



法のともしび LIGHT OF THE DHARMA

NOTICE TO MEMBERS:

We are again conducting services in person as well as per ZOOM. Please contact Sensei for links.

REGULAR SCHEDULE

ENGLISH SERVICES
Sundays 10:30am

JAPANESE SERVICES
Sundays 11:30am

SEIZA MEDITATION
Thursdays 7:30pm

MORNING MEDITATION
Fridays 10:00am

SPECIAL EVENTS

Sunday January 1st
10:30am Shu Sho E
New Years Day Service
Temple open to 2pm Sunday
Sunday January 8th
10:30am Shotsuki Service
(Bilingual)
Monday January 9th
7pm SBT Board Meeting
Saturday January 21st
3pm Hoonko Lecture
Sunday January 22nd
10am Dharma School Service
10:30 Hoonko Service
(Bilingual)

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New Year's Greeting

Happy New Year, everyone! At the beginning of this New Year, I would like to extend my best regards to you all.

In view of the Russian invasion of Ukraine that began in February 2022, as Nembutsu followers who have deeply inscribed in our hearts and minds Shinran Shonin's message of "May there be peace in the world," we firmly stand against the military infringement of the other nation's sovereignty, and also aspire for immediate return of peace in Ukraine.

Over the last year, COVID-19 continues to be a global pandemic. I would like to offer my deepest condolences to those who fell victim to the disease and express my sympathies to those who are undergoing treatment. I would also like to express my respect and sincere gratitude to the doctors, nurses, and other frontline medical professionals who have been engaging in the treatment of infected people, as well as all essential workers who have made it possible for us to continue with our lives.

The pandemic has forced us to learn firsthand that we will continue to be confronted by unexpected situations even in modern times despite technologies both in science and medical fields being highly developed. Sakyamuni Buddha, who passed on the Dharma to us, made clear that there is no life nor entity in this world that lasts forever. This truth, the principle of impermanence, has never changed even in this time and age approximately 2500 years since his time. Another fact that does not change is our inability to accept this truth as it is, and because of this, we continue struggling.

This is the very reason why, regardless of the pandemic, we can rely on the Jodo Shinshu teaching clarified by Shinran Shonin, which guides us as a spiritual foundation that enables us to move forward even when being overwhelmed with difficulties. A gathering at the temple with Amida Buddha as its center provides a great opportunity to receive the Dharma as well as an occasion in which people can support and reassure one another as fellow practitioners who follow the same teaching.

I hope you will continue to share the teaching within the greater society through various ways and your temple will or continue to serve as a place where people can gather and find comfort in its activities. I humbly ask for your understanding and cooperation in support of your temples. I would like to conclude my new year's greeting with my heartfelt appreciation to you all.

January 1, 2023

OHTANI Kojun, Monshu, Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha



年頭の辞

新しい年のはじめにあたり、ご挨拶申し上げます。

まず、2022年2月に始まったロシア連邦のウクライナ侵攻に対して、私たち念仏者は親鸞聖人がお示しくださった「世のなか安穩なれ」のお言葉を改めて深く心に刻み、武力による他国の主権の侵害を強く非難するとともに、一刻も早くウクライナに平和が訪れることを願ってやみません。

さて、昨年も、世界では新型コロナウイルス感染症の流行が続きました。新型コロナウイルス感染症によりお亡くなりになられたすべての方々に、謹んで哀悼の意を表しますとともに、罹患されている皆様、後遺症を患われている皆様に心よりお見舞い申し上げます。また、医師や看護師をはじめとする医療従事者の方々、ライフラインの維持に努めておられる方々に深く敬意と感謝を表します。

新型コロナウイルス感染症の流行は、科学技術が発達し、医療も進歩した世の中にあっても、私たちの予想できない事柄が現実起こるということを知らしめました。仏教を説かれたお釈迦様は、この世を諸行無常であると示されました。約2500年たってもそのことに変わりはありません。そして、この真理をそのままに受け入れることができず、悩み苦しむ私たちの姿も変わることはありません。

それ故にこそ、新型コロナウイルス感染症の流行以前も以後も変わることなく、親鸞聖人が説かれた浄土真宗のみ教えが、日々悩み苦しむ私たちの生きる支えとなります。阿弥陀如来を中心とするお寺の集まりは、み教えを聞く場であると同時に、同じみ教えを依りどころとする私たちがお互いに支え合い助け合って、安心して集うことのできる場でもあります。皆さまには、今後も様々な工夫を凝らして、広くみ教えを伝えられることで、お寺に多くの方が集まり、その誰もが心穏やかに過ごせる場所となりますことを願っております。そして、引き続きお寺の活動にご理解とご協力を頂きますことをお願い申し上げます。年頭のご挨拶といたします。

2023年1月1日

浄土真宗本願寺派

門主 大谷光淳



2023 New Year's Greeting from Office of the Bishop

On behalf of the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada (JSBTC), I wish to thank all of you for your support and understanding throughout the past year. Looking back on 2022, we can reflect on the many changes that have affected our lives in subtle ways, some for the better

and others for the worse. We give gifts to loved ones not truly knowing what it is they wish to receive. By the same token we receive whether it is that which we desire or not. It is not in our control. What is most important as a Shinshu follower is to know that the giving and receiving is done with a heartfelt sense of appreciation and gratitude

During the first few weeks of the New Year, we greet everyone with a "Happy New Year!" It's a wonderful expression that has such a feeling of "freshness." As we begin a fresh start of the new year, I would like to suggest a theme of "Healthy Sangha". Let us continue to nurture and sustain our sangha in health and wellness.

This past year we have welcomed two fresh and new ministers to the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada. Rev. Naoki Hirano was assigned to Kelowna, Vernon, and Kamloops Buddhist temples in interior BC and has now completed his one-year Kaikyoshi (overseas minister) training and has been granted Kaikyoshi status by Nishi Hongwanji our mother temple in Kyoto as of July 1, 2022. Rev. Dr. Roland Ikuta was assigned to the Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta in Lethbridge as of November 1, 2022 to begin his one-year Kaikyoshi training.

To all members and friends of the JSBTC, thank you for your kindness and support throughout the last year. We look forward to another wonderful year together. I would like to wish everyone a very happy and healthy Holiday Season!

*In gassho,
Tatsuya Aoki
Bishop,
Jodo Shinshu
Buddhist
Temples of
Canada*



年頭の辞

旧年中は大変お世話になりました。カナダ開教区を代表して、謹んで御礼と新春のお慶び申し上げます。一年を振り返るこの時期、ウィルス拡散の規制解除によって家族や友達と過ごせる時間が増えました。ギフトを送る、頂くだけではなく、一緒に過ごせる限りある時間が大切で、ありがたいことだと気付くことが大事ですね。新年の教団からのテーマは「ヘルシー サンガ」を掲げたいと思います。身体、健康だけではなく、だれもが安心して来れることができる仏教会としていきたいと思います。

教団のニュースとしては、BCインテリア仏教会（クローナ、バーノン、カムループス）に駐在している平野直樹先生が一年の開教使研修を経て、正式に西本願寺から開教使としての辞令が7月1日付で発布されました。また、南アルバータ仏教会には生田ローランド先生が11月1日付で一年の開教使研修が始まりました。

仏教会メンバーの皆様におかれましては、昨年に引き続き教団へのサポートと理解を宜しくお願いします。

合掌
カナダ開教区 総長
青木 龍也

A New Year's Wish

The Name of the Tathagata of
Unhindered Light

And the Light that is the
embodiment of Wisdom

Dispels the darkness of the long
night of ignorance

And fulfill the aspiration of
sentient beings.

(From Collected Works of Shinran: Hymns of
the Pure Land Masters; pg. 373)



As a new year dawns, may I begin by thanking all of you for your continued support and friendship over the previous year. For myself, 2022 was another difficult year as my uncle Mak passed away as well as a number of individuals who were dear friends and active members of our temple. Throughout such trying times, I am truly grateful for the temple community or Sangha, who always seem to come together during such times of ordeal.

The New Year is a time of hope and new beginnings. Here at our temple, we always ring in the new year with the Joya no Kane bell ringing on New Year's Eve. It is said that all the events, good and bad, from the previous year fade away like the sound of the bell into the midnight air and we begin the new year afresh. Another tradition that many Japanese follow is to see the first sunrise on new year's day. It is called "Hatsu Hino De 初日の出" in Japanese and is to symbolize the new beginning. The traditional Japanese greeting on New Year's Day is "Shin Nen Akemashite Omedetō Gozaimasu 新年、明けましておめでとうございます", which literally translated means, "Congratulations on the dawning of the New Year". Again, this greeting is an expression of hope as we see the light of the new year.

With all this in mind, I thought the introductory passage from the writings of Shinran Shonin was a most appropriate passage for the New Year. When we encounter the embodiment of Wisdom and Compassion in the Name, Namo Amida Butsu, the long night of ignorance is dispelled, and we are filled with aspiration or hope for the future.

My wish for the coming year is that it is filled with the light of Amida Buddha's Great Wisdom and Compassion, and together may we share in the oneness of the Onembutsu teaching.

Namo Amida Butsu.

In Gassho,

Grant Ikuta

Moe No Kai

Keiko Go

A happy New year to you all. A lot of seniors attended at our last Moe-No-Kai which was held on Thurs. Dec. 15. We did a little mind and movement exercise in the beginning, played bingo and otedama games and sang few old Japanese nursery songs together. Later, we were able to enjoy our tea with sushi from Takeya, baking goods and few different snacks from volunteers.

Moe-No-Kai is for the Japanese Canadian seniors in the community. Drop in with your \$2 on the 3rd Thursday of the month from 10am. Our next Moe-No-Kai will be held on Thursday, Jan. 19th at 10am. See you all at the next gathering and let's enjoy together again.

新年の願い

無碍光如来の名号
かの光明智相とは
無明長夜の闇を破し
衆生の志願をみてたもう
(『高僧和讃』より浄土真宗聖典註釈版586頁)

新年を迎えるにあたり、昨年度も変わらぬご支援とご友情を賜り、誠にありがとうございます。私にとって、2022年は叔父をはじめ、親しくさせていただいた法友の仲間が何人が往生され、寂しい年でした。このような苦しい時にいつもお寺に参られる聞法者の熱い支援をいただき本当に感謝しております。

新年は希望と新たな始まりの時です。お寺では、大晦日に除夜の鐘が鳴り響き、新年を迎えます。前年の善悪を問わず、すべてのイベントが夜空に鐘の音のように消え去り、新年が新たに始まると言われています。また、元旦に初日の出を見ることも新しい始まりを象徴しています。「新年あけましておめでとう」も、文字通り「新年の夜明けにおめでとう」という意味です。このように「夜明け」を象徴すると、親鸞聖人の「高僧和讃」の曇鸞大師を讃える御和讃が新年に最もふさわしい一節ではないかと思えます。阿弥陀如来の大慈大悲心に出会うと、無明の長い夜が払拭され、未来への希望（お浄土へ往生させていただく希望）で満たされると説かれています。今年は、阿弥陀様の大きな智慧と慈悲の光に満たされ、お念仏のみ教えを共にいただき、共に分かち合う一年になりますよう念じております。

南無阿弥陀仏。
合掌、
生田グラント



萌の会 郷 恵子

明けまして、おめでとうございます。今年もどうぞ宜

しくお願い致します。

さて去年最後の萌の会は多くの方がお見えになりました。生田先生の法話を聞いた後、軽い頭と体の体操や、子供の頃のわらべ歌を思い出して歌ったり、ビンゴやお手玉投げのゲームなどで愉快地楽しみました。その後、前もって注文していた竹屋さんからの各種の細巻や、ボランティアさんが焼いて下さった可愛いベーキング、お菓子などを食べながらお茶会は盛り上がりしました。去年はコロナ禍が徐々に緩和されたため、思い切って萌の会を4月に再開して正解だったと、皆さんの楽しそうな姿を見て心からつくづく思いました。萌の会は月一回の高齢者の方のお茶会です。お一人様2ドルでどなたでも参加できます。笑ってお話して日頃のストレスを解消する場でもあります。今年最初の集まりは1月19日（木）の午前10時になります。お友達をお誘いの上、是非遊びにいらして下さいませ。

そして今年も楽しいお時間を皆さんと一緒に沢山過ごせることを期待しております。

The New Normal

The year 2022, is now over and the New Year, 2023, is beginning. This new year, unlike previous years, brings about a different way of doing things. There is a new behaviour and a new set of expectations. Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, there is one notable change in behaviour, which is the practice of working at home rather than working in an office with a number of colleagues and peers. The prediction that the pandemic will not only change the world of work but settings where people gather is so true. Religious settings and gatherings are not exempt.

According to a recent global survey, 68% of those contacted preferred working from home, despite missing the social contact with their colleagues and peers. An Ipsos survey for the World Economic Forum among the 12,500 employed people in 29 countries found that almost a third (30%) said they would consider looking for another job if they were forced to go back to the office. This phenomenon has occurred despite the observation that people are social beings who find it important to have person to person dialogue. A psychologist once stated, "humans are social-contact persons who find innermost satisfaction through vocal, facial and physical interactions with people."

In the same regard, the attendance at our weekly Sunday services have been deeply affected by Covid 19. As the pandemic encroached on the lives of the Jodo Shinshu followers our attendance became very low. During the peak of the pandemic, there may have been only two to three in attendance. Our Shotsuki attendance was equally affected - on one occasion there were no "Homies" on display.

As we experienced a drop in our temple attendance, we noted a new phenomenon growing: the high attendance at our Virtual services organised by Rev. Grant at the onset of the pandemic. The virtual attendance saw Jodo Shinshu followers joining from as far east as Brooklyn, N.Y., south to Texas and west to Honolulu, Hawaii. At the peak, the highest attendance may have been 60 - 70 joining those few who were physically present at the temple. Having personally felt the ravages of Covid 19 and experiencing the difficulty of attending our services, this is quite understandable.

As the restrictions of Covid 19 have eased, we now observe a resurgence of physical attendance but not to the degree as it was prior to the pandemic. Our Temple regular Sunday service attendance has now reached double digits and the Shotsuki temple attendance approximates 80 to 100. And, our children's Dharma school attendance has become more popular. Notwithstanding the effect of Virtual attendance, it is encouraging to see that more and more are physically attending the services.

Will we see the attendance as in the past? It would be difficult to predict. Can we observe a New Normal whereby it will be common practice to see both virtual and physical attendance joining our services? Indeed, we will. The breadth of listening to the Dharma has increased. There is nothing like the togetherness in chanting and listening to the words of the Buddha. This would be the epitome of the sharing of the Buddha Dharma.

It is stated in various literature of Buddhism, that 2,600 years ago Shakyamuni Buddha shared his experiences while sitting together with his followers in Jetavana Vihara in Sravasti, India, his main resident monastery. Despite the many visits along his Path, this is where he delivered the majority of his teachings and discourse, having stayed at Jetavana nineteen of the 45 vassas (rainy seasons). This is the Temple Garden of Togetherness.

In Gassho, Roy Akune

Message from the President

会長からのご挨拶

As we head into 2023, we take time to pause and reflect on the activities of the past year. Although the pandemic was still in evidence at the beginning of the year 2022, the virus continued to circulate. Nevertheless, SBT was steadfast in providing Weekly Zoom Services, Seiza meditation, chanting and meditation and Children's Dharma classes. Rev. Grant Ikuta continued his Zoom Lecture Series in the Spring and Fall.

Moe-no-kai, seniors group, also resumed after 3 years. Mrs. Tanaka, the Temple's oldest member is part of this group.

Because of the pandemic, activities were held on Zoom, and when Health mandates were lifted, in person activities were able to resume.

SBT applied for and was awarded \$10,000 from The Japanese Canadian Survivors Health and Wellness Fund which was used for the July Obon Festival and Keirokai.

The Temple Legacy Tree and Bench program was completed. Now, members and visitors may enjoy a peaceful walk-through Temple grounds and around Wisteria Place to view commemorative plaques.

The following were the Monthly events of 2022.

JANUARY	Hoonko and Special Lecture by Rev. Ouchi of Toronto
MARCH	Spring Higan Equinox
APRIL	Hanamatsuri - Lecture Series by Zoom
MAY	Lecture Series by Zoom
JUNE	Temple Clean Up Lecture Series by Zoom
JULY	Obon
-	Temple Golf Tournament with proceeds to the Canada Ukraine Foundation
AUGUST	Vancouver Island Obon Tour
SEPTEMBER	BCJSBT Convention
-	JSBTC - Ministers Meetings and National Board Meeting
OCTOBER	Lecture Series by Zoom
-	Keirokai Children's Sangha Halloween Party
NOVEMBER	Lecture Series by Zoom
-	Remembrance Day Ceremony with Wisteria
-	Book Launch, GEMS - An Introduction to Canadian Buddhism, Dr. Kenneth Tanaka with Dr. Durgesh Kasbekar and John H. Negru. *Durgesh Kasbekar is a Board member
DECEMBER	Lecture Series by Zoom
-	Bonenkai and Mochi-tsuki
-	Temple Clean up
-	New Year's Eve Bell Ringing

The events and activities at SBT require significant planning time. Without the generous support and effort of many, these functions would not be possible. In particular SBT wishes to thank Keiko Go, Office Administrator, Renako Miura, Bookkeeper/Office Assistant, Rev. Grant Ikuta, Roy Akune Sensei, Fujinkai and SBT Board Members.

As President, of the Temple, it has been my privilege to represent the Temple and the Executive Board and offer my thanks and gratitude for a successful year. We look forward to working together in 2023.

In Gassho,
Ted Akune

スティーブストン仏教会(SBT)が2023年の新年を迎えるにあたり、2022年を振り返ってみたいと思います。2022年の初めにはコロナ感染症はまだはびこっていましたがSBTでは毎週の行事をズームで行って来ました。黙想、読経、子供の日曜学校です。グラント先生は春と秋の仏教講座もズームで行って下さいました。コロナ感染症の流行で行事はズームでしかできませんでしたが、規制が緩くなってからは実際に皆様とお寺でいろいろな行事を行えるようになりました。シニアグループの萌の会も皆様とお寺でお会いして開催できるようになりました。お寺の最高齢の会員の田中さんも参加なさっていらっしゃいます。

SBTはThe Japanese Canadian Survivors Health and Wellness Fund (日系カナダ人生存者の健康基金)に応募し1万ドルを授与されました、7月のお盆と敬老会の為に使いました。

樹木やベンチをお寺に寄贈してお寺に貢献した方たちに感謝の意を表すレガシー献呈プログラムは完結しました。お寺やウィステリアブレースの庭を散策すると記念の金属板をいたる所で見ることができます。

2022年1月から12月に行われた月ごとの行事のリストです。

1月	報恩講とトロントの大内先生の特別講義。
3月	春のお彼岸法要。
4月	花まつり。ズームによる春季仏教講座。
5月	ズームによる春季仏教講座。
6月	お寺の大掃除。 ズームによる春季仏教講座。
7月	お盆。 お寺のゴルフトーナメント；集まった資金を The Canada Ukraine Foundationに寄付。
8月	バンクーバー島お盆お墓参りツアー。
9月	BC州浄土真宗仏教会連盟総会。 浄土真宗カナダ教団開教使会 および理事会。
10月	ズームによる秋季仏教講座。 敬老会。 日曜学校のハロウィーンパーティー。
11月	ズームによる秋季仏教講座。 ウィステリアブレースとの共催で 世界大戦戦没者慰霊記念。 出版記念「GEMS: An Introduction to Canadian Buddhism」田中ケネス博士、 カスベカー・ダーゲシュ博士 (SBT役員) 、ネグラー・ジョン。
12月	ズームによる秋季仏教講座。 忘年会と餅つき。お寺の大掃除。 大みそか 除夜の鐘。

SBTの上記の行事は計画に非常に時間がかかり、多くの方々の協力なしにはできません。特にお寺の秘書の郷恵子さん、経理・事務補助の三浦玲奈子さん、生田グラント先生および阿久根ロイ先生、婦人会と役員の方達です。

お寺の会長として、お寺と執行委員会を代表する機会を与えられ、実りの多かった2022年を過ごすことができ感謝しています。来年も皆様とご一緒に活動するのを期待しています。

合掌
阿久根テッド

Hoonko 2023



Join us for the first time in three years as we get together in person to honoring our founder, Shinran Shonin with the Hoonko Weekend on January 21st and 22nd, 2023 weekend. Joining us in person will be our guest minister Rev. Yoshimichi Ouchi from the Toronto Buddhist Church.

Reverend Yoshimichi Ouchi was born in Oita prefecture, Japan. He grew up in a family Temple, where his grandfather and father were ministers. His family goes back 25 generations in the family temple. Buddhism and serving the Temple has been a life-long practice for Reverend Yoshi.

Reverend Yoshi studied religion, with a focus on Buddhism, at Ryukoku University in Kyoto and Shiga. After graduating from Ryukoku University, he went to Chuo Bukkyo Gakuin (Central Buddhist Academy), a part of Nishi Hongwanji-temple, to study the Teaching of the Buddha and Shinran Shonin who was the founder of our sect in Kyoto.

After receiving his ordinations, Reverend Yoshi spent a year at Gonshiki Shidousho where he trained in chanting and studied important Buddhist rituals receiving the ranking of Tokubetsu Homin Shikaku (Certified Specialist in Chanting and Rituals). On April 15th, 2016, he was assigned to the Toronto Buddhist Church, and has served for 6 years as the resident minister.

Rev. Yoshi will be giving a public lecture on Saturday, January 21st starting at 3:00 pm. We will be hosting a Ho-onko Eve pot-luck dinner starting at 5:00 pm following the talk.

The Hoonko Service will be held on Sunday, January 22nd, 2023, with the Dharma School service starting at 10:00 am followed by the adult Ho-onko service at 10:30am.

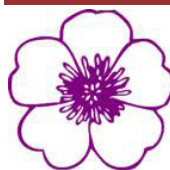
2023年報恩講法要



2023年 1月 21日～22日に三年ぶりにお寺での参加の報恩講週末を開催いたします。今回のゲストミニスターはトロント仏教会の大内祐真先生をご招待させていただいています。大内先生は大分出身で龍谷大学を卒業された後に中央仏教学院、並びに勤式指導所でお勤めの勉強をなされました。指導所では本願寺特別法務員の資格まで獲得されました。

2016年よりトロント仏教会の駐在開教使に任命されて、現在も務めておいでです。報恩講週末の土曜日にお逮夜法要の代わりに「仏教入門」の講演会を午後3時に行います。講演会後には大内先生とご一緒にポットラックディナーを午後5時に頂きたいと考えております。

報恩講法要は、22日（日曜日）午前10時半に勤修いたします。どうぞお越し下さいませ。



婦人会からのお知らせ

吉原ヒロコ

恵信尼公（親鸞聖人の奥様）と婦人会先亡者の追悼法要が11月に行われ、約60人の方々が参加されました。

今年最後の外でのガレージセールを11月19日に行い、\$135の売り上げがありました。2022年はセールを12回行い売り上げは全部で\$3500以上になりました。ガレージセール用品を持ってきたくださった皆様に感謝いたします。暖かくなりましたら、また外でセールを行えるでしょう。

暮れの大掃除が12月18日にあり、道が滑りやすかったにもかかわらず約20人が来てくださいました。その「ごほうび」はすがすがしい香りのするキッチン、ビーフとチキンサンドイッチのランチ、チキンスープ、マンゴープディング、そしてその後での皆さんのおしゃべりでした。ランチの時に宝くじがありました。Cooperators Insuranceがお寺の忘年会にバスケットを2つ寄付して下さったので、中身を出し、チケット、チョコレート等を賞品として出しました。雪が降るのも気にならず、外側の窓ガラスを拭いて下さった方達、そして、灌木の剪定（せんてい）をして下さった皆様に特にお礼を申し上げます。

2023年も良いお年でありますように。

Your Donations are needed and

appreciated!

Donations are the single largest

source of income for the temple,

and allow us to create our

programs, which we hope you

also can enjoy, so we thank you

for your contribution.



FUJINKAI NEWS

Hiroko Yoshihara



The annual service for Eshinni (wife of Shinran Shonin) and Fujinkai members was held in late November and was attended by approximately 60 members.

Our last outdoor garage sale was held on November 19 and \$135 was raised. In 2022, we had 12 sales which raised over \$3500. Thank you to all who brought the garage sale items. Hopefully

the weather will be warmer in the next few months to enable us to hold more outdoor sales.

Year end cleanup was held on Sunday, Dec. 18 with about 20 hardy volunteers venturing to the temple on slippery streets. Their reward was a clean smelling temple, a delicious lunch of beef and chicken sandwiches with chicken soup and mango pudding and a social time with one another. During lunch, there was a draw of door prizes. Cooperators Insurance had sent two baskets for last week's Bonenkai so the contents were separated, tickets given out and prizes of chocolates and other items were given out. A special thank you to those who cleaned the windows outside and pruned the shrubs while the snowflakes fell.

Happy 2023!



Moenokai activities.
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DONATIONS & Memberships

The Steveston Buddhist Temple sincerely appreciates and thanks the following for their generous donations: All donations deposited after December 20, 2022 will be announced in the next newsletter. Any donations with notations stating that they are in memory of several individuals, these names will be acknowledged in the month that the cheque was deposited. If you wish to have the donations acknowledged in the newsletter corresponding with a particular Shotsuki month, we ask that you make donations during that actual Shotsuki memorial month. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

最近一年を通じた法要と祥月御懇志を小切手にて一括で送られてくるケースが多くなりました。その場合は入金されたその月のニュースレターにまとめてお報せ致しますのでご了承下さいませ。尚、祥月御懇志袋上に差出人のお名前、ご住所の他、どの月の祥月御懇志もお忘れなく記載して下さいませ。有難うございました。

General donation(\$3150): Akune Ted & Rose, Berlinguette Jocelyn, Doi Terri, Hashimoto Junichi & Atsumi, Ikuta Teruko, Kakehi Tomoko, King Hiroko, Kojima Michiko, Kurita Yoshie, Kuwabara Seiya, Matsuo Corey, Morishita Elmer, Murakami Lori, Nariwa Sakie, Oda Jennifer, Takasaki Nancy, Watanabe Keiko, Yoshihara Ken & Hiroko, Fraser Valley Buddhist Temple

Ingo appreciation for the late Mr. Mitts Sakai: Sakai Kay

Naijin Flower: King Hiroko

Nokotsudo Flower: Ikuta Teruko

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Dharma donation(\$40): Akune Roy & Itoko

JSTBC Day donation(\$210): Akune Roy & Itoko, Kondo Kaoru, Ryan Larry & Jeanne

Shotsuki services(\$2575): November: Kuramoto Isao & Ina, Nishikihama Eiko, Terai Kay

December: Akune Roy & Itoko, Doi Peter & Louise, Doi Terri, Dolsen Yasuko, Esson Karen, Gallop Fred & Haruko, Hama Helen, Hamade Naomi, Hamanishi Betty, Hamaura Misaye, Higo Kelvin & Kay, Hirose Mary, Ikuta Kuni & June, Kamachi Ken, Kamikura Joyce, Kariya Florence, Kondo Kaoru, Kuramoto Isao & Ina, Kuramoto J., Matsuo Ken & Akiko, McLean Jenny & Duncan, Mukai Diane, Mukai Henry, Mukai Don & Shioke, Nakano Alison, Narukami Don & Chiyo, Niguma Kazuko, Nishikihama Teruko, Niwatsukino Family, Ryan Larry & Jeanne, Sakai Alan & Carol, Sakai Marge, Sakai Mitsuka, Sakamoto Bud, Sakamoto-Singh Crystal, Sakata Hozumi, Sakata Marge, Sakata Sachio, Sakai Tracey, Sakiyama Nobby & Liz, Sakurai Naomi & Tommy, Suzuki Kent, Tanaka Jim, Teraguchi Jean, Teraguchi June, Teraguchi Lorne, Yamanaka Sachio, Yamaoka V., Yesaki Mitsuo, Yesaki Tom, Yokota Amy, Yokota Carl, Yoshihara Ken & Hiroko, Yukawa Joe & Sally, Anonymous

Jodo-e service (Bohdi day)(\$840): Akune Roy & Itoko, Akune Ted & Rose, Araki Linda, Araki Robert & Row, Hamaura Dean, Ikuta Denise, Ikuta Kevin & Karen, Ikuta Kuni & June, Ikuta Teruko, Iwata Genevieve, Kondo Kaoru, Kurita Yoshie, Maruno Maya, Matsuno Seishi & Kisako, Matsuno Tom & Yoko, Mizushima Tatsutoki & Karen, Morizawa

Chiyoko, Morizawa Sazare, Nakatsu Tsuyoshi & Chizuru, Nakatsuru Sherry, Nishi Chizuko, Nitta Ayako, Sakai Marge, Sakamoto Bud, Sakata Hozumi, Suzuki Kent, Tani Tsuyoshi & Mutsumi, Terencio Shinko, Yesaki Arthur, Yesaki Tom, Whittier Maya

Eitaikyo service(\$460): Akizuki Eiko, Ikuta Kuni & June, Ikuta Teruko, Iwata Genevieve, Kokubo Alice, Kondo Kaoru, Maede Toyoko, Mizushima Tatsutoki & Karen, Mori Koji & Judith, Morizawa Chiyoko, Morizawa Sazare, Niguma Kazuko, Nishi Chizuko, Nishi Kayoko, Nitta Ayako, Oye Hanako, Sakai Marge, Sakai Tomiko, Tanaka Emiko, Tani Kiyoshi & Mutsumi

Eshinnisama service from SBTWA(\$450)(according to Fujinkai order): Tasaka Chic, Nishi Kayoko, Kondo Kaoru, Ikuta Teruko, Sakai Marge, Hamaura Misaye, Yoshihara Hiroko, Akune Itoko, Hibi Mika, Kawamoto Hiroko, Ikuta June, Chan Elsie & Rob, Toyoda Miyuki, Sakata Hozumi, Hirose Mary, Nakatsu Chizuru, Ryan Jeanne

Funerals & Memorial services(\$3780): In memory of the late

Ms. Fay Yoshida: Yoshida Douglas

Mrs. Sakie Nariwa: Yamamoto Roger, Doi Peter & Louise, Harrison Jeff & Emi, Kagawa Byron, Mizuta Harry & Akemi, Morishita Dennis & Linda, Sakata Marge, Takemoto Yutaka, Toyoda Ruby, Anonymous

Mr. Mitts Sakai: Hamade Naomi, Takeuchi Sachiko & Ken, Tasaka Sharon & Don,

Mrs. Misuye Yoshida: Nishi Kayoko, Nitta Ayako

Ms. Ruth Iwata: Hamade Naomi & Family, Okabe Mary, Takeuchi Sachiko & Ken, Whittier Maya, Yoshihara Karen

Mrs. Kayoko Yamamoto: Hibi Mika

Mr. Masao Sawada: Sawada James & Norma

Mrs. Yoshiko Koyanagi: Maede Toyoko, Sakai Yonny & Emy

Mr. Masami Hirano: Murakami Lori

Mrs. Yoshiko Kamachi: Kamachi Ken

Mr. David Takahashi: Murakami Lori

Mr. Tshio Sameshima: Yamaoka V.

Sister-in-law 1st year Kyoko Niwatsukino: Koyanagi Susie, Tomihiro Kazuko

3rd year service of the late Mrs. Eiko Kokubo: Izumi Basil & Etsuko

Mother Ume Niwatsukino 27th year: Koyanagi Susie, Tomihiro Kazuko

Mr. Harding & Mrs. Toshie Yasui: Davies Laureen

Mrs. Margaret Matsumura: Davies Laureen

Mrs. Bentley Davies: Davies Laureen

Mr. Kuniyoshi Sameshima: Sameshima Miles

SBTWA donations(\$2300): In memory of the late

Mr. Hitoshi Tanaka: Lum George & Hitomi

Mr. Merv Araki: Araki Maya

Mrs. Shizuko Nishi: Nishi Albert, Isabel & Joe, Akune Roy & Itoko

Mr. Victor Kawabata: Kawabata Mitsuyo

Mrs. Miyeko Tabata: Tabata Tosh

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Mr. Terry Sakai: Sakai Marge

Ms. Jean Sakamoto: Sakamoto Bud

Mr. Mitts Sakai: Sakai Kay

Mrs. Sakie Nariwa: Nariwa Sakie

Membership 2022/23 paid: Akizuki Ayako, Anzai June, Armstrong Randall, Hamanishi Keiko, Jensen Neil & Mari, Kamachi Ken, Miki Ken, Nakata Brent & Jennifer, Nakatani Michiko, Nitta Ayako, Setterstrom Amy & Mark

A Winter Wonderland
The recent snowstorms and cold weather has caused chaos throughout the lower mainland, but at the same time, it has provided us with some breathtaking scenery, ones that we have never seen in these parts (at least not since I moved out here in 2008). The following are some pictures from around the temple:



JANUARY 2023 MEMORIAL SERVICE (Please bring your "Homyo".)

Akune, Nariyoshi	Hirose, Asako	Koyanagi, Mitsuo	Nakata, Yasuhiko	Sakamoto, Mamoru	Takeuchi, Shigeyoshi
Arima, Janet Setsuko	Hirota, Naokichi	Kuramoto, Kunji	Nakamura, Fujie	Sakata, Meri	Tanaka, Hitoshi
Asari, Kikue	Inouye, Ray	Kuramoto, Miyako	Nevins Tabata, Seiji Marcus	Sakata, Myrna	Tanaka, Yoneharu
Domae, Hisajiro	Inouye, Tomi	Matsubara, Chiyoko	Nishi, Isao 'Wes'	Sakiyama, Kumataro	Tani, Ichino
Domai, Nobuo	Ishida, Chotaro	Matsuo, Diane Chieko	Nishi, Minoru	Sakiyama, Mume	Tarumoto, Hamasaburo
Hamada, Reiji	Iwata, Hisaye	Matsuo, Shizue	Nishi, Toyo	Sameshima, Toshiharu	Teraguchi, Mosaburo
Hamade, Tsutomu	Kawase, Tadayoshi	Morimoto, Nobuko	Nishii, Noboru	Sameshima, Toshiyuki	Uyeyama, Soichi
Hamade, Unosuke	Kimura, Hisashi	Morishita, Hirako	Niwatsukino, Hiroshi	Sano, Shizuko	Uyeyama, Yoshie
Hamaguchi, Choichiro	Kitamura, Michiko	Murakami, Atsushi	Nomura, Sakie	Sato, Keizo	Yamamoto, Kazumi
Harada, Akiko	Kobayashi, Genwo	Mukai, Sadako	Oye, Kazue	Shimizu, Tamotsu	Yamashita, Teruo
Harada, Eikichi	Kobayashi, Noriyo	Murao, Kenji	Oye, Koyo	Shiyoji, Mieko	Yesaki, Masami
Hayashi, Mitsue	Kojima, Tamino	Nakano, Yasuo	Ono, Harue	Suga, Takako	Yesaki, Suyeko, Suzy
Hayashida, Ausgustina	Kondo, Chieko	Nakata, Makio	Otabe, Tsuyoshi	Takasaki, Hisako	

FEBRUARY 2023 MEMORIAL SERVICE (Please bring your "Homyo".)

Akizuki, Osamu	Kariya, Yone	Morizawa, Shigeo	Nishii, Larry	Shinde, Kumiko	Uchida, Shiro
Akune, Shizuka	Kariya, Yukio	Murakami, Fumie	Nomura, Junichi	Suzuki, Masao	Uyeda, Masako
Araki, Merv Masato	Kawabata, Hiroshi	Murao, Toshimi	Nomura, Tsutaye	Takasaki, Yukihiko	Wakita, Saijiro
Domae, Iwao	Kawabata, Yonekichi	Nakano, Yasuno	Ogawa, Etsuko	Takashita, Nobuo	Yamamoto, Carole
Harada, Satoru	Kimura, Shinkichi	Nakata, Kiku	Ohara, Takashi	Tamaki, Sunao	Toyomi
Haya, Nobby	Kishi, Yoichi	Nakatsu, Yoshiko	Ohara, Yoichi	Tamaki, Tsurue	Yasui, Tsuyu
Higo, Haruko (Ruby)	Kokubo, Hideo	Nishi, Hideko	Okano, Haruo	Tanaka, Yonekichi	Yasui, Ukiyoshi
Higo, Miteru	Maeda, Sachiko	Nishi, Kunio	Oyama, Fujiyo	Tasaka, Jennifer	Yesaki, Shiro
Hori, Tome	Maruyama, Takao	Nishi, Masahiko	Ozeki, Tomi	Tasaka, Kuniko	
Ikari, Rokumatsu	Miyazaki, Kiyoko	Nishi, Senkichi	Saito, Toshimi	Tasaka, Yukio	
Kariya, Iwao	Miyazaki, Takeo	Nishi, Shizuko	Sakai, Hayao	Tomihiko, Yoshiro 'Doc'	
Kariya, Yasushi	Mori, Rihe	Nishihama, Yoshiko	Sakamoto, Nancy	Toyoda, Yoshinobu	
George	Morishita, Kimiyo	Nishii, Iyo	Natsue	Tsumura, Yasue	



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A Busy Month of Temple Activities
December was another busy month of temple activities highlighted by the Mochi Tsuki and Bonenkai Year End Party held on December 10th and 11th. Here are some pictures from those events taken by our president and photo hobbyist, Ted Akune. Thanks, Ted, for the wonderful pictures.

