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NOTICE TO MEMBERS:

Due to current COVID-19, restrictions, all temple activities are held via Zoom Meetings.

IF YOU COME TO THE TEMPLE PLEASE WEAR A MASK!

REGULAR SCHEDULE

ENGLISH SERVICES
Sundays 10:00am

JAPANESE SERVICES
Sundays 11:30am

SEIZA MEDITATION
Thursdays 7:30pm

MORNING MEDITATION
Fridays 10:00am

SPECIAL EVENTS

Sunday April 4

10:00am Shotsuki Service

11:30am Japanese Service

Monday April 12

7:00pm SBT Board Meeting

Tuesday April 13 - May 25

7:30pm Spring Lecture Series

HANAMATSURI WEEKEND

Saturday April 17

10:00am Special Lecture

11:00am Panel Discussion

Sunday April 18

10:00am Hanamatsuri Service

Your Donations are needed and appreciated!

Donations are the single largest source of income for the temple. Although there are no scheduled events, expenses do not stop. We want to be able to restart programs as soon as possible, so we thank you in advance for your contribution.

**FUJINKAI
TOBAN 1**

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HANAMATSURI

THE FLOWER FESTIVAL

The cherry blossoms are in full bloom as spring has once again arrived in Steveston. It was around this time last year that we were just entering the lockdown caused by the Covid-19 pandemic and there was a great sense of uncertainty as vaccines to fight the virus had yet to be developed. There was even speculation that it may take up to two to three years for the vaccines to be developed. It was only through great effort and global cooperation that we now have several vaccines approved by Health Canada and there is a sense of optimism as people start receiving their vaccination shots. In fact, many of you may have already received your first shots by now.

Among this sense of hope, how appropriate it is that we will be celebrating Hanamatsuri later this month. Hanamatsuri or the Flower Festival is one of my favourite services as it is a celebration of life. Sometimes, Buddhism gets a negative rap as people think that it is associated only with suffering and death, but this is only one aspect of the religion. Buddhism, in fact, allows us to appreciate the preciousness of the moment because of the finite nature of life.

Hanamatsuri is celebrated in April to commemorate the birth of Gautama Siddhartha who would later go on to become Shakyamuni Buddha, the Enlightened one. Although there is no definitive date, many Japanese historians have placed the birth of the Buddha to have been on April 8th, 565 BC, at Lumbini's Garden, in the southern tip of what is presently the country of Nepal. It was there that Queen Maya and her entourage, on their way to her ancestral home, took rest. It was not uncommon back then for women to return to their ancestral home to give birth and it was during her journey home that the baby Siddhartha was born in Lumbini's Garden. According to legend, it is said that the newborn baby stood up, took seven steps, pointed his right hand to the sky and his left hand to the earth and spoke the following words:

*“Above and below the heavens,
I alone, am the World-Honoured One.”*

Of course, common sense would have us saying this would be impossible to do, and perhaps this was just a legend to signify that the Buddha was indeed special from birth. However, regardless of if this was just a legend, what is significant is to understand the true meaning of this story.

First, the meaning behind the Baby Siddhartha taking seven steps is to foreshadow that the baby Buddha would be one who transcends the six realms of suffering to enter the realm of Enlightenment. Next, the act of him pointing his right hand to the sky and his left hand to the Earth and stating that “He alone is the World-Honored One”, at first glance may even be seen as an arrogant statement. However, upon careful observation, we see what the baby Buddha is telling us is, not that he is the greatest, but that each and everyone of us have only one life to live and this statement is often referred to by scholars, as the first cry of any newborn infant. For each one of us, life is precious because it is the only life that I know. In this way, Hanamatsuri for us should not be just a celebration of the Buddha's birth, but a celebration of our existence right now at this moment.

I hope you will join us virtually on Sunday, April 18th at 10:00 am (via Zoom) for our Hanamatsuri service. Please contact me to receive the Zoom link to join the service.

In Gassho,
Grant Ikuta





FUJINKAI NEWS

Hiroko Yoshihara

After an year of social distancing and mask wearing, there is hope that we will be able to meet again at the temple. By the time you read the newsletter, some members may already have had their first shot but we must

remain vigilant. In the meantime, keep within your bubble and stay busy and happy.

A survey of Fujinkai reveals that we have been walking (lots!), reading, baking goodies including bread (and enjoying the results), making fukujinzuke, sewing (face masks and generally using up stashes of fabric), cross stitching, watching Netflix, taking part in Sunday services via Zoom, and finding humour in the jokes sent via computer. Technology has lessened our loneliness by connecting us with others.

Those of us who are able bodied will be asked to thoroughly dust and clean the kitchen after the renovations are complete and when it is safe for a few of us to gather. The cupboard doors have been removed. Despite plastic sheets being placed over the openings and surfaces, it is obvious that we will need to wash the items on the shelves and in the drawers.

Also when everyone has been vaccinated hopefully by summer, an outdoor garage sale will be safe to hold. We have not had a fundraising event for awhile so this will be an opportunity to raise some funds easily with a minimum of effort. We have made our annual donation (\$2000) to the Richmond Hospital Foundation. Fujinkai will also contribute the funds raised by Dana Day held in February to a local charity. Last year we gave to the Richmond Food Bank and the Canadian Red Cross. This year we have not received as much (only 13 donors) so may just be able to give to one charity. Thank you to everyone who donated.



2021 Membership Renewal

The course of the past year has been a most difficult and trying time. The Steveston Buddhist Temple would like to thank you for your continued support despite the many challenges that we have

faced over the course of the previous year.

With the Annual General Meeting being completed at the end of February, we are asking you to renew your membership for the year March 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022. Your membership fees are critical in not only supporting our temple but also our National Association, the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temple of Canada (JSBTC). This year, the membership fee has remained the same as last year, or \$125 as approved at our annual general meeting on February 28, 2021.

If you are 90 years or older you are exempt from paying the membership fee in recognition of your long-time commitment and service to the community.

There are a number of exciting new projects that we are hoping to unveil later in the year. These projects include a Legacy Program in which families will be able to honor the memories of loved ones who have passed away; the completion of the Phase 2 Nokotsudo; creation of a new pet memorial garden where families can come to place the ashes of their pets who have passed away.

We are looking forward with anticipation as we slowly move out of this pandemic situation to be able to gather again at the temple. We hope that our temple doors will be open for in person services by the fall, and we also look forward to the opening of the new Wisteria Place Senior Housing in July.

May we ask you to take a few minutes when completing the enclosed membership form to tell us about any particular event you wish to see at the temple and how we can better serve you.

Again, thank you for your support.

APRIL 2021 MEMORIAL SERVICE

(Please bring your "Homyo".)

Atagi, Kazuko	Hikita, Tatsuo	Kishiuchi, Michio	Nakamura, Miyuki	Sakai, Ei	Yamashita, Harry
Atode, Yasutaro	Ikari, Tsuru	Kishiuchi, Yoshiko	Nakanishi, Harue	Sakai, Terry Teruo	Yamashita, Heijiro
Ayukawa, Margaret	Ikari, Senichi Roy	Kitade, Sute	Nakatani, Sam	Sakamoto, Hirotaka	Yesaki, Sunae
Etori, Chiyo	Rev. Ikuta, Kyojo	Kitagawa, Michiko	Nakatsu, Tsunenobu	Sameshima, Margaret	Yokota, Ayako
Fukakusa, Akio	Ito, Tamotsu	Koyanagi, Mutsuo	Narukami, Teruo	Shiyoji, Koito	Yokota, Shige
Hama, Kenzo	Kakino, Chiyoko	Maeda, Toshimatsu	Nishi, Misako	Shoji, Matsue	Yoshida, Mitsu
Hamada, Chiyoko	Kariya, Ayako	Matsumura, Matsuo	Nishi, Nancy	Suzuki, Richard	Yoshida, Kinoo
Hamade, Tokuno	Kariya, Chiyoko	Matsuo, Kametaro	Nishi, Shigeo	Tani, Seikichi	
Hamano, Kiyoshi	Kariya, Isamu	Miyazaki, Susie Shizuko	Nogami, Mieko	Tezuka, Michihiko	
Hamanishi, Shinjiro	Kariya, Sadasuke	Morishita, Masaharu	Ohara, Masao	Uyeyama, Tokue	
Hashimoto, Shizue	Kariya, Yonekazu	Morishita, Michiyo	Oikawa, Hisashi	Yamada, Shizuyo	
Haya, Yoshimatsu	Kawasaki, Takeo	Morizawa, Choichiro	Oura, Chiye	Yamaguchi, Junshiro	
Hikita, Takeo	Kimura, Yoshio	Murao, Mon	Oye, Yasuo	Yamaguchi, Nobuye	

MAY 2021 MEMORIAL SERVICE

(Please bring your "Homyo".)

Akizuki, Sukenobu	Ishida, Tracy Toru	Matsumura, Yasue	Okano, Fumio	Sakiyama, Fukumatsu	Toyoda, Fusako
Akizuki, Takeyo	Kanno, Kikumi	Mori, Michiharu	Okano, Hideo	Sakiyama, Joy	Upadhyaya, Hisaka
Hamade, Hatsuyo	Kishiuchi, Tane	Murao, Michitaka	Okano, Masaji	Sameshima, Hisako	Yamamoto, Kazuhiko
Hamaura, Kiichiro	Kitade, Yasuo	Murao, Nagako	Osaka, George	Sato, Fumie	Yamamoto, Nancy
Haya, Haruko	Kuriyama, Kikuyo	Nagata, Shokichi	Oshiro, Art Yeichi	Shirakawa, Kiichiro	Sumiko
Hayashi, Yasu	Kurahashi, Tazuko	Nishi, Teruo	Ryan, Lee Takashi	Tabata, Tatsue	Yamamoto, Terumi
Ikari, Toshiko	Kuramoto, Tomiyuki	Nishikihama, Kono-	Sakamoto, Claudette	Tabata, Yoshiaki	
Ikeda, Hisano	Maekawa, Sandra	suke	Sakamoto, Noboru	Takasaki, Kazuo	
Inouye, Tomojiro	Takeo	Nomura, Yukie	Sakata, Chiyoko	Takeuchi, Fujitaka	
Ishida, Takezo	Matsuba, Nobuo	Ogawa, Masatsugu	Sakata, Masakazu	Taniwa, Tei	

COMING UP SOON

Enlightenment in Dark Times

As the vaccine to battle Covid-19 begins to roll out, we are still very much in a lock down situation with in person temple services being restricted by the Provincial Government.

Even though we have not been able to gather physically, our temple has continued with various activities using the online Zoom meeting format. I am happy to announce a new lecture series as well as a number of opportunities for you to join in some of the upcoming lectures and services.

April 13 (Tues) 7:30 pm - Steveston Buddhist Temple Dharma Lecture Series. During the winter lecture series, we used the book **“The Heart of the Buddha’s Teaching”** as a reference text to introduce the basic tenets of Buddhism.

Starting on Tuesday, April 13th, I would like to continue with the spring Dharma Lecture Series. For this series, I will be concentrating on the development of the Mahayana school of Buddhism and in particular, the Japanese schools of Buddhism and the development of the Pure Land School. If you are interested in joining us for the lecture series, please contact me to have your name included in the invitation contact list.

April 17, 2021 (Sat) 10:00 am - Steveston Buddhist Temple Hanamatsuri Special Lecture by Rev. Yuki Sugahara of Oregon Buddhist Church in Portland. Sugahara Sensei will be giving a talk entitled, **“What is ‘Right’ in Buddhism”**. Please read our Hanamatsuri ad to find out more about Rev. Sugahara.

April 17, 2021 (Sat) 11:00 am - Our national organization, Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada is also coordinating a panel discussion of the three overseas Bishops, Bishop Marvin Harada of the BCA, Bishop Eric Matsumoto of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii, and our own Bishop Tatsuya Aoki. They will be discussing the **“Future of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism in the West”**. To register for this discussion, please visit the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada website at www.bcc.ca

Thursday Evenings from 7:30 pm – Seiza Meditation Sessions.

Friday Mornings from 10:30 am – Chanting and seiza meditation.

If you are interested in any of the about sessions, please contact myself at rev.ikuta@steveston-temple.ca

HANAMATSURI WEEKEND

APRIL 17 ~ 18, 2021



Guest Sensei: Yuki Sugahara Sensei

Please join us virtually for an event filled weekend to celebrate the birth of the Buddha. On Saturday, April 17th at 10:00 am, we will have a public lecture by Sugahara Sensei entitled, “What is ‘Right’ in Buddhism”. Sugahara Sensei is presently the minister at the Oregon Buddhist Church in Portland.

On Sunday, April 18 from 10:00 am, we will be commemorating Hanamatsuri service with our Sugahara Sensei giving the Dharma message. Although the service will be virtual, we hope you will join us to celebrate the occasion.

As we put our hands together in gassho and take a quiet moment to reflect, we are reminded of the signs of spring. The birds are singing, the flowers are blooming, and new life is all around us. Let’s all open our eyes, hearts and minds to the meaning of Hanamatsuri.



Japanese Groceries & Face Mask Sale Fraser Valley Buddhist Temple Fundraiser

Saturday, April 24 from 10:00 am to 12 noon

Face masks from Fraser Valley Buddhist Temple can be purchased for \$10 each.

3 types will be available with 3 different motifs
Contact Jeanne Ryan for more information

Japanese groceries will also be available during this time.

Items available:

Senbei, low sodium shoyu, mirin, rice vinegar, inari, takuan, green tea, ocha paks



The Wisteria : Symbolism of Jodo Shinshu

As the wisteria blooms mature, they hang
And lower themselves in humbleness.

In the March edition, I wrote about the Wheel of Dharma as the universal symbol for Buddhism, irrespective of whether it is Theravada or Pure Land Buddhism. Likewise, Jodo Shinshu Buddhism, a branch of Pure Land Buddhism, has its own symbol, the Wisteria flower, unifying all the Honpa Hongwanji temples in the world including the Nishi Hongwanji in Kyoto, Tsukiji Hongwanji in Tokyo, the Jodo Shinshu Temples of Canada (JSBTC), our neighboring temples of the United States of America - the Buddhist Churches of America and the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii and the Hongwanji Buddhist Mission of Australia.

The question arises, "Why and how is it that Wisteria became the symbol of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism?"

For those familiar with this flower, one will note the hanging blossom has two wisteria flowers forming a circle with two intertwining vines in the centre, the left overlapping the right. The flowers are seen blooming with their heads hanging down symbolizing humility and the two flowers overlapping in balance symbolizing harmony.

The uniqueness and distinctiveness of Jodo Shinshu from other schools of Buddhism centres on the concept of humility. It was founded on the interpretation of the Buddha Dharma by its founder, Shinran (1173-1262), who after 20 years of pursuing Tendai Buddhism, experienced monastic practice very difficult. He found this singleness of practice was in conflict with his ego-driven passions. And, as he attempted to purify himself by eliminating his evil passions, he realized he was becoming more and more depressed and miserable. He felt his goal of becoming a Buddha through the monastic practice of meditation and self-endeavour was beyond his own effort. Thus he sought the guidance of Honen, the seventh Patriarch of Pure Land Buddhism. Honen identified himself as a devout follower of Shantao, the fifth Patriarch. Having spent considerable time with Honen, Shinran was deeply impacted by Honen's realization of the limitations of his own efforts and his reliance solely on Amida Buddha. This time spent with Honen led Shinran to become very much aware of his own inadequacies and the necessity to rely entirely on Amida Buddha.

In retrospect, it was this encounter by Shinran that led to the adoption of the Wisteria as the symbol of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism. It is for this reason that the Wisteria is the official symbol of all Jodo Shinshu temples.

Rev. Nobuo Haneda in his text, Dharma Breeze, Essay on Shin Buddhism, stated, "Having met Honen who had a deep insight into his own evilness and ignorance ... Shinran realized that the true essence of Buddhahood was humility - deep insight into one's own evilness and foolishness."

As for myself, Shinran, I simply take to heart the words of my dear teacher, Honen,

"Just say the nembutsu and be saved by Amida," and entrust myself to the Primal Vow.

Besides this, there is nothing else."

- Tannisho, Pt II

In Gassho, Roy Akune

藤の花：浄土真宗の象徴

藤の花は花の先をたれ、
謙虚に身を低める。



3月のニュースレターに、東南アジア系仏教も浄土真宗も仏教の普遍的シンボルとして使っている法輪について書きました。同様に、浄土教の一派である浄土真宗はその全てのお寺が統一の象徴として藤の花を使っています。本派本願寺である京都の西本願寺も含めて、東京の築地本願寺、カナダ浄土真宗教団、お隣のアメリカ仏教会、ハワイ本派本願寺布教団、オーストラリア本願寺仏教布教団は皆、藤の花は共通です。

なぜ、どのようにして藤の花が浄土真宗のシンボルになったのでしょうか。

象徴として使われている二つの藤の花は円形の中に収められ、両側から垂れ下がっており、謙讓を表します。さらに、上の中心から二

本のつるが左を上にして絡み合いながら下がっており、調和を意味します。

浄土真宗と他の仏教各派との違いはこの謙讓という考えにあります。浄土真宗は親鸞聖人(1173-1262)により打ち立てられ、仏法の解釈に基づいています。親鸞聖人は20年間天台宗の下で修行なさいましたが、引きこもったその修業はとても困難だったそうです。修行だけの単一性と自分の感情とが相容れませんでした。自分の悪い欲望を除いてより清くしようとしても、より憂鬱になりみじめになるだけでした。寺に引きこもって瞑想と自己の努力により仏になるという目的は自らの努力だけでは達成できるものではありませんでした。

それで浄土真宗の7人目の高僧である法然上人に教えを請いました。その法然上人は5人目の高僧である善導大師を師と仰ぎました。法然上人の下でかなり長い間学ぼううちに、法然上人が自らの努力の限界と、阿弥陀様に身をゆだねる事に気が付かれたという事実に非常に深い衝撃を受けました。また親鸞聖人も欠点に満ちた自分を自覚するとともに阿弥陀様にすっかり身を任せることの必要性に気づかれました。つまり、親鸞聖人がこのことに直面したことにより浄土真宗のシンボルを藤にしたといえるでしょう。

ハネダ・ノブオ開教使の本『Dharma Breeze: Essay on Shin Buddhism』に次の言葉があります。「自分の中にある悪と無知に深く気づかれている法然上人にお会いした親鸞聖人は真の仏性は自らの悪と愚かさについて深く洞察するという謙讓の心にある事をさとられました。」

私親鸞の場合は「ひたすら念仏を称えて、阿弥陀様にお助けいただきましょう」とすばらしい法然上人の仰せを頂いて、それを信ずる以外に特別の話はありません。『歎異抄』第2章。(現代語訳)(今井雅晴「親鸞と歎異抄」吉川弘文館、2015. p. 52.)

親鸞におきては、ただ念仏して、弥陀にたすけられまひらすべしと、よきひとのおほせをかぶりて、信ずるほかに別の子細なきなり。(同上p. 51)

合掌
阿久根ロイ

Steveston Buddhist Temple 2021 Membership Form

Date Form Completed:

Last Name: 1 _____ (漢字)

First Name _____ (漢字)

Date of Birth: _____

Age 年齡 _____

Last Name: 2 _____ (漢字)

First Name _____ (漢字)

Date of Birth: _____

Age 年齡 _____

Present Address: _____

City & Prov. _____

Postal Code : _____ Phone Number _____

Address for
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Email: _____ Please indicate below if you consent to us sending you information, announcements and newsletters by e-mail. This helps us reduce mailing costs, and you can unsubscribe at any time. This consent is required to comply with Canadian Anti Spam Legislation. Please initial the appropriate box below.

I consent I do not consent

Next of Kin:

Name _____

Phone No. _____

Name _____

Phone No. _____

Name _____

Phone No. _____

Due Date: May 15, 2020 **Cheque payable to : Steveston Buddhist Temple**
2021 Membership Dues are \$125 per person

*Note that \$80 of your membership fee is paid to our National Association "JSBTC" and \$5 to our Provincial Association "BCJSBTF". Printing and mailing of newsletters costs another \$30 per year, leaving just \$10 in general revenues per member.

Please complete the following:

1. Please list any particular interests or events at the temple that you currently participating in.

2. Please list any events or activities you would like to see at our temple.

3. We are very much dependent upon volunteers. Please indicate if you can support the Temple as a volunteer and which events or days you can volunteer.

4. Please tell us of any suggestions or comments to help us serve you better.

We wish you to sincerely thank you for your support and look forward to see you at our temple.



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(All members automatically receive a copy via e-mail, hand delivery or Canada Post.)

MEMBERSHIP: If you would like to become a member, please come to the office and complete the membership form.

Join the Sangha and spread the Dharma

Donations

The Steveston Buddhist Temple sincerely appreciates and thanks the following for their generous donations: All donations received after March 24th will be announced in the next newsletter. *There has been some confusion regarding donations to the temple. Some people have been writing a single cheque with notation stating that the cheque is in memory of numerous individuals who are remembered at numerous Shotsuki Memorial Services. Please note that, in such a situation, it is very difficult for the office to keep track of and acknowledge the donations for the individuals in the newsletter corresponding with the Shotsuki month in which they passed away. Starting from now, any cheques with notations stating that it is in memory of numerous individuals, the names of the individuals will be acknowledged in the month that the cheque has been deposited. If you wish to have the donations acknowledged in the newsletter corresponding with the Shotsuki month, we ask that you to continue making donations during the actual Shotsuki memorial month of that individual.

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か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 (\$3211.47): Berlinguette Jocelyn, Hashimoto Junichi & Atsumi, Fujishima Katsuyo, Kaita Alan & Hiroko, Kurita Yoshie, Lee Melanie, Mizushima Tatsutoki & Karen, Morishita Elmer, Nakatsuru Sherry, Oda Jennifer, Okano Nicole, Okano Tokiko, Ryan Jeanne, Takizawa Yasuo, Sawada James & Norma, Wex Inc. Whittier Maya, Wong Tiffani

Naijin Flower donation: King Hiroko

Major Worship donation: (\$1215)

Ohigan Service: Akune Roy & Itoko, Go Keiko, Hamaura Misaye, Ikuta Kuni & June, Ikuta Makoto, Ikuta Teruko, Iwata Genevieve, Kawabata Jack, Kawabata Mitsuyo, Kondo Kaoru, Koyanagi Susie, Maede Toyoko, Matsumura Laverne, Matsuno Seishi & Kisako, Mori Koji & Judith, Mukai Akiko, Nakatsu Tsuyoshi & Chizuru, Nishi Kayoko, Nishimura Grace, Nitta Ayako, Okabe Mary, Oki Hiroshi, Sakai Tomiko, Sameshima Yoshiko, Suzuki Kent, Tani Kiyoshi & Mutsumi, Tomihiro Kazuko, Toyoda Miyuki, Yamashita Setsuko

Hoonko Service: Morizawa Chiyoko, Morizawa Sazare, Toyoda Miyuki, Whittier Maya, Yamashita S.

Nehan-e/Nirvana Day Service: Ikuta Teruko, Mizushima Tatsutoki & Karen

Shotsuki donations(\$3015)

January Shotsuki Service: Akizuki Casey

Feb. Shotsuki Service : Akizuki Casey, Akune Robert & Molly, Kokubo Alice, Morizawa Chiyoko, Morizawa Sazare, Ohara Nobuye, Ryan Larry & Jeanne, Sakamoto Bud, Turnbull Kaoru & Keith, Yesaki Tad & Mae

March Shotsuki Service: Akizuki Casey, Akizuki Eiko, Akune Roy & Itoko, Akune Ted & Rose, Doi Peter & Louise, Domai Kiyo, Hamade Alicia, Hamade Emi, Hamade Naomi, Hashimoto Junichi & Atsumi, Hamaura Misaye, Higo Kay & Kevin, Ikeda Naoe, Ikuta Kuni & June, Kakehi Tomoko, Kariya Florence, Kariya Victor, Kawabata Mitsuyo,

King Hiroko, Komori Dick & Setsuko, Kurahashi Marie & Judy, Kurita Yoshie, McDonnell Dawn & Gordon, Maede Toyoko, Maeno Ruby, Matsumura Laverne, Matsumura M&R., Mori Koji & Judith, Morizawa Sazare, Mukai Akiko, Murakami Lori, Murao Keith, Murao Ken & Janet, Murao Ray, Nakata Andy, Nakata Yasuhiko, Niguma Kazuko, Nishi Robert, Royce & Skyler, Philipps Naomi & Ben, Rodrigues Leah, Sakamoto Bud, Sameshima Ron, Satosono Aya, Shiyoji Lorraine, Takasaki Mayumi, Tasaka Kaz & Chic, Tasaka R & J, Teramura Ken & Pauline, Turnbull Kaoru & Keith, Wright Grace, Yamamoto Kayoko, Yamanaka Miyoko, Yamaoka Gerry & Vicky, Yasui Fukashi, Yoshida Dave & Arlene, Yukawa Joe

April Shotsuki Service: Sakai Kay & Mitts

**Funerals and Memorials
In memory of the late(\$3350)**

49th day Service of the late Mrs. Yasuko Tezuka: Tezuka Kanako, Matsuno Tom & Yoko, Yasui Lisa

49th day Service of the late Mrs. Minako Nakano: Nakano Family

1st year memorial service for the late Ms. Carole Yamamoto: Kawasaki Kenneth, Yamamoto Kevin, Hamade Naomi

1st year memorial service for the late Mr. Bob Hamaura: Hamaura Misaye, Hamaura Dean, Phillips Kim, Akune Roy & Itoko, Akune Robert & Molly, Akune Aaron & Vicky, Yoshihara Ken & Hiroko

7th year memorial service for the late brother Hiroyuki R. Sato: Go Keiko

21st year memorial of the late sister Toshiko Takasaki: Koyanagi Susie, Tomihiro Kazuko

Mrs. Minako Nakano: Nishi Kayoko, Tani Kiyoshi & Mutsumi, Yamamoto Kayoko

Mrs. Masako Uyeda: Ikuta Kuni & June, Katai Edward & Teruko, King Hiroko, Yamamoto Cathy

Mr. Katsuyuki Sakuraba: Okabe Mary, Yamamoto Toyoko

Mrs. Rosie Yoshiko Ohtani: Okabe Mary

Mrs. Nobue Atode: Morizawa Chiyoko

Mr. Terry Sakai: Toyoda Miyuki

Mrs. Kikue Osaka: Toyoda Miyuki

Mr. Rolf Mehl: Mehl Rainer

Mrs. Kinuyo Omae: Omae Darrel

Mrs. Kimiyo Murao: Murao Dick

Pioneers from Mio, Wakayama, Japan:

Mizuta Harry & Akemi

Note: An apology to Mrs. Kayoko Nishi for the late announcement.

2021/2022 Membership is now due for \$125 by May 31, 2021

Please fill the membership renewal form and submit your membership fee. Thank you.

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