Save the Date!
Monday, August 22, 2016
Friendly Hills Country Club
Whittier, CA

Sponsorship and Registration
Details Coming soon!

To benefit:
Completing the Dream
Orange County Buddhist Church
50th Anniversary Project
## TAKE OUT FOOD MENU

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Need to pick-up some delicious food in a hurry, take advantage of our TAKE OUT service. Enter the parking lot from the south gate and someone will take your order. Raffle tickets may also be dropped off at the same time.
Buddhism and Agriculture

Next week I will be giving a presentation at the IBS/CBE symposium, prior to the BCA National Council meeting, on the topic of “Buddhism and Agriculture.” Since the hosting district is Central Ca this year, we felt that a topic that would connect with the farmers and members of that area would be pertinent.

I plan to start my talk with the following statement: “If it weren’t for farmers, I would starve to death in a week.” Farmers raise the fruits and vegetables that we eat daily. They raise the cattle that become our steak and hamburgers. They raise the hay and corn that feeds the cattle that feeds us. They raise the wheat for our bread, the rice for our gohan, the potatoes for our French fries. They raise the cows that produce the milk that produces the cheese for our pizza and the cream for our coffee. They raise the chickens for our teriyaki chicken, and the eggs that become our over-easy eggs. They raise the pigs that become the bacon for our breakfast, and they raise the turkeys that get stuffed and roasted at Thanksgiving.

Where would we be without the farmer? We would be dead, that is where we would be. Some of you might think that you could raise your own crops and “live off the land.” Well, in the old days people were able to live off the land. They raised vegetables, had a chicken coop for eggs, had a few cows for beef and milk, and even hunted for deer, rabbits, and other game. Who could do that now and have your regular job as an engineer, teacher, or accountant? We go to the store and buy our groceries that are all nicely packaged, cleaned and trimmed, but someone had to raise all of that food. It was the farmer.

Maybe I am biased because I grew up on a farm and my father farmed for over forty years, but we owe a debt of gratitude to the farmer for providing the food that allows us to live, even if we do pay for our groceries with our own money.

The other debt of gratitude that we owe is to the living beings themselves, who are sacrificed so that we might live.

According to a little research I did on the internet, the average American in their lifetime, consumes 9.8 beef steers. One steer weighs about a thousand pounds. That is a lot of beef in one lifetime. Sadly, a beef steer is slaughtered around the age of 18 months. Such a short life just to feed me.

In addition to beef, an average American consumes 28 pigs in a lifetime. I feel sorry for the pigs, but not enough to give up bacon, ham, or barbecued spareribs, not to mention chashu.

Add to that the fact that an average American consumes 2,002 chickens in one lifetime. That is a lot of fried chicken, teriyaki chicken, buffalo wings, and chicken nuggets.

If you add to that, fish, we consume about 3,700 fish in our lifetime, and about 10,000 shellfish. You think that is an exaggeration? Think about the last time you went to a buffet and they had boiled shrimp and cocktail sauce. I take at least 5 or 6 just in one sitting.

To me, it would be admirable to be a vegan, and not to take animal life or even dairy, but to be a vegan or a vegetarian does not mean you are not taking life. That head of lettuce was perfectly happy in the field before being beheaded by the lettuce cutter. That carrot was perfectly happy in the ground until it got pulled out of its home to be in our stew or salad. Even to eat grains is to take life. A kernel of rice that we eat never got to become a rice plant. A sunflower seed never got to be a sunflower. On and on it goes.

To live, inevitably means to take life. We take and take and take some more. Even on our deathbed, we might have a meal that takes the life of a plant or animal. Think of it from the animal’s perspective. They might think, “Why do I have to die for that guy anyway? He is just going to die today anyway.” But such is the life of we humans.

Shinran Shonin uses the phrase zaigojinju, when he refers to the lives of we human beings. Zaigojinju consists of four Chinese characters: zai 罪 (sinful), go 業 (karmic), jin 深 (deep), ju 重 (heavy). The phrase, “zaigojinju 罪業深重,” I would translate something like, “human beings are burdened with the weight of karmic ego centeredness.” I know that is a liberal translation, but when I read these words from Shinran, I used to think that he was too hard on himself, but now I see the deep truth to his words. When you stop and think about it, we are all zaigojinju. We take the lives of plants, animals, and fish our entire life, and we cannot stop doing so. That is the weight of our negative karma that we create just by living.

If we stop and think about our life and all the sacrifices made to sustain it, how can we not become humbled? How can we not feel a deep sense of indebtedness towards all beings? That indebtedness lasts as long as a brief pause, and then I am off to my next meal. Should I have sushi or a nice juicy steak? Should I have a burger, or a turkey sandwich? Either way, I am taking life. I am nothing but zaigojinju.

Namuamidabutsu,
Rev. Marvin Harada
A WAY OF SEEING (03.2016 – Gessen)

A while back, the family of the late Rev. Satoshi Hirata gave me a number of his books. As I looked through them to see if any of them would serve as a source of my essays, I came across several that might do just that, assuming I would be able to understand what I was reading. Of course, I would need to be able to translate what I thought might be worth your while to read, which would mean that I thought it worth my own while to read as well, if, perhaps, more thoroughly. Some of you are able to read Japanese, especially if it is written in romanized form, so I have decided to include the romanized version so that you might check my translation. I am pretty sure though that I said just a while ago, that I would not do that.

If you were fortunate enough to have parents who would not let you quit learning Japanese in your youth (joke), you might recall a poem called “Iroha no Uta.” It has been attributed to various people, all of whom were Buddhist priests, most often Kōbō Daishi Kūkai, founder of the Japanese Shingon (Tantric) Sect. In fact, it is considered the anthem of the Kōyasan Shingon Sect. It contains all 47 elementary sounds of the Japanese syllabary, including n.

A loose translation follows:

Iro ha ni ho he to chi ri nu ru wo
A beautiful flower loses its petals when it dies.
Wa ka yo ta re so tsu ne na ra mu
Who in this world lives forever?
U i no o ku ya ma ke fu ko e te
Will the remote mountains of birth and death be crossed today?
A sa ki yu me mi shi ye hi mo se su
Waking from an ephemeral dream, no longer intoxicated.
N (End)

What follows is what might be called a Jodo Shinshu Iro Ha Uta. It was written by the Reverend Inoue Gessen, a native of Toyoura (County), in Yamaguchi Prefecture. He was held in high regard (by his fellow priests), particularly by the Reverend Shichiri Gōjun, of Hakata on the island of Kyushu, who told people who wanted to talk with him regarding the Nishi Hongwanji Shinshu teachings to forget coming all the way to Kyushu and to go see Gessen, which would save them much time and travel. Shichiri (1835-1900) was probably held in highest regard by Buddhist priests all over Japan, not just among our Nishi Hongwanji Jodo Shinshu priests.

Itsumo sonomama koi yo de watashya
Sewa mo torarete raku na mono
Always told by Amida to come as I am, The load was taken off me, and I am so at ease.

Most of the poems herein tell of us what we need to do to open ourselves up to Amida’s compassionate work. Do not listen for voices; simply meditate on what’s being said.

Roku na kokoro ga watashi ga nai de
Wakete yobarete raku na mono
Because I lack a well-meaning heart, All the more was I summoned by Amida.
How easy can it get?
**Nishi Side Story**

One night, when I was in the seventh grade, there was nothing on television to watch except for a movie called *West Side Story*. I didn’t know what caught my attention but I began to watch it. I quickly got caught up in the story about an Italian boy named Tony who falls in love with a Puerto Rican girl named Maria. Tony and Maria were caught between two rival gangs in New York City. The Jets were the Italian gang and the Sharks were the Puerto Rican gang. People from rival gangs usually do not fall in love with each other.

*West Side Story* is not just a love story. There are also knife fights and gang wars so the movie appealed to both seventh grade girls and seventh grade boys. The music is not corny or too romantic. Leonard Bernstein’s score sounded like jazz mixed with the sounds of very early rock and roll. The lyrics by Stephen Sondheim were exceptionally wonderful.

When I went to school the next day I was surprised to find that everyone was talking about *West Side Story*. It seems that we had all watched it the night before. We were all talking about which gang we would want to be in and which song we liked best. We all liked different songs but I think we all knew that the song that captured the essence of the movie was the song *Maria* that was sung by Tony. This song was about the name Maria and how by just saying it Tony was one with the character Maria in his both his heart and mind. Tony sang that the name Maria was

“the most beautiful sound I ever heard”

and that it was

“all the beautiful sounds of the world in a single word *Maria*”.

He also sang

“I’ll never stop saying Maria.
The most beautiful sound I ever heard Maria.”

“Say it loud and there’s music playing.
Say it soft and it’s almost like praying.”

The song seemed almost spiritual in nature.

It wasn’t until much later that I discovered that *West Side Story* was really a modern adaptation of *Romeo and Juliet* by William Shakespeare. If I had known that at the time I am sure I would not have watched the movie. William Shakespeare is the most famous writer in the history of the English language but he is also the most famous writer that hardly anyone ever reads – especially seventh grade boys. To a seventh grade boy the word Shakespeare is synonymous with boring.

I am sure there are purists who look down on the movie *West Side Story* since the author is no Shakespeare and Leonard Bernstein is no Beethoven. *West Side Story* is no *Romeo and Juliet*. But in many ways the movie *West Side Story* is more relatable than the play *Romeo and Juliet*. Watching the movie is much more accessible than watching the play. Anyone can listen to the everyday language of the movie but very few can hear the prose of the play. The movie also encourages countless people to pursue Shakespeare who would never have done so without seeing the movie first. This also increases the importance of the movie beyond that of the play. I remember in college that I was no longer put off by Shakespeare since I liked *West Side Story* so much as a boy.

In Shin Buddhism, we can find parallels between *West Side Story* and the name Maria with the *Larger Sutra* and the name Namuamidabutsu. Many Buddhist sutras can be challenging to read. Some can only be understood by those with a background in Buddhist studies. I don’t think any seventh grade boy could read these types of sutras and get anything out of them. But a seventh grade boy can easily follow the telling of the story in the *Larger Sutra*.

The *Larger Sutra* is the story of a king who meets a teacher. This teacher is so dynamic that the king is compelled to renounce his thrown in order to become a true student. The student vows to become a teacher one day just like his teacher. Over time the student becomes known by the name Namuamidabutsu. Saying the name Namuamidabutsu makes us one with Buddhahood in our heart and mind just as saying the name Maria made Tony one with Maria in his heart and mind. In fact, Tony is compelled to renounce his thrown in order to become a true teacher. This teacher is so dynamic that the king is easily follow the telling of the story in the *Larger Sutra*.

The *Larger Sutra* is a very accessible story and it is one of the very few sutras that not only describes awakening to true reality in our everyday lives but it also describes the process of how one accomplishes this as an ordinary person. The former being the effect and the latter being the cause. Just as the name Maria captures the true intent of *West Side Story* so too does the name Namuamidabutsu capture the true intent of the *Larger Sutra* and of the spirit Buddhism itself.

In gassho,
Rev. Jon Turner

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**Buddhist Education Center**

Information regarding the winter schedule of classes offered by the Buddhist Education Center can be found at:

http://www.ocbuddhist.org/buddhist-education-center/
President’s Message

January was an eventful month for OCBC in the following ways. The end of the year financial report for the church revealed that we had a small positive margin which we will save and use for future major repair work and possible replacement of old church equipment. This was largely accomplished by the smart management of our office manager, Nancy Hara, and the generosity of the Sangha. The Finance Committee is diligently working on the 2016 budget and the projections continue to look positive.

The 50th Anniversary Building Project has reported that from the original goal of 9.3 million dollars needed, only 680 thousand dollars remain to completely finance this massive project. This has been a major accomplishment by many dedicated church members and through the generosity of the Sangha with their hard work and generous donations. Based on estimates of pledges, future fund raising events and the utilization of a bridging loan, the Board has approved the start of construction after this year’s Obon. The last few steps are often the hardest, but now we can begin the remodel of the hondo.

The Sangha will also experience and notice some initial pre-construction work that has been initiated immediately. This preparation is needed to make sure there are no delays in the construction schedule. The goal is to have the hondo remodel completed by Hanamatsuri of 2017. This is an aggressive schedule, but the well planned timeline should work if there are no delays or unforeseen challenges.

One of the other most noticeable changes will be the removal of the naijin. The refurbishment will start the week of May 23rd when the naijin will be dismantled and shipped to Japan. Subsequently, Sunday Services will be moved to the Social Hall and on a few occasions to the MPB for large services and when the Social Hall is needed for luncheons or special events. This change will cause a chain reaction for the availability of space at OCBC. Everyone is asked to be flexible and conscious of the need for space for meetings and storage of things that are now in the hondo. Everyone capable will be asked to help with the need to use folding chairs for set up and clean up of events.

This time next year we will be in the middle of construction, and by spring we will be enjoying the fruits of our determination to “Complete the Dream”. This theme will resonate throughout the coming year and beyond. We are about to begin a major enhancement to our church which will be part of a lasting legacy that we can be proud of for future generations of the Sangha at OCBC.

In Gassho,
Alan Endo, OCBC President

The Shin Reader

In the January Korin, the Shin Reader began presenting two short book reviews by BEC members – books of Amida’s compassion and wisdom. This effort is in addition to the BEC Book Club monthly meetings where Sangha members discuss books of a variety of topics. Both books reviewed this month are publications of the BEC and may be purchased at the Sunday adult study class.

The Awareness of Self: A Guide to the Understanding of Shin Buddhism is a translation by Rev William Masuda of Shinshin no Kakumei (Transforming One’s Entire Being) by Rev. Gyodo Haguri, who served as a BCA minister in California from 1908 to 1922. What is Shin Buddhist awakening? As Rev. Haguri explains, it is to become aware of the true self, and to gain a new appreciation of life from this transforming insight. Through the process of maturing spiritually, a human being eventually attains Buddhahood, the perfection of personality. However, it is impossible for spiritually immature people to believe in or to appreciate Buddhahood, and so we must turn our attention first to seeing the true self, which provides the window to reality, or things as they are. The true self is blind ignorance, self-centeredness, the instinctive ego. It defies detection through ordinary thinking. Awakening to the true self requires that we constantly listen to and reflect upon the teachings. It demands our greatest sacrifice, for the goal is priceless. - review by Jim Pollard

Teriyaki Priest: Tales from the Realm of Gratitude by Rev Jerry Hirano is a selection of essays written for the San Jose Betsuin and Salt Lake Buddhist Temple newsletters during his first 25 years as a BCA minister. The essays are personal, heart-warming, and humorous. In “Shelby and Hillel” the essence of Buddhism is summarized by the famous rabbi Hillel and by his niece, Shelby. Rev Hirano also follows the tradition of using stories and parables to illustrate a lesson. For example, Sakyamuni told many stories and Shantao created the famous “River of Fire, River of Water” parable. Rev Hirano has created several new stories in a modern American setting such as his encounter with talking chickens in his essay, “Teriyaki Priest”, about a land with blue, red, and yellow families in “The Land of Bright and Light” and the hippo who on Hoonko Sunday delivers gifts to grateful children in “Horace the Hoonko Hippo.”

Teriyaki Priest is an enjoyable read which can help one on the path towards awakening. – review by Howard Nakagiri
**Maintenance Report**

This report describes some of the work that was done during February. Thank you to the following dedicated people for their help:

- Kay Fujimura
- Dan Hakikawa
- Wat Iwakoshi
- Dan Kaneko
- Hideo Kawamura
- Dennis Morinaga
- Eric Nakahara
- Rod Nishimura
- Dennis Okada
- Frank Okamura
- Junji Sarashina
- Winston Shigenaga
- Tom Sunada
- Eizo Yasuda

The following work was done:

1) **General**
   a. Planted tokinashi diakon to be harvested for Hanamatsuri produce booth.
   b. Continued trash removal from the street side of the fence on Ball Road.
   c. Removed trash and litter along the Dale Street parking lot.
   d. Repaired eight dark brown chairs.
   e. Moved the 55 gallon Mochitsuki drum burners from the North side of the classroom building to the storage shed yard.
   f. Repaired damaged Ball Road fence.
   g. Began preparing trees for transplant in preparation for Phase 2.
   h. Replaced a pole mounted flood light in the Ball Road lot.
   i. Removed to recycling many old, rusty folding chairs that were stored beside the Hondo in preparation for Phase 2.

2) **Class Room Building**
   a. Replaced burned out florescent bulbs.
   b. Continued with reorganization of the bookstore.
   c. Began regrading the dirt on the North side to direct rain water away from the building.
   d. Continued work to replace damaged tiles on the 2nd floor walkway.
   e. Finished electrical wiring rework to rooms 11 & 12.

3) **MPB**
   a. Repaired kitchen sink faucet.
   b. In the interest of fire safety, turned off the flood lights mounted on the building exterior due to a damaged control box. This will be repaired soon.
   c. Work continued to reorganize several storage rooms.
   d. Replaced some burned out florescent bulbs.

4) **Hondo**
   a. Trimmed bushes on the North side.
   b. Removed decorative rocks from the North & South sides to storage South of the MPB in preparation for Phase 2 to begin.

**Next monthly workday is March 14, 2016 at 9 A.M.**

Anyone that has some free time on the second Monday of each month is welcome to join us. A delicious “home” cooked lunch is provided by the BWA.

In Gassho,
Jim Mitchell

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**DID YOU KNOW??**

The coming renovation of the OCBC Hondo presents us a chance to focus on some observations about our unique altar area and the main hall.

A few of these observations may not be new to you, but they may elicit an “I didn’t know that” response from others of you.

**Item 1:** DID YOU KNOW that the statue of Amida Buddha is a standing figure leaning slightly forward, rather than a sitting one as in Zen and other traditions, and it represents the dynamic aspect of compassion?

**Item 2:** DID YOU KNOW that unlike the altar of other temples, the image to the left of Amida Buddha is not that of Rennyo Shonin, the 8th Abbot of the Honganji Temple, but that of Myonyo Shonin, the 21st Monshu, who sent ministers to establish temples for Japanese immigrants in Hawaii and mainland U.S.?

**Item 3:** DID YOU KNOW that the single unlit red candle in the center of the altar represents a lit candle, but it remains unlit because if lit, the smoke would discolor and age the statue of Amida Buddha?

**Item 4:** DID YOU KNOW that in the Gejin area of the Hondo, the thirteen rows of pews, with two on either side of the aisle, were funded by donations from 26 of our founding families, and each row has an inscription plate with their names?

Be assured that the coming refurbishment of our hondo will in no way affect its uniqueness and rich history. Thank you to Rev. Harada for sharing some of this information with us.

And if you have other interesting / little known / surprising DYK items, please send them to Janet Sakahara, c/o OCBCKorin@gmail.com.

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**Korin Articles Due**

3/27/2016
OCBCKorin@GMAIL.com


*Youth Dept, Daion Taiko, DW, ST and JrY can submit articles
**All scouts troops can submit articles
**Hanamatsuri Festival, April 9-10**

In preparation for this event, our planning meetings are as follows:

**Meeting #3**  March 15, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
**Final Meeting**  March 28, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

All organizations are asked to have a representative at these meetings.

In Gassho,
Jo Ann Tanioka
2016 Hanamatsuri Festival Chairperson

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**Hanamatsuri Festival Supply Wish List**

It's that time of year again and we're asking for your help again by soliciting donations of supplies for the Festival. It's been a successful campaign since Linda Okino and Rosanne Takahashi came up with this idea a few festivals ago. We'd like all donations big and small be brought to OCBC before **Friday April 1.** Please bring the supplies in front of the Hondo and check the board for updates every Sunday and fill out a donation slip so you can be recognized in the Korin.

Please note: Brands and sizes are specific

- 10, 25# C& H granulated sugar
- 10, 25# Gold Medal Bleached All Purpose Flour
- 100 Gallon sized Ziplock plastic bags
- 1.6# iodized salt - 20
- Bounty Paper towels, pick a size
- 24oz Dawn dish soap - 10
- 1.5 l. - any brand sake
- 1# corn starch - 10
- cases of 16.5 oz water bottles
- FoodHandler latex free gloves S, M, L
  @ (Smart and Final or Costco Business)
- 1 qt size can Swanson's Chicken Broth - 24
- 1 qt size can Dole Pineapple Juice - 24
- 9 7/8 Heavy Duty paper plates (Smart and Final)
- 8 oz. recycle hot cups (Smart and Final)

Thank you for your Dana!

In Gassho,
Cheryl Higashi

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**BWA News**

**Announcements**

- Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, March 13th, at 12:30pm in the Kodo after the Spring Ohigan service and luncheon. Annual dues are $15 and ladies 85 years and older are free. New members are invited to join throughout the year.
- OCBWA will be hosting ‘Women in Buddhism’ Lecture Series 1 on Sunday, April 24th, from noon until 1:30pm and our guest speaker will be Rev. Mutsumi Wondra. This lecture is open to everyone and a light lunch will be served. For details, see flyer and registration form in last month’s Korin and RSVP by April 10th.

**Seminar Highlights**

On January 30th, 22 BWA members attended the Winter Pacific East Meets West Seminar held at LA Hompa Hongwanji and Higashi Honganji Temples. It was very interesting to learn about the rich history of our Jodo Shinshu sect from the keynote speakers and the panelists. Although the sutra chanting styles were different in the East and West houses, it was both moving and beautiful to hear over 300 people chant in unison. Everyone enjoyed the warm hospitality at each of the locations and we look forward to attending the next seminar.

**Senior Luncheon**

On Monday, February 8th, 42 seniors and guests enjoyed the delicious bento and celebrated birthdays for Wat Iwakoshi, Mary Nakayama, Ron Sakoda and Winston Shigenaga. The ladies prepared niku dofu, cha soba, vegetable stir-fry and tasty side dishes. Thank you to Mary Nakayama for the generous monetary donation and to Toshiko Katsumoto for the beautiful flowers. Our next senior luncheon will be held on Monday, March 14th, 2016.

**Hanamatsuri April 9 and 10, 1:00pm-8:00pm**

Friday April 8th – worker lunch (social hall) and sushi prep (MPB) at 8:30am; wonton (social hall) at 9:00am

April 9th and 10th – sushi (MPB) at 8:00am; udon (MPB) at 9:00am; wonton (social hall) at 9:00am

**Questions:** For general questions regarding BWA or its activities, BWA members may contact Jodi Hisamoto at jahisam@pacbell.net.

In Gassho,
Chris Nakamura
**Project Kokoro News**

**Getty Museum**  
**Feb 4**

On a beautiful and sunny day, 47 members and their guests boarded the bus at OCBC for a fun-filled informative all-day journey to two of LA’s great museums. At the Getty Center, we enjoyed both the Ishiuchi Miyako: Postwar Shadows as well as the Younger Generation: Contemporary Japanese Photography exhibits which highlighted the Japanese war-time viewpoints. For those who had enough time, they were also able to view other Getty art, sculpture and tapestry exhibits and perhaps stroll amidst the beautiful architecture and gardens. People brought their own obentos or enjoyed food from the various cafes at the Getty while soaking in the warm sunshine while viewing the fantastic scenery from atop the Sepulveda Pass. After that, it was onto the Skirball Cultural Center where we divided into 3 docent-led groups to hear about the Manzanar photo exhibits by renowned photographers Ansel Adams, Toyo Miyatake and Dorothea Lange. There was also an exhibit “Citizen 13660: The Art of Mine Okubo in which she documented the camp injustices through her nearly 200 pen and ink drawings where she captured the daily struggles of what camp life was truly like for those who experienced it.

It was a long day but everyone truly enjoyed themselves. We thank our fearless leader, Ron Suzuki, and his assistants, Kyoko Suzuki and Judy Uyema, for keeping everyone entertained and not lost. Also, a big thank you to Joan Tani for finding the venues and making the arrangements, Emi Ochi for coordinating the sign-ups and to Aaron and Karen Nagayama for assisting in keeping all of the attendees safe and on-time since we had 2 different venues, trams to take, etc. It was an eventful and educational day for all! We hope that many more will be able to join us on future trips – we always have a lot of fun and get to meet new friends and learn new things.

Thank you to Judy Uyema for the Getty Museum article.

**New Year’s Luncheon**  
**Mar 20**

Come celebrate the Year of the Monkey with friends, family and Project Kokoro by attending the annual New Year Luncheon from 12pm – 3pm in the OCBC MPB. David Cousin, holder of 5 world records in juggling, will provide special entertainment by performing a comedy juggling show. The event is free to OCBC senior citizens, $20 for adults and $10 for children ages 4 to 12. Please RSVP by March 6, (sorry, no walk-ins) to Kathy Ito. For questions or reservations, contact Kathy @ 714-401-8711 or email: kathyito@verizon.net

**Craft Club News**

Craft Club will have many wonderful items to sell at Hanamatsuri so please be sure to come by their booth and pick up something for yourself or a gift for a loved one. All Sustaining members are invited to participate in the Craft Club. For more information please contact Dorothy Matsuoka at 62-743-3483 or email: dcmatsuoka@aol.com

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**Next Meeting**  
**Mar 9**

Please join us for our next meeting, held on the second Wednesday of each month, in the Senior Room at 7pm. Learn how you can get involved or share ideas. If you would like more information please contact our president, Phyllis Uyemura: phyllis.uyemura@gmail.com

In Gassho,

Neddie Bokosky

**Earth Day**

Earth Day—April 17, 2016

In celebration of Earth Day, April 17, 2016, the Go Green Committee will have a table setup outside the Hondo distributing recycle and other environmental conscious material. All OCBC organizations are invited to provide displays or any handouts related to preserving the planet that we inhabit. Please contact any member of the Go Green Committee for more information.

In Gassho,

Earl King

**Trip to Japan for the Accession Ceremony at the Nishi-Hongwanji in spring 2017**

It has been decided that we will participate in the accession ceremony on March 31, 2017 (next year).

Forty seats have been reserved through BCA. Trip itinerary will be finalized after this summer.

Please contact, Rev. Mutsumi Wondra at OCBC.
**Dharma School News**

**D.S. Staff Luncheon**
Thank you very much to chairperson, Ray Nakatani for coordinating the D.S. staff luncheon which took place on February 14 at the China Feast Restaurant in Stanton. Thank you to Rick Oishi for assisting Ray with the games.

**Upcoming Events**

**Hanamatsuri Service**
Date: April 3, 2016
Please make sure students sign the attendance sheets. Students who attend this service will receive attendance credit.

**Hatsumairi Rites (Infant Presentation)**
Date: May 22, 2016
The Hatsumairi is an occasion for you to present your child to the Buddha and to the Sangha, formally, for the first time, so that they too can be embraced by the teachings of the Buddha. Information regarding application and deadline will be forthcoming.

**D.S. Class Schedule**
D.S. classes will be held on the following dates: March 6, 20, 27, April 17, 24, May 1, and 15.
Classes begin immediately after service and end at 11:30 a.m.

Gassho,
Tracy Yamashita-Perry

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**ABA News**

Hard to believe, difficult is the path, but ABA will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary in 2017. We have proceeded to overcome drought, climate changes, el nino, the Northridge earthquake, countless Hanamaturi and Obon, births and deaths, and temple physical changes. Time marches on, life goes on a much faster pace trying to meet the needs of the temple. As sure as the sun will rise from the east, ABA will be here for the Sangha. All you layback people, it is time to join ABA, time to be a participant, instead of being just a number.

**NEW MEMBER:** ABA welcomes Norman Hiroshima as its newest member.

**INSTALLATION LUNCHEON (January 31, 2016):** A large crowd enjoyed the delicious food at the La Palma Panda Inn. It has been an annual successful event to usher in the New Year in preparation for the upcoming ABA temple activities. Our great hostess was Sue Endo, and President Margie Mio recognizing the dedication and hard work of the reverends.

2016 HANAMATSURI FESTIVAL: (1) ABA Chicken Teriyaki operation will be headed by two fearless leaders: Aaron Nagayama and Robert Higashi. All members are encouraged to sign up on the work schedule as soon as possible. (2) The Workers and Volunteers Luncheon will be under the direction of Janet Uyeno and Chieko Miyake. Enjoy the deliciously prepared food and be thankful for all the people who prepared the meal. ABA has been doing this great service with “thoughtfulness in action.”

2016 TRAVEL USA: The travel dates have been changed to September 25-October 1, 2016. Possible changes to the itinerary were presented, adding Sedona, and going to the Talking Stick Resort and Casino in Scottsdale the last day. Interested members should contact Karen Kino.

2017 Long Distance Tour: Michael Glick distributed handouts of a possible East Coast tour viewing the Fall Colors and historical sites. George Miyake presented two southern Japan options. Ed Kato will present the British Isles tour at the next meeting. A final choice will be made by the members at a later meeting.

**ABA PAST PRESIDENTS:**
1971 Takeshi Kosakura
1972 Al Shibata
1973 Norman Nishioka

**DAIKON NO HANA:** Your life is like the morning dew which will soon disappear.

With gratitude,
Ron Suzuki

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Thank you.
Boy Scout Troop 578

International Field Day
On Friday, September 18, troop 578 arrived at El Dorado Park at 7:00 pm, and after a short down time period we traveled to the registration where we underwent a short test to see if we had all of the ten essentials. After we had all registered we went back to camp to set up all of the tents, and after some downtime we went to sleep. The next day, all of the patrols had a hearty breakfast and then went to the activities. The activities were first aid, orienteering, knots, lashings, and knife and axe safety. After doing most of our events, my patrol went to eat lunch, which consisted of hot dogs. After doing the remaining events, we went back to camp, ate dinner, and after a period of downtime, went to sleep. The final day of IFD we had a fun obstacle course which involved spinning around and the trying to run back to your team, which was difficult as we were dizzy and had to dodge the adults, who were spraying us with water guns. After going through the obstacle course we packed up everything and traveled back to OCBC. Thank you to all the ASMs that helped make this outing one to remember.
In Gassho, Hisashi Shimonishi

Church Clean-up
On November 7, 2015, the Boy Scouts of troop 578 all met at the Orange County Buddhist Church early in the morning to participate in an annual-church clean up. After we had breakfast and got our tools together, we all immediately started cutting, chopping and cleaning the church. The troop was divided, by patrols, to cover certain areas of the church. Four patrols got to clean each corner of the back parking lot, another patrol got to clean the back parking lot entrance, and the rest were left to walk around and help clean up what the parents cut down. The weather was very nice so we got done relatively quickly. When we were done cleaning up the church we walked around the church to look for any spots we missed and we could not find any place that was not clean so we put away all the gardening tools and brooms and all went home.
Thank you to all the ASMs, parents, scouts, siblings, and other OCBC members that helped make this church clean-up successful!

In Gassho, Jake Nagamoto

Rice Washing
On December 19, 2015, a group of Troop 578 Boy Scouts washed rice for the church’s annual Mochitsuki. First, we had to receive the rice in our buckets and then we had to add the water. We then started cleaning the rice by stirring it around with our hands. Then we had to change our water by emptying out the old water and putting in the new water in our buckets. After changing the water (six to seven times) then we gave it to other scouts who transported it into different buckets then they gave it back to us with the new rice in it. We started at 8:00a.m. and finished around 11:00p.m. Once we used up all the rice sacks they had us sweep rice (that spilled out of the buckets) into piles and it was thrown into the trash. Over all, I think everyone had a great time rice washing.
I would like to thank the Okazaki Family for providing the delicious breakfast and snacks for Troop 578!

Bradley Nishida, Falcon Patrol Historian
Greetings from Cub Scout Pack 578!

On Saturday, February 20th, the pack had their annual Blue and Gold Dinner which celebrates the anniversary of Cub Scouting. Our Assistant Cubmaster, Chris Lock, organized the successful event with a fun theme, Survivor! The whole pack worked together to arrange a great dinner with Survivor themed decorations (including a great photo backdrop made by the Tiger Den). It looked awesome in the gym! After each of the dens presented their latest achievements and belt loops to the boys, the fun activity started up. The boys were divided up into 6 “tribes,” which put on matching headbands and war paint. The tribes had to complete 4 teamwork challenges including a bean bag toss, a shelter build, a puzzle race, and a relay race requiring speed and focus. The boys had so much fun and it was awesome watching the boys work together toward a common goal. Thanks again to Chris for coordinating such a fun and well-run event for the pack.

The Bear Den has been working hard on completing their Bear scout adventure requirements. Thanks to the Lenart and Okino families for organizing the meetings this past month. In addition, the boys are working on refurbishing the Freddy the Frog launchers for the carnival game booth. The boys are learning tool safety and working together to repaint and repair them after many years of use.

Coming up, we have Pack Game Night on March 18th and Hanamatsuri on April 9-10. In addition, the boys will be working on building their Pinewood Derby cars to race in May.

In Gassho,
Russell Hirotsu
Bear Den Leader

Daisy Girl Scout Troop 2041

Daisy Troop 2041 is having a great year! We recently celebrated the New Year by making mochi and learning about Taiko drums with help from our Cadette Big Sisters. The girls began their Animal Journey where they will learn how to care for animals and continue to earn their Daisy petals. They learned about how cultures vary, even between Japanese Americans and children in Japan as part of their World Thinking Day patch. We also celebrated Girls Day with the other OCBC Girl Scout troops to wish all of our girls a happy future. The girls are currently participating in our annual Girl Scout Cookie fund raiser and continue to gather pop tops for the Ronald McDonald House Charity. Thank you for all of your continued support with the purchase of the cookies and pop top donations!

Brownie Girl Scout Troop 916

24 members strong, Brownie Troop 916 has been quite busy earning their World of Girls Journey and will finish up the Brownie Quest Journey before the end of the year. They kicked off the year with a Microsoft class, whale watching, attending STEM conference in Long Beach, and Fashion Camp! You’ve probably had your fair share of Girl Scout cookies! (Hopefully!!) Brownies will be using their earnings towards attending a mommy and me Camp Sherman weekend in April. Girls also enjoyed special talks by Trent Kanemaki, DDS and mommy, Thu Shioya, OD expanding their knowledge about making healthy choices, an ongoing theme. Brownies watched a production of “Pinocchio” mid-February with the Junior Troop. The girls also experienced annual Girls’ Day Celebration at the end of February, a wonderful way to experience the Hinamatsuri tradition.
Junior Jam Skills

Lately, Troop 855 has been working on their skills for Junior Jam. We have been working on fire building, flag ceremony, knives, tents, Girl Scout know how, emergency preparedness, first aid and packing. In April, our troop will compete against other Junior troops in these skills.

The Play

On Friday, February, 19th Junior Troop 855 teamed up with Brownie Troop 916 to go see the play Pinocchio at the South Coast Repertory Theater. We attended a pre-show behind the scenes tour and learned how plays work. We also met some of the members that helped with the play such as the stage manager, assistant stage manager, Sam the sound booth guy, Steve and Hisa who was our guide backstage. After the show, the cast signed autographs in our playbill. All in all, Troop 855 is doing amazing and fun things.

In Gassho,
Mia Healey, Junior Troop 855
Hello from Troop 675! In December, we participated in mochitsuki to help OCBC prepare for the New Year. There were many events in January for Cadettes. We held a Cadette-Daisy mixer with a taiko demonstration, a sing-along of “Amazing Daisies,” and mochi making. We also attended the Disney Youth Education Series Program at California Adventure where we learned about animation and the animation process. Did you know that it can take 4-5 years to make a movie, or that Disney's “Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs” was the first full-length animated movie? Finally, on January 24th we started cookie sales! Troop 675 has also started collecting coins to donate to the Jessie Rees Foundation, an organization that provides toys for children in hospitals. We are looking forward to Girls’ Day on February 26th and hope to see you at Girl Scout Sunday on March 6th!

In Gassho,
Natalie Osako
Daion Taiko

It seems like the year just started, but Hanamatsuri is fast approaching with ONLY 4 more practices left. Please make sure you make them all. Everyone is hard at work learning new songs and it’s great to see it all coming together.

A few short weeks after Hanamatsuri, we’ll get to join with the larger JA community at this year’s Manzanar Pilgrimage as part of the entertainment. It has been awhile since our group has done a road trip and I am happy it for something as meaningful as this.

We can’t wait to see everyone at both of those events!

Upcoming Events
Hanamatsuri – 04/09-04/10/2016
Manzanar Pilgrimage – 04/30/2016

In Gassho,
Daryl Doami

In Memoriam

The Orange County Buddhist Church wishes to express its deepest sympathies and condolences to the families of the late:

Koji Fukawa
Lillian Reed
James Wakimura

May the family members find solace and comfort in the infinite compassion of Amida Buddha

Namu Amida Butsu

Services Conducted

February
5 Elaine Re, 49th Day Memorial Service
6 Shotsuki Hoyo Monthly Memorial Service
   Koji Fukawa, Funeral Service
   Jerry Tadokoro, 49th Day Memorial Service
10 Suzie Kato, Memorial Service
20 Sumiye James, 7 Year Memorial Service
   Betty Yamaguchi, 1 Year Memorial Service
27 Lillian Reed, Funeral Service
   James Wakimura, Funeral Service
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Wednesday 9:00 am to 4:00pm
Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00pm
Friday 9:00 am to 4:00pm
Saturday 9:00 am to 4:00pm
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50th Anniversary Project Report

We are pleased to report that at its January 28 meeting, the Board of Directors, following the recommendations of the project team, the Project Oversight Committee and the Finance Committee, voted to proceed with Phase 2 (Hondo and courtyard construction and MPB floor replacement) after the 2016 Obon Festival in July! The Board acknowledged a loan would be needed to pay for construction completion. We all recognized that OCBC was still $708,000 short (at that time) of its goal, and there were some financial risks. However the prudent action was to continue as planned. Actually, there was no benefit to delay a year. Donations we might have received during that time could possibly have been consumed by a potential project cost increase caused by the delay and inflation. We might have been financially at the same place, with a one year delay!

While acknowledging the current funding shortfall, the project staff also projected a brighter financial picture one year from now, when we would be nearing project completion. With future projected income from donations and other sources, the amount of a loan we would need could be small enough to allow borrowing the funds internally from OCBC sources, a much easier proposition than having to get a commercial loan. The project staff also developed a credible loan payback plan, which showed we could repay the internal loans in a very reasonable time, with planned income sources. This was essentially the same plan OCBC used during the Ball Road parking lot purchase and construction. The Board expressed confidence in the plan and fully supported the project’s go ahead.

With that positive decision, OCBC entered into a new phase of pre-construction activities. There are a myriad of behind-the-scenes activities required to minimize the impact of a potentially disrupted church operating schedule and campus turmoil once construction begins. Already, you can see some activities, as our maintenance crew has started the process of removing trees, boulders, and landscape ornaments which will be reused in our new courtyard. In next month’s Korin, we will highlight other activities, such as changes in religious service locations and other events. We ask for your patience and understanding as we move ahead.

On the planning side, our architect forwarded the completed construction drawings to the Anaheim Building Department this week. We anticipate their review to take between four to six weeks. With normally expected review comments and our architect’s subsequent response, the Building Department’s final plan approval should occur well before our desired July renovation start.

As we alluded to in last month’s Korin article, the highly successful year-end fundraising activities that provided us tremendous momentum has continued even after the January 28th Board meeting. In fact, our shortfall has already been reduced to $680,000. We are already ahead of our fundraising projections! The generosity of the Sangha and its friends is truly humbling and amazing!

OCBC is extremely grateful for everyone’s continued support and generosity and acknowledges the following new and repeat donations received between January 19, 2016 and February 20, 2016.
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The Orange County Buddhist Church gratefully acknowledges the following for their very generous donations, received and recorded from January 24, 2016 through February 21, 2016.

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京都女子高校は、美術、音楽、体育など幅広い活動を展開している藝大校である。この日、校庭の庭園を訪れた生徒たちは、自然に囲まれた美しい景色を楽しみました。

日頃の生活と異なる環境に身を置くことにより、新生徒たちは新たな体験を積むことができました。また、これまでの生活とは異なる生活態度を身につけ、より成熟した人間として成長することも可能となりました。

京都女子高校との縁は、この日をさらに深めることとなりました。
三月のBEC土曜真宗講座案内
三月の講座日は26日のみ、午前10時からです。このあと、4月は休むとして、5月からまた再開します。5月、6月の講座日は次の通りとなります。

特殊問語ごろのご案をて夏今に案きる思ま

春期を彼岸セミナーのご案内
今年の春期お彼岸セミナーは、3月12日（土）に開かれます。お誘いの会は、毎田ゼンタ

四季の祥月法要

花犯罪法要のご案内
今年の春期お彼岸法要とお彼岸仏教講座は、左記の通り行われます。どうぞ、お越しくださいませ。

花犯罪法要のご案内

本山、伝仏為法要のお知らせ

O C B C およびビスタからの伝仏為法要への出席は、来年2017年3月31日と決定しました。日程に関しては今年夏頃にご案内できると思います。お楽しみに！
去る1月30日に冬期パシフィック・セミナーに参加した東京本部の松田浩男所長と、名古屋の後藤正也、三河原宏・九条武子・松田一・桜井正一・寺田明彦の参加を招いた。300人程度の参加があり、特別に講演の会場はホテルマリオットの1階でした。所長は「東京本部のメンバーがロサンゼルス別院で開催され、BWAメンバーも出展し、東・西本願寺の成り立ちなどの歴史を学ぶことができました。両本願寺では、心温まるおもてなしをいただき、次回のセミナーが待ち遠しいです。」と述べました。

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*2月8日（金）午前8時30分より、
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**ご質問**

婦人会の皆様に、ご質問がありましたら、以下の通りにご連絡ください。

久本・コーディネート会長、

**2月月祥月法要**

「2月月祥月法要」

1月24日と2月21日までに

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BOOK CLUB

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2016
7:30 P.M.

FEATURED BOOK:
THE WIZARD OF OZ
By L. Frank Baum

TIME: 7:30 – 9:00 P.M.
PLACE: Social Hall Level 3
For more information please call: 714-827-9390
Books are for sale at OCBC

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2016
7:30 P.M.

FEATURED BOOK:
THE DHARMA OF STAR WARS
By Matthew Bortolin

Beginners Tai Chi-Longevity Stick
Thursdays 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the MPB.

Games, Games, Games
Wednesdays 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Mahjong, Shanghai Rummy, Hanafuda, blackjack
and board games like chess, checkers, Scrabble, Monopoly, etc.

If you are interested in joining the Social Welfare/Dana Program you can
contact Linda Ishibashi (562) 860-5993 or email ami_2@verizon.net.
Larger Sutra Part II – Dr. Nobuo Haneda
Monday and Tuesday evenings, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
March 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29
The Larger Sutra is the most important text in Shin Buddhism. In this year’s class, Dr. Haneda will lecture on Volume II of the Larger Sutra. In previous years he has lectured on Volume I. Prior attendance at previous year’s lectures are not a prerequisite for attending this year’s class. Dr. Haneda will share his insights into this text that he has studied for many years and has recently published a commentary on in Japanese.
Three week class. Registration: $50.
Location: BEC Classroom, Social Hall Level 3

Relevant Shin Buddhism in Today’s America –
Rev. Kenji Akahoshi
Tuesday evenings, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. April 12, 19, 26, May 3
New interpretations of Shin reveal practical/spiritual benefits that work. Using innovative methods, we learn to incorporate Shin values that produce a life of gratitude and fulfillment.
Four week class. Registration: $40.
Location: BEC Classroom, Social Hall Level 3

Buddhist Views of Life and Death –
Rev. Marvin Harada
Sunday afternoon, 11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. May 1
How do Buddhists look at life and death? How should we understand reincarnation, past lives, and such? This class will explore the great questions of life and death and how Buddhism is a teaching that enables us to transcend this greatest of life’s problems.
Seminar with lunch included. Registration: $10.
Location: Social Hall Level 1

Lectures on the Shoshinge – Rev. Marvin Harada
Wednesday evenings, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. April 20, 27, May 4, 18, June 8, 15
Shinran’s verses as part of everyday life when explained through the words of Rev. Haya Akegarasu.
Six week class. Registration: $50.
Location: BEC Classroom, Social Hall Level 3

Lectures on the Larger Sutra – Rev. Marvin Harada
Thursday mornings, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. April 21, 28, May 5, 12, 19, June 9
The Larger Sutra teaches how the story of Buddha’s vows can be realized in the present.
Six week class. Registration: $50.
Location: BEC Classroom, Social Hall Level 3

Course Taught in Japanese – Rev. Mutsumi Wondra
Saturday mornings, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. May 7, 14, 21, 28, June 4, 11
宗祖親鸞聖人のご著書である『清浄和釈』、『高僧和釈』、『正徳末和釈』（結として「三縁和釈」と呼ぶ）をひとつひとつ丁寧に読みながら、難解な文章・仏教用語を説明しつつ、皆さまとご一緒に和釈を味わいます。和釈は戒めで書かれた『教行信証』に対して、ひらかな文言で書かれた、「運（やね）をもつ」とも言えます。京都本山では『正徳僧』のあとに順番で毎朝読まれています。
Six week class. Registration: $50.
Location: BEC Classroom, Social Hall Level 3

You are not required to attend every class session.
Please come to as many as you can.

Orange County Buddhist Church
909 South Dale Avenue • Anaheim, CA 92804
Phone: (714) 827-9590
Email: ocbceo9@aol.com • Website: ocbuddhist.org

Registration Form (Please Print)

Name(s): ________________________________
Address: ________________________________________________________________
City/State/Zip: ___________________________________________________________
Phone: __________________________ Email: ________________________________

Please check the class(es) desired:
☐ Larger Sutra Part II ($50) __________
☐ Relevant Shin Buddhism in Today’s America ($40) __________
☐ Buddhist Views of Life and Death ($10) __________
☐ Lectures on the Shoshinge ($50) __________
☐ Lectures on the Larger Sutra ($50) __________
☐ Course Taught in Japanese ($50) __________

Total $________

Late registrants may pay $10 per remaining classes.

Please make checks payable to:
OCBC Buddhist Education Center

Please mail completed form with payment or bring to first class meeting.

Orange County Buddhist Church
Buddhist Education Center
909 S. Dale Avenue
Anaheim, CA 92804
Orange County Buddhist Church
Hanamatsuri Festival

April 9, Saturday
1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

April 10, Sunday
1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

FOOD!

GAMES!

Boutique & Craft Items

TAKE OUT!

On Stage - Aikido, Taiko Drums, Nihon Buyo (Classical Dance), Kendo, Karate, Judo, Minyo (Folk Songs) and Koto Performance.

Tel. 714-827-9590  909 S. Dale Ave, Anaheim CA 92804
OCBC SCHOLARSHIPS FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES AND COLLEGE STUDENTS

OCBC TALBERT GAKUEN SCHOLARSHIP

OCBC HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR THE OCBC TALBERT GAKUEN SCHOLARSHIP. DEADLINE: JUNE 5, 2016, SUNDAY.

Applicants must be members or have parents that are sustaining members of the OCBC to be eligible. The Talbert Gakuen Scholarship was established in honor of, and in accordance with, the wishes of the Issai founders and members of the Talbert Gakuen, who generously arranged a scholarship to an OCBC high school student in furtherance of higher education.

MR. AND MRS. BEN D. SANEMATSU SCHOLARSHIP

OCBC UNDERGRADUATES, GRADUATES, OR VOCATIONAL STUDENTS WHO ARE CHALLENGED STUDENTS OR ARE STUDYING IN FIELDS RELATED TO CHALLENGED INDIVIDUALS, ARE WELCOME TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR THE OCBC MR. AND MRS. BEN D. SANEMATSU SCHOLARSHIP. DEADLINE: JUNE 5, SUNDAY

Applicants must be members or have parents that are sustaining members of the OCBC to be eligible. The Mr. and Mrs. Ben D. Sanematsu scholarship was established in 1999 to provide financial aid to sustaining members of the OCBC who are currently enrolled in an undergraduate, graduate or vocational program that are challenged or in fields to assist challenged individuals. Mr. Sanematsu lost his eyesight and devoted his life to teaching and counseling blind students to cope with their blindness and function in the mainstream of society and achieve goals.

OCBC COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

OCBC STUDENTS ENROLLED IN A POST HIGH SCHOOL OR VOCATIONAL PROGRAM AND ARE MEMBERS OF OR HAVE PARENTS THAT ARE SUSTAINING MEMBERS OF OCBC ARE ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT APPLICATION. DEADLINE: JUNE 5 SUNDAY.

Deadline: JUNE 5, SUNDAY
Obtain applications via email request to r_oishi@jpus.com or call Rick Oishi 714-761-3946.
Be sure to indicate the desired scholarship application.
Grade Transcripts required.
OC Buddhist Women’s Association
Women in Buddhism -
Lecture Series 1

Featuring: Learning from the Lives of
Shin Buddhist Women.....

Lady Eshinni, Lady Kakushinni, Takeko Kujo, and Haru Matsuda

OCBC Sangha and Friends are cordially invited to attend.

Date: Sunday, April 24, 2016
Time: 12 noon – 1:30p
(a light lunch will be served)
Place: OCBC Social Hall
909 S. Dale Ave
Anaheim, CA 92804
Speaker: Rev. Mutsumi Wondra
(In English and Japanese)
Cost: Free for OC BWA members
$7.00 for all others

Make checks payable to: OC BWA

Mail OR take it to the OCBC office upstairs in the social hall.

DEADLINE is April 10th

****** Please cut here and submit the bottom of this form with your payment: ******

Women in Buddhism – Lecture Series 1  Sunday, April 24, 2016  12-1:30p  Social Hall

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2016 ORANGE COUNTY BUDDHIST CHURCH
SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP (NEW/EXISTING) APPLICATION FORM

[ ] Mr.  [ ] Mrs.  [ ] Ms.  [ ] Dr.  ____________________________  Date

Last Name  ____________________________  First Name  ____________________________

Street Address  ____________________________  City  ____________________________

State  ____________________________  ZIP

Home Phone (____)______________________  Cell (____)______________________  e-mail ____________________________

Spouse: [ ] Mr.  [ ] Mrs.  [ ] Ms.  [ ] Dr.

Last Name  ____________________________  First Name  ____________________________

Home Phone (____)______________________  Cell (____)______________________  e-mail __________________________

Children (under age 24):

Name ____________________________  Date of Birth ____________________________

Name ____________________________  Date of Birth ____________________________

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Please check desired membership:

[ ] Individual Membership which includes one adult and dependent children under the age of 24
[ ] Family Membership which includes two adults and dependent children under the age of 24
[ ] Kansha Membership/Individual – Special Donation that includes Individual Membership
[ ] Kansha Membership/Family – Special Donation that includes Family Membership

Indicate payment:  [ ] Annually  [ ] Semi-annually  [ ] Quarterly  [ ] Monthly

Individual:  $240  $120  $60  $20

Family:  $480  $240  $120  $40

Kansha/Individual  $500 or more

Kansha/Family  $1000 or more

Note that reminder notices are not sent to members paying semi-annually, quarterly or monthly.

Method of Payment:

[ ] Check No. _________ (Make check payable to OCBC)  Amount: $___________

[ ] Credit Card (Make arrangement in OCBC Office)  Amount: $___________

Total: $___________

Please submit check and application form to:

ORANGE COUNTY BUDDHIST CHURCH
909 South Dale Avenue
Anaheim, CA 92804

For Office use only:  Received by: ____________________________  Date _____________

Quick-Book Entry by: ____________________________  Date _____________

Database Entry by: ____________________________  Date _____________

BCA Entry by: ____________________________  Date _____________
Dear 2016 Chibiko Basketball Applicant:

The Orange County Buddhist Church Sports Group will be conducting its 23rd Chibiko Basketball Program.

**When?**  
May 15, 22  
June 5, 12, 19, 26  
July 10, 24

**Time?**  
1:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

**Location?**  
The Chibiko Basketball program will be held at the Orange County Buddhist Church Gym at 909 South Dale Avenue, Anaheim, 92804

**Who?**  
Children who are (A) 5 years old before or on May 15, 2016, or (B) in kindergarten, or (C) in 1st grade, or (D) in 2nd grade and have not played in SEYO, CYC, CBO, JAO

**How?**  
Sign ups will be conducted by application only. Applications are available in the OCBC Korin, OCBC Sports Office (in the gym), or from one of the contacts indicated at the end of this letter.

**The deadline to turn in applications is May 1, 2016**

Enrollment will be conducted on a first-come, first-serve basis. An email will be sent to confirm your participation. **Placement of the children onto teams will be done at the Director’s discretion** — Special requests will not be accepted.

Applications should be mailed to:  
OCBC Chibiko Program  
Attn: Jeff Sakamoto  
6307 Royal Grove Drive  
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

**How much?**  
The cost is $50 for OCBC sustaining family member child or $60 for non-member child. Included will be a T-shirt, basketball, party and gift at the end of the program.

Please make your checks payable to **OCBC Sports**.

**What is the format of the program?**  
The program will be broken down into two (2) parts. The first hour is a short clinic where all the children will be instructed on fundamentals including, stretching, footwork, dribbling, passing, and catching. A game will be conducted during the second hour. Players are required to participate in the clinic portion of each session before playing the game.

**For more information, email** [ocbcchibiko@gmail.com](mailto:ocbcchibiko@gmail.com), **or contact:**

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<td>(714) 655-5522</td>
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The past 23 years were successful due to the unselfish participation of parents and children. The success of this program is directly related to your help. Your child will benefit accordingly.
ORANGE COUNTY BUDDHIST CHURCH
OCBC SPORTS
909 SOUTH DALE AVENUE
ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA 92804

2016 CHIBIKO BASKETBALL
PROGRAM APPLICATION

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| E-mail Address (Required for confirmation purposes) |

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| Are you a sustaining member of the Orange County Buddhist Church? | Yes | No |

I, the parent or guardian of the above named child, hereby register him or her for participation in the Orange County Buddhist Church (OCBC) Sports Chibiko Basketball Program and do fully agree to the rules and regulations of the OCBC organization and do hereby release OCBC, its officers, members, managers, and coaches from any and all liability.

I hereby waive and release the OCBC Sports Chibiko Basketball Program from any and all liability for any injuries or illnesses of any nature incurred while participating in the OCBC Sports Chibiko Basketball Program. I understand that medical insurance is my own responsibility.

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The success of the program and the benefit to the children is directly related to the participation of the parents. Please indicate if you would volunteer to help as:

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Checks should be made payable to: OCBC Sports

Mail your check and application to: OCBC Chibiko Program
Attn: Jeff Sakamoto
6307 Royal Grove Drive
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

$50 OCBC Member
$60 Non-Member
OCBC thanks you so much for your generous donation.

Print Name: __________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________

City / State / Zip: _________________________________

We will help complete the OCBC 50th Anniversary Fundraising Project with a

☑ Donation or ☐ Pledge of:

☐ $25,000 or greater ☐ $10,000 ☐ $5,000 ☐ $2,500 ☐ $1,000

☐ Other $________

Special instructions for donation (if desired): ______________________________________

Note: All donations, including those for Phase 1, are cumulative and total donations of $5,000 or more will be acknowledged on the Social Hall Bodhi Tree.

Pledge Only

Our pledge for the amount of $___________ will be for:

☐ 1 Year ☐ 2 Years ☐ 3 Years

Our preferred payment schedule:

☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Semi-Annually ☐ Annually

Payment Preference

☐ Check payable to OCBC

Credit Card ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard

Credit Card Number _________-_________-_________-_________

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Monthly Memorial Service