



### Tacoma Buddhist Temple

(Jodo Shinshu)

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(MYOKYO, the Bright Mirror of Buddha Dharma always illuminates our LIFE)

May 2022

**Temple Mission Statement** "To offer those in the Pacific Northwest an enduring community that values inclusiveness and acceptance in seeking enlightenment through Japanese Shin Buddhist teachings."

### Sensei's Message

### May and Gotan-e/ What do you think of birthdays?

Rev. Tadao Koyama



Happy May everyone! I hope that this weather isn't causing too much stress for you all with it constantly changing. I also cannot believe that May is already here! The next thing we know, it will already be the year 2023, but I will try not to get too ahead of myself just yet.

May is particularly significant for us as Jodo Shinshu Buddhists as we celebrate the birthday of our founder, Shinran Shonin. April and May both put birthdays on my mind as in April we

celebrated our Hanamatsuri where we remember the birth of Prince Siddhartha. I have a question for the Sangha; What do you all think of birthdays? Do they cause you great happiness or great stress?

We usually celebrate birthdays by having a big party or going out to dinner with friends and family. Perhaps younger children look forward to their birthday because it means they get lots of nice presents! As we get older, the meanings of birthdays begin to change. When I was in college, it usually meant that I would go out with friends on the town and probably go to party at a restaurant or a friend's house. Now, I am happy to spend time with family and have a relaxing, stress-free birthday dinner with them.

Buddhism teaches us about the impermanence of all things as well as one of the truths in life that we all inevitably age. A pessimist might say that we have these celebrations and parties with people to distract ourselves from the inevitable decline of entering old age and the hardships that come with that. An optimist would say that we celebrate birthdays and have parties to enjoy our time with friends and to be grateful that we are still alive. A Buddhist on the other hand might say, that they are a year older, this is a reality, we cannot escape this, and that's okay. And while we may get older, and have more challenges ahead, we also recognize interdependence, that we are not alone, and that all beings are connected. I can share my happiness with others.

If there is one thing that this pandemic has taught me, it's the importance of family connection and connection with the sangha. My family is the most important element in my life, and I could not imagine my life without them. The sangha has shown me the importance of community and participation. This is why we celebrate our birthdays with those who we love. We have learned that we as human beings have strong attachments and needs to our friends and family. We can rely on our closest friends and family to be there for us in times of hardship and happiness. To cry with us when we are experiencing heartache, or to laugh with us when we are celebrating becoming one year older. Sometimes these two things happen at the same time!

Our founder, Shinran Shonin was born this month, and thanks to his teachings, we now realize that we are never alone in nembutsu. There is a feeling of great joy when we are with our close friends and family for our birthdays and we hear them sing happy birthday to us, because they love us. There is a similar feeling when we all gather at the temple and chant together, and recite nembutsu together, because we are made aware of Amida's wisdom and compassion, and that it is meant for all of us, not just one of us. This is what connects us.

As these warmer months begin to start opening some doors, I certainly hope I get to see many of you inperson and for some we might be meeting at the same time. But no matter how long we have all known each other, what still brings us together is Amida's call for us to take refuge in the Dharma and chant the nembutsu.

Namo Amida Butsu.

### **President's Message**



Dear Sangha,



April was a difficult month. It is with heavy heart to communicate we lost two members. On behalf of the temple, I share my condolences to the family of temple member Kim Kawada who passed away on April 2. She was a newer member and very much a supporter of the temple who enjoyed the chanting by Rev. Koyama. Her sister Kathy has recently joined the temple and we warmly welcome her to our Sangha.

On April 19<sup>th</sup>, Tom Osaka passed away at 102 years old. Tom was a long-standing member who built a successful gardening business taking care of gardens and landscaping all over the county and at our temple. We just recognized Tom at our Keiro service sharing what he enjoys most – his family and grandchildren. My deepest condolences to his children, Gordy, Janice, and Kurt.

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I hope you were able to watch the <u>special Hanamatsuri service</u> and see the beautifully designed hanamido. The BWA did a wonderful job of using fresh flowers from their own gardens and Knutsen Farm daffodils.

I'd like to thank everyone who supported our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary sukiyaki fundraiser. Individually cooked in our traditional manner, we served 500 combo meals – meeting our goal! Our community is very supportive, and we appreciate all who gave their time and donated to this great tradition.

Our reopening committee meets regularly and includes temple members who are medical professionals that guide our decisions. I'm happy to say that on **May 15**, **we will have our first in-person service** for 2022! More details are shared in this Myokyo on our health safety procedures. We hope to see many of you and for those more comfortable watching online, we will share the service via Zoom. A hybrid service – another first for us. A full schedule of in-person and online services, cemetery services and upcoming gatherings like our picnic are outlined in our calendar so please save these dates.

If you haven't attended an activity, try it! Read more about the very special June summer seminar hosted by our Tacoma Young Adult Buddhist Association. And if feel your vocal cords could use some fun and exercise, please join a NEW class, "Brighten Your Vocals" with Megumi Azekawa and Donna Sasaki on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am.

Thank you for your continued involvement and support of our temple.

Gassho, Crystal

#### **Buddhist Women's Association News**



In April, BWA members decorated the Hanamido for the Hanamatsuri service. Thank you to June W, Shizuka, Susan and Claire!



In May, BWA members will participate in a month of walks to support the EFN Hunger Walks. Last year featured walks were at Dune Point in Ruston, Snake Lake, Wright Park, Nisqually National Refuge, Chambers Bay and the Tacoma Narrows Bridge. Please contact Denise if you are

interested in joining BWA for our May month of walks which typically are held on the weekends. If you want to support our members and the Emergency Food Network (EFN) – you can donate online at <u>Hunger Walk 2022</u> – <u>RunSignUp</u> by clicking the Donate tab at the top, then choose "Team Fundraiser" and search for "Tacoma Buddhist Women's Association".

**Neighbors in Need:** For the next two months the Tacoma Rescue Mission will be undergoing a major kitchen renovation and expansion. During this time they will not be able to serve the over 800 meals a day that they typically provide for our neighbors experiencing homelessness. BWA will be collecting monetary donations to send to the Tacoma Rescue Mission to purchase prepared, hot meals for breakfast, lunch and dinner during the kitchen closure. If you would like to donate through the BWA, please send your check made out to Tacoma BWA by May 28<sup>th</sup> and notate that it is for TRM (Tacoma Rescue Mission). We will send one check to the Mission at the end of May. Individual donations can also be made online via Tacoma Rescue Missions website: <a href="https://www.trm.org">www.trm.org</a>







Hunger Walk 2021 – Nisqually National Refuge walk

Respectfully submitted by, Denise Cline, Tacoma BWA President

### **Dharma School News**



Spring has sprung!! April brought out numerous cherry trees decorated with pink and white blossoms...saw our bunnies happily hopping around in our back yard and heard many robins chirping their songs. Just so beautiful, fun and serene. But wait a minute...It's April 7th and IT'S SNOWING!!!! What? What a special unique 'gift'... so beautiful, fun and serene. What an unusual way to begin the spring! Can't wait for tomorrow...

Dharma School has continued biweekly sessions and just has another month or so before we complete this ZOOM school year. Our planned field trip to Pt. Defiance Park with Mr. Brett had to be cancelled at the last minute as Mr. Brett came down with Covid!! He is feeling fine, and quarantining in his own little room – hoping that Megumi and Marina stay safe. Thank you to Ms. Alex for sub-teaching both Maitreya and Lotus classes, and Ms. Megumi for being a special guest teacher providing a fun musical class for the Lumbini and Prajna students. Have to admit that keeping up with the 'beat' was a little challenging although the kids were just fine. Sigh...

A HUGE thank you to Briony, Aislin, Tae, and Nya for their superb participation in the Hanamatsuri service! Others have commented to me how awesome you were and how much you have grown!!! Thank you to Sensei for guiding the students in their ZOOM portion of the service. Your technology skills on putting the video together are pretty amazing. Thank you.

On May 15th is our FIRST IN PERSON service in over two years!!! It is NOT a regular Dharma School class via ZOOM, so Dharma School families can attend this special Gotane service. We will be recognizing Kalea Shimizu as our graduation senior at the service, but we will NOT have our annual Parents' Appreciation luncheon. Because seating in the Hondo will be 'spaced in groups of two people together', if any family would like to attend and you will have MORE than two people, please let me know so I can let David Yotsuuye know and we will arrange proper seating so your family can all sit together. If our Hondo gets 'full' then there will be chairs set up in the Social Hall for you to view and hear the proceedings.

### **Dharma School Calendar:**

May	1	Take out Sukiyaki (DS moved to next week)
-	8	DS Class via ZOOM
	15	In Person Gotane Service
	22	DS Class via ZOOM
	29	Live Service
June	5	DS Class via ZOOM (LAST DS CLASS)
	12	Temple Picnic TBD `

Thank you to all of our Dharma School teachers and to all of our Dharma School families for being so supportive this year. I doubt we will have more snow, but who knows what surprises Mother Nature will bring! Please stay safe and careful. Extremely grateful for all of you!!

Gassho, June

### **Young Buddhist Association News**



Hello everyone! Spring is finally here after what felt like a long, cold winter! With the cherry blossoms blooming and the flowers budding, I hope everyone is getting prepared for the warmer season.

The YBA has been working on two different projects throughout the month of March. The first project we have been working on is the YBA T-Shirt fundraiser. The YBA has finally created a stencil for the design and are ready to start screening the shirts! We are planning to have the shirts available by May and the pickup date sometime in the summer (exact date TBD).

The second project we have been working on is the Obutsudan-making project. We have created the obutsudans and got them ready for distribution. Although there are a few more items we need to add to complete the set, we are hoping to get these obutsudans sent out soon.

Thank you! Jet Yotsuuye

### **Buddhist Education Committee News**



One thing the Covid pandemic has taught us is how to stay connected without ever gathering together. Zoom meetings, YouTube services, emails and texts keep us connected to family and friends during isolated times.

A few weeks ago, in my ukulele zoom class, a song was sung that I hadn't heard for decades. As it turned out, it was the song sung at my wedding ceremony! Boy, did that bring back many emotions and memories! Perhaps a song you hear does the same for you. Or perhaps a gatha that you sang as a child growing up in the temple comes to mind. Music can bring us energy or calm, happiness or sadness, or hope for better days to come.

One thing that flourished right at the start of the pandemic was the newly formed BCA Music Committee. I wrote about this in a prior Myokyo article and would like to take this opportunity to do an update.

On the BCA webpage, under News & Media are three music listings:

**Music**: **Gathas**, sharing recordings of *Ondokusan I and II*, *Shinshu Shuka*, and rotating seasonal selections such as *In Lumbini's Garden* and *Hanamatsuri no Uta*. Also, information on **Gagaku**.

**Chanting**: Chanting selections, those we chant frequently, and some lesser known. You may recognize the chanting voice on some of these selections!

**BCA Music YouTube channel**: Now featuring "Obon Sharing Session" documenting some Obon dances of old and discussion of Obon season for 2022. Also, a "Tribute to Mrs. Yumiko Hojo: A 100 Year Birthday Celebration of Music and Memories." She composed many gathas we know well such as *Amida Buddha is With Me, Church Bells*, and *Obon, Obon It's Festival Day.* 

Most recently, the **Bon Odori/Taiko** committee is featuring a taiko webinar with Kinnara Taiko teaching *Ashura*, plus a special funded project for additional bon odori song recordings by Isaku Kageyama and the commission of Nobuko Miyamoto for a new bon odori song/dance for 2022.

FBWA has commissioned a new BWA gatha that will be used for our part of the entertainment program at the World Buddhist Women's Convention in Kyoto, Japan in 2023. I am personally involved in this **New Buddhist Music** committee project and hope to be able to share with all of you in the fall. I can tell you that the gatha is titled **With Gassho From the Heart**.

Whether you listen, play, sing or dance to music, let it bring joy and meaning to your life!

Gassho, Donna Sasaki

### Toban





In conjunction with the TBT re-opening committee, the Toban Committee will continue to be on a restricted schedule with two-month teams working together until further notice. This schedule will be intact through June until we hear different guidelines from the committee.

May Chair Shinobu & Kazuko Inoue June Chair Aimee Champion

Kenzo Yoshitomi Gail Ichinaga

Kaila Yoshitomi Riu Pittman, Grace & Victoria Evert

Karen Yoshitomi Henry Stoll & Wendy Hamai Les Hitsman & Fred Pelger Alvin & Donna Sasaki

**Toban Volunteers:** Because of limited Temple activity, we are asking each toban team to do light cleaning.

You have the option not to participate in cleaning (please let your chair know).

Must be vaccinated with two shots and booster. Negative testing will NOT be accepted Safety protocols:

nor will a medical deferment.

Must be masked at all times while at the Temple (TBT provides masks)

Wearing TWO Level 3 masks (blue) or ONE KN95 mask

Stay 6 feet apart from others

Sign In (Check in sheets in Main kitchen. Leave sheet in VP box in office)

Bathrooms: Professionally cleaned once a month **Cleaning Duties:** 

Social Hall: Fuji Taiko will sweep and clean floor

Wipe down all counters Kitchen:

> Sweep kitchen floor (Mop if needed) Empty garbage/recycling as needed Replenish bathroom supplies as needed

Dust pews Main Floor:

Quick sweep wooden floor

Sweep side kitchen Wipe down counters

Replenish bathroom supplies as needed Vacuum all carpets including stairwells

Rev. Pratt Room: Vacuum carpet

Wipe down tables

Wipe down and sweep kitchen area Sweep and mop landing area Empty garbage/recycling as needed

**Upstairs Classrooms:** Vacuum carpet

Wipe down tables

Empty garbage/recycling as needed

Please refer to the Myokyo articles for monthly Toban activities as they could change.

We will have a copy of where cleaning supplies are located on the hallway bulletin board and main kitchen.

Thank you very much for your understanding and cooperation on these changes.

Barry Weled and June Akita

### **Facility Committee Update**



Most times it is better to save the best for last. People who display patience and who maintain their ability to keep eyes off their smart phones inexorably proceed to the reward at the end. However, in the spirit of Murphy's law, let's get to the gold nugget before your computer crashes. So, on Saturday, June 4th at 9:00 am, the Temple will have its annual garden cleanup event. Everybody is invited to come on over and commence weed whacking, shrub bed sprucing, and tree branch trimming, among other tasks.

Now with the future out of the way let's get to stuff that got fixed. The forms for the new footing for the parsonage deck got removed and I'm sure it reflects the great care that was put into it. Where water comes sloshing it can't come in. Crack sealant was applied to cracks in the stairwell near the parsonage. Someone used a master key (most likely bolt cutters) to cut a hole in the fence to gain access to the south side of the temple. The fence has been patched up, however, when they tried to break into the storage garage it was a big fat checkmate. Their attempt broke the lockset which has been replaced.

Tom and Lynrae Hubbell continue their lookout for trash along S Fawcett Avenue and the alleyway. David Yotsuuye, Robert Yotsuuye, Gary Ichinaga, Tom Hubbell, Tony Gregg, Rick Tanabe, Del Sasaki, and Mike Shiogi never let maintenance issues fester for long. Kurt Osaka and Osaka Gardens visit the temple in spirit. Due to construction in the area, they have been unable to reach the grounds with their equipment. However, the ever so resourceful Rick Tanabe is connecting with someone who can assist in cutting the grass.

~Dave

### Tacoma Buddhist Temple's

# Spirit, Mind and Body Health Series



New Class! "Brighten Your Vocals"

Saturday, May 7, 9:00 a.m. via Zoom

Exercise your vocals? Yes, it's important to keep your vocals strong. Have fun with Megumi Azekawa, music therapist in a series of vocal and rhythm exercises to stretch and open your vocals. Donna Sasaki, temple music director and other members will lead sing-a-longs with familiar songs and gathas for more fun. All voices welcome!

To join, email: <u>John@seainge.com</u> to receive the Zoom Link or visit the events page on <u>www.tacomabt.org</u>.



Donna Sasaki



Megumi Azekawa

### **Yearly Memorial Service**

#### **General Memorial Service Years for 2022**

1st Year - 202117th Year - 20063rd Year - 202025th Year - 19987th Year - 201633rd Year - 199013th Year - 201050th Year - 1973



### May 2022

3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Midori Komoto	May 25, 2020
7 <sup>th</sup> Year	Sachiko Yoshida	May 14, 2016
17 <sup>th</sup> Year	Michiko Mizumoto	May 20, 2006
25 <sup>th</sup> Year	Fusako Omuro Faria	May 9, 1998
33 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Yoshiko Travis	May 21, 1990
50 <sup>th</sup> Year	Gohati Yoshida	May 29, 1973

#### **June 2022**

7 <sup>th</sup> Year	Wesley Kosai	June 4, 2016
25 <sup>th</sup> Year	Miyo Hisata	June 20, 1998
25 <sup>th</sup> Year	Rose Fusaye Teraoka	June 20, 1998
25 <sup>th</sup> Year	Theodore Daiya Kawasaki	June 30, 1998

### **July 2022**

3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Sam Uchiyama	July 12, 2020
13 <sup>th</sup> Year	Mitsuye Shigio	July 5, 2010
17 <sup>th</sup> Year	Irene Kinuye Masumoto	July 29, 2006

### ANNUAL TEMPLE GARDEN CLEAN UP

JUNE 4, 2022 - 9 AM

Please bring your favorite tools and refillable water bottle.



The Tacoma Buddhist Temple would like to extend its heartfelt sympathy and condolences to the family and friends of

#### Kim Kawada



April 2, 2022

May you find comfort in the light of the infinite Wisdom and Compassion of Amida Buddha.

The family wishes donations in memory of Kim Kawada be made to the temple.

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### Hanamatsuri 2022

A big thank you to our Dharma School Students for their amazing participation, thank you to Les Hitsman for setting up the Hanamido and delivering the flowers, thank you to Knutson Farms for always donating daffodils, and a warm thank you to the BWA for decorating the Hanamido! Hanamatsuri was a great success this year due to everyone's time and effort!







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### Tom Osaka



April 19, 2022

May you find comfort in the light of the infinite Wisdom and Compassion of Amida Buddha.

The family wishes donations in memory of Tom Osaka be made to the temple.

### Library News

There is a new look in the library. Tom and Lynrae built and installed a bookcase. A shelves are dedicated to books by Thich Nhat Hanh and the Dalai Lama and copied of the Collective Works of Shinran.

Remember books are filed by sections: e.g. Japan History, Jodo Shinshu, Buddhism Today Book Club books and then alphabetical by the authors last name and title of the book.

Instructions for checking out are on pink paper attached to a shelf.

Happy Reading!

Book Club

May 12 at 7 pm via Zoom

America's Racial Karma: An Invitation to Heal

By Larry Ward

### Welcome New Members!!

### Erina, Nate, and Jasper Yoshihiro (b: March 20, 2022) Foote

### 1. Where were you born and raised?

Nate: born in Maryland, raised in northern Virginia Erina: born in Japan, raised in Japan until age 11, then in northern Virginia. We went to the same high school and began dating in college at Virginia Tech.

## 2. Why have you chosen to join the Tacoma Buddhist Temple?

As we begin to grow our family, we decided it would be important to participate in activities that support a sense of community. Both sets of our parents are thousands of miles away and we want our baby to grow up surrounded by people who will support him and help him grow. Erina grew up in Japan where elements of Shinto and Buddhism were part of life. She is excited to connect with her Japanese roots.



Nate grew up in a Christian household and multiple studies abroad introduced him to other spiritual paths and empowered him to broaden his search for spiritual truths. Of all the major religions, Buddhism aligns closest with his conception of spirituality. We loved the sense of community when we attended the sukiyaki event in March 2020, and the virtual Obon in 2020. After a few services in February and March of 2022, we decided that formalizing our membership would be the best thing for our growing family.

### 3. Do you have any skills or interests that can add to the Temple and the Sangha?

Erina is fluent in Japanese and has played cello her whole life. Nate plays cello too, but his musical home is anything related to percussion; he hasn't tried taiko yet but would love the opportunity. Erina is great at fine motor skill activities such as sewing and origami. Nate can be of assistance when heavy things need to be moved. We love cooking and eating and have an Instagram account solely dedicated to food we cook——@cookingwithfootes.

### 4. What is the one thing you want the Temple to know about you?

We seek to broaden our perspective and we view life as a path carved by intentionality. Both of us are eager learners and we are excited to grow our knowledge in Shin Buddhism.



### BOOK CLUB

Thursday, June 9, 2022 We were made for these times: skillfully moving through Change, loss and disruption

By: Kaira Jewel Lingo

### **Temple Reopening and In-person Gotan-e Service!**

The wait is over! Our temple doors are officially reopening again on **May 15<sup>th</sup>** where we wil also be celebrating our Special Gotan-e Service. We know that everyone is eager toget back the temple soon and we look forward to welcoming you inside the temple again!

Date: 5/15/2022 Time: 10 am

**Location: Tacoma Buddhist Temple** 

1717 Fawcett Ave. Tacoma, WA 98402

Reopening guidelines will be followed and can be found in the re-opening article.





If you like thrifting for mugs, dishes and other housewares, don't miss this one-time event!

Japanese dishes, teacups, lacquer, dolls, yukata and dolls.

FireKing mugs/dishes, Jadite, Anchor Hocking, Pyrex, and other collectibles.

Custom planters and garden art.

Questons: info@tacomabt.org

### **Temple Re-opening Committee Report**

Submitted by David Yotsuuye

The Re-opening Committee is happy to announce that we are planning to have our first in-person service on May 15, 2022, 10 AM. If there are no drastic changes in the Covid level, we will hold service as planned.

To error on the side of safety because of our Sangha's demographics, TBT will follow the protocols below:

We request that after service everyone exit the building immediately to maintain social distancing. We know everyone will be excited to see other Sangha members that they may not have seen in person for more than 2 years but to maintain our safety, we request that you visit outside the Temple in the open air.

For those that are not able to attend in person, we will continue to Live Stream the service or post a YouTube recording after the service.

### Service protocols

- 1. Please take your temperature before attending. If you are not feeling well, please take advantage of the Live Stream or YouTube service instead of attending.
- 2. Participants must be fully vaccinated which includes having 1 booster, second booster not required
- **3.** Must wear upgraded mask KN95 or better or doubling level 3 masks. TBT will also have masks available.
- **4.** There will be two check-in locations, at the main entrance from Fawcett Street and through the main Kitchen off the Social Hall. Note that there is construction work being done to Fawcett in front of the Temple and that parking around the Temple is limited.
- **5.** Social distancing will be observed in the Hondo and balcony. Ushers will help direct members where to sit. Once the maximum capacity of the Hondo and balcony is reached, seating in the Social Hall will be used. Social distancing in the Social Hall will be observed too. Ushers will assist with seating in the Social Hall too. The main service in the Hondo will be projected to the Social Hall, along with the sound.
- **6.** A roster of attendees will be maintained.
- 7. Chanting and gatha singing will be allowed.
- 8. Incense offering will be allowed. Incense will be in the communal bowl.
- **9.** There will be increased ventilation in Hondo, including window fans and doors open. Fans will be in the Social Hall, doors open.
- **10.** Ushers will dismiss individuals from the Hondo and Social Hall to maintain social distancing.
- **11.** Attendees are asked to exit the Temple immediately after the service.

#### Service schedule

- i. May 15 first in-person service will include Gotan-e service, and Dharma School Graduate recognition.
- **ii.** May 29 second in-person service, Memorial Day service, afternoon cemetery visits.
- iii. June 12 Proposed date for Temple Picnic, NOTE: need to secure new location
- iv. June 26 In-person family service
- v. July 10 In-person family service

### 2022 Memorial Day Service and Cemetery Visits

The Tacoma Buddhist Temple will commemorate Memorial Day on Sunday, May 29, 2022, by having a short in-person service at our temple at 10 am where we recognize our past veterans, followed by our afternoon visits to the cemeteries in the south sound area. Everyone is invited to join us for this important and meaningful time.

#### Event details

#### **Cemetery Visitations**

Date: Sunday, May 29, 2022 Old Tacoma Cemetery: 1:30 pm
Temple service time: 10 am Mountain View Cemetery: 2:00 pm
Location: Tacoma Buddhist Temple New Tacoma Cemetery: 2:45 pm
1717 Fawcett Ave. Sumner Cemetery: 4:00 pm



### Save the Date!

Tacom a Buddhist Temple's Young Adult Buddhist Association and Buddhist Education Committee

Brings you our Annual

### June Seminar!

Saturday, June 25, 2022 2 pm-4 pm

Our Keynote Speaker will be

## Chenxing Han

Author of Be The Refuge

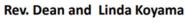
Our Seminar this year will be on Zoom and more information will follow in the next month online and our next Myokyo!

### So Happy to see a few of our friends...





Mrs. Rose Kishi with June Akita



Mrs. Michiko Yukawa with friends Les Hitsman and Sensei Fred

Mrs. Yasuko Morita with Sensei Fred and Mrs. Linda Koyama









'Bird, Bell and I' project with Ms. Junko

Lumbini students continue to make their Obutsudan with Ms. Karen. Every 'creation' is just amazing and unique!!!



Who are these two gentlemen who came on the weekend to fix our fence and garage lock at the temple?

<u>David Yotsuuye and Tom Hubbell</u>

THANK YOU SO MUCH

Happy Mother's Day



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SUN 1 Sukiyaki Drive-thru 11 am-1 pm	MON 2	TUE 3	WED	THU 5	FRI 6	SAT 7 Spirit Mind and Body Brighten your vocals 9 am-10 am Via Zoom
8 YouTube Service BEC Meeting 9 am Dharma School Via Zoom 10:45 am	9	10	11 Study Class 6 pm Via Zoom	12 Book Club 7 pm Via Zoom	13	14 Spirit Mind and Body Yoga For Compassion With Kara O'Toole 9 am-10 am Via Zoom
15 Gotan-e in-person service at Temple 10 am	16 Myokyo Deadline	17	18	19	20	21
22 YouTube Service Board Meeting 8:45 am Dharma School Via Zoom 10:45 am 29 In-Person Service	23	24	25	26	27	28
At Temple 10 am  Memorial Day Service  Cemetery Visits						
		*J	lune 20	22		
SUN	MON	TUE	WED 1	THU 2	FRI 3	SAT  4 Spirit Mind and Body  Yoga for Compassion  9 am-10 am via Zoom  Temple grounds cleanup  9:00 AM
5 YouTube Service BEC Meeting 9 am Final Dharma School Via Zoom 10:45 am	6	7	8 Study Class 6 pm via Zoom	9 Book Club 7 pm Via Zoom	10	11
12 Temple Picnic	13	14	15	16	17	18 Vintage Sale at Temple 9 am-2 pm
19 Youtube Service Board Meeting 8:45 am	20 Myokyo Deadline	21	22	23	24	25 June Seminar 2 pm-4 pm Via Zoom
26 In-Person Sunday Service at Temple 10 am -	27	28	29	30		

# YBA Obon T-Shirt sale

The YBA is holding a T-shirt sale for our annual Obon fundraiser. Get your limited-time T-shirts and Tote Bags to celebrate the festivity.

Shirt Back Design by Odessa Cook Shirt Front Design by Ezra Winters

T-shirt: \$20

Tote bag: \$8



#### Order Form:

Name:				
Address (if getting deli	vered):			
Email:			-	
	Tote bag	T-Shirt		
SIZE (Black):XL	For T-Shirts C _ LMS		LM .	S
Ter	Item pickup me mple Pickup:			

For Temple Pickup, we will email the dates that are available for the pickup.

Please submit this form with the payment to either the temple's YBA drop box or mail it to:

Tacoma Buddhist Temple YBA

1717 So Fawcett AVE Tacoma, WA 98402

(Please Make Checks Payable to: Tacoma Buddhist Temple-YBA)

For any questions, please email Jet at: yotsuuye@gmail.com

\*Delivery is an additional \$5.50 for up to two items, and \$4.00 for every 2 additional items.