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Ohigan and Ryosoki Service

“The Perfections of the Heart”

Sunday, September 11

9:30 a.m.

Potluck Lunch



All are invited to Daifukuji's autumn Ohigan and Ryosoki service on September 11. *Ohigan* (お彼岸), a Buddhist holiday observed in Japan at the time of the spring and autumnal equinoxes when the weather is mild, is considered the perfect time to reflect upon the Buddha's teachings of the Six Perfections of the Heart (Six Paramitas) which are: generosity, observation of the precepts, patience, vigor, meditation, and wisdom. It is also a time to pay homage to Dogen Zenji, the eminent founder of our Soto Zen tradition and Keizan Zenji, the eminent propagator of the Soto Zen teachings. A Dharma talk will be given by Deacon Amy Jikai Nakade.

The gift shop will be open. Lunch will be a potluck affair, so please bring something to share if you can. The Daifukuji Fujinkai Women's Association will be holding their general membership meeting after lunch.

Donations of canned foods to the Hawaii Island Food Basket may be brought to the service. The Fujinkai continually delivers food to the Food Basket as its community service project, thanks to the help of Sachi & Ken Joesting.



Fujinkai News

General Membership Meeting

The annual general membership meeting of the Daifukuji Fujinkai Women's Association will be held after lunch on Sunday, September 11. The following topics will be discussed: (1) 2017 UHSSWA Conference on Oahu, (2) Kona Coffee Cultural Festival Food Booth, (3) October field trip, (4) activities and community service projects, (5) 2018 UHSSWA Conference in Kona.

Fujinkai members, we would be honored by your presence at this important meeting. The women of the Fujinkai have always been the sturdy backbone of the temple. Our sangha is grateful for all that you do.

Autumn Field Trip

What? Visit Kona Historical Society's H.N. Greenwell Store Museum and learn about what life was like in mauka Kona in the 1890s ; visit Michael and Mildred Iwamuro's garden in Captain Cook; have lunch at the Manago Hotel & learn its history.

When? Saturday, October 8

Cost? Fujinkai members - FREE

Guests of Fujinkai members - \$3.00 museum admission plus cost of lunch. Please pay guests' expenses directly to Fujinkai treasurer Elaine Fernandez.

ALL meals for the restaurant must be pre ordered. Lunch selections from the menu will be made at the general membership meeting.

Reservation deadline: Saturday, September 17. Fujinkai members, if you are interested in going on this outing, please contact your district representative. You may also inform field trip coordinator Lorraine Tanimoto on Sunday, September 11 at the general membership meeting.

We are planning to car pool. If you plan on driving, please let Lorraine or Rev. Jiko (322-3524) know if you are willing to take passengers.

New Members Welcome

Women 18 and older are invited to join the Fujinkai, whose mission is to foster an understanding of Soto Zen Buddhism, promote the spiritual, educational, and intellectual development of its members, and promote the general welfare of the community through religious and charitable works. Annual dues are \$5. For information on membership, call Merle at 323-3553 or Joyce at 329-3833.

Welcome, New Members



Our sangha extends a warm welcome to **Yoko and Hiro Otsubo**. Thank you, Yoko and Hiro, for joining our Daifukuji family.

New members are always welcome. For information, call Rev. Jiko (322-3524) or visit our website: http://www.daifukuji.org/membership_brochure.pdf

Mahalo Nui Loa

A big mahalo goes out to temple member Chris Kadooka and his brother-in-law Creighton Lai for generously donating their time and labor to install our temple's security camera system. Chris and Creighton flew over from Honolulu to install the system over a two-day period in the heat of an approaching storm. We also thank their daughters Caitlyn & Madison who came along to "support" their dads. Thank you very much.



Love to garden?

We are looking for gardeners who would be happy to weed and maintain our vegetable beds. Please call Rev. Jiko at 322-3524 if you are interested in volunteering a few hours a month, any day of the week. You are welcome to join the samu group on Friday mornings.



Bon Dance Classes to Begin

Monthly Bon Dance classes taught by Sensei Winifred Kimura will begin on Monday, September 19. Classes will be held every third Monday of the month from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the temple's social hall. All are welcome.

For more information, call Winifred at (808) 322-3296.



September Dharma Programs

Dharma Study Classes - Tuesdays, September 6, 13, 20, 27 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Study sessions based on the book *Living By Vow* by Rev. Shohaku Okumura, a Soto Zen priest and scholar, are being held each Tuesday afternoon from 4:00 -5:00 p.m. in the temple library. All are welcome. Call Rev. Jiko at 808-322-3524 for information.

Family Services: Sharing the Dharma with Children - Sundays, September 4 & 18 from 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. Possible field trip on September 25. Call Rev. Jiko (322-3524) for Dharma School information.

Zazen (Meditation)

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

* Thursday, **September 8 & 22** 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. Newcomers, please arrive 15 minutes early for brief instruction.

Shakyo & Shabutsu Art Meditation - Saturday, September 3 from 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 attunes one to the Buddha's teachings. All supplies provided. By donation.

Buddhist Movie Night - Thursday, September 15 7:00 p.m.

Join us for a relaxing movie night at the temple. Buddhist teachers Bhante Gunaratana and John Daido Looi Roshi are interviewed in the documentary *Eastern Mystics*. Bring your own mug for tea.

Baikako Plum Blossom Choir Practice - Sunday, September 4 & 25 from 7:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

T'ai Chi

Every Tuesday & Thursday from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. & Wednesday from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. in the Hisashi Kimura Cultural Hall. All are welcome. Call instructor Philip Kakuho Hema for information: (808) 345-1492.

Temple Tour to be Held September 18

Rev. Jiko and Clear Houn Englebert cordially invite you to their next “Temple Tour” on Sunday, September 18 at 2:00 p.m.

Open to the public, this ever-popular tour will cover the history and significance of the temple, as well as the interesting and unusual Buddhist objects found inside its doors.

If you’ve ever wondered about the meaning of the Buddhist images on the altars or the pictures and calligraphy on the walls, this is your chance to gain some knowledge and understanding about Daifukuji Soto Mission. You’ll also learn a few things about Buddhism and Zen.

The architectural features of our historic temple, which has been well maintained by temple members over the decades, will be pointed out. You’ll even have a chance to step up onto the altar platform to take a closer look at things, something that is normally not permitted.

This tour is free and open to the public. For more information, call (808) 322-3524.



Kona Historical Society staff received a tour of Daifukuji in July.

Library News

By Clear Houn Englebert



Here are the latest new arrivals:

Writings from the Zen Masters compiled by Paul Reps. This is a reprint of *Zen Flesh, Zen Bones* which was originally published in 1957.

Violence & Compassion by Dalai Lama and Jean-Claude Carriere is primarily interviews covering current world problems such as terrorism and environmental degradation.

One City by Ethan Nichtern is subtitled *A Declaration of Interdependence*.

Japanese Garden by Charmaine Aserappa is perhaps the most delightful book in the library. It’s small and illustrated with woodcuts by Akiko Naomura. Throughout the short book one page is aphorisms and the page facing it is a woodcut.

The Short March to Freedom by Yung Dong and Marjorie Jacobs is an illustrated book of fables from Buddha’s Light Publishing.

...*And Yet, Another Phase of Life* by Akinori Imai is another book of his recollections of his early life in Honolulu with plenty of nostalgic photographs.

Japanese Singing Group - September 7



Want to learn Japanese? Enjoy singing? Daifukuji member Takako Oxley is offering the singing of Japanese songs on the first Wednesday of the month from **9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.** in the social hall. Each month the group will learn the first verses of popular Japanese songs, their meanings, and some of the words/lines that are found in the songs. Examples of songs include enka (such as Misora Hibari songs), Bon Dance songs, children's songs, and today's popular songs.

These sessions will be held until December and possibly continued if there's enough interest. Takako, who is a member of the Daifukuji Zazenkai, is also a professional interpreter and Japanese language teacher at Kuleana Education school. You may reach her at 989-8085 or email her at oxleyj002@hotmail.com. Come out and join the fun!

the Gay Sangha

**a Buddhist group
open to all, with a
particular invitation to
gay women and men and
their families and friends**

Daifukuji Soto Mission
Honalo, Kona
322-3524 daifukuji.org

Daifukuji Gay Sangha
328-0329
Feel free to call, or join us there:

**forming Friday, October 7
6:00 to 7:30pm, with
meditation and discussion**

Mahalo to Clyde



The kupuna and volunteers of Project Dana express their mahalo to Clyde Ikeda for his frequent donations of gorgeous orchid plants which are used as bingo prizes. Clyde, you certainly know how to put big smiles on everyone's faces and make playing bingo super exciting. Mahalo for your generosity.



Rev. Jiko & June Kaichi at the Orchid Show

Greetings from Rev. Jiko

Dear Daifukuji members and friends,

I send you my aloha on this warm summer night in mauka Kona while the coqui frogs are singing their evening melodies.

Plans are coming together for Daifukuji's first **Sangha Family Fun Day on Sunday, August 21**. I cordially invite everyone to join our Sangha for a day of fellowship and fun. (See page 10 for event details.)

Each person and each group contributes to the creation of a happy, healthy, & wholesome Sangha. By embodying the Way of the Buddha, we carry our practice of mindfulness, meditation, kindness, & compassion into our daily interactions with one another and all sentient beings, wishing everyone happiness and peace. *Namu kie butsu. Namu kie ho. Namu kie so.*

In gassho,

Rev. Jiko

Kona Daifukuji Orchid Club's Spectacular 2016 Orchid Show



Coming up in October....

- Daruma-ki/Eitaikyo Service... Oct. 2
- Fujinkai Field Trip.....Oct. 8
- Project Dana.....Oct. 12
- Taishoji's Centennial.....Oct. 16
- Kannon-ko Service..... Oct. 19
- Mindfulness Class..... Oct. 23

Fumigation

From August 29 - September 1, Daifukuji Soto Mission will be closed for fumigation. This includes the temple, nokotsudo (columbarium), social hall, cultural hall, and possibly access to the cemetery. We ask for your understanding and cooperation.

Sangha Photo Gallery



September 2016

August 2016							September 2016							October 2016						
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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
- US Holidays
- Offsite Backup

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 9:30 AM Family Service	29 Closed for Fumigation	30	31	1	2	3 8:00 AM Shakyo 9:30 AM Youth Taiko
4 7:45 AM Baikako 9:30 AM Family Service	5 Labor Day 5:00 PM Youth Taiko	6 9:00 AM T'ai Chi 4:00 PM Dharma Study 5:30 PM Zen Taiko	7 6:00 AM Zazen 9:00 AM Japanese Singing 12:00 PM T'ai Chi 5:00 PM Youth Taiko 7:00 PM Fujinkai	8 9:00 AM T'ai Chi 5:30 PM Zen Taiko 7:00 PM Evening Zazen	9 7:30 AM Samu 7:00 PM Sangha Sisters	10 9:30 AM Youth Taiko
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Discover something new!

SANGHA FAMILY FUN DAY

Sunday, August 21
10 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Daifukuji Social Hall

A Free Event for Temple Members,
Groups, Families, & Friends

Displays & demos by various groups
Games, crafts, activities
Entertainment by Kona Daifukuji Taiko &
Daifukuji Happy Strummers
Door prizes
Refreshments, burgers, shave ice

It's all happening at Daifukuji Soto Mission!
Call (808) 322-3524 for more information.

