



## Hanamatsuri

BY REVEREND HARRY GYOKYO BRIDGE

This month we celebrate one of the most important events in Buddhism – the birth of Shakyamuni Buddha. This event is significant for so many reasons. Perhaps the most amazing thing is that if he had not been born, then none of us would be able to hear his teachings. But he was born, and despite all the myths and legends, the reality of his teaching is available to anyone.

Reflecting on the life of Shakyamuni also leads me to reflect on my own life, and that of others. Each one of us has our own path, our own challenges to overcome, our own joys and our own sorrows. But rather than just live that life mindlessly, aimlessly being buffeted along by the trials of existence, the Buddha's life serves as an example to become aware, to try and wake up to the deeper reality of compassion, impermanence, and interdependence.

So please come and join us for the traditional Hanamatsuri Service, where we bathe the baby Buddha with sweet tea,

celebrating the birth of not only a person – the Buddha – but also a way of life – Buddhism, the Buddha Dharma – which allow each one of us to live our life to its fullest potential.

In gassho,  
Rev. Harry Gyokyo Bridge ❀

## The DharmaRealm Live Recording

Join **Rev. Harry Bridge** and **Scott Mitchell** at the Jodo Shinshu Center on Saturday, April 10 for a live recording of the DharmaRealm podcast. Doors open at 1 p.m.

We will be discussing, among other things, Buddhist cosmology and imagined worlds. How are Buddhist ideas of rebirth, Pure Lands, and other worlds relevant to our everyday practice? And how can other imagined worlds in pop-culture help us understand Buddhism? You can get a sneak-peek of this topic in our March 19th episode on Buddhism and science fiction.

The show starts at noon and is free and open to the public. Our public shows always include

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**TEMPLE TID-BITS**

**1940 Map of Downtown Oakland**

Were you a member of the Buddhist Church of Oakland in 1940? Did you live in Oakland? **John Minamoto** brought in a map of downtown Oakland circa 1940. The map shows many of the Japanese owned businesses in this area. A copy is on the bulletin board by the office door. Stop by to take a look at history!

**Hanamatsuri Luncheon**

Are you coming to celebrate Hanamatsuri? Join us for potluck luncheon after the service. We look forward to seeing you all!

**Corrections**

- Contractor **Paul Asaza-wa**'s name was misspelled in the March Busshin.
- March Shotsuki Service was Sunday, March 7, 2010, but you knew that it wasn't on Monday, right?

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plenty of time for discussion, so come with your questions and we'll do our best to address them.

The DharmaRealm is a bi-monthly podcast by **Rev. Harry Bridge** of the Buddhist Church

of Oakland and **Scott Mitchell** of the Institute of Buddhist Studies. Listen on the web at [www.dharmarealm.com](http://www.dharmarealm.com) or download individual episodes from iTunes. Just search for "DharmaRealm" in the iTunes music store.

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**President's Musings**

BY STEVE TERUSAKI

With this Busshin edition, we are well into March and looking forward to April. It is the beginning of spring with the equinox and O-Higan; springing-forward with daylight savings time and its concomitant loss of van hour of sleep; and of course looking forward to Hanamatsuri and the beautiful floral displays that adorn our hondo.

But looking into my rear-view mirror, I also wanted to comment on the National Council Meeting, the Shinran Symposium and Banquet; and BCA's 75<sup>th</sup> Shinran Memorial Service and musical celebration. Having just returned from the whirlwind of the four-day set of events in San Jose, I am still trying to recover from the 16-hour days. It was a remark-

able four days filled with business matters of the BCA; inspirational talks and dharma messages; and great insights into what we all need to do, and be mindful of, as we go forward as Jodo Shinshu Buddhists in making Jodo Shinshu an American mainstream religious tradition.

I was particularly inspired by **Rev. Dr. Ken Tanaka's** keynote speech at the beginning of the Shinran Symposium. It takes an academic looking at BCA from outside the U.S. to give us a perspective of us that we do not normally see. I found his statement on the growth and evolution of the BCA particularly thought-provoking as he posited that we are now in the "American" period of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism in America. This current period was preceded by the Japanese period (1898 to 1946) where ministers were from Japan, the temple leaders were the Issei, and the language of the temple was Japanese; and the Japanese-American period (1946 to 1985) where we begin to see American-born Nikkei ministers, leadership of the temples had transitioned to the Nisei, and the language of the temple was transitioning to English. Now in our "American" period, we see many who come to Jodo Shinshu Buddhism from other faiths; ministers who are both from Japan and home-grown here in the US; the transition of temple leadership to the Sansei and Yonsei who are not

only leaders at the temples and in the BCA community, but also leaders in their chosen professions and careers in mainstream American society; and the use of English as the dominant language of the temples both in services and in writings. Each period is a reflection of the integration and assimilation of the Japanese into American society. In our current American period, we no longer have the need for the “ethnic fortress” that was a survival mechanism in reaction to the Yellow Peril discrimination experienced by the Japanese American community pre and in the immediate post-WWII period. Realizing this, we no longer should view the temple as having protective walls, but rather see the temple as an enlarging tent where the central support is the Dharma itself. Accepting all who can enter and become sheltered by this tent should be our goal as we seek to offer the Nembutsu teachings to the broader American audience.

**Mr. Pieper Toyama**, Head of Hawaii’s Pacific Buddhist Academy, gave an enlightening banquet keynote address on how to bring our sangha to action. His six-step process was a primer on marketing communications. The responsibility of effective communication falls to the leaders and their designates to ensure that there is an understandable message that resonates with their audience. The end result is an informed sangha that stands ready to take

on whatever tasks, or actions, that are needed. His example was the need to enlist Fujinkai members to make takuan. The message: come with (1) a cutting board; (2) a sharp knife; and (3) be prompt at 6:00 AM...short and to the point for this audience; clear and understandable; and the result being a group of women who are called to action, ready to make takuan at 6:00 AM.

One of the Sunday program highlights was the performance of a new song written and composed by **Mr. Russell Daisey** of New York: Shinran Shonin, He Stood There Watching. The preamble to his performance was extremely evocative, bringing to everyone a new understanding of this Shinran statue that stands in front of the New York Buddhist Church. The Shinran statue has seen and withstood the worst of mankind’s actions against mankind, not once, but twice: the atomic bombing in Hiroshima; and the 9/11 tragedy of the World Trade Center. Despite these events, Shinran continues to endure. He followed his original composition with his rousing performance of Stand Up for Peace together with a group of Dharma School students and the entire 1000+ audience in attendance.

As **Rev. Dr. David Matsumoto** stated in his Sunday dharma message, music is the medium of Amida’s voice, for it captures the essence and feeling of our existence. It truly was a magical Sunday with new gathas by **Elaine Jones**, **Kent Matsuda**

and **Dii Lewis**, and performances by choirs from around Bay and Coast Districts. I think everyone will agree that it was inspirational and a 750<sup>th</sup> Memorial celebration of Shinran that will be remembered by all.

Finally, I would convey how truly honored I was to represent the Buddhist Church of Oakland at the opening service of the Shinran Symposium, one of three other temples established in 1901. All 62 BCA temples were called to offer gassho, beginning with the newest temple: Longmont Buddhist Temple (2010) approved as a full-fledged BCA temple in this year’s National Council proceedings, to the oldest: the Buddhist Church of San Francisco (1898.) The Buddhist Church of Oakland is the fourth oldest within the BCA (preceded only by San Francisco, Sacramento and Seattle), truly a legacy of the dedication and commitment of our Issei and Nisei elders. We are so fortunate to be the recipients of this century plus-long history that is the Buddhist Church of Oakland; and because of that history, to also be the fortunate recipients of the 750-year old teachings of Shinran -- teachings that have withstood the test of time and continue to be relevant in our lives here in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

With sincerest gratitude and gassho,

Steve Terusaki,  
BCO President ❀

# Roof Renovation Project and Campaign

By JON TAKAGAKI

The roof renovation project and campaign was introduced in the March Busshin and discussed at the annual general meeting in February. Below is a re-cap of the project and campaign. Look for an article in each month's Busshin for a progress update on the renovation project and fundraising campaign.

## Water Leaks into the Building

As reported in the March Busshin, the church has become very concerned over water damage from roof leakages during the winter rains. This damage can be seen in various places inside the church building and the problem is getting worse, causing damage to ceiling tiles, wall plaster, and possible dry rot within the wall framing.

## Ad Hoc Committee Formed

**Steve Terusaki**, BCO President, formed an ad hoc committee to gain an understanding of the problem and determine a course of action. Members of the committee include **Reverend Harry Bridge, Harry Bergland, Don Kaneshige, Mark Shimamoto, Jon Takagaki, and Keiju Terada.**

## The Roof is Evaluated

A forensic evaluation of the roof was conducted in late 2009

by a contractor with specialized knowledge of unique roof architecture. This evaluation concluded that the roof itself (made with metal, shingle-like tiles) is in excellent condition and has a life-time warranty. However, the connections between the metal "shingles" and wooden ornamental roof elements were not properly sealed when the roof was installed in the early 1990's, causing water leaks into the church building.

In addition, the wooden ornamental pieces, known as "roof dragons" and the wooden elements along the roof's peaks and ridges have experienced significant dry-rot. This decay has also resulted in water leaks into the building. To eliminate further damage, these wooden ornaments and peaks and ridges need to be replaced. Interestingly, they are original to the when the building was constructed in 1927.

The roof evaluation also uncovered water leaks into the building from drainage issues on the side addition of the church where the kitchen was enlarged and from the flat roof over the second floor small chapel.

## The Solution

The Ad Hoc Committee evaluated three materials (wood, galvanized metal-clad wood, and

glass fiber-reinforced concrete or GFRC), to replace the wooden ornamentals. These materials were determined to be the most practical alternatives to consider.

While the three materials are similarly durable and can be duplicated to replicate the wooden ornamentals, GFRC will require less overall maintenance compared to the other two materials and provides a more cost effective/high value solution when both capital costs for installation and future maintenance costs are taken into account over a 30 to 40 year period.

GFRC is a fabricated material and made with a light weight concrete core, covered by a cement-like mixture of glass fibers and concrete. GFRC is a commonly used material in today's construction industry.

## A Fundraising Campaign is Needed

Repair and restoration of the original design features of the church roof will require a major financial undertaking of the Church, its Sangha, and friends of our temple. To complete the work, a GFRC fabricator and installer along with a general contractor will be required. An overall estimate of \$400,000 has been obtained, which includes using the GFRC material for the roof or-

namementals, replacing the wooden peaks and ridges, replacing the roof over the upstairs chapel, and a small contingency for unforeseen items that may arise during the project. The \$400,000 estimate sets the target for the fundraising effort.

Everyone's Help is Requested

The Ad Hoc Committee has evaluated the funding requirements and has begun to put a plan in place, working to keep a suggested donation amount as manageable as possible. The hope is to secure a portion of the campaign goal from "seed money" that comes from the transfer of funds from various church accounts and a second portion of the goal from major donors to the campaign.

Based on meeting targets from the two sources of funds referenced above, the suggested recommendation for donors to the campaign is \$500 per member or \$1,000 per couple. The campaign will be a two year long effort with total donation amounts requested over this two year period. For those who find the suggested donation beyond reach, please consider a donation that you feel comfortable with and within your means. For those who are able, please consider digging a little deeper and go beyond the suggested donation to help the temple meet its goal. With grati-

tude, all donations are sincerely appreciated.

An Update on What Has Been Going On

**Mark Shimamoto** is finishing up detailed design drawings and specifications for bidding purposes to pre-selected contractors. He has also had preliminary meetings with a GFRC fabricator to discuss design specifications and to plan out some of the details. Mark was instrumental in managing the forensic roof evaluation and for researching and providing the Ad Hoc Committee with the three alternatives to replace the wooden roof ornamentals. We wish to thank Mark for all his efforts and for continuing to provide his technical architectural expertise to this project and campaign.

The plan is to choose a contractor in the March/April timeframe, have shop drawings prepared and the GFRC work completed between April-July, and begin the renovation work right after Obon in August, with a completion date in latter September.

The Ad Hoc Committee has been completing the fundraising campaign planning and, shortly, you will be hearing more about the process to make donations.

Thank you for your continued support of the temple and for this very important roof campaign. If you have questions, please contact any of the Ad Hoc Committee members. ☸

## Help Us Gather Donations for the Bazaar!

Last year's Nikkoland Bazaar included wonderful silent auction items that generated spirited bidding. And, we were able to expand the number of terrific prizes to winners in the raffle drawing. Both the silent auction and raffle were huge successes last year, thanks to the generosity of our temple members and friends of our church who donated merchandise, gift certificates, and valued personal possessions to support the temple. We sincerely appreciate and are grateful for their generosity.

In preparation for the 2010 Nikkoland Bazaar in June, we request your help to identify potential donors for the silent auction and raffle drawing.

Donors might be businesses, organizations, and individuals that you know who may be able to donate:

- merchandise and products
- gift cards and certificates to restaurants or for services (e.g., a day at the spa)
- tickets to sporting events
- tickets to the performing arts
- gift baskets

These are examples of a few of the most popular silent auction items. All donations are welcome and appreciated.

Please contact **Tomita** in the *continued on next page*

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church office with potential donors. You can reach **Tomita** by phone at 510-832-5988 or by e-mail at [bco825@aol.com](mailto:bco825@aol.com). When you contact Tomita, please let her know:

- name of the business or organization
- address
- type of business
- contact name
- whether we can indicate your name as the referral

Thank you for your help. With your assistance, we will be able to have an even more successful silent auction, raffle and Nikko-land Bazaar in 2010. ❀

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## SACBC Bingo Buddhist Church of Oakland Fundraiser

Thank you to the Bingo Volunteers and the Snack Bar Pastry Donors for the participation on Friday, February 19, 2010. Because of our (BCO) participation in the Bingo for that evening, our church will receive \$500.

We would like to thank the following volunteers who donated their time and efforts on that evening, working at the refreshment counter, bingo card sales, special and pull tab sales, verifiers and payouts:

**Dennis Katayama**  
**Yo Kawabata**

**Mary Hiromoto**  
**Patti Hisaoka**  
**Clare Kaneshige**  
**Don Kaneshige**  
**Ruby Kuritsubo**  
**Namie Naito**  
**Yosh Nakano**  
**Jean Nakao**  
**Jean Nakazono**  
**Tak Otsuka**  
**Valerie Otsuka**  
**Agnes Sasaki**  
**Digger Sasaki**  
**Keiju Terada**  
**Daisy Tsujimoto**

Thank you to the following persons who donated cakes, pies and cookies which were sold at the snack bar:

**Chieko Endo**  
**Gloria Fujimoto**  
**Setsuko Furuta**  
**Shiz Hirota**  
**Ruby Kuritsubo**  
**Maya Lawrence**  
**Lou Minamoto**  
**Namie Naito**  
**Kathy Terusaki**  
**Carol Thunen**  
**Daisy Tsujimoto**  
**Nancy Yamamoto**  
**George Yokoyama**

Special thanks to **Patti Hisaoka** (Barazushi plate) and **Daisy Tsujimoto** (Kabocha plate) for providing food for the volunteers.

As you can see, it takes many people for this bingo participation, but it is a worthwhile fundraiser for our church. SACBC Bingo is held every Friday evening unless there is a special event at SACBC. Join us for a fun time at

the next fundraiser. The Church would like to thank all of you for your continued support.

BCO Bingo Coordinators: **Jean Nakazono** and **Digger Sasaki** ❀

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## Youth Club News

By DAVE HIROTA

The Youth Club Appreciation Night has been set for March 26 at 6:30 pm in the main hall. We will be collecting uniforms by team (turn them in to your team manager) and accepting registrations for any new or returning players. We are going to introduce our teams and coaches and have a delicious dinner organized by **Hollis Chin**, so set aside the date of March 26. Additionally, sign ups for Bazaar and Obon shifts will be starting at 6 pm on a first come first served basis. All of our teams have finished their league seasons and are participating in various tournaments. Congratulations to **Phil Li** and his boys' C team for being the first BCO boys team to qualify for the league shaugnnessy in five years.

Our boys B team just missed making it.

I would like to acknowledge coaches **Sonny Kim**, **Peter Nakaso**, **Phil Li**, **Warren Kurisu**, **Andy Cho**, **Chris Neishi**, **Ken Wong**, **Eric Masamori**, **Jon Casey**, **Alexander Yu**, **John Ng**, **Russell Doi**, **Ray Shojinaga**, **Gary Lee**, **Lisa Oyama**, **Ron No-**

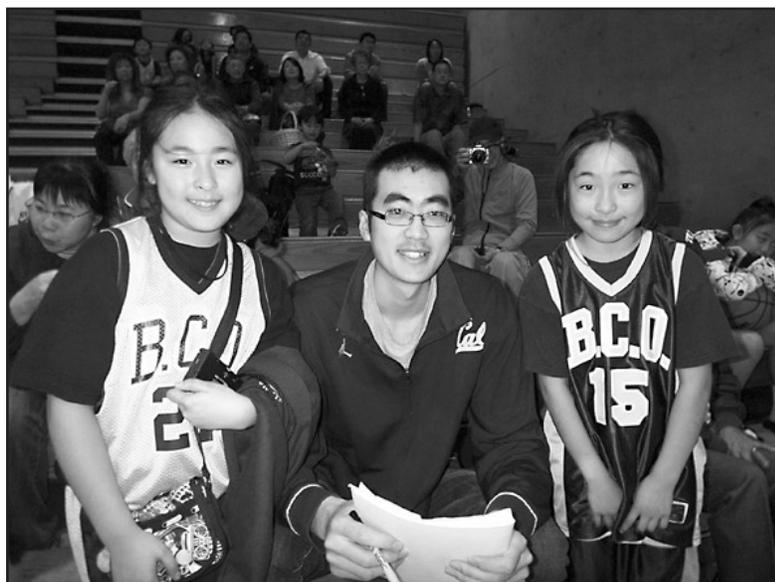
mura and Les Wong for doing a fantastic job. Also kudos to team managers Ted Sakauye, Susan Tsukayama, Lianne Tsujimoto-Wong, Sandy Nishikawa, Suzanne Neishi, Karen Owoc, Karol Doi, Hollis Chin and Tammy Yuen. This year's board members were Phil Li, Julie Yamashita, Yinpo Wong, Valerie Otsuka, Linda Nakamura and Hollis Chin. Hope I haven't missed anyone. Oh yes, thanks to my wife Katie for allowing me the time to run the club. This sounds like an Oscar acceptance speech. Gomenasai.

The Youth Club would also like to thank the OBWA and the Terusaki and Miyamori families for their generous donations to the club. ❁



## Jr. YBA News

By PAUL NOGUCHI



Hello, this is the Jr. YBA publicist, Paul Noguchi, with news for April. I hope you all had the chance to go to the Shinran Shonin 750th Memorial in San Jose and had a great time. You probably even saw me working at the bookstore! But, getting back to new, the Jr. YBA will be holding a donburi luncheon on Sunday April 18. More information will come out later, so be sure to attend church for the details! Thanks to all who support the Jr. YBA, and I'll see you at church! ❁

## DHARMA SCHOOL NEWS...

By JANET UMEZU

Welcome to the **Kim Family** who joined the Dharma School in February. Parents: **Cindy Sakai Kim** and **Henri Kim** have two children, **Conor** who is 4 years old and **Jordan** who is 3 years old. The next time you see them please introduce yourselves. Also a very warm welcome to two children who we have known since they were babies and now are officially enrolled as Dharma School students. Please welcome **Garrett Kamita**, son of **George** and **Christine Kamita** and **Karina Morgan**, daughter to **Scott** and **Joanne Morgan**. Their teachers are **Joni Hiramoto** and **Donna Castro**.

At the end of February, everyone looked forward to attending the 750<sup>th</sup> Shinran Shonin Memorial Service in San Jose. We hope you enjoyed the Musical Service, especially the playing of our own organist, **Steve Terusaki** and the readings of poems by **Martha Castro** and **Grant Tomi-naga**. Thank you to everyone with worked so diligently to put on such a wonderful program.

With the end of the festivities for the 750<sup>th</sup> Shinran Shonin Commemorative Memorial over, the students quickly jumped into rehearsing for their Hanamatsuri performance. Please make every effort to have your students attend each Sunday to practice. Hanamatsuri will be April 4th. In the event your family will not be able to attend Hanamatsuri, please

let your child's teacher know.

Bubbles, bubbles and bigger

days. A very happy birthday goes to **Grant Kamita, Conor Kim,**



Garrett Kamita

bubbles...Don't forget our Annual Family Night on March 20<sup>th</sup>, to find out how bubbles are created. Under the leadership of **Ms. Donna Hamamoto** and her friends, it will be an evening of fun and games. The festivities will begin with a service at 6:00pm followed by dinner and then the activities begins. Hope you will be able to make it. There will be no service Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. Please mark your calendars.

Another event to be sponsored is the Pet's Memorial. A service will be conducted in memoriam for all pets on April 18. Please let the office know the name of your pet that you would like to remember. A special card with your pet's name will be made and placed before the altar.

Let's not forget our April Birth-



**Mason Mederois, Ki-yomi Nomura, Ma-yumi Nomura, Remy Orans, Madison Suko** and Shakyamuni

Buddha. Birthday Sunday will be celebrated on April 11. We look forward to seeing you there.

In closing, the Dharma School gratefully acknowledges the generosity of the following people:

**Joanne Yoshimura/Scott Morgan** - **Karina's** 3rd birthday

**Mrs. Itsuko Uota** - Granddaughter **Mia Oran's** birthday

**M/M Jon Takagaki** - **Lynne's** birthday

Dates to Remember:

April 18 Pets Memorial

April 25 – No Service due to FDSTL Conference in Los Angeles

Happy Hanamatsuri! ❀

 Newsroom  
OBWA

BY GAYLE NOGUCHI

The OBWA would like to thank the following:

- **Chieko Endo, Daisy Tsujimoto, Setsuko Furuta, Carol Thunen, Kathy Terusaki,** and **Patti Hisaoka** for preparing and serving dinner for the Bay District Council meeting.
- Toban “C” for the Ho-onko otoki

Save the date: OBWA Spring/New Members Luncheon will be on April 11<sup>th</sup> at the Mira Vista Country Club. More details to come.

Our cookbook has room for more main dish recipes. If you have a yummy favorite you’d like to share, submit your recipe to **JoAnne Hayashida**.

Some upcoming dates to note:

March 7<sup>th</sup> – OBWA meeting

March 14<sup>th</sup> – Ohigan Service/Toban “A”

March 20<sup>th</sup> – OBWA Busshin collation 🍱

**DEADLINE FOR  
MAY 2010 BUSSHIN  
ARTICLES: April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Articles submitted after this date may not be printed. Send articles

to **Joyce Yokomizo:**

email: joyce@yokomizo.com

fax: (415) 970-0810

You can also send articles to **Tomita Shimamoto** at the church office.

**BUSSHIN COLLATION** by the Dharma School on Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> after service by the Youth Club.

*Celebrating the Birth of Sakyamuni Buddha*



**Hanamatsuri Potluck  
April 4, 2010**

Please bring a main dish to share.  
The Church is providing salad, drinks and  
dessert.

Entertainment by the Dharma School and  
Jr. YBA

**A WARM WELCOME TO ALL!!**

## April Shotsuki Memorial Service

**Service: Sunday, April 11, 2010 at 10:45 a.m.**

**Sermon by Reverend Harry Gyokyo Bridge**

Family and friends are invited to attend this monthly memorial service for those listed below. If any errors appear in the list below, please notify the church office at (510) 832-5988 at your earliest convenience. Next month's Shotsuki Service will be held on Sunday, May 2, 2010 at 10:45 a.m.

Mrs. Kinoe Adachi	Mrs. Sono Kobayashi	Mr. Jukichi Seta
Mr. Shigetaro Adachi	Mr. Kenso Kobori	Mrs. Shizu Seta
Mrs. Shima Akiyoshi	Mrs. Yasue Mae Kodani	Mrs. Fuji Setaka
Mrs. Beatrice Akiko Bunna	Mr. Sannosuke Kurotori	Mr. Tetsuo Shigematsu
Mr. Heisaku Fujii	Mrs. Pati Ritsuko Lomas – 7th year	Mr. Tsugio Sugimura
Mr. Sakichi Fujii	Mrs. Jane Matsui	Mrs. Kita Sumimoto
Mrs. Tsue Fujii	Mr. George Isamu Misaki	Miss Keiko Takahashi
Mrs. Takano Fukuda	Mrs. Kiyomi Miyagawa	Mr. Yozo Takahashi
Mr. Kikuhei Fujimoto	Mr. Isao Mizusaki	Ms. Cynthia Takemoto
Mrs. Mary Fujimoto	Mr. Miyako Mori	Miss Pam Tamori
Mr. Tsuneji Gonda	Mr. Toshio Mori	Mr. Shoji Tamori
Mrs. Shige Harada	Miss Takako Murakawa	Mr. Shinnosuke Tamura
Mr. Alan Hayashida	Mr. Shozo Nagai	Mr. Ichitaro Tanabe
Mrs. Ruth Reiko Hirabayashi – 1st year	Miss Ellen Naito – 17th year	Baby Tanaka
Ms. Ichiko Hirao	Mr. Mitsuharu Naito	Mr. Kyuzaburo Taniguchi
Mr. Kijiro Hori	Mr. Shigeo Naito	Mrs. Yakuye Terada
Mr. Misaku Horiuchi	Mrs. Jeanette Nakagawa – 13th year	Mrs. Iku Tsuchiya
Mrs. Toshiko Ikeda	Mrs. Asano Nakano	Mrs. Grace Tsujimoto
Mrs. Matsu Ishikawa	Mr. Wasaburo Nakano	Mr. Chujiro Watanabe
Mrs. Toku Kamano	Mr. Yonezo Nakatani – 25th year	Miss Mary Wehara
Mr. Harry Kanada – 1st year	Mr. Kiyoshi Nakaya	Mr. Katashi Yamabe
Mr. Jim Kanada	Mr. Hideaki Noda	Mr. Minezo Yamamoto
Mr. Sanzo Kanagaki	Mrs. Ayako Nomura	Mr. Risaku Yamamoto
Mrs. Kitoe Kaneko	Miss Kazue Nomura	Mrs. Ruth Yamamoto – 17th year
Mrs. Kimiko Kaneshige – 3rd year	Mrs. Junko Nomura	Mr. Toyotaro Yamanashi
Miss Pamela Kaneshige	Mrs. Kikuko Nomura	Mr. Henry Yamashita
Mr. Tadashi Kaneshige	Mr. Shunso Norimoto	Mr. Fred Yokoyama
Mr. Paul Kanzaki	Mr. George Okai	Mrs. Yone Yoshioka
Mrs. Ise Kato	Mr. Taigi Oniki – 7th year	Mr. Henry Yoshisato
Mrs. Tora Kido	Mr. Tokuzo Otaguro	Mr. Kiyoshi Yoshiura
Mr. Kikutaro Kimura	Mr. Matsutarō Otsuka	Mr. George Yuto
Mr. Kunio Kisanuki	Mrs. Etsuko Ryujin – 7th year	Mrs. Kei Yuto
Mr. Joe Kiyota	Mrs. Kimi Sakai	Mr. Risaburo Yuto ❀
Mrs. Kiku Kobayashi	Mrs. Isa Sata	

# April 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 10:00 a.m. <b>Momiji Kai</b>	2	3 9:00 a.m. <b>Nippongo Gakuen</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>Build Lumbini's Garden</b> 5:00 p.m. <b>Ashland Howakai Hanamatsuri</b>
				Busshin Articles Due		
4 10:00 a.m. <b>Hanamatsuri, Otoki</b>	5 1:00 p.m. <b>Line Dance</b> 7:30 p.m. <b>Karaoke</b>	6	7 7:00 p.m. <b>Board Meeting</b>	8 7:30 p.m. <b>Concord Howakai</b> 6:30 p.m. <b>Adult Gakuen</b>	9	10 9:00 a.m. <b>Nippongo Gakuen</b> 2:00 p.m. <b>Ikebana</b> 2:00 p.m. <b>Cellular Response Clinic</b>
9:00 a.m. 11 <b>OBWA Meeting</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>Family Dharma, Shotsuki Service</b> 12:00 p.m. <b>OBWA Spring Luncheon</b>	12 10:00 a.m. <b>Wanto Shodo Kai</b> 1:00 p.m. <b>Line Dance</b> 7:30 p.m. <b>Karaoke</b>	13	14	15 10:00 a.m. <b>Momiji Kai</b>	16	17 9:00 a.m. <b>Nippongo Gakuen</b>
10:00 a.m. 18 <b>Family Dharma and Pet Memorial Service, Adult Study, Jr YBA Donburi Lunch Fundraiser</b> Busshin Collated by Youth Club	19 1:00 p.m. <b>Line Dance</b> 7:30 p.m. <b>Karaoke</b>	20 7:00 p.m. <b>Fukuoka Sister City</b>	21	22 6:30 p.m. <b>Adult Gakuen</b>	23	24 9:00 a.m. <b>Nippongo Gakuen</b>
				Bazaar Shifts Due		
25 No Service <b>FDSTL Conference: L.A.</b>	26 10:00 a.m. <b>Wanto Shodo Kai</b> 1:00 p.m. <b>Line Dance</b> 7:30 p.m. <b>Karaoke</b>	27	28 7:00 p.m. <b>Bazaar &amp; Obon Coordinating Meeting</b>	29	30	

# May 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 9:00 a.m. <b>Nippongo Gakuen</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Busshin Articles Due</div>
2 9:00 a.m. <b>OBWA Meeting</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>Family Dharma, Shotsuki Service</b>	3 1:00 p.m. <b>Line Dance</b> 7:30 p.m. <b>Karaoke</b>	4	5 7:00 p.m. <b>Board Meeting</b>	6 10:00 a.m. <b>Momiji Kai</b> 6:30 p.m. <b>Adult Gakuen</b>	7	8 9:00 a.m. <b>Nippongo Gakuen</b>
9 8:00 a.m. <b>Parents' Day Breakfast</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>Family Dharma Service &amp; Adult Study</b>	10 10:00 a.m. <b>Wanto Shodo Kai</b> 1:00 p.m. <b>Line Dance</b> 7:30 p.m. <b>Karaoke</b>	11	12	13	14	15 9:00 a.m. <b>Nippongo Gakuen</b>
16 10:00 a.m. <b>Fujimatsuri Gotanye, OHatsumairi</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Busshin Collated by the Board</div>	17 1:00 p.m. <b>Line Dance</b> 7:30 p.m. <b>Karaoke</b>	18 7:00 p.m. <b>Fukuoka Sister City</b>	19 <b>Obon Schedules Due</b>	20 10:00 a.m. <b>Momiji Kai</b> 6:30 p.m. <b>Adult Gakuen</b>	21	22 9:00 a.m. <b>Nippongo Gakuen</b>
23 10:00 a.m. <b>Family Dharma Service, Adult Study</b>	24 10:00 a.m. <b>Wanto Shodo Kai</b> 1:00 p.m. <b>Line Dance</b> 7:30 p.m. <b>Karaoke</b>	25	26 7:00 p.m. <b>Bazaar &amp; Obon Coordinating Meeting</b>	27 6:30 p.m. <b>Adult Gakuen</b>	28 <b>Cemetery Visitation: Colma, SF</b>	29 <b>No Nippongo Gakuen</b> <b>Cemetery Visitation: Vallejo, Mt. View, Chapel of the Chimes Oakland and Decoto</b>
30 <b>Cemetery Visitation: Parkmont, Lafayette, Martinez, Pacheco/Concord, Sunset View in El Cerrito</b> 5:00 p.m. <b>BCO Service</b>	31 <b>Memorial Day Office Closed</b>					<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">May 29-30: BD Jr YBA Volleyball Tournament at Alameda Point</div>