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Five Year Theme:

"Path of Entrusting"

2014 Slogan:

"Share Peace"

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Rev. Satoshi Tomioka

Hawaii Buddhist Council Buddha Day Celebration Service scheduled for April 6th

10:00 AM at the Jodo Mission of Hawaii,
1429 Makiki Street, Honolulu HI.

The guest Speaker for this service will be Dr. George Tanabe, Professor Emeritus of Religion, UH Manoa.

The Hawaii Buddhist Council represents all the traditional Japanese Buddhist temples on O'ahu. This is an opportunity for all the sanghas to come together to celebrate one of the three main Buddhist holidays celebrated by all Buddhists around the world.

Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin will have its Buddha Day Service on April 13th, 2014. This will be a joint service held at 9:30 AM. Our speaker for this service will be our Rimban Rev. Tatsuo Muneto. Please join us as we celebrate the The Shakamuni Buddha's Birthday,

After many years of trying to have baby Queen Maya, wife to King Suddhodana, had a dream. During her dream she saw a white elephant entering the right side of her chest and going into her womb. This is the beautiful legend of how the Queen Maya became aware of her pregnancy. King Suddhodana and the people of the Shakya Clan were overjoyed at the news.

As she neared her delivery time, as tradition held, Queen Maya had to return to the village of her birth and have the baby there.

As the Queen and her servants travelled to her home village they stopped along the way to rest at Lumbini garden. Surrounded by the beautiful Ashoka Blossoms the Queen reached out to a branch with her right hand and as she did so, she delivered a beautiful baby boy. All expressed their heart felt delight at seeing the new prince. When

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125th Hawaii Kyodan Anniversary Celebration Honolulu District Service

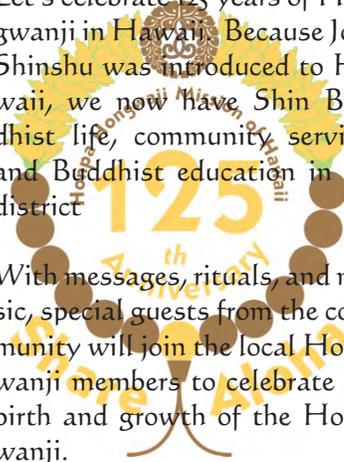
Sunday, April 27, 2014
at 10:00 am

Hawaii Betsuin Speakers:
Bishop Eric Matsumoto,
Youth Speakers and others

Mark this date on your
calendar!

Let's celebrate 125 years of Hongwanji in Hawaii. Because Jodo Shinshu was introduced to Hawaii, we now have Shin Buddhist life, community services and Buddhist education in the district.

With messages, rituals, and music, special guests from the community will join the local Hongwanji members to celebrate the birth and growth of the Hongwanji.



Rimban's Column:



As is announced on the front page of this paper, the Honolulu District of the Honpa Hongwanji will observe the 125th anniversary celebration of Hawaii Kyodan on Sunday, April 27,

2014, 10:00am at Hawaii Betsuin. Everyone is welcome to attend this memorable event.

This celebration is for all of us to happily reflect on our life in the Hongwanji Ohana. This event is for each of us to joyfully look

Join Together To Celebrate The Birth And Growth Of Hawaii's Hongwanji

Rev. Tatsuo Muneto

Theme:

Live Peace, Harmony and Gratitude:
Share Aloha!

at our life in the past, present, and future, as sustained by the unconditional compassion of Amida Buddha.

Let us make April 27th the day for each of us to re-awaken to the power of Amida's compassionate vow in shinjin, so that we can appreciate the legacy of the Sangha as we look ahead to the future growth of the Nembutsu in Hawaii. Let us make April 27th the day in which we remember the past in appreciation and live our best in the present so that we can have a future of hope.

This special way of appreciating the legacy of the Hongwanji and looking ahead at the future is seen in the following poem, written by Kalidasa, a 6th century Indian poet.

Look well to this day, for it is life, the very life of life.
In its brief course, lie all the varieties of existence.
The bliss of growth, the glory of action, the splendor of achievement
are but experiences of time.
For yesterday is but a dream, and tomorrow is only a vision:
And today well-lived, makes every yesterday a dream of happiness
and every tomorrow a vision of hope. Look well therefore to this day;
Such is the salutation to the ever-new dawn!

Here is a list of commemorative projects planned by the Committee headed by Rev. David Nakamoto and Pieper Toyama.

Open House: Hawaii Betsuin, Moiliili Hongwanji, Jikoen Temple and Kailua Hongwanji will have their own open house to allow the general public to be aware of the temples' programs.

Membership Drive: Each temple will try to increase the sustaining membership with a new temple brochure.

Temple History: Each temple will compile its temple history, which will then be incorporated into a statewide Hongwanji reference by headquarters.

Peace Walk: There will be a community of interfaith participants walking to the Nagasaki Peace Bell to raise awareness for peace. The walk will be preceded by an interfaith service.

Project Dana and Family Promise: There will be acknowledgement of Project Dana and Family Promise of Hawaii as community service activities.



GOJI

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Dharma Message: Rev. Satoshi Tomioka

It's Not Easy To Always Be Kind and Gentle To Others

Few months ago, I finally passed my driving road test and purchased a car. Now I can drive anywhere I want to go. It is really convenient. I found several interesting things after I became a driver. When I am driving a car, there are times when I can communicate with other drivers and people. When another driver lets my car get in the lane on the H-1, I show my appreciation by raising hand. When I stop for a pedestrian to let them cross the road, they also raise their hands and make SHAKA sign to me to show their appreciation. Although we do not know each other, we were able to communicate at that moment. Some may say that this is just a requirement of law. This moment is actually a beautiful time when we express our kindness and consideration not to ourselves but to others. In other words, we practice our Buddhist way of life, thinking of not only myself but also others.

In a similar way, we can practice our Buddhist way of life in our daily lives. However, it is not easy to always be kind and gentle to others 24 hours a day. Our hearts and minds easily

change depending on circumstances. Especially, when we feel irritated or uncomfortable, we tend to behave badly and get angry at things which we don't normally do. This is the nature of human beings. Here, we can find our limitations in practicing the Buddhist way and at the same time realize that Buddha completely perfected its practice and is directing the compassionate working to each of us. When we listen to the teaching of Buddhism, it is a time to be aware of true nature of ourselves and realize the working beyond the self. That is guidance to the true and real life.

Shinran Shonin, who is a founder of Shin Buddhism said, "When the waters-the minds, good and evil, of foolish beings- have entered the vast ocean of Amida's Vow of Wisdom, they are immediately transformed into the mind of great compassion." (Collected Works of Shinran P.408)

Not all people are perfect. Rather, we are perfectly imperfect. Therefore, it is a wonderful and great time to encounter the teachings and let them transform our limited hearts and minds into



the realm of truth. This is the working of Namoamidabutsu, Name that calls. Every time we recite Namoamidabutsu, that is a time we listen Amida Buddha's calling to each of us. That is, "Please realize the truth of life. Whatever happens, I'll be with you and liberate you from suffering."

Once again, everyday and every moment is a time for practicing Buddhist way of life. Let us recite Namoamidabutsu in the morning before starting our day. And let us recite Namoamidabutsu before going to bed with heart of gratitude. Name that calls is always with us, without interruption guiding us to the true and real.

With hands together in reverence,
Satoshi Tomioka



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for the generous donation of paper products
to be distributed to the Betsuin
Project Dana recipients.

Service to the Sangha is Dharma In Action!

News from the Betsuin's Buddhist Women's Association

Mark Your Calendars! Upcoming April 2014 Activities

5	Saturday	Hosha/Hanamatsuri Tray Favors...7:30 a.m.
6	Sunday	HBC Buddha Day at Jodo Mission
12	Saturday	9 am BWA Executive Bd Mtg. Din. Rm
13	Sunday	HHHB Buddha Day Service HHHB Board Meeting 11 am
20	Sunday	HHHBWA Eshinni-Kakushinni Service 10 am
27	Sunday	Honolulu District 125th Anniv. Service (4 temples)

Eshinni Day April 20th:

Rev. Mary David, guest speaker

On April 20th, the members of Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin BWA will be observing Eshinni-Kakushinni Day at the regular 10 a.m. service. Our guest speaker is the recently retired, Rev. Mary David of the Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Mission.

Eshinni was the wife of Shinran Shonin and Kakushinni was their youngest daughter of six children. Eshinni was born in Niigata in 1182 and married Shinran about 1210. We know little about Eshinni except for what was learned through ten letters that she wrote to Kakushinni that were discovered in the archives of the Hongwanji in Kyoto.

Eshinni is known for her dedication to Shinran during his productive years. Kakushinni was her father's caregiver in his final years. She was about 30 years of age when Shinran died at the age of 90. Ten years later, she built a Memorial Hall for his remains and established the means for insuring the Hall and property would belong to the Jodo Shinshu Sangha for all future generations. This was the origin of Ohtani Mausoleum and of the Hongwanji.

Shinran was the true founder of the Hongwanji-ha Jodo Shinshu school, and through Eshinni and Kakushinni's visions, tremendous devotion and energy in supporting Shinran and his teachings, the Hongwanji has grown to what it is today.

In 1978, thirty six years ago, at the convention in Sao Paulo, Brazil, the World BWA passed a resolution to conduct annual services in memory of Eshinni. In 2002, the world BWA passed a resolution to honor Kakushinni. The world BWA organizations are made up of Japan, mainland USA, Hawaii, Canada, and Brazil.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR BWA MEMBERS WHO ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND THE BWA WORLD CONVENTION IN CANADA: Meeting will be held on APRIL 20TH, at 11:00 a.m. in the BWA dining room. There will be an important meeting for all who are anticipating attending the World BWA Convention in Calgary, Canada on May 30-31, 2015. Please make every effort to attend this meeting if you have any plans in attending the convention and excursion in Canada.

Fujiko Motobu, President

ORANGE JUICE, ANYONE?

Article from Women's Health Letter,
March 2014

Did you know that freshly squeezed orange juice spoils quickly, so in order to avoid spoilage, the manufacturers use a heating process to remove oxygen quickly so that it won't oxidize. This makes the juice able to be stored in tanks for up to a year. This heating process strips the juice of its flavor, and the juice ends up tasting like sugar water. To put the flavor back, the manufacturers add flavor packs which were developed by perfume companies. The flavor packs include chemicals like ethyl butyrate, which has the aroma of fresh oranges.

NEW At the Bookstore: Coming in June 2014 "The Buddha's Gift to the World Tranquility for a Tumultuous Planet"

MONSHU KOSHIN OHTANI

The third and final in a series of English translated books from the Twenty-fourth Monshu addressing the Twenty-first century.

Reminder: Bookstore is open the first Sunday of the Month in addition to weekday hours. However, they will NOT be open April 6 due to Hanamatsuri.

More from the BWA

Do You Want To Be A Happy Person? Follow These 9 Rules:

1. Happy people don't blame other people for their problems.
2. Happy people don't over react to the present moment.
3. Happy people don't use negative language.
4. Happy people don't feel trapped.
5. Happy people don't focus on single passion or relationship.
6. Happy people don't dwell on past failures.
7. Happy people don't spend more time than necessary around unhappy people.
8. Happy people don't gossip.
9. Happy people don't procrastinate.

RETIRED HEALTH MESSAGE (contributed by Florence Wasai)

As I was lying in bed pondering the problems of the world, I realized that I don't really give a rat's bum. It's the tortoise life for me!

1. If walking is good for your health, the postman would be immortal.
2. A whale swims all day, only eats fish, drinks water, and is fat.
3. A rabbit runs and hops and only lives 15 years.
4. A tortoise doesn't run and does nothing, yet it can live for more than 50 years.

And, you tell me to exercise? I don't think so. I'm retired. Go around me.

the living Buddha".

Although there are many legends surrounding Siddhartha's birth these are only to emphasize the importance of the birth of this baby boy, who became the Shakamuni Buddha or Sage of the Shakya clan. So, please, come and celebrate Siddhartha's birth day with us, at both services if you can, for without Siddhartha the dharma may never have been revealed. Namoamidabutsu

From the Kyodan: Ministerial Assignments

Rev. Kosho Yagi, the Resident Minister of Honokaa Hongwanji Mission, and Oversee Minister of Kamuela, Kohala, and Paaulo Hongwanji Mission, will be assigned to Aiea Hongwanji Mission as its Resident Minister as of June 16, 2014.

Rev. Shingo Furusawa, the Associate Minister of Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin, will be assigned to Honokaa Hongwanji Mission as its Resident Minister and Kamuela, Kohala, and Paaulo Hongwanji Mission as their Oversee Minister as of June 16, 2014.

Rev. Bryan Siebuhr, the former BCA minister, will be assigned to Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin as its Associate Minister as of June 16, 2014. Rev. Siebuhr will undergo Honpa Hongwanji State-level orientation at Headquarters and the District/Temple-level orientation at Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin from May 26 to June 15, 2014 before being assigned to Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin.

Buddha Day Celebration continued from page 1

King Suddhodana received word of the birth he named the young prince Siddhartha which means "every wish or desire Fulfilled".

Shortly after the Queen returned to the palace with the new prince, her health failed and she suddenly died. The Queen's young sister became the baby's foster mother and raised the child with the utmost care and love.

Asita, a hermit who lived in the nearby mountains, noticed a certain radiance over the castle. Thinking it a good omen, Asita went down to the castle to see the

baby. He was then asked to make a prediction for the baby's life. Asita told the King that if this prince remained in the castle he would grow to be a great king and rule the whole world but, if the prince were to leave the courtly life, and embraces the religious life, he would become a Buddha and save the whole world. The king and court were very happy to hear such an auspicious prediction.

As Asita was leaving, a tear was seen to be going down Asita's cheek and when asked why he wept, Asita said, "I weep because I shall not live to see

From the Executive Director, Stacy Bradshaw

Rainbow Ekiden

Have you ever participated in a long distance race of any kind? There is such a feeling of great accomplishment when you have completed one. Some people train for weeks, months or even a year, yet the actual race may last less than an hour. Some may wonder if all that work is worth it.

This past December, Mikey (my husband), Sarene (my best friend), and I were crazy enough to “walk” the Honolulu Marathon. We trained for about a year, walking as much as 5-10 miles every other day or so. Being in the marathon was something I always wanted to do, and after having my second baby and hitting my thirties (first pre-mid-life crisis), I signed up for it and convinced Mikey and Sarene to do the same. Sarene is always up for a challenge and didn't take much convincing. Mikey, on the other hand, thought we were crazy, but after telling him how great it will be to finish the race together, he reluctantly agreed.

The beginning of the race was so exciting. With thousands of people wearing various outfits and shoes, with fireworks lighting up the sky to mark the start, and with spectators cheering, we felt good and proud. By mile 21, however, I wanted to give up. You would think that after doing 21 miles, what is another 5 ½, right? By that point, my feet felt like lead and with every step, I just kept thinking, what did I get myself into. I slowly inched my way to Kahala Ave. Mikey stayed with me through that stretch, giving me pep talks and reminding me of how good it was going to feel when we were done.

At around mile 22, we met up with Sarene, who had walked ahead; at mile 23, another awesome friend, Mandy, along with her family greeted us with cold water and snacks. Mandy, her

husband, and two young children walked with us and literally “distracted us” up to the last stretch along Diamond Head. I honestly can say that I don't think I would have finished as positively if Mandy and her family had not come down to cheer us on.



Nine and a half hours after the exciting start, we crossed the finish line. How exhilarating that was! Completing the marathon is up there with all my great achievements. Even childbirth was a 100 times easier than doing the marathon. Although I embrace my experience, I do not think I ever want to do it again. To all my fellow “Hongwanji” friends, Norman Hirohata-Goto, Carol Ogino, and Albert Wong, who continually run/walk the marathon, year after year, I give you the utmost credit for it.

Having experienced the marathon, I was really excited when Rev. Hojo informed me that he and four other ministers had signed up for the Rainbow Ekiden. The Rainbow Ekiden is a relay race that took place at Kapiolani Park on Saturday, March 8, 2014. Each runner ran about 3.1 miles from Kapiolani Park to past the Diamond Head lighthouse and back.

Rev. Kazunori Takahashi, Rev. Tomo Hojo, Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani, Rev. Kojun Hashimoto, and Rev. Ai Hironaka made up one team. Two PBA students, our very own Koki Atcheson (daughter of Penny and Dave Atcheson) and Nelson Bopp

(son of Tammy Bopp), also participated with three student runners from Chikushi Women's High School. It was really a fun event, and my family had a blast cheering on the runners. In true Japanese fashion, we waved multi-colored Ekiden flags, as well as homemade paper Hongwanji flags as the runners passed by. It was also a great opportunity to meet and talk to the ministers' wives and their families. Rev. Hironaka brought his whole family from Lahaina. I was so surprised at how big all of his children had grown!

We all congregated under a tent to wait for the next runners, and after each leg, Lindsey (my daughter) went up to each minister to give him a hug and congratulate him on a job well done. I know that all the ministers worked very hard preparing for the race. Rev. Hojo would always come into the office to update me on how many miles he ran or walked the previous day. I would also catch a glimpse of Rev. Umitani running up Queen Emma Street on my way home from work. It is great to know that our ministers are just like the rest of us. They have families, they have hobbies, they exercise; it was really refreshing to see them out of their black robes, and in an element that we “temple-goers” don't ever see them. In the end, our mighty ministers came in 29th overall out of 120 teams. The PBA and CWHHS students came in 6th overall and 1st place in the student division. Not bad at all for their first time. I hope that the ministers will continue to participate in the Rainbow Ekiden. Maybe, we can add a few more teams in the name of Hongwanji. I also encourage everyone to come out and support the teams. As my family can tell you we had a great time. I can see this event becoming a great annual event for the temple.

Next time you see Rev. Hojo, Rev. Umitani or any of the other ministers who ran, ask them “was it worth it?”



Dharma School News

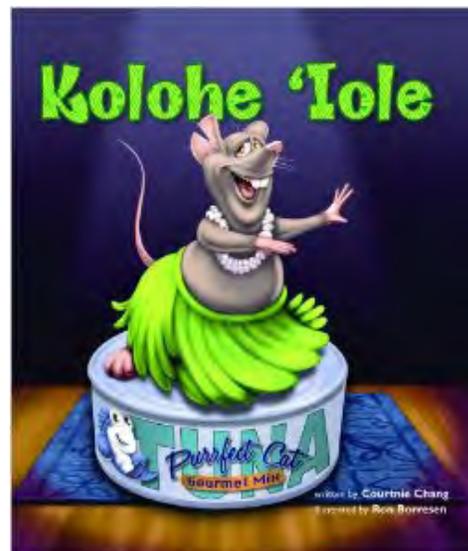
On February 23, our 9 am Dharma School congregation was treated to wonderful Dharma Talk, given by our 2nd and 3rd grade teacher, Dean Sumikawa. Mr. Dean shared the story, “Kolohe ‘Iole,”

Kolohe ‘Iole was a rascal rat; he nibbled on fabric, scratched the chairs, scared the cat and kids in the house. His mother would scold him but he never listened. When Kolohe scared the kids and the aunty in the house, he snickered and chuckled and went to bed giggling and smiling that night. The next day, when Kolohe went out, the kids tried to catch him with a sticky rat trap. We won’t spoil the end of the story for those of you that want to read it, but in the end, Mr. Dean taught us about the valuable lesson that Kolohe learned about caring, and related this to how the Buddha shows us how to care and be compassionate toward one another. What a terrific story that was enjoyed by all. Thank you, Mr. Dean!

On Sunday, March 2, the Betsuin celebrated Hongwanji Day, the anniversary of the Hongwanji in Hawaii and recognized new members who joined the Betsuin in 2013. For our Dharma School congregation, we recognized 2 new families—James and Rosalyn Lai, and their daughters Scarlett and Marlowe, and Ron and Jan Nishihira, and their daughters Miyaka and Asami. We welcome the Lais and Nishihiras to our Sangha.

We have some fun events planned this year—we look forward to seeing you at our 9 am Dharma School Service!

Mr. Dean Sumikawa’s Dharma Talk to the congregation



Kolohe ‘Iole – story by Courtnie Chang, illustrated by Ron Borresen



Hongwanji Day – New Dharma School Families. Left from top to bottom—Nishihira Family--Ron (standing) carrying Asami, Jan (seated), Miyaka (standing). Right from top to bottom—Lai Family—James (standing), Rosalyn (seated), Marlowe (center), Scarlett (right)

Volunteers are the backbone of the Betsuin! Mahalo to everyone who participated in the recent Bazaar as donor, volunteer or shopper!
Mahalo to Ruth Tokumi for the photos!



Wednesday Gang Men & BWA Sewing Ladies enjoyed lunch & fellowship after day's work at the temple. March 2014



June Iwahashi & BWA ladies made various types of tsukemono & pickles for the bazaar



Taste of Hongwanji Bazaar
2 weeks of prep by BWA ohana



Liane (rummage sale chair) & Albert Wong



Snack time with Florence



Carol & Tamayo with collectors items





BOY SCOUT TROOP 49 Justin Kam's Eagle Project

Elaine Nakamoto,
Troop 49 Secretary

On Saturday, February 15, 2014, Boy Scout Justin Kam worked on his Eagle Project with a team of 65 Scouts, Troop leaders, and families. His project involved coordinating improvements for several areas on Hongwanji Mission School (HMS) property: 1) creating a defined walkway in front of the Girl Scout and Cub Scout containers, 2) leveling and replacing a dirt mound in the front entry driveway, 3) sanding and painting the benches on the tennis court, and 4) replacing the existing chain barrier with more solid materials. Justin and his family wanted to give back to HMS for a decade of care. There were some challenges with processing input from a group of project advisors and formulating a final scope of work and project plan, but the communication system was relatively smooth.

Justin is a 17-year-old senior at Pacific Buddhist Academy where he is the year-book co-editor. He is also involved in photography, cinematography, and bowling. Justin has been in Scouting for 12 years joining as a Pack 49 Tiger Scout. With Troop 49, he has served in leadership positions of Assistant Patrol Leader, Webmaster, Quartermaster, and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader. Justin is proud that he had the opportunity to experience one of the leading roles of the Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin Bon Dance. He learned a valuable lesson from Scouting of planning ahead, as not being prepared has its consequences.

Justin would like to thank the Scouts and families who helped out with his Eagle Project. Special thanks go to Mr. Albert Wong and Mr. Russell Leong for keeping the Scouting experience fun. For future plans, Justin would like to major in computer science and economics. Congratulations, Justin, on a job well done!



Betsuin Boy Scout Fundraiser Breakfast Sunday, April 13, 2014.

7:30 am to 11:00 am in the main social hall.

No set cost, donations welcomed
to support Boy Scouts' trip to Kauai in June.

Cub Scout Pack 49 Arrow of Light Ceremony

On Saturday, February 15, 2014, the Kapiolani Chapter of the Order of the Arrow performed an Arrow of Light Ceremony for Cub Scout Pack 49. The Arrow of Light Award is the highest rank in Cub Scouting. This rank prepares a Webelos Cub Scout to become a Boy Scout. Earning this rank were eight Cub Scouts: Alika Brooks, Keola Brooks, Jason Ebesu, Justin Onishi, Byron Saito, Ryden Sumi, Matthew Nochi, and Welkin Williams. The Arrow of Light badge is the only Cub Scout badge that can be worn on the Boy Scout uniform when a boy graduates from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts.

On Friday, February 28, 2014, this group of eight Pack 49 Cub Scouts "bridged over" to Troop 49. The "bridge" is a symbolic connection that represents the transitioning of Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts. The Cub Scouts carry over the skills and knowledge acquired in their years with Pack 49 and go across the "bridge" to their new venture with the Boy Scouts. After crossing over, Troop 49 Boy Scouts conferred each new Scout replacing the Cub Scout Webelos plaid neckerchief with the Honpa Hongwanji Betsuin Boy Scout purple neckerchief with wisteria mon imprint and a new white neckerchief slide. The Troop 49 neckerchief slide is made out of white rope in the form of a turk's head knot which serves a dual purpose. It is not only a slide to hold the neckerchief in place, but during an emergency situation, it can be used as a rope and be converted to a rescue/first aid cord, as needed. After the ceremony, the older Boy Scouts proceeded to take the new Boy Scouts from the Social Hall to the Troop 49 meeting in the Annex. The eight new Boy Scouts will make up the Badger Patrol. Congratulations and welcome, new Badgers to Troop 49!

Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin Events Calendar

The Goji provides this monthly Events Calendar to keep everyone informed about cultural activities at our temple.
 Please help us by submitting information by email to hibetsuin@hawaii.rr.com,
 or by calling the Betsuin office at 536-7044.

Hawaii Betsuin APRIL 2014 Cultural Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 9:00 am – 1:30 pm Rhythm & Life 6:00 – 8:00 pm Judo	2 9 am Japanese Class 9 am Wednesday Grp 1 pm Flower Arrangement	3 10 am Flower Arrangement 1:30 pm Sahn Bo Dahn 5:30 pm Choir Practice	4 9 am Project Dana Dance 9 am Sumie	5 9:00 – 11:00 am Judo 1 pm Taichi
6 10:00 HBC Hanamatsuri Buddha Day Service @ Jodo Mission (No Services at Betsuin)	7 9:00 am – 1:30 pm Rhythm & Life	8 Buddha Day 9:00 am – 1:30 pm Rhythm & Life 9:30 am Shodo Class 6:00 – 8:00 pm Judo	9 9 am Japanese Class 9 am Wednesday Grp 1 pm Flower Arrangement 7 pm Meditation	10 10 am Flower Arrangement 1:30 pm Sahn Bo Dahn 5:30 pm Choir Practice 6-8 pm Judo	11 9 am Project Dana Dance 9 am Sumie	12 9:00 – 11:00 am Judo 1 pm Taichi
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