

# Buss shin

## From Isolation to Sangha

BY REV. HARRY GYOKYO BRIDGE

I DIDN'T USED TO BE A people-person. I was an only child and, for various reasons, by the time I was a teenager I was very introverted and shy. If you have met me, do I seem that way now? I personally think that I have changed a lot since then - I started coming out of my shell in college, and discovering Buddhism and studying

to become a minister definitely had a strong impact on me.

I remember working at Starbucks after college and thinking one day, "I like people." It was an interesting thought - Starbucks can be a very stressful work environment, and dealing with the public in retail and food service can be challenging to say the least. But even with

the difficult people - er, "characters" - this realization that I genuinely liked "people" was kind of fascinating. I was supposed to be a loner, an introvert, an outsider. What had changed? And why?

Looking back now, the most important factor was my engagement with Buddhism. It helped me to be

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## Co-Presidents' Message

BY JON TAKAGAKI & STEVE TERUSAKI

JON AND I WANTED TO START off our August message by thanking the entire Sangha for their dedicated efforts and solid support in making this year's BCO Bazaar and Food Festival another roaring success. We wish to extend a huge thank you to the planning committee, shift captains, the Sangha and friends of the Sangha for

volunteering for our Bazaar and Food Festival. It is everyone's continued commitment that contributes to the success of our event and which makes our BCO community so special. A special acknowledgement goes to **Jon Takagaki**, who again stepped forward as chair of the Bazaar and Food Festival and so capably balances all the

competing demands that come with putting on this event. Kudos to Jon!

As this writing is happening at the end of June, Jon and I would also like to congratulate our recent high school and college graduates who were honored at the Graduation Service at the beginning of June. We wish each

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**OUR LAST SERVICE OF THE SCHOOL YEAR WAS HELD ON JUNE 3. IT WAS A VERY JOYFUL** service, as we celebrated students who have come to service for at least 22 Sundays (that's a lot!) and 30 or more Sundays (that's even more "a lot")! We celebrated promotions and we honored our graduates:



**Madison Ikeda, Bryant Lee and Keiko Masamori** received Attendance Certificates for attending 22 to 29 Sundays.



**Megumi Takemoto** received her First Year Pin for attending 30 or more Sundays. **Sydney Wong** received her Fourth Year Pin. **Samia Neishi** received her Sixth Year Pin. **Leila Neishi** received her Seventh Year Pin.



**Garrett Kamita** received his Eighth Year Pin. **Mayumi Nomura** received her Eleventh Year pin. **Glenn Kamita** (*not pictured*) received his Twelfth Year Pin.

The following graduates received a certificate from the BCO and a gift from the BCO presented by Rev. Bridge, Rev. Endo, Jon Takagaki and Steve Terusaki.



**Sachi Anderson** (*not pictured*) was promoted to kindergarten. **Jordan Kim** (*not pictured*), **Ryan Yoshida** and **Josh Lang** graduated from elementary school to middle school.



**Colin Kwong** (*not pictured*), **David Medina**, **Lanae Wong** and **Sean Yoshida** graduated from middle school to high school.



**Henry Abrahamson** (*not pictured*), **Alyssa Cho**, **Leila Neishi** and **Sydney Wong** graduated from high school and will be attending college.

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# Dharma School News

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Masuyama Life Enrichment Award to **Sydney Wong**.

**Tamiko Cavey** graduated from Cal Poly, SLO with a BA in History; **Grant Tominaga** graduated from UC Davis with a BS in Neurobiology; and **Kyle Wong** graduated from UC Davis. **Kaitlin Endo** received her Doctorate in Physical Therapy from New York University. Graduates received a certificate from the BCA and the BCO.

*tion of Emiko's birthday*

**Lynn Chung**, treats for the Dharma School students at the Awards and Graduation Service

**Gary and Anne Tominaga**, in honor of **Grant Tominaga's** college graduation.

**George and Christine Kamita**, in celebration of **Garrett's** birthday.

**Craig Lang and Pam Kato**, in honor of **Josh's** promotion.

In addition, our graduates from high school received a gift from the OBWA, presented by **Judy Kano**. **Robert Noguchi**, **Jon Takagaki** and **Steve Terusaki** presented the Taniguchi Award to **Alyssa Cho**, the Murakami Award to **Leila Neishi**, and **June Masuyama** presented the Nakashima-

Congratulations to all of our very successful graduates. We hope that the teachings of the Buddha and Shinran Shonin can help them lead happy lives.

The Dharma School is very grateful to the following donors:

**Karla and Roger Lee**, in celebration of **Cynthia's and Bryant's** birthdays.

**Erin and Mark Takemoto**, in celebra-

*Happy Birthday* to our students born in July: **Kelsey Dougherty**, **Jenna Kwong**, **Keiko Masamori**, **Lanae Wong**, **Ryan Yoshida**. We wish you all the best! We'll look for all of you at Obon on August 4 for the Festival and August 5 for Obon Service. Hope to see you all again at the first family service, *September 9 at 10:00 am!* ■



June Birthdays



BCO Dharma School 2018

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- ♥ Come early for morning breakfast munchies (9:15 am)
- ♥ First class of the year is September 9, 2018



We have classes, birthday celebrations, parties, skits, crafts, and games, all designed to teach us about Buddhism and help us lead a life of Nembutsu.



Edible Buddhist Lessons



Look who came to visit

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!!

**Oakland Buddhist Church Dharma School  
2018 Family Registration**

Please use this form to register your children (aged 3 and older). Add additional sheets if needed.

**Mother:**

First Name:		Last Name:	
Street Address:		City:	
Zip:		Phone:	
Email:			

**Father:**

First Name:		Last Name:	
Street Address:		City:	
Zip:		Phone:	
Email:			

**Please list all students on this form:**

**Student (1):**

First Name:		Last Name:	
Phone:		Email:	
School:		Grade:	
Food Allergies:		Birthdate:	

**Student (2):**

First Name:		Last Name:	
Phone:		Email:	
School:		Grade:	
Food Allergies:		Birthdate:	

**Student (3):**

First Name:		Last Name:	
Phone:		Email:	
School:		Grade:	
Food Allergies:		Birthdate:	

**UNDER THE ABLE DIRECTION OF RENIE YOSHIDA GROHL,** and with the many volunteers' assistance, we are progressing quite nicely in our knitting department preparing for the upcoming fund raiser to be held a few month hence. It feels great to see everyone working so hard with much enthusiasm helping us to make this fund-raiser a success. Thanks to everyone for your assistance.

Looking ahead, we do have some events upcoming, the dates to be announced as soon as they are confirmed. However, we do have one interesting event scheduled for Thursday, October 18. **Dr. Ajitha Nair**, Podiatrist, Oakland, will be the guest speaker. Her topic will be on "Fall Prevention". It should be of interest to all, both young and old especially as we age. ■

## Rev. Harry

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more aware of what I was going through, my various relationships, my own actions, my reactions to others, and so on. Of course, it is very difficult to be aware of all of these different aspects of life as they are happening. That is why self-reflection is important. But I'll go out on a limb and say that interaction with others is as important as self-reflection. Without engaging in the various relationships we find ourselves entangled in, whether briefly or lifelong, we may forget to reflect on our actions. Or worse yet, we may find ourselves trapped inside our minds, trapped in our habits.

I am writing this a few days after

our Bazaar & Food Festival, and you are probably reading it a few days before our Obon Festival. One of the most important aspects of both of these events is the fact that we get to work together, as temple members and volunteers but more importantly as Buddhists. Being in the world like this is part of the experience of being part of the Sangha, the Buddhist community, the third of the Three Treasures that we recite. It doesn't mean that everything becomes perfect and there is no more conflict - instead, we are able to face the challenges we encounter knowing that we are not alone, for we can go to the Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha for refuge. ■

## 2018 Hatsubon

**HATSUBON SERVICE IS** Sunday, August 5, 2018, at 9:30 a.m. We will be sending invitations to the families of the following people who have passed away since last year's Obon:

**LiNai Shimabukuro**  
**Kimiko Messenzehl**  
**John Yamamoto**  
**Haruye Sakamoto**  
**Kimie Ikemoto**  
**Kunio Shibata**  
**David Uemura**  
**Keary Nitta**  
**Lily Terusaki**  
**Joan Nomura**  
**Akira Hata**  
**Iwao Shigemoto**  
**June Kuge**  
**Mary Takagaki**  
**Kenji Aochi**  
**Robert Shigemoto**  
**George Ochikubo**  
**Evelyn Kanada**

The Obon Service will follow the Hatsubon Service at 10:30 am. ■

### DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER 2018 BUSSHIN ARTICLES:

**July 27<sup>th</sup>**

Articles submitted after this date may not be printed.

### SEND ARTICLES TO:

Joyce Yokomizo

email: joyce@yokomizo.com

or fax: (415) 970-0810.

You can also send articles to the church office.

### BUSSHIN COLLATION:

Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 HOST 11



Buddhist Church of Oakland

# Obon Festival

Sat. August 4, 2018

3:00PM - 9:00PM



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# 2018 August Shotsuki Memorial Service

**Service: Sunday, August 12, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.**

**Dharma Message: Rev. Michael Shojun Endo**

Family and friends are invited to attend this monthly memorial service for those listed below. If any errors appear, please direct them to the church office at (510) 832-5988 or officebco@gmail.com at your earliest convenience. For next month's Shotsuki Service, please see the Busshin Calendar.

Mr. Roy Akiyoshi	Mr. Toshikazu Matsutani	Mrs. Yuriko Otsuka
Mr. Jutaro Akiyoshi	Mrs. Kiyo Minamidani	Mrs. Mitsue Ozaki
Mrs. Toki Baba	Mr. Takao Misaki	Mr. Itsuo Ozawa
Mrs. Kiyo Baba	Mrs. Katsu Mitani	Mrs. Miyako Sakai
Mr. Tamotsu Baba	Mr. Kenichi Miyamoto	Mrs. Masako Sakaki
Mr. Tomi Fujii	Mrs. Tsuyako Mizusaki - <i>7th year</i>	Mrs. Tami Sakaki
Mr. Kyubei Fukuda	Mr. Kazuo Mori	Mr. Yoichiro Sakaki
Mrs. Hanako Furuta	Mr. Asaemon Muramoto	Mrs. Yoshiko Sano
Mr. Kentaro Ohtsuka Gluck	Mrs. Koyo Muramoto	Mrs. Hana Sasaki
Mrs. Asae Goto	Mr. Masami Muramoto	Mr. Moriichi Sasaki
Mr. James Grohl	Mrs. Take Muramoto	Mr. Mitsuji Sasaoka
Mr. Keinosuke Hamasaki	Mrs. Yumi Nagata	Mr. Gary Seiji
Mrs. Katsuko Harano	Mrs. Ichi Nakagawa	Mr. LiNai Shimabukuro - <i>1st year</i>
Mr. Yuguchi Hashimoto	Mr. Mitsuo Nakagawa	Baby Shinomoto
Mr. Yoshitomo Hirabayashi	Mr. Seijiro Nakagawa	Mr. Charles St. Germain
Mrs. Haruyo Hiromoto	Mrs. Tomie Nakagawa - <i>50th year</i>	Sujaku Family
Mr. Masajiro Hirota	Mr. Tosaburo Nakahara	Mrs. Sakuyo Sumimoto
Mr. Tadashi Hirota - <i>25th year</i>	Mrs. Yukie Nakahara	Mr. Junichi Sumimoto
Mrs. Mishi Horimoto	Mr. Akira Nakamura	Mrs. Hana Sunada
Mrs. Ishi Hoshide	Mrs. Himeko Nakao	Mrs. Masui Sunagawa
Mrs. Shizue Inouchi	Mrs. Ishi Nakao	Mrs. Toyo Sunayama
Mrs. Den Inouye	Mr. Timothy Nakaya - <i>13th year</i>	Mr. Koichi Takata
Mrs. Kuri Kakutani	Mr. Yokichi Neishi	Mrs. Tai Tamata
Mr. Ichimatsu Kamano	Mrs. Shimeno Nishino	Mrs. Nobu Tamori
Mr. Robert Kamano	Mrs. Yuki Nomura	Mr. Kumetaro Tamori
Mr. Jeffrey Kanada	Mrs. Wakae Nomura	Mr. Chugoro Tani
Mrs. Tsuru Kada	Mr. Hajime Nomura	Mrs. Moto Tani
Mr. Toyomatsu Kada	Mrs. Sylvia Nomura - <i>3rd year</i>	Mrs. Tamayo Tani
Mrs. Tamaki Kanda	Mrs. Fude Ogawa	Mr. Mitsuo Taniguchi
Mrs. Sakaye Katayama - <i>13th year</i>	Mr. Jack Ogawa - <i>33rd year</i>	Mr. Matsusuke Taniguchi
Mr. Rinzo Kato	Mrs. Kazue Ogawa	Mrs. Ichimi Teramae
Mrs. Setsuno Kawabata	Mr. Minosuke Ogawa	Mr. Fusajiro Utsurogi
Mrs. Fujie Kawabe	Mr. Katsuo Ohashi	Mrs. Mabel Watanabe
Mr. Yutaka Kayatani	Mr. Yoshihiro Ohhashi	Mrs. Take Yago
Mr. Harvey Kido	Mrs. Tameyo Okai	Mr. Shizuo Yamamoto
Mrs. Tsune Kimura	Mr. Kazumi Okamoto - <i>17th year</i>	Mr. Mosanta Yamamoto
Mr. Keijiro Kimura	Mr. Fujio Okano	Mr. Sadazo Yamane
Mrs. Osayo Kimura	Mr. Kimio Okawachi	Mr. Katsutoshi Yanagitsubo
Mr. Mokichi Kisanuki	Mr. Shigekazu Okawachi	Mrs. Patricia Ono Yokomizo
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Mr. Inajiro Koizumi	Baby Otsuka	Ms. Sachiko Yokoyama
Mrs. Kayo Kuramura	Mrs. Moto Otsuka	Mr. Masaru Yoshioka - <i>17th year</i>
Mr. Kanichi Masui	Mrs. Sano Otsuka	Mr. Togo Yoshioka



# HŌ-ON Service Teams

**THE HO-ON SERVICE TEAMS ARE LISTED BELOW. IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN CONTACTED AND** and you would like to help on a team, please call the office (510) 832-5988 or email officebco@gmail.com. We welcome all members and friends of the BCO to be part of a Host Group, so feel free to invite your children and extended family to help out on the teams. Please note that these service teams do not affect our BCO Bazaar & Food Festival shifts or our Obon Festival shifts. Your help at these two major fundraisers is still vital to the life of our church. *In Gassho, The BCO Board of Directors* ■

## HO-ON SERVICE TEAM 11:

*(Responsible for August 2018)*

George Kamita (Leader)  
Harry Bergland & June Masuyama  
Larry Don & Patricia Ide-Don  
Diane Kumiko Fukawa  
Lyman & Barbara Lewis Hollins  
George & Christine Kamita  
John Kaneshige  
Aki and Michiko Kuramoto

Karen Kuwada  
Warrick Liang  
Joanne Makishima  
Aki & Marge Morimoto  
Steven & Cheryl Otonari  
Carrie Otonari  
Susan Toyofuku  
Gerald & Janet Tsukahira  
Nancy Yamamoto

## HO-ON SERVICE TEAM 1:

*(Responsible for Sept. 2018)*

Gary Tominaga (Leader)  
Jun Hamamoto  
Kurt & Kimi Miyamura  
Brian Nagata  
Gregory & Linda Nakamura  
Chris Neishi  
Dan Neishi  
Lynne Neishi

John Neishi  
Ken & Carol Neishi  
Melanie Neishi  
Gary and Anne Tominaga  
Don and Yurika Toyofuku  
Louise Kiyoko Utsurogi  
Darrin Wong & Lori Neishi-Wong

## Temple Tidbits

BY DORIS OKANO

**THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR HARD** work and dedication in making the 2018 Bazaar & Food Festival a success. We appreciate your support!

Thanks to **Tosh Yokomizo** for sharpening the kitchen knives and **Earl Utsurogi** for his generous donation of hamburger and hot dog buns.

A big thank you to **Gary Tominaga** and **John Minamoto** for receiving our festival shipments.

Reduce-Recycle-Reuse. Thank you to **Norman Yoshida** for pick-up and drop-off of the ClearStream Racks from the City of Oakland

Zero Waste Recycling program. **Yu Yun Guan** and **Xi-Pei Xiong** for helping out with recycle collection.

Thank you to the Tuesday morning volunteers who helped clean the kitchen, **Donna Castro, Gloria Fujimoto, Teresa Jackson, Judy Kano, Maya Lawrence, June Masuyama, Linda Minamoto, and Pam Suda.** Thanks to **Bobby Ozawa** for mopping the kitchen floor and washing the rubber mats.

Tuesday night cleanup. Thank you to **Clifford Yokomizo, Ken Aisawa, Mika Bridge, Pat Walsh,**

**John Minamoto, Ron Nomura, Mayumi Nomura, Rev. Bridge, Rev. Endo, Mark Shimamoto, Robert Noguchi, Jarred Tsukahira, Julia Tsukahira and Jon Takagaki.**

Thank you to the *clean team* **Dennis Katayama** and **John Minamoto** for scrubbing and cleaning out the Cold Box refrigeration container and mopping the Issei Kaikan main hall.

Our apologies if we missed anyone. We look forward to seeing you at Obon Festival! ■

## IN MEMORIAM:

The Buddhist Church of Oakland extends its deepest condolences to the families of:

**June Kuge**

April 12, 2018

**Mary Takagaki**

May 4, 2018

**Kenji Aochi**

May 29, 2018

**Robert Shigemoto**

May 30, 2018

May the family members find comfort and solace in the Nembutsu, Namu amida butsu.

GIRLS D SILVER TEAM AT THE 2018 OHTANI TOURNAMENT



BUDDHIST CHURCH  
OF OAKLAND IS  
SEEKING BOYS AND  
GIRLS FOR THE 2018-  
2019 BASKETBALL  
SEASON

# BUDDHIST CHURCH OF OAKLAND



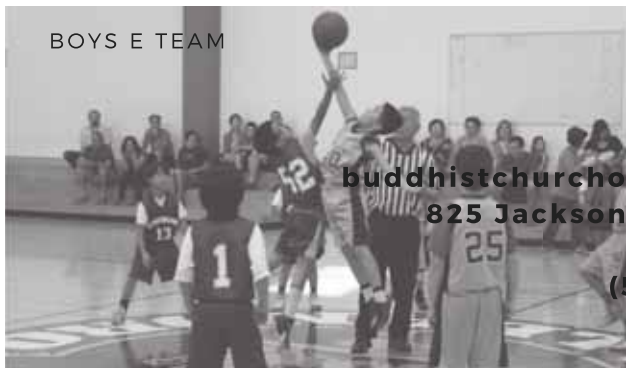
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# BCO Bazaar & Food Festival 2018



## Co-Presidents' Message

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them much success on their journey to new horizons. Remember to stay plugged in and connected to both BCO and BCA. There are new efforts at the BCA-level to connect youth and young adults; and through the Center for Buddhist Education there are frequent seminars and events for your continued learning after Jr. YBA and Dharma School. And, if you're in a location near a BCA temple, take the opportunity to walk-in and introduce yourself. You'll be amazed at how connected you are to these Sanghas.

As this is the August Busshin, it is Obon season at BCO. Dance practices begin in July for three weeks prior to the Obon Festival, so mark your calendars and dust off your uchiwa, folding fan, tenugui, and katchi-katchi's and come out to refresh your dance-steps. Our Obon Festival is on Saturday, **August 4th** and we expect to have another great turn-out by our BCO members and the community at large. Food, live music, cultural events

and displays will be followed by dancing in the street in front of the Church at **7:30 pm**. Get your kimono, yukata and happi coats ready for another great time.

**Robert Noguchi**, as Festival Chair, has been working behind the scenes to ensure that preparations are all in place. Work shifts were published in last month's Busshin. It is critically important for you to review those work shifts and let the church office, or the shift captain know if there are conflicts with your schedule. It is easier to proactively "plug" holes in the shift schedule than finding out someone is not showing up at the time of the shift. Also, if for some reason you are NOT listed, and have the time to come out and help, your efforts will be greatly appreciated. There are many areas that need your help, including the construction and deconstruction of the yagura and odori area on Jackson Street; and kitchen help for food preparation and clean-up, so please contact the Church Office.

Please consider honoring your loved ones by hanging a lantern tag from one of the red lanterns that will adorn the dance area on Jackson Street during the Obon Odori. Forms are again included in this month's Busshin and are requested to be returned to the Church Office by Monday July 30th.

*Sunday, August 5th* is the religious observation of Obon with the Hatsubon and Obon Services beginning at 9:30 am. The Hatsubon Service is a special service for families who have lost a loved one since last year's Obon. The main Obon Service follows at 10:30 honoring all our loved ones who have entered the Pure Land. The Festival and Odori are fun activities but listening to the dharma to understand why we make this special effort every year is at the essence of Obon.

Again, Jon and I thank everyone for all that you do to support the Church and our Sangha. In gassho. ■

# BCO Bazaar & Food Festival Acknowledgements - Aug 2018

Thank you for your generous support!

**Brush Strokes Studio**

745 Page Street, Berkeley

**Donna Castro**

**DeLynda DeLeon**

**Bill Dougherty**

**Michael Endo**

**Freight & Salvage Coffee House**

2020 Addison St., Berkeley

**Gloria Fujimoto**

**Sharyn K. Funamura & Jimmy Yoo**

**Gecko Gecko Thai Restaurant**

2101 Milvia St., Berkeley

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**Maya Murashima Yonemura**

**Norman Yoshida**



Host: Buddhist Church of Oakland 510-832-5988  
When: Monday, August 27 at 12:00 PM

Where: Berkeley Country Club (Formerly Mira Vista Golf & CC)  
7901 Cutting Boulevard El Cerrito, CA 94530

31TH ANNUAL BCO GOLF  
TOURNAMENT AND DINNER

# BUDDHIST CHURCH OF OAKLAND (BCO)

*presents*



## **Obon**

Sunday, August 5, 2018

9:30am: Hatsubon Service (for  
Hatsubon families)

10:30am: Obon Service

11:30am: Luncheon

Obon is the season in which we express our gratitude to loved ones who have passed before us. Without them, we would not be who we are, today. We would not be where we are and not be able to do the things we do to enjoy life.

Join us for this special event on Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **Speaker:**

Rev. Harry Gyokyo Bridge  
Resident Minister  
Buddhist Church of Oakland



**Buddhist Church of Oakland**  
825 Jackson Street (at 9<sup>th</sup>) - Oakland CA 94607 – 510-832-5988  
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# BUDDHIST CHURCH OF OAKLAND

## 31st ANNUAL BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT

Dear Members and Friends:

The Buddhist Church of Oakland is proud to sponsor its 31st Annual Benefit Golf Tournament to be held at the **Berkeley Country Club** (formerly Mira Vista Golf & Country Club), 7901 Cutting Boulevard, El Cerrito, CA 94530. It returns back to this iconic location in August again. It will be on **Monday, August 27, 2018**.

We are, once again, offering corporate sponsorships to invite local community organizations, companies or individuals to further participate in the church's programs including community outreach. Three levels of **corporate sponsorship** are available. Each level provides corporate representatives to participate as well as opportunities to identify your company or business in our program and at the golf course.

Other opportunities include providing a donation that could be used as a **raffle or door prize**. We also ask you to consider supporting this fundraiser by being a **hole-sponsor** for the tournament. In recognition of your monetary donation of \$100 or more for the hole-sponsor, a sign advertising your business or your personal sponsorship will be displayed at one of the 18 tee areas and will be acknowledged in the printed program. The proceeds of this tourney will go towards addressing the many maintenance challenges that are in many cases long overdue at the church.

A list of the types of sponsorships and donations are on the second page. In order for your donation to be properly acknowledged in the program, please complete and return the form on Page 2 to the Buddhist Church of Oakland by **August 13, Monday**.

It is with deepest gratitude and appreciation to the many participants and donors over the years that we are able to continue having this annual event. Your consideration of supporting this event is greatly appreciated. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Keiju Terada, Committee Chair

**Committee Members:** Michael Endo, Mary Hiromoto, Eric Ikeda, Linda Minamoto, Edward Mon, Peter Nakaso, John Neishi, Ron Nomura, Jeff Suda, Ted Tanisawa, Gary Tominaga, Janet Tsukahira

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# BUDDHIST CHURCH OF OAKLAND

## 31st ANNUAL BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT

**Please submit this form with enclosed envelope with  
checks made payable to the BUDDHIST CHURCH OF OAKLAND**

*Monday, August 27, 2018  
Berkeley Country Club  
(Formerly Mira Vista Golf and Country Club)  
El Cerrito. CA*

Yes to Corporate Sponsorship:

- Gold Sponsor \$2000- one four-some including carts, meals, and hole-sponsor sign designating Gold Sponsor. Display company-provided banner at the tournament banquet, and one page advertisement in the tournament program booklet.
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- Bronze Sponsor \$500 - one player including cart, meals, and hole-sponsor sign designating Bronze Sponsor. Display company-provided banner at the tournament banquet, one-third (1/3) page advertisement in the tournament program booklet.
- I wish to be a hole sponsor for the 2018 BCO Golf Tournament. The minimum donation is \$100. Please include the name(s) you wish to have appear on the hole-sponsor sign:

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- I do not wish to sponsor a hole, but I would like to provide a monetary donation to assist with the purchase of prizes for the tournament.

Amount enclosed: \$\_\_\_\_\_

- I wish to make a merchandise donation for use during the tournament. The committee will contact you.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (        ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_



## OBON LANTERN TAGS A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE

During Buddhist Church of Oakland's Obon Festival on August 4, 2018, honor past members of your family through a Memorial Tribute tag hung from the Obon Lanterns above the dance area on Jackson Street.

*(Previous tags are on file in the Church office, and will be re-hung with your donation.)*

**Person requesting tag:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Deceased Family Member** *(submit one sheet for each family member):*

<i>Last name</i>	<i>First Name</i>	<i>Middle/Other Name</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Japanese only</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Japanese and English</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>English only</b>

*Kanji (Japanese characters) required if tag is to be done in Japanese:*

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- Previous Memorial Tag (at Church office)      \$20 donation
  - New Memorial Tag to be created      \$35 donation

**Contact information:**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Forms due by: Monday, July 30, 2018**

Please make checks to: **Buddhist Church of Oakland**

*please write "Obon Lantern Tag" in the memo line*



# AUGUST 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
<b>HOST 11 Leader: George Kamita</b> Coverage for August support tasks including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Welcome Coffee Hour on 8/5.</li> <li>Welcome Coffee Hour Refreshments (9:00 am-9:50 am) on 8/12.</li> <li>Obon Service Luncheon &amp; clean-up;</li> <li>Weekend garden clean-up;</li> <li>Busshin collation.</li> </ul>			<b>1</b>  Obon Practice 7:30-9:00 PM	<b>2</b>  Obon Practice 7:30-9:00 PM	<b>3</b> Obon Food Prep, 7:00 am  Ikebana Prep Small Chapel 3:00-8:00 PM	<b>4</b> Obon Food Prep, 5:00 am-3:00 pm  Obon Construction, 8:00 am-12:00 pm  Obon Festival 3:00-7:30 pm Obon Odori, 7:30-9:00 pm
<b>5</b> 9:30 am Hatsubon Service  10:30 am Obon Service  Luncheon	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> Welcome Coffee Hour 9:00 am-9:50 am  Shotsuki Memorial Service 10:00-11:00 am  Busshin Collation	<b>13</b> Wanto Shodo Kai Issei Kaikan, 10 am-12 Noon	<b>14</b> OFSCA General Meeting Issei Kaikan, 7:00- 9:00 pm	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> No Service	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Asian Health Services Monthly Meeting Social Hall 9:00 am-12:00 pm	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Busshin Articles Due	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> No Service	<b>27</b> BCO Golf Tournament Berkeley Country Club 10:00 am  Wanto Shodo Kai Issei Kaikan, 10 am-12 Noon	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	

# SEPTEMBER 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
<b>HOST 1 Leader: Gary Tominaga</b> Coverage for September support tasks including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome Coffee Hour Refreshments (9:00 am-9:50 am);</li> <li>Dharma chat refreshments;</li> <li>Sunday service greeters;</li> <li>Welcome back luncheon</li> <li>Straighten Hondo week before major service (9/9)</li> <li>Ohigan Refreshments;</li> <li>Weekend garden clean-up;</li> <li>Busshin collation.</li> </ul>						1
2 No Service	3 Labor Day Office Closed	4	5 Line Dancing 1:00 pm  Board of Directors Meeting, Small Chapel, 7:00 pm	6 Momijikai, Small Chapel 10:00 am-2:00 pm  Gakuen - Adult Advanced Class Issei Kaikan, 6:30-8:30 pm	7	8 Gakuen - First Day Social Hall & Issei Kaikan 9:00-12:00 pm  Ikebana Issei Kaikan 1:30-4 pm
9 Welcome Coffee Hour 9:00 am-9:50 am  Dharma Family Service HOST 1 Chair Installations, Dharma School & Jr. YBA Officers, 10:00-11:00 am  Welcome Back Luncheon  Shotsuki Memorial and Adult Dharma Service 11:00-11:45 am  Busshin Collation	10 Wanto Shodo Kai Issei Kaikan, 10 am-12 Noon  Karaoke, Social Hall, 7:30-9:30 pm	11	12	13   Gakuen - Adult Advanced Class Issei Kaikan, 6:30-8:30 pm  Concord Howakai 7:00-8:30 pm	14	15 Gakuen Issei Kaikan, 9:00-12:00 pm
16 Welcome Coffee Hour 9:00 am-9:50 am  Fall Ohigan Service 10:00-10:45 am  10:45-11:30 am Adult Fall Ohigan Service  Refreshments 11:30-12:30 pm  BEC Meeting-11:30 am  Ashland Howakai 5:00-6:30pm	17 Karaoke, Social Hall, 7:30-9:30 pm	18 OFSCA General Meeting Issei Kaikan, 7:00-9:00 pm	19 Line Dancing 1:00 pm  Business Committee Meeting-7:00-8:30 pm	20 Momijikai, Small Chapel 10:00 am-2:00 pm  Gakuen - Adult Advanced Class Issei Kaikan, 6:30-8:30 pm	21	22 Gakuen Issei Kaikan, 9:00-12:00 pm
23 Welcome Coffee Hour 9:00 am-9:50 am  Dharma Family Service, Bishop's Memorial Service 10:00-11:00 am  Dharma Chat 10:45-11:30 am	24 Wanto Shodo Kai Issei Kaikan, 10 am-12 Noon  Karaoke, Social Hall, 7:30-9:30 pm	25	26 Asian Health Services Monthly Meeting Social Hall, 9:00 am- 12:00 pm	27 Gakuen - Adult Advanced Class Issei Kaikan, 6:30-8:30 pm	28 Busshin Articles Due	29 Gakuen Issei Kaikan, 9:00-12:00 pm
30 Welcome Coffee Hour 9:00 am-9:50 am  Dharma Family Service 10:00-10:45 am						