

Hikari the Light



March 2011

Life I am sure that many of the readers of Hikari know that the BTSA provides a movie night once every two months. This is open to the public.

The other day we watched a movie entitled “Hachi”, based on the true story of a dog from Japan. It was a touching and sad story which reminded me of our dog who died three years ago. The name of our dog was “Hanako”, meaning “a flower child”. She was a female dog. I like dogs but my wife is really a dog lover. What is the difference? The difference is patience. Dog lovers or any kind of animal lovers know that humans and animals are equal in terms of “life.” There is no above and no below between a human and an animal. I like dogs but only when the dog listens to me and obeys my command. When the dog does not listen to me nor obeys what I say, I get impatient and irritated. My wife is so patient with dogs, any kind of dog. Hanako was a black Labrador, a very friendly and gentle dog. She died of natural causes at the age of 13 years. We knew that she was dying. One early morning my wife noticed Hanako did not respond to her morning greeting. She cried out to wake me up. I touched Hanako’s body. Hanako was still warm but did not respond to me either. My wife was sobbing. I used to ridicule people who cry over their pet’s death. Strangely, while I was stroking Hanako’s still warm body, I had a difficult time holding my tears. It was a moment that my life and my dog’s life touched each other. Recently, we got another dog. This time we got a male dog. We named him “Taro”, meaning “a first boy”. Taro is a Great Dane. He is a three month brown color old puppy but already looks like a mature dog. Since he is only three months old and not trained yet, he still

has accidents once in a while in our house. Then I get impatient and scold him. But my wife does not scold but apologizes to him instead, saying “I am sorry. I didn’t notice you wanted to go out.” Dogs, especially puppies, are not able to express themselves. I know that but I can’t be patient. I can’t be a dog lover.

Recently, I observed an interesting reaction from Taro. When I come home, open the door and call his name while standing, Taro is happy. But when I sit and call his name, he is much happier. He runs to me, jumps at me and demands to play. A dog trainer told me that in order to train a dog it might be better to stand and command from above. But it seems to me even a dog may like “equality” between human and animal, not an “above to below” relationship. Dogs do not pretend but are as they are with no discrimination. I wonder why we, human beings, pretend and discriminate against one another. As soon as people get power, whether it is power of position, money or title, they behave differently. They think they become “better” and “above others.” Actually, they become more egotistical and arrogant. They misunderstand that their money, position or title identifies themselves. Their “ego attachment” blocks them from seeing themselves as they are. Don’t we say, “When we were born we were all naked”? As humans we are all the same and, though different in appearance, we are all “bonbu”, meaning just ordinary, common and foolish beings of blind passions and selfish desires. The Buddha dharma always encourages us to return to the naked self, imperfect being in the Light which is true, real and sincere. Encountering the Dharma (Truth) we do not become “better” nor “above others”; rather we become humble and modest. In the Light of the Dharma, we come to know that there is no above and no below but

everything and everyone is interrelated and interconnected and therefore equal in terms of “life.” The words of Venerable Master Shinran (1173-1263) come to my mind, “All sentient beings, without exception, have been our parents and brothers and sisters in the course of countless lives in many states of existence.”

Namo Amida Butsu,
Yasuo Izumi, Minister of BTSA

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最近、子犬を手に入れました。早速「太郎」と名づけました。「グレート デイン」という種類の犬です。太郎の親は私ほどの背丈ですから、成長すれば同じように大きくなるでしょう。みんなから、何故そんなに大きな犬にしたのですか?! 世話が出来ますか、沢山食べるでしょう、といろいろ心配してもらっています。まだ子供ですから、スリッパやクツ、テーブルの足などをよくかんでいます。先日、面白いことに気づきました。立ちながら「太郎!」と呼びかけると、喜んでやって来ますが、腰を下ろして呼びかけると、もっと喜びを表わし、とびついてくるのです。そして一緒に遊ぼうとむずかかってきます。犬も「上から下へ」の威圧的な関係は喜ばないようです。「みんな一緒に、同じ」がいいのです。人間の社会には、上から下を見下すということが往々にしてあるようです。地位や、名誉、知識、お金などが少々身につくと、とかく高慢になり、他を見下すということがあります。み教を聞く、教えに会う、ということは人間の持つ、この優越意識、差別意識に光をあて、全ての生きとし生きるものの「命の平等性」に目覚めていく、ということではないでしょうか。親鸞聖人は、嘆異抄の中で「一切の有情は、みなもって世々生々の父母、兄弟なり」と言っておられます。真実の言葉です。有情とは命あるもの、その中には「私たち」も、もちろん「太郎」も入っているのです。

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BTSA NOTES

Please attend the annual general meeting on March 6, help nominate and elect the new board for the coming term, and suggest ways to improve temple operations. Several current board members have agreed to be nominated and four others will let their names stand. Our thanks to the retiring board members who served diligently overseeing temple affairs. We will continued to seek their sage advice.

Our by-laws stipulate that the board consists of at least three and no more than 12 directors, with the executive selected by the directors annually. Twelve directors have been the norm since amalgamation. Nominations from the floor will be entertained and we encourage all to consent to letting their names be nominated.

The major tasks of amalgamation, building fund-raising and temple construction are completed so temple affairs henceforth should be fairly routine. Please consider giving a few hours each month to temple governance and management. We also plan to institute a staggered system whereby half the directors will be elected each year. We hope this will allow new directors to become familiar with their duties in their initial year. We will decide on the half serving a year to get this system operating.

In preparation for the spring chow mein supper on May 14, two mein-noodle making sessions have been scheduled for March 10 and 12. Please pitch in with your help. March also is a busy month for Toban 4 which has been assigned to Lethbridge Soup Kitchen duties on the 24th. Our thanks to Toban 3 for looking after lunch there on Feb. 2 (Please see photos elsewhere in this Hikari).

We will be totting up the food hamper donations in March, match it with a BTSA cheque of approximate equivalent value, and present it to the Lethbridge Interfaith Food Bank. Thanks to all the members who have donated generously.

Ministerial notes of interest. Izumi sensei will be the guest speaker at the Seattle Betsuin Temple ohigan service on Mar. 20, and will not be here for the regular service that Sunday. Tomofumi Fujii sensei of the Toronto Buddhist Temple has been confirmed as guest speaker at our Hanamatsuri service on April 10. Don Castro sensei of the Seattle Betsuin has been confirmed as the ABC speaker, this year's conference dates having been recently changed as reported below.

BTSA extends sympathies to Miyo Sunada and family for the loss of husband and father, Mas, who was a stalwart member, first with the Raymond congregation, then with BTSA since its inception. There was a huge turnout at his funeral on Feb. 21. We'll miss his good cheer, humor and dedicated support.

At its February meeting, the board agreed:

- to recommend to the AGM membership dues of \$100 for 2011;
- to accept a Wesbridge estimate of \$1,914 (plus GST) to install two painted handrails at the east entrance to the multipurpose room;
- to change the dates of this year's ABC to Oct. 28, 29 and 30;
- to add "or a basket of fruit" to the current policy of sending flowers to members who are hospitalized at least one week; and,
- to purchase two 23-cup rice cookers.

Akira Ichikawa

CHAIR SCHEDULE March & April 2011

Mar 06 SHOTSUKI

Chair: Jack Nagai
Audio: Robert Takaguchi

Mar 13 REGULAR

Chair: Roland Ikuta
Audio: Brenda Ikuta

Mar 20 O-HIGAN

Chair: Pat Sassa
Audio: Roy Sassa

Mar 27 REGULAR

Chair: Sway Nishimura
Audio: Tak Okamura

Apr 03 SHOTSUKI

Chair: John Dubbelboer
Audio: Roy Sassa

Apr 10 HANAMATSURI

Chair: Brenda Ikuta
Audio: Tak Okamura

Apr 17 REGULAR

Chair: Mas Terakita
Audio: John Dubbelboer

Apr 24 REGULAR

Chair: Sway Nishimura
Audio: Lorita Ichikawa



Toban 3 coordinated the Soup Kitchen on February 2, 2011.
photo: Harry Sugimoto

TOBAN UPDATE

Toban Schedule

Please help out anytime you are available but especially when your Toban is scheduled.

March Toban 1 Members:

Kay Higa, Marie Hirashima, Lorita/Akira Ichikawa, Sam Kounosu, May Nishikawa, Kim Ohno, May Ohno, Lilly Oishi, Jim Oshiro, Setsuko/ Kaz Ohno, Peter Savage, Mas Terakita, Dorothy Tomita, Yoko/Tak Tsujita, Joyce Adachi, Renae Barlow, Margaret Benson, Fudge/Hector Hinatsu, Janet Hinatsu, Neil Hinatsu, Maya Ichikawa/Marko Hilgersom, Andrew Ichikawa/Tahirih Rempel, Arlene Oishi/ Jeff Coffman, Sheila Oishi, Kimie Sudo, Reiko Takeyasu

April Toban 2 Members:

Nancy/Roy Adachi, Donna/John Dubbelboer. Mutsuko/ Mas Fukushima, Haruko Ikeda, Sue Kado, Totsy/Sway Nishimura, Betty/Eichi Tanaka, Keiko Gordon, Aya/ Jim Hironaka, Sharon/Bob Imahashi, Spud Kitagawa, Betty Nakamura, Reyko/ Mac Nishiyama, Judy/Robert Takaguchi, Mary/Cliff Thomas, Margie/Kaz Tomomitsu, Setsuko Okuma, Chiyomi/Yuse Matsuno, Irene Sakamoto/ Evelyn Cozac, Joy/Gord Saruwatari, Mary/Joe Shigehiro, Mitsuko/Tom Shigehiro, Eiko/Bob Shigehiro, Tomi Takeyasu, June/Bill Terakita, Sumi Tsukishima, Jim Tsukishima, Yoshiko/ Fujio Tsukishima, Carol//Dale Fujita

Toban 2 meets Sunday March 13 after service

Toban 3 coordinated the Soup Kitchen on February 2.

(See photo). Thanks to the following volunteers:

Harry Sugimoto, Katie Nakagawa, Roy Sassa, Sumi Tomiyama, Hisae Price, Emi Stitt, LaVerne Hamabata, Debbie Friesen, Pat Sassa, Rev. Izumi, Florence Senda, David Major

Stew and rice were prepared and 82 meals plus seconds, were served. Special appreciation to Harry Sugimoto, Glen Tanaka, KB Takeda and David Major who donated \$20 each for purchase of meat needed for the stew. Thanks also to Lethbridge Meat & Seafood who gave us a great deal. The volunteer crew received many compliments, enjoyed each other's company and had a lot of fun as well.

Thanks to **Toban 4** for duties during the month of February. Appreciation to all those who helped in preparing and serving lunch for the funeral of Mas Sunada.

Mein-making has been organized in preparation for the Chow Mein Supper. Please come and help out March 10 and/or March 12. Mein will be sold at \$4.00/ bag, which is a slight increase in cost. Jan Okamura will coordinate March 9-10. Pat Sassa will coordinate March 11-12

Soup Kitchen Schedule

March 24 – Toban 4

May 23 – Toban 1

Fundraising Update

The Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta hosts two important fundraising events: we are granted a casino license every 36 months or so, and twice a year we host a chow mein supper. These generate about \$40,000 per year. This article contains information about the casino and supper tickets.

Our next casino will be held on Monday and Tuesday, September 12th and 13th. This may seem to be a long way off but we need to get volunteers to complete a security check well in advance. So we are getting this organized now.

Four shifts are available: two afternoon shifts from 11am to 7pm, and two night shifts from 7pm to 3am.

For each shift we need a:

1. general manager
2. banker
3. cashier, and
4. chip runner

for the night shift we also need an alternate general manager.

This means a total of 18 volunteers. We should have one or two spares for each shift.

This is a good chance to visit with some other temple members so it is best to think of it as a team building adventure rather than as work. None of the jobs requires any great skill or experience.

If you would like to volunteer for this temple adventure please contact David Major at 403-328-4957 or rojam@telus.net.

Chow Mein Supper Tickets

In a moment of weakness, I volunteered to look after ticket distribution. This involves meeting the request of 400 tickets to Toban 1 and 300 tickets to Toban 4. Members of Tobans 2 and 3 were asked to contact me directly. The remaining 1300 tickets were quickly spoken for on a first-come basis. As of this edition of the Hikari, they are all spoken for.

Many members are disappointed when they have called me and there were no tickets left. This is very distressing as it would be nice to meet everyone's request. Because of this we will probably allocate a batch of tickets to each toban according to the numbers they have sold at the last two suppers.

The difficulties in this activity are that people have different ways of finding out about the tickets; some find out by email; some from reading the Hikari; and some by word of mouth.

We all have different capabilities for selling tickets. Some members prefer not to have to sell any, and others have a very extensive list of buyers. It is important for all of us to realize that everyone is important to the BTSA regardless of how many tickets they are able to sell. We should consider ourselves fortunate to have some members who are able to sell 40, 60 or 100 or more tickets.

David Major



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2011 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: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

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

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!

Memorial Donations

February 2011

June Asano
 Beth Christensen
 Don & Kaye Fisher
 Bonnie Fujimoto
 Kumi Fujimoto
 Mark Fujimoto
 Mitsuyo Fujimoto
 Nob & Yoko Fujimoto
 Teresa Fujimoto
 Yoshio Fujimoto
 Sandra Goto
 Tsuyoshi & Mariko Hironaka
 Akira & Lorita Ichikawa
 Susumu & Teruko Ikuta
 Mits & Clara Iwaasa
 Grant & Doris Jeffery
 Katie Kamitomo
 John & Alice Kanashiro
 Aiko Kimura
 Ken & Amy Kurio
 Katoye Maruno
 Robert Matoba
 Shuji (Matt)Matoba
 Ed & Eileen Meyerhoffer
 Harry W.& Beverly Nagata
 Mas & Joan Nakamura
 Hideo & Jennifer Nishida
 Kei & Margo Nishida
 Mac & Reyko Nishiyama
 Alice Ohashi,
 George & Grace Oshiro
 Jim & Daisy Oshiro
 Allen & Barbara Rolfe
 Gordon & Joy Saruwatari
 Roy & Pat Sassa
 Florence Senda
 Aige Shigehiro
 Nobby & Michiko Sudo
 Noris & Sachiko Taguchi
 Dell S. Takahashi
 Toshiko Takeda
 Mariko Tamura

Harry & Betty Tanigami
 Herb & Lissa Tanigami
 Ray & Patsy Tautfest
 Sumie Tsukishima
 Wayne & Amy Tsukishima

Total - \$2,500.00

Shotsuki Hoyo

February 2011

Yoshio Fujimoto
 Jim & Aya Hironaka
 Ayako Imahashi
 Sway & Toshiko Nishimura
 Mac & Reyko Nishiyama
 Frank & Kimi Ohno
 May Ohno
 Hideko Oishi
 Lilly Oishi
 Joe & Mary Shigehiro
 Yoshiye Shirakawa
 Masato & Miyo Sunada
 Noris & Sachiko Taguchi
 Robert & Judy Takaguchi
 Morison Tanaka
 Clifford & Mary Thomas
 Tomiyama Joe & Sumiko

Total - \$740.00

2011 Buddhist Memorial Service

仏教徒の年忌法要

Year of Death (死亡年)

2010 First annual memorial1 year from death
 2009 3rd2 full years from death
 2005 7th6 full years from death
 1999 13th12 full years from death
 1995 17th16 full years from death
 1987 25th24 full years from death
 1979 33rd32 full years from death
 1962 50th49 full years from death

A memorial rite marking the death of the deceased not only calls for the adornment of the shrine and the reading of the sutra but also is a precious occasion for recalling the cherished memories of the beloved and the most of all to realize the blessings of the Light of Wisdom and Life of Compassion which embrace us all. (from Jodo Shinshu Handbook for laymen)

On the first or near the first Sunday of every month, the BTSA observes a monthly memorial service in memory of those people whose date of death (meinichi-命日) falls in that month. Please bring a Homyo of your loved one.

REGULAR EVENTS

Study/Discussion Group

Sundays (except first Sunday of the month) 9:40am
Morning chanting and discourse. The purpose of meeting is to deepen our understanding and appreciation of Jodo Shinshu revealed by Shinran Shonin.
Please contact Rev. Izumi 382.7024

Southern Alberta Buddhist Choir

Thursdays 7 – 8:30 pm (No rehearsal on Mar 10)
New members always welcome!
Please contact Katie Nakagawa 403.327.4296 or katiinak@shaw.ca

Tonari Gumi

Tuesdays 12 – 3pm

Taiko Class

Tuesdays 7 - 8:30pm
Please contact David Tanaka 403.330.1548
or david@eyesquared.com

The Lethbridge Karaoke Club

Wednesdays 1:30 – 4 pm
All interested are welcome to join or just listen and enjoy

Minyo (Folk Dance)

Mondays, 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Contact: Aya Hironaka at 403.752.4065

PROGRAMS

Aiki Breathing Class

runs Mondays, 10:45 am - 12 to March 21, 2011
Next session will start in April (to be announced).

Gentle Yoga for Seniors

runs Tuesdays 10:30 – 11:30 to March 22, 2011.
Spring 2011 session begins March 29 and will run to April 26.
(No class April 12)
For registration, please contact Lorita at 403.327.1668
or lorita.ichikawa@gmail.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Condolences

The Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta expresses heartfelt sympathy to those who have lost loved ones.

Mr. Kazuo Kinoshita (91) Jan 31, 2011

Mr. Masato Sunada (87) Feb 15, 2011

Thank you to the **Nikkei Cultural Society** members (Pat and Roy Sassa, David Tanaka and LaVerne Hamabata) for the delicious lunch prepared on the last Sunday of February. This was trial-run for their Ethnic Day Dinner and the \$3 per plate donation covered costs. NCS members prepared the Yaki Soba and Salad and made a donation for BTSA left-over ribs. Toban 4 provided set up, baking and fruits.

Chow Mein Supper May 14

Toban 2 Members will meet **Sunday March 13** after service (approximately 11:30 am) in the Board Room. The purpose of the meeting will be to plan activities for the month of April. Please call Lorita at 403.327.1668 if you are not able to attend or for further discussion.

Onenju (Ojuzu) For Sale

New Onenju from Japan are available. (\$15 for male onenju. \$18 and \$20 for female onenju) **The scrolls of Amida Buddha are also available.**

Flowers or fruit basket are delivered to those in hospital.

Please contact Kay Tsukishima, 403.327.9786 or Kaz Takaguchi, 403.328.3190 if you are aware of a BTSA member who has been hospitalized for a week or more.

2011 Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada BUDDHIST YOUTH TOUR

Anyone interested, please contact the temple for further description and application forms.

For many years, the Hongwanji has been sponsoring the YBICSE program. The basic purpose of this program is to expose young Buddhists to ideas about sharing Nembutsu teaching with others by visiting Hongwanji (mother temple), experiencing a home stay, touring historical Jodo Shinshu sites, and meeting people and YBAs from different countries. The trip will comprise of two parts, the first will be just the Canadian group on our own for Tokyo and other cities, and the second part will be organized through the Hongwanji (July 30 – August 7). Opportunity will be afforded for those youths who wish to receive confirmation rites by Gomonsu-sama. Please keep in mind that the participated youth will be the ambassadors representing your local temple and the JSBTC.

Youths who wish to visit with relatives or friends at the conclusion of the group tour may do so; however, please notify me so that the return flight to Canada can be coordinated.

Candidate Qualifications:

- Jodo Shinshu Buddhist
- Between the age of 15 and 25
- In good health

Dates of Trip: July 27 – August 9, 2011

Cost of Trip: CDN \$2,000.00 (plus Travel Insurance if one needs)

Application and Selection Process:

1. Fill out the application and waiver form(s), write an essay, and ask your resident minister and lay member (preferably a local temple Dharma School Teacher or a temple president) to fill out the reference forms.
2. Application forms must be submitted to:
Rev. Tatsuya Aoki
YBICSE Registration
Vancouver Buddhist Temple
220 Jackson Avenue
Vancouver, BC, V6A 3B3
3. Application Deadline:
April 22, 2011
4. Ten [10] Participants will be selected from Canada.
5. Canada Delegates will be announced by May 4, 2011.





JSBTC Women's Federation

Hi, everyone

I hope you and your families are doing well

As many of you know we are going to host the next World Buddhist Women's Convention in 2015 in Toronto, Ontario.

The Women's Federation has made a T-shirt for part of the Fundraising for the 2015 Convention in Toronto. We will be wearing these T-shirts during our presentation at this upcoming World Buddhist Women's Convention in Kyoto Japan, in May to promote the 2015 World Buddhist Women's convention. Along with the T-shirts which will be sold in Japan, we are also encouraging our local chapters to help in the fundraising by buying the T-shirts for your members. Please order the t-shirt and support our WBW Convention in Toronto.

The price of the T-shirt is \$15. We would like to distribute as many of them as possible at the Annual General meeting hosted in Toronto at the end of April. Distributing the T-shirts to the representatives of each district and having them take it back to their local temples will cut down shipping costs. In order to facilitate this, we are asking you to try to get your orders in by March 31, 2011. We realize this doesn't give you much time, and we apologize for the inconvenience this may cause you, but we are asking all of you for your cooperation in helping raise funds for the 2015 Convention.

The choices of color for the T-shirts are white, light blue or light pink, and sizes come in Small, Medium, Large, or XL.

Please place your T-shirt orders with:

Flo Senda 403.327.7275

Sumie Tsukishima 403.634.9764

Donna Dubbelboer



Front, white shirt



Back, white shirt



blue shirt



pink shirt



THE BUDDHIST TEMPLE OF SOUTHERN ALBERTA
children & youth dharma classes



Dharma Room Obutsudan

The children offer incense and often conduct their own services in the Dharma Room. They learn about the elements of the Obutsudan and their significance.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Yoga for kids with Juli Talerico

Sunday, March 6

10:30am, Multi-purpose room



Hanamatsuri Service (Buddha's Birthday)

Sunday, April 10 • 2:00

Kids' activities and birthday cake



Our Dharma Room Some Sundays the Dharma room is quite full and can be sectioned off into two areas. Younger children play and do crafts in one area, while older students have a discussion in another.

March & April 2011 Schedule 3月と4月の予定表

Monthly Shotsuki Memorial Service 祥月法要 Please bring Homyo (Buddhist Name) of your loved one. 法名をご持参ください。

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
MARCH			10:30am Gentle Yoga 12 noon Tonari Gumi 7pm Taiko	Dharma Introduction (for Boy Scouts) 12 noon Tonari Gumi 7pm Taiko	7pm SAB Choir		
			1	2	3	4	5
	10:30am Shotsuki Monthly Memorial Service BTSA AGM	10:45am Aiki Breathing class	10:30am Gentle Yoga 12 noon Tonari Gumi 7pm Taiko	1:30pm Karaoke 7pm BTSA Board Meeting	Mein-making No Choir		Mein-making
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	9:40am Chanting 10:30am Service 3pm Inter-faith dialogue, Public Library	10:45am Aiki Breathing class	10:30am Gentle Yoga 12 noon Tonari Gumi 7pm Taiko	1:30pm Karaoke	7pm SAB Choir 7pm Membership Committee Meeting		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
9:40am Chanting 10:30am Regular Service (Spring Equinox)	10:45am Aiki Breathing class	10:30am Gentle Yoga 12 noon Tonari Gumi 7pm Taiko	1:30pm Karaoke	7pm SAB Choir			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
9:40am Chanting 10:30am Regular Service		10:30am Gentle Yoga 12 noon Tonari Gumi 7pm Taiko	8:30am Dharma Introduction (for College students) 1:30pm Karaoke	7pm SAB Choir			
27	28	29	30	31			

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APRIL							
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	10:30am Shotsuki Monthly Memorial Service		10:30am Gentle Yoga 12 noon Tonari Gumi 7pm Taiko	1:30pm Karaoke	7pm SAB Choir		
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	10:30am Nenju making 2:00pm Hanamatsuri (Buddha's birthday) Rev. Fujii, Toronto		No Gentle Yoga 12 noon Tonari Gumi 7pm Taiko	1:30pm Karaoke	7pm SAB Choir		
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9:40am Chanting 10:30am Regular Service		10:30am Gentle Yoga 12 noon Tonari Gumi 7pm Taiko	1:30pm Karaoke JSBTC Ministers' Meeting/AGM, Toronto (until May 1)	7pm SAB Choir			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	