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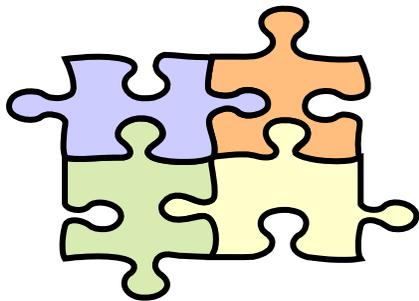
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June 2 - 9:00 am
Sunday Family Service
Toban: Jr. YBA



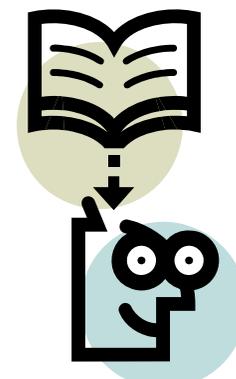
June 9 - 9:00 am
Sunday Family Service
Toban: BWA

June 16 - 9:00 am
Sunday Family Service
Toban: Dharma School



June 23 - 9:00 am
Sunday Family Service
Toban: Kyodan

June 30 - 9:00 am
Sunday Family Service
Toban: Kyodan



Minister's Message:

Aloha! It's June already and half of the year 2013 is almost over. I am approaching the first year anniversary of my arrival here at Makawao Hongwanji. It seems like only a few months ago that I arrived from Oahu. Perhaps I get that feeling because there are still a few boxes of personal items that I have only partially opened and still stacked in some corner of the living room in the minister's quarters. Looking inside some of the boxes, I realized there are items there that I packed which are really of little value to me, things like old thank you notes from previous memorial services I did at the Betsuin, unread old books, worn out DVDs, dozens of pens, and other writing implements, some of which no longer function due to long time not being used, even some unopened food items in their original packaging, way past their expiration dates, given to me as parting gifts from the members and friends at the Betsuin where I previously served. Some of these items I could have just given away to Goodwill or some other charitable organizations but it was not a well planned packing and moving experience. When I first sorted out my personal property for packing, I knew some items were no longer useful but I kept them anyway, either because for sentimental reasons or just plain attachment to things. I had what is called a pack rat mentality. I never wanted to throw or give anything away that I deem might be still be useful in the future although realistically it is better to just let go of them.

Last Memorial Day, Monday, May 27, I participated in the Memorial Day holiday observance at the Makawao Veteran's Cemetary. Together with some ministers from the different Buddhist temples in Maui, we chanted the sutra Hannya Shingyo during the service. The Hannya Shingyo or Heart Sutra in English, is a sutra that is not chanted in Jodo Shinshu Buddhism but its profound meaning is a very useful thing to know in other to sever attachment to worldly things through a proper understanding of the relationship of emptiness and form. In Hannya Shingyo it says 'form is emptiness, emptiness is form' At a quick look, it seems like a contradiction of sort, our ordinary minds immediately asks "how could a thing that has form be empty and how can an empty thing have form?" In order to understand it, emptiness is not to be confused with nothingness. The meaning of emptiness in Buddhism is that all things are made up of aggregates, or parts that make up the whole and a thing does not exist independently if the parts or aggregates that give a thing its shape or form are missing. Take away the engine, the tires, the steering wheel and a car can no longer be called a car, for example, for by definition a car is something, a vehicle that runs on gasoline power and steered by the driver. There was no such thing as a car back in the days of the dinosaurs, it only came about with the invention of, first, the wheel, then the internal combustion engine, batteries and the other components. In other words, a car did not exist before in the ancient days, it couldn't exist without the components that make it run, thus it is "empty" or devoid of any independent existence. And this applies to any material thing that has form. And because emptiness only makes sense when it is related to something with form, then emptiness is also form! It is a very difficult concept to grasp initially but with the development of wisdom, one comes to understand that form and emptiness are relative to each other, they have no independent existence. Viewed in the vision of emptiness, all dualistic thinking is dissolved. Proper understanding of emptiness combined with the wisdom of impermanence diminishes one's attachment to material things and to his ego, the source of much suffering.

I am not about to give away my car, computers, money and the other things that I possess, but I just wish that I could understand deeper the meaning of emptiness, in order for me to learn how to let go and not hoard things that have little value or no longer have any use to me. It is the attachment to things that make me suffer from having to carry heavier boxes and finding space to store things. If only people could learn to let go and not be so greedy or attached to things, then there probably would be lesser names of military personnel who died of wars, to read during Memorial Day observances. For wars are basically started with attachment – whether to national pride, desire for other countries' resources, attachment to one's religious beliefs and the desire to impose them on others who do not belong with them, and so on. The Hannya Shingyo or Heart Sutra is rightfully called the Heart of the Perfection of Wisdom Sutra. In the last few lines of this sutra it is said: The Buddhas of the Past, Present and Future, by relying on the Prajna Paramita (the Perfection of Wisdom), have attained supreme enlightenment. The Heart Sutra is regarded as the summation of the wisdom of the Buddha. It explains perfectly the teaching of non-attachment, which essentially is the doctrine of emptiness.

Namu Amida Butsu,
Rev. Kalu



MAKAWAO HONGWANJI PRESCHOOL

By: Lei

Makawao Hongwanji Preschool celebrated the end of the year with our annual Aloha Graduation Program on May 18th on the beautiful campus of Pukalani. The Class of 2013 and Class of 2014 presented a medley of songs and dance before their preschool ohana. It was a memorable day as the graduates dressed in purple gowns, received their purple caps and diplomas as they smiled and waved at the cheering audience.

We wish to thank the Makawao Hongwanji Mission, Makawao Hongwanji Preschool Board, Rev. Sol Kalu, The Preschool Staff and all the families of Makawao Hongwanji Preschool for all their support throughout the school year.



In Memoriam

Makawao Hongwanji Mission extends its deepest sympathy to families that have recently lost a loved one:

FAMILY OF THE LATE **MRS SUMIE "SALLY" SUMIDA** (98) WHO PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 22, 2013 AT MAUI MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER.

June & July 2013 Memorial Anniversaries

(Please call the temple office to schedule your service—572-7229)

1st Year Memorial Service 2012

June - None

1st Year Memorial Service 2012

July 05 Hanako Kawano
 July 06 Masaru Uradomo
 July 07 Miyoko Ruth Ishizu

3rd Year Memorial Service 2011

June 03 Tamao Otani
 June 26 Tom Tanizaki

3rd Year Memorial Service 2011

July 05 Tadatsugu Wayne Endo
 July 16 Suma Masusako

7th Year Memorial Service 2007

June 05 Japo Itsumi Yokoyama
 June 11 Koichi Nitta
 June 13 Masaichi Okamura

7th Year Memorial Service 2007

July 08 Joyce Fumie Yamada

13th Year Memorial Service 2001

June 14 Noboru Nakanishi
 June 14 Yoshimori Nomura

13th Year Memorial Service 2001

July 20 Tadao Richard Sentani

17th Year Memorial Service 1997

June 24 Toshiko Nagata
 June 25 Tadashi Ishizu

17th Year Memorial Service 1997

July 30 Fude Tsukuda

25th Year Memorial Service 1989

June 03 Keichi Shiratori
 June 21 Yoshio Fukushima
 June 22 Shigeko Tanaka

25th Year Memorial Service 1989

July - None

33rd Year Memorial Service 1981

June 03 Joseph Ryojiro Tempo
 June 09 Tadashi Uyeda
 June 09 Walter Chikato Sumida
 June 16 Yoshino Kajita
 June 24 Shunzo Uradomo
 June 28 Masato Kawano

33rd Year Memorial Service 1981

July 08 Yeisuke Kijinami



50th Year Memorial Service 1964

June - None

50th Year Memorial Service 1964

July 07 Toshio Ibara
 July 15 Haru Ibara

WITH MUCH GRATITUDE (Sorry)

Our apology to Carol Yamamura for inadvertently missing to list her as one of the contributors to our Dana Day Service. Carol donated and arranged the flowers for the altar. Of course, Carol donates and arranges the flowers for the altar and Nokotsudo altar every week and also donates the flowers. Our apology to Carol. Hope we didn't forget anyone else. If we did, please call and let us know.

Thank You!
 Janie Karimoto, Site Coordinator



President's Message

I want to thank Wailuku Hongwanji Mission for hosting this year's Fujimatsuri. They did an outstanding job. For those of you who didn't go, you really missed out on a great celebration. Everything went well and the food was good. They even have a new president, Mike Munekiyo. We here at Makawao Hongwanji should take note and consider replacing the old, worn-down, cranky old man that we have as president. I think that he has lost his mind. It's time for him to go into retirement. If you agree, give me a call at 1-800-Lost His Mind.

Reverend LaVerne Sasaki and his wife Helen will be staying with Kalu when they arrive here to be our guest speaker for our Nembutsu Seminar. The Sasaki's were here last year as our guest speaker for one of our Sunday Services. We are looking forward to their arrival.

Well folks, it's now official. Reverend Kalu has a drinking problem. He drinks water every day. In order to uphold the proud tradition of drinking beer here at Makawao Hongwanji, we are in the process of having him committed to a water rehab facility. We are going to try to wean him off of water and get him back to normal so that he can be a positive, contributing member of society again. It will take a support group here at Makawao Hongwanji to set him on the road to recovery. So, if you can help, bring all the beer that you can to Reverend Kalu's residence and we can all enjoy the process of getting drunk. We may not succeed, but at least it will be fun.

The Catholic Church has a new Pope in Pope Francis. I was going to nominate Reverend Kalu for that position but I forgot that you had to be a cardinal first. The Buddhists don't even have birds. I still think that our reverend has the status of a mijiro. Therefore, I was trying to get him to the level of barn owl but no one gave a hoot. I told Reverend Kalu that it was alright and that he had a better chance of being hit by lightning 40 times than being considered for the position of Pope. Well sensei, maybe next time.

Michael



BAZAAR SUSHI - By: Marilyn

Bazaar time is coming up! We will be making sushi, barazushi and spam musubi. We welcome and appreciate all donations. Sushi will be made from 5:30 a.m. on Sunday, July 7th, morning of Bazaar. We need your help even if you don't roll sushi. Please call Marilyn (572-7445) if you can come and help.



Ladies Washing



Washers



In the brine

TIS' THE SEASON FOR PEACHES!!!



Edwin



Rev. Kalu



David



Calvin



Diane



Betty



Sharon H.

MAKAWAO ("MHM") HONGWANJI KYODAN MEETING
May 8, 2013

Call to Order: 7:05 P.M.

Present: Michael Nakagawa, Reverend Kalu, Clyde Hamai, Calvin Higuchi, Sharon Higuchi, Sharon Nagoshi; June Thomas, Cory Uchimura and Carol Yamamura.

Aspiration: Led by Reverend Kalu.

Secretary's Minutes: Minutes distributed. Correction: Properties list also presented. First Clyde Hamai, Second Sharon Nagoshi.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Sensei Report: Japanese School last day is May 16, 2013. Discussion re new teacher for next year. Kamehameha Schools Japanese class last day for visitation was today. Clyde Hamai to check on budget for Japanese School revenue.

Affiliated Organization Reports:

Boy Scouts – Working on repair of the house. Soliciting donations for the repairs. Camping this weekend with cub scouts. Arrowlight ceremony May 19, 2013. Five boys going to boy scouts. We are also getting some boys from Makawao School. Chase Matayoshi will have his eagle ceremony in August.

Cub Scouts – Same as above.

Dharma School – Camp Olowalu for kick off for new year September 14 and 15, 2013.

Jr. YBA – No report.

Judo – No report.

Project Dana – No report.

Pre-School – Meeting next Monday. Graduation to be held on May 18, 2013.

BWA – Spring assembly to be held on April 20, 2013.

Committee Reports:

Repairs & Maintenance – Cordless microphone could not be repaired, new one ordered. Michael to fumigate cabinets in the office.

Properties – List of repairs updated and provided. No decisions regarding repairs made at this time.

Buddhist Education – Nembutsu Seminar, Sponsored by Maui Hongwanji Council, host/chair Makawao Hongwanji to be held on September 28 and 29, 2013. Speaker: Reverend LaVerne Sasaki

VP of Activities – No report.

Old Business:

Haleakala Solar – Presentation given by Ted Grupenhoff. Working on the PPA.

Enhanced Fitness – In the process of pending County approval.

Fujimatsuri – May 19 at Wailuku starting at 9:00 a.m. Practicing songs.

Temple Car – No discussions until board meeting in September.

Hana Hongwanji – Mrs. Sumida passed away. Funeral May 10, 2013 at 11:30 a.m. at Ballards.

Third Friday – Michael to check on road closure for third Friday.

New Business:

Garage/Rummage Sale – Received donation of plants and cement pots.

Obon – July 26 and 27, 2013. Looking for someone to oversee choba.

General Clean Up – July 21, 2013.

Announcements:

Peaches – Picking for five Saturdays starting at 7:00 a.m.

By-Laws Committee meeting May 26, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. at the Higuchi's residence.

Next Meeting: June 11, 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

In Gassho,

/s/ Carol K. Yamamura



Welcome New Members:

Mr. & Mrs. Bryant Hamai! Bryant is Clyde & Gail's #2 son.

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Email address to:

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HEADQUARTERS UPDATE

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YBICSE This year's Young Buddhist International Cultural Study Exchange (YBICSE) will be held from July 15-26, 2013. Eight students and 2 chaperones were selected to represent Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii and participate in the program coordinated by Honzan. Our own Emi Hashi will be among the 8 students to enjoy this experience.

LIVING TREASURES OF HAWAII 2014

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Living Treasures award is to recognize and honor persons who have demonstrated excellence and high standards of achievement in their particular fields of endeavor, and through their continuous growth and learning, have made significant contributions to humanity toward a more fraternal society.

An organization or person may nominate a candidate for this award by submitting an application form with information on the person being nominated. It is encouraged that the neighbor island temples consider nominating someone from their communities. The nomination form can be downloaded from http://hongwanjihawaii.com/news_events. The nomination must reach The Living Treasures Committee, Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii, 1727 Pali Highway, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813, by August 1, 2013. Presentation of the award will be made on February 8, 2014.

BAZAAR PLANT SALE - EVERY PLANT APPRECIATED

By: Sharon H.

The Bazaar Plant Sale is rapidly approaching. It's not too late to nurture the plants that you plan to donate for the sale. Whether a truckload or just one plant, all donations are happily accepted with gratitude.

Makawao Hongwanji's Plant Sale is popular because plant lovers have come to expect a wide variety of healthy plants. This is possible only because of the people who nurture their plants. Some people successfully make cuttings or plant from seed. Others have had plants for years and can no longer take care of them.

The beauty and joy that plants give are transferred to the people who nurture them and in turn to the people who buy these plants at our event.

Special thanks to Andy Hirose and Calvin Higuchi for loading cement pots and beautiful plants donated by Norman and Charlotte Hamasaki. These plants, lovingly tended for many years, are imbued with the spirit of appreciation, friendship, and respect that the donors feel towards Makawao Hongwanji Mission. Thank you, Norman and Charlotte. Thanks also to people like Natsue Kametani, Yoshio Kijima, Blanche Ito, and Amy Blue who freely share plants throughout the year with other plant lovers. As Blanche wisely said, "When you share, there are others who have the plant in case yours dies!"



Save the date!

NEMBUTSU SEMINAR

"JODO SHIN BUDDHISM - THE EASY PATH TO BUDDHISM?"

Seminar Lecturer: Rev. LaVerne Sasaki is a 3rd-generation Buddhist minister in North America. Rev. LaVerne received his B.A. in Social Science from Sacramento State University, M.A. in Japanese Buddhism from Tokyo University, and M.A. in Religious Education from University of Pacific. He and wife Helen have 5 children and 12 grandchildren. Rev. LaVerne served as minister in Buddhist Churches of America (BCA) between year 1959 and 2000. Presently, he keeps busy by being quest speaker at BCA churches as well as community churches. Rev. LaVerne is also D.M. (Designated Minister) at churches upon request.

WHEN: September 28 & 29, 2013
WHERE: Makawao Hongwanji Mission
COST: \$20

Garage Sale/Bazaar Coming Soon!

Saturday -July 6 Garage Sale only @ 7am – 2pm

Sunday- July 7 Garage Sale & Bazaar: 7am-12 noon.



Help keep our planet green!

We are still accepting donations for the Fourth of July Garage Sale. This is a great chance to clean out those closets, garages, and other secret storage areas... such as under the bed?... and help keep our planet green and healthy. Previously enjoyed clothing, furniture, and household items in usable condition will be lovingly recycled. All items may be dropped off in the small garage in back of the Nokotsudo (columbarium). For security reasons, please inform the office so that items can be put away in a secure place. For larger furniture, please check with the office for placement. As a reminder, we are not able to accept large appliances, lawnmowers and computers. The successes we have enjoyed in previous years have always been due to our many wonderful contributors. We are truly grateful to **you**, our many supporters and helpers.

And now that you've made room, don't forget to come and enjoy shopping for some wonderful bargains!

BAZAAR (VEGETABLE DEPARTMENT): Vegetable Department looking for fresh vegetables to market for our Bazaar. Please call Harold Makimoto at 878-6252.



ENHANCED FITNESS PROGRAM (Peggy Kono)

There has been an enthusiastic response to our Enhance Fitness program. Our members quickly took care of their paperwork. However, the County has not issued our Memorandum of Understanding yet, and it looks like this may take a while longer. After discussion with Paula Keele, Enhance Fitness Coordinator, about our busy schedule for July, it was decided to postpone our start date until the beginning of August. Sorry for the delay.



"Make It First Monday" program was held on Sunday, May 5, after service. Happy Boy's Day, Happy Cinco de Mayo Day, Happy Children's Day, with a wonderful Mexican demonstration and lunch. Jean Nishida demonstrated how to prepare Taquitos, Chili Salsa (2 kinds), Guacamole, and Refried Beans. What a delightful Mexican feast! Alice Sugimura shared 2 kinds of Salsa. We all had a great enjoyable lunch. Several ladies are planning a meal using all these new recipes. Thank you, Jean and Alice.



Final Products



Ladies intensely watching demonstration



Jean & Jamie (granddaughter)

REFRESHMENT SCHEDULE

June 2, 2013	Morning Glories	July 7/8	BAZAAR/GARAGE SALE
June 9, 2013	Water Lilies	July 14	Pink Dahlias
June 16, 2013	Birds of Paradise	July 21	GENERAL CLEAN-UP
June 23, 2013	Sweet Peas	July 28	NO SVC AFTER OBON
June 30, 2013	American Beauty Rose		

The following is an excerpt from a Dharma talk given by Mr. Earl Nishimoto at Mililani Hongwanji's 18th Project Dana Service:



"I realized that in the Western world we tend to put things on a continuum. We see things as right or wrong, up or down, old or young, and so forth. However, all that I see is those labels tend to lead to disagreements and conflict. . . I remember one reverend talk about life and death not as a continuum but as concepts that are one on top of another. There is an old Japanese song that talks about parting. I liked the song so one day I asked my mom what it was talking about. She said it talked about the idea that meeting is the beginning of parting, that as soon as we meet someone new, we are beginning the process of parting from them sometime in the future. We cannot separate one from the other. How does this relate to Project Dana? In this Project we tend to deal with Elders in our community. However, if we see the oneness of things then age is both young and old. Just because you reach retirement age this does not mean that you are not young anymore. We as elders can live a rich a life as we did when we were young. If we saw things as one, then the problems we have dealing with old age can be lessened by the understanding by everyone in seeing that life is made up of stages and that each stage expects a change in our physical and mental being. In conclusion, I think a change in perspective will lessen the conflicts that may arise in the coming years. A change in perspective might result in a richer and fuller life for all concerned."



April 21-27, 2013 was National Volunteers Week. Project Dana Extends heartfelt appreciation to ALL Project Dana volunteers for their continued dedication, commitment, support and DANA throughout the years. Your efforts are greatly appreciated. Thank you very much!

Project Dana continues to offer "Eden At Home" Carepartners Workshops (generously funded by Na Lei Aloha Foundation) throughout the state. Eden at Home workshops addresses the three plagues of loneliness, helplessness and boredom that affect the quality of life of elders and their care partners. Learn how the Ten Principles of the Eden Alternative and the Eden at Home concepts provide tools and broaden awareness while caring for a loved one at home. Depending upon the location of the workshops, the sessions will either consist of one full day (8 hours) or two half day (4 hours each) with a follow up "talk story" meeting to discuss how the concepts have helped the caregivers.



It's an annual event. Japanese IV Class at Kamehameha School visits Makawao Hongwanji every year. This year the boys did Bonsai with Edwin, Reading/Writing with Rev. Kalu, Andagi, Spam Musubi, tasted mochi, manju, arare and played Hanafuda.



Japanese IV Class students from Kamehameha School with Sensei Mateaki far right with "Shaka" sign



Japanese Class IV with Reverend Kalu, Janie, & Betsy

"It is better to travel well than to arrive."

June 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9:00 am Sunday Svc Toban: Jr. YBA	3 8:30 am Sr. Program 7 pm - Judo	4	5	6	7	8 CLEAN UP MAKAWAO
9 9:00 am Sunday Svc Toban: BWA	10 8:30 am Sr. Program 7 pm - Judo	11	12 7:00 pm Kyodan Bd Mtg.	13 9:30 am Preschool 7 pm - Judo	14	15
16 9:00 am Sunday Svc Toban: Dharma School	17 8:30 am Sr. Program 7 pm - Judo	18	19	20 9:30 am Preschool 7 pm - Judo	21 3rd Fri Parking	22 CLEAN UP MAKAWAO
23 9:00 am Sunday Svc Toban: Kyodan	24 8:30 am Sr. Program 7 pm - Judo	25	26	27 9:30 am Preschool 7 pm - Judo	28	29
30 9:00 am Sunday Svc Toban: Kyodan						

July 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 8:30 am Sr. Program 7 pm - Judo	2	3	4 9:30 am Preschool 7 pm - Judo	5	6 GARAGE SALE
7 GARAGE SALE/ BAZAAR	8 8:30 am Sr. Program Preschool Bd Mtg. 7 pm - Judo	9	10 7 pm KYODAN MTG	11 9:30 am Preschool 7 pm - Judo	12	13 CLEAN UP Team 2
14 9 am Family Svc Toban: BWA	15 8:30 am Sr. Program 7 pm - Judo	16	17	18 9:30 am Preschool 7 pm - Judo	19 3rd Fri Parking	20
21 8:00 am GENERAL CLEAN UP	22 8:30 am Sr. Program 7 pm - Judo	23	24	25 7 pm - Judo	26 MHM OBON 6:30 pm Svc 7:30 pm Dance	27 MHM OBON 6:30 pm Svc 7:30 pm Dance
28 NO SVC	29 8:30 am Sr. Program 7 pm - Judo	30	31			