



April 2016

## The Light of Boundless Compassion



**The other day, a young lady told me,** “I really like the sound of one line of the Amida Sutra.” “Which line do you like?” I asked. She said, “Shoshiki-shoko, oshiki-oko, shakushiki-shakko, byakushiki-byakko.” She said: “It sounds repetitious and I like it.” I said, “Yes, it sounds good, doesn’t it.” In English, people say “It sounds good” when they agree. In the same way, when we say “Oh, that line sounds good”, it means that we agree with it. We are comfortable with the sound of repetition. Actually, this is how Buddha’s disciples memorized the sutra. Intellectual understanding comes later.

So, what does this particular line mean? It means, “blue-colored with blue splendor, yellow-colored with yellow splendor, red-colored with red splendor, white colored with white splendor...” It speaks about lotus flowers blooming in the world of Amida, in the Pure Land, where there is no discrimination, no judgment and no comparison. The world of Amida, the realm of true Awakening, is truly open with no boundaries like the open sky. On the other hand, we, ordinary people wear a pair of colored glasses of ego mind and see everything accordingly. We discriminate, judge and compare and thereby we

ourselves suffer. For example, suppose that blue color is the color of health or color of life and yellow color is the color of illness and death. We compare blue color and yellow color and judge that health or life is better than illness and death. By claiming this, we discriminate that health and life is good and illness or death is bad. But our health or life does not continue forever in this world. Facing illness and death we despair and suffer. In the world of Amida, however, blue-colored with blue splendor and yellow-colored with yellow splendor might translate as health and life are shining but illness and death are also shining.

Again, suppose red-color is the color of victory and white-color is the color of defeat. We prefer red-colored victory over the white-colored of defeat. Yet, those who win one day may lose another day. This is our world. In the world of Amida, however, red-color with red splendor and white-color with white splendor means victory and defeat are both shining. We are accepted as we are in the world of Amida’s wisdom and compassion.

From our kitchen in Coaldale we often see beautiful sunsets. The western skies are lit up with splendor. Clouds of all kinds in shapes that cover the sky here and there are transformed into splendor by the working of the light of the setting sun. Similarly, our discriminatory and judgmental mind based on our ego-self is transformed into Amida Buddha’s compassion.

Those who encounter Amida’s light of compassion which comes from the realm of oneness are freed from their small ego-self forever. They experience true peace and joy in their lives.

In Gassho,  
Yasuo Izumi, Minister  
Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta  
釈迦の教法ましませど、修すべき有情のなきゆ

えに、  
りうるもの末法に一人もあらじとときたもう。（親鸞聖人）

春がやって来たような感じです。春がやって来た、となかなか言うことが出来ません。今年の気候はどうもハッキリしません。今年のお釈迦様を祝う「花祭り」は例年のようにやってきました。お釈迦様は2500年も前にお生まれになり、80才でお亡くなりになった方ですが、残して下さいました「法」は、今も変わらぬ「真実」として生きています。この「真実」の発見者をインドの釈迦族にお生まれになった尊い方と呼び、あるいは「仏陀(ブツダ)」とも「如来」とも「目覚めた方」ともお呼びしています。日本では多くの方が、「仏(ほとけ)」とは「亡くなった人」と考えていますが、亡くなった人が仏に成るとは限りません。「真実の教えに出会った人」が仏さまに成るのです。釈尊は真実に到るためのみ教えを多く残してくださいました。それは84,000の法門とも呼ばれています。親鸞聖人はこの多くの法門の中に「大悲の心」を「真実」あるいは、「仏様」として受け取られました。「大悲」とは、「苦しむ人々と一つになる心」と言えましょう。それは「一如の心」とも言われています。何が真実であるかも分からぬ私たちです。日々の生活は、いかり、ねたみ、よこしまな心でまみれていて、清浄なる心も持ち合わせていない私たちではありますが、仏様は「大悲の心」を持って私たちに働きかけて下さっています。花祭りには、この「大悲の心」を聴聞させて頂きましょう。

合掌 泉康雄

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# BTSA Notes

*When April with its sweet-smelling showers  
Has pierced the drought of March to the root,...*

Thus begins one of the best-known works in English literature from the 15th century, but the sentiment could easily refer to a significant birth an antipode away and centuries before Chaucer penned his Canterbury Tales.

Sweet-smelling showers reportedly fell in Lumbini's Garden upon the newly-born prince of the Sakya clan. For us, in southern Alberta, April signals the reawakening of the earth, as croci and tulips push upward out of the soil, into the springtime air.

Everything considered, it is a joyous time as we prepare to commemorate the birth of the Buddha at our Hanamatsuri service on Apr. 3. As one of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism's three major holidays, Hanamatsuri stands out as the one most closely associated with renewal and children. We look forward to the Dharma class students' active participation during the service.

Another bit of India continues a week later when members who toured parts of the sub-continent in February will present on Apr. 14 a slide show of their visit. Please look at a related item in this Hikari about the show.

The Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temple of Canada holds its annual general meeting in Winnipeg on Apr. 22 and 23. Our temple, with two votes, will be sending several delegates to both the JSBTC and JSBTC Women's Federation meetings. About \$70 of our annual membership donation of \$100 are earmarked for JSBTC's operation. Earlier, BTSA sent a cheque to the WF for \$1,775 its portion of the WF assessment.

As in the past, the month of April is set aside for a push of new membership and renewal of existing ones. Our year-end 2015 total, reported to the JSBTC, was 231, up one from the previous year. We'd appreciate members' attention to the April drive.

The spring chow mein supper is discussed in a related story elsewhere in this Hikari, but please keep in mind that it will come around quickly on the first day of May--a Sunday.

March began with the annual general meeting on the heels of the monthly memorial service. Please look over the AGM item elsewhere to see what was decided. A great turnout helped to make the session a strong one for temple responsibility. Thanks for your support.

The board welcomed Deanna Jones as a new director during the month. Her consent to sit on the board is deeply appreciated. At its March meeting, the board agreed to continue with the existing executive for another year: Akira Ichikawa, chair; Roland Ikuta, vice-chair; Trent Takeyasu, treasurer; and Brenda Ikuta, secretary.

The board approved a major project estimated at \$6,789 from Wesbridge to install protective wall covers partially along the north hallway walls which have suffered minor damages over time. It also voted to obtain a \$300 annual

license allowing the temple to show movies during its movie nights without running afoul of advertising restrictions or opening the event to the public.

The next "movie night" will be on May 7 at the Movie Mill with the showing of the acclaimed film, "Gandhi."

A word of thanks to several members who have been instrumental in upgrading the projector in the hondo and cleaning the high divider glass between the hondo and the multipurpose room. The left-side screen, many will have noticed, tended to be dimmer than the right one. Thanks to Tak Okamura and George Berg, who made the audio-visual installation initially, new replacement lenses have made images on both screens brighter and even.

Thanks, too, to Roy Sassa, Robert Takaguchi and Todd Imahashi for washing the glass. Additional thanks to Frank Beekman of Wesbridge who lent the temple the hoist to get both jobs done.

Finally, remember that all minutes of the board meetings are open to members. They're housed in binders in the board room library.

Akira Ichikawa

## Temple Carpets Shampooed

BTSA director Ross Jacobs volunteered several hours on St. Patrick's Day shampooing the hondo carpet for the first time since the temple construction was completed in 2009. Ross had the cleaning machine from his regular job for demonstration purposes and offered to shampoo the carpeted areas on his time.

He also shampooed the carpeted dharma classroom, board room and north hallway in February.

Warm thanks to Ross for volunteering to undertake and complete this tremendous job.



## \$400 Worth of Food Donated

Food donations with an estimated value of \$400 were contributed by members during BTSA's three-month campaign to collect imperishable goods for the Lethbridge Food Bank. The parcels were turned over to the Food Bank early in March along with a matching cheque for \$400.

This annual event is BTSA's contribution to the city's on-going need to help those in need. Thanks to everyone who helped out and brought goods to the food bank box at the temple.



# India Night at the Temple April 14

BTSA members who took part in a two-week trip to India in February will be making presentations in the special guest speaker's series Apr. 14 at 7 p.m. at the temple.

Joyce Adachi, her sister, Jane; John and Donna Dubbelboer; Roland and Brenda Ikuta; Sylvia Oishi; Jim Tsukishima and Sumie Tsukishima joined the troupe headed by Roy and Itoko Akune of the Steveston Buddhist Temple.

A slide show of the places that the group visited and toured will be presented, along with a commentary on the sites and some of the experiences.

A light snack of samosas, tea and other Indian snacks will be offered after the presentation. Everyone is welcome to attend and partake of the sights, sounds and tastes of India.



**Hanamatsuri** (Birthday of Siddhartha Gautama) is here again with us. Siddhartha became enlightened at the age of 35 and became Sakyamuni Buddha (a wise one of Sakya clan). He expounded numerous paths to lead us to enlightenment.

Master Shinran found the boundless compassion in the numerous paths for us who are full of blind passions. He wrote in Shoshinge: "Sakyamuni Buddha appeared in this world solely to teach the boundless compassion (Vow of Amida); we, an ocean of beings in the age of defilements, should entrust ourselves to true words of Sakyamuni Buddha." Without appearance of the historical Buddha on this earth, we would never have been able to encounter Amida's boundless compassion. Let's celebrate Buddha's birthday, Hanamatsuri! (Y.I.)

## CHAIR SCHEDULE April & May 2016

Services begin at 10:30 a.m. unless otherwise indicated.

**Apr 03** HANAMATSURI/  
SHOTSUKI @ 2 pm  
Chair: Roland Ikuta  
Audio: Brenda Ikuta

**Apr 10**  
Chair: Kynan Gordon  
Audio: Tak Okamura

**Apr 17**  
Chair: Katie Nakagawa  
Audio: John Dubbelboer

**Apr 24**  
Chair: Ross Jacobs  
Audio: Sway Nishimura  
(Sensei away at JSBTC AGM)

**May 01**  
Spring Chow Mein Supper  
(Formal service suspended)

**May 08** SHOTSUKI  
Chair: Ross Jacobs  
Audio: Brenda Ikuta

**May 15**  
Chair: Sylvia Oishi  
Audio: Ross Jacobs

**May 22**  
Chair: Val Boras  
Audio: Tak Okamura

**May 29**  
Chair: Sheila Oishi  
Audio: John Dubbelboer

**MC designates:** if you are unable to chair on your assigned date or have made other arrangements on your own, please inform Sway Nishimura. Thank you.

**Dharma class MCs** may assist or take the place of those assigned. This will be prearranged.

## Hanamatsuri Service Apr. 3

The 2016 Hanamatsuri service, along with the monthly memorial service for April, will be held at 2 p.m. on Apr. 3. Hanamatsuri celebrates the birth of the historical Buddha, Siddhartha Gautama, between the years 411 and 400 BCE (before the common era).

The commemoration is a joyous one, especially aimed at children, and is one of the three major holidays in the Jodo Shinshu calendar along with Ho-onko in January and Obon in July. The occasion at the temple also is held in conjunction with the shotsuki for April that honors those who had died during the month.

Besides the religious portion of the service, there will be entertainment provided by children and members, presentation of gifts, and a dinner following the service. All are invited to join in this happy occasion and visit with friends.



Dennis Joshin Fujimoto sensei and Izumi sensei toss paper petals during last year's Hanamatsuri service.

# 2016 Membership Form

- Full Membership (\$100 for each member)       Student Membership\*

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Names(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Names(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, Province, Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Cellphone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- Check to receive The Hikari newsletter by Email only.

Please send this form and your remittance to:  
Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta Treasurer  
470 40th Street South  
Lethbridge, AB, T1J 3Z5

## \*Note

Student membership is limited to persons 18 years or older who are currently registered in a recognized educational institution. It is free of charge with a valid student ID card. Student Members are not entitled to vote at general meetings or to hold office in the BTSA and this category does not include membership in the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada, the national organization.

**LET'S EXPAND THE CIRCLE OF THE DHARMA!**

## Membership Month Reminder

The month of April is designated as membership renewal month and BTSA reminds its members that the 2016 membership donation remains at \$100 a person. Kindly make cheques payable to the BTSA and remit to the Treasurer c/o the temple. Your dues covers a part of the temple's annual operating costs; but, perhaps more importantly, reflects a continuing commitment to the temple. Thank you for your support that keeps BTSA relevant and meaningful.

We also extend a warm welcome to any and all prospective members interested in joining the Sangha. Please fill out to the membership application form and leave at or send to the temple.

**Membership to Mar. 26, 2016: 115**

## Shotsuki Donations

March, 2016

Arlon Bauer & Sharon Higa  
John & Donna Dubbelboer  
Dorene Gordon  
Gary Higa  
Randy Higa  
Shinako (Sheila) Higa  
Shirley Higa  
Neil Hinatsu  
Marie Hirashima  
Tomi Hisaoka  
Rumiko Ibuki  
Toshimi & Marian Ibuki  
Ray & Donna Journoud  
Shig & Katie Nakagawa  
May Nishikawa  
Mac & Reyko Nishiyama  
Kaz & Setsuko Ohno  
May Ohno  
Yumiko Osaka  
Bob & Eiko Shigehiro  
Emily Stitt  
Noboru & Kazuko Sugimoto  
KB & Lila Ho-Takeda  
Toshiko Takeda  
Brenda & Lester Tanner  
Joe & Sumiko Tomiyama  
**Total \$1,360**

## Other Donations

March 2016

Shinako (Sheila) Higa  
Sue S. Kado  
Florence Senda  
Eichi & Betty Tanaka  
**Total \$1,270**

**Note:** Barrie & Jackie-Lynn Robb were misidentified in the Donation List appearing in the February Hikari. We apologize for the error.

We try to be as thorough as possible but occasionally make errors. Please inform us if your name has been omitted from or misspelled in the donation lists. Anyone wishing his/her name not be acknowledged in print, please let us know so it won't be published. Thank you.



**April is BTSA Membership Month**

## REGULAR EVENTS

### Southern Alberta Buddhist Choir

Contact: Katie Nakagawa 403.327.4296

**Tonari Gumi** Tuesdays, 12-3pm

**The Lethbridge Karaoke Club** Wednesdays, 1:30pm

Contact Nao 403.327.7357 or Tad 403.942.7783

### Taiko Class

Adult taiko, Tuesdays @ 7pm

Contact: David Tanaka 403.330.1548 or david@albrio.com

**Minyo dancers** Tuesdays, 4:30pm

Contact Pat Sassa 403.329.3105

## PROGRAMS

**Spring Yoga** April 6 through May 11 led by Val Kunimoto is open to the community as well as BTSAs members. Both classes are currently full, but we can waitlist you in case of cancellations. Contact lorita.ichikawa@gmail.com

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**From the JSBTC WF:** Reminder to hand in Convention surveys to Donna Dubbelboer. Also any used stamps and foreign coins for UNICEF, would be greatly appreciated **before April 15**. The jar is located in the multipurpose room, along the south wall.

**Chow mein noodles** are available to BTSAs members for \$3 a bag, with a three-bag limit. Members interested in purchasing them are asked to get in touch with Emily Stitt or Jan Okamura.

**On January 9, 2016 a retreat was attended by the board and other temple members.** Prior to the retreat a survey was sent out asking how we may better service our members. In response to the survey there were many topics for discussion, one of these topics chosen was to have more open discussions not necessarily about Buddhism but those which may have a Buddhist impact in life. We thought ideas for discussion would be those which have an impact on today's world using the noble eightfold path as a guideline. The discussion groups will be scheduled on Sho-Tsuki service days in the multi purpose room during tea for a duration of twenty to thirty minutes. The first discussion topic is "Physician Assisted Deaths" discussing the perspective of Right View. This will take place on **May 8, 2016**. The June discussion topic will be The influx of Syrian Refugees discussing the Buddhist views of Right Thoughts.  
—Wayne Tsukishima

## TOBAN UPDATE

Thanks to **Toban 3** for re-commencing the weekly tea following service as well as regular toban duties.

Each Toban serves four separate months during the year, along with all-temple events such as mein-making and various fund raisers.

### Toban Schedule:

April	Toban 2	July	Toban 3
May	Toban 3	Aug	Toban 2
June	Toban 4		

**Soup Kitchen:** April 6, Toban 2 May 18, Toban 3

Contact 403.327.1668 or lorita.ichikawa@gmail.com

## FOR CHILDREN ONLY

**Did you know that monkeys are very wise and clever animals?** One day, three monkeys got together and

talked with one another, "Let's agree to stay away from bad things. Let's agree that we won't say bad things, listen to bad things or watch bad things." The monkeys always thought it was wise to stay away from danger. But a few days later, the first monkey saw someone bullying a small boy and the small boy was crying. Then, the second monkey heard someone spreading gossip and telling lies to others. So, the third monkey spoke up, "From now on, we'd better speak up when we see or hear something bad." The first monkey said, "Yes, let's try to be kind to others." The second monkey said, "Yes, let's try to be honest and helpful." Then the third monkey suggested, "From now on, we should listen to Buddha's teachings to help us do the right things." They all agreed with a big smile. Do you know what happened? These monkeys became not only wiser but also courageous! (Y.I.)



## BUDDHIST Q & A

**Q. What does "Okagesama" mean?** 「おかげさま」の意味は？  
**A.** This is a Japanese expression that means grateful feeling. Whether Buddhists or not, Japanese frequently use the word in their daily conversation. Let's have a quick Japanese lesson. "O" and "sama" are an honorific prefix and suffix respectively. An important part of the word lies between "o" and "sama", that is, "kage" meaning shade or shadow. Japanese often speak about the power and energy of that which is invisible and unseen. "Kage" implies invisible and unseen connections that make life possible. But, we tend to overlook or ignore the "kage" and as the result, the word merely becomes a formality. In Jodo Shinshu Buddhism in particular, invisible and unseen connection means the working of Buddha's wisdom and compassion, through which we are made aware to see clearly and correctly not only the life of interconnectedness but also our inner-self, self-centered mind. This realization nurtures Jodo Shinshu followers to live a life of gratitude and humility. They often say, "Because of the working of the Buddha, I am allowed to live today. How grateful I am." (Y.I.)

**KEIROKAI** is a special celebration to honour members of the Nikkei community who are 80 years of age and older. **Saturday, April 23, Lethbridge Lodge Hotel, Scenic Drive S Tickets \$40, Children 6-12 \$20, Honorees are our guests** Sponsored by the Nikkei Cultural Society of Lethbridge & Area Your support is very much appreciated.

Contact:

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Hisae Price	403.345.3356	Toshi Miyanaga	403.223.4615
Sue Kado	403.758.3136	Pat Sassa	403.329.3105

## Spring Chow Mein Supper - May 1

The first of May heralds this year's spring chow mein supper, the first time BTSA will be having it on a Sunday. Regular service will be suspended for the day, although there are plans afoot to have a brief service during the morning break.

Preparations for the regular drive-through supper will be on a Saturday, allowing fulltime workers to contribute their skills. Thanks to Judy Takaguchi for agreeing to coordinate this vital temple fund-raiser.

Tickets at \$12 a supper have been distributed and are being sold by members.

The temple looks forward a large turnout on both days to help prepare and make the supper cartons.



## Mein-Making

Making mein noodles for sale and in preparation for the spring chow mein supper brought out a large turnout on Feb. 27. Thanks everyone for your helping hands.



1. Cutting dough cake into strips...



2. ...that are fed into the first of several presses.



3. The strips are cut smaller...



4. and fed into noodle cutters at three stations.



5. Here's the third cutter.



6. Noodles are deep-fried in three woks.



7. A tray of finished mein noodles.



8. Spread out to be cooled.



9. Cleaning up afterwards



## THE BUDDHIST TEMPLE OF SOUTHERN ALBERTA children & youth dharma classes

### Taiko Starts in April

Beginning April 10th at 12 noon and continuing every Sunday except when there are monthly memorial or special services. As tea after regular service has been reinstated, practice will be located at the back of the hondo (main service area). Kynan Gordon will once again lead these sessions which are open to the community.

**Thank you** to our Dharma class MCs for the month of March. More to come in April! And to our regular MCs, who have been so accommodating.

Also, many thanks to Joyce Shigehiro for leading the lesson in *gratitude*.



## BTSA to Donate \$3,000 to Calgary Temple

A decision to donate \$3,000 to the Calgary Buddhist Temple was passed by the BTSA annual general meeting on Mar. 1, along with a number of other items on the agenda. Terms of the \$200,000 loan to Calgary in 2015 included repayment by 2020 at an annual interest of three per cent.

Prompting the discussion was a \$6,000 loan interest payment received from Calgary. Assuming Calgary could use the cash during its current renovation fund-raising, it was suggest to return or to forgive the payment. Instead, the AGM agreed with the idea of a donation.

The AGM also approved a request to retain a part-time bookkeeper/ secretary on a trial basis for six months, given the financial and workload increase at the temple.

In other actions,

- the membership donation amount for 2017 was approved at \$100;
- Deanna Jones consented to serve as a director on the board, along with the re-election of Akira Ichikawa, Roland Ikuta, Brenda Ikuta, Sylvia Oishi, and Jim Tsukishima for another two-year term. (The staggered term system means one year remains for Val Boras, Ross Jacobs, Sheila Oishi, Roy Sassa, Trent Takeyasu and Wayne Tsukishima.);
- it was decided to reinstitute tea and simple refreshments after Sunday services, effective Mar. 13;
- reports were received from the minister, chairman of the board, treasurer, and various committees;
- the 2015 review engagement detailing temple finances from Moriyama-Wolsey accountants was received (copies available in the board room and on the temple website);
- capsule reports were offered by several committees set up after the temple retreat in January;
- physical improvement plans are in the works for the temple sign and north hallway wall; and
- the Nikkei Cultural Society is welcome to make a donation request for its keirokai (party to honor seniors) that his held every three years.

About 50 members attended the AGM, for which the board was grateful. The AGM minutes and the review engagement may be viewed in binders located in the board room.



Members enjoying after-service refreshments before the AGM. About 50 members turned out for the annual general meeting.

### Toban 4 at the Soup Kitchen

Another year of BTSA members volunteering time at the Lethbridge Soup Kitchen began Mar. 17 when Toban 4 provided lunch for those using the facility.

The Soup Kitchen presented the group with a Certificate of Appreciation for the many years the temple has offered its services.

Holding the certificate are Mitsuko Oga and Sachi Taguchi. Others who helped out, from left, are Stan Peters, Heidi Oishi, Eietsu Chiba, Tad Sakaguchi, Yoko Tsujita, Joyce Adachi, Yumi Osaka, Judy Fukushima, Tak Okamura, Sharon Koizumi, Betty Taniguchi, Noriko Oga, Tak Tsujita and Jan Okamura.

The next temple date is Apr. 6, with Toban 2 on tap.





APRIL: TOBAN 2

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
*OFFICIAL BTSA ACTIVITY						
						10am Exploring Jodo Shinshu Buddhism* 1 2
2pm Shotsuki Memorial/Hanamatsuri Service* 3		12pm Tonari Gumi 4:30pm Minyo Dance 7pm Taiko 4	9am Soup Kitchen Toban 2* 9 & 10:30am Spring Yoga 1:30pm Karaoke 5 6		1:30pm Correctional Centre Visit* 7	8 9
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MAY: TOBAN 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1-5pm Chow Mein Supper* 1		12pm Tonari Gumi 4:30pm Minyo Dance 7pm Taiko 2 3	9 & 10:30am Spring Yoga 1:30pm Karaoke 4			10am "Gandhi" at Movie Mill* 5 6 7
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