# KONA HONGWANJI BUDDHIST TEMPLE



# E - JIHO January 2017



Theme & Slogan 2017: Embrace Change: Action (Open Communication)

31<sup>st</sup> MEMORIAL SERVICE for ELLISON ONIZUKA and CHALLENGER DISASTER Sunday, January 29, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

Guest Speaker: Kjell Lindgreen, NASA Astronaut

Sponsored by Jr. YBA

CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL Saturday, February 4. 2017 Parker Ranch Center in Waimea

Mochi Tsuki and Mochi Making Demonstration For more Information and to Volunteer Contact Alan Matsumoto, Morris Nagata or Mary Katayama

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING—KEIROKAI—LUNCHEON
Sunday, February 19, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.
Service, Keirokai, Membership Meeting in Temple
10:30 a.m. Luncheon and Program in Social Hall
Need Count for Luncheon—Return Flyer in Jiho to church office by February 3, 2017
Or Contact Susan Shirota at 896-5456 or Church Office at 323-2993
Donation for Door Prizes Appreciated—Contact Susan Shirota

GATHFEST AT HILO HONGWANJI SANGHA HALL Sunday, February 26, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.
Contact Betty Takeoka for more information

No Sunday Service at Kona Hongwanji

**NEED THE ASSISTANCE OF THE MINISTER, contact Rev. Bruce Nakamura at 323-2993 or Emergency only 987-9900** or Morris Nagata at 987-0119.

**To schedule services or activities,** call the church office at 323-2993 Monday thru Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed on weekends and holidays. If unable to contact the office clerk, leave a message on the answering machine. **E-MAIL ADDRESS: Church – konahongwanji@twc.com Rev. Bruce - brucejunshin@gmail.com** 

# **FEBRUARY**

| 1 Wednesday  | 9:30 AM<br>11:00 AM | Service @ Hualalai Regency<br>Service @ Life Care Center  |
|--------------|---------------------|---|
| 4 Saturday   |                     | Cherry Blossom Festival @ Kamuela                         |
| 5 Sunday     | 9:00 AM             | Scout Sunday Service                                      |
| 8 Wednesday  | 7:00 PM             | Board of Directors Meeting                                |
| •            | 11 Saturday         | Giseikai in Honolulu                                      |
| ,            | 8:30 AM             | Senior Activity Program                                   |
| 12 Sunday    | 9::00 AM            | Pet Appreciation Sunday Service - Joint Birthday/Memorial |
| •            | 11:00 AM            |   |
| 15 Wednesday | 7:00 PM             | , <del>, ,</del>  |
| 19 Sunday    | 9:00 AM             | Annual Membership Meeting – Keirokai – Luncheon           |
| 26 Sunday    |                     | NO SUNDAY SERVICE   |
|              |                     | GATHAFEST @ HILO  |
| 28 Tuesday   | 9:00 AM             | Preschool Temple Visitation                               |
|              |                     |   |
|              |                     | MARCH   |
| 1 Wednesday  | 9:30 AM             | Service @ Hualalai Regency                                |
|              | 11:00 AM            | Service @ Life Care Center                                |
| 5 Sunday     | 9:00 AM             | Eshinni/Kakushinni Day                                    |
| 10 Friday    | 8:30 AM             | Senior Activity Program                                   |
| 12 Sunday    | 9:30 AM             | HAIB Buddha Day Celebration                               |
| 15 Wednesday | 7:00 PM             | Round-Table Forum   |
| 18 Saturday  | 8:00 AM             | Food Prep #1; Omigaki #3                                  |
| 19 Sunday    | 9:00 AM             | Spring O-Higan Service                                    |

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26 Sunday ...

28 Tuesday ...

# **CUB SCOUTS & BOY SCOUTS**

**Preschool Temple Visitation** 

EVERY MONDAY CUB SCOUT PACK 12 MEETING AT 5:00 PM
EVERY WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY CUB SCOUT PACK 12 MEETING AT 5:00 PM EXCEPT 1ST WEDNESDAY
EVERY TUESDAY BOY SCOUT TROOP 59 MEETING AT 7:00 PM

English Family Service – Joint Birthday/Memorial

# **TAIKO PRACTICE**

EVERY TUESDAY ADULT'S TAIKO PRACTICE AT 6:00 PM
EVERY THURSDAY TAIKO PRACTICE AT 5:30 PM
TAIKO MEETING EVERY 2<sup>nd</sup> THURSDAY IN THE SOCIAL HALL AT 6:45 PM

#### **JUDO PRACTICE**

JUDO CLUB MEETING EVERY 1ST WEDNESDAY IN SCOUT ROOM EVERY MONDAY AT 7:00 PM NIGHT CLASS EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 6:00 PM NOVICE; 7:00 PM NIGHT CLASS EVERY TUESDAY AT 6:30 PM ADULT ONLY EVERY THURSDAY AT 7:00 PM KATA CLASS

# **IKEBANA**

EVERY 2ND SATURDAY AT 9:00 AM IN THE SCOUT ROOM

# MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY and MARCH

| First Year (2016)        | February          | 18<br>21<br>24                | BURTON ITO<br>GLADYS A. CLARK<br>TOSHIO SHIRAI  |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Third Year (2015)        | February<br>March | 16<br>23<br>6<br>18<br>31     | HERBERT MASAO IMAI<br>TOMOKICHI TANIYAMA<br>SUNAO KADOOKA<br>TATSUYO NAKAGAWA<br>FLORENCE MASAKO OZAKI    |
| Seventh Year (2011)      | February<br>March | 19<br>21                      | MASAYUKI NAGATOSHI<br>HISAKO OGATA  |
| Thirteenth Year (2005)   | February          | 7<br>15<br>18<br>28           | GILBERT MASANORI TANAKA<br>KANAME NAKAMARU<br>TOSHIO HAYASHI<br>KIMIE KUROYAMA                            |
| Seventeenth Year 2001)   | February<br>March | 5<br>1<br>3<br>12<br>13<br>31 | AMY K. SHIRAISHI<br>MITSUYO YOSHIDA<br>KAZUYO MATSUYAMA<br>AIKO YAMANE<br>KATSUNO SUNADA<br>GEORGE J. OUE |
| Twenty-Fifth Year (1993) | February          | 15<br>19<br>26                | DORIS SUMIKO FUJIWARA<br>CHIYONO SASAKI<br>SADAO OISHI  |
| Thirty-Third Year (1985) | February          | 27                            | MASAO AOKI  |
| Fiftieth Year (1968)     | February<br>March | 20<br>8                       | MASAMITSU ONIZUKA<br>SETSU KUBOTA   |

# **New Year's Greeting**

At the beginning of this New Year, I would like to extend my warmest greetings to you.

This past year, we have been observing the ceremony known as The Commemoration on the Accession of the Jodo Shinshu Tradition since last October. This service will be continuing until the end of May over 10 sessions and a total of 80 days. The participation of the many delegates from both domestic and overseas districts has revitalized the atmosphere of all of our temple activities, and for that I am truly happy and grateful to each and every one of you.

Through holding the service together with you fellow Nembutsu followers, I am able to personally experience how the Jodo Shinshu teaching has not only been passed down to us over the span of nearly 800 years, but also how it has

been delivered to many regions of the world beyond national borders. I believe that we have the Jodo Shinshu teaching today precisely because it served as the spiritual foundation for all of the preceding Nembutsu followers.

Shinran Shonin revealed his understanding of the Dharma known today as Jodo Shinshu Buddhism. It is a teaching for those of us who constantly struggle with various worries and hardships in life. Let us continue to listen to the teaching and share our own appreciation of the Dharma with family and friends in the hope that we can follow the Nembutsu path together with them.

January 1, 2017

OHTANI Kojun Monshu Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha

# Namo Amida Butsu & Happy New Year!

In this New Year, please let me express my warmest Aloha and Best Wishes to you for a harmonious, peaceful and reflective New Year filled with the Joy of the Dharma!

As we reflect (including self-reflect) on what is happening around the world including our own nation, there is room for dire concern as aggression, violence, hate, inequality, disrespect, suspicion and mistrust erupt. At times, it may seem all too overwhelming. However, let us not lose hope. May we avail ourselves to the Wisdom of Enlightenment by letting it guide us and may Buddha's Compassion inspire us. Our Jodo Shinshu Teachings share that the Bodhisattva Dharmakara/Amida Buddha gives hope to the spiritually lost foolish being/bonbu by promising the



attainment of Enlightenment through the Buddha's Unconditional Compassion by saying "Entrust yourself to me calling my Name, Namo Amida Butsu." Out of the Joy and Gratitude of True Entrusting for being unconditionally accepted without judgement emerges a deep lament about this imperfect I and an aspiration to live a more Dharmacentered life. In one of his Letters, Shinran Shonin states, "There was a time when for each of you when you knew nothing of Amida's Vow and did not say the Name of Amida Buddha, but now, guided by the compassionate means of Sakyamuni and Amida, you have begun to hear the Vow. Formerly you were drunk with the wine of ignorance and had a liking only for the three poisons of greed, anger, and folly, but since you have begun to hear the Buddha's Vow you have gradually rejected the three poisons, and come to prefer at all times the medicine of Amida Buddha." (Lamp for the Latter Ages, Letter 20) Further, says the late Rev. Jitsuen Kakehashi, "The 'turning of the heart' means forsaking the human-centered way of thinking and placing the teaching of the Tathagata at the center of our thought. Being saved means that with the Dharmacentered values, a new view of life is established in ourselves." "In our daily life, we are

liable to be dictated to by our self-centered thoughts, but in the mind of nembutsu practicers who are saddened and pained by this reality, there is a recurring transformation in which, with the heart and mind of the Tathagata's great wisdom and great compassion, we come to look back at our own thoughts and behaviors. When we look at the world with an ordinary human mind, it is distinctly divided into things we love and things we hate, but with the mind of the Tathagata, we are made to know that everyone is equally the Tathagata's indispensably important child. From that standpoint, we realize that we are all brothers and sisters and fellow human beings. Then slowly but steadily, we come to reflect on our self-centered thoughts, reject our blind passions and make efforts to see things and live our lives in a way that can be approved by the Tathagata." (From "Hearing the Buddha's Cal, The Life, Works and Words of Shinran).

In this New Year, may the manifestations of True Entrusting such as "the benefit of having great joy in our hearts, the benefit of being aware of Amida's benevolence and of responding in gratitude to his virtue, and the benefit of constantly practicing great compassion" become more evident in our daily lives. As Jodo Shin Buddhists, let us respond to Amida Buddha's Wisdom and Compassion by reciting the Nembutsu and encourage each other to live a life centered on the Dharma including sharing our Awareness, Joy and Gratitude of the Buddha's Great Wisdom and Compassion with others. Truly as Shinran Shonin said, "May there be peace in the world, and may the Buddha's Teaching spread!" Once again, Happy New Year to one and all!

Namo Amida Butsu/ Entrusting in All-Inclusive Wisdom and All-Embracing Compassion

In Gassho/Anjali,

Bishop Eric Matsumoto, Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii

Embrace Change: Action Open Communication

Our theme for 2017 calls upon us to take action to implement our plans for our temples while ensuring open communication to engage all those connected to our temples. Our temples' success in serving its members requires us to spend the time and planning necessary to make open communications happen efficiently and effectively. For every event we plan, for every opportunity for involvement we offer our members, let us consider doing the following: (1) Make clear announcements at our temple services. (2) Make attractive posters for our temple bulletin boards. (3) Print handouts for our members to take home and post on their refrigerators and share with friends and relatives. (4) Post announcements on our temples' websites, newsletters, and Facebook pages. (5) Use a telephone tree or make personal phone calls to senior citizens to get the word out. Use text messages, twitter, and Instagram for the XYZ generations. (6) Ask all of our temple affiliates to announce it to their members. (7) Do email blasts. (8) Do snail mail blasts with post cards and handwritten notes. (9) Post it on banners outside of our temples. (10) Put out public service announcements on TV stations, radio stations, and publications. (11) Submit news releases to print publications, radio and TV stations. (12) Talk it up among temple members during the coffee-hour talk-story following Sunday Services.

In addition to paying attention to how we communicate, we also need to pay attention to what we communicate. Our temple members should not only know about upcoming events but also about how our temples are doing financially. There should be full transparency of temple operations. Members should know the issues that deal with personnel, facilities, finances, fundraising, temple programs, and strategic plans for the future. By making our temple operations transparent to our members, we open pathways for their input and involvement.

Most importantly, we must join temple ministers in sharing the Dharma. Sharing should not be limited to Dharma Talks during Sunday Services, memorial services, workshops, seminars and newsletter messages. We can begin by seeking meaningful Dharma messages in our personal readings and experiences and find ways to share them so we may enrich the lives of our temple members. We can begin by considering the 12 ways of communication I listed above as means for members and ministers to openly share the Dharma every day.

Open communications in 2017 means that each of us is a receiver and a sender. When our messages connect, they will spark action. Let us each do our part.

Namo Amida Butsu Pieper J. Toyama, President Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii

#### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

By Mary Katayama

#### Message from President Morris Nagata:

---Thank you! Arigato! Mahalo! to our members who generously donated to help pay our 2016 Hawaii Kyodan dues of \$36,589.00. With your assistance KHBT paid in full 2016 dues. The Board of Directors sincerely appreciates your support. Thank you again!

- ---2017 Theme and Slogan: Embrace Change: Action (Open Communication): New committee formed. Headed by Administrative Director to identify ways to open communication with our members and community on "How to Spread the Dharma". Committee members are: Rev. Bruce, Morris, Betty, Alan and Mary.
- ---2017 Giseikai: Morris Nagata, Joe Gusman and Norma Matsumoto will be attending the Giseikai scheduled for February 9th to 11th in Honolulu.
- ---Annual Meeting: The annual meeting, keirokai and luncheon will be held on Sunday, February 19, 2017 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Members are encouraged to attend the meeting, and find out how your temple is doing, spiritually, financially, activities and events.

#### Other Information

Project Dana: A Fall Prevention workshop will be held on Friday, March 10, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in social hall. Presentation will be done by Mike Hirano, Home Safety Coordinator at Project Dana. Unintentional falls among older adults are a leading cause of fatal and nonfatal injury in the US and Hawaii. Residents age 65 and older account for 78% of all all deaths and 71% of nonfatal fall hospitalization in Hawaii.

Open Communication: Our temple should be a place where anyone can come to learn the Dharma and share the teachings with each other. How can we communicate this to our members who are not regular church attendees. The committee met on January 8, 2017. As leaders, we need to find ways to open communication with our members and community at large. We need to think "outside the box". Suggestions appreciated.

Rev. Bruce's January Jiho Message: Glad to hear you are reading his message in January's Jiho. He was just "speculating" in transforming the tennis court into permanent playground. He has NOT presented it to the board as yet. Members expressed concern about moving the Columbarium. Please be assured as the board discussed this 4 years ago and determined not to relocate as we have approximately 50 niches left in our columbarium. KHBT needs to concentrate on the back log of repairs and maintenance of our aging facility before moving on to new projects.

by Bruce Y. Nakamura

# WHEN FAITH IS AWAKENED...

...When Faith \*is awakened in the minds of deluded and defiled ordinary people.

They are made aware that birth-and death is Nirvana...

\*Faith as True Entrusting-shinjin

Hisao Inagaki, Translation of Shoshin-Ge, Master T'an-luan; Ryukoku University; 1996; p 94.

Our parents and family try to protect us from the outside world as much as possible. That protection filters out the undesirable information or facts the parenting feels young and tender ears and minds not be privy to. This may include the kinds of people we meet and relate to: The age group(s) and language used: The kinds of information shared of the outside world and in-family, etc. As younger ones grow older into adulthood however, with increased responsibilities, choices and expectations, we learn of the deeper truths and realities that as adults we must contend. Mature adulthood means setting aside the ideal and imagined images weaned from adults as little children. Much of said realities have also matured, no longer so "cut-and-dry" as we thought them to be - having retuned to an honesty so real, it couldn't have been made-up.

Not using any names or references, only as an adult can we learn that our immigrant grandmother on our father's side was divorced she had to take a second marriage, because her first husband was abusive and an alcoholic. One learns as an adult that an aunt suffered so, taken to be placed in a care home - a ward of the State of Hawaii because family could no longer care for her. The family trail of mental illness does not end there. The subsequent generation was subject to family separation and emotional brokenness beyond our family's intent hopes.

To learn of a half-brother, the product of a parent's youthful indiscretion, yet later brought up by a loving "mom" in a loving family setting with five other siblings. We can't help but, sense a deeper unbroken bond that only family held together by unmistakable affection, love and commitment would thrive and endure. Of course the family narrative guarantees for a beautiful, happy ending. Even among a sibling, is suffered spousal abuse, then divorce. Problem drinking and drug problems and even going to jail for things we later humbly grow and go beyond. If we insist, this has to end someday, it may indeed not.

And if or when we given a choice to "trade-in" a sibling, a son, daughter or grandson for a "better model," what would be these family members' responses? "No - we couldn't and wouldn't!" We will contend with that life's doled out to us - all of us, you and me. infants and little children throughout our lives, our parent - figures' can present an ideal for wishful thinking that makes ourselves and each other insulated by what we'd rather see, not be. But if and when we go beyond the pale of those protective walls built high around us, we are forced to bear and manage the weight, the choices and responsibilities of past, present and future. Such consequences not only reveal personal gifts and abilities, but also, the humility, gratitude and faith that have brought us through all things possible defining us as authentically, real and human.

Reflecting upon Shinran Shonin's perspectives on Faith or "true entrusting shinjin," a spiritual awakening is realized in us, not because we are as if sages or persons of great wisdom, learning and insight. On the contrary, because we struggle so very deeply into the abyss of human life, we inevitably discover a great compassion - a strength of steadfast Faith that ever accompanies and reveals the depth of our delusions, defilements and foolishness that the Heart's light can only reveal and show us. - how shameful - yet, how grateful to this human being!

On this 2017 Shinran Shonin's Hoonko Service of profound Gratitude and Joy, we utter both the great call and echo of great compassion the nembutsu of gratitude.

...When Faith - shinjin - the true entrusting heart of Amida Buddha's great compassion is awakened in deluded and defiled ordinary persons, they are made aware that birth-and-death is nirvana.....

# **HEADOUARTERS UPDATE**

#### **PERSONNELS**

**Rev. Satoshi Tomioka**, who is currently serving at Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin as its Associate Minister, will be assigned to Puna Hongwanji Mission as its Resident Minister effective February 16, 2017. He will also be assigned to Naalehu Hongwanji Mission and Pahala Hongwanji Mission as their Oversee Minister.

<u>Ministers of the Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin</u> will be relieved from their responsibility of overseeing the Puna, Pahala, and Naalehu Hongwanji Missions effective February 16, 2017 upon arrival of their new Resident Minister, Rev. Satoshi Tomioka.

Rev. Sol Kalu will be assigned to Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin as its Associate Minister effective march 1, 2017. In accordance with the "Shin Buddhist Ministry in Hawaii" document, Rev. Kalu will be initially categorized as "Resigned Kaikyoshi" during his first one (1) year of service.

**Rev. Shinji Kawagoe and Mrs. Noriko Kawagoe** of Papaikou Hongwanji Mission had received an approval from the USCIS of their applications to become a lawful permanent resident of the United States on December 1, 2016.

# WE TAKE THIS MOMENT TO SEND OUR WARMEST ALOHA TO YOU! 2017

At the start of the New Year, we send our warmest greetings and express our deepest appreciation for your dedicated support of Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. How fortunate we have been to hear the Nembutsu Teachings which is like seeing the rare Silversword in full bloom. May we respond in gratitude to Amida Buddha's Wisdom and Compassion and all that makes our life and living possible and embrace the Buddha's aspiration for peace and harmony in the world.

Respectfully,

Headquarters, Office of the Bishop
Rev. Eric Matsumoto, Bishop
Tamayo Matsumoto
Pieper Toyama, President
Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani, Executive Assistant to the Bishop
Arthur Nakagawa, Business Manager
Dianne Sumida, Administrative Assistant
Yoshiko Umitani, Secretary

Office of Buddhist Education & Buddhist Study Center
Rev. Kevin Kuniyuki, Director
Jamie Lyn Itokazu, Assistant to the Director

A Health-filled and Peaceful new year to you and yours in the Buddha's Great Compassion!
The 2017 State Ministers' Association June 13-15 Seminar will be hosted by the Hawaii Island
Hongwanji Minister's Association. The State is made up of five (5) district units and each district is
required to host this state-education event every five years.

Hosting consist of education and fellowship programs with a guest speaker usually from Japan and local speakers. Two delegates from the Buddhist Churches of America will also participate in this two and a half day event. Upon exploring various options, the association has selected the Mauna Lani Resort and Bungalows on the Kohala coast as this year's choice. A minimum \$375 registration fee per minister has been assessed.

The Hawaii Island host humbly requests financial support and volunteerism of various Big island temples, its affiliates, members and friends. In addition, the association is respectfully seeking the support of the Hongwanji Council in seeking donations from local businesses, vendors and friends in mutual support to the Hongwanji communities and members throughout the years.

On behalf of the Hawaii District Minister's Association and this year's June seminar's chair, I humbly request your organization's financial support to make this a successful event. The sooner donations received by the "Hawaii District Ministers Association," the sooner line-item costs can be allocated for the June seminar. We hope to secure financial assistance a second time in April if need be.

Please make your donation to: Hawaii District Ministers Association
c/o Rev. Shinji Kawagoe, Treasurer
Papaikou Hongwanji Mission
P.O. BOX 20
Papaikou, HI 96781

Please note in the 'Remark' section: "2017 HHMH State June Seminar Donation". Contact the Hongwanji temple in your area or it's affiliate's leadership with your donation to support this annual state-wide ministers' education event. Mahalo and Aloha for your most kind Kokual

Gratefully in Gassho,

Chair, 2017 June Seminar

Gratefully in Gassho,

Blakenwer resident minister
Kona Hongwanji Buddhist Temple

# **TAIKO GROUP NEWS**

On January 7, 2017, the Taiko Group had their annual year end party. Thank you to HAYDEN NISHIDA and his mom, MOANI NISHIDA for chairing the event. Thank you also to the ORANGE FAMILY CATERING for the delicious main dishes and the member's families for pupus and desserts. Thank you also to DAREN KATAYAMA for putting together the program in 4 hours notice. Everyone had fun with the games that he planned.

Thank you to the following donors for their generous contributions to our group:

MR. & MRS. GLENN MATSUMOTO MR. & MRS. NORMAN TAKEOKA MRS. CHIZU NAKASHIMA MRS. MARY KATAYAMA

On February 4, 2017, the Taiko Group will be performing with the Kamuela Hongwanji Bon Odori Dancers as part of the Cherry Blossom Festival in Kamuela

# **CUB SCOUTS PACK 12**

#### HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!

The traditions of Celebrating the New Year by getting together with family and friends to welcome the New Year by playing fireworks to chase away bad spirits and forego the wrongs of the previous year. Here's to new beginnings, good health, great fortune, safe adventures and a great year of scouting!!!

# **Scout Sunday**

Please join us, February 5, 2017 at 9:00 am, for our **Scout Sunday Service** - Celebrating scouting in America!

Guest speaker: **Sergeant Major Thomas E. Campbell. Garrison Command Sergeant Major Pohakuloa Training Area** 

Light Refreshments to be served prior to service, 8:00am - 8:55am.

# **Christmas Party**

Fun, fun, fun beach day.... Our Christmas party back drop was the sandy beach at Old A. We had a great cook out of steak, hot dogs, chili, corn, salad and desserts. What a great relaxing day.

The following awards were presented:

Kaius Becket: Bobcat Devin Ota: Bobcat

Caiden Mireles: Fellowship Duty to God

Jack Ningeok-Ross: Paws in Action and Fellowship Duty to God

Ezra Green: Howling at the moon & Paws on the path Dylan Nonaka: A Bear Goes Fishing & Salmon Run

Rhian Dagdag: Bobcat

Congratulations to Rhian Dagdad and Dylan Keawe-Aiko, they each won an Ipad Mini for being tied for selling the most pancake breakfast tickets.

# **Christmas Caroling**

The residents at Hualalai Regency were serenaded by our Pack with Songs of Christmas on December 12th. Our Annual Christmas Caroling brought joy and merriment for everyone there. The residents had fun singing along with them.

After the caroling was done, everyone was presented a Christmas ornament made out of candy canes.

As a special Treat for all the scouts' hard work the pack was treated to dinner at McDonalds. Thank you Cub Master Glenn!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

February 4 - BALOO Training

February 5 - Scout Sunday 9am Service

February 11 – Makahiki Discount Card Distribution

February 11 – Kona District Recognition Dinner

April 8 - Makahiki - Makeo Pavilion

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

# **SPECIAL DONATIONS**

Yasunori Deguchi, Bodhi Day

Rinko Matsuoka

Dorothy Nicholson, In Memory of Masayuki Nagatoshi's 7th Anniversary

Hatsuko Shiraishi, In Memory of Tamo Takimoto

Satsuye Tanaka, In Memory of Clarence K. Murata's 13th Anniversary and Ernest K. Urada's 7th Anniversary

John & Shelley Tsue, Bodhi Day

#### **Acknowledgements Continued:**

John & Shelley Tsue, Annual Clean-up

Rev. Dr. Ryoei Tyler, Temple Visitation

Reed & Gloria Ichishita, Bodhi Day

Sandy Iwashita, Bodhi Day

Keith Nishihara, Bodhi Day

Mr. & Mrs. Wally Ichishita

Janice & Maurice Kameda

Kenneth Kawakami, In Memory of Yasuo Kawakami's 7th Year Anniversary

Ken Love, In Memory of Paul Motomura, Yaeko Ohata, Burt Ito, Herbert Imai and Sunao Kadooka

Ichiro & Betty Shikada, Bodhi Day

Susan Shirota, Bodhi Day

Mr. & Mrs. Sueto Matsumura

Ronald Shiotsuka, In Memory of Yaeko Shiotsuka

Toshie Shirota, Social Concerns

Suga Suzuki, Eitaikyo

The Tanaka Family, In Memory of Hiroshi Tanaka's 13th Year Anniversary

Yoshie Tanaka, In Memory of Hiroshi Tanaka's 13th Year Anniversary

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Yamamoto, Bodhi Day and In Memory of Tatsumi, Yasuko, Herbert and Ross Oue and Yaeko Shiotsuka

Anonymous, Annual Clean-up

Daily Reprieve, Use of Facilities

Lorraine Haraguchi, Jiho

Makoto Harano, Social Concerns

Margaret Kihara, In Memory of Chiyono Sasaki's 25th Anniversary and Ralph Tamotsu Sasaki's 50th Anniversary

Norma Matsumoto

Sachiko Oka, In Memory of Takeshi & Takeko Oka's 50th Anniversary

Masae Okamoto, In Memory of Frank Okamoto's Birthday, December 19th and Wayne Okamoto's Birthday, December 21st

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Sugiyama, Preschool, Living Memorial Fund, Jiho and Boy Scouts

Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Tanaka, Preschool

Total - \$4,785.00

#### **MEMORIAL SERVICES**

Kelsey Deguchi, In Memory of Yash Deguchi

Kevin Deguchi, In Memory of Yash Deguchi

Milton & Sharol Deguchi, In Memory of Yash Deguchi

Mr. & Mrs. Stanton Deguchi, 17th Year Memorial for Yash Deguchi

Mr. & Mrs. Reginald Morimoto, 17th Year Service In Memory of Yash Deguchi

# **Acknowledgements Continued:**

Fujie Sato, In Memory of Yash Deguchi

Ginny Squier, 17th Year Memorial Service for Yash Deguchi

Ginny Squier, Mutsu & Kenneth Komo, Yasunori Deguchi and Bernie & Kevin Deguchi, 17th Year Service In Memory of Yash Deguchi

Elaine Kawasaki, 49th Day Service for Chiyoko Kawasaki

Fujimoto Ohana, Nancy Fujimoto, Cy, Joni Otsuka & family, Ernie Fujimoto and Curt Fujimoto & family, 100th Day Memorial Service for Zane Fujimoto

Alvin & Lorraine Haraguchi, 3rd Year Memorial Service In Memory of Thomas Kaneo

Kaneo Family, 3rd Year Memorial Service for Thomas Kaneo

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kaneo & family, 3rd Year Memorial Service In Memory of Thomas Kaneo

Stanley Kaneo, 3rd Year Memorial Service In Memory of Thomas Kaneo

Naoto & Sachi Katoku, Inurnment Service for Florence & Velma Ogata

Atsushi Matsumoto & family, Inurnment Service for Florence & Velma Ogata

Helen Nagata, Funeral Service & Related Expenses for Bernice Etsuko Yoshida

Chizu Nakashima, Memorial Service for Zane Fujimoto

Val Ogata, Inurnment Service for Florence & Velma Ogata

Mr. & Mrs. Norman Ogata, In Memory of Zane Fujimoto's 100th Day Service

Mr. & Mrs. Kahakai Souza & family, 3rd Year Memorial Service In Memory of Thomas Kaneo

Raymond & Susan Takiue, Uncle Zane Fujimoto's 100th Day Service

Total - \$2,305.00

# **HAKASOJI and NOKOTSUDO**

Claire Oue Jenny Uemura-Sano Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Sugiyama Mr. & Mrs. Takeshi Kudo Mr. & Mrs. Horace Yanagi, Jr. Mr. & Mrs. Fred Uechi

Total - \$400.00

Toshiharu Sato Toshie Shirota Richard Nishimoto

# **DECEMBER SUNDAY SERVICES**

Offerings Total - \$326.00

#### **CAPITAL FUND**

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# **HAWAII KYODAN DUES**

Mr. & Mrs. Bert Maedo Mr. & Mrs. Fred Uechi Toshie Shirota Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Sugiyama Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Tanaka Susan Shirota

# **CONDOLENCES**

Ms. Bernice Etsuko Yoshida of Kealakekua passed away on November 15, 2016 at the Hospice, Nakamaru Hale at the age of 81.

Mrs. Elaine Sumie Piltz of Kailua-Kona passed away on December 3, 2016 at her home at the age of 83.

Mrs. Toshie Izuno of Kealakekua passed away on December 11, 2016 at Hospice, Nakamaru Hale at the age of 98.

Kona Hongwanji extends our deepest sympathy and condolences to the family and relatives of those members who recently passed away. May the wisdom and compassion of Amida Buddha surround you and your family with loving memories of your loved one in the years to come.



# Kona Hongwanji Buddhist Temple Annual Membership Meeting and Get-Together

Sunday, February 19, 2017

9:00 a.m. - Service in the temple

10:30 a.m. - Program and luncheon in the

temple's social hall

If you and your family member(s) will be attending the luncheon, please return the bottom portion to:

Kona Hongwanji Buddhist Temple PO Box 769 Kealakekua. HI 96750

Sunday, February 19, 2017

Or you may call Susan Shirota, Get-Together Program chair at 896-5456 and provide your information.

Your replies will be greatly appreciated by Friday, February 3, 2017.

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| Kona Hongwanji Buddhist Temple<br>Kyodan Annual Meeting and Get-Togethe | er |      |

Members Name:

Number of people in family attending the luncheon: \_\_\_\_\_

# Kona Hongwanji Buddhist Temple, List of Memorial Service for 2017 (revised)

**Dear Members:** It is the Buddhist Custom that Family members observe memorial services to pay their respects to those who passed away. Through the services, the families are reminded of the importance of religious life. The role of the rites is helpful in strengthening and aiding the families to lead a meaningful life in the guiding light of Amida Buddha's Compassion. Please note the list below and make an appointment at least **Three Months** prior to the service date.

|                |  | <b>FIRST YEAR (2016)</b>          |                                       |
|----------------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| DATE           | NAME   | DATE                              | NAME                                  |
| 01/01          | Ohata, Yaeko                                   | 02/18                             | Ito, Burton Y.                        |
| 02/21          | Clark, Gladys A.                               | 02/24                             | Shirai, Toshio                        |
| 04/03          | Ito, Dorsey T.                                 | 04/10                             | Harada, Marion Y.                     |
| 06/08          | Shiotsuka, Yaeko                               | 07/10                             | Hayashida, Melvyn T.                  |
| 07/31          | Saito, Chikaharu                               | 08/28                             | Kobayakawa, Fumie                     |
| 09/05          | Nakamura, Kiyoshi                              | 09/19                             | Fujimoto, Zane Z.                     |
| 10/01          | Tokunaga, Misae Clara                          | 10/07                             | Kadohiro, Kikuye                      |
| 10/17          | Kawasaki, Chiyoko                              | 11/05                             | Yoshida, Bernice Etsuko               |
| 12/03          | Piltz, Elaine Sumie                            | 12/11                             | Izuno, Toshie                         |
|                |  | TUIDD VEAD (2015)                 |                                       |
| 01/09          | Nozaki Noro Tanaya                             | <u>THIRD YEAR (2015)</u><br>02/16 | Imai, Herbert Masao                   |
| 02/23          | Nozaki, Nora Tonoye                            | 03/06                             |                                       |
|                | Taniyama, Tomokichi                            | 03/31                             | Kadooka, Sunao                        |
| 03/18          | Nakagawa, Tatsuyo                              | 06/28                             | Ozaki, Florence Masako                |
| 06/14<br>07/18 | Kunitomo, Gladys Hideko                        | 08/17                             | Higashi, Sanford Tatsuya              |
| 09/18          | Oue, Tatsumi                                   | 09/19                             | Matsumoto, Thomas Shinichi            |
| 11/06          | Oue, Ross Akiyoshi                             | 11/07                             | Nakamoto, Jean Aiko                   |
| 11/16          | Maeno, Yukio                                   | 11/20                             | Aoki, Kazue                           |
| 11/23          | Okabayashi, Yaeko<br>Ichishita, Gary Kazuyoshi | 11/20                             | Aoki, Kazuyoshi<br>Cheng, Minolu Reen |
| 11/23          | ichishita, Gary Nazuyoshi                      | 11/21                             | Cherry, Williola Reen                 |
|                |  | <b>SEVENTH YEAR (2011)</b>        |                                       |
| 01/03          | Matsumoto, Nancy Ayano                         | 01/10                             | Kimoto, Raymond A.                    |
| 01/10          | Kawakami, Yasuo                                | 02/19                             | Nagatoshi, Masayuki                   |
| 03/21          | Ogata, Hisako                                  | 04/11                             | Lindner, Ronald Allen                 |
| 04/21          | Kamigaki, Nellie K.                            | 05/25                             | Hayashida, Harold Toshio              |
| 06/05          | Manago, Nancy Hisae                            | 06/06                             | Matsumoto, Kyle K.                    |
| 06/12          | Harada, Mikie S.                               | 08/22                             | Takashiba, Yoshitaka                  |
| 08/25          | Hata, Calvin Tadashi                           | 09/07                             | Urada, Ernest Katsukuna               |
| 10/08          | Kaku, Harold "T-Bone"                          | 10/27                             | Kukita, James "Jimmy" I.              |
| 11/15          | Inouye, Muneo                                  | 11/20                             | Matsuyama, Bessie K.                  |
| 11/23          | Pratt, Alan John                               | 12/27                             | Ezuka, Teruo                          |
|                |  | THIRTEENTH YEAR (2005)            |                                       |
| 01/16          | Fujikawa, Masako                               | 01/22                             | Oue, Yasuko                           |
| 01/28          | Morimoto, Dorothy Tokiko "Dot"                 | 01/29                             | Okumura, Masao "Masa"                 |
| 02/07          | Tanaka, Gilbert Masanori                       | 02/15                             | Nakamaru, Kaname                      |
| 02/18          | Hayashi, Tomio                                 | 02/28                             | Kuroyama, Kimie                       |
| 05/17          | Yamato, Kikue                                  | 05/23                             | Harano, Daniel Manabu                 |
| 06/29          | Nakashima, Jace Masao                          | 07/14                             | Koike, George                         |
| 08/09          | Wakata, Leighton Hisao                         | 08/20                             | Oga, Masao                            |
| 08/22          | Koshi, Tomeko                                  | 08/31                             | Murasaki, Takeo                       |
| 09/14          | Sato, Torami "Amy"                             | 10/13                             | Murata, Clarence Kiyoshi              |
| 10/30          | Tanaka, Hiroshi                                | 11/03                             | Ide, Kiyoshi                          |
| 11/08          | Kazama, Toshinori                              | 11/10                             | Tashima, Takie                        |
| 11/30          | Kirihara, George Yukio                         | 11/10                             | radimia, rano                         |
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|       |                        | <b>SEVENTEENTH YEAR (2001)</b> |                          |
|-------|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| DATE  | NAME                   | DATE                           | NAME                     |
| 01/02 | Nakayama, Walter K.    | 01/22                          | Motoyama, George M.      |
| 02/05 | Shiraishi, Amy K.      | 03/01                          | Yoshida, Mitsuyo         |
| 03/04 | Matsuyama, Kazuyo      | 03/12                          | Yamane, Aiko             |
| 03/13 | Sunada, Katsuno        | 03/31                          | Oue, George J.           |
| 04/24 | Aoki, Richard T.       | 06/08                          | Kadooka, Sekie           |
| 06/10 | Bond, Ernest J.        | 06/21                          | Ashihara, Tsukao         |
| 06/29 | Yoshimoto, Hideshi     | 07/12                          | Omoto, Satoru            |
| 07/18 | Matsuyama, Andy T.     | 07/27                          | Nakayama, Haruyo         |
| 08/09 | Kondo, Tadashi         | 08/14                          | Kanai, Ronald T.         |
| 08/14 | Yano, Richard S.       | 08/26                          | Nishimoto, Frank S.      |
| 10/18 | Murasaki, John S.      | 10/20                          | Oue, Toshie "Betty"      |
| 10/24 | Perlmutter, Hazel, T.  | 11/07                          | Uemura, Mitsuno          |
| 12/04 | Fujino, Mary M.        | 12/10                          | Nakayama, Tatsuo         |
| 12/30 | Fujino, Yasuo          |                                | <b>,</b>                 |
|       |                        | TWENTY-FIFTH YEAR (1993)       |                          |
| 01/27 | Itozaki, Elaine K.     | 02/15                          | Fujiwara, Doris Sumiko   |
| 02/19 | Sasaki Chiyono         | 02/26                          | Oishi, Sadao             |
| 06/04 | Nakamura, Helen Misako | 06/12                          | Saito, Herbert Atsushi   |
| 07/03 | Tashima, Miyuki        | 08/12                          | Hayama, Charlene Toshiko |
| 09/26 | Takimoto, Tamo         | 10/05                          | Fujii, Hatsune           |
| 10/12 | Sato, Sugae            | 10/13                          | Onaka, "Tom" Hisato      |
| 11/23 | Matsumoto, Mitsugi     | 12/01                          | Go, Harue                |
| 12/01 | Kobayashi, Lamorm      | 12/01                          | Nakamura, Kou            |
| 12/12 | Nagata, Mitsugi        | 12/21                          | Kitagawachi, Takeo       |
|       |                        | THIRTY-THIRD YEAR (1985)       |                          |
| 01/03 | Nakasone, Matsuni      | 01/16                          | Kunitomo, Hatsumi        |
| 01/22 | Deguchi, Hajime        | 01/28                          | Yoshioka, Masami         |
| 02/27 | Aoki, Masao            | 04/14                          | Tsukahara, Tsuyu         |
| 05/20 | Nagamine, Haru         | 06/13                          | Kishimoto, Masa          |
| 06/16 | Go, Masao              | 0705                           | Katoku, Tsuruko          |
| 07/23 | Kukita, Misa           | 07/23                          | Uyeda, Hisayo            |
| 08/17 | Ege, Eiichi            | 10/19                          | Kudo, Takumi             |
| 11/02 | Omori, Mitsue          | 11/13                          | Matsuda, Tadashi         |
|       |                        | FIFTIETH YEAR (1968)           |                          |
| 01/09 | Fukuda, Tsuruko        | 02/20                          | Onizuka, Masamitsu       |
| 03/08 | Kubota, Setsu          | 04/14                          | Okuna, Thomas S.         |
| 05/31 | Takenaga, Sen          | 06/08                          | Oka, Takeshi             |
| 07/06 | Ogata, Toshiko         | 07/17                          | Aoki, Yasue              |
| 07/19 | Sasaki, Tamotsu        | 07/20                          | Igeta, Tsuge             |
| 11/16 | Tanaka, Jiro           | 11/28                          | Haruguchi, Nobu          |
| 11/29 | Manago, Kinzo          | 12/16                          | Uemoto, Asayo            |
| 12/19 | Oka, Takeko            | 12/10                          | Ochiolo, Asayo           |
| 14/13 | Ona, raneno            |                                |                          |

NOTE: If you have any questions or corrections regarding the information listed above, please call the office at 323-2993. Thank you.