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The Hero of the Larger Sutra

In a recent sermon I gave at the Sacramento Betsuin, I played the game that I sometimes do at OCBC with the Dharma School children. To illustrate how Buddhism is all around us in our everyday life, I ask the kids to throw out a word, object, anything, and I have to relate that to Buddhism. I did this game for the first time in Sacramento last Sunday. One girl shouted out “Harry Potter.” This young girl is also taking the Girl Scout and Cub Scout Padma and Metta class, and I remember that she mentioned that she loved the Harry Potter books and someday wanted to be a writer.

I answered her in the following manner. I asked, “Who is the hero of the Harry Potter books?” Everyone replied, “Harry Potter.” I then asked, “Who is the hero of the Star Wars movies?” The children all answered, “Luke Skywalker.” I then said, “Who is the hero of the Larger Sutra?” Everyone looked puzzled. I then explained a short version of the following:

Shakyamuni Buddha, in order to express his deep innermost heart of enlightenment, often told stories to explain and relate the Dharma. Shin Buddhism is based on a sutra called “The Larger Sutra” (full title is the Larger Sutra of Immeasurable Life). In this sutra the Buddha tells a story about a King who encounters a Buddha, and is so inspired that he decides to give up being a King to pursue the path to Buddhahood. His name was Bodhisattva Dharmakara, and he is the hero of the story. He is the Harry Potter, the Luke Skywalker of the Larger Sutra. Dharmakara was not a historical person, but yet the story of Dharmakara is a story that goes beyond time and history. That is why this sutra has resonated with Buddhists for centuries and centuries. It is because of its timeless message and because the “hero” of the story connects with people, just like Harry Potter and Luke Skywalker connect with people of all ages.

Bodhisattva Dharmakara seeks to first become a Buddha himself, to awaken to the same wisdom and compassion that he saw in his teacher, like Luke Skywalker sought to become a Jedi warrior after meeting Obi-Wan Kenobi. Dharmakara makes many vows for his life. His vows come from the core of his being. He seeks to become a truly enlightened one, and he seeks to save all sentient beings from suffering and delusion. Dharmakara will not rest until all beings are saved.

The story of Dharmakara expressed in the Larger Sutra shows us what are the contents of the heart of a Buddha, an enlightened one, and at the same time it shows us the contents of the heart of the unenlightened.

Dharmakara seeks to save all beings. Dharmakara embraces all beings, without forsaking anyone, not like the discriminatory mind of the unenlightened. Look at the world around us with the many societal problems of discrimination and prejudice. These are the actions of the unenlightened, but not the kind of heart of Bodhisattva Dharmakara. In the 48 vows that Dharmakara states in the Larger Sutra, he expresses how he seeks to save beings despite their physical makeup, despite the color of their skin. The heart of an enlightened one doesn’t say, “I want to save this race of people but not that race.” The heart of an enlightened one doesn’t say, “I want to save only people who are six feet tall.” The heart of an enlightened one doesn’t say, “I want to save only human beings but don’t care for birds or animals.” The heart of an enlightened one embraces all beings, not just human beings.

The Larger Sutra is not an easy text to read because it was composed in ancient India. It is like reading Shakespeare in English. We ponder over many terms and expressions that were part of the culture of that time.

Still, the core message of the story of the Larger Sutra related by Shakyamuni Buddha is the story of Bodhisattva Dharmakara, who fulfills his dream, his deepest aspiration, and becomes a Buddha named “Amida” meaning “Immeasurable Light and Immeasurable Life” which are a metaphor for wisdom and compassion.

This “story” from Shakyamuni Buddha teaches us so much, and it is this sutra, the Larger Sutra, that Shinran Shonin calls, “The True and Real Teaching.” Shinran Shonin encountered the heart of the Buddha through this sutra. His years of struggle and practice as a monk were resolved when he met his teacher, Honen, and this particular sutra. It was through seeing a living example of the story of Dharmakara, in Honen, that Shinran was able to discover the timeless heart of the Buddha, the heart of wisdom and compassion of Amida Buddha.

Stories are very powerful. Stories are timeless. Look at how temporary other things in life are. Inventions like the VCR and the cassette player were short lived. Nobody uses a pager anymore. Dynasties come and go, even dynasties under rulers like Alexander the Great. But the story of Dharmakara and his becoming Amida Buddha is a story that has crossed the Asian continent and now comes to the west. Now we must listen to, study, and receive this timeless story, of the life of a seeker, the life of a Buddha, and the deep and profound heart and mind that is being communicated through this story.

Namuamidabutsu,
Rev. Marvin Harada
What is a Buddhist?

Generally, there are two types of Buddhists. There are those who have grown up within the tradition and those who have come to it later in life. The former is often called “Traditional Buddhists”. This is probably the best description available but it is still not without some negative connotations. “Traditional” can sound old fashioned and conservative. Maybe this group could instead be called “Original Buddhists”. The term “Ethnic Buddhists” is also used but being originally Buddhist has very little to do with ethnicity.

The latter group is often called “Modern Convert Buddhists”. This description is also misleading since all Buddhists are modern people even “Traditional Buddhists”. There also isn’t really any kind of conversion going on. Instead it is more of a re-cognition. I am a “Modern Convert Buddhist” but I was not converted to Buddhist by any doctrinal arguments. Instead I merely recognized that Buddhism was describing how I had felt my entire life. It was more recognizing an old friend rather than meeting someone new.

Conversion also describes a change of beliefs rather than a change of perspective. In general, we use Buddhism not as something to think about but instead it is something with which we use to think. It is a set of activities that transform our thinking. In other words, our mind follows our body not the other way around. This is quite different. Rather than thinking I must be good and then trying to behave in that way; we instead take on practices that change our thinking. In other words, we practice it until we become it.

These are two different approaches. One is to believe that we should behave a certain way. The other approach is to behave a certain way until we believe it. For example, you can believe that we should be nice to others and then try to act out that belief. Or you can simply smile and say hello to everyone until you feel that everyone you have met is kind and deserving of warmth.

Being a Buddhist is not based upon a set of beliefs that must be maintained. Instead it is a set of practices that one participates in. This is Buddhism as practice or process. It is much like being a runner. A runner is someone who runs.

It would be silly to ask a runner what do you have to believe in to be a runner.

There are also many different kinds of Buddhists just like there are many different kinds of runners. But these differences are based upon differences in their training. For runners, ideas are not foundational. It is their training that is foundational. Various runners do have different approaches and philosophies but only as they pertain to a runner’s training and practice. The goals and effects on life remain the same.

I was once a runner but I don’t think of myself in that way anymore. This is because I no longer run. This also reflects the idea of process and activity. From this perspective, we would do better to think of membership rather than of identity. Membership is activity based while identity is a fixed state. I am a member of a gym only as long as I continue to train there. I don’t think of that as my identity.

Many people new to Buddhism wonder when does one become Buddhist. How long should we wait to identify ourselves as Buddhist? This is called self-identification. This is different than one’s identity. Self-identification is when one identifies oneself as part of a group. Often people new to Buddhism think it is something they should earn. I think one self-identifies whenever one feels comfortable within the Sangha. Then they feel like a full-fledged member of the group. Practicing together feels natural, even invigorating.

This dilemma of membership is an issue for both “Original Buddhists” and “Modern Buddhist Converts”. Both need to reflect on this issue of what makes a Buddhist a Buddhist. When is one a Buddhist?

There is a joke. A tourist was lost in New York City, looking for Carnegie Hall. On a street corner, he saw a sophisticated woman in an evening gown, carrying a violin case. He asked her how do I get to Carnegie Hall? The woman replied, “Practice, practice, practice.” The man wanted directions and a map to follow. He was leading with his mind. The woman was leading with her body. She gave him an activity. If you want to make it to Carnegie Hall then you must practice until you become a member of an orchestra that can play Carnegie Hall.

“Original Buddhists” and “Modern Convert Buddhists” alike need to practice, practice, practice until we can self-identify as a member of the Buddhist Sangha. Then we can say “I am a Buddhist”. It is for you to decide not for others to decide. It is a journey that you make your own.

In gassho,

Rev Jon Turner
My Shin Buddhist Path

On October 8, we celebrated our hondo dedication with a lovely service, complete with formal scout flag ceremony, chigo procession, 1000 year old gagaku court music, a dozen formally robed ministers, keha flower petal throwing, chanting, a choral musical offering and inspirational words from Reverend Harada, Bishop Umezu and OCBC Board President Alan Endo. Also included was the Minister’s Assistant certification of Janis Hirohama and Matt Stolz.

Many lingering memories of that day will stay with me for a long time to come, especially seeing long-time OCBC members, many of whom came in wheelchairs, walkers or on the steady arms of family members. Happily for me, these included my mother, Masako Hamada, and Sachi Ochiai. The dedication was a day of celebration and the culmination of the aspirations of the entire OCBC sangha, and, no doubt, had special meaning for these elder members. It was also a day for remembrance and reflection, and so for me, many thoughts and memories came unbidden, as I pondered how I arrived here, at this moment, in this place.

I came to OCBC in 1957 and attended the Japanese School. The temple had recently moved from Huntington Beach and was now at their Stanton location. My siblings, cousins, friends and I participated in a chigo ceremony there in the late 1950’s. My most enduring memories of Japanese school were my bentoos, my 25 cent osaisen and 25 cent allowance. Admittedly, I was a miserable student.

I was too young to understand much of what our parents and grandparents were planning with the building of a new temple, but my mother recalls the night my father returned from an OCBC board meeting, excited and happy, announcing, “We’re going to build ourselves a church!!” It was a courageous and bold undertaking, requiring a tremendous financial commitment by the now famously designated “75 Families.” Property was bought on Dale Avenue and construction started on the social hall and classrooms. The hondo eventually followed and there was another chigo procession and dedication service.

In the years after Japanese School, Sangha Teens, Jr. YBA, high school and college, I didn’t spend much time at OCBC. In truth, I disappeared from the sangha for the next 25 years. Meanwhile, OCBC continued to flourish, thrive and grow.

In those intervening years I taught elementary school, lived in Japan, went to law school on the east coast, married Tom, returned to California, raised three sons and became a Boy Scout/hockey/PTA mom. We attended the neighborhood Catholic church for 15 years. They were busy, happy and fulfilling years.…..

And yet, something urged me to come back to the dharma. For me that meant OCBC, and when I returned in 2002 it felt like all the changes that occurred at OCBC in the intervening years had been done especially for me. I felt like Shinran Shonin who once said that, “the Primal Vow was made for me, Shinran alone!” These are not the words of an arrogant and self-centered person, but were spoken by someone who experienced the depth of the Tathagata’s wisdom and compassion so personally that he felt as if it was directed specifically to him.

How things had changed at OCBC!! So many new people, activities, groups, and events. Overwhelming and exciting. Most exciting of all was the dharma: BEC classes and book publications, seminars and retreats with Dr. Haneda, special service speakers, the book club and meditation. I felt like all these components were put in place here just for me. The dharma was overflowing and it was exactly what I was looking for. Altogether, these factors eventually led me to the Minister’s Assistant Program…… which was life changing.

As I watched Janis Hirohama and Matt Stolz’s certification ceremony at the hondo dedication service I was reminded of my certification in 2012. Reverend Harada enticed me into the program by telling me this would be a way to learn and deepen my understanding of the Buddhadhara, which it definitely did. He also said it would not take much of my time(!). He was half right. Through MAP I found remarkable teachers and dharma friends, and was led to the Institute of Buddhist Studies and their Masters program. Tokudo ordination in 2014 was an impossibility made possible, and one of the most meaningful experiences of my life. The inconceivable power of the Vow manifested itself in a deeply personal way.

Amida’s working came through the countless causes and conditions leading to this point as I sat in the hondo during the October 8 service. It begins with my grandfather and mother who had shinjin awakenings that forever altered their lives and made the dharma the center of their being. It includes the sangha members at OCBC who support this temple and my efforts through the Ministerial Scholarship Fund. It is the numerous ministers, teachers and lay members I have encountered through the BCA, IBS and Hongwanji in Kyoto who have guided and instructed me. It is my high school dharma class who provides an opportunity for me to clarify my understanding each week. It is my husband and family who support me with love and encouragement on this path. Everything is possible because of you…..okagesama-de.

Namu amida butsu
Ellen Crane, Minister’s Assistant

Buddhist Education Center

Information regarding the schedule of classes offered by the Buddhist Education Center can be found in the previous edition of the Korin or at:

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

Congratulations to the Sangha for “Making the Dream” come true with the completion of the Hondo and the courtyard. Many hands and long hours have made this possible. The power of our Sangha has provided the foundation for the prosperity of OCBC for our future generations. The “thank yous” are too numerous to count, but the leaders of this project must be recognized. Reverend Marvin Harada, Aaron Nagayama, Louie Yamanishi, Sus Iwamasu, Howard Nakagiri, Bill Sakahara, and Jeff Folick have been the people in charge of this nine year project that started with just an idea to having a new social hall and a remodeled hondo. Their help in raising the funds, monitoring the construction and finishing all of the details to make sure that the building is made to specifications, including the aesthetics that will hold the test of time, cannot be overemphasized. After the gym floor is replaced, we will have a facility that we can all be proud of and this will be a center for Buddhist teachings and a source for community activities for many years. Let’s keep OCBC a place where our families will look forward to coming to, and encourage our members to continue to take an active part in our programs. We have had a history of leaders stepping forward and we will have new leaders who will continue the legacy that has brought us to this proud point in our history.

Many thanks also must be expressed to Beth Fujishige and Rumi Nakatani who co-chaired the Dedication Ceremony. It was amazing how their team was able to smoothly and efficiently coordinate activities for the afternoon for over 750 people. The dedication service, the group photo, and the dinner program were done seamlessly. Many thanks to all of the sangha members who help make this a special event for everyone in attendance.

From November to the end of the year, many organizations and the board will be electing and changing leadership. Thank you for all of those individuals who have stepped forward and are willing to contribute their time and energy in continuing the excellence and service to our sangha. “Domo arigato gozaimasu”.

In Gassho,
Alan Endo, OCBC President

The Shin Reader

This month, Ellen Crane reviews Bright Dawn by Rev S. K. Kubose. The book is available at the BEC Bookstore and the BCA Bookstore.

In June 2008 Reverend Sunnan Koyo Kubose visited OCBC and spoke to our Buddhist Education Center Book Club about his book Bright Dawn. My then twenty something sons were quite impressed with Reverend Kubose...they subsequently read his book(!), and even more surprisingly, said they liked it! More recently, Reverend Kubose was the guest speaker at the Southern District Federated Dharma School Teacher’s League’s (aka SDFDSTL—what a mouthful!) fall conference in San Fernando on June 10, 2017. He is always an entertaining and inspirational speaker. Some of you may also know that Reverend S. K. Kubose’s father was Reverend Gyomay Kubose, the former minister at the Buddhist Temple of Chicago and an important teacher for a young Reverend Marvin Harada in the 1980’s.

Reverend Kubose’s book Bring Dawn, has long been a favorite of mine and one that I recommend to those who want to glimpse a Buddhist perspective in daily life, much like Reverend Harada’s book, Discovering Buddhism in Everyday Life. In Bright Dawn, we accompany Reverend Kubose on his daily run along Lake Michigan’s shore near Chicago. As he prepares to greet the sunrise each morning, he masterfully weaves Buddhist teachings into his seemingly mundane preparations. While going to the toilet, brushing his teeth, tying his shoes, gazing at the sky, the water and the trees along the running path, he delves into the core of what it means to be human: living with grace, perseverance, and gratitude. Throughout the book he presents teachings of awareness and mindfulness.

From his background as a Professor of Psychology and a Buddhist minister, Reverend Kubose explains how to deepen our spirituality through an appreciation and recognition of what is around us. We become aware of our narrow egocentric view and open up to a more expansive view of ourselves in the world. Through this very readable and easily relatable book, Bright Dawn reveals timeless Buddhist teachings that bring spirituality to our modern lives. This book is a great introduction to Buddhism for teenagers and young adults and a book I often give to my high school dharma class assistants, but it is a good read for anyone! Please take the time to encounter and absorb its many insights.

If you’ve read this far, please ask me about the bracelet I received from Reverend Kubose. It’s a mildly interesting story. If you can’t go to OCBC but read the Korin, email, text or call me and ask. I would love to hear from you!
Email: ecrane417@gmail.com, mobile: 949-874-4578.

Review by Ellen Crane, Minister Assistant
Wowee Kazowee!

Thank you Hondo Dedication volunteers, their families, donors, and attendees!! The success of the event was all your doing! This is a repeat of a story told during Sunday service, but worth the repetition because it is so true. While thanking a volunteer for helping to make the Hondo Dedication a success, he replied he was only a small piece of the event. Only a small piece? In a 500 piece puzzle, even if only one small piece is missing, the puzzle is not complete, and what’s noticed?..... the missing piece. There was not one missing piece, thanks to the hard work, generosity, and diligence of all of you! Each and every person went over and beyond what was expected!!

There are probably over 100 volunteers and contributors who took on a major role to bring the Hondo Dedication to fruition. And while we’d like to acknowledge all of them by name, we would invariably miss someone and that would be a faux pas as everyone was instrumental.

This article was an additional two pages longer and each time we reviewed it, the article became longer...... by adding more pieces and more volunteers. It is said a picture is worth a thousand words, so we decided to add photos (thank you to Janis Hirohama, Michiko Inanaga, and Michael Nishida) and delete the thousands of additional words. We do want to re-iterate our gratitude and appreciation for all the volunteers whose Dana of time and effort made the Hondo Dedication (as Rick Oishi said) a beautiful symphony!

In the words of Rev. Harada:
“I wish you could have seen the view I had from the podium as I shared my reflections on the hondo dedication. I saw a sea of joyous, radiant faces, all with a warm sense of fulfillment and gratification, to see the beautiful new hondo. It was a most moving sight.

The events of that day was a huge project in itself, but it was very indicative of how our Sangha works and functions together on all projects like that. It is that same spirit that enabled us to complete the huge project of the new social hall and remodeled hondo.

My deepest appreciation to all that worked so hard for that day. May we continue to move forward on the path as we have been doing for generations at OCBC. “

Gassho and gratitude,
Beth Fujishige and Rumi Nakatani

(Pictures on pages 18-19)

BCA Youth Advocacy Committee Summer Retreat

This past summer, I had the opportunity to take part in the thirteenth annual Youth Advocacy Committee (YAC) retreat at the Sacramento Betsuin. I, along with thirteen others, took part in a week-long retreat that taught us the basic etiquette and formalities of conducting a service; everything from preparing the onaijin for service to giving our own dharma talks and leading in chants.

The experience was unlike any other and has played a key role in my own Buddhist path. Through the teachings, frequent services, and connections that I made, I discovered a vast amount about not only my religion, but myself as well. We learned a great deal of the history of Buddhism, the teachings of Buddhism, and the correlation our religion has with our everyday life.

Words are not enough to describe the invaluable part that this retreat has played in my life. It is with the utmost gratitude that I thank those particularly of OCBC and the YAC committee who have played such major roles in my Buddhist path. The retreat has brought me closer to the Dharma as well as my peers who, I have no doubt, will remain life-long friends. I hope to continue in my Buddhist path and live a life as Reverend Bob Oshita puts it, of “gratitude beyond words.”

In Gassho, Jeff Onuma

Happy Thanksgiving!
BWA News

Announcements
-Omigaki/church clean up will be held on Saturday, November 11th from 8:00-10am in the Kodo. Toban A will be in charge and all available BWA ladies are requested to help either in the morning in the Kodo or after lunch in the social hall kitchen. Church will provide lunch for the clean up volunteers so please join us.
-Our next meeting will be held immediately following omigaki on November 11th. Please meet in the Kodo at 10:00am.

-BWA will be preparing the bento for the Grateful Crane performance entitled “Grateful 4 Friends Variety Show” on November 19th. General admission is $25 and $35 with bento. For youths 25 and under, admission is $15 and $25 with bento. The deadline to register with a bento is November 5th. Please see Judy Uyema to sign up. Food prep will be held on Saturday the 18th at 9:00am and Sunday at 8:30am in the MPB. Thank you in advance for your help with this fundraiser.

-The Eshinnisama/Kakushinnisama service and OC BWA’s 60th anniversary luncheon will be held on December 3, 2017 and Tobans H and J are in charge of planning this special event. Invite letters will be hand delivered at church or mailed to all BWA members.
-Mochitsuki will be held on Sunday, December 17th and order forms can be found in the Korin and the OCBC office. Orders are due December 3rd and mochi pick up will be from 2:30-3:30pm. See flyer for additional information.

Bunco Party – September 24, 2017
Once again our BWA ladies enjoyed a fun afternoon playing their new favorite game, Bunco! Our event was well attended with 24 BWA members, including two new members Teri Tanimoto and Lily Hara, welcome! We had a variety of salads for lunch, an Jell-O for dessert, and sembei and Chex mix for snacks. Many prizes were given out at the end of the day for top score, most buncos, most baby buncos, most wins, most losses, and other categories. All attendees received a cute bookmark favor with hanging dice. Special thanks to Lynn for organizing the event and for making the favors and to everyone who helped prepare the tasty lunch. Please join us next time for another round of Bunco games in the near future.

Senior Luncheon
On Monday, October 9th, 39 seniors and guests enjoyed a delicious bento and celebrated birthdays for Stella Otsuka, Keiko Hayasaka, and Norman Nishioka. The ladies prepared baked salmon, napa and pork, crab and cucumber salad, and braised eggplant. Thank you to Stella Otsuka and Norman Nishioka for the monetary donations, Chieko Otsuki for the 15lb bag of rice, Mitsuko Korin for the 15lb bag rice, Rosa Somen for the zakuro pomegranates, and Paul Fujimoto for the mikan. We hope to see you at our next senior luncheon on Monday, November 13th.

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

In Gassho,
Chris Nakamura

Maintenance Report

The following individuals volunteered some of their time either on Maintenance Monday or at other times this month. Thank you.

Mike Black  Paul Fujimoto  Kay Fujimura
David Fusato  Dan Hakikawa  Wat Iwakoshib
Dan Kaneko  Hideo Kawamura  Dennis Morikoshi
Glen Morita  Eric Nakahara  Rod Nishimura
Norman Nishioka  Akio Nitta  Dennis Okada
Frank Okamura  Sumio Otsuki  Ron Sakoda
Junji Sarashina  Winston Shigenaga  Tom Sunada
Ron Suzuki  And others whose names I did not get.

The following tasks were completed (not a complete listing):

1) General.
   a. Continued weeding campus.
   b. Trimmed trees and bushes in the Japanese garden.
   c. Trimmed the palm trees north of MPB.
   d. Replaced several broken folding metal chairs.
   e. Moved trees and rocks from storage to installation.
   f. Trimmed trees along west wall of Ball Rd parking lot.

2) Rev. and Mrs. Harada’s home.
   a. General landscape clean-up and weeding.
   b. Repaired bathroom fan switch.
   c. Removed a tree from the back yard.
   d. Improved door lock function.

3) Hondo
   a. Re-installed the kansho.
   b. Re-installed the heat system pump.
   c. Removed and replaced the failed water pressure regulator.
   d. Rerouted the A/C system water drains.
   e. Cleaned the A/C system access area.

4) MPB.
   a. Removed (4) bulbs & (2) ballasts from one troffer and installed LED bulbs.
   b. Replaced two lights in the north-west stairwell.
   c. Replaced a kitchen door stop.
   d. Removed a failed refrigerator.

5) Social Hall
   a. Repaired two doors to close correctly.
   b. Removed temporary kansho support structure.

The Maintenance Group can use the help of any able-bodied person on any Monday (especially to assist with weed removal and bush trimming).

SPECIAL NOTICE: OCBC campus cleanup is Saturday the 11th of November. Lunch is provided. Please bring your gloves.

Jim Mitchell
3rd V.P.
Social Welfare / Dana Program

On October 14th, Project Kokoro, the Dana Program and Keiro held a free seminar, ‘Everything you want to know about Parkinson’s Disease’ and ‘Yoga Demo & Interactive Session’ and free flu shot. There were 30 who attended the free seminars and 55 who received their free flu shots. Thanks to Dr. Ron Hamamura and our own Linda Turner who were the speakers at the free seminars and to Memorial Care Medical Group for donating the flu shots and Healthfax, the nursing agency, that administered the shots.

Are you interested in strengthening your body, improving coordination and balance, becoming healthier and having a more relaxed body and mind? Starting in September, the Tai Chi-Longevity Stick class for beginners led by Dan Hakikawa on Thursdays will start at 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the MPB. Don’t have the stick for this class? You can pay only $9 at the time you sign up. A form of moving meditation, it’s been shown that it helps reduce stress, and boosts your immune system and memory.

Games, Games, Games – The group is normally held weekly on Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. There are all kinds of games. They are currently playing Mahjong, but other card games & board games are available. Donation of $1.00 is collected at the door. If you have any questions, please contact Irene Yamanishi (562) 860.5155 or email iyamanishi@gmail.com.

If you are interested in joining the Social Welfare/Dana Program you can contact Linda Ishibashi (562) 860-5993 or email lki_2@me.com.

In Gassho,
Linda Ishibashi

Project Kokoro News

The Great Nisei Reunion Concert Nov 12
PK invites you to an evening of live Big Band Music. The third (and last) in the series of nostalgic big band concerts will be held at the Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center at 2pm and features The Harry James Orchestra and The Modernaires. In addition the dynamic Island Crooners and special guest, Mary Kaye Nomura, The Songbird of Manzanar, will be featured. The cost is $60 for OCBC Seniors and will include show ticket, dinner, bus & gratuity. The bus will leave OCBC around 12:45pm. See the flyer for additional information. If past the deadline and you are interested in attending, please contact Diana Ono: dianaOCBC@gmail.com

Fall Craft Boutique Nov 19
The Craft Club is having a boutique from 8:00am to 2:00pm in the PK Room at OCBC. There will be handmade, knitted, crocheted, and quilted items such as pillows, aprons, pot holders, cards, and other great gifts made by PK Seniors.

TBP – Tomodachi Bento Project
Senior participants are enjoying the delicious bentos provided to them by many volunteers that prepare the lunches, deliver and spend time visiting. College students over the summer were paired with seasoned volunteers and everyone enjoyed the experience. Seniors and the students had a great time.

Grateful Crane Variety Show Nov 19
Presented by Grateful Crane in association with Project Kokoro “Grateful 4 and Friends Variety Show” is filled with dynamic acapella singing, and songs from the Yonsei, Sansei and Nisei generations. “Grateful 4” consist of Michael Murata, Aimee Machida and OCBC members Emily Yoshihara and Lisa Horikawa! For reservations call 310-995-5841 or purchase tickets on Sunday at the table near the Hospitality Table. Bento orders can be taken up to Nov 5. Tickets are $25, or $35 to include a bento lunch. The special price for YOUTH, under age 25, is $15 and $25 with bento! If paying by check, make payable to “Project Kokoro”. A portion of the show proceeds will benefit the OCBC Building Fund.

Appreciation
We would like to express our appreciation for donations received in memory of Shintoku and Harue Kise from the following donors: The Ujihara Family, Jean & Kenneth Yonezawa, Elroy & Renee Ito, Lloyd Katekawa, and Betsy Tokubo.

Next Meeting Nov 8
You are welcome to join our next meeting held in the PK Room on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7pm.

In Gassho,
Neddie Bokosky
### Service Learning Project Sponsored by PK

Service Learning is a 10-week class for learning how to use an alternative transportation application, a convenient and safe mobile application that allows you to hire a private driver to get to your desired destination. The sessions are led by trained Counselors. Adult participants will be paired with high school students who will provide assistance and accompany adult participants on a ride. We will also cover the basics of using your smart phone for photography.

Additionally, adult participants will have the opportunity to share important stories and lessons about Japanese American culture and history with the high school students.

We are still looking for interested adult participants for the following sessions:
- **10:30AM-12:30PM (2 hours)**
  - November 4th - Learning how to use an alternative transportation application
  - November 11th - Using alternative transportation (practice)
  - December 2nd - Photo and Video Lesson
  - December 16th - Closing Session

Each session builds upon each other, we would ideally like interested participants to be available for the remaining 5 weeks if possible.

If you are interested, please email or call Hideki Fukusumi:
hideki@gokizuna.org
(213) 973-4465 x 7

### OCBC Meishi Winter Seminar

Meishi is an OCBC sponsored professional network and career development organization, built for and powered by the OCBC Sangha.

The Meishi Committee has a request for the OCBC Sangha: If you know of any internship opportunities or ask your employer if your company has internship opportunities. Please contact our committee.

**Topic:** Getting on Track to Land Your Dream Job after College.

**Who:** College aged students and professionals who are members of OCBC or OCBC sponsored organizations.

**When:** Saturday, December 30, 2017, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

**Where:** OCBC Social Hall


**Discussion Topics:**
1. Experience and advice to land your dream job.
2. How do you stand out and separate yourself from the competition?
3. Finding an internship.
4. Tips on resumes and interviewing.

More information will be available for registration starting in December 2017.

In gassho,

The Meishi Committee

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### October Korin Correction

We apologize for the error on page 7 in the October issue of the Korin, in the *Cultural News* article. Madame Shimbashi is standing next to Madame Ogawa and both are standing in front of their floral Ikenobo Ikebana display. Madame Akamatsu is the current president of the Ikenobo Ikebana Society of Los Angeles Chapter.
Hondo Dedication—Ochigo Procession

This year’s Fifth Grade Class was selected for the Ochigo Procession for the Hondo Dedication Service. This class completed Ti-Sarana last year and had perfect attendance. The class was also evenly divided with boys and girls comprising 17 students. The Ochigo wardrobes were borrowed from Gardena Buddhist Church.

The Ochigo is a children’s activity and they represent the youth and aspiration of enlightenment. The procession was accompanied by the ancient court music of Gagaku. Rev. Wondra and Rev. Turner lead the procession into the Hondo and onto the Onaijin. With four important spots of bowing, the Ochigo successfully added to the OCBC Hondo Dedication Service. The ministers followed and Rev. Harada and Bishop Umezu completed the processional carrying ‘Kero’ (golden trays of petals).

Thanks to Michiko Inanaga, Coordinator/Leader. Pacer: Melissa Koga. Fifth Grade Teachers, Joyce Yada, Laura Yamamoto, Nicholas Gomez and parents.

Photographers: Richard Hiroshima, Craig Shibata

Submitted: R. Oishi

Dharma School News

On October 8 during the Dedication Service for our beautiful hondo, the Dharma School children in grades 3, 4, and 5 sang so harmoniously with the adult choir. The 5th graders added a very special touch by participating in the Ochigo procession. “Thank you” to the many adults who helped the children make the dedication service so memorable.

Your child will be receiving a “My Offering” purple and white envelope from his/her teacher that is intended to be a donation from your child to the Buddhist Churches of America (BCA). All donations will be forwarded to the BCA. Thank you in advance to the children for their donations.

Upcoming Events

November 12 -- Eitaikyo Service
Ti-Sarana Rites for fourth grade students will be held in conjunction with Eitaikyo Service.

November 19 -- All Life Forms Memorial Service and Back-To-Dharma School

December 10 -- Oseibo Taikai

D.S. Class Schedule
November 5, 19; December 3; January 7, 21, and 28.
Classes begin immediately after service and end at 11:30am.

In Gassho,
Gail Harada

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ABA News

50 Years of ABA Commitment and Dedication

To commemorate 50 years of active participation and support of OCBC, ABA gathered past and present members for a grand celebration at the Royal Garden Restaurant in Cerritos on October 28. It was an opportunity to renew friendships and reminisce about memories of long ago. Past presidents were honored for their dedication and leadership, especially the pioneers, some of whom are no longer with us. It is assuring to note that almost every member, past and present, has contributed to the growth and prosperity of ABA, and therefore, to OCBC through their continued involvement and support. Many thanks go to the committee, who for two years had planned and executed this special event. Their attention to detail was impeccable from beginning to end. Thank you, Kathy Nishimoto, Ron Suzuki, Janet Uyeno and Margie Mio, who emceed marvelously. Special gratitude to Gordon Tani, who designed the beautiful Tenugui, had them made and shipped to us from Japan. Each attendee was given a Tenugui and instructions on its many uses and ways to fold as a memento. Lynn Morita and Aaron Nagayama created and presented a superb archival video of ABA from its early inception in 1987 thru 50 years to the present. What great history ABA has made! Thank you Mark Sollberger for stepping up and recording more ABA history as our photographer for the day. This celebration will be memorable for many years to come. Thank you everyone for this successful event.

ABA President Margie Mio has rave words about our Fall Colors trip: “Bonjour, Fellow Travelers—Our fabulous Fall Colors though New England and French Canada” has come and gone, and we are filled with lasting images and experiences that we will long remember! We would like to express our gratitude to Michael and Diane Glick for fervently planning this trip, and I believe they are hoping to put together a video of it. For some of us, we would also like to thank Ron Suzuki for the air travel that he organized. Thank you again for making this trip so memorable.

With the end of the year quickly approaching, ABA is slowly winding down its activities, making general plans for the coming year and preparing for the 2018 slate of officers to take command of this energetic group. Margie Mio has lead ABA for three consecutive terms. Will she continue as President? Her infectious enthusiasm runs nonstop and she knows how to get a job done ASAP. Others have voluntarily remained in office from one year to the next—Joan Tani (10 yrs.); Richard Kuramoto (15 yrs.); Sue Endo, Karen Kino and Chieko Miyake (5 yrs.) to name a few. Our ABA members are truly grateful for their unselfish leadership.

In Gassho,
Kyoko Suzuki
Brownie Girl Scout Troop 916

Our Brownies have been busy learning about different countries through our “World of Girls” journey. The girls have been working on their own passports books and look forward to getting their stamps. They also voted to donate books to hospitals & shelters as part of their “Take Action Project.”

Some of our girls had fun participating at the LA Galaxy Girl Scout Night and the Rocket Whiz class where they learned how to make their own rockets which they’ll launch on November 4.

One of our projects consisted of the scouts writing and drawing down their strengths on a piece of paper and using that with string to make a quilt. This was used to show how each girl has a strength that she can teach others and that all together, they can work on changing the world!

Coming up will be our Investiture Ceremony and our Newport Landing trip to go “Whale Watching!”

Junior Girl Scout Troop 855

Junior Troop 855 has had a busy start to the new school year! We are welcoming 11 scouts into the troop at the annual Rededication Ceremony. The troop has had one overnight stay in the social hall where the patrols made dinner, dessert and breakfast.

Mrs. Turner came and taught us yoga to learn how to calm our minds, become stronger and healthier.

This year we are working on the “Agent of Change” Journey- Mrs. Takesita and Mrs. Inanaga are helping us learn how to make a difference starting from ourselves and expanding out into the community. We each chose a female role model to share with the group so we could learn about people who have made a difference.

We are looking forward to the holidays and will make desserts for the Tomodachi Bento project during our December meeting. This will be a great opportunity for us to help the community here at OCBC.

Cadette Girl Scout Troop 675

This year, Cadette Troop 675 has gotten off on a great start for the new year. We have been working on our journey “Breathe”, which focuses on noise, air pollution, global warming, deforestation, and renewable energy. We began to work on our Aware Alert badge, where we logged the air quality and we became more aware of our earth’s air.

Our first meeting we met with our patrols and talked about our upcoming events throughout the year such as our service project. We also met up with our Daisy little sisters! We had a blast getting to know each other a bit more, along with making snacks for birds and swaps with them.

And very recently, we had Investiture. It was so nice to welcome all the incoming scouts, old and new. And one of our patrols put on a wonderful skit which was followed up with some delicious ice cream!

In Gassho,
Gwen Takagi
**Senior Ambassador Troop 881**

Senior/Ambassador Girl Scout Troop 881 kicked off the new year in August with a Paint Party at Brushstrokes in Tustin. With 40 scouts in attendance, the girls packed the art studio, creating beautiful works of art while reconnecting with old friends and meeting new girls along the way. The activity connected with the troop’s theme this year of “One with Nature” as they painted their own take on a Maui Sunset picture. The girls were able to find their inner artist while they listened and sang to music and created their own masterpieces. The girls stepped away for a short break in order to rejuvenate their creative juices and to enjoy katsu sandwiches and strawberry croissants from the Cream Pan Bakery located close by. As the girls were finishing the final touches to their paintings, they signed their names on their masterpieces and smiled at the sight of their hard work.

In September, the girls dressed up in their full uniforms for the All Troop Flag Ceremony. The 12th grade girls had the honor to lead all the girls in this ceremony, as it would be their last flag ceremony as a Girl Scout. That night, Troop 881 was the model troop for all the Girl Scouts. The Senior/Ambassador scouts also met again that month to hold their very first meeting, where the 12th graders took charge and ran the meeting. The girls worked productively, splitting into their new patrols, planning out the year’s activities, and choosing their new officers for the year. The girls looked forward to the busy but fun year ahead of them.

In October, the 12th and 10th grade girls worked together at the OCBC Hondo Dedication Service. The girls welcomed the guests into the beautiful new Hondo, passing out programs, escorting guests to their seats and participated in the flag ceremony. The girls were also able to have their first overnighter at the Girl Scout Council’s brand new Newport Beach Program Center. The girls excitingly entered the new building and watched the sunset while eating a dinner of curry rice and salad. They then got together to earn the Inspire Patch, an interactive patch where the girls split into groups and discovered their passions and what it takes to achieve your dream or goal. After smores’ and baking cookies, the girls exhaustingly went to bed and started the next morning with yoga on the beach. After yoga and breakfast, the girls packed up and headed home after a fun-filled and exciting overnighter.

The SA Troop is also in charge of the Investiture/Rededication Ceremony. At the Ceremony, all the OCBC girl scout troops will celebrate Juliette Low, the founder of girl scouts. They will welcome the new scouts during investiture and rededicate themselves to another year of girl scouts.

Written by: Laura Sato, 12th grade patrol secretary
Cub Scout Pack 578

When was the last time that you saw vans covered in large Emoji’s, decked out with Super Mario Brothers, or completely remade from hood to tailgate into a large Zombie? On Friday, October 20th, the participants of Cub Scouts Pack 578 experienced firsthand these amazing vehicles plus many others at their Trunk or Treat event.

The themed cars, vans and accompanying game booths represented only a fraction of the creativity as the children’s costumes took the prize as pirates, Pokemon and princesses. The kids played games, took pictures and collected an abundance of sugary treats. With the spooky air filled with energy and excitement, over 60 Scouts and siblings participated in this annual event.

The cornerstone of this event was that the families of Pack 578 came together to enjoy each other’s company, creativity and sense of community that is cherished at OCBC.

Boy Scout Troop 578

IFD by Derrick Kim

On Friday September, 1 Troop 578 gathered at OCBC at 5:30 to get ready to go to Camp Trask for Invitational Field Day. We separated into groups that would fit in a few cars and then we were off to Camp Trask. At Camp Trask all of the scout who were there helped unload our equipment and set up tents. It took us a decent amount of time because we had to set up the parent camp too. When all of our tents and easy-ups were set up, some scouts had to help make the camp gadget. Our camp gadget was a washing station made out of wooden poles and lashings that held tubs for washing dirty dishes. By about 10:30 we went to sleep for we had a tiring day ahead of us. In the morning the cooks for each patrol served their patrols breakfast before we went to participate in IFD. IFD is a competition between troops that compete in the events like fire building, knife and ax, and rope tying. At IFD scouts did very well but we did not do as well as we hoped. We figured out the results Saturday night when they passed out awards to those who placed first, second, and third in each event as well as some other awards like cleanest camp and overall highest score by troop. After the awards, we made dinner and ate before falling asleep in our tents at 10:15. On Sunday morning, we had to wake up very early to eat a quick breakfast and to pack up our equipment. We arrived at OCBC at about noon. Because we were very smelly and wanted to go home, we quickly put the equipment back to where they belong and went home. IFD was a very good chance for us to interact with scouts from other troops. I want to thank the families that helped us drive the scouts to IFD and parents who stayed with us at IFD.

Henninger Hike by Brandon Ito

On October 13th, the boy scouts of Troop 578 hiked to Henninger Flats. With heavy backpacks full of all of the gear that we would need, we hiked up to the campsite. Once we arrived at the top, we set up camp and went to sleep. On the second day, the second younger scouts helped with an eagle scout project while older scouts hiked Mount Wilson. On the third day we hiked down. After, we ate lunch at the Clearman’s Galley. Overall, the hike to Henninger flats was very fun.
In Memoriam

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

**Kinuko Ujihara**

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

**Namu Amida Butsu**

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Services Conducted

October

1. Ross Ito, 1 Year Memorial Service
2. Diane Urasaki, 1 Year Memorial Service
3. Kinuko Ujihara, Funeral Service
4. Masako Kamiyama, 49 Day Memorial Service
5. Neal Oshiro, 3 Year Memorial
6. Kenzo Ito, 91 Year Memorial
7. Kyoko Ito, 86 Year Memorial
8. Akira Ito, 74 Year Memorial
9. Sadako Ito, 73 Year Memorial
10. Thomas Ito, 45 Year Memorial
11. Mine Ito, 37 Year Memorial
12. Gonsaku Ito, 34 Year Memorial
13. Chizuko Ito, 16 Year Memorial
14. Mark Ando, 9 Year Memorial
15. Kansaku Ito, 4 Year Memorial
16. Yonejiro Ito, 1 Year Memorial
17. Masuo Kumamoto, 3 Year Memorial Service
18. Shizuku Noguchi, 1 Year Memorial Service
19. Kinuko Ujihara, 49 Day Memorial Service
20. Shigeru Tsuruda, 100 Day Memorial Service

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Ministerial Scholarship

What a tremendous beginning of a new campaign year! There is no way to fully express our gratitude to the Sangha for your continued support of the Ministerial Scholarship program over these many years. Our program has been successful because of the support received from all of you. We are only a few weeks into our campaign and we have already received donations from the many contributors below. Please note that donations received subsequent to October 29, 2017 will be listed in the next issue of the Korin.

Donations received from October 15, 2017 through October 29, 2017:

Loreen Fujinami
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In addition to the above donors, we would like to acknowledge two donors whose donations were received in memory of the late Reverend John Doami. We gratefully acknowledge the donations of:

Virginia Nishigaya Trust
Richard and Janet Uyeno.

Total Donations Received: $1,215.00

Our ministerial candidate and minister’s assistant candidates continue to be dedicated in their studies and service to the Sangha. Ministerial candidate Ellen Crane is ready to begin her thesis for her Masters of Buddhist Studies. She is currently taking a digital marketing certification course in preparation for her thesis. She will resume her thesis course work in the spring with IBS. In addition, Ellen has been invited to begin preparations for kyoshi ordination. She will participate with an international group going to Japan in November of 2018. Our minister’s assistant candidates continue to be immersed in their studies through continuing education and attending MAP seminars. We are truly fortunate to have this wonderful group of candidates. Thanks to you, we are able to provide them all with support.

Gassho,
Carrie Nakagawa
With a sense of urgency and a flurry of activities, our general contractor, many sub-contractors and our own project team made a huge push to complete the Hondo construction in time for our dedication service on October 8th. While some trim items were not fully completed, the vast majority of construction tasks were finished, enough so that we could proceed with our dedication and celebration. What a celebration it was! Our Dedication Planning Committee did a fantastic job accommodating over 750 guests for the service and dinner that followed. Our team was very humbled and gratified to hear many oohs and ahhs from numerous Sangha members who saw the interior of the Hondo for the first time. It was a memorable occasion.

To the casual observer, our Hondo appears complete, but many details require attention before we can actually say construction is done. We successfully passed all life-safety inspections to allow us to use the Hondo for the dedication service. However, our team, with our ministers' concurrence, elected not to use it routinely yet to allow our contractor to complete construction without OCBC interference. This will ultimately let us gain permanent control quicker. An obvious task you can see being done is replacing the temporary exterior and interior decorative trim pieces that our contractor installed just to make it look acceptable for our dedication. Another is the planting of the trees in the courtyard. Behind the scenes, other work is also being accomplished so that we can complete final construction inspections. Hopefully this will occur in just a few weeks.

So when can we really start using the Hondo? It will be a joint decision between the general contractor and our project team, based on status of the city inspections and whether our using the Hondo no longer interferes with any remaining construction tasks. Each day, that answer becomes more like a "yes", so that decision to use the Hondo may be very soon.

Last month we reported we had surpassed our fundraising goal of $9.3M. The final impetus and flood of donations was due, in no small part, to the offer of an anonymous donor to match all donations up to $39,000 to meet our goal by the Dedication Service. The response was so great, we passed our goal without even requiring any assistance from the anonymous donor. We're happy to announce that the generous donor was Kay and Mary Jane Fujimura who still generously donated a significant amount to help us report a total to-date of $9,358,740! We are still collecting on outstanding pledges as well as other new donations. We should have a tidy sum left in the Building Fund after we've paid all the invoices for Phase 2 to help fund other facility maintenance tasks and upgrades.

OCBC is extremely grateful for everyone's continued support. OCBC thanks and acknowledges the following new and repeat donations received between September 23, 2017 and October 24, 2017.

Family and Individual Donations (new and repeat): (Coin donor names reported separately)
Janet Arima & Steve Chase
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Family/Indv'l Donations this period: $4,587.00
Total Family/Indv'l Donations to Date: $4,305,770.00
Family and Individual Pledges (new and add'l) this period: None
Total Family/Indv'l Pledges (collected & uncollected) to Date: $3,858,930.00

OCBC Organization Donations, Pledges (new and repeat) this period: None
OCBC Organization Donations, Pledges to Date: $1,166,262.00
Total Coins Collections: $27,778.00
Coin donors this period: Wat & Hiromi Iwakoshi
Total Pledges and Donations: $9,358,740.00 (includes coin collections)
Total Donations and Pledge Payments Collected to date: $9,353,720.00
Phase 2 Goal: $4,000,000.00
Additional donations required: $0.00

In Gassho,
Howard Nakagiri, Project Manager
Bill Sakahara, Project Treasurer
The Orange County Buddhist Church gratefully acknowledges the following for their very generous donations, received and recorded from September 24, 2017 through October 28, 2017.

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San Fernando Valley Hongwanji Buddhist Temple
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Shigenaga, Winston
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Sun, John
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Umezui, Rev. Kodo
Urabe, Judith
Uyema, Judy
Various
Vista Buddhist Temple
Wakabayashi Butsugu Mfg. Co. Ltd.
Wondra, Rev. Mutsumi
Yamaguchi, Jean
Yamamoto, Laura
Yamamoto, Misae
Yamamoto, Susan
Yamano, Jimmy
Yamashita, Roger
Yamashita, Yoko
Yoshihara, Glenn
Ziebol, Rodney

Happy Thanksgiving!
永代経法要に寄せて

光輪
十一月号

『講仏歌』というように、本堂に入ると
に行わすことをするもの、またお経を称
えることもすべて、如来さまが私に回し
向かえる功德を讃えて、感謝することに
心で如来さまがあの私に向かって喚ばれ
る南無阿弥陀仏を聞くことです。

浄土真宗といえば「南無阿弥陀仏」とある
ような聞き方すればよいという教えです。

私がまかせよ、必ずあたしたからえい来、
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とどのような聞き方すればよいという教えです。
十一月の様月法要
2日（土）午後7時30分より営まれます。

十二月の様月法要
日本語法話・・・・ターナー先生

「永遠経法要」のご案内

午前10時

お餅つき
日時：12月10日（日）午前10時

オレンジ郡仏教会
日時：12月3日（月）午後1時

恵信尼公さま並びに
覚信尼公さま並びに

法要後には、OCWA創立60周年を
お祝いする会がソールホールで催され
ます。婦人の皆さまは、全員ご出席下
さい。

【永代経方法後、幼児仏道入門式】
桑原浄信師（浄土真宗センター）です。

場所：本堂
時：11月12日（月）午前10時

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午後7時より

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場所：本堂
時：11月12日（月）午前10時
お知らせ

今年の“おみがき”は1月1日（火）午後8時に小堂（講堂）、また午後10時からのはCoroutineホール・キッチンを除開します。当番はAです。お寺からランチが用意されます。

* 1月3日・WA 60周年記念ランチョンが1月3日・WA 60周年記念ランチョンが1月3日・WA 60周年記念ランチョンが1月3日・WA 60周年記念ランチョンが1月3日・WA 60周年記念ランチョンが1月3日・WA 60周年記念ランチョンが1月3日・WA 60周年記念ランチョンが1月3日・WA 60周年記念ランチョンが1月3日・WA 60周年記念ランチョンが1月3日・WA 60周年記念ランチョンが1月3日・WA 60周年記念ランチョンが1月3日・WA 60周年記念ランチョンが
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| お名前は、英語欄のページをご覧くださいます。
仏教会同心よりお悔やみを申し上げます。
南無阿弥陀仏 |

*仏教会に特別寄付*
ご芳名です。敬称略

*仏教会にお礼*
ご寄付ご芳名です。敬称略

*お盆法要*
寄付ご芳名で。敬称略
MOCHITSUKI
December 17, 2017

Deadline: December 3, 2017
Please fill out the form and either mail it or drop it off along with your payment by December 3, 2017. Phone orders will not be taken at the OCBC office. If you have any questions, you may call Jodi at 714-761-4250.

MOCHI PICKUP: at OCBC in the social hall on December 17, 2017 from 2:30p – 3:30p

Make checks payable to: OC BWA

Mail order form with payment to:
OCBC
Mochitsuki Order
909 S. Dale Ave.
Anaheim, CA 92804

OR
drop it by the OCBC office upstairs in the social hall.

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

MOCHITSUKI – December 17, 2017

Name: ___________________________ Phone #: _______________________

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Mochi Pick-up at OCBC in the social hall on December 17, 2017 2:30 – 3:30 pm
2017 OCBC MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please complete the following form to apply for membership to the Orange County Buddhist Church.

STEP 1: MEMBERSHIP LEVEL

I would like to support OCBC with the following membership level:

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Please see backside for membership classification

STEP 2: CONTACT INFORMATION

Name ____________________________________________
Address _________________________________________
City ___________________________ State _______ Zip ________
Phone ____________________________
Email ______________________________

Additional Contact Information

Spouse Name _______________________________________
Spouse Phone ____________________________ Email __________________
Child Name _______________________________________
Child Name _______________________________________

STEP 3: MAIL

Send membership form and check to:

Orange County Buddhist Church
909 South Dale Avenue
Anaheim, CA 92804

Want faster, easier membership? Visit www.ocbuddhist.org/membership/
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

Our preferred payment schedule:
☐ Monthly   ☐ Quarterly   ☐ Semi-Annually   ☐ Annually

Payment Preference
☐ Check payable to OCBC
Credit Card  ☐ VISA  ☐ MasterCard

Credit Card Number ___________ - ___________ - ___________ - ___________
Expiration Date _____/_______

Signature:__________________________________________  Amount of Donation $________________

Print Name:__________________________________________  Home Zip Code:________________
# November 2017 CALENDAR

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