

## Soto Mission of Hawaii Betsuin Newsletter February 2019

# New Year's Party and General Membership Meeting (Feb 10)

On February 10 we will observe Nehan-e (Parinirvana). This is a special service dedicated to Shakyamuni Buddha upon his passing. This is one of the three important services dedicated to the foundation of Buddhism, along with Bodhi Day (12/6) and Buddha Day (4/8).

The General Membership Meeting will follow the Nehan-e Service. New Off cers and Temple Board Directors will be installed prior to the General Membership Meeting. If you have any questions or suggestions, this would be a great time to express your thoughts and concerns at the meeting.

Together with the new Off cers and Directors, we welcome everyone to join us for our Temple's New Year's Party (Shinnenkai).

**February 10, 2019** 

9:30 AM Nehan-e Service

10:30 AM General Membership Meeting

10:50 AM Installation of Off cers and Temple Board Members

11:00 AM New Year's Party (Social Hall)



\$12 per Person

No Charge for person 88 years and above and children 12 years and under

There will be lots of delicious food, exciting games and entertainment for everyone to enjoy. This year's special event will be a **Silent Auction**. Your donation of any item will be greatly appreciated. Please bring your silent auction donation to the Temple Off ce by **Friday**, **Feb. 8**.

Please call the temple at 537-9409 or email hirosato@sotomission.org by **Tuesday**, **Feb. 5** to reserve your seat.

We look forward to seeing you at our New Year's Party!

## 2019 Membership Dues

If you have not submitted your Membership Dues for 2019, please support us by sending us a check or dropping it off when you come to visit us at the

Temple.



## Baika Workshop

On February 21 at 9:00 AM, Rev. Ryoko Matsui from Shinsei-Ji temple in Chiba prefecture, Japan, will conduct a Baika Workshop at the Temple. Please join us if you are interested in learning more about Baika. This is a great chance to learn from the best-of-the-best teachers from Japan.

You can learn and hear more about Baika by visiting <a href="https://global.sotozen-net.or.jp/eng/practice/baikaryu/index.html">https://global.sotozen-net.or.jp/eng/practice/baikaryu/index.html</a>

### **Announcements**

#### Temple Off ce Hour Change

Temple Off ce will close at noon on Saturday February 23. Temple Off ce will be closed all day Sunday February 24. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your understanding.

#### Ofuda Packet

If you have not picked up your Ofuda Packet, the Ofuda and Omamori have been blessed by Bishop Komagata at the Daihannya Blessing Service. They are now ready to be picked up. Please visit the temple to pick up your blessings for the new year!

#### **Email Newsletter**

Thank you to those who signed up to receive the Email Newsletter. We appreciate your support for the Temple as well as raising consciousness about our planet (saving the forest by reducing paper use). Please sign up if you are interested. Please ask us to remove your name from the mailing list if you prefer not to receive the newsletter by United States Postal Service (USPS).

## **Event Report**

#### Daihannya Blessing Service

We thank all the individuals and families who came to our Daihannya Blessing Service on Sunday January 6. It was a long service but we hope that the blessings received from Bishop Komagata will f II 2019 with lots of excitement.









#### Zazen For Early Risers

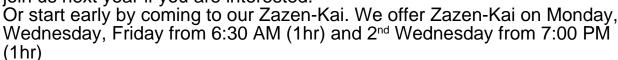
Many started out the new year by attending events.

Some took part in traditional family events, some went to the beach, some may even have been off island visiting another country to see the white snow or to enjoy the delicious food. Some came to the temple for early morning zazen followed by asagayu, which is a traditional morning gruel (rice porridge) that is served at monasteries in Japan.



No matter how you started the year, the important thing is to practice the teachings of the Shakyamuni Buddha, Dogen Zenji and Keizan Zenji. For those that participated in our Zazen, thank you for spending the time with us.

We wish you a joyous and happy 2019. We do this every year so please join us next year if you are interested.



We would like to give special thanks to the ladies of Living Ohana for preparing the wonderful asagayu breakfast. They came early in the morning to prepare the dishes. Mahalo. For anyone who is interested,

Living Öhana is an organization that organizes workshops and events for parents and their children especially from the Japanese speaking community in Hawaii.

Find out more at www.livingohanahawaii.org



## Mahalo for your Donations

We would like to express our appreciation for your very generous donations for general donations, building fund, and in memory of your loved ones to the temple. (List is as of January 1 to January 24, 2019)

Barry Suda
Living Ohana
Family of the Late Haruyo Kaneda
Yuko Tsukamoto
USAATO USA Inc.
Gary Nakamura
James J. K. Oh, D.D.S. Inc
Linda Sato
Noriko Rogers
Hawaii Soto-Shu Head Off ce
Kanrad Sasaki
Roosevelt Towata
J. Ishimine
Gary M. And Jean Miyata
Chikako Shimamura

Thank you very much!

June Yoshiko Aono
Lillian Wakabayashi
Nancy Abe
Naoko Moller
Carol T. Fujitani
Kosuke Onishi
Larry Cutwright
Sheila Tonai
Jane Ueyama
Vaughn and Gwen Kunishige
Sharon Nozaki

## Mahalo for your Dry Can Goods Donations

Thank you to everyone who brought dry can goods donation to the temple for the Holiday Season. We were able to donate 68 pounds of food to the Hawaii Foodbank! Thank you once again for helping the temple support by giving joy to the Hawaii families in need.



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#### February 2019

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