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Sunday, Sept. 7th Family Service Toban: Jr. YBA





Sunday, Sept. 14th Family Service Toban: Fujinkai

Sunday, Sept. 21st OHIGAN SERVICE Toban: Dharma School





Sunday, Sept. 28th Family Service Toban: Kyodan





#### Mind My Own Body

Aloha! Now that the summer peach preparation, the July Rummage Sale, and the Bon Dance are finally done, we can look forward to lighter schedules ahead. The only remaining busy time is towards the end of the year, with the December garage sale and the preparation for the coming New Year.

I want to apologize for not coming out with an article in the July newsletter, but the month was moderately busy with the recently concluded state wide ministers' seminar which Maui Hongwanji hosted. Also, bedside and funeral services scheduled that month kept me busy enough, but what really did me in was this almost month-long bout of severe cold and bronchitis that I contracted sometime in the middle of June. Besides having high fevers and body aches, it was physically draining. The energy spent fighting the infection left me in a weakened state, mentally and physically. And partly for that reason, I was unable to produce an article for the July issue of the newsletter.

It is always important to keep ourselves in good health by taking care of our bodies properly. However, in the teachings of the Buddha, the physical body is considered as a source of suffering, and the Buddha prescribed to his disciples to contemplate on the body as a sack of bones, blood, pus, phlegm, and other impurities subject to decay and dissolution. At first look, this teaching seems like a contradiction to the other teachings in Buddhism about how difficult and rare it is to be born a human being, and that life should not be lived in vain. Here, we have been born as human beings with a physical body, yet the Buddha taught that the body is a container of filth and impurities that we should always contemplate on. But the Buddha meant just that – the body is the material component of what makes a human being. There is another component that combines with the physical body to produce a thinking, rational human being, and that is the mind. In Buddhism, the mind is more important than the body and it is the mind that takes priority in spiritual development. The Buddha's prescription on meditating on the impurities of the physical body is meant to not only develop mindfulness and concentration but also to serve as an antidote to sensual passion, which if left unchecked, can lead to craving and suffering.

The mind should be the master over the body. It is the mind, the will power, or whatever else people call it that reigns in the cravings of the physical body. We are all too aware of the results of not bringing bodily desires under control: too much craving and indulgence in food results in obesity and the myriad of health problems associated with it, too much craving and consumption of alcohol and drugs also creates future sufferings in the form of life threatening illnesses, and crimes committed to feed the addiction. Too much desire for wealth, power, fame to satisfy bodily cravings...these are surefire causes of wars that cause immense suffering to all that are involved. However, the physical body, despite all its impurities, is never to be hated, or treated indifferently. We cannot exist without it, we are biological beings while we are living our human lives. But, it is through this body that we are able to listen to the Dharma by means of our ears, or through our eyes, we can read and study the Dharma. We need to keep our bodies healthy so that they will not create obstacles in our spiritual path to Enlightenment. With the mind in control, we can wisely choose the ways and means to keep our health to optimum level and enjoy life to the fullest, in accordance with the Buddha Dharma. *Namu Amida Butsu!* 

In 1982, we had Hurricane Iwa, In 1992, we had Hurricane Iniki. And this year we had Hurricane Iselle. Have you noticed that all hurricanes start with the letter I? In order to prevent more hurricanes from hitting Hawaii, I think that we should skip using the letter I in naming the hurricanes. By doing this, I can guarantee that we will not be hit by another hurricane. You have my word on this. And you know that my word is as good as any other politician's word. This being an election year, no one is going to remember what you promised today. I don't approve of this message but I'm going to print it anyway.



President's Message

CAUTION: The Surgeon General of Reading has determined that prolonged reading of this material is hazardous to your mental health. In the interest of keeping your sanity, it is recommended that you stop reading this message immediately. Side effects include dizziness from shaking your head and a blank stare from realizing that this is nothing important to read. Another side effect seems to be that good looking people turn ugly. So, to stop looking dumb and ugly, you should stop reading this immedi... AAAHHHH. Too late.

#### In Memoriam

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

Family of the **LATE MRS. Tokiyo Inouye** (96) who passed away on July 26, 2014 Family of the LATE MRS. Fujiko Nishida(99) who passed away on August 13, 2014

## September & October 2014 Memorial Anniversaries (Please call Temple Office to schedule your service - 572-7229)

1st Year Memorial Service 2013

September None 1st Year Memorial Service 2013 October 05 Kazuma Okumura

3rd Year Memorial Service 2012 September None

3rd Year Memorial Service 2012 October -None

7th Year Memorial Service 2008 September None

7th Year Memorial Service 2008 None October

13th Year Memorial Service 2002

September 03 Koichi Ito September 06 Masako Takahashi September 11 Haru Tanaka

<u> 13th Year Memorial Service 2002</u> October 17 Fumiko Watanabe

17th Year Memorial Service 1998

September

17th Year Memorial Service 1998

October 02 Haruko Taketa October 12 Katsumi Okazaki October 18 Yasunari Hamai

<u> 25th Year Memorial Service 1990</u>

September 23 Kanichi Taketa

<u> 25th Year Memorial Service 1990</u>

October 08 Wataru Okamoto October 24 Takushi Minobe

<u>33rd Year Memorial Service 1982</u> September 09 Hanjiro Nakamura <u>33rd Year Memorial Service 1982</u> October None

50th Year Memorial Service 1965

September 03 Tame Okuno September 07 Hitoshi Matsumoto 50th Year Memorial Service 1965 October 29 Nagami Omura



#### JAPANESE SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Tuesday & Thursday - Basic 2:45 pm to 3:30 pm

Advance 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm

**REGISTRATION: \$50.00** TUITION: \$25.00 PER MONTH CLASSES TO BEGIN: OCTOBER 2 **REGISTRATION DAY: SEPTEMBER 23** 

JAPANESE SCHOOL SENSEI: MR SADAO AOYAGI FOR FURTHER INQUIRIES, PLEASE CALL MAKAWAO

**HONGWANJI** 

572-7229

#### **GOT A PLANT QUESTION:**

Do you have any questions regarding your plants? Perhaps you don't know what a plant is called? Or you have insect problems and need expert advice. Michael Nishimoto, retired biologist, announced at our Sunday Service that he has enrolled in the University of Hawaii Master Gardener program, College of Tropical Agriculture & Human Resources, This program can answer all the above questions. Call 244-3242 Ext. 228 or email mauigm@ctahr.hawaii.edu.



**Donations** - Makawao Hongwanji Mission can operate only because of the generous donations from many, many people. All donations are humbly received with sincere gratitude and appreciation. IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO HAVE YOUR DONATION PRINTED IN THE NEWSLETTER OR IF YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR DONATION LISTED AS ANONYMOUS, PLEASE INDICATE SO BY ATTACHING A NOTE TO YOUR CONTRIBUTION.

#### Contributions received July 10, 2014 to August 13, 2014

#### OFUSE:

Mr. & Mrs. Hideo Tanimoto - Funeral and Inurnment for Tetsuji Tanimoto - \$400

Mrs. Sumiko Nakashima - Funeral service for Moriaki Nakashima - \$400

Mrs. Sumiko Nakashima - Services for Moriaki Nakashima - \$200

Mr. Daniel Kawabe - Service for Masae Kawabe - \$100

Mr. & Mrs. George Fukushima - In memory of Masae Kawabe - \$50

Mr. Lloyd Inouye - Funeral service for Tokiyo Inouye - \$400

#### **DONATIONS**:

Project Dana - Use of kitchen - \$200

Mr. & Mrs. Donald Taketa - Bazaar donation - \$99

Mr. & Mrs. Yoshio Kijima - Use of hall - \$150

Mr. & Mrs. Earl Tanna - \$10

Myrtle and Jackie Kawamoto - In memory of Miyauchis - \$100

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Ms. Louise Yue - In memory of Misayo and Hideo Nakamura - \$50

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Ms. Lynn Nakamura - In memory of Reed Nakmura - \$50

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Okuno - \$50

Ms. Harriet Miyake - Bazaar donation - \$50

Mrs. Betsy Matsumura - Bazaar donation - \$50

Mr. Yoshikatsu Takishita - In memory of Chuje - \$50

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Ms. Stella Kuwae - \$12

Mr. Wade Matsuura - In memory of Wayne Matsuura - \$100

Mr. & Mrs. K.S. Otani - In memory of Masaru Uradomo - \$50

Nicoll & Sharon Iwasaki - In memory of Toyoko Kiyomoto - \$50

Ms. Arleen Kiyomoto & Mr. Ray Shoemaker - In memory of Toyoko Kiyomoto - \$50

#### **NOKOTSUDO:**

Mr. & Mrs. Harold Makimoto - \$25

Mr. & Mrs. Hiromi Tanaka - \$30

Mr. & Mrs. Osamu Kawakami - \$20

Mrs. Shirley Kawahara - In memory of Chester Kawahara - \$100

Mr. Kazuo Oishi and Family - \$25

Mr. & Mrs. Hilton Unemori - In memory of Motohisa Unemori - \$200

Mr. Stanley Shimote - \$200

Ms. Jeanne Skog - \$60

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Mrs. Hanako Hashimoto - \$100

Mr. Alvin Okuda and Family - \$20

Mr. & Mrs. Yoshiharu Nakamura - In memory of Reed Nakamura - \$25

Mrs. Violet Onikama - In memory of Roy Onikama - \$100

#### NEWSLETTER:

Ms. Toshie Masuoka - \$25

3rd FRIDAY PARKING: July \$253, August \$73.













## **OBON 2014**

By: Sharon N.

On behalf of Makawao Hongwanji Mission, we would like to thank the many individuals who made this year's Obon Festival once again a most enjoyable and successful event. The weather was perfect which in turn brought large crowds to both nights. We truly appreciate those who volunteered countless hours of their time in preparing for this joyous celebration. We are grateful for your generous monetary and food donations.

Obon is called the Gathering of Joy by Jodo Shinshu Buddhists. This was evident by listening to and reflecting upon the message by our guest speaker, Reverend Richard Tennes, minister of Kahului Hongwanji.

Special thanks go to the committee chairs and organizations who have stepped forward and brought new and creative ideas to the festival. Through your cooperation, contributions and willingness to give of your time to fill a need whenever it arises, we were able to carry on our traditions and embrace the true spirit of **dana**.

Again, thank you one and all.

#### <u>Makawao Hongwanji Mission - Kyodan Board Meeting</u> <u>August 13, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.</u>

<u>Minister's Report</u>: Rev. Kalu will be vacation from August 21 to September 3. Rev. Tennes will be on call minister during that time. A headstone for Kuni Kusumoto was found in Haiku, and will be brought to Makawao Hongwanji. She was a member of Paia Hongwanji. Rev. Kalu is researching if any family can be found. If not, he recommends a service, and then destroying the headstone. After further discussion, the decision was made not to join the Japanese Educational Fund of Hawaii, due to the low enrollment of students at our Japanese language school. Rev. Kalu will discuss holding awards ceremony within our temple, with Sensei Aoyagi. **Affiliate Organizations Reports:** 

**Dharma School:** The picnic at Lahaina Jodo has been rescheduled for September 6, due to the recent hurricane activity. **Buddhist Women's Association** – Members attended the recent Hiroshima/Nagasaki Peace Memorial at UH Maui. \$6000 was made from the breezeway sales at the recent Obon, and will be donated to the Kyodan.

**Project Dana** – Makawao members will be attending the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Project Dana on Oahu on September 20<sup>th</sup>. **Pre-School** – Fall session has begun. School closed Thursday and Friday because of the recent hurricane activity.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Buddhist** Education: Rev. Harada's seminar was successful, and attended by about 25 people. Rev. Haneda's Nembutsu seminar will be held on November 28<sup>th</sup>, at Kahului Hongwanji.

**VP Activities** – Marilyn Morikawa thanks all the volunteers for their hard work and dedication at the Obon festival. Looking for volunteers to run Mochi Tsuki, tentatively scheduled for Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>. Grandparents' Day is scheduled for September 14<sup>th</sup>. Florence Yoshizu will be the guest speaker.

#### **Old Business**:

**Third Friday Parking**– Need to check for road closure. Scheduled for 8/15.

**Maintenance** – Michael Nakagawa to contact roofing company. The leak in the minister's residence was confirmed. **Lay Convention** – Carol Yamamura, Peggy Kono, Sharon and Floyd Nagoshi, and David Judd will attend September 12 – 13 at Puna Hongwanji on Hawaii Island.

**Obon Festival** – Sharon Nagoshi thanks all the workers who contributed to the success of the recent festival. Attendance and the weather were great.

**Hana Hongwanji** – Honpa has responded to our request for advice. Michael will be contacting Hana Ranch. **New Business:** 

Taste of Sangha – Kahului Hongwanji will be presenting the Taste of Sangha at their temple on September 27<sup>th,</sup> from 4 to 8 p.m.. Makawao will be unable to participate as a vendor this year, but encourages our members to attend this delicious activity

Department of Health notified the temple that the fee for the food establishment permit has increased to \$400.

#### **Other Business:**

The board's recommendation to the funeral committee is that \$25 koden be presented to all funeral services given by a Makawao Hongwanji minister.

Honpa Social Concerns committee would like to be informed of any Maui temple members who suffered excessive damage or problems due to the recent hurricane activity. If you have someone in mind, please let Rev. Kalu know.

The next Kyodan meeting is scheduled for September 10, 2014.

#### Hoto Keisho Shiki Ceremony of Transmitting the Jodo Shinshu Tradition

The Ceremony of Transmitting the Jodo Shinshu Tradition (Hoto Keisho Shiki in Japanese) was held on June 5 and 6, 2014 at Honzan Hongwanji in Kyoto, Japan. This is a ceremony to mark the retirement of His Eminence Monshu Koshin Ohtani and the succession of His Eminence Shinmon Kojun Ohtani to the position of Monshu. Monshu is the Head Priest of the Hongwanji and Spiritual Leader of the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha Denomination. The tradition of Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha has been transmitted from Shinran Shonin through successive generations of Monshu, and on this special occasion, the Jodo Shinshu Tradition was transmitted from the 24<sup>th</sup> Sokunyo Monshu (His Eminence Koshin Ohtani) to the 25<sup>th</sup> Sennyo Monshu (His Eminence Kojun Ohtani).



# "MESSAGE ON RETIREMENT" ADDRESSED BY MONSHU OHTANI KOSHIN (SOKUNYO MONSHU)

AT THE SHOSOKU PROCLAMATION CEREMONY ON HIS RETIREMENT ON JUNE 5, 2014

#### **Message on Retirement**

I would like to announce that as of today, June 5, 2014, I am retiring from the posts of Hongwanji *jushoku*, the resident priest and Monshu of the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha institution and entrust them to Shimmon, the Heir-Apparent Monshu and Hongwanji *jushoku*.

It has been thirty-seven years and two months since I was inaugurated into these posts, succeeding my predecessor in the Jodo Shinshu tradition on April 1, 1977. I would like to say that the credit for my being able to carry out the duties until today all should go to the Buddha and masters for their guidance, as well as the continuous support, understanding, and cooperation that I have received from all individuals and concerned parties, both within the Hongwanji organization and from the general public. I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all of you.

During my tenure, thanks to everyone's efforts, the Hongwanji was able to undertake the restoration of the Amida-do Hall, the 400th Memorial for Kennyo Shonin, the 500th Memorial for Rennyo Shonin, the great restoration of the Goeido Hall, and the 750th Memorial for Shinran Shonin. In addition, several decades ago we were able to acquire the parcel of land on the north side of the Hongwanji precinct, and we have been able to utilize it for a wide range of activities. Furthermore, we have been able to develop and promote our equality awareness campaign that was named the Core Program, as well as initiate a variety of activities and projects. The circle of the nembutsu teaching has continued to expand and the recitation of Namo Amida Butsu can be heard in various places in the world. Fortunately, I was enabled to confirm these facts for myself by hearing the voices of my fellow nembutsu followers during my official visits to every district of the Hongwanji institution. For this, I am truly grateful to everyone.

Compared with my predecessor, Shonyo Shonin's turbulent fifty years, which included the period of World War II, my thirty-seven year tenure can be described as rather calm. During those years, however, domestically speaking, there were a number of natural and human-made disasters that took place one after another, and due to the exaggerated priority placed on economic profit and status, issues concerning people's mental health and well-being have become more critical. Worldwide concerns include serious issues such as armed conflicts, economic inequality, global climate change, and proliferation of nuclear materials. Among them are ones that directly concern humanity's existence. Unfortunately, amidst this, it is with regret that we, Jodo Shinshu Buddhists are not able to say that we have satisfactorily demonstrated our ability to cope with these issues.

Our sangha has a glorious tradition of upholding and transmitting the Dharma from person to person. It is my hope that we will keep this wonderful custom despite of the current social fluctuations, and discover diverse potentialities in the teaching and tradition of Jodo Shinshu so that we can share them with as many people as possible and together follow the path toward realizing a society in which everyone is mutually accepted and respected. In order to realize that, I believe it is important to bring out the individuality and conditions of each person and generation, paying special attention to the young generations who possess the sensibility and ability to implement concepts.

My successor, Shimmon Kojun, worked at Tsukiji Hongwanji in Tokyo as an on-site leader of the temple for five years and nine months. It is for certain that this experience has allowed him to expand his knowledge. Upon accepting his new responsibilities, he will be obliged to maintain the Jodo Shinshu tradition while considering the organization in its entirety by constantly attending not only to the Hongwanji institution, but also the whole religious society. I would like to sincerely request that you continue to provide your warm assistance to the new Monshu.

As for myself, I will be turning seventy in a little more than a year. Although nobody knows what the future holds, it is my intent to continue revering the Buddha Dharma as taught us by our Founder, being conscious that I am always embraced in the unwavering working of Amida Tathagata's Primal Vow, and will carry out my duties as a Jodo Shinshu priest for as long as I am able to the best of my ability.

June 5, 2014

Shaku Sokunyo OHTANI Koshin Monshu, Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha

# Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii HEADQUARTERS UPDATE

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#### MAHALO TO SHOKUNYO SHONIN AND ALOHA TO SENNYO SHONIN! BY REV. ERIC MATSUMOTO, BISHOP

The day was June 5, 2014, the Main Temple (Nishi Hongwanji) was filled with thousands of special guests who gathered to personally hear from our 24<sup>th</sup> Spiritual Leader His Eminence Koshin Ohtani (Sokunyo Shonin) his intent to retire from the position of Spiritual Leader/Monshu and his decision to pass on the succession of the position to His Eminence Kojun Ohtani who becomes the 25th Spiritual Leader of Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji Denomina-It was an honor for me to be in attendance representing the all of you, the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii, at this very special ceremony which took place in the Founder's Hall before the revered image of Shinran Shonin to express our Mahalo to His Eminence for his 37 plus years of guidance and gentle leadership. His Eminence Koshin Ohtani expressed his deepest gratitude to the Buddha and Great Masters for their guidance and acknowledged that without the support of so many people and organizations, both within the Hongwanji and outside of the Hongwanji, he would not have been able to fulfill his role as Spiritual Leader. He reemphasized his wish "Our sangha has a glorious tradition of upholding the transmitting the Dharma from person to person. It is my hope that we will keep this wonderful custom despite of the current social fluctuations, and discover diverse potentialities in the teaching and tradition of Jodo Shinshu so that we can share them with as many people as possible and together follow the path toward realizing a society in which everyone is mutually accepted and respected. In order to realize that, I believe it is important to bring out the individuality and conditions of each person and generation, paying special attention to the young generation who possess the sensibility and ability to implement concepts."

On the following day, June 6, 2014, the temple complex of Nishi Hongwanji was, again, filled with thousands who had gathered to express their warmest Aloha and to hear the message of His Eminence Kojun Ohtani (Sennyo Shonin) accepting his father's wish and announcing to the entire Hongwanji Sangha that he would assume the role of Spiritual Leader of the Denomination as the 25<sup>th</sup> Spiritual Leader. His Eminence emphasized "In reflecting on the present circumstances of our organization, it is significantly important to consider how we can approach and reach out to persons who have never had any contact with a Buddhist temple, as well as those who are already involved with one. The nembutsu teaching that is based on Amida Buddha's Primal Vow remains unchanged, regardless of the changing times and society. However, the methods for transmitting the sharing it needs to evolve and adapt according to social changes. Now is the time for our Hongwanji institution to utilize our collective wisdom and knowledge for considering approaches to convey the Buddha Dharma to our contemporaries."

Both Spiritual Leaders encourage and have expressed their deep aspiration for sharing the Nembutsu Dharma with as many people as possible around the world so the Teachings can become a source of inspiration and guidance for our suffering world and together we can nurture a world of oneness, peace and harmony in which there is mutual respect and appreciation for one another. Let us embrace their aspiration and pledge to do our part in our corner of the world so that the aspiration expressed by Shinran Shonin "May there be peace in the world and may the Buddha's Teaching spread!" can be realized.

Last, but not least, as part of this transmission, Lady Ruzumi Ohtani succeeds Lady Noriko Ohtani. We look forward to her guidance. We, also, express our sincere gratitude to Lady Noriko Ohtani for her years of guidance. I conclude by expressing my sincere appreciation to the Hawaii Sangha to be able to represent you at these very special ceremonies held in June 2014. Namo Amida Butsu/Entrusting in the Buddha of Immeasurable Life and Infinite Light





#### MESSAGE ON SUCCESSION OF THE JODO SHINSHU TRADITION" DELIVERED BY MONSHU OHTANI KOJUN (SENNYO MONSHU) AT THE SUCCESSION CEREMONY ON JUNE 6, 2014.

#### Message Succession of the Jodo Shinshu Tradition

Today, according to my predecessor, Sokunyo Monshu's wishes, I was inaugurated into the posts of Hongwanji *jushoku*, resident priest and Monshu of the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha institution.

On this occasion, I would like to extend my deep gratitude to him for his many years of nurturing and guidance. At the same time, I acknowledge the monumental responsibility of succeeding the Jodo Shinshu tradition and am resolute in carrying out my duties to the best of my ability.

The teaching on how we are saved by Amida Tathagata's Primal Vow was set forth by Sakyamuni Buddha, and it was transmitted by the seven Pure Land masters to Shinran Shonin, who clarified it into the Dharma of Jodo Shinshu. That tradition has been passed down to us through the efforts of successive Monshu of Hongwanji, fellow Jodo Shinshu followers, and many people who have supported their work until today. In inheriting this illustrious tradition, I will exert every effort to convey the Dharma of Jodo Shinshu to the future.

Looking back on the past, there were occasions during which the Hongwanji institution addressed some issues in ways that contradicted the Jodo Shinshu teaching, sometimes by not questioning or doubting some common practices that were accepted in the society during a certain era, and sometimes by having to make harsh decisions in order to enable the Hongwanji to survive. Learning from such history, we must constantly keep a careful eye on social conditions and ourselves so that we will never again indiscriminately accept common, popular behavior and tendencies of a particular time nor return to the kind of society that would compel us to make painfully bitter decisions again.

In reflecting on the present circumstances of our organization, it is significantly important to consider how we can approach and reach out to persons who have never had any contact with a Buddhist temple, as well as those who are already involved with one. The nembutsu teaching that is based on Amida Buddha's Primal Vow remains unchanged, regardless of the changing times and society. However, the methods for transmitting and sharing it needs to evolve and adapt according to social changes. Now is the time for our Hongwanji institution to utilize our collective wisdom and knowledge for considering approaches to convey the Buddha Dharma to our contemporaries today.

There are also other numerous issues and problems that we must deal with, such as, "What is the most appropriate and effective manner we can offer support to the many victims and disaster-stricken locations of the East Japan Great Earthquake to facilitate their recovery?"

Let us always keep in mind the venerable words, *jishin kyo ninshin*, "secure our own entrusting heart to the Dharma, guiding others to the same path" as we cope with the various problems and hardships of the contemporary world, walking together towards realizing a society in which everyone is equally respected. June 6, 2014

Shaku Sennyo OHTANI Kojun Monshu, Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha

#### WHAT ONO FOOD FOR OBON!!

There was such a variety of food for sale at Obon! Thank you to everybody who helped cook the "famous" Makawao Hongwanji food. There was BWA chow fun, Project Dana andagi, Boy Scouts hamburger, Judo Club Saimin, Jr. YBA water and soda, Dharma School spam musubi, as well as bento, chili, sushi, Yamamura pineapple, dried pickled peach, and some pickled peach and sanbaizuke. There were also some flowers, lilikoi, shiso, and a variety of desserts. Everybody was happy and enjoyed their choice of ono goodies.

Thank you to the following who contributed things to sell: Janice Shiraki, Marion Morikawa, Jean Nishida, Sharon Nagoshi, Marilyn Morikawa, Diane Kosaka, Karen Ishizu and friends, Jan Watanabe, Gail Hamai, Alma Nakano, Alison Nakagawa, Ruth Tokumaru, Peggy Kono, Laura Ujiie, Laurie Tsai, Stephanie Thomas, , Lorin & Megan Kosaka. Also, thank you to salespeople Rogers Ishizu, Clyde Hamai, Sandy Fujitani, Kenny Morikawa, Shaun Shiraki, Irma Orta, and Bryant and El Naz Hamai

#### DHARMA SCHOOL NEWS

A new year of Dharma School is now underway. We have four students and always welcome more. Please join our Family Service at 9:00 am on Sundays and stay afterwards for Dharma School. Thank you to dedicated teacher Sharon Nagoshi and her assistants Marilyn Morikawa, Jean Nishida, and Stephanie Thomas.

Dharma School students from the four Hongwanji temples on Maui will get together for a picnic on Sept. 6 at Lahaina Jodo Mission beach. The first date was postponed because of the impending storms in August.

Sept. 14 will be Grandparents' Day. So, please come to Sunday Service and bring your families. Guest speaker will be Florence Yoshizu, and there will be some special "old fashioned" refreshments like your grandparents used to make.

#### <u>Makawao Hongwanji Judo Club</u>

The MHM Judo Club will be going to Wailuku Hongwanji on Saturday, Sept 6., for a dual meet tournament. They will then go to Puna Hongwanji on the island of Hawaii on the Oct. 6 weekend to compete in the annual Honpa Hongwanji Judo Federation State Championships.

Also, the club will be hosting the Hongwanji State Championships next year on Labor Day weekend 2015. (This was a change for the previously scheduled Columbus Day weekend next year).



## <u>MAKAWAO HONGWANJI PRE-</u> <u>SCHOOL</u>

Back to school! The start of a new year is filled with laughter, hugs, and a few tears ( from moms and dads too) however the smiles always outlast the anxieties and everyday gets better and better. We had a wonderful first three days then hurricane Issell gave us a two day school closure. We were so thankful for the direction the storm took to keep our school and families safe from harm.

We look forward to a great school year with our new and returning preschoolers.

# SEPTEMBER 2014 (Chanting—8:30 am M, W, Th, F)

| Sun  | Mon   | Tue  | Wed                   | Thu  | Fri                            | Sat  |
|--|---|--|-----------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|
|  | 1<br>Labor Day                                    | 2 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog                                  | 3                     | 10 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>9:30 am Preschool  | 5                              | 6 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog  |
|  | 6:00/7:15 pm<br>Judo                              | 2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch                               |                       | 2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch<br>6:00/7:15 pm Judo  |                                | The picnic at<br>Lahaina Jodo  |
| 7 9:00am<br>Family Svc<br>Jr . YBA                                     | 8 8:30 am<br>Sr. Program<br>6:00/7:15 pm<br>Judo  | 9 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch  | 7:00 pm<br>Kyodan Mtg | 11 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>9:30 am Preschool<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch<br>6:00/7:15 pm Judo | 9/12~9/13<br>LAY<br>CONVENTION | 13 8:00 am<br>Clean-up<br>Kula<br>8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog  |
| 14 9:00am Family Svc BWA Speaker Florence Yoshizu Sensei LHM for Higan | 15 8:30 am<br>Sr. Program<br>6:00/7:15 pm<br>Judo | 16 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch | 17                    | 18 8:30 am Fitness Prog 9:30 am Preschool 2:45/3:30 pm Japanese Sch 6:00/7:15 pm Judo                | 19                             | 20<br>Project Dana<br>25th Anniversary<br>8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>*Newsletter<br>Article deadline |
| 21 9:00 am<br>Family Svc<br>Darma School<br>Ohigan                     | 22 8:30am<br>Sr. Progran<br>6:00/7:15pm<br>Judo   | 23 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch | 24                    | 25 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>9:30 am Preschool<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch<br>6:00/7:15 pm Judo | 26                             | 27 8:00 am<br>Clean-up<br>Kula<br>8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog  |
| 28 9:00 am<br>Family Svc<br>Kyodan                                     | 6:00/7:15pm<br>Judo                               | 30 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch |                       |  |                                |  |

# OCTOBER 2014 (Chanting—8:30 am M, W, Th, F)

| Sun                                      | Mon   | Tue  | Wed                        | Thu  | Fri | Sat  |
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|  |   |  | 1                          | 2 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>9:30 am Preschool<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch<br>6:00/7:15 pm Judo  | 3   | 4<br>8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog   |
| 5 9:00 am<br>Family Svc<br>Jr. YBA       | 6 8:30 am<br>Sr. Program<br>6:00/7:15 pm<br>Judo  | 7 8:30 am Fitness Prog 2:45/3:30 pm Japanese Sch           | 8<br>7:00 pm<br>Kyodan Mtg | 9 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>9:30 am Preschool<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch<br>6:00/7:15 pm Judo  | 10  | 11 8:00 am<br>Clean-up<br>Haiku,Paia,<br>Haliimaile,Wailuku<br>Kahului<br>8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog  |
| 12 9:00 am<br>Family Svc<br>BWA          | 13 8:30 am<br>Sr. Program<br>6:00/7:15 pm<br>Judo | 14 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch | 15                         | 16 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>9:30 am Preschool<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch<br>6:00/7:15 pm Judo | 17  | 18 8:30 am Fitness Prog  *Newsletter Article deadline  |
| 19 9:00 am<br>Family Svc<br>Darma School | 20 8:30am<br>Sr. Progran<br>6:00/7:15pm<br>Judo   | 21 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch | 22                         | 23 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>9:30 am Preschool<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch<br>6:00/7:15 pm Judo | 24  | 25 8:00 am<br>Clean-up<br>Haiku, Paia<br>Haliimaile, Wailuku<br>Kahului<br>8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog |
| 26 9:00 am<br>Family Svc<br>Kyodan       | 27 8:30 am<br>Sr. Program<br>6:00/7:15pm<br>Judo  | 28 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch | 29                         | 30 8:30 am<br>Fitness Prog<br>9:30 am Preschool<br>2:45/3:30 pm<br>Japanese Sch<br>6:00/7:15 pm Judo | 31  |  |