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Building Healthy Sanghas: Sharing Joy Together

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Obon in Hawai'i

Every summer, people of all ages and religious backgrounds come together all over Hawai'i to celebrate being alive and honor those who have passed on in a celebration known as Obon. This Buddhist observance came to Hawai'i in the late 19th century with a large wave of Japanese immigrants.

Obon season is a time to express our gratitude to our loved ones who have passed on before us. Without them, we would not be who we are today. We would not be where we are and we would not be able to do the things we do to enjoy life. Just think about the number of people involved in creating each of us. If we go back just 10 generations (300 years), we can calculate that there are over 2,046 ancestors, starting with our two parents, their four parents, and so on, and that's just 10 generations. 30 generations would take us back to the year 1117 with 10,073,741,824 ancestors. That is a lot of Thank You notes!

Temples hold a Bon/Hatsubon memorial service to enable people to pay tribute to the departed. The service is usually held separately from the festival so that the sangha can participate in this solemn and respectful remembrance in quiet reflection.

The celebration of joy first began simply with Bon odori, or dancing. It is unique to Japanese Buddhism and is thought to have evolved from the Nembutsu Odori of dancers who played instruments while chanting "Namo Amida Butsu" —I take refuge in Infinite Light and Life, Immeasurable Wisdom and Compassion— symbolized by Amida Buddha. The festival was added much later as a temple fundraising opportunity, since the dance became an annual tradition that drew such large crowds of participants and onlookers.

As a celebration of joy, the bon dance is a way of expressing our gratitude to ancestors and loved ones no longer here; reflecting upon the preciousness and fragility of this life. Even though the sense of loss of family and loved ones is strong, a festive mood prevails at the dance.

The dancing begins with a short Buddhist reflection. Participants gather in rings around the yagura, a central raised platform, and dance to the accompaniment of songs and taiko drums.

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Calendar of Events

AUGUST 2024

Sun	4	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service Birthday & Monthly Memorial
Thur	8	7:00 PM	Board of Directors Mtg. (via videoconference)
Sun	11	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service
Sat	17	4:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Relay for Life at Vidinha Soccer Field
Sun	18	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service
Sun	25	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service

SEPTEMBER 2024

Sun	1	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service Birthday & Monthly Memorial
Sat - Sun	7-8		Triple Celebration To be held on Oahu
Sun	8	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service
Thur	12	7:00 PM	Board of Directors Mtg. (via videoconference)
Sun	15	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service
Fri	20		Time to be determined Ring Your Bells for Peace
Sat	21		Peace Day Hawaii
Sun	22	9:00 AM	Autumn Higan Service
Sun	29	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service

Office Hours

Office hours for Rev. Yagi are as follows:

Monday: Day off

Tuesday - Sunday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Closed for lunch: 12 noon - 1:00 pm

If you wish to speak with Rev. Yagi, it is suggested that you call ahead for an appointment, as he may be away from the office on temple business.

The temple must be locked when Rev. Yagi is not available. Thank you for your understanding.

Columbarium Hours

The Columbarium will be open **Tuesday-Thursday** from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm and on **Friday, Saturday and Sunday** 8:00 am - 5:00 pm .

Please know that the Columbarium will be locked when Rev. Yagi is not present. Please call the office to be sure the Columbarium will be open when you want to visit.



From Front Page

Everyone is encouraged to join in with the dancers as they circle around the yagura, wearing colorful yukata or happi coats. It doesn't matter whether you are Buddhist or not, whether you bring experience to Bon odori or whether you have "two left feet." The important thing is to leave your ego behind and simply express your joy and gratitude for life through the dance. Over the years, the ceremony and the practice of Buddhism itself has undergone significant change to adapt to the islands' multicultural society, which is reflected in the dance participants. Today the bon dancers are not only Japanese Buddhists, but Filipino, Chinese, Korean, Portuguese and native Hawaiian, and include many non-Buddhists.

Rev. Masao Kodani, Minister Emeritus of Senshin Buddhist Temple, has pointed out that the memory of deceased loved ones should urge us to awaken to our deluded selves and live fully in Truth-Reality. Thus, Bon odori is a spiritual activity in which we "just dance, without fretting over how one looks, nor showing off one's ability ... dance just as you are with no conniving, no calculating, no image protecting or flaunting." But, he points out, most of us would rather practice before we feel we're ready to dance in front of others—in much the same way that we rehearse "really living" and only end up watching life go by. Just dance. Just BE, in every moment, and you will feel true fulfillment and pure, ego-less joy.

Rev. Patti Usuki, BCA Retired Minister (with a few minor additions from this editor)



Call for Submissions for 2025 HONGWANJI CALENDAR

The Theme for 2025 is NURTURING NEMBUTSU: CULTIVATING AWARENESS

The Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii (HHMH) Calendar Committee invites members, Dharma friends, and affiliates to provide photos for the 2025 Hongwanji Calendar that capture our Theme and Slogan: "NURTURING NEMBUTSU: CULTIVATING AWARENESS."

If you will be attending the Triple Celebration, we encourage you to look for photo opportunities (candid and posed) showing the participants "Sharing the Joy of Nembutsu Together," while "Nurturing Nembutsu: Cultivating Awareness."

- You may submit several photos for consideration by the Calendar Committee for the 2025 Hongwanji Calendar.
- We do welcome cell phone photos. Photos will need to be able to be clearly enlarged.
- Preferably, please submit pictures in landscape format (horizontal).
- For EACH photo, please include a brief caption expressing the 2025 slogan and your name/temple for photo credit.
- If you have questions, please leave a message for Yumi Suzuki at the Hongwanji Headquarters Office % Rev. Baba at (808)522-9200 or email: hqs@honpahi.org.
- For photo submissions, please submit directly to Alan **Kubota** at lenscapeshawaii@gmail.com. He will respond directly to any technical questions. Thank you.



Deadline for submissions is: Monday, September 16, 2024





Bon/ Hatsuon Message

Rev. David Nakamoto, HMMH Retired Minister

Good morning. Let us put our hands together in gassho for an aspiration: "Many times a day, my own outer and inward life is built upon the labors of my fellow men and women, both living and dead. How much harder must I work in order to give and return as much as I have received." – A quote by Albert Schweitzer. Namo Amida Butsu.

Aloha and good morning. Thank you for inviting me to join you today for your Hongwanji Obon Service. Even though we are virtually miles away, I am honored to be at your service. The Hatsu Bon Service is held each year to honor our loved ones who passed on within this past year. We welcome those families who have come today to honor their loved ones at this service. Thank you for joining us.

Obon is a special time when we honor our loved ones who have passed on, reflect on their many contributions to our lives, and express our gratitude for what they have done for us. During the Obon season, a relative once said, "When I play the taiko drums at the Bon dance, I feel a special connection with my dad, who has already passed on. I just feel I need to continue doing this each year."

Here, a special connection is being made at Obon time. At the lantern floating ceremony held at Ala Moana Park each year, we notice that people come from many parts of the world to participate, expressing a strong connection with their loved ones who have passed on. It is unclear whether they fully understand the ritual, but their expression of feelings seems very significant. A strong connection is made as we watch their emotional reactions on television as they release their lanterns onto the ocean. The collective participation of thousands of people simultaneously doing this is quite impressive. A very special connection is felt.

You have all heard the song "I Remember You." I'm sure you've heard the song "I Remember You" – "Every bright star we made wishes upon." I didn't come here to sing a song, but it's just a Dharma talk. The song was made quite famous by Don Ho and then by other singers as well. The song, when I hear it, makes a special connection for me in the heart. It can bring much feeling, especially during Obon, as we reflect on our loved ones who have passed on.

Some time ago, I did a memorial service for a woman. She had come alone as her family members were unable to attend. We talked about Obon and its significance. The word "spirituality" came up. As it turned out, I defined it as a meaningful connection. At Obon time, many meaningful connections are experienced. This woman began to take out some tissues and shed some tears. She said, "I'm sorry, but I just thought of my deceased husband." She had never spoken to anyone about this before but ended up sharing some pent-up feelings hidden in her heart for a long time. She said she was very angry about her husband leaving her all alone. All the plans they had made for their future were now gone forever. The depth of sadness and anger was expressed.

I shared with her that I was glad she could discuss these strong feelings and allow herself to let go of some of them. I shared my own story of how, when my dad passed away, I did not get a chance to talk with him. I was in the hospital with him all day, and I thought I'd go home, take a shower, and come right back. When I returned, he looked so peaceful. Then I noticed that the tubes in his mouth and nose were no longer there. Then I noticed my family members around the hospital bed looking at me as though Dad had already passed on. I was quite surprised and felt a little upset that I had not gotten a chance to talk with him before he passed on. I was at a loss for a while. Somehow, at this point, it came to me that in my former career as a social worker, some training that I had received was about Kübler-Ross, the expert

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on the grief process in death and dying.

Some thoughts arose for me. It was that even as a person passes on in your life, it is still very okay to continue expressing our feelings with that person. I then told my family members that we could all go over and talk with Dad and share something you want to share or feel. All of us then took the time to do just that. This was a good opportunity to understand what a meaningful connection was about. Whether the person has passed on or not, our feelings can be expressed and shared from within us.

Today, I do this with families when I conduct makuragyō bedside services or memorial services. Sometimes, the family may say something or be there with the person. It is a meaningful connection. It can be done at the family altar, the butsudan, or the graveside at any time or place. When the woman at the memorial service started sharing her feelings about her deceased husband, I encouraged her to continue to talk as much as possible with her husband and anyone else with whom she could confide. The healing process is vitally important to all of us. Feeling whole and secure in our lives is truly an important part of our journey in life.

All these meaningful connections we make at Obon time are special. The memories they bring are special in our hearts. Those nostalgic moments, sad moments, and joyful times are special and part of what can enrich our lives, bringing special meaning to us. During Obon, we try to be grateful for what our past loved ones have brought into our lives and what they have done for us. But the word "grateful" or "gratitude" is quite interesting, and we talked a lot about it during Obon. It is a response to favors, kindness, and good fortune received from others. The Japanese word for thank you, "Arigatou," is derived from "arigatai," which means "too much of a good thing" or "it is impossible to have been." In words, it goes very deep, implying that it is very difficult to repay the debt. The true gratitude we feel for our past loved ones is expressed in our interactions with one another now. Our loved ones have passed on, but we can express our gratitude in how we interact with one another as we continue in our current lives. How we support one another, care for one another, and listen to one another.

Shinran, through his teachings, helped people increase their compassion in their lives. He helped develop insight into one's life to become more compassionate. Nembutsu, when we say it, is not a tool or method to achieve something. We tend to feel that it is about something we want to make happen. But the nembutsu is a reflection of Amida's compassion. Through it, we reflect on the reality of life just as it is and express our gratitude. It is our everyday journey towards a fuller understanding of our lives, which is our Buddhist path. We encounter many challenges. Although we may see intellectually that the interdependent nature of life is our Buddhist path, for the most part, we tend to get caught up in our own realm of having things "my way" rather than seeing things just as they are. A lack of harmony in our relationships may result.

Interdependence and the interdependent nature of life, the all-encompassing conditions that support our lives daily, are Amida. Maybe you have not heard it this way before, but to me, this creates the context for true meaning in our lives. It is the fundamental understanding of what reality is, and our bonbu, or foolish nature, can be revealed to us through an understanding of this. In other words, in simple terms, there are many lessons out there for us to learn from.

In conclusion, for this Obon service, when we come to honor our past loved ones, let us enjoy this time together with all the great festivities and the special time we have with our families and friends. Let us also, in gratitude, continue to appreciate a time for reflection in our daily lives and give thanks for Amida's wisdom and compassionate love that is always there for us.



MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP

There was an article about adaptation on the National Geographic website. In evolutionary theory, adaptation is the biological mechanism by which organisms adjust to new environments or to changes in their current environment. Charles Darwin and Alfred Russel Wallace believed that the evolution of organisms was connected in some way with adaptation of organisms to changing environmental conditions. They developed the theory of “natural selection” that traits that can be passed down allow organisms to adapt to the environment better than other organisms of the same species. This enables better survival and reproduction compared with other members of the species, leading to evolution.

As an example of natural selection, Charles Darwin proposed that giraffes evolved into long-necked creatures because, with longer necks, they could reach tender leaves on top of trees. This adaptation gave them an advantage over other animals and members of their own species with shorter necks. These giraffes with longer necks thrived and reproduced more, leading to generations of giraffes with their characteristic extended necks.

Whether it's an animal or an organization, those that can adapt to the environment better than others can not only survive but also thrive. The Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii and its 32 temples are no exception. Hawaii Kyodan must carefully assess the environment, both within and outside of the organization that surrounds us, and adapt to the changes appropriately. This will not only ensure our survival but also pave the way for us to continue to evolve and share the messages of Universal Wisdom and Compassion with renewed vigor and effectiveness.

On Sunday, June 23, 2024, HHMH had the honor of hosting Rev. Yuhiko Yasunaga, the Head Regent of the Hongwanji in Kyoto, at Hawaii Betsuin. He delivered a special lecture entitled “Innovative Rebranding and Recreating the Business Model of Tsukiji Hongwanji.” We were truly grateful to Rev. Yasunaga for taking the time to share his insights and experiences with us. Some key takeaways from his lecture include:

The direct cause of the decline of the religious community is our inability to respond to changes in the current environment.

Changes in the social environment surrounding temples include a declining population, the collapse of the membership system, the shift from the family system to individual households, changes in funeral format, and people’s strict scrutiny of religious organizations.

It is important to acknowledge and accept changes earnestly and sincerely. Individual leaders must consider how to adapt for the future.

Simply waiting at the temple will never restore the former prosperity of the denomination.

The management of a religious corporation and a stock company is essentially the same. Both exist to contribute to society, stakeholders, shareholders, employees, customers, members, etc. Both religious skills and secular skills are necessary for the proper management of temples. The religious skills involve providing religious services, while the secular skills entail skillfully managing a religious organization.

Ministers should possess both religious and secular skills, including business management, financial accounting, marketing, and IT skills.

A widening gap or distance between temples and people in the community results in fewer personal relationships, a loss of a sense of belonging, decreased donations, and lower levels of trust in religious organizations.

A step-up strategy is needed that connects people with whom we have a weak relationship and eventually introduces them to receive an affirmation rite and become members of the temple.

We must convey the teachings of Jodo Shinshu in modern and easy-to-understand language.

Temple Management Strategy includes:

Define what your temple aims to achieve and how to increase the brand value of the temple.

What is the uniqueness of your temple?

What will you do to attract new members and repeat customers?

Not to be afraid of changes.

The use of IT is absolutely necessary for temple management.

The traditional "product-out" approach is ineffective. Understanding and meeting customer expectations is crucial for an organization's survival.

Roughly 80% of people oppose actual management reform. To change this, you need to rely on your own resilience to persistently persuade others, demonstrate small successes, and involve those who oppose you.

Buddhism can help people to live a rich life in the age of the VUCA era (an acronym for Volatility, Uncertainty, Complexity, and Ambiguity, which means an era in which things are highly uncertain and the future is difficult to predict).

Rev. Yasunaga's presentation was filled with valuable information, held my attention, and left me feeling inspired. Embarking on the journey of adaptation requires determination, courage, and perseverance. The path may not always be smooth, but let's advance together, taking deliberate steps to effectively and comprehensively address the needs of our community.

In Gassho

CONDOLENCE

Kahu Sherman Thompson, a member of Lahaina Hongwanji Mission, passed away on June 4, 2024.

Kahu Thompson served as a member of the statewide Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Board of Directors for a long time and dedicated to Lahaina Hongwanji and Hawaii Betsuin. The Posthumous Title (INGO) of KO-MYO-IN 光明院, which signifies "Radiant Light" in recognition of his life of Nembutsu, was conferred by Bishop Toshiyuki Umitani on June 29, 2024.

YOUTH SPECIALIST UPDATE

Emi Hashi, Honpa Hongwanji Youth Specialist, will be away from office on leave of absence from August 15 to October 15, 2024. Please reach out as soon as possible if you have any youth-related concerns or requests before the start of her leave or contact Headquarters staff for anything urgent during the leave period. Emi will resume contact and coordination upon her return in October. Thank you for understanding.

2023-2024 SOCIAL CONCERNS FUND DRIVE UPDATE

Reminder that the current Social Concerns Fund Drive will run till August 31, 2024. The Committee on Social Concerns requests that temples please submit all collected donations to Hawaii Kyodan HQ by September 30, 2024.

Through your generosity, the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii is able to support worthy organizations and programs with funding to continue their work in our community and gives us the ability to provide aid during times of disaster. We continue to award Golden Chain Grants to encourage sharing the Dharma through compassionate service and have established the Dana Matching Grant to double the impact of charitable giving by organizations within the Hawaii Kyodan Ohana.

Your support directly impacts the lives of others. Mahalo for your generosity!

In Gassho,

Rev. Blayne Higa, Chair, Committee on Social Concerns

2024 BSC SUMMER SESSION SATELLITE SEMINARS

Guest lecturer: Rev. Dr. Kenji Akahoshi
Kauai District

Online lecture: Saturday August 10
10:00 a.m. -11:30 a.m.

Topic: The Efforts of Others

Click below to register!

Registration Deadline August 3, 2024

<https://forms.gle/nxfBAvqp85UJJ3NE7>

To read the complete newsletter, learn about workshops, seminars, and opportunities and to see photos, please check on the Honpa Hongwanji website.

<https://hawaiibetsuin.org/>



LHWA NEWS

New Members Welcome

2024

LHWA Meetings for 2024

Note that all meetings will begin at 10:00 am following Sunday service.

September 22

October/November TBD

Save the Date

18th World Buddhist Women's Convention

In Honolulu

September 11 & 12, 2027



**Seeking Delegates for the
Student Exchange Program to Japan
July 2025**

Hawaii Federation of Buddhist Women's Associations

What: Student Exchange Program to Japan

When: Early July 2025 (about 10 days)

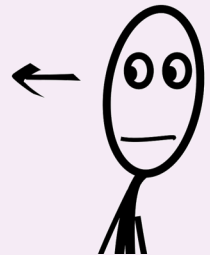
Who: Two Hawaii women, ages 17–23 years old

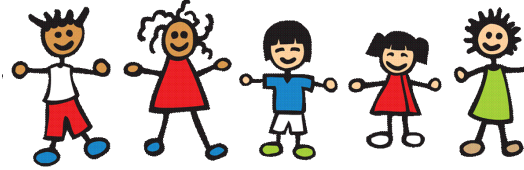
Why: Be exposed to Buddhist and Asian culture;
Be a missionary of good will.

To Do:

1. Obtain application from the LHM office or at <http://www.hawaiibwa.org>, search for "Student Exchange"
2. Submit completed application to:
Student Exchange Committee Chairperson
Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii
Federation of Buddhist Women's Associations
1727 Pali Highway Honolulu, HI 96813
3. Applications must be received no later than October 31, 2024.

If you have any questions, call 808-522-9202, email <mailto:hqbooks@honpahi.org> or contact an LHWA member.





Our Summer Program ran from June 10-July 26.

We had 28 preschool children in the "Elsa" group and 35 children in our K-6 "Stitch" group. That's a lot of Happy Campers!! Our days were filled with many activities, such as reading, drawing, coloring, art activities, playing with toys, singing, playing with each other, waterplay, playing in the playground, eating snacks and lunch, and sleeping .

We visited the temple and Rev. Yagi explained the meaning behind Bon Dance.

Carol Valentine and Lynne Matsumura taught the "Stitch" group the "Pokemon Ondo Dance." Everyone enjoyed dancing around the yagura.

Walter Yasumoto and his family and friends made shave ice for all the children and staff. What a nice treat it was. We also had our own fish pond activity during the Bon Dance and to top it all off we had a watermelon eating contestwhich was lots of fun. So thank you to everyone who helped make this a memorable summer.

We would also like to send a shout out to Carol Ozaki, Lily's grandmother, for sewing painting aprons and Chan Chankos for us to sell.



Dancing around the Yagura & Listening to Rev. Yagi



Fun at Water Play Day!



Look at our art!



Playing with friends

Bon Dance 2024



MAHALO

On behalf of Lihue Hongwanji, we want to sincerely thank everyone who helped make our 2024 Bon Dance a success. We had many volunteers, both members and non-members who came together to help with all aspects of our endeavor. We are indebted to everyone.

With gratitude,

Lynne Matsumura & Carol Valentine, Bon Dance 2024 Co-Chairs





August 17 at Vidinha Soccer Field 4PM-10PM
Lihue Dharma Dragons will Connect 4 to Beat Cancer
Visit our booth for food and fun!



For information or to join our team, contact: lihuehongwanjimission@gmail.com
 Support our effort by donating by credit card online: www.relayforlife.org/kauaihi
 Find our team and the participant you want to support. Or mail a check payable to "American Cancer Society" to LHM at 3-3556 Kuhio Hwy. Lihue, HI 96766

What Is Your Nembutsu Moment?



What Is A "Nembutsu Moment?"

A Nembutsu Moment is when you see or hear or experience something so beautiful, touching and profound that it leaves you speechless and all you can say is "Wow!"

A Nembutsu Moment can present itself as you travel, shop at a store, walk in nature, share family moments or simply observe the best of human nature and the world. It might also be in a moment when you were experiencing a difficult situation or a life-altering situation. As you think of Nembutsu Moments think of the Buddhist concepts of Interdependence, Cause-Effect, Compassion, Impermanence, Wisdom, Gratitude or even Ohana and when you have felt them present in your life. Everyone has had Nembutsu Moments in their lives even though we may not be aware of them at the time.

Nembutsu Moments can be submitted as a narrative or as a poem. The only stipulation is that it be no greater than 500 words. Smaller than 500 words is totally acceptable. It should be submitted through Google Docs at <https://forms.gle/6cVKBwqsZqYg5XrHA>

If you need help with submission, please contact Carol Valentine, either at her email address: cvalentine65@yahoo.com or by text at 808-651-3424. If you prefer to dictate a moment, or moments, instead of writing them out, that can also be accomplished. Submissions can also be accompanied by a photo or drawing.



The deadline for all submissions is August 31, 2024.

If there are errors please email us at: lihuchongwanjmission@gmail.com or call the office at 808-245-6262.

FUNERAL SERVICE:

In memory of Yuriko Oshiro
Gene Seikichi Oshiro

7 DAY SERVICE DONATION:

In memory of Yuriko Oshiro
Gene Seikichi Oshiro

INURNMENT SERVICE DONATION:

In memory of Yuriko Oshiro
Gene Seikichi Oshiro

MEMORIAL SERVICE DONATION:

In memory of Betty Masuda (17 Yrs.)
Arlene Fujikawa

Winston & Marian Ogata

In memory of Delrick Tada
Winston & Marian Ogata

In memory of Susumi Daida (25 Yrs.)
Natsuko Daida

Doris Kikuda & Family

Grace Ishida

In memory of Taires & Hero Hiranaka
Ed & Leesha Kawamura

Kawamura, Pascua & Omi Family

In memory of Lillian Amimoto
Gayle Chung

In memory of Suelo & Katsuko Matsuyama
Kenneth & Debra Okuno

COLUMBARIUM DONATION:

In memory of George & Elsie Toyofuku
Guy & Lori Toyofuku

In memory of Tsumoru & Hideko Nii
Gladys Fujiuchi

In memory of Taichi, Nui & Shigeru Kurashige
Hiroko Kurashige

Wayne & Aileen Nakai
Natsue Onishi

BON SERVICE DONATION:

In memory of Masaichi, Ayako & Roy Shibuya
Glenn & Gail Shibuya

In memory of Joseph, Bernice & Nancy Quon
Glenn & Gail Shibuya

In memory of Riyoji, Laura, Dane, & Donald Hirokawa
Glenn & Gail Shibuya

In memory of Stanley & Judy Segawa
Roy & Jane Iwane

Wayne Fujioka & Carol Valentine

Carol Shinseki

Robert & Alma Yotsuda

Daniel Yotsuda

Gladys Fujiuchi

Morton & Carolyn Yamasaki

Winston & Marian Ogata

Lynne Matsumura

Grace Ishida

Hiroko Kurashige

Arlene Fujikawa

Setsuo & Edith Ushio

HAPPINESS DONATION:

Grace Ishida (**Natsuko Daida's Birthday**)

*Thank
You*





“When hate is not avenged by hate,
peace prevails.”



Monshu Koshin Ohtani, “The Buddha’s Wish for the World”

MEMORIAL SERVICE (HOYO)

AUGUST - SEPTEMBER

The following is a list of members who passed away during the months of August and September. In Jodo Shin Buddhism, memorial services are observed to remind the family members of the compassion of Amida Buddha in memory of the deceased. Lihue Hongwanji Mission recommends that the families and relatives of the deceased members listed below contact the temple office at 245-6262 for an appointment.

1st YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—2023

2023 NONE

3rd YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—2022

2022 August 19 Kuniaki Shimauchi

7th YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—2018

2018 August 5 Erin Tokunaga

2018 September 9 Miyoshi Fujimoto

13th YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—2012

2012 August 4 Barbara Miyoshi

2012 September 5 Tadao Suemori

2012 September 8 Masaichi “Malo” Shibuya

17th YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—2008

2008 August 12 Shizue Kurasaki

2008 September 20 George Toyofuku

25th YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—2000

2000 August 18 Ayako Uyesono

2000 August 26 Yoshimi Fujimoto

2000 September 2 Toshiichi Kurihara

2000 September 6 Cho Kurihara

33rd YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—1992

1992 September 7 Robert Kusaka

1992 September 29 Tsugiko Yokota

1992 September 30 Tamotsu Shinseki

50th YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—1975

1975 September 7 Gisao Tateishi



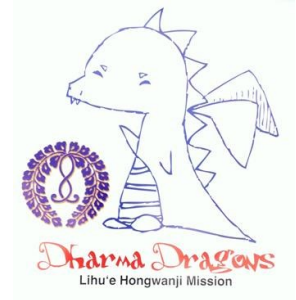
KNOCK CANCER OFF THE BOARD
SATURDAY, AUGUST 17TH

VIDINHA SOCCER FIELD

4P - 10P

WWW.RELAYFORLIFE.ORG/KUHIIH

RELAY FOR LIFE
Saturday, August 17,
2024
Vidinha Stadium
Soccer Field
4:00 pm - 10:00 pm



Autumn Higan

Sunday September 22 at 9:00 am
Lihue Hongwanji



Lihue Hongwanji Mission, a Shin Buddhist Temple

Lihue Hongwanji Mission
3-3556 Kuhio Highway
Lihue, Hawaii 96766

Return Service Requested

Building Healthy Sanghas

(Sharing Nembutsu Moments)



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