may have a few thoughts and notions on this topic, I don’t have any answers. I encourage you to continue being welcoming to our guests and to engage a person that you do not know in conversation. That encounter may be the difference maker and turn a one time visit into something more fulfilling for the visitor and for OBT.



Musings of an OBT board member

Marilyn Achterman

Twenty-five years ago, a timid girl entered through the double doors of OBT and was warmly greeted by Etsu. For the next five years, I was contentedly sur-

rounded by three adorable Dharma students; Molly, Sarah and Lisa. Twenty years ago, I was married at the temple serenaded by our good friends, Elaine and Todd. Every day, I am guided by my friend Kyoko, with her kindness. All these years, I have had the security of having my second moms, Jean and Alice. Every Dharma talk for the last 56 years tells me of the profoundness of the Buddha’s teachings. The Buddha, Dharma and Sangha are the foundation of my life. It is the greatest gift my father could have ever given to me. I want more than anything to give these teaching to my children, so that they too are never alone.



OBWA News

Jean Matsumoto

Oregon Buddhist Women’s Association (OBWA) gratefully acknowledges the following for donations received in March and April: Katie Tamiyasu and Janice Okamoto for the Eshinni-Kakushinni memorial

service; Nobuko Masuoka; anonymous; and Nobuko Uyetake for Hanamatsuri refreshments orei. In May, a donation was received from Sharon VinHasa and anonymous. An anonymous donation was also received in June. Also, thank you to those who generously donated food and non-perishable items for the Backpack Project for many needy families in the Tigard-Tualatin School District. Your contributions will be greatly appreciated.

OBWA’s annual birthday luncheon was arranged by Nancy Kajitsu and Katie Tamiyasu and held at the Super King Buffet on June 15 after the monthly meeting. Thirty-three attendees, including the Gibbs family, shared a lovely meal and enjoyed visiting with each other. Katie donated four floral bouquets which were given to the oldest member present (Alice Sumida), and the second oldest (Sumi Ikata), the one celebrating a birthday next (Alice Sumida, again), and one who most recently celebrated a birthday (June Shiigi). Katie also had gifts of a hook on/pin for notes for all who attended.

The following weeks will be busy as we prepare for Obonfest and other activities. Anko for omanju will be prepared starting 9 a.m., June 22, with making manju scheduled for 9 a.m., July 13. Don’t forget, Bon Odori practice will be held every Tuesday and Thursday, 7 p.m., in the temple basement, from July 16 until Obonfest on August 3. Our next meeting will be held 9:30 a.m., July 20, with a full day of events scheduled. After the meeting, at 11 a.m., Dr. Al Ono is scheduled to present an Aging Wisely Series talk on “Heat Exhaustion Prevention and Continuous Chest Compression CPR”. This will be followed at 12:30 p.m., with a used kimono sale to benefit our Temple. The kimonos will also be sold during bon odori practice intermissions and at Obonfest. If you have kimonos that you no longer need, these donations will be greatly appreciated. On Saturday, July 27, at 9 a.m., and Sunday, July 28, at 8 a.m., somen noodles and cucumber salad food preparation will take place for the lunch to be served after our Obon Service. Our guest speaker for this special service at 10 a.m., on Sunday will be Reverend Diane Johnson. Reverend Gibbs will be giving a Japanese-language talk at 9:30 a.m. All-day Obonfest prep will take place on Friday, August 2, and Saturday, August 3rd up until 3 p.m. This year, cold somen noodles will be an added food attraction and help with preparing and selling will be needed and appreciated.

Events to look forward to in August: OBT’s “Obonfest”, of course, 3-9 p.m., on Saturday, August 3rd; Portland Japanese Garden Bon Odori, 8 p.m., on Wednesday, August 14; and Sake One Pacific Rim Festival Bon Odori, Kimono Booth and Food Booth on Saturday, August 24 (times to be announced later).

Have a great summer everyone!



Obonfest Update

Yoshi Ono and Craig Yanase

We are entering the final month of Obonfest preparations. Obon dance practices start later this month so please see the calendar and join the dancing. Raffle tickets are ready so please help distribute and sell tickets. Thanks to Alice Sumida for donating the prizes and Jerry Koike for coordinating the raffle. Elaine Yuzuriha is having t-shirts made with Kristi Fukunaga's design. We are having a few new food items, one is a beef bowl to replace yakini-ku which makes preparation easier but will be tastier and more satisfying. Gourmet hot dogs which have been popularized in other regions will be introduced to Portland via



our Obonfest so please check it out. This replaces our conventional hot dogs. The OBWA will be offering somen, a great cold and refreshing summer dish which replaces the barazushi, which the health inspectors had issues with. For the first time, we are outsourcing our shave ice to Jay Takashima and Organic Island Snow Shave Ice. This allows us to reallocate our resources to other food areas that are short-handed.

Volunteers are being coordinated. We will need all the help we can get so please make sure you get an assignment through Marilyn Achterman or the coordinator of the area of your interest (see list). We will need help well before the event from food preparations to construction, and after the event for clean up and demolition. Hope to see you at the festival.

In gassho,
Yoshi and Craig

Kimono Donations

Please donate your yukatas, kimonos, obis, etc., for our **Used Kimono Sale** to be sold at our 2013 **Obonfest**. Drop off at Oregon Buddhist Temple on Sundays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. For more information, please contact Yasuko Fields at 503-434-7940, yasuko@raf.us or June Shiigi at 503-997-3742, shiigisj@comcast.net.

Obonfest omiyage booth

The Omiyage booth (the gift stand) for Obonfest 2013 is in need of Asian-inspired and Japanese items to sell. We will also accept nice, lightly used items. Donations of handmade crafts with an Asian flare would also be appreciated.

Please label donations "Obon omiyage" which can be left in the temple annex. Contact Brenda Fugate, Cathy Shikatani, or Janice Ishii with questions.

Obonfest Chairs

Position	Chair
Event Chairs	Yoshi, Craig Yanase
Emcee	Pat Hokama
Volunteer Coordination	Marilyn Achterman
Treasurer	Shinya Ichikawa
Tokens	Ken Garner
Audio System	Robert Kagawa
First Aid	Amy Long
Information Booth	Jean Matsumoto
Publicity	Amy L., Phaedra, MarkVD
Signs	Etsu Osaki
Information Booklet	Wynn Kiyama, Tara T-Gibbs
Raffle	Jerry Koike
Construction/Demolition	Ryan Davis
Bon Odori Dancing	Sahomi Tachibana
Entertainment	Ann Shintani
Electrical	Ryan Davis
Vendors	Susan Leedham
Omiyage Booth	Brenda Fugate,
Kimono & Yukata sales	Yasuko Fields
Event T-shirts	Elaine Yuzuriha
Design & Logo	Kristi Fukunaga
Children's Activities	Chiki Kwong
Lanterns	Lori Fukunaga/Edna
Parking	Charles Reneau
Trash/Recycling/Maintenance	David Wright
Porta-Potties	Ray Fields
Purchasing	Ray Fields
Yakiniiku & Chicken	Scott Winner
Dumpster	Craig Yanase
Yakisoba	Kim Kono
Spam Musubi	Katie T. & Nancy K.
Manju & Somen	Jayne Ichikawa & OBWA
Shave Ice	Organic Island Snow Shave Ice
Drinks	Marilyn Achterman
Beer Garden	Mark Achterman
Specialty Hot Dogs	Carol & Cathy
Food & Beer Permits	Joe Wahl
Security	David Hollander

Obonfest Booklet

Last year, the temple introduced a program booklet for Obonfest, to be distributed to all attendees. It included a list of events, a map of the temple, two articles, remembrances of loved ones, well wishes and business advertising. This year, we are producing the booklet again. In addition to a remembrance lantern, a place in the booklet is a great way to remember loved ones. If you have a business please consider placing an ad. And, if you know of a businesses that might want to reach Obonfest attendees, please ask them to place an ad. Please see the order form enclosed in this newsletter.



Introducing Rev. Diane Jishin Johnson

Diane Johnson was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. From an early age she began travelling and living throughout the United States and Europe. She came in contact with Buddhism in 1993 while living in Portland, Oregon. She was introduced

to Jodo Shinshu Buddhism by her former husband Rev. Yuho B. Van Parijs of Jikoji Temple in Antwerp, Belgium. Diane co-founded Myoko-in Temple in Anchorage, Alaska in 1998. Because the temple and Sangha in Alaska were considered a branch of the Belgium temple, Rev. Johnson was ordained (received Tokudo) in Kyoto, Japan in 2003, with the support of the Nishi Hongwanji International Center. She has continued her efforts to share the Nembutsu by forming small Dharma discussion groups in Alaska as well as Rainier, Oregon. Diane published two Buddhist children's book in 2012, "Amida's ABCs" and "Counting Buddhas". Starting on January 1, 2013, Diane began a daily blog on the internet called "A Year in the Life of a Shin Buddhist". This can be found at www.shinbuddhist.blogspot.com. Her goal is to write a reflection a day for a year on the experience of living in the Nembutsu. She often describes herself as a "dig in the dirt Shin Buddhist"...getting her hands dirty with everyday life and finding the grateful moments in each day. Diane is the mother of three grown children and the grandmother of 4! You may see her ride her scooter to temple on sunny days!



Tara Tamaribuchi-Gibbs, newsletter editor

Shinya Ichikawa

Sometime around the end of 2001, I volunteered along with wife Jayne, to be the temporary editor of the OBT newsletter. The newsletter was called the Infinite

Light back then. The name was changed to The Oregon Pureland Path with the February 2003 issue. After more than 11 years or 132 monthly issues as temporary editor, I am happy to relinquish this position to Tara Tamaribuchi-Gibbs.

Tara first attended OBT in 1997. Originally from southern California where she attended Orange County Buddhist Church, she moved to Portland in 2001. Her husband David is a National Library of Medicine post-doctorate fellow in bioinformatics. They have a four-year-old daughter, Beatrix. Tara is a visual artist. She has a BFA in Painting from Pacific Northwest College of Art and a BA in Journalism from George Washington University in Washington, DC. Tara has been active in Dharma School, plays the organ for services and has added creative ideas to various temple projects such as the OBT 100th Anniversary booklet.

Thanks to all who contributed articles and helped to publish and distribute the newsletter. Please welcome Tara and offer her the same assistance given to me.



Dharma School News

Amy Peterson

As we close out the 2012-2013 year, the Dharma School is not done with its activities, only its classes.

We would like to recognize and congratulate our 2013 graduates: Kristi

Fukunaga, Wilson HS, Danielle Yoshinaga, Tigard HS, Aisha Almahmoud, Cleveland HS, and Akiko Gorowski Cleveland HS. We hope to see them on their home visits and free time next year.

We'd also like to congratulate and recognize two of our hard working DS teachers for their length of service. Ann Shintani Winner, 15 years and Kyoko Gibbs, 10 years. We are truly grateful for their competent and dedicated service.

Thanks to Ann Shintani and Marilyn Achterman who spearheaded the Father's Day Sunday Sundaes. Order forms were made, children handed them out and collected them. Then, during Dharma exchange, they made caramel and hot fudge from scratch, and chopped nuts, strawberries and bananas. They scooped the ice cream to order, topped the sundaes or splits and delivered them to our honored fathers (and uncles). Then before they made their own, they served the rest to other people present. Thank you to the fathers (and uncles) and for the DS families that helped. Beatrix and Tara, Ren, Sho and Kyoko, Kurt and Marilyn, Avery, Ryan and Angie, Gabe, Clyde, Kathy and Doug, Penelope and Sabine, Alyssa, Kristi and Aisha.

Please join us as we continue the Dharma through Dana (selfless giving), change and impermanence practice (working in the garden) and listening.

Sunday, July 7, please join us as we visit some of our members that have difficulty traveling to the Temple. We will leave just after the Dharma Talk and return to the Temple about noon.

The second and fourth Sundays of the summer months we will be working in the garden, watering, weeding and harvesting. We need people to water almost daily as the weather turns warmer. If you have an hour or so you can donate to water the garden, please e-mail us at dharmaschool@oregonbuddhisttemple.com.

Dharma School Day Camp registration form is available online through the Temple website or e-mail

dharmaschool@oregonbuddhisttemple.com. Cost is \$35 per student. Camp starts at 9 a.m., and ends at 2 p.m. Lunch and light snacks will be provided. This year our theme is Buddhist/Japanese Holidays. We'll explore and try to separate the differences and share the commonalities.

Camp is for children K-6. Leadership opportunities are available for students in 7-12th grades.

Camp is open to all children. You don't have to be a member to attend. Adults are welcome to observe or help.

We are still accepting donations for our annual DS Rummage sale. The date is not yet set so please check the website calendar for more information. You can also e-mail us and we'll put you on our e-mail notification list.



Library News

Etsu Osaki

New Books

"Memories, The Buddhist Church Experience in the Camps, 1942-1945", revised edition, funded by California Civil Liberties Public Education Program, compiled by Eiko Masuyama,

2002-2003, revised edition funded by BCA Research & Propagation Committee, 2004. The foreward states that "Almost immediately after December 7, 1941 Pearl Harbor attack, most of the Buddhist ministers and lay leaders on the West Coast were taken from their homes and families, and sent to various detention centers..." In a letter to BCA members, Rev. K. Kumata sorrows that "...some Buddhist religious organizations have disbanded and Buddhists have destroyed or hidden family altars while others have withdrawn from church membership." He ends the letter, "Buddhists! With true Faith in the Buddha, let us serve our country, the United States of America in silence." Memories of internment camps plus many photos are included. On page 174, there is a letter from our father, Rev. Ichikawa, who was interned in Santa Fe while the family was in Minidoka. To old timers this book will bring back memories of camp days.

"The Story of Hanako" by Yasuo Izumi, minister of Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta, 2013, 48 pages. This delightful booklet is written through the eyes of Hanako, a female black Labrador. "...the insights are humorous, poignant and thought-provoking.... There are decidedly Buddhist messages throughout, but most apparent lessons go beyond strict denominational limits to universal truths that we can all share and appreciate."

New Books in the Children's Library

"Grass Sandals, The Travels of Basho" by Dawnine Spivak, illustrated by Demi. Matsuo Basho was a most loved and honored haiku poet in Japan (1644-1694). The journeys in this book compresses and combines events from several of Basho's travels. The illustrations are delightful. Adults would enjoy this book also. "suddenly it pours---shivering little monkey, needs a grass raincoat."

"Amida's ABCs, The Alphabet Based on Buddhist Teachings" by Rev. Diane Johnson, illustrations by Laura Krier. Thanks to Rev. Johnson for donating this to the library.

Books for Sale

Buddhism of the Heart: Reflections on Shin Buddhism and Inner Togetherness by Jeff Wilson; \$16.95. The author will be the guest speaker at the NW convention hosted by OBT, February 2014.

Librarian Assistant Needed

We are looking for someone to help our librarian. No experience needed. It's a good way to see what's in our library including all the newsletters we receive from other chapters. Please contact Rev. Gibbs, librarian Lily Kajiwara or Etsu Osaki.

Thank you for supporting OBT with
your 2013 membership donation

Hatsubon

First Obon observation for

Setsuko Ruby (Sets) Ueno	9-4-2012
Shizue Sugihara	10-26-2012
Sachiko [Sachi] Onchi	1-27-2013
Toshiko Tanaka	3-23-2013

2013 Memorial Chart

Year of Passing	Memorial	Year of Passing	Memorial
2012	1 year	1997	17 year
2011	3 year	1989	25 year
2007	7 year	1981	33 year
2001	13 year	1964	50 year

If you would like to have a memorial service performed for loved ones or ancestors, please make arrangements with Rev. Gibbs as early as possible.

Holocaust Speaker

Alter Wiener, a Holocaust survivor, spoke at Dharma Exchange on June 9. He shared his horrific experiences in the German labor and concentration camps during WWII. Practically his entire family and relatives were murdered. He said he did not hold any animosity toward the descendants of these Germans. He also stated that it was most gratifying when students tell him that he had changed their ways to lead a better life. He has written an autobiographical book, "From a Name to a Number". - *Etsu Osaki*

July Toban

Cave, Marian	Kiyama, Traci	Soto, Teresa
Nagaki	Kiyama, Wynn	Takeda, Ernest
Cohen, Cindy	Koyama, Edna	Tanada, Anna
Fukunaga, Lori	Koyama, Richard	Tsutsumi, Gail
Fukunaga, Ray	Matsumoto, Jean	Tsutsumi, Robert
Ishii, Janice	Meiners, Lily	VinHasa, Sharon
Ishii, Michael	Richards, Atsuko	Watari, Duane

Toban not only means "my turn" but "my chance" to show my appreciation to all the men and women whose monetary donations and hard work resulted in this beautiful place, our Temple to hear the Dharma.
---Words of Jean Matsumoto, 1995

Oregon Buddhist Temple Donations recorded in May 2013

Yoshiko Yasutome 1st yr memorial

Kenneth Yasutome

In memory of Sachi Onchi

Grace & Edward Kawasaki

In memory of Umeno Fukumoto & Joe Shiraishi

Setsy & Chip Larouche

In memory of Tokuichi Fukumoto, Umeno Fukumoto

& Joe Mitsuru Shiraishi

Richard & Karen Shiraishi

Haru Kuroiwa

In memory of Ayame Matsunaga

Joyce McMahon

Francis Maeda 13th yr memorial

Takako Maeda

In memory of Toshiko Tanaka

June & Stan Shiigi

Kan & Miyeko Yagi

Scott & Lynn Grannan

Alice Ando

Amy Peterson

In memory of Yone Ikata

Sumiko Ikata

In memory of Shinkichi & Shigeko Hayashi

Toshiko Hayashi

In memory of Mas & Irene Hayashi

Toshiko Hayashi

In memory of George Hayashi

Toshiko Hayashi

In memory of Seichi, Sumino & Toshimi Fujii

Roberta Ando

May Michiko Fujii 13th yr memorial

Janis & Timothy Fujii

Memorial Day

Mary Hatori

Ben & Sumie Ishida

Nobuo & Takako Ishida

Lotus Circle

Jean Matsumoto

Ruth Sono Watanabe

Special donations

Alice Sumida (Obonfest raffle prizes)

Junko Iwao Toll

Joanne Ng

Amy Peterson

Atsuko Richards

Junko Haynes

Alice Sumida (Mother's Day)

June & Stan Shiigi (Mother's Day)

Jean Matsumoto (father's birthday)

Wendy Wyant

Hanamatsuri

Anonymus

Betty Elkins

Gotan-e / Hatsumairi

Traci & Wynn Kiyama (Daniel)

Takako Maeda

Gotan-e

Anonymous (2)

Kimiko Iwamoto

Grace Aoki

Sahomi Tachibana

Joseph & Lora Wahl

Fumi Saito

May Kasahara

May Takemoto

Debra A. Strugar

Yoshie Kagawa

Anonymus

Teruko Nishikawa

Randy & Dana Kunisaki

Chiyo Okita

Alfred Ono

Alice Sumida

Todd & Elaine Yuzuriha

Kiyomi Dickinson

Gotan-e (continued)

Kan & Miyeko Yagi

Herb & Etsu Osaki

Dana Kakishita

Jean Matsumoto

Alice Ando

Ann Shintani & Scott Winner

Robert & Kathleen Matsunaga

Shinya & Jayne Ichikawa

Janice Okamoto

Chris & Susan Leedham

Angela & Ryan Hughes-Davis

Toshiko Hayashi

2013 membership donations

Toshiko Hayashi

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Please inform us of any significant errors or omissions.

NOTE: The donation report in the previous newsletter included donations received in April (not May).

Susan Endecott

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Lotus Circle - July

Jean Matsumoto

Summer is here and flowers abound for the Flower Toban members to arrange on the altar and around the Temple each week. We are grateful to all who donate the funds to purchase the flowers which memorialize their loved ones. Appreciation is expressed to the following:

- July 7 – Grace Ishikawa in memory of (imo) father, Joe Sadaji Tachibana; Eric Ouchida imo mother, Rose
- July 14 – Judy Murase imo husband, Robert; Mitsuko Hatsuie imo husband, James
- July 21 – Lily Meiners imo parents, Frank and Mary Kurihara
- July 28 – Jayne Ichikawa imo father, Kaz Kinoshita; Reiko Park imo mother, Karen Scapple.

We hope some of you are sharing memories of your loved ones on our Lotus circle page which temple president Ken Garner (webmaster@oregonbuddhisttemple.com) has set up on the Temple website. For information about this program or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 503-280-2463 or e-mail jamatsumoto@gmail.com. I look forward to hearing from you.

110th Anniversary in November

Just a reminder that photos are needed of Temple members, DS Families, Dharma Exchange for our 110th Anniversary update in November. Photos will be taken at the Temple at every opportunity or you can email a photo of your choice to dharmaschool@oregonbuddhisttemple.com.