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May, 2015

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Annual Building Fund Bazaar

Sunday, May 3 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Please see flyer on page 2.

Bazaar Donations

From April 20 until May 1, items for the bazaar may be dropped off inside the social hall. Please refer to previous newsletter for bazaar guidelines.

Bazaar Set Up

We'll begin setting up at 8 a.m. on Saturday, May 2. Your kokua is greatly appreciated. Onegaishimasu.

For questions or for more information, please contact bazaar co-chairs Joyce (329-3833) or Stephen (322-2543).

Memorial Day Service and Blessing of our High School Graduates



Sunday, June 7 9:30 a.m.

Prayers for world peace and a remembrance of our fallen soldiers and victims of war will be the focus of Daifukuji's Memorial Day service. Following the service there will be a blessing of the high school graduates who are the children and grandchildren of temple members and a luncheon in honor of them. All are cordially invited to attend.

The featured speaker will be Daifukuji member **Keith Olson**, who is the chief science officer at NELHA.

We congratulate the following graduates of the Class of 2015: **Malia Command and Gabrielle Ewing**. If you know of any other graduate whose parents or grandparents belong to our sangha, please inform Rev. Jiko as soon as possible so that an invitation can be sent.

Congratulations to our graduates and their families! Omedeto gozaimasu!

Produce
Orchids
Plants

Household items
Crafts
Clothing
Massage

Food
Preserves
Baked Goods

Entertainment
by
Daifukuji Taiko

Bazaar

Daifukuji Soto Mission
Sunday May 3, 2015
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
79-7241 Mamalahola Hwy
located in Honalo next to
Teshima's Restaurant



A fundraiser for the Daifukuji Soto Mission Building Fund

For more information, call 322-3524

www.daifukuji.org

In Memoriam

To the family of the late **Hideo Maruyama** who passed away on March 21, 2015 at the age of 85, we send thoughts of comfort and peace.



Namu Kie Butsu. Namu Kie Ho. Namu Kie So.

Obon Service

*Sunday, June 28
10:00 a.m.*



Throughout the summer season of Obon, Buddhists remember their departed loved ones and family ancestors with gratitude and offer toba and prayers in their memory. As a Sangha, we gather to offer our support to those who are observing their departed family member's first Obon or hatsubon.

The following are the names of the departed for whom this will be a first Obon:

Etsuko Yamaguchi, Irene Izumi, Richard Ushijima, Emily Kudo, Taichi Harada, and Hideo Maruyama.

All are invited to attend Daifukuji's Obon service on June 28th at 9:30 a.m.. Please join us and plan to stay for the fellowship luncheon following the service.

Toba Request Form

See page 9.

Deadline for Obon Toba Requests is June 1.



Big Island Taiko Festival 2015

The Big Island Taiko Festival Concert 2015 will be held on May 23-24 at the University of Hawaii at Hilo Performing Arts Center. This year's performances will be featuring Kona Daifukuji Taiko, Puna Taiko, Hui Okinawa Kobudo Taiko, Ryukyukoku Matsuri Daiko, and Hilo Taishoji Taiko.

Show times are as follows:

Saturday May 23 7:30 p.m.

Sunday May 24 2:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 for General and \$5 for Students and Children. If available, tickets at the door will cost \$5 more. In past concerts, tickets have been sold out through pre-sales and go really fast, so please contact Akemi (989-8194) **as soon as possible** for ticket purchases or for more information.



Mahalo to the Zazenkai for a great Hanamatsuri lunch!

Library News

By Clear Houn Englebert

Here are the new arrivals:

The Art of Communicating by Thich Nhat Hanh

Mindful Eating by Jan Chozen Bays.

Buddha Heart, Buddha Mind: Living the Four Noble Truths by the Dalai Lama.

Each Moment is the Universe: Zen and the Way of Being Time is transcriptions of thirty-six of Dainin Katagiri's lectures, many of them concerning Dogen's writings.

The Great Failure: My Unexpected Path to Truth by Natalie Goldberg is a wonderful book about her own life and Zen training under Katagiri Roshi.

Unattended Sorrow: Recovering from Loss and Reviving the Heart by Stephen Levine is about the lingering sorrow that remains after the "period of grieving" has ended.

Buddhism by Bernard Faure is yet another fabulous color picture book. I never get tired of these kinds of books and this one is especially good, with brilliant text by Faure who is a leading Buddhist scholar.



People often ask me what is a good introductory book about Buddhism. *The Naked Buddha* by Adrienne Howley is my new favorite in that category---by far.

The library has two new DVDs and two new CDs. First the DVDs:

Practice is Enlightenment by John Daido Looi is a very clarifying commentary on one of Dogen's *Shobogenzo* chapters.

Sojo is a gift from Sojiji Monastery. It's about Gasan Joseki Zenji, the second abbot of Sojiji. It's in Japanese without English subtitles.

Daifukuji Soto Mission Obon Festival 2009 by Randy Magnus.

Sesshin Talks at Throssel Hole Buddhist Abbey August 2009 is three talks by Daishin Morgan.

Note: Quality stone Buddha statues are available (but apparently going fast) at The Second Hand Store which is on the makai side just south of Mango Court. They are helping to liquidate an estate.



May Dharma Programs

Dharma Fellowship (A Monthly Dharma Discussion Group)

The next Dharma Fellowship will be held on **Thursday, May 21** at 7:00 p.m. in the temple library. Please come with ideas for discussion topics.

Zazen (Meditation)

* Every Wednesday morning from 6 a.m. - 7:20 a.m.

* Thursday, May 14 & 28 from 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Both morning and evening sessions include 20 minutes of chanting. Donations may be placed in the box on the incense table.

Shakyo & Shabutsu Art Meditation - Saturday, May 9 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Mindfully tracing the Heart Sutra & pictures of buddhas and bodhisattvas in silence unifies body, breath, and mind and can bring one into a state of harmony with the universe. All supplies provided. By donation.

Baikako Plum Blossom Choir Practice - Sunday, May 17 from 7:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Tai Chi

Every Thursday from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. in the Hisashi Kimura Cultural Hall. Classes by donation. Call instructor Philip Kakuho Hema for information: 345-1492.

Yoga, Music, & Meditation

Led by Ananda Yoga instructor Ryan Jigaku Nakade, these gentle yoga sessions followed by group singing and a brief meditation are held every Friday afternoon from 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. in the Kannon Hall. Bring a yoga mat or towel. Classes by donation. Call Ryan Jigaku for information: 895-0784.

This year's Soto Zen Buddhist Lay Confirmation Ceremony will be held on May 23. Those who have already received confirmation and wish to renew their vows may also participate in this ceremony and are asked to inform Rev. Jiko.

For information on taiko classes, Project Dana, or the Kona Daifukuji Orchid Club, visit <http://www.daifukuji.org/activities.html>. or call 322-3524.



Mahalo Nui

One mango, two mangoes, three mangoes.....and stir, stir and still more stirring. Thank you to the many volunteers who helped peel, cut and dry the mangoes and also make jars and jars of jams and jellies! Also many thanks to everyone who donated items toward these two bazaar projects. Once again the people of the community and temple came together as one. (*Ann Nakamoto*)



Aloha from Rev. Jiko

Thank you to all who helped make Hanamatsuri a joyous and festive celebration of the Buddha's birth. Now it's time to gather our strength to put on Daifukuji's annual bazaar. Already temple members have spent hours in the kitchen making yummy things such as shredded mango, jams, and jellies. It's amazing how much love and labor goes into our temple bazaar. I am truly grateful for our members' cooperative spirit, countless hours of volunteering, and generous donations. May we all work mindfully, taking care of ourselves and our bodies in the process. May our work be fun and enjoyable. My warmest mahalo to all!

Another great happening in May is this year's Soto Zen Buddhist Lay Confirmation Ceremony which will be held on Saturday, May 23 at 4:00 p.m. The following sangha members will be receiving the 16 Bodhisattva Precepts along with their Buddhist names: Sharen Bangay, Kindness and Hannah Israel, Robert Kobzi, Patricia Missler, and Kaleopono Norris. This group has been studying together weekly since the beginning of March. You are welcome to attend, witness, and bless their special ceremony.

The days and months are quickly going by. Each day is precious and unrepeatable. In the sutra *Shushogi*, it is written: *It is difficult to be born as a human being; it is rare to encounter the buddha-dharma. Now, thanks to our good deeds in the past, not only have we been born as humans, we have also encountered the buddha-dharma. Within the realm of birth and death, this good birth is the best; let us not waste our precious human lives, irresponsibly abandoning them to the winds of impermanence.*

We take refuge in the Buddha. We take refuge in the Dharma. We take refuge in the Sangha.

Namu kie butsu. Namu kie ho. Namu kie so.

Coming up in June...

June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.....Bon Dance Classes

June 7.....Memorial Day/Baccalaureate Service

June 10.....Project Dana

June 13....Keauhou Obon Festival

June 14...General Clean Up

June 17...Kannon/Jizo-ko Service

June 18... Dharma Fellowship

June 28...O-Bon Service



650th Memorial Ceremony for Sojiji's Second Abbot Gasan Zenji

Japan Tour October 19 - 27, 2015

We are also visiting...

- Sojiji (need to sleep on floor)
- Hakkaisan Sake Brewing Factory
- Onsen at Niigata, Nagano, and Yamanashi
- Many autumn scenic view through the country-side



Temple where Bishop was Born and Raised
Minami-Uonuma, Niigata

Rev. Kotoku Yoshida's
Beautiful view of
Mt. Fuji!!!



- Hakuba - Nagano Olympic town
- Yamanaka-ko and Kawaguchi-ko (Five great lakes of Mt. Fuji)
- View up close view of Mt. Fuji
- Shopping in Tokyo
- Great Japanese Food
- ...and More

Estimated Price: \$2720.00 (At Currency Rate of 117 Yen)

Sponsored by HSMA and Bishop's Office

Please sign up at any Soto Temple.

*Arrangement to arrive or extend your trip is also possible, for detail please see separate sheet



If you are interested in going, please contact Rev. Jiko for a registration form & trip itinerary.

May 2015

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 9:30 AM Family Service 5:30 PM Youth Taiko 5:30 PM Youth	27	28 5:00 PM Adult Taiko	29 6:00 AM Zazen 5:00 PM Youth Taiko	30 9:00 AM Tai Chi 9:15 AM Precepts Study 5:00 PM Adult Taiko	1 7:30 AM Samu 3:30 PM Ke Kama Pono 4:30 PM Yoga & Music	2 8:00 AM Bazaar Set Up
3 9 am to 1 pm BAZAAR 5:30 PM Youth Taiko	4 7:30 PM Happy Strummers	5 4:00 PM Precepts Class 5:00 PM Adult Taiko	6 6:00 AM Zazen 5:00 PM Youth Taiko 7:00 PM Fujinkai Board	7 9:00 AM Tai Chi 9:15 AM Precepts Study 5:00 PM Adult Taiko	8 7:30 AM Samu 3:30 PM Ke Kama Pono 4:30 PM Yoga & Music	9 8:00 AM Shakyō
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Daifukuji Soto Mission O-Toba and Ko-Toba Request Form
Please turn in by June 1, 2015

YOUR NAME _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ **E-MAIL ADDRESS** _____

At Obon, Buddhists express their gratitude to their ancestors by making prayer offerings in the form of TOBA. The names of the deceased will be read by the minister during the Obon Service to which you are invited on June 28, 2015. Please send or bring your request form to Daifukuji as soon as possible and no later than **June 1** and make checks payable to **Daifukuji Soto Mission**. If you have any questions, please call Rev. Jiko at 322-3524.

O-TOBA (written on wood)..... Donation \$8.00 per request

O-TOBA are offered in remembrance of:

1. Your family ancestors as a group (example: The Nakade Family Ancestors)
2. A deceased family member or friend for whom this is a first Obon (hatsubon)

PLEASE PRINT NAMES CLEARLY.

I dedicate the merits of these prayers to.....

1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____
 4. _____
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KO-TOBA (written on paper)..... Donation \$2.00 per request

KO-TOBA are similar to O-toba, but are written on paper instead of wood and are a second option. Please print names clearly. *I dedicate the merits of these prayers to.....*

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| 1. _____ | 2. _____ |
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| 5. _____ | 6. _____ |

Your Name _____
Total enclosed _____