



# Tacoma Buddhist Temple

(Jodo Shinshu)

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## MYOKYO 明鏡

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

### December 2023

**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



#### **Bodhi Day and The End of the Year!**

**Rev. Tadao Koyama**

During this season, I usually like to test the sangha to see if they know the holiday that comes up for us Buddhists during the month of December. I usually start with Halloween, then move onto Thanksgiving, then I pause when I ask them what comes in December. Being Americans, we usually associate December with Christmas. Then when "Christmas" is usually the answer I get, I go "HA! I got ya! It's Bodhi Day!" Usually this is followed by laughter.

Bodhi day is the day Buddhists commemorate Prince Siddhartha sitting under the Bodhi tree and became awakened to the truth. Without this momentous occasion, we would not have the beautiful teachings of Buddhism we have today.

Lately, I have been thinking a lot about the nature of our existence, or of us being here. I have thought about how many momentous occasions that happened in order for us to be here today. If one occasion, one person, even something simple as a conversation did not happen in the past, would I be here today? I sometimes am scared to think about it!

However, instead of being scared about it, I choose to feel a deep sense of gratitude. Since the end of the year is coming up, I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of the members of the board and especially our fearless president, John Inge for his leadership and vision for the future of Tacoma Buddhist Temple.

This has been a very busy year as it is our first since re-opening fully! We have had a full in-person Bazaar and have been able to share our wonderful sangha more with the community of Tacoma by participating in events like the Fall Moon Festival!

Thank you to all of the members of the temple! Your involvement and your support for all of our activities is why this temple is thriving! Let's continue to work together to usher in a new year with a sense of thankfulness and joy!

Lastly, please join me in reciting the Nembutsu as we continue our expression of gratitude to Amida Buddha's unlimited wisdom and compassion.

Namo Amida Butsu

A special thank you to Tony Gregg and the Facilities Committee for prioritizing the women's bathroom on the Rev. Pratt level. Those pans are finally GONE!! It'll be a HAPPY NEW YEAR. 😊

## President's Message



I've always felt that one of the most special days at the temple is Bodhi Day - taking place this year on Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>. This multi-faceted day has something for everyone.

First, seeing the Dharma School students conduct service is always special. Looking back on past Bodhi Day services, I feel that some of the most memorable dharma talks I've heard have been given by a student during this service. The talks vary each year, but always seem to capture a uniquely personal perspective that's thought provoking.

Following the service is your opportunity to attend the temple's general board meeting, in which we try to overview the challenges and tasks handled by the board committees through the course of the year. The meeting will also provide you with a good idea where our temple is headed in the upcoming year. Questions by all attendees are encouraged too.

Lastly, is the Bodhi Day potluck, which never disappoints. A great opportunity to catch up with your fellow sangha members while enjoying a wide array of homemade dishes.

Hope to see you on December 3<sup>rd</sup>!

Gassho,  
John

## Buddhist Women's Association News



**Thank you** to all for the donations to our annual BWA Food & Clothing Drive. Thanks to your generosity, we've already been able to deliver donations to area food and clothing centers to help meet the needs within our community. We will continue collecting gently used clothing, non-perishable foods and toiletries through December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Join US!** As we look forward to another new year, I want to take a moment to invite you to join this amazing part of our temple community. The Tacoma BWA is open to **ALL** members of the Tacoma Buddhist Temple. Founded on charitable service in our communities and temples, BWA members throughout the world play an important role in the practice and transmission of our Jodo Shinshu Buddhist values of compassion, community and gratitude for others. We are not all work and no play though! Bishop Harada reminds all BWA chapters in the BCA to build our activities based on three main tenets: Service to our Communities, Service to our Temples and HAVING FUN! Tacoma BWA is a place to serve our temple and our community – and a place for YOU to find friendship and community doing fun activities! Please reach out to me or any BWA member if you want to learn more about this amazing temple organization and how to join.

### **Upcoming events:**

**December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023** – Bodhi Day potluck – BWA to host

**January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** BWA New Year's Luncheon – following service

**October 4-6, 2024** – FBWA Conference San Jose, CA

**2025** – Tacoma BWA 100<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary

**September 11-12, 2027:** World Buddhist Women's Convention, Honolulu Hawaii

In Gassho, Denise Cline |Tacoma BWA President

## Dharma School News



I hope you are enjoying the Fall-to-Winter transition time! Thank you so much for your help to make our Fall Bazaar another big success, DS students and families! And thank you, DS graduate Emma Inge, for taking the lead this year! It's so wonderful to see how past DS students continue to get involved in and to take bigger roles at our temple.



We will have more fun activities in coming months with Bodhi Day led by Lotus class, Gingerbread-house-making party in December and New Year's party and Hoonko in January. We hope you will be able to join them all.

**December 3** is DS students' favorite event of the year, Gingerbread house making. June Akita is volunteering her time and effort to make this happen. Thank you, June! **DS families, please bring one candy bag to decorate houses on the day.**

**December 10**, we will have a bi-annual DS teachers' meeting after our service.

**December 17**, DS classes will do year-end clean-up for our classrooms. It's a great way to end the year for a fresh start in 2024 and it's our last class of the year.

### December – January Dharma School Schedule:

#### **December**

<b>3</b>	DS	Gingerbread House making by June
<b>10</b>	DS	Class (DS teachers' meeting after service)
<b>17</b>	DS	Classroom Clean up
<b>24</b>	NO DS	Christmas Weekend
<b>31</b>	NO DS	New Year's Eve Service

#### **January**

<b>7</b>	NO DS	Shinnenkai (New Year's Party)
<b>14</b>	NO DS	Hoonko @ Seattle
<b>21</b>	DS	Mochi Tsuki for all DS classes
<b>28</b>	DS	Regular DS

If there are any changes in the future, we will contact you accordingly.

In Gassho,  
Coco & Junko

## Young Buddhist Association News



Hello everyone!



Hope everybody is having a good winter so far! The main thing YBA is up to right now is our Holiday Wishes and Season Greetings Fundraiser event, wishing others good cheer for the New Year. There are two sizes: large, which is \$20, and medium, which is \$10. We would greatly appreciate it if you could help us out by contributing to this fundraiser! I know it would mean a lot to all of us YBA kids and would help us a great deal if you did! The deadline is December 17, which is coming up! You can submit all information and payment to any YBA member, and the official flyer with more

information and the fundraiser form will be towards the back of your Myokyo (**page 13**) if you are interested in supporting us! Anyways, YBA wishes everyone a Happy Holiday and New Year! Thanks!

Gassho,  
Nao

## [Buddhist Education Committee News](#)

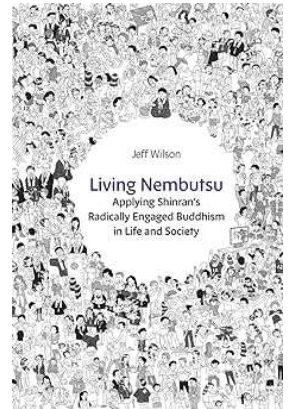


Now that the weather is cold and rainy, doesn't curling up with a book (or Kindle) sound good? How about meeting with a great group of people who have also read the book and participating in a discussion?

Look no further, the Tacoma Buddhist Temple has its own book club that was started by Rev. Kakihara in 2017. The "**Buddhism Today Reading Group**" is led by our own Minister Assistant, Professor Erik Hammerstrom, who is a professor of Global Studies at PLU.

To date, the club has read 65 books. Authors have included Taitetsu Unno, Thich Nhat Hahn, Ruth Ozeki, Lama Rod Owens, Herman Hesse, Sharon Suh, Chenxing Han, Sallie Tisdale, and Charles Jones, to name a few.

The January book is Jeff Wilson's, *Living Nembutsu: Applying Shinran's Radically Engaged Buddhism in Life and Society*. Rev. Dr. Jeff Wilson is a professor of Religious Studies and East Asian Studies for Renison University College, at the University of Waterloo. He is the author of numerous books, including "*Living Nembutsu: Applying Shinran's Radically Engaged Buddhism in Life and Society*" and "*Buddhism of the Heart: Reflections on Shin Buddhism and Inner Togetherness*". Rev. Wilson also serves as a minister's assistant at the Toronto Buddhist Church.



From Erik, "*I think this book has a lot to offer our members as it touches on many contemporary issues*".

If you purchase your book at King's Books, they will give you a 15% discount if you tell them, it's for the book club.

**We hope to see you on January 11, 2024 at 7pm at King's Books on 218 St. Helens Ave in Tacoma.**

## [Facility Committee Update](#)



With Christmas just around the corner, our resident troublemakers are in the holiday spirit, baking gingerbread gremlins and ensuring Christmas lights are impossible to untangle. One of the Gremlins' favorite Christmas wish is for Santa to drop off classic American cars. They adore those American beauties where cigarette lighters were standard while seat belts were a novelty item. However, due to their litany of bad deeds, Santa hooks them up with smoke-spewing East German Trabant P50s. Now, Tony Gregg might not be Santa Clause, but he sure can deliver the goods. Thanks to Tony, the Reverend Pratt level women's bathroom sports a new coat of paint.

While the brush pile was building up in the property next to the parsonage, I was hoping some beavers might arrive and employ their sticky paws, absconding off with enough to build a dam. In response, my mother would have said, "If wishes were horses, beggars would ride." Conversely, Tom and Lynrae Hubbell, who don't believe in magical beavers, sprang into action and transferred half of brush pile to the city yard waste facility.

In addition to the two projects above, a new drainage pipe was installed between the UWT building and temple garage.

Our grounds are in exceptional hands as Rick Tanabe, Delbert Sasaki, and Jeff Hiroo expertly utilize gardening tools and skills to keep the exterior premises in great shape.

Lynrae Hubbell is hard at work keeping Fawcett Avenue and Court D Street debris free. David Yotsuuye, Robert Yotsuuye, Tom Hubbell, Tony Gregg, Rick Tanabe, and Del Sasaki make up a top-notch Facilities team.

~Dave

## Toban News



### Upcoming Dates:



<b>December 3</b>	Bodhi Day Service, General Mtg., Potluck Lunch, BWA Clothing Drive Ends
<b>December 10</b>	Last Day of DS 2023, Coffee Hour after service
<b>December 16</b>	Spirit, Mind & Body – Yoga, 9:00 AM
<b>December 17</b>	Board Meeting, 8:30, Temple Clean-up
<b>December 31</b>	<b>Year End Service - 10 AM</b>
<b>December</b>	December Toban set up Temple clean up with November Toban
<b>January 1, 2024</b>	<b>New Year's Service – 10 AM</b>
<b>January 7</b>	New Year's Party, Keiro Recognition
<b>January 14</b>	<b>Joint Hoonko Service at Seattle Betsuin</b> , No service in Tacoma
<b>January 20</b>	Spirit, Mind, & Body – Yoga, 9:00 AM
<b>January 21</b>	Board Meeting, 8:30, Coffee Hour
<b>January 28</b>	BWA New Year's Party – 11:30 AM
<b>January</b>	January Toban set up clean up of temple with February Toban
<b>February 11</b>	Coffee Hour
<b>February 17</b>	Spirit, Mind, & Body – Yoga, 9:00 AM
<b>February 18</b>	Board Meeting, 8:30
<b>February</b>	February Toban set up clean up of temple with January Toban

### **\*\*PLEASE NOTE THE NEW 2024 TOBAN ROSTER AND CHAIRPERSONS**

**COFFEE HOUR UPDATES:** Toban Chairs - **December 10** (Jeff & Vivian Hiroo), **January 21, 2024** (Jill Case), **February 11** (Chikako Inoue)

**All Toban Chairs:** Please email or call your Toban Groups to let them know of the above activities, especially for the set-up and clean-up of temple events occurring during your Toban months. Also arrange times for the monthly clean-up of the temple. Clean-up duties and supply list are posted in the kitchen **ONLY**. **NEW PORTABLE VACUUM CLEANERS ARE LOCATED IN THE CLOSET BEHIND THE ALTAR.**

Event Reminder: December 3, 2023 - Bodhi Day Celebration, General Membership Meeting, Potluck lunch;  
January 7, 2024 - New Year's Party & Keiro Recognition

**Coffee Hours:** All coffee hours will be held in the social hall for now. Set up tables and chairs (take down after it's over). Provide coffee, tea, etc. Snacks can be made or store bought.

Questions/concerns, please contact **Michael Shiogi (253) 226-5812**, [mshiogi@comcast.net](mailto:mshiogi@comcast.net) or **Tracy Ling (253) 370-0933**, [tling12005@gmail.com](mailto:tling12005@gmail.com)

**DECEMBER TOBAN**

Jeff & Vivian Hiroo  
Denise Cline  
Delbert & Cynthia Sasaki  
Craig O'Hanlon  
Joel Robinson  
Tisha Tisdale  
Tad & Joan Kajimura  
Emiko & John Kurata

**JANUARY TOBAN (2024)**

Jill Case  
Erin Shen  
Diane Taniguchi  
June & Jerry Akita  
Tets & Martha Tamaki  
Thelma Abe

**FEBRUARY TOBAN**

Chikako Inoue  
Kjirsten Winters  
Shizuka Faria  
Tracy & Richard Ling  
June & Barry Weled  
Ellen Shigeno  
Peter & Hiromi Lee (out of country)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND HELP WITH OUR TEMPLE.  
Tracy Ling/Michael Shiogi

**Greeter's List**

**December**    3    Kevin Ikeda/Del Sasaki  
                  10    Mayumi Ikeda/Patti Wong  
                  17    Kara O'Toole/Kt Hendrie  
                  24    **NO SERVICE**  
                  31    **NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE (Joya-e)**

**January**       7    Coco Inoue/Mike Shiogi  
                  14    June & Barry Weled  
                  21    Debby Abe/Tom Hubbell  
                  28    Mayumi/Kevin Ikeda

**February**     4    Lynn Blick/Tracy Ling  
                  11    David/Bobby Yotsuuye

**Greeter's Notes**

Please have new visitors sign in their name and give them the following booklets:

- Temple Information Booklet
- Messages from the Buddha (mini booklet with pale pink or a white/green cover)
- ½-page list of Temple Activities & "Want More Info."
- Extra supplies are in the ministers' room off the hondo.

Lastly, please do a headcount and enter it in the attendance sheet in the visitor folder. If you are not available on the day you are assigned, please find your replacement.

## Yearly Memorial Service

### Memorial Service Years for 2023

1 <sup>st</sup> Year - 2022	17 <sup>th</sup> Year - 2007
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year - 2021	25 <sup>th</sup> Year - 1999
7 <sup>th</sup> Year - 2017	33 <sup>rd</sup> Year - 1991
13 <sup>th</sup> Year - 2011	50 <sup>th</sup> Year - 1974

### Memorial Service Years for 2024

1 <sup>st</sup> Year - 2023	17 <sup>th</sup> Year - 2008
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year - 2022	25 <sup>th</sup> Year - 2000
7 <sup>th</sup> Year - 2018	33 <sup>rd</sup> Year - 1992
13 <sup>th</sup> Year - 2012	50 <sup>th</sup> Year - 1975



### December 2023

7 <sup>th</sup> Year	Ryomi Tanino	December 8, 2017
25 <sup>th</sup> Year	Tazu Abe	December 16, 1999
33 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Shigeo Oka	December 16, 1991
33 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Shogo Hiroo	December 29, 1991

### January 2024

1 <sup>st</sup> Year	Shinobu Inoue	January 9, 2023
13 <sup>th</sup> Year	Toshiko Dogen	January 10, 2012
13 <sup>th</sup> Year	Chizuko Shigio	January 22, 2012
17 <sup>th</sup> Year	Kazuo Nakamura	January 9, 2008
25 <sup>th</sup> Year	Chiyeko Hisayasu	January 7, 2000
25 <sup>th</sup> Year	Wakako Kobayashi Ross	January 26, 2000
50 <sup>th</sup> Year	Kiku Honda	January 10, 1975

### February 2024

3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Larry Yoshio Fujita	February 6, 2022
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Sam Osamu Shimizu	February 11, 2022
33 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Fumiko Rauch	February 5, 1992
50 <sup>th</sup> Year	Kumiaichi Horike	February 6, 1975
50 <sup>th</sup> Year	Harue Fukui	February 1, 1975

## 76<sup>th</sup> NW District Convention is a success!!

Thank you to so many people who gave up so much time and energy to help make this weekend come together! Unfortunately, the DoubleTree lost its internet connection for the *entire weekend* so check-in and check-out of rooms were a challenge. Also, guests did not have a key to their room, so had to depend on the DT staff to get entry into the rooms! This was a true experience of “**Chaos to Compassion**” which was noted by many of our speakers and guests.

Cannot say enough for our guest speakers, **Rev. Dean Koyama** and **Bishop Marvin Harada**. Their messages were exceptional. Both were given an opportunity to give a message *just to* the YBA group or the Dharma School students. I heard the ‘little’ guys really enjoyed hearing a message from **Freddie the Frog** who also gifted them with a special ‘Freddie’ onenju!!

This was the first convention for **Rev. T. Koyama** but he handled the ups and downs in stride. He really enjoyed and appreciated having his uncle be the guest speaker, and many of his California friends join us for the weekend.

It’s always a privilege to hear our Northwest Ministers, **Rinban Katsuya Kusunoki, Reverends Cyndi Yasaki and Tadao Koyama**. We were very fortunate to have had the opportunity to have our district sanghas finally ‘meet’ and ‘hear’ our newest ministers. They did not disappoint....

A special thank you to our wonderful Northwest Kyoshi ministers, **Reverends Irene Goto, Anne Spencer, and Minister Assistant Erik Hammerstrom** who gave such interesting and relevant discussions. Both Reverend T. Koyama and MA Erik Hammerstrom presented very thought provoking panel discussions tapping into our ‘younger’ leaders. It’s always interesting to listen to our future generation’s thoughts and insights. Have to mention **Donna Sasaki and Kemi Nakabayashi’s** gathas from the Northwest, the BWA Craft session and **Mike and Priscilla Shiogi’s** Game and Dance session – oh, what fun!! Cannot forget our YBA sessions led by **Bobby Yotsuuye and Kenzo Yoshitomi** who also had more than enough snacks, and **Rachel Meatte and Junko Yotsuuye** who provided so many fun activities for their little group. Thank you to all of you!!!

The one ‘special’ point which was repeated many times, was the food and ambience of the Hospitality Room. Thanks to **Patti Wong, Kazuko Inoue and their whole crew**, for presenting plenty of food and drink (for two nights) donated from NUMEROUS Temple members and friends. Thank you so much!

To run a fairly ‘smooth’ convention under the circumstances is thanks to ALL the Tacoma members who stepped up to help make changes where necessary and always with no (maybe a little bit) monku. Thanks to David Yotsuuye who made speaker room changes and made sure all speakers had the tech support needed for their workshops. With this talent and expertise of ALL of our northwest leaders, how can we miss???

Tacoma held a successful and fun convention, thanks to our Tacoma Village. Let us support the **77<sup>th</sup> NW Buddhist Convention hosted by White River in September 2024 at the Muckleshoot Casino**.

In gassho, David, Lynrae, Jun



# THANK YOU!

Thank you for helping make a successful 2023 Fall Bazaar! Whether you helped chop vegetables, made something for the bake sale or purchased from the event, we appreciate your support to make this event happen!



# Tacoma Buddhist Temple's Spirit, Mind and Body Health Series

## Yoga For Compassion in Person and on Zoom.

Members and non-members are invited to join this gentle seated yoga class for all levels of experience and all ages. It is a place for anyone to begin their yoga practice or to reconnect with their yoga roots. In Yoga for Compassion, you will learn the fundamental benefits of yoga practice and experience connecting movement and breath. The class will begin seated in a chair and then progress to standing (if you choose). To participate in person at the Tacoma Buddhist Temple social hall, use the alley entrance. 8:45 kitchen door opens; 9:00 am start. To join via Zoom, please email Tracy Ling for the form.

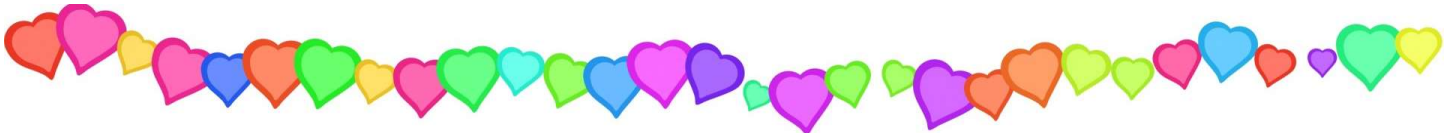
**Dates:** December 16, January 20, February 17, March 16, April 20, May 18



### **Instructor: Kara O'Toole**

Kara and her family are active members of the Tacoma Buddhist Temple. She received a Master of Fine Arts in Dance from the University of Washington and was a professional dancer. She has been a yoga and dance teacher for more than thirty years, specializing in Gentle Yoga and Dance for Parkinson.

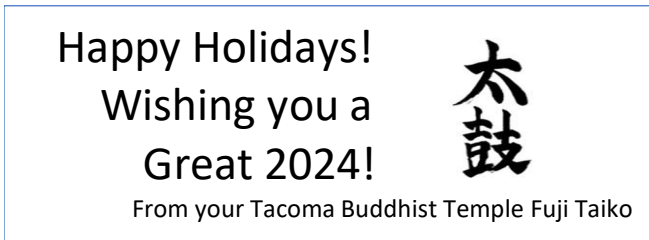
**To register:** please complete the form online at [tacomabt.org](http://tacomabt.org) or email Tracy Ling at [tling12005@comcast.net](mailto:tling12005@comcast.net) for registration information. Thank you!



The Tacoma Buddhist Temple - Young Buddhist Association (YBA) invites you to bring in the new year with a Seasons Greetings and Happy Holidays Fundraiser event where you may wish others good cheer for the New Year.

Example 1

Example 2



Large Greetings Example: 3.5 X 2 INCH

Medium Greetings Example: 2.5 X 2 INCH

Please submit all information and payment to any YBA member. Thank-you for supporting the Tacoma Buddhist Temple YBA. Gassho: **Nao Wainer (YBA President)**.

Please make checks payable to: **Tacoma Buddhist Temple-YBA**

And mail to: Yotsuuye  
3014 43<sup>RD</sup> AVE NE  
TACOMA WA 98422

**DEADLINE: Sunday, December 17, 2023**

**YBA HOLIDAY GREETING FUNDRAISER FORM**

**PLEASE CHOOSE ONE:**

LARGE SIZE:  **\$20** MEDIUM SIZE:  **\$10**

WOULD YOU LIKE TO INCLUDE A DRAWING or Family Crest (MON)?  YES

IF YES, PLEASE SEND A COPY TO: Enzo Yotsuuye at: [enzoyotsuuye@outlook.com](mailto:enzoyotsuuye@outlook.com)  
Or **mail together with your check at the above address.**

HOLIDAY SEASONS GREETINGS MESSAGE:

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**note:** No advertisements may be included but companies may wish Season's Greetings. Reduction of font size may be necessary to accommodate an increase of words posted.



***Issho Open Taiko (IOT)*** is an opportunity to learn beginning level taiko, have fun and play together.

Known for 12 years as “***Open Taiko***”, “***Issho***” has been added to capture the spirit of these sessions.

Sessions occur monthly. Periodically, there are 3-4 session weekly workshops to focus on learning more taiko skills and longer songs for those interested.

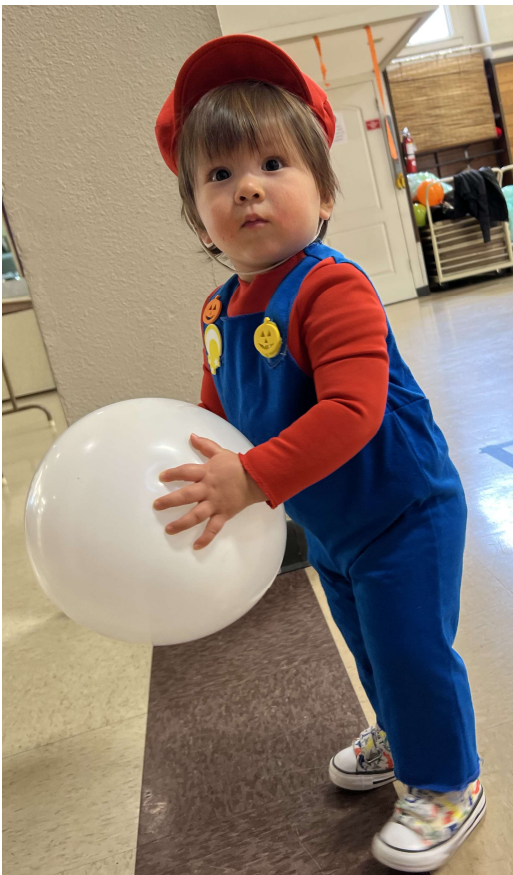
Participants (public and TBT members) have ranged in age from teens to 80. IOT is an informal taiko education and “hands on” program without a requirement for regular attendance.

For more information and to register for a session, contact *Wendy Hamai* at (253) 678-2891 or [wfhamai@rainierconnect.com](mailto:wfhamai@rainierconnect.com)

Donations gratefully accepted by Tacoma Buddhist Temple for sponsorship of this program.



Halloween Festivities



## 2024 Toban Roster

January		May		September	
<b>Jill Case</b>	<b>2024 Chair</b>	<b>Kevin &amp; Mayumi Ikeda</b>	<b>2024 Chair</b>	<b>Kim &amp; Cindy Nakamura</b>	<b>2024 Chair</b>
Erin Shen	2025 Chair	Masahiro Sugano	2025 Chair	Todd & Marcia Nakamura	2025 Chair
Diane Taniguchi	2026 Chair	Rachele Meatte	2026 Chair	Vicki Yoshioka	2026 Chair
	2027 Chair	Debby Abe	2027 Chair	Harumi Sasao	2027 Chair
XX	2028 Chair	Erik Hammerstrom	2028 Chair	Alex Theisen	2028 Chair
June & Jerry Akita		Elsie Taniguchi		Don Arima & Susan Bogni	
Tets & Martha Tamaki		Kosho & Michiko Yukawa		Asako Arima (call)	
Thelma Abe (call)		Akemi Ikeda(out of country)		Danny Otsuka (call)	
February		June		October	
<b>Chikako Inoue</b>	<b>2024 Chair</b>	<b>David Campbell</b>	<b>2024 Chair</b>	<b>Merlaine and Josiah Cook</b>	<b>2024 Chair</b>
Kjirsten Winters	2025 Chair	Jackie & William Poe	2025 Chair	Claire Silver	2025 Chair
Shizuka Faria	2026 Chair	Ken & Lynne Tanino	2026 Chair	Gavin Morgan	2026 Chair
Tracy & Richard Ling	2027 Chair	Patti Wong	2027 Chair	Tom & Lynrae Hubbell	2027 Chair
XX	2028 Chair	XX	2028 Chair	Kara O'Toole & Kt Hendrie	2028 Chair
June & Barry Weled		Darlene Matsumoto		Fujiko Yoshikawa	
Ellen Shigeno		Kiyomi Fujita		Nancy Butterfield	
Peter & Hiromi Lee(out of country)		Harriett Hatch		x	
March		July		November	
<b>Kaila Yoshitomi</b>	<b>2024 Chair</b>	<b>Kenji Shipp</b>	<b>2024 Chair</b>	<b>Denise Cline</b>	<b>2024 Chair</b>
Kenzo Yoshitomi	2025 Chair	David & Kathy Yotsuuye	2025 Chair	Delbert & Cynthia Sasaki	2025 Chair
Al & Donna Sasaki	2026 Chair	Bobby & Junko Yotsuuye	2026 Chair	Joel Robinson	2026 Chair
Karen Yoshitomi	2027 Chair	Mike Shiogi	2027 Chair	Jeff & Vivian Hiroo	2027 Chair
XX	2028 Chair	XX	2028 Chair	XX	2028 Chair
Kazuko Inoue		Leroy & Penny Kawaguchi		Tad & Joan Kajimura	
Rose Kishi		Chizuka Yotsuuye		Trisha Tisdale	
Ed & Kimiko Fujinaga		Yoshie Yotsuuye		Emiko & John Kurata	
Ted Matsumoto					
April		August		December	
<b>Henry Stoll &amp; Wendy Hamai</b>	<b>2024 Chair</b>	<b>Emma &amp; Kate Inge</b>	<b>2024 Chair</b>	<b>Meesa Pedrozo</b>	<b>2024 Chair</b>
Riu Pittman & Victoria Evert	2025 Chair	Rick Tanabe	2025 Chair	Nate & Erina Foote	2025 Chair
Gail Ichinaga	2026 Chair	Carrie Mori	2026 Chair	Jim Doyle & Tony Gregg	2026 Chair
Andre & Phillip Davis	2027 Chair	Brian Laughlin	2027 Chair	XX	2027 Chair
Les Hitsman & Fred Pelger	2028 Chair	John & Crystal Inge	2028 Chair	XX	2028 Chair
Anita Nakayama		Alan Oshima (email)		Brian & Etsuko Willis	
Michiko Saito (call)		Edward and Yoshiye Mayeda		Lynn Blick	
x		x		Jane Burster	
				Glenn Morita	

DECEMBER

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JANUARY

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# NEW YEAR'S EVE NEW YEAR'S DAY

**Akemashite Omedetou  
Gozaimasu! Come celebrate  
at Tacoma Buddhist  
Temple!**

New Year's Eve Service: December 31, 2023 @ 10am  
Toshikoshi Soba after service.

New Year's Day Service: January 1, 2024 @ 10am  
Ozoni after service

## \*December 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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<b>3</b> Bodhi Day Service 10 AM General Meeting After Service Potluck Luncheon After Meeting	4	5	6	7	8	9
<b>10</b> Sunday Service 10 AM Dharma School After Service Coffee Hour After Service	11	12	13 <i>Study class</i> <i>Via Zoom at 6 PM</i>	14 <i>Book Club at</i> King's Books 7 PM	15	16 <i>Spirit Mind and Body</i> Yoga For Compassion 9 AM Temple Social Hall Taught by Kara O'Toole
<b>17</b> Board meeting at 8:30 AM Sunday Service 10 AM Temple Clean Up After Service Dharma School Clean-up	18 <i>Myokyo Deadline</i>	19	20	21	22	23
<b>24 No Sunday Service</b>	25	26	27	28	29	30
<b>31 New Year's Eve Service</b> 10:00 AM	Christmas Day					

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	1 <i>New Year's Day</i> <i>Service 10 AM</i>	2	3	4	5	6
<b>7</b> Sunday service 10 AM Shinnenkai/Keirokai after service	8	9	10 <i>Study class</i> <i>via Zoom at 6 PM</i>	11 <i>Book Club at</i> King's Books 7 PM	12	13 Joint-Hoonko Special Service at Seattle Betsuin 11:00 AM
<b>14</b> Joint-Hoonko Special Service at Seattle Betsuin 10:00 AM	15	16	17	18	19	20 Yoga For Compassion 9 AM Temple Social Hall Taught by Kara O'Toole
<b>21</b> Board meeting at 8:30 AM Sunday Service 10 AM Dharma School after service Coffee Hour 11 AM	22 <i>Myokyo Deadline</i>	23	24	25	26	27
<b>28</b> Sunday Service at 10 AM Dharma School after service BWA New Year's Party 11:30 AM	29	30	31			