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(Accept Differences)

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Rev. Shingo Furusawa

Betsuin To Observe Autumn O-higan

Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin welcomes everyone to its observance of the autumn O-higan on September 16, 2018. O-higan is one of the six major services of the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha Buddhist tradition, and literally means "the Other Shore," a symbolic reference to the Pure Land of Amida Buddha.

O-higan is observed twice a year, once in the spring and the other in autumn, at the time when, due to the change of the seasons, both night and day become of equal length. Traditionally, it is a time of reflection on the path towards reaching the Other Shore of Enlightenment through the Six Paramitas (giving, right behavior, endurance/patience, endeavor/effort, meditation, & wisdom).

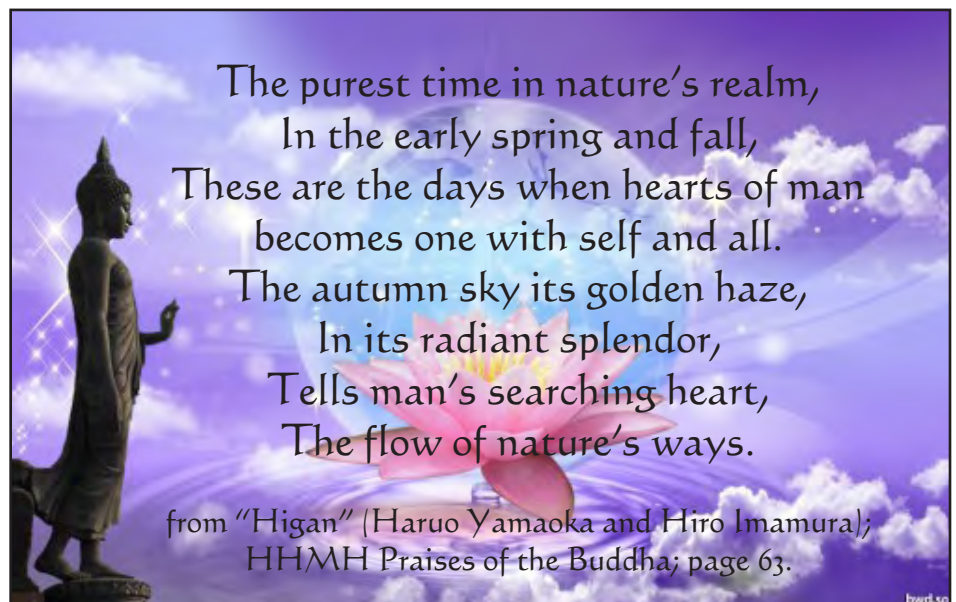
However, in the Jodo Shinshu tradition because the Vow of Amida Buddha has already enabled all sentient beings to reach the world of Enlightenment, the observance of O-higan has come to mean a refocusing on following the Six Paramitas, not as a way to reach the Pure Land. Instead, we express our gratitude to Amida Buddha, for the way to safely cross the turbulent sea of samsara to the Pure Land has already been laid down through Amida Buddha's Infinite Compassion as expressed in the Primal Vow.

O-higan Speaker: Rev. Nobuo Miyaji

Our speaker for this month's autumn O-higan service will be Rev. Nobuo Miyaji. He was born in Kyoto and graduated from Ritsumei University and Chuo Bukkyo Gaku-in. He earned his Masters Degree from Ryukoku University. In 1977 he became a BCA minister. He served at the Buddhist Church of Santa Barbara, Buddhist Church of Ogden, Los Angeles Betsuin, Venice Hongwanji, Fresno Betsuin, and Gardena Buddhist Church. He retired in 2016. His wife, Yoshiko, and Rev. Miyaji have three children and six grandchildren. He enjoys sports, reading, and mah-jong.



Please attend the O-higan service and listen to our special guest speaker.



The purest time in nature's realm,
In the early spring and fall,
These are the days when hearts of man
becomes one with self and all.
The autumn sky its golden haze,
In its radiant splendor,
Tells man's searching heart,
The flow of nature's ways.

from "Higan" (Haruo Yamaoka and Hiro Imamura);
HHMH Praises of the Buddha; page 63.

Dharma Message: "The Autumn Equinox or O-higan"

Rev. Sol Kalu



The word "higan" is a translation of the Sanskrit word "paramita" and it means "arriving on the other shore." It signifies "getting across." Buddhism

teaches that the world in which we live, called the impure world or saha realm (literally realm of endurance), is a place of suffering and troubles. In this schema, the saha world is located on this side of the shore. The source of all suffering — the three paths of earthly desires, karma and suffering — is likened to a great river. The life condition of enlightenment is likened to the other shore. In order to cross from the impure world, over the life and death sufferings of the great river, and reach the pure land on the other shore, people must

embark upon the boat of the Buddha's teachings. This is the most common way of teaching O-higan, that is using the boat of the Dharma to get to the other shore, or in Jodo Shinshu, the boat is not only the Dharma but the Vow of Amida Buddha is also the great ship. In another parable, that of the Two Rivers and the White Path, there is no boat, no ship that ferries the man from the shore of samsara to the Pure Land of Nirvana on the other side. Rather the way to cross is that narrow path in between 2 raging rivers of fire and water, with Amida Buddha on the Pure Land side beckoning the traveler to cross without fear, and Shakyamuni Buddha on the opposite shore encouraging the traveler to continue to move forward. Why are the voices of both Amida and Shakyamuni Buddha encouraging him to cross without hesitation? Precisely because the traveler is beset by fears and doubts to take more steps towards enlightenment. Fear of falling on either side of the river, fire on one side and water on the other. Doubts, about the Power of the Buddha's Vow to safely guide him across the difficult path. It took the traveler a leap of faith to boldly proceed, never look back and just follow straight towards Amida's guiding voice and thus he reached the other shore safely.

Using the other metaphor of crossing the ocean of birth and death by boarding the boat of the great Vow of Amida, we find the same two hindrances to enlightenment that makes us hesitate to even walk the ramp and board the ship. Fear, that the boat might sink midway to the shore of Nirvana, doubt in Amida Buddha's vow that no matter what happens during the journey, we are assured of reaching the Pure Land without any difficulties. Such doubts and fears spring from the unenlightened mind, the mind that Shinran Shonin called the dark mind, the mind of the foolish being or bonbu, in the world of delusion which is considered as a source of suffering. Amida Buddha's Light of Wisdom and Compassion, through the working of the Primal Vow removes all darkness, all

Introducing Rev. Shingo Furusawa

Hello everyone! My name is Rev. Shingo Furusawa, the newest minister of Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin. I would like to briefly introduce myself.



I was born in Hiroshima City. After graduating from Ryukoku University with a degree in Buddhist history, I earned a Masters in Shin Buddhism from Ryukoku University Graduate School. In 2006, I moved to Hawaii to be a minister of Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii (Hawaii Kyodan). Since then, I have worked at Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin, Pearl City Hongwanji, Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin, four Hamakua temples (Papaikou, Honomu, Honohina, and Papaaloa Hongwanji), and four North Hawaii temples (Honokaa, Kamuela, Kohala, and Paauilo Hongwanji). From 2010 to 2011, I had a Hawaii Kyodan scholarship to study Buddhism at the Institute of Buddhist Studies and to study English and public speaking at Berkeley City College. Now I am very happy that I can work at the Hawaii Betsuin and share the Dharma with you again. I would like to ask for your help and support! Gassho

fears, bestowing upon us shinjin which enables us to board the ship of the Great Vow that safely ferries us from this world of suffering to the Other Shore of Enlightenment, the realm of peace and tranquility of the Pure Land.



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Betsuin BWA News and Events

Fujiko Motobu

BWA Coming Events for September 2018

- 1-3 HHMH Joint Conference at Ala Moana Hotel
- 8 BWA Executive Board Meeting at 11:30 am in Dining room
- 9 Grandparents Day Services Choir & Temple Board Mtg.
- 6 Fall Ohigan services
- 21 Peace Interfaith Service at HI Betsuin
- 29-30 Choralfest (HELP NEEDEDsee Florence Wasai)

100th YEAR CELEBRATION OF HAWAII BETSUIN: 1918- 2018

The excitement of the 100th anniversary celebration in September, 2018 of Hawaii Betsuin has brought up much curiosity in my mind. I began thinking more and more of Japanese history. Whereas we have President number 45 in the USA today, I wondered how many emperors Japan has had. Do you know?

Japan has been in existence for over 2,500 years. In year 660 BC the first Emperor, Jimmu, was proclaimed into power. He was a descent from the sun goddess Amaterasu. Thereafter his descendants have continued to take over. An interesting event took place at the end of the 14th Emperor Chuai's term, from 192-200. From 201-269 the first woman, Okinaga Tarashihime no Mikoto served as regent for Emperor Ojin, who followed Chuai. She was known as Empress Jinju but not counted among the officially numbered Emperors, although she could have been the first Empress of Japan. She served between the 14th and 15th emperors.

There were a total of 9 Empresses

who served in Japan. They were #33, Empress Suiko, #35, Empress Kogyoku, #37, Empress Saimei, #41, Empress Jito, #43, Empress Genmei, #44 Empress Gensho, #46, Empress Koken, #48 Empress Shotoku, and #109, Empress Meisho. Many of you were not aware of this, were you, that Japan was ruled by Empresses.

The present Emperor Akihito is the 125th Emperor of Japan. He announced on December 1, 2017 that he will abdicate the Chrysanthemum Throne on April 30, 2019 to his son, who will become the 126th Emperor of Japan. Emperor Akihito will then be known as Emperor Kinjo.

Some day I shall give you the list of the 125 Emperors and Empresses of Japan. Then would you like to be tested? Before that, learn the names of the 45 presidents of the USA, and you can be tested on that.

7 FOODS THAT KEEP YOU HEALTHY,

July 30, 2018 TIME article:
MACKEREL fish is a good source of vitamins B12 and D. PEARS, add sliced pears to salad with walnuts. They are beneficial to those with

diabetes and arthritis. Fiber rich food keep you healthy. SPINACH Make nice salad with high fat food like avocado which is a good source of Vitamin E. BELL PEPPERS, especially THE BRIGHT RED ONES: Chop and serve with a little red wine vinegar, salt and pepper. They are high in antioxidants and low in starch. It is known to help reduce inflammation and even pain. BUCKWHEAT is used to make soba noodles. You can buy them as noodles or as grain and eat it in place of rice. POMEGRANATE SEEDS: Cut a full fruit in half and spoon the seeds into a bowl to munch straight or add to salads. They are good source of antioxidants that can lower cholesterol and blood pressure. It also helps to slow brain related decline. BLACK TEA: Brew a cup and add milk or honey or both for a hot drink, or chill and mix with fresh lemon and pomegranate juice. Both green tea and black tea are good for you. One study showed black tea substantially lowers the risk of ovarian cancer.

SUMMARY OF GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING #3 JULY 29, 2018

Forty plus members attended the third general membership meeting. It lasted nearly two hours with reports from various committees. Ruth Tokumi is doing a magnificent updated pictorial (photo) historical record of the BWA. The mini market is always a successful undertaking, the last one was on July 8th. For Choralfest on September 29-30, BWA ladies will be asked to assist with the refreshments. Bontique, kimono dressing, game, raffle all required leadership and assistance, and we have been very

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Temples Assist Homeless Families By Partnering With Family Promise Of Hawaii

During the week of July 29, 2018, members of the Honolulu Hongwanji District Sangha were engaged once again with four client families of Family Promise of Hawaii at Jikoen Hongwanji. Family Promise is a non-profit organization that offers services to qualified homeless families. Various social welfare agencies refer families to this program to assist them to find appropriate rental housing.

More than 60 churches and temples provide a safe place for families to sleep and have breakfast and dinner for one week. During the day, client families go to the Family Promise center on Kukui Street to bathe, do laundry and receive some childcare services. Equally important, the program offers some life skill training such as making a household budget, preparing resumes, completing job application forms and learning how to effectively interview for a job. In most cases, one or both of the parents are employed and all the school-age children attend school. Some families have

cars to go to work and take children to school and activities. Others use public transportation or make other arrangements with family members and friends.

With the assistance of Family Promise, more than 80 percent of client families find appropriate housing. For volunteers, it is important that during each engagement, we provide a safe place for the children of these families who are in transition.

Volunteers from the four Honolulu Hongwanji District temples (Hawaii Betsuin, Jikoen, Kailua and Moiliili) provide assistance to client families twice a year. A dojo under the Hongwanji Mission School gym and Jikoen Hongwanji's social hall are used to house client families. We partition spaces to offer some privacy for each client family. Volunteers prepare meals and provide some activities for the children. Our engagement with Family Promise families are a

face-to-face, hands-on experience as a practice of DANA and human compassion.

And the client families express their sincere appreciation for our assistance.

For about nine years, the coordinated effort has been led by June Sutterfield (Jikoen), Donna Higashi (Moiliili), Shirley Yanagisawa (Kailua) and Charlene Kihara (Hawaii Betsuin). This year's district coordinator is Cheryl Yasunaga from Moiliili Hongwanji. At Hawaii Betsuin, members of the Girl Scouts, Buddhist Women's Association, Dharma School Parent-Teacher Organization and a few board members have committed their efforts to engage and support Family Promise. We continue to recruit new volunteers based on the old adage "Many hands make light work." If you are willing and able to join this effort, please contact Alan Goto. Or please consider making a supporting donation to Honolulu Hongwanji Council with a note: "FAMILY PROMISE".

Submitted by Alan Goto

Interfaith Peace Day Celebration September 21st

This year's Peace Day Interfaith Celebration is coming up Friday, September 21, 2018, 6:30 p.m. at Hawaii Betsuin. The theme for this year's event is Cultivating Peace.

In 2007, Hawaii passed a law declaring September 21st of each year as Peace Day to promote peace programs, improve international relations, and increase educational awareness of peace. Advocacy by Pacific Buddhist Academy students and Jr. YBA members played an important role in final approval of the bill.

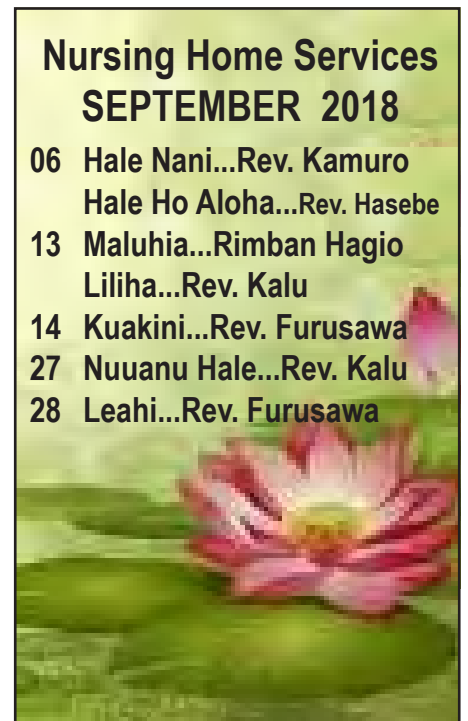
Since then, the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii and co-sponsors have held annual celebration of peace on or near Peace Day, featuring speakers from diverse faith traditions as well as a variety of musical and dance performances. Pacific Buddhist Academy continues to play an important role in presenting the event.

All are invited to this uplifting celebration of peace on September 21!

- David Atcheson

Nursing Home Services SEPTEMBER 2018

- 06 Hale Nani...Rev. Kamuro**
- Hale Ho Aloha...Rev. Hasebe**
- 13 Maluhia...Rimban Hagio**
- Liliha...Rev. Kalu**
- 14 Kuakini...Rev. Furusawa**
- 27 Nuuanu Hale...Rev. Kalu**
- 28 Leahi...Rev. Furusawa**



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Hawaii Betsuin BWA Excursion: UHM Trees and Mu Ryang Sa Temple

On Saturday, July 21, 2018, 36 BWA members and guests enjoyed the annual BWA excursion. The first part was a tour to learn about trees in a selected area of the University of Hawai'i Manoa. The second part took the group to Mu Ryang Sa Korean Temple in Palolo Valley.

Our guide at UH, Noweo Kai, was adept at interweaving humor with information. The group was entertained while learning many new things.

Of special interest to the BWA was seeing the only magnolia tree on campus. The magnolia is associated with Lady Eshin-ni. We also saw the Ficus

Religiosa, the Bo tree or bodhi tree. The UHM bodhi tree is from a cutting from Foster Garden. Foster Garden's tree was given to Mary



Foster and is from the tree in India under which Shakyamuni Buddha attained enlightenment. Noweo

showed us kukui nut trees, the state tree of Hawai'i. She noted that kukui nut oil can be burned to make light and symbolizes light and enlightenment; one of the BWA ladies commented that the kukui should, therefore, be a tree of Buddhist temples.

Next stop was the Korean temple. The BWA ladies and friends excitedly admired the beautiful flowers, plants, pond, and colorful temple structures. We took off our shoes and entered the Dharma Hall and

sat in pews. Abbot Do Hyun opened our visit with a chant. Then he shared with us the history of the temple. We moved on to look at the Memorial Hall and then sat in a hall that is used for meditation.

Several Mu Ryang Sa members prepared a delicious vegetarian lunch, consisting of miso soup (they make their own miso), bibimbap (rice with assorted vegetables), and watermelon. The group was quite tired but said they enjoyed themselves.

Submitted by Dianne Ida

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thanks to all of you. HI Betsuin BWA By Laws proposed revisions were printed and passed out for approval at a later date. The former Fujinkai rooms which were recently repossessed have been named Eshin-ni and Lotus rooms. They are now BWA rooms. Grace Kitagawa spoke on Emergency Preparedness, its urgencies and importance. This is a crucial matter for the safety of people who attend temple. Support for Big Island and Kauai were brought up.

HUMOR FOR BWA LADIES: LAUGHTER IS A NECESSITY IN LIFE

- #1. A 70 year old woman went out on a blind date with 90 year old man. Returning to her daughter's house around 10:30 she seemed quiet and upset. "What happened?" asked the daughter. "I had to slap his face 3 times." "You mean....?" Began her daughter. "Yes" she answered, "He fell asleep 3 times."
- #2. "My grandmother's 90. She's dating. He's 93. It's going great. They never argue. They can't hear each other."

Enjoy Having Fun While Making Others Smile? We've Got the Activity for YOU!

Project Dana Dancers Want YOU!

Ladies! If you are retired and are looking for a worthwhile activity that's good for your health and also fun, the Project Dana Dancers (PDD) may be just the thing for you!

Currently, we have 15 dancers, ages 70 to 90, hailing from Waipahu, Aiea, Kaneohe, Hawaii-Kai, and Honolulu. We're an interfaith group of Buddhists and Christians who support each other with warmest aloha.

We meet every Friday from 9:00 to 11:00 am in the Hawaii Betsuin social hall located at 1727 Pali Hwy. Honolulu 96813. From September to May, we review past dances and learn a new dance or two. Our repertoire includes Japanese,

Okinawan, Rhythm and Life dances, and hula. We also do Line dances choreographed to contemporary music such as "New York, New York", "We Are Family", and "Staying Alive".

During the summer months, from June to August (sometimes into September) we entertain at nursing homes and senior day care centers. This year we performed at eleven centers in the Honolulu area and one in Waipahu. We carpool everywhere we go so rides can be provided, as needed.

It is truly gratifying to see individuals in the nursing homes come alive and begin to sing along with a familiar song, move their hands to a familiar dance or smile and clap their hands in rhythm

as we perform our dances. Connecting with these folks brings us much joy and truly, a great appreciation for life.

I am the leader of the group, ably assisted by Carol Yamamoto (Rhythm and Life), and Gerri Hatada (hula). We are very fortunate to have Mrs. Edna Muneto, a classical dance instructor, with the title Bando Meiji, teach us many of our Japanese dances, some of which she also choreographed.

We invite you to join us! We'd love to have you become part of our Project Dana Dancers ohana! For more information, please call the Hawaii Betsuin office at 536-7045 and leave your name and number for me, Sumie Sueishi; I will call you back!

Hawaii Betsuin Centennial Ride Pledge Form

On September 30, three Hawaii Betsuin riders will join the Honolulu Century Ride as a fundraiser for Hawaii Betsuin. Riders are board members David Atcheson and Arthur Nakagawa and Dharma School alumnus and past Hongwanji Boy Scout Daniel Nakagawa.



Please make a pledge for one or more of these riders as a way to express gratitude for our temple and those who built and sustained it. Funds will go toward key temple maintenance and renovation projects. As of this writing, matching funds were still available to double your pledge.

You may use this paper form or pledge online at <http://bit.ly/100milepledge>.

Please associate my pledge with this rider:	How much would you like to pledge per mile?
<input type="checkbox"/> David Atcheson (goal: 100 miles)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$0.50
<input type="checkbox"/> Arthur Nakagawa (goal: 50 miles)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1
<input type="checkbox"/> Daniel Nakagawa (goal: 50 miles)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$2
<input type="checkbox"/> No specific rider (assume 100 miles)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10

Your name: _____ Your contact information: _____

Please drop off or mail this pledge form by September 30 to the Hawaii Betsuin business office, 1727 Pali Hwy, Honolulu, HI 96813. We will be in touch after the ride with payment options. Mahalo!!

Dharma School News

Debbie Kubota

Sunday, August 12 - Pool Party and Registration Day

What a fantastic start to our 2018-2019 Dharma School year! The Honolulu Dharma Schools held a kickoff Pool Party and Registration Day at Hongwanji Mission School on Sunday, August 12. We had over 100 participants from the four Honolulu temples—Betsuin, Jikoen, Kailua and Moiliili, with the majority of attendees from the Betsuin.

Reverend Yuika Hasebe started the morning with a short service in the gym. She shared a wonderful Dharma message plucking the strings of an ukulele individually, saying that alone we can make nice sounds. Then she strummed all of the strings together, saying that together we can make better sounds and create harmonious music. Nannette Ganotisi, our Betsuin Middle School Teacher, led the group in some ice

teachers formed a large circle, then a smaller circle inside of it. Members from each circle faced each other and introduced themselves, then shared how they were feeling.

Everyone transitioned into the cafeteria to fill out registration



a fun and exciting Dharma School year—starting off with a taiko session by our Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin Dharma School Taiko Group to kickoff the year on August 19 (more details to be shared in the October Goji).

Don't miss out! Please join us for our upcoming Halloween Activity - Saturday, October 27 - the Honolulu Dharma Schools will join Cub Scout Pack 49 for their annual Halloween Party and Haunted House with dinner and a costume contest at the Betsuin Social Hall. Stay tuned for more to come!



forms and get ready for swimming in the pool. While parents and students had fun in the pool, teachers and parents got lunch ready...there was green bean chili, black bean chili and vegetarian chili for lunch along with hot dogs, nachos, fruits and veggies.

And to top things off, the always popular shave ice, generously provided by Mel and Gail Kawahara. This year, they recruited their granddaughters, Dallas and Kaiya, to help them out.

Rainbow shave ice with a snow cap (condensed milk) was probably the most popular order.

We look forward to



breaker activities. A "marathon" running activity around the basketball court in the gym—with runners and walkers and all others as spectators. It takes both participants and spectators to make an event such as this. Then, students, parents and

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Radio Programs
SEPTEMBER 2018
KZOO 1210 AM
Japanese Language
Saturday at 7:30 AM

01 Rev. Hiromi Kawaji
 08 Rev. Yuika Hasebe
 15 Rimban Toyokazu Hagio
 22 Rev. Joshin Kamuro
 29 Rev. Nobuo Miyaji

Betsuin Services

Asaji Service 8:00 AM

02 Rev. Shingo Furusawa
 09 Rev. Joshin Kamuro
 16 Autumn Higan
 Rev. Nobuo Miyaji
 23 Rimban Toyokazu Hagio

Adult English Services
10:00 AM

02 Rev. Sol Kalu
 09 Rev. Yuika Hasebe
 16 Autumn Higan
 Family Service 9:30 am
 Rev. Nobuo Miyaji
 23 Rev. Joshin Kamuro
 30 Rimban Toyokazu Hagio

Nicchu Service 1:00 PM

02 Rev. Yuika Hasebe
 09 Rev. Shingo Furusawa
 16 Rev. Shingo Furusawa
 23 Rev. Yuika Hasebe
 30 Rev. Joshin Kamuro

Dharma School Service

02 Rev. Joshin Kamuro
 09 Rev. Shingo Furusawa
 16 Autumn Higan
 Family Service 9:30 am
 Rev. Nobuo Miyaji
 23 Rimban Toyokazu Hagio
 30 TBA

In Memoriam



June July 2018

The Hawai'i Betsuin extends its deepest sympathy to the families of the following members who recently passed away. May the family members find solace and comfort in the Nembutsu. Namo Amida Butsu

5/1 TORIGOE, Betty Toshiko (92)	7/1 NAKAMURA, Klarice H. (92)
5/3 TAKAFUJI, Skyler Hisashi (11mon)	7/4 MIYOSE, Kimiyo H. (89)
5/9 KINOSHITA, Yolanda Yukie (86)	7/5 IKEMOTO, Eugene Akiharu (81)
	7/6 IKO, Yoshikazu (99)
6/1 KAYANO, Cheryl Sadako (71)	7/7 YAMADA, Yoshino (99)
6/5 YUEN, Michael Hung Tong (67)	7/7 YOSHIOKA, Ronald Tadato (84)
6/8 NISHIOKA, Jean Shizuko (90)	7/8 SUGITA, Misako (86)
6/7 MIWA, Billy Toshio (93)	7/11 MIYASATO, June Misao (92)
6/8 SUGITA, Mitzi Mitsuko (95)	7/12 IKAWA, Koichi (94)
6/10 NAKATA, Sadae (97)	7/12 KITAMURA, Harutoshi (94)
6/13 WATANABE, Paul Takeo (93)	7/13 ARITA, Frank Tetsuyuki (95)
6/15 MASTERS, Patricia Lee (70)	7/13 MIYAZAWA, Eiko (58)
6/17 HIGUCHI, Edith Sayoko (85)	7/15 YAMAUCHI, Masue (86)
6/21 HIROKANE, Elizabeth Isano (90)	7/20 KASHIWA, Jill Masako (46)
6/22 NAKAMOTO, Violet Hideko (87)	7/23 URAKAWA, Roy Mikio (86)
6/23 EBISU, Yoshie (94)	7/25 CHANG, Kyung Sook Kim (70)
6/23 ODACHI, Utako "Audrey" (95)	7/27 OKAZAWA, Wilfred Hisashi (85)
6/24 UMAMOTO, Michino (98)	
6/25 DOTE, Warren K. (56)	
6/25 TAOGOSHI, Cary Takashi (65)	
6/26 IWAI, Doris Hisae (95)	
6/26 YOSHIKAWA, Mary Sumiko (90)	
6/27 KOMATA, Tomoe (84)	
6/28 ITO, Betty Kinue (89)	
6/28 NAKADA, Haruto (84)	
6/29 KIDANI, Carolyn Sandra Eiko (73)	

Please see Page 4 for the
 September Nursing Home
 Visitation Schedule!
 Mahalo!

2018 Memorial Service Schedule

2018 is the memorial year for those who passed away in:

2017 – 1 year	2006 – 13 year	1986 – 33 year
2016 – 3 year	2002 – 17 year	1969 – 50 year
2012 – 7 year	1994 – 25 year	1919 – 100 year



The great practice is to say the Name of the Tathagata of un-hindered light. This practice, comprehensively encompassing all practices, is perfect and most rapid in bringing them to fullness. For this reason, it is called "great practice." Saying the Name then breaks through all the ignorance of sentient beings and readily brings all their aspirations to fulfillment. Saying the Name is in itself mindfulness; mindfulness is nembutsu; nembutsu is Namo-amida-butsu.

-Shinran Shonin