



February 2015

Nembutsu Sangha



The Teaching of Buddha identifies three different types of organizations as follows: First is the organization based on power, wealth and authority of leaders. Second is the organization based on convenience and the interests of its members. Third is the organization based on good teachings and, whereby, members experience spiritual liberation.

A Buddhist organization is, of course, not merely a social gathering place which exists as long as people get along with each other. At a place of gathering, people shake hands, hug, and laugh, or sometimes cry together. This is fine. But this does not necessarily reflect an ideal Buddhist organization. In our organization called the Jodo Shinshu Nembutsu Sangha, we listen to the teaching that Master Shinran (1173-1263) taught for us, namely, “Buddha-Centered Life” based on Nembutsu teaching.

Nembutsu means a compassionate call of the Buddha which is working amid our “Self-Centered Life”. At our organization, the attachment of our small self or ego-self is always reflected and constantly crushed by the working of Buddha’s light of wisdom and compassion, so that we become one with the Buddha. The thick wall created by our ego-self,

which makes the life of duality such as, you and I, good and bad, right and wrong, victory and defeat, birth and death, is crumbled by the compassionate working of the Buddha. We are taught that from the time we hear and receive the great compassionate heart of the Buddha, birth in the Pure Land of Nirvana, has already started. In this sense, Buddhism is not talking about life after physical death. Master Shinran talked about the way to truly live here and now. Drawn by the Buddha’s wisdom and compassion, we return effortlessly to the land of true awakening of life. This is our Sangha which belongs to the third type of organization mentioned above.

A snake casts off old skin from the new skin, crawls out of its old skin to new life. The snake which cannot shed its skin, I heard, has to die in vain. How sad it is! Master Shinran said: if we had not encountered the compassionate working of Buddha, our transmigration in birth-and-death has no end; what could we do then, sinking in this sea of pain and affliction? Thus, he encourages us to meet the Buddha here and now and experience spiritual liberation, individually and personally. Otherwise, our life would have been in vain.

Yes, the “Buddha-Centred Life” is indeed constantly and always casting off our old skin of ego to the new life, the life of spiritual liberation!

In gassho,
Yasuo Izumi, Minister
Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta

宗教ということ

新年早々、パリにある風刺画で有名な出版社が、イスラム教の過激派2人によって襲撃されるという事件が起こりました。警官を含む12人が殺され、それと時を同じくして、近くの食料店が、やはりイスラム教の過激派によって占領され、5人が殺害されました。この襲撃は、イスラム教予言者モハメッドを風刺したということが原因の一つになっているようです。「言論(表現)の自由」と「宗教感情」とのもつれが大きな惨事をもたらしました。それにしても、このような殺人事件が、近代都市で白昼堂々で行われる、ということに言い知れぬ恐れと驚きを感じます。

この事件を受け、その翌日、ローマ法王と4人のイスラム教徒の代表が話し合っています。そこでは、「宗教対話の必要性」、「言論の自由の大切さ」が確認され、報道関係には対しては「宗教の尊重」を呼びかけています。21世紀は「宗教戦争」がいよいよ拡大される時代と言われてきましたが、その感をいよいよ強くします。「宗教」とは「教えを宗とする」と書かれています。教えを聞かねばならないのは、自己中心的で不完全な私たち一人ひとりでしょう。宗教の目的は、自分の教えを謙虚に聞き、それを日々の生活に生かしていく、というところにあることを、この度の事件を通して改めて思われました。

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BTSA Notes

Please note that the annual general meeting (AGM) of the temple is coming up on the first Sunday in March--that's Mar. 1--after the monthly memorial service. We'd like to see as many members as possible turn out for this important event to discuss and guide the direction of the temple for the coming year. We don't anticipate a lengthy meeting, and would like to hear the concerns of the membership about the operation of the temple. Reports will be available to the membership.

The meeting will be held after the service and while members are enjoying their tea and refreshments. There is no major item on the agenda, but we would like to examine the status of the Alberta Buddhist Conference which was suspended last year because Calgary was in the midst of a renovation project for its temple. and was unable to host the annual event.

The main item will be the election of board members to replace five directors whose two-year terms expire at the AGM: John Dubbelboer, Trent Takeyasu, Roy Sassa, Val Boras, and Wayne Tsukishima. Continuing members for another year are: Akira Ichikawa, Brenda Ikuta, Sylvia Oishi, Roland Ikuta, and Jim Tsukishima. The board has been operating with 10 directors and would like to restore it to 12 so invites interested members to allow their names to stand for election. Please consider serving on the board to help in the governance of the temple.

Also, in keeping with temple bylaws, the official notification of the meeting is published elsewhere in the Hikari. This notification meets the 15-day advanced notice of the AGM to temple members.

The temple will be completing its food donation program in February, by asking a member to estimate the value of the collected parcels which will be matched with a cheque in that amount, as decided by the board. Our thanks to all who have donated so generously; it was heartwarming to see the contributions piling up in the donation box. We will be calling the Lethbridge Food Bank during the month to pick up the donations.

Jan Okamura has agreed to head the spring chow mein supper on May 2. Preparatory to the supper, Mary Shigehiro has consented to oversee a mein-making session of March 28. The temple appreciates their willingness to look after these major projects and looks forward to all members to turn out in large numbers to help undertake these fund-raisers. As always, we hope everyone finds both events a great time to socialize despite the unending amount of duties.

BTSA lost its oldest member during the month of January, Mrs. Shizue Yamagishi, who lived to 105 years of age. She was a long-time devoted member of Jodo Shinshu and left many family members, relatives and friends to grieve her death. Mrs. Yamagishi truly exemplified the gratitude we so closely associate with Jodo Shinshu. She was clear of mind and lucid to the time of her death. Thank you Mrs. Yamagishi for your kindness and generosity throughout your life.

Akira Ichikawa



Joya-no-Kane

About 35 persons attended the Joya-no-Kane ceremony at the Nikka Yuko Garden on New Year's Eve to say goodbye to 2014 and ring in 2015. Under a full moon, Izumi sensei guided the visitors to the portable obutsudan and the striker to toll the bell the customary 108 times to get rid of the 108 human imperfections to begin the new year. The event, co-sponsored by BTSA and the Nikka Yuko Garden, included a reception in the Garden store and office.

PET MEMORIAL /NIRVANA DAY SERVICE February 15

The third annual pet memorial will be held Feb. 15 in conjunction with the Nirvana Day observance during the regular Sunday service beginning at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is invited to bring photos of their pets --deceased or living, sad or smiling--to express gratitude for all the joy and unconditional love they give.

The photos will be displayed on the homyo stand on the najjin.



CHAIR SCHEDULE February & March 2015

Feb 01 SHOTSUKI
Chair: Robert Takaguchi
Audio: Sway Nishimura

Feb 08
Chair: Sylvia Oishi
Audio: Brenda Ikuta

**Feb 15 NIRVANA DAY/
PET MEMORIAL**
Chair: Val Boras
Audio: Akira Ichikawa

Feb 22
Chair: Sway Nishimura
Audio: Tak Okamura

Mar 01 SHOTSUKI
Chair: Sheila Oishi
Audio: John Dubbelboer

Mar 08
Chair: Florence Senda
Audio: Sway Nishimura

Mar 15 SPRING OHIGAN
Chair: John Dubbelboer
Audio: Akira Ichikawa

Mar 22
Chair: Deanna Jones
Audio: Brenda Ikuta

Mar 29
Chair: Joyce Shigehiro
Audio: Tak Okamura

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.

Annual General Meeting - MARCH 1

Notice of the BTSA 2015 Annual General Meeting

This is official notification of the 2015 AGM scheduled for March 1, 2015, following the monthly memorial service. The BTSA by-law requires at least 15 days written notice in advance of the date of the annual general meeting, with a notice in the Hikari constituting official notification.

As we approach another temple AGM, members are encouraged to stand for a board position for a two-year term. Under the staggered term system, six positions will have to be filled.

The board holds 11 monthly meetings (none in August). The meetings rarely exceed two hours. Please consider giving a few hours of your time to help govern temple affairs.

Financial and committee reports will be circulated and presented. Other matters pertaining to temple activities also will be discussed and will be invited from the floor.



Pictures above and right of the Ho-onko Service on January 11. Story on page 6.

Photos:
Akira Ichikawa
John Dubbelboer



NY Service

Pictured above are part of the dozen persons who attended the temple on New Year's Day (Shusho-E) to begin 2015. After a brief service, a short social was held to toast the new year. A few hours earlier, Izumi sensei had officiated the Joya-no-Kane ceremony at the Nikka Yuko Garden to bid farewell to 2014.

Two Talks on Buddhism at U of L

Two talks about Buddhism at the University of Lethbridge will look at the relationship between fathers and daughters in Chinese Buddhism and the development of Buddhism in the modern era.

Prof. Wendi L. Anamek, the current Numata Chair in Buddhist Studies and faculty member at the University of Calgary, will speak on the father-daughter link. She is the author of a forthcoming book entitled *The Buddhists of Baoshan, a 7th-century community in Henan, China*.

**Thursday, February 5, 2015
4:30 p.m.
C-610 (University Hall)**

Dr. John S. Harding, chair of the Department of Religious Studies at the University of Lethbridge, will look at the ways in which Buddhism has spread globally in the modern period.

**Thursday, February 26, 2015
7 – 9 p.m.
U of L Dr. Foster James Penny
Building, PB210
324 5 Street S, Lethbridge**

Both talks are open to the public.

2014 Tax Receipts: Tax receipts for 2014 will be mailed out before the end of February 2015, in compliance with Canadian Revenue Agency requirements. Thank you for your generous donations throughout the past year.

2014 Membership: 229

2015 Memberships to Jan 22 - 68

Shotsuki Hoyo Donations

January 2015

Judy Fukushima
Chiduka Hamabata
Shirley Higa
Neil Hinatsu
Tom Hisaoka
Hiroshi Kitagawa
Eileen Kunimoto
Katoye Maruno
Jim & Joan Nakagawa
Shig & Katie Nakagawa
Sway & Toshiko Nishimura
Mrs. Alice Ohashi
May Ohno
Randy Ohno
LILly Oishi
Bob & Eiko Shigehiro
Joe & Mary Shigehiro
Tom & Mitsuko Shigehiro
Noboru & Kazuko Sugimoto
Tom & Tsuyako Tajiri
Shizuo & Dorothy Tomita
Joe & Sumiko Tomiyama
Tak & Yoko Tsujita
Fujio & Yoshiko Tsukishima
Sumie Tsukishima

Total \$1,255

Other Donations

January 2015

Elizabeth Adachi
Roy & Nancy Adachi
John & Chieko Addison
John & Rita Aoki
Sunao & Kaye Ayukawa
Lynda Baranieki
Elda Barva
Richard & Valerie Boras
Doug & Lisa Brown
Malcolm & Mary Clewes
Dharma Class
Marlene A Ezaki
Alex & Connie Ferreira
Judy Fukushima
Floyd & Yoko Gillies
Bob & Ina Harris
Yosh & Lois Hattori
Shinako (Sheila) Higa
Shirley Higa
Marie Hirashima
Gaye K. Hironaka

Tom Hisaoka
Tokio Hori
Rumiko Ibuki
Toshimi & Marian Ibuki
Tosh & Tsuyako Iwamoto
Brian & Judy Jackson
Brett Johnson
Tom & Lily Kaga
John Kamitomo
Roy Kamitomo
John & Alice Kanashiro
Tosh & Kaz Kanashiro
Kikuchi Family
Hiroshi Kitagawa
Sue Kitagawa
Ted Koyata
Matt & Clara Kurio
Ken & Amy Kurio
Richard & Donna LaPlace
Kay K. Matsuda
Kinuko Matsuno
Yutaka & Chiyomi Matsuno
Emi Minemoto
Gerry Miyashiro
Joe & Marion Mori
Daisy Moshurchak
Mark & Shelly Murakami
Ken & Vickie Nakagama
Jim & Joan Nakagawa
Shig & Katie Nakagawa
Amy Nakamura
Kazuo & Nancy Nakamura
Teiji Nakamura
Harold & Rose Nicholson
Nikkei Cultural Society
Saburo & Kimino Nishi
May Nishikawa
Sway & Toshiko Nishimura
Mac & Reyko Nishiyama
Colin Nonomura
Rob Nonomura
North and Company
Mitsuko Oga
Kaz & Setsuko Ohno
Kimiko Ohno
May Ohno
Heidi Oishi
Lilly Oishi
Sut & Neva Oishi
Tak & Jan Okamura
Setsuko Okuma
Yumiko Osaka
Ayako Otsuka
Hisae Price
Tosh & Joyce Saruwatari
Gordon & Joy Saruwatari
Robert Seaman
Florence Senda
Bob & Eiko Shigehiro
Joe & Mary Shigehiro

Tom & Mitsuko Shigehiro
Ben & Florence Shikaze
Joan Skeith
Dewy & Eileen Spitzer
Cliff & Joanne Stroh
Fumi Sugimoto
Noboru & Kazuko Sugimoto
Tomiko Sugimoto
Jim Sunada
Noris & Sachiko Taguchi
Tom & Tsuyako Tajiri
Kazuko Takaguchi
Robert & Judy Takaguchi
Shin & Hisako Takahashi
Fugi Takeda
David Takeda
Reiko Takeyasu
Mike & Sharon Tamura
Masaru & Ayako Taniguchi
Sam & Betty Taniguchi
Masae Taniwa
Bill & June Terakita
Richard Teramura
Akira Terashima
Bill Teshima
Clifford & Mary Thomas
Teruko Tokitsu
George Tokuda
Shizuo & Dorothy Tomita
Jim & Marion Tomiyama
Joe & Sumiko Tomiyama
Tonarigumi
Tak & Yoko Tsujita
Fujio & Yoshiko Tsukishima
Sumie Tsukishima
Yamagishi Family
Dick & Sue Yamamoto
Yasuo & Lil Yamashita
Aiko Yoshihara

Total - \$14,275

Ho-onko Donations

January 2015

Eiko Aoki
Eietsu Chiba
John & Donna Dubbelboer
Judy Fukushima
Dorene Gordon
Chiduka Hamabata
Duane Hamabata
Shinako (Sheila) HIga
Shirley HIga
Marie Hirashima
Tom Hisaoka
Violet Horii
Toshimi & Marian Ibuki
Akira & Lorita Ichikawa
Tom & Lily Kaga
Hiroshi Kitagawa
Eileen Kunimoto
Ken & Amy Kurio
Kay K. Matsuda
Yutaka & Chiyomi Matsuno

Abigail McMeekin
Joyce Miyashita
Joe & Marion Mori
William T & Setsuko Nagai
Jim & Joan Nakagawa
Shig & Katie Nakagawa
Teiji Nakamura
Roy & Minnie Nakatsuru
May Nishikawa
Sway & Toshiko Nishimura
Mac & Reyko Nishiyama
Mitsuko Oga
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Kimiko Ohno
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LILly Oishi
Sheila Oishi
Sut & Neva Oishi
Tak & Jan Okamura
Setsuko Okuma
Yumiko Osaka
Jaglit S (Jack) Panesar
Tadanori & Chieko Sakaguchi
Roy & Pat Sassa
Craig & Sachi Scharf
Florence Senda
Bob & Eiko Shigehiro
Joe & Mary Shigehiro
Joyce Shigehiro & Trevor Van Sluys
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Toshino Shigemi
Tomiko Shono
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Tomiko Sugimoto
Noris & Sachiko Taguchi
Tom & Tsuyako Tajiri
Robert & Judy Takaguchi
Fugi Takeda
Toshiko Takeda
Reiko Takeyasu
Tomiko Takeyasu
Eichi & Betty Tanaka
Glen & Pamela Tanaka
Sam & Betty Taniguchi
Shirley Taniguchi
Bill & June Terakita
Akira Terashima
George Tokuda
Shizuo & Dorothy Tomita
Joe & Sumi Tomiyama
Tak & Yoko Tsujita
Fujio & Yoshiko Tsukishima
Keiko Kay Tsukishima
Sumie Tsukishima
MInoru Yoshida

Total - \$5,600

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.

REGULAR EVENTS

Southern Alberta Buddhist Choir

Scheduled practice Feb 8

Contact: Pat Sassa 403.329.3105 or Katie Nakagawa 403.327.4296

Tonari Gumi Tuesdays, 12-3pm

Taiko Class Tuesdays, 7pm (Adult) and Fridays, 7pm (Youth)

Contact: David Tanaka at 403.330.1548 or david@eyesquared.com

The Lethbridge Karaoke Club Wednesdays, 1pm

No meeting on Feb 11

Minyo dancers Tuesdays, 4-6pm

Junior Minyo will meet after service on Feb 1

Contact Pat Sassa 403.329.3105

PROGRAMS

Gentle Beginning Yoga for Seniors Thursdays 9 - 10 am (Five spaces left)

Restorative Yoga for Seniors Thursdays 10:30 - 11:30 (One space left)

Both yoga classes are for four weeks February 5-26

Contact: lorita.ichikawa@gmail.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Condolences

The BTSA expresses heartfelt sympathy to those who have lost loved ones:

Mrs. Shizue Yamagishi (105) Jan. 7, 2015

Attention Safeway Shoppers: If you have been collecting the stamps for the "Zwilling/Henckels" knives and have any stamps left over or if you have stamps you can not use, could you please consider donating them to the Temple and hopefully we might be able to receive a good knife or two. You can earn stamps until Feb. 12th but we can redeem the stamps until March 1, 2015. Call Jan Okamura (ph. 403 327 0464) if you can't get them to the Temple and I will pick them up. Thank you.

There is still space available to attend the **WBWC Convention**. Everyone, including family and friends are encouraged to register online at www.wbwconvention.com



2015 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.

TOBAN UPDATE

Thanks to **Toban 3** for supporting the January activities including Hoonko and the new year's party.

Toban 2014/15 Schedule

FEB Toban 4 • MAR Toban 2 • APR Toban 4

Soup Kitchen

Wed Mar 18 • Jan/Tak Okamura, Toban 4



In between birth and death everything I have is a gift – my body, the clothes I wear, the knowledge I have, family and friends, hobbies I enjoy, the house I live in, and so on. They are all "mine", but only as things temporarily entrusted to me during my sojourn on earth.

– Rev. Taitetsu Unno

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

Notes

*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 of membership does not include membership in the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada.

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

Ho-onko & NYParty

A sizeable crowd turned out for the annual Ho-onko service on Jan. 11, commemorating the death of the founder, Shinran Shonin. It also was the monthly memorial for the month and was followed by the New Year's Party.

The choir sang two songs and led the congregation in "Ho-onko no Uta" (In Praise of Shinran) during the service. In his dharma talk, sensei mentioned the apparent contradiction in having a happy occasion (the party) at the same time as a memorial (Shinran's death). "But from a Jodo Shinshu point of view it is not necessarily right thinking," he said. "Because Master Shinran said: All nembutsu followers have perfectly realized Buddha-Centered Life, they will be born in complete Nirvana, Pure Land, on the eve of the time of death, the moment we discard our physical life.

Master Shinran taught that the time of death is the moment of Birth for those who are awakened to the life of Buddha, the life of ego-less-ness, the life of non-ego attachment."

Those in attendance enjoyed a meal catered by the New Dynasty Restaurant and an evening of playing bingo.



Photos: John Dubbelboer



BUDDHIST Q & A

Q. Why is the image of the Buddha of Jodo Shinshu standing?

A. Buddha's virtues are expressed as wisdom and compassion. The image of a sitting Buddha symbolises wisdom to see the true reality of life, oneness, as it is. For those who are not able to comprehend it but create the life of duality in which they suffer, Buddha's wisdom manifests itself in compassion. The image of a standing Buddha symbolizes compassion. Jodo Shinshu (Shin Buddhism) revealed by Master Shinran (1173-1263) is for ordinary, common and spiritually- ignorant beings, such as ourselves. Therefore, when we visit any Jodo Shinshu Temple in Japan, North America or other locations, we will always see the image of the standing Buddha in the center of the shrine. In front of the standing Buddha we reflect on ourselves and, at the same time, appreciate Buddha's compassion that is always embracing us. (Y.I.)





THE BUDDHIST TEMPLE OF SOUTHERN ALBERTA
children & youth dharma classes

Thank you to Abby McMeekin for her Dharma class lesson about compassion. Borrowing from the concept of *Tonglen*, a meditative practice based in Tibetan Buddhism, Abby explained:

“Technically this is a meditation where you sit and first think of sending loving compassion to yourself, then to other people you love, then expand the compassion out to people you don't know - to animals - to the earth (water, mountains etc.) and finally to people who you have difficulty with. Explaining that when we send compassion to people we may not like very much, our ability to have compassion for people increases AND we may actually improve our understanding of the person that we have difficulty with - perhaps understand why they are a bully or take negative action (e.g., because they don't feel good about themselves). The phrase that you say is usually 'May you be free of suffering and know the roots of happiness'. The whole process is to widen our hearts and increase our level of compassion towards others.”

From this the students drew themselves and extended their compassion out to drawings of friends, family, nature, animals, etc., chatting about who/what they chose and how they feel about sending all that kindness out into the world.



- Feb. 8 Class teaching: Empathy or “Put yourself in another’s shoes”
- During Feb. 15th’s class there will be special focus on animals and specifically pets, to coincide with the pet memorial service.
- We warmly welcome volunteers in the Dharma classroom to read a story, run an activity or make a presentation. Please contact Maya Ichikawa.

WBWC Raffle

A very successful raffle was held January 11th at our New Years celebration contributing \$436 to the WBW Convention.



2015
**WORLD
BUDDHIST
WOMEN'S
CONVENTION**

- 1st prize of an alpaca sweater made by Wanda Tomiyama went to Lorita Ichikawa.
- 2nd prize of a large ceramic bowl went to Katie Nakagawa.
- 3rd prize of 5 Japanese tea cups went to Toshiko Takeda.

Thanks to everyone for your support.

Please be aware of the free-standing bulletin board in the multi-purpose room, providing up-to-date information and sign-ups for the Women’s Convention.



Schedule 光 February & March 2015

Monthly Shotsuki Memorial Service 祥月法要 (service in English)

Please bring Homyo (Buddhist Name) of your loved one. 法名をご持参ください。

FEBRUARY: TOBAN 4

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:30am Shotsuki Service Jr. Minyo practice 1	2	12pm Tonari Gumi 4:30pm Minyo 7pm Taiko 3	7pm Development Committee Meeting 4	9am Yoga for Seniors 10:30am Restorative Yoga 5	7pm Youth Taiko 6	10:30am Exploring Buddhism 7
10:30am Regular Service BTSA Choir practice 8	9	12pm Tonari Gumi 4:30pm Minyo 7pm Taiko 10	7pm BTSA Board Meeting 11	9am Yoga for Seniors 10:30am Restorative Yoga 12	7pm Youth Taiko 13	10:30am Exploring Buddhism 14
10:30am Nirvana Day/Pet Memorial Service 15	16	12pm Tonari Gumi 4:30pm Minyo 7pm Taiko 17	1:30pm Karaoke 18	9am Yoga for Seniors 10:30am Restorative Yoga 19	Correctional Centre Visit 7pm Youth Taiko 20	21
10:30am Regular Service 22	23	12pm Tonari Gumi 4:30pm Minyo 7pm Taiko 24	1:30pm Karaoke 25	9am Yoga for Seniors 10:30am Restorative Yoga 26	7pm Youth Taiko 27	28

MARCH: TOBAN 2

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:30am Shotsuki Service Annual General Meeting 1	2	12pm Tonari Gumi 4pm Minyo Dance 7pm Taiko 3	1pm Karaoke 4	5	7pm Youth Taiko 6	10:30am Exploring Buddhism 7
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