

Daifukuji Soto Mission

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Okagesama de: Thanks to countless beings, we are here today.



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January, 2014

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Celebrating Our Temple's 100th Anniversary



New Year's Blessing Services

December 31	11:45 p.m.
January 1	10:00 a.m.

Start the new year by receiving the blessings of the Buddha. Those who attend the midnight service can ring the temple bell and enjoy hot soba noodles.

Hawaii Kannon *omamori* (Buddhist charms for one's purse and vehicle) and *ofuda* (blessing cards for home and office) will be available at both services for a donation of \$5 per *omamori* and \$2 per *ofuda*.

Together, let's start the new year with prayers and blessings for everyone's health, safety, and happiness. All are welcome!

New Year's Party

Sunday, January 19 at 11:00 a.m.

Temple members, supporters, and temple groups are invited to join our Sangha in celebrating the Year of the Horse.



Daifukuji's new year's party on January 19th will be a fun-filled luncheon with delicious food made by our Fujinkai chefs. Entertainment will be provided by our various temple groups. (Food prep will begin at 1 p.m. on January 18. Help is appreciated. Questions? Call Alfreida at 329-3457 or Ann at 322-2601.)

Lucky number prizes are needed. If you'd like to donate a prize, please deliver it to Daifukuji by January 12. You are not required to bring a prize to the party.

To attend, please fill out the form on page 9 and return it with payment by January 5. We hope that you and your family will join us in celebrating the start of Daifukuji's 100th year.

Party Set Up January 18

We'll be setting up tables and benches starting at 8 a.m. on Saturday, January 18. Any kokua you can offer will be appreciated. *Onegai shimasu.*

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New members welcome!



Fujinkai Hatsumairi

Sunday, January 5 10 a.m.

The Daifukuji Fujinkai Women's Association will be holding their *hatsumairi* or first service of the new year on January 5 at 10:00 a.m. A meeting will follow the service.

All Fujinkai members are cordially invited to attend this event. Lunch and games will be held in the social hall. Lunch for Fujinkai members is free. The luncheon fee for guests of Fujinkai members is \$10 per guest. District representatives will be calling members for a headcount. **Those attending are asked to bring a \$5.00 wrapped grab bag.**

Ladies, let's welcome the Year of the Horse with happy hearts and warm smiles and renew our commitment to our Buddhist way of life. Call Joyce at 329-3833 if you have questions. Women ages 18 and up are invited to become members of the Fujinkai. Annual dues are \$5.



Fujinkai Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser & Plant and Bake Sale

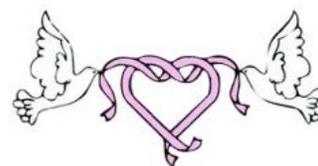
February 22, 2014

7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Daifukuji Social Hall

Tickets \$7 (available after Jan. 5)

Donations of plants needed.



Congratulations!

Our Sangha extends our warmest congratulations to **Julia** (Crawford) and **Mark Krechter** who were married at our temple on November 16, 2013. We wish them every happiness.

Volunteers Needed

Could you lend us a helping hand for a few hours on a Friday morning? The group that meets for *samu* or temple cleaning & grounds maintenance every Friday morning is in need of more volunteers. They generally work from around 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., then enjoy a relaxing social hour and great food. Having a few more helpers will lighten the load for those who serve week after week.

A variety of jobs are available from dusting and sweeping to weeding and pruning. Work is done in the spirit of true service to the Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha community.

We thank Yoshiyuki Christo Izumi, who recently retired from pruning the hedges in the front yard, for years of faithful service and dedication to our temple. *Gokurosama deshita, Christo.*



Start the New Year With Yoga

Amrit Yoga teacher Ambika “Jo-an” Rose will be offering a series of yoga classes beginning January 2, 2014. Kona Daifukuji Yoga will be meeting on 8 Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. in the Hisashi Kimura Cultural Hall. Classes are open to temple members and the Kona community. One may drop in or attend the whole series. Bring a yoga mat, loose clothing, empty stomach, and dana (“love offering”). Ambika generously gives donations received to Daifukuji Soto Mission.

The dates are: January 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30; February 6, 13, & 20.

Ambika has been teaching yoga for some 30 years. The “Style” is Amrit Yoga, an authentic, meditative exploration of pranic (Chi) energy through alignment, extension, and intention. Questions? Call (808) 430-2620.

Library News

By Clear Houn Englebert

Nowhere in the scriptures is it recorded that Shakyamuni Buddha said the word “God.” Instead he chose words that are impossible to attach concepts to. In the Udana Scripture he says, “There is, O Monks, an Unborn...” And that’s how he referred to what other religions refer to as God. He chose words to indicate that the greatness of the Unborn is beyond our ability to grasp with ordinary thoughts. He went on to use words such as the “not-made” to indicate that what he was referring to had no creation. The library now has the Udana Scripture which is actually quite short, and it’s one of two scriptures in *The Minor Anthologies of the Pali Canon, Part 2: Udana: Verses of Uplift and Itivuttaka: As It Was Said* from the Pali Text Society in England. The section I’m referring to is in chapter 8, verse 3.

The Wisdom of Buddhism by Christmas Humphreys is another new book in the library. It’s a compilation of scriptures, and the very first one is the verse I referred to above. A new arrival by D. T. Suzuki, *Living by Zen*, also refers to the Unborn in an extensive section on the great Japanese Zen master Bankei. This is what Bankei said, “When you are abiding in the Unborn you are abiding in the Source itself where all the Buddhas and Patriarchs come from.”

Other new arrivals are:

Fishing for the Moon and other Zen Stories by Lulu Hansen is a delightful pop-up book that was probably intended for children, but is hard to resist for anyone of any age.

Waking Up to What You Do by Diane Eshin Rizzetto is subtitled *A Zen Practice for Meeting Every Situation with Intelligence and Compassion*. It’s a wonderful discussion of the Precepts.

There are also three new DVD’s:

Big Island Taiko Festival 2013

Ninth Annual O-Bon Festival: June 9, 2012 by Aki Imai

Old Plum Mountain: The Berkeley Zen Center: Life Inside the Gate by Edwin Herzog is a special treat.



Clean-Up Day Mahalo

From Ron Iwamoto, General Clean-up Chairperson



Mahalos to all temple members and groups!

At the clean-up held on November 17, we were very fortunate to have had a big turnout of about 50 people who made the work fast and enjoyable. Thank you very much to the taiko parents and Family Sangha parents who came out to lend a hand, as well as to all the children who pitched in. Many kudos to the Fujinkai ladies who always make the refreshments special and to the regular temple members who always know what needs to be done and gets it done. Thank you so much!

The temple is now ready for the holiday season. Here's wishing all of you a happy new year!



Fujinkai Field Trip Planned for February 9

By Lorraine Jitoku Tanimoto

On Saturday, February 9, the Daifukuji Fujinkai Women's Association is planning an all-day outing. The first stop will be made in Waimea to view the cherry blossoms. Then we will step back in time to take in some cultural history about the Laupahoehoe area. At the Laupahoehoe Train Museum, we will have a short guided tour after viewing a video. Lunch will be on your own at the 50's Highway Restaurant. This unique restaurant sets the mood of the bygone era with memorabilia of the Be Bop days & offers a menu of local dishes. At the Laupahoehoe Viewpoint, we will pay our respects to the 1946 tsunami victims at a place where the Laupahoehoe Village once stood. Last stop before returning to Kona will be the Waimea Parker Ranch Shopping Center. It will be a day of fun and relaxation.

District reps, please call the ladies in your area and give me the names of the participants at the Hatsumairi on January 5. Fujinkai members may bring guests but must pay for their lunches and museum entry fees.



Daifukuji Zen Taiko

Daifukuji Zen Taiko, under the direction of Sensei Kris Yamauchi, held a family and friends fun night on November 23rd that literally rocked the hall. It was exciting to see the newest members of the group play alongside the seasoned members, and even more exciting to see the look of amazement on the faces of their family members and friends. The food and fellowship that followed the evening's performance was tops. Everyone had a great time.

Daifukuji Zen Taiko is open to any adult interested in learning the art of taiko. Practices are held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Hisashi Kimura Cultural Hall. For information, call Kris Yamauchi at 854-1625.

January Dharma Programs

Zazen Meditation

- * Every Wednesday morning from 6 a.m. to 7:20 a.m. except January 1.
- * The following Thursday evenings from 7 - 8:30 p.m.: January 2, 16, and 23.

Please arrive a few minutes early. Beginners are welcome. Call Rev. Jiko at 322-3524 to arrange an appointment for basic instruction.

Shakyo & Shabutsu -- Saturday, January 4 from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Mindfully tracing the sutras and pictures of the buddhas and bodhisattvas harmonizes body, breath, and mind and brings peace and clarity into one's life. Brushes, ink, and other materials are provided. This session begins with the chanting of the Heart Sutra and the Four Bodhisattva Vows.

Family Services

Families with children are invited to join the Family Sangha for child-friendly Buddhist services on Sunday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. The first Family Service of 2014 will be held on January 12. (See calendar on page 8 for schedule.)

Baikako Choir Practice

The Daifukuji Baikako Plum Blossom Choir will hold its practice session at 7:45 a.m. on January 12. A song will be practiced for the New Year's party. Members, please attend.

The gift of Dharma is offered at no charge and all are welcome. A small wooden box will be placed on the table for "pure heart offerings" in support of the temple and its programs.



New Year's Greetings from Rev. Jiko

Dear Daifukuji members and friends,

Happy new year! In 2014 our temple turns 100 years old and I am looking forward to a year of joyful celebration spent with all of you. It will be a year of reflection, of remembering the hard work of the ministers and temple members of the past; a year of planning for our big celebration coming up October 18 & 19; a year of envisioning what we as a sangha can build together and become, and a year of renewing our commitment to the way of life taught by the Buddha and Dharma ancestors.

We are on the threshold of a new era and are moving forward with compassion and mindful planning. We are fortunate to have a very harmonious and dedicated Board of Directors, functioning under the excellent leadership of board president Stephen Tanaka, who support all of the activities taking place at Daifukuji.

Yoga classes will begin on January 2, thanks to Ambika Jo-an Rose, who gives donations received for her classes to the temple. I have personally experienced the benefits of yoga and encourage you to give it a try. Ambika's classes are slow and gentle and filled with her compassionate energy.

In March, my cousin, **Dharma teacher Patricia Mushim Ikeda**, will be coming from Oakland, California to offer a series of teachings on the Four Noble Truths on March 13 & 14 and a one-day retreat on March 15. She will also offer a workshop for temple board members on "Mindful Leadership" on March 12 and a talk on "Spiritual Friendship" for the Fujinkai on March 16.

Throughout the year I will be holding evening **Envisioning sessions** at the temple, the dates of which will be announced in the newsletter. The next session will be on **Thursday, January 9 at 7 p.m.** in the Kannon Hall. Together, let's envision a bright future for Daifukuji and explore the many possible ways in which we can develop and move forward. All are invited to attend.

Okagesama de: Thanks to countless beings, we are here today is the centennial theme which we can hold in our hearts throughout 2014. A temple by itself is only an empty building. A temple that is cared for by a kind, giving, and dedicated sangha -- folks like you -- is a temple that is alive and well. I am grateful that ours is such a temple. Thank you very much for making it so.

May 2014 be a year of growth, peace, harmony, and steady practice of the Buddha Way. *Namu kie butsu. Namu kie ho. Namu kie so.*

With prayers for your safety, happiness, and well-being throughout the new year...

In deep gassho,
Rev. Jiko

RIDING MOWER FOR SALE

Rides & tows, but does not mow.

Cart included.

If interested, call Judie.

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Coming Up in February

Fujinkai Field Trip.....February 8

Nehan-E Service.....February 9

Fujinkai Pancake Breakfast.....February 22

Pick Up Your Pre-ordered MOCHI

Saturday, December 28

9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Help needed from 5 a.m. until pau.

2014 Memorial Services Chart

One Year Memorial Service (2013)

Betty Abe	Jan. 14
Herbert & Jane Okano	March 13
Mitsugi Inaba	March 27
Colbert Nozaki	April 26
Fusano Harai	June 28
Beverley Arai	July 29
Kimie Masuda	Aug. 9
Lester Nakano	Aug. 13
Myles Ota	Aug. 23
Chirio Miyose	Oct. 16
Shizuko Teshima	Oct. 22

3rd Year Memorial Service (2012)

Tadao Sugai	Jan. 5
Akinori Ota	Jan. 18
Evelyn Kadooka	Mar. 2
Kikuno Asada	Mar. 19
Ruth Nishida	April 24
Tatsuki Kusunoki	July 12
James Clendenon Jr.	Aug. 18
Carey Ushijima	Sept. 18
Bryan Hanato	Oct. 20
Fusae Teshima	Nov. 10
Doris Yamauchi	Nov. 15
Wade Furuuchi	Dec. 4

7th Year Memorial Service (2008)

Elaine Iwanaga	Jan. 10
Satoru Miyasato	Feb. 24
Tsugito Akazawa	March 24
Asako Nakamoto	April 7
Melvin Teramoto	April 19
Clara Forsberg	April 21
Shinobu Maruyama	May 13
Namiko Fukunaga	June 23
Michael Oshima	July 11
Walter Oshima	Aug. 8
Ethel Oda	Aug. 14
Takao Ide	Oct. 10
Setsu Chai	Oct. 23
Tamotsu Iwanaga	Oct. 27
Hatsuko Yoneyama	Nov. 17

13th Year Memorial Service (2002)

Torao Deguchi	Feb. 15
Irene Kimura	Feb. 25
Ronald Abe	May 19
Harris Ota	May 20
Minoru Inaba	June 6
Tomomi Ikeda	Aug. 14
Matsue Sasaki	Aug. 19
Mitsuyo Hanato	Oct. 14
Fumie Kusunoki	Dec. 27

17th Year Memorial Service (1998)

Shigeru Kawai	June 7
Torao Suezaki	Aug. 22
Richard Yoneyama	Oct. 8
Momoyo Fukuda	Nov. 13
Ichio Arai	Dec. 27

23rd Year Memorial Service (1992)

Kikue Yamaguchi	Nov. 21
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27th Year Memorial Service (1988)

Yaeko Miyata	Jan. 18
Misao Shimizu	Oct. 1

33rd Year Memorial Service (1982)

Yasuto Shishido	May 2
Shinji Ota	June 6
Kiyoko Iwamuro	Nov. 6

To arrange a memorial service, please call Rev. Jiko at 322-3524. Services may be held at the temple or at your home. The names on this list are from the Daifukuji Record Book. Please inform Rev. Jiko of any errors. Thank you.

January 2014

December 2013							January 2014							February 2014						
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
29	30	31	26	27	28	29	30	31	23	24	25	26	27	28						

- Sangha Sisters
- Youth Taiko
- Adult Taiko
- Family Service
- Major Service
- Temple Board
- Fujinkai
- Kannon-ko Service
- Project Dana
- Zazen
- Samu
- Special Events
- Baikako Practice
- Dharma Study
- Happy Strummers
- Offsite Backup
- Bon Dance Group
- Teen Sangha
- Orchid Club

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31 BLESSING SERVICE 11:45 PM	1 BLESSING SERVICE 10 AM	2 7:30 AM Yoga 7:00 PM Evening Zazen	3 8:00 AM Samu	4 8:00 AM SHAKYO
5 Fujinkai Hatsumairi 10 am	6 5:00 PM Youth Taiko 7:30 PM Happy Strummers	7 7:00 AM Ke Kama Pono 9:00 AM Bare Bones Writers 5:00 PM Zen Taiko	8 Project Dana 8:30 am 6:00 AM Zazen 5:00 PM Youth Taiko 7:00 PM Orchid Club	9 Envisioning Session 7pm 7:30 AM Yoga 9:00 AM Tai Chi 5:00 PM Zen Taiko	10 8:00 AM Samu 7:00 PM Sangha Sisters	11 9:30 AM Beginners Youth Taiko
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19 NEW YEAR'S PARTY 11 am	20 5:00 PM Youth Taiko	21 7:00 AM Ke Kama Pono 9:00 AM Bare Bones Writers 5:00 PM Zen Taiko	22 6:00 AM Zazen 6:30 AM Zazenkai Meeting 5:00 PM Youth Taiko	23 7:30 AM Yoga 9:00 AM Tai Chi 5:00 PM Zen Taiko 7:00 PM Evening Zazen	24 8:00 AM Samu	25 9:30 AM Beginners Youth Taiko
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Daifukuji Soto Mission
New Year's Party
Sunday, January 19, 2014
11:00 a.m.



Return Form With Payment by January 5, 2014

We hope you'll join us in celebrating the Year of the Horse. There will be great food, entertainment, and prizes. If you would like to donate pupus, non-alcoholic beverages, desserts, or menu ingredients, please call Alfreida Fujita in the evening at 329-3457 by January 12. If you have any questions, please call Joyce St. Arnault at 329-3833 or Rev. Jiko at 322-3524.

NAME: _____ **Phone no.** _____
E-mail Address _____

Daifukuji Members & Members of Temple Groups (\$5.00 per person)

No. _____ **X \$5.00 =** _____

Names

1. _____	4. _____
2. _____	5. _____
3. _____	6. _____

Non-members/guests (\$10 per person)

No. _____ **X \$10.00 =** _____

Names

1. _____	3. _____
2. _____	4. _____

Children under 5 (Free) **No.** _____ **Names** _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Please fill out and enclose payment. **Make check payable to Daifukuji Soto Mission.** Please give to Rev. Jiko or mail to:

Daifukuji Soto Mission
 Attn: New Year's Party
 79-7241 Mamalahoa Hwy
 Kealahou, HI 96750

Kindly RSVP by January 5, 2014.

No tickets will be sent to you. Your name and record of payment will be available at the door. Our hope is that this prepayment system will simplify your entrance. You do **not** need to bring a door prize/gift to the party. However, if you'd like to donate a prize, please drop it off at the temple by January 12. Donations are appreciated.

Daifukuji Soto Mission 2014 Annual Membership Form

Please check one of the following:

Membership renewal

New member

(Non-members only) Wish to be a supporter of the temple. Enclosed is my donation.

Please remove my name from your mailing list. Name _____

***Permission** to use photos of your family taken at temple activities in newsletter, programs, etc.

Please list the members of your household who are considered members of the Daifukuji Soto Mission:

1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Last Name	First Name	Date of Birth	Occupation
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Last Name	First Name	Date of Birth	Occupation
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Last Name	First Name	Date of Birth	Occupation
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Last Name	First Name	Date of Birth	Occupation
5.	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Last Name	First Name	Date of Birth	Occupation

(Please add names on a separate sheet if necessary.)

Mailing Address _____

Street Address (if different from mailing address) _____

Phone Number _____ Cell Number _____

E-mail Address _____ Check if you would like to receive your newsletter by email.

***2014 Annual Membership Dues**

\$40.00 per household \$ _____

***Annual Temple Operation**

Fund (Ijihi) \$ _____

***For utilities, insurance, minister's salary, office equip, basic maintenance, altar & kitchen supplies, newsletter, etc.**

***2014 Centennial Celebration Fund** \$ _____

***Cemetery Fee: \$5 per plot**

(if applicable) \$ _____

***Annual Nokotsudo Maintenance**

Fee: \$10 per niche (if applicable) \$ _____

Family Name on

Niche(s) _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Daifukuji Soto Mission. Kindly turn in by June 1, 2014.
Membership forms and donations may be dropped off at the temple office or mailed to:
Daifukuji Soto Mission, P.O. Box 55, Kealakekua, HI 96750. *Thank you.*