
With Gratitude for the birth of Shinran on the Oregon



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The Oregon Buddhist Temple Monthly Newsletter

May 2016

GOTANYE is in May!!!

In May we observe the birthday of our founder Shinran Shonin. This observance is one of our major services for the year known as Gotanye. The service this year will be held May 22 at 10:00AM. We have opportunity again to reflect upon the influence and contribution that Shinran Shonin has made upon our own lives.

For each of us, the depth of our gratitude mirrors the depth of our understanding of just what these Nembutsu teachings are. If our understanding of the Nembutsu is vague or shallow, then our gratitude would also be vague or shallow. If our understanding of the Nembutsu is heartfelt or deep, then our gratitude would also be heartfelt or deep.

Questions and doubts find answers and clarification as we take the time to hear the stories of Shinran's life and struggles, and as we continue to listen to the Dharma. If we were to look, we would see that our own questions and doubts were held and struggled with by Shinran himself. If we were to look, our own questions and doubts were also held by his followers as they tried to make sense of the teachings and of their own lives.

As we reflect upon our own questions and doubts and then begin to see that these same concerns were held by Shinran and all of his followers, we begin to see a pattern. There is a spiraling, ever-ascending pattern of questions answered and doubts clarified that can be recognized in the life of the Buddha, the life of Shinran, the lives of his followers, and in our own lives as well. The questions become

proof that we are all on the same path to awakened awareness.

Thus we have the image of ONDOBO-ONDOGYO ... we are all fellow travelers along the path of the Nembutsu. Whether we are minister or lay, young or old, new or not, we walk the Nembutsu path together. We share the answers or find them together as we walk the path of life unfolding.

Surrounded by our network of family and friends, we enjoy the highs and we endure the lows of life unfolding. We laugh and cry, and we do it together. Along the way we realize that it is reality itself that has been surrounding and supporting every aspect of our lives. We come to recognize that although we take credit for this and that, it is never only our own doings ... there is something more and deeper at every turn.

If we look carefully, we are able to see endless causes and conditions that are behind every single effort we have made and behind every single aspect of our lives. Unfolding reality is always there, and this is what we call Amida. It is in this sense that Amida is real, live, and a function of the universe. Our ego-centered perspective is put in its place as we come to see what the Nembutsu has been pointing out all along.

Please join us for the Gotanye Service. What is your reflection? Presence and participation is everything. We'll see you at the temple.

Reverend. Dennis Fujimoto

"The purpose of the Oregon Buddhist Temple is to ensure that the Jodo Shinshu Sangha have the facilities, resident minister and other resources they need to share the Buddha Dharma in their daily lives and during their major life events."

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Shotsuki Hoyo

This is a monthly memorial service to honor and remember those loved ones who passed away during the month of May. The Shotsuki-Hoyo service will be held May 8th Sunday service at 10 am.

In the past, families were notified by mail regarding a service for a deceased family member. However, with this plan, no letters will be sent. It will be one special service for all families who lost a loved one in the month of May. Please join us in honor of your relative(s) or friends. Listed below are the names of those who passed away starting from 1930. Oregon Buddhist Temple has records from 1904. If a name is missing, incorrect, or prior to 1930, please notify Jean Matsumoto, Etsu Osaki, or the temple.

Akiyama, Yoshiro 5/31/1940	Maetani, Toshio 5/15/1975	Onishi, Masuko 5/2/1963
Egimoto, Kanichi 5/11/1950	Masuda, Ryoji 5/5/1944	Ozaki, Fukuo 5/30/1953
Fujinaka, Shuichi 5/30/1961	Masumoto, Yasujiro 5/19/1947	Sakamoto, Hisano 5/29/1993
Fukushima, Isamu 5/15/1944	Matsunaga, Jean 5/15/2006	Sakamoto, Junji 5/27/1943
Funatake, Yoshichiro 5/15/1986	Miller, Cruz T 5/26/2014	Sakauye, Michio (Mich) 5/3/1995
Greenwood, Donald, 5/4/2010	Mimatsu, Keitaro 5/17/1939	Sasaki, Kenjiro 5/3/1989
Hasegawa, Shigeko 5/7/1932	Minami, Akira 5/5/1932	Sasaki, Riye 5/1/1987
Hashi, Sumie Kazue 5/8/1930	Minami, Asoye 5/5/1977	Shido, George 5/22/1993
Hayami, Hoohei 5/4/1944	Minami, Kiyomatsu 5/7/1980	Shimizu, Matsuji 5/15/1954
Hayashi, Jinnosuke 5/10/1944	Mishima, Katsumi 5/23/1963	Shiraishi, Kaoru 5/16/1948
Heyamoto, Yukichi 5/9/1930	Miura, Takuyo 5/2/1980	Tabuchi, Minoru 5/29/1930
Hooraku, Asaji 5/29/1952	Mizuno, Sadao 5/30/1948	Tajima, Yayoi 5/24/1965
Infant 5/10/1940	Mori, Kura Masako 5/30/1980	Takano, Unosuke 5/3/1956
Infant 5/12/1943	Mukaida, Kow 5/30/1977	Takashima, Richard Kiyoshi 5/31/2001
Ishii, Kiyoshi 5/4/1950	Muramatsu, Kuno 5/21/1936	Takeuchi, Mary Natsuko 5/26/2001
Iwamoto Isamu Sam 5/29/1996	Myers, Susanne Mineko 5/10/2006	Tamiyasu, Mitsugi (Mits) 5/13/2011
Katayama, Hiromasu 5/8/1930	Nagano, Saneharu 5/17/1965	Tanada, Shime 5/30/1960
Kato, Hiroshi 5/16/1944	Nagata, Rise 5/16/1945	Toyooka, Nobuyoshi 5/13/1996
Kato, Takeno 5/20/1946	Nakagawa, Denzo 5/8/1963	Tsubouchi, Ikutaro 5/5/1952
Kawachi, Akimi 5/10/1981	Nakamatsu, Akiko 5/31/1983	Ueno, Tasuke 5/20/1947
Kawamoto, Ito 5/18/1950	Nakamura, Hiroshi 5/11/1978	Uetake, Juichi 5/16/1944
Kawata, Kinzi 5/13/1930	Nakamura, Sally Mew Lin 5/26/2014	Wakayama, Seiichi 5/19/1954
Kishimoto _____ 5/19/1930	Nakashima, Masao 5/4/1983	Yasutome, Yoshiko 5/27/2012
Kobuchi, Shin 5/11/1959	Niiyama, Tadao 5/30/1939	Yoneyama, Yoneko 5/29/1996
Koida, Yoichi 5/30/1944	Nishikawa, Shotaro 5/6/1964	Yoshida, Kojiro 5/12/1973
Maehara, Kiyoko 5/4/1939	Okabe, Mataroku 5/1/1955	Yoshihara, Fusano 5/23/1934
Maehara, Martha Masako 5/18/1990	Okamoto, Hanae 5/18/1984	Yoshiro, Akira 5/11/1997

LOTUS CIRCLE – Jean Matsumoto

Because of the loyal members of our Lotus Circle, we are grateful that we always have beautiful flowers arranged by our creative Flower Toban on our altar and around the temple every week. This month those generous people are:

- May 1 – Miyeko (Micki) Yagi in memory of (imo) her husband, Kan, and her parents, Koichi and Koto Aoki, and her late husband's parents, Takutaro and Kazue
- May 8 – Jane Hunt imo her parents, Yutaka and Kazue Shiraishi
- May 15 – Anonymous imo Zenzaburo and Tamiyo Ochiai, their daughters Nobuko Susaki and Shizuko Okazaki, and their son, Kaz
- May 22 – Kiyomi Dickinson imo her mother, Toshiko Kitagawa
- May 29 – Sumie Ishida imo her parents, Yoshikiyo and Hisayo Yamamoto

Again, we thank all of you who make the donations for purchase of the beautiful flowers by the Flower Toban. Our Temple webmaster has set up a Lotus Circle page for us to share memories of loved ones. Please check it out or contact Ken Garner (webmaster@oregonbuddhisttemple.com) about submitting material to share. For information about the Lotus Circle, contact me at 503-280-2463, or jamatsumoto@gmail.com.

TEMPLE BUILDING HISTORY – continued from April 2016 issue, page 3

The Final Preparations

(from Japanese minutes translated by Kiyomi Dickinson)

September 12, 1966 Board Meeting – It was decided to have welcome party for Reverend Nakagami after the fall Ohigan service on September 18.

October 10, Board Meeting – Reverend Nakagami is to have gallstone surgery at Providence Hospital. He will be admitted to the hospital tomorrow. Retaining wall is budgeted for \$2,500. Carpeting for the hondo is being donated by the Daido-Kai (Young Adult Buddhist Association), costing \$2,100. Tables in the basement are being donated by Oregon Buddhist Fujinkai (OBWA), costing \$400. Mr. Suelo (Buddy) Ikata donated cost of cleaning and waxing the basement floor. It was decided to purchase new chairs for the use of guest ministers on the onajin. An invitation to Socho (BCA Bishop) Hanayama has been extended. Invitations to the general membership will be sent soon. About 600 (author's note: highly overestimated) are expected to attend the dedication ceremony and banquet. Jean Matsumoto will be in charge of the ochigo procession. Orei (honoraria) will be given to the guest ministers attending the dedication ceremony: \$15 to Socho Hanayama, \$25 to other ministers. We need to check with Reverend Nakagami if these amounts are appropriate.



Oregon Buddhist Temple 1966

OBT BOARD

board@oregonbuddhisttemple.com

Term Ending 2018: Ken Garner (Vice President), Mie McGraw, Shinya Ichikawa

Term Ending 2017: Katie Tamiyasu, Judy Hittle, Phaedra Urban, and Cathy Yarne (President)

Term Ending 2016: Susan Endecott, Al Ono, Amy Peterson, Charles Reneau

OBT Financial Officer: Elaine Yuzuriha

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - Cathy Yarne

Hello Members of our Sangha,

Earlier this year I represented our temple at the Buddhist Churches of America (BCA) National Council Meeting. Individual membership dues make up the majority of BCA's income (total members x dues = \$1,600,000). BCA membership has been declining approximately 3% each year for the past 3 years. As a result the BCA assessment for 2016 will be \$114.23 per member. This includes a 2% COLA for the BCA employees. I was ambivalent about supporting this increase which means more than half of your \$250 annual OBT membership dues will go toward supporting BCA. However it seems logical that in order to address the ministerial shortage, we must support the resources (BCA & Jodo Shinshu Center) that inspire, encourage and educate individuals who are aspiring to become Jodo Shinshu ministers and minister assistants. So, although I'm not 'excited' with the increase in our assessment, it is in our best interest to support it.

Several of you have asked, "When will OBT have a new minister?" Unfortunately, this will probably not happen in the near future. Last year five ministers joined the BCA, however, two ministers will be retiring this year and several temples are also in need of a minister. In the meantime, we will continue to develop opportunities to share the dharma, voice our needs to BCA, and patiently wait.

Gassho,
Cathy

OBT Board Meeting Summaries

For OBT members wishing to review the full minutes of the Board meetings, copies are kept in the OBT Library.

Sunday, Feb. 21, 2016

- Security: We've had one incident of a homeless camper. Police were contacted. We had one incident where the temple was not securely locked. We need to take care with properly locking the temple.
- Ken is working on identifying chairs for upcoming events (see March meeting notes).
- Emergency Preparedness: Board will schedule a date for emergency training
- Board reviewed options for a brochure rack for the foyer. Ken to help select a final option.
- Board reviewed 2015 Financial Audit report submitted by Shinya Ichikawa.
- Cathy is leading a small committee to review Toban lists and procedures.
- Phaedra will record Rev. Fujimoto's Dharma talks and post on-line.
- Katie will be organizing a ballroom dance activity; she has identified an instructor.

Sunday, March 20, 2016

- Cathy attended the BCA National Council meeting. Key topics included raising of membership dues so BCA can also provide cost-of-living increases for

BCA employees. This would entail raising the BCA allocation from our OBT dues to \$114.23 per member. Cathy asked if BCA would consider sending guest speakers to the various temples, as temples outside of the Bay Area do not benefit from what IBS offers.

- Cathy asked Al Ono to form an ad hoc group to examine our membership structure, membership benefits, and ways to encourage new members.
- Phaedra has created an event promotion worksheet that can be used by event chairs, BEC, etc. for planning communications and PR for our key events and seminars. She has also developed a form for announcements at Dharma Gatherings and after services. These are tools to help plan, promote and engage volunteers.
- Ken has made progress in identifying chairs for upcoming major events:
- Obonfest: Charles Reneau has offered to help with the non-food side of things. Judy Hittle agreed to consider being Obon Chair if Ken could identify a Food Chair. Hanna Honma has expressed interest in doing this. Scott Winner has agreed to do procurement.
- Sukiyaki Bazaar: Mie has agreed to chair; Elaine and Angie will mentor and advise Mie.
- Craft Fair: Angie will work with vendors; Roberta Ando will oversee the food. No one has as yet agreed to coordinate Kiyokawa apple/pear sales.

- Mochitsuki: Mark Achterman and Scott Winner will handle the rice portion, including buying and cooking. We need someone to handle order taking, logistics of the event associated with mochi production, bagging, etc.
- Cathy and Charles presented ideas for a visitor information sheet that could be given to first-time visitors, and shared examples from other temples.
- Board discussed ideas for activities we'd like to ask Rev. Fujimoto to participate in beyond the Sunday services. There was general agreement that during his visits, we'd like him to lead Dharma Exchange. In addition, give him a list of potential topics and maybe he'd consider doing a Saturday Seminar. Charles suggested a "Saturdays with Sensei" moniker, with a different activity each time. These activities could serve to engage our current members, or to attract new members.
- Board discussed whether we needed a policy about pets in the main temple building and in the annex and decided that during off-times it is acceptable to bring pets that are carried into the Annex. However, no pets will be allowed in the main temple building (includes Hondo, Basement or Kitchen).

Submitted by Susan Endecott, Board Co-Secretary

SUNDAY MORNING MEDITATION



Have you checked out our Sunday Morning Meditation? Do you have a friend who is looking to learn about Meditation? Enjoy the refreshing sound of silence of the Hondo on Sunday mornings.

Join Susan Lily as she leads Meditation in the Hondo on Sundays at 9 a.m. with a short reading and Gassho. We will then sit in silence until 9:30. Informal chatting and conversation will follow as the Hondo is prepared for service. Participants are encouraged to bring a rolled-up blanket, meditation cushion or bench to sit on. If the hips are higher than the knees, a sitting or seiza position can be held comfortably for a half hour. Chairs will also be available. Bring your Onenju.

To help get your mind into meditation, ponder the following: "Leave your front door and your back door open. Allow your thoughts to come and go. Just don't serve them tea."
Shunryu Suzuki

Donations are suggested.
Donations go to the Oregon Buddhist Temple.

DID YOU KNOW ... this newsletter takes a minimum of 12 days for our volunteers to complete? (This doesn't include the hours it takes to collate and prepare it for mailing and bulk mailing delivery time). The process includes the submission of articles and events for the calendar, formatting by Amy Peterson, and editing by Jean Matsumoto & June Shiigi. Note that the critical first step in this tedious 12 day process is the submission of articles. That's where you and I come in! If I submit an article that has not been proofed, used a font other than "Arial" or submit an article after the deadline, this sets back & delays the entire process. I am asking that anyone who is submitting an article do so ON or BEFORE the deadline. Sorry, but if your article is late, there is a very good chance it will have to go into the following months newsletter. We owe a big thank you to Amy, Jean, June and Susan for the many hours they put into creating our newsletter each month. Let's make their tasks easier by: proof reading your articles, use "Arial" font and submit your articles to Amy on time. Thank you.

All articles should be typed in Arial 10 PT at:
newsletter3@oregonbuddhisttemple.com

Upcoming Deadlines:
May 10, June 7, July 12

OBWA News by Ann Shintani**A NEW INITIATIVE:**

The Oregon Buddhist Women's Association is pleased to organize an opportunity for the Oregon Buddhist Temple and other Buddhist sanghas to offer service as community **volunteers**. Our initial effort will be at the **Oregon Food Bank**. **Please join us.**

We hope to make this a rewarding and fun endeavor.

WHERE, WHEN, WHAT AND WHO:

Oregon Food Bank Headquarters
7900 NE 33rd Drive (off of Columbia Blvd.)
Portland, OR 97211
Saturday, June 25 at 12:45 pm

Arriving by 12:45, from 1:00 to 3:30 we will work at the OFB Volunteer Action Center where we will repack and label bulk dry food in a lively, active environment. Those ages 6 and up are welcome. Adults must accompany volunteers under age 16.

THE NEED: Long-term unemployment, persistent under-employment and the high cost of food, utilities and rent are forcing more and more people to seek emergency food. The need for emergency food is unprecedented and continues to climb.

Oregon Food Bank collects and distributes food through a network of four Oregon Food Bank branches and 17 independent regional food banks serving Oregon and Clark County, Washington.

HOW TO SIGN-UP: Every volunteer, regardless of age, needs to register ahead of time. To secure a spot you **MUST** use this link:

https://ofbvolunteers.civicore.com/index.php?section=newIvGroup&action=conditional_loggedIn&fwID=23342

If you are signing up family members, you must first log out of your account before using the link to register others. You may use one email address for multiple people.

If you need assistance registering online or need transportation to the Food Bank, please contact Robbi Ando at rchando@comcast.net or 503.329.6682

Hope to see you at the Food Bank!

Our life is filled with warmth in sharing life with others. In personal life, it means to act by placing ourselves in the position of another, and in community life, it means to give service with joy and gratitude for the betterment of all. The practice of making others happy is based upon the clear understanding of life that is Oneness. In deep gratitude, let us realize this Oneness of all life, the heart of which is Compassion.

- Renny Shonin

We are here to awaken from the illusion of our separateness.

- Thich Nhat Hanh

According to Buddhism, compassion is an aspiration, a state of mind, wanting others to be free from suffering. It's not passive -- it's not empathy alone -- but rather an empathetic altruism that actively strives to free others from suffering.

- Dalai Lama

A generous heart, kind speech, and a life of service and compassion are the things which renew humanity

- Gautama Buddha

Renny Shonin Memorial Service

The Sunday, May 15th Dharma Gathering will honor Renny Shonin (1415-1499). Called the "Second Founder," as chief abbot or monshu, he led the growth of Jodo Shinshu from a small impoverished sect to a mass movement and the largest Japanese school of Buddhism in his lifetime. Come hear how this remarkable man brought the nembutsu teachings to a land wracked by intrigue and warfare and established many of the traditions that we practice to this day. The Renny Shonin memorial service is sponsored by the Oregon Buddhist Women's association.

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OBT READERS CLUB

The next Readers' Club meeting will be

Wednesday, June 15, 2016 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Lucky Lab Brewpub 915 SE Hawthorne

Book: Would You Eat Your Cat? Key Ethical Conundrums and What They Tell You About Yourself, by Jeremy Stangroom

This unique collection of classic and modern problems and paradoxes is guaranteed to test your preconceptions. Jeremy Stangroom creates contemporary versions of famous dilemmas that explore the morality of suicide and the ethics of retribution. He then delves into the background of each conundrum in detail and helps you discover what your responses reveal about yourself with a unique morality barometer.

The group alternates between fiction and non-fiction books. The June reading is non-fiction.

Portland Ondo!

Seattle has Seattle Omoide, Tacoma has Tacoma Ondo, and the mochi-pounding group Utsukikai has Portland Mochitsuki Ondo. Now it's time for a Portland Ondo.

Please join Chris Dart and Wynn Kiyama for a brainstorming session on lyrics and music at the Dharma Exchange on Sunday, May 1st, 11:00 a.m. We hope to compose a new bon-odori song for use at this year's obon festival. Dance instructor Sahomi Tachibana already has ideas for the choreography, so we've been tasked to create the song. Share your favorite memories of Portland and the obon festival as we create *Portland Ondo* together!

Portland Taiko Benefit Banquet

Auction ~ Mystery Origami ~ Casual Attire

6:00-6:30 No Host Bar

6:30-8:30 Dinner & Program

Our annual fundraiser is a fun-filled evening of delicious food, auction, mystery origami and taiko performance. Help keep the beat of taiko strong in our community!

Tickets: \$60 (includes a \$35 tax deductible donation)

Purchase tickets online at www.portlandtaiko.org questions, contact Portland Taiko at 503.288.2456 or www.portlandtaiko.org Tax ID # 93-1309882

OBT is organizing a table. Please let Cathy know if you'd like to join us.

Dharma School News

Thank you for your support to the Oregon Buddhist Temple Young Buddhist Association (YBA)! Our Sunday afternoon Spaghetti lunch / White Elephant Bingo was a success in many ways:

- Our volunteers, youth and families, worked together on Saturday and Sunday, to prep, cook, serve, and host the bingo game.
- Many (if not everyone) took home bingo prizes, donated by participants.
- The event raised over \$400, to be used for the H.S. retreat in Seattle this Summer, hosted by the Northwest District and OBT YBA. Our volunteers were: Marilyn, Mark and Kirt Achterman; Tony, Sena, Aiden, and Alani Clinton; Lori and Ray Fukunaga; Ken and Mayu Garner; Brenda and Rachel Neidert; Yukim and Yukaya Nomoto-Hill; Alyssa Ono; Cathy Shikatani and Michi Stoeller; Ann, Scott and Mika Winner; Lisa, Craig, Lauren and Brian Yanase (and friend, Lauren); and Elaine and Joy Yuzuriha. In addition, thank you to toban for also helping (Kiyomi Dickinson, Dr. Al Ono, and Tom McCormack).

I learned the secret to making a delicious, homemade spaghetti sauce.

TOBAN FOR MAY

Ando, Roberta	Ichikawa, Jayne
Chambers, Chiz	Ichikawa, Shinya
Choy, Randy	Inoue, Kay
Fields, Ray	Kono, Kim
Fields, Yasuko	Nakashima, Angie
Fugate, Brenda	Nakashima, Glenn
Fugate, Jerry	Pawlowski, Clara
Harder, Diane	Pawlowski, Steve

There's no greater Dana than selfless giving. You can use monthly Temple clean-up as a meditation in itself. You don't have to be on this month's Toban to help make the Temple an inviting place. If you'd like to be placed on a Toban list, please contact us at board@oregonbuddhisttemple.com

Monthly Temple clean-up is usually the 4th Saturday of the month. All members are invited and encouraged to help with this event.

Toban not only means "my turn" but "my chance" to show my appreciation to all the men and women this beautiful place, our Temple, to hear the Dharma
Words of Jean Matsumoto 1995

Please note: The Toban team schedule for June through November is on page 10 of this newsletter.



Spaghetti lunch / White Elephant Bingo Crew

Japanese American Graduation Banquet

The 69th Annual Japanese American Community Graduation Banquet will be held 10:00 am on Sunday, May 1st. The keynote speaker is Ms. Ariko Iso, Head Football Athletic Trainer for Oregon State University and formerly the first female trainer for a NFL team, the Pittsburgh Steelers. This year's OBT graduates being honored are Alyssa Ono from Camas High School, and Joy Yuzuriha from Mountain View High School. This annual scholarship and graduation community event will be held at the Multnomah Athletic Club. Contact Elaine Yuzuriha (e.yuzuriha@comcast.net) for more information



Loen Dozono, Midori Carrollo and. Amy Peterson

Girl Scout News

We delivered our Gift of Caring cookies to Ikoi no Kai and were warmly welcomed. We participated in chair exercises, had a wonderful lunch with some friendly ladies and even a couple of babies. Thanks to Loen Dozono and the lunch group for a fun day including learning ping pong. We'd like to thank all those that contributed to our gift of caring.

CONDOLENCES to the family of Sumiko Ikata who passed away on March 30, 2016. Her funeral service will be held at the Oregon Buddhist Temple on Saturday, May 21, 2016, at 11:00 am.

Oregon Buddhist Temple Donations March 2016

In memory of George Kajiwara

Karen Kajiwara

In memory of Kay N. Toyooka

Fumie Toyooka & Lulu C. Lee
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There are several links on this page, which goes directly to OBT's PayPal account and can be used by anybody to make a donation to OBT – they do not

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e-mail: sjendecott@gmail.com

OBT MEMBERSHIP by Alfred Ono, membership chairman

Spring is here and I hope you are enjoying the sunshine, although the weather may be different by the time you read this article. Moreover, 2016 is one-third completed. Wow, doesn't time fly by. With time rapidly passing, have you joined as a member of Oregon Buddhist Temple? Thank you to the people who have joined as 2016 members of Oregon Buddhist Temple:

Achterman, Mark & Marilyn	Ishida, May	Tom McCormack	Takeda, Ernest
Amasuga, Katsuya	Ishida, Sumie	Mishima, Henry	Tamiyasu, Katie
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Fukunaga, Ray & Lori	Kiyama, Traci & Wynn	Peterson, Amy	Wahl, Takeko
Garner, Ken & Maho	Kodama, Misako	Reneau, Charles E.	Winner, Scott
Harder, Diane Ando	Kono, Kim	Saiget, Carolyn J.	Yanase, Craig & Lisa
Hasuike, Mitsuko	Kumashiro, Michiko	Shiigi, June & Stan	Yarne, Cathlyn
Hayashi, Toshiko	Kunisaki, Randy & Dana	Shikatani, Cathy	Yasui, Mike
Hittle, Judy & Paul	Larouche, Setsy & Chip	Shintani, Ann	Yuzuriha, Todd & Elaine
Hokama, Pat	Lash, Kelly	Shiraishi, Richard & Karen	
Honma, Hannah	Leedham, Susan	Stoeller, Willem	
Ichikawa, Shinya & Jayne	Lilly, Susan M.	Sumoge, Gerald & JoAnn	
Ikata, Rose T.	Long, Amy	Sunamoto, Kazuko	
Ikata, Sumiko	Jean Matsumoto	Tachibana, Sahomi	

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In Gassho
 Alfred Ono, Membership chairperson

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Phone _____ E Mail _____

Full Payment: \$250.00 per member
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Pledge payment: Amount per month per member _____

Additional donation to OBT (Thank you) _____

Total enclosed _____

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Portland, Oregon 97202

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NEW TOBAN TEAMS: JUNE – NOVEMBER 2016

Team A - JUNE	Team B - JULY	Team C - AUG	Team D - SEPT	Team E - OCT	Team F - NOV
Endecott, Kiyo	Anderson, Lisa	Dart, Chris	Hittle, Judy	Achterman, Marilyn	Ando, Roberta
Endecott, Susan	Carollo, Teri-Ann	Hardee, John	Hittle, Paul	Achterman, Mark	Chambers, Chiz
Fukunaga, Lori	Demise, Darlene	Honma, Hannah	Hokama, Pat	Davis, Ryan	Choy, Randy
Fukunaga, Ray	Hollander, David	Ishikawa, Grace	Larouche, Chip	Dickinson, Kiyomi	Fields, Ray
Ishii, Janice	Long, Amy	Kagawa, Julie	Larouche, Setsy	Garner, Ken	Fields, Yasuko
Ishii, Michael	Masuoka, Connie	Kollas, Phillip	Leedham, Susan	Garner, Maho	Fugate, Brenda
Kawazoe, Katie	Matsushima, Janie	Kunisaki, Dana	Oh-Keith, Douglas	Hill-Nomoto, Enshane	Fugate, Jerry
Kawazoe, Ken	Mattson, Denille	Kunisaki, Randy	Oh-Keith, Kathy	Hughes-Davis, Angie	Harder, Diane
Kiyama, Traci	McGraw, Mie	Lilly, Susan	Ono, Al	Inoue, Kay	Ichikawa, Jayne
Kiyama, Wynn	Moro, Marlene	Osaki, Amy	Ono, Yoshi	Kajitsu, Nancy	Ichikawa, Shinya
Koyama, Edna	Richards, Atsuko	Osaki, Etsu	Shikatani, Cathy	Lash, Kelly	Kono, Kim
Koyama, Richard	Shiigi, June	Reneau, Charles	Stoeller, Willem	Liljeholm, Ed	Kwong, Chiki
Peterson, Amy	Shiigi, Stan	Saiget, Carol	Tanaka, Bill	McCormack, Tom	Angie Nakashima
Takeda, Ernest	Sumoge, Jerry	Wahl, Joe	Tanaka, Linda	Nguyen, Angela	Glenn Nakashima
Tanada, Anna	Sumoge, JoAnn	Wahl, Lora	Yanase, Craig	Okamoto, Janice	Pawlowski, Clara
Ward, Adam	Tano, Alice	Wyant, Wendy	Yanase, Lisa	Ouchida, Fusako	Pawlowski, Steve
Watari, Duane	Urban, Phaedra	Yamauchi, Sandie	Yuzuriha, Elaine	Shiraishi, Rick	Shintani-Winner, Ann
Yokoyama, Jenna	Yamauchi, Judy	Yarne, Cathy	Yuzuriha, Todd	Tamiyasu, Katie	Winner, Scott

Some changes have been made to Toban teams to even out the number of participants. Please mark your calendars so that you are not caught by surprise when your turn comes up. If you are able to participate in Toban and do not see your name on the list, please leave a message on the Temple voicemail or e-mail sjendecott@gmail.com.

NOTE: Beginning June 2017, the rotation will begin with Team B (ie, the sequence will be B, C, D, E, F, A).