



Special Qualities of Our Temple



How was your summer? Hope you all had a wonderful summer. After the Obon service and cemetery visitations during the month of July, I became much busier during August. There was a wedding, Okinawa's 115th Anniversary, and then a Bhutanese gathering. Next, I went to a seminar in San Jose, California on behalf of my colleagues in Canada. Upon returning from the seminar, I went to Edmonton for two services for our members. Without taking a break, there was also a funeral service. Finally, I went twice to the YMCA to discuss Buddhism as I have been asked previously.

During the ministers' seminar in San Jose, California, I heard a very interesting talk from a guest lecturer. The lecturer is from Japan and presently he teaches at the Buddhist Academy in Kyoto. According to him, there are certain special qualities that can be seen at the Academy that are not found at typical schools. He said: "One is the wide range of ages in the students. The Academy is a place where people over 60 can be seen sitting at their desks amongst young people in their teens

studying the teaching of Master Shinran. The career backgrounds are also diverse. There are businessmen, architects, school teachers, neurosurgeons and optometrists and so on." Then he continued, "Another area of uniqueness is that at schools, whether high school or colleges, one enters school and gains knowledge so that when they graduate most students will graduate being smarter than when they entered school. However, it is just the opposite at the Academy where they study the teaching of Master Shinran. Students with a socially accepted level of knowledge enter school and graduate more ignorant than before. To study Master Shinran's teachings, to listen to the teachings is, in the end, to have your own ignorance revealed to you."

I totally agreed with what he said about studying Master Shinran's teaching. The purpose of Buddhism and Jodo Shinshu in particular is to examine one's ignorant self with base passions and realize that that ignorant self has been embraced by infinite wisdom and boundless compassion of Amida Buddha. This is exactly why our temple exists and what we are studying for. The new term of our temple is about to begin. Let us deepen our understanding and appreciation of Jodo Shinshu teaching.

Namo Amida Butsu
Yasuo Izumi, Minister
Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta

菩薩行

八月末の南アルバータはスモーキーな空模様が続いた。ビーシーのいたるところで山火事が起こったからだ。家を失い、命を失った人たちがいた。怪我をした人達、避難をした人達も続出したとニュースで聞いた。見知らぬその人たちのことを思ってもどうすることも出来ない。たとえ出来ても、人間の出来ることには限度があることを思う。それでも山火事が拡大することを防ぐために4000人以上の元消防員やボランティアが出たという。人間の自己中心性の殻を破って、他のために、時には自らの命まで失って全力を尽くす人を見るたびに、正しくそれは菩薩にも似た行為だと思う。お経の中には「人々の苦しみ、悩む人々のためには、たとえわが身を地獄のような中に沈めようとも後悔はしない」と菩薩の願心が書かれている。この心を頂いて、それを力として、私たちも出来ることを精一杯したいものである。

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BTSA Notes

The lazy summer days give way to an uptick in temple activity as we move into September and the beginning of another busy cycle. Regular Sunday services that have been suspended since Obon in mid-July resume Sept. 6. Please remember, however, that the monthly memorial service will not be held until the second Sunday--Sept. 13--because of the extended holiday around Labour Day on Sept. 7.

September also heralds the lead-up to the fall ohigan, which is usually commemorated on the Sunday closest to the autumn equinox; this year, that's Sept. 20. It signifies a time of equanimity, when night and day are about the same in length and the weather pleasant and conducive to contemplate Buddhist thoughts about the other shore (higan in Japanese), or peace and enlightenment as opposed to this shore of ignorance or suffering.

Also in September, as noted elsewhere in the Hikari and on the temple website, the board decided at its July meeting to continue the policy of having tea after service only on shotsuki Sunday.

Since there was not a separate Hikari during August, coverage of Obon activities and the bon odori is fairly extensive in this issue. Turnout at the odori and service was sizeable, with the weather cooperating in typical July fashion. Please look over the Obon cemetery visitation photos as well.

The temple was relatively dormant during the interim since Obon, but it was rented on Aug. 2 (Sunday) for a colorful festival sponsored by the Bhutanese Buddhist community of Lethbridge. The observance--called Guru Purnima--is described in an article in this issue, along with a couple of photos.

We lost a devoted friend of the Dharma during August when Saburo Nishi died on the 13th. Funeral services were held at the temple on Aug. 19, followed by interment in Bow Island. Sub was a member of the BTSA board at the outset of the amalgamation, after spending many years as a key member of the former Taber Buddhist Temple. He enlivened many meetings and events with his humor and goodwill. BTSA extends deepest condolences to his wife, Kimino, and family.

During the month, Izumi sensei attended a three-day seminar of Jodo Shinshu ministers in San Jose, CA. He said he had a great opportunity to meet with many Buddhist Churches of America sensei.

BTSA notes with gratitude Fugi Takeda's contribution for the many years of service as the person responsible for keeping temple bookings in order. Fudge has requested she be relieved of the responsibility and to inform all members. Our appreciation to you, Fudge, for keeping up this demanding task all these years; Thanks very much.

For the time being, we ask members to record room bookings on their own in the reservation binder in the foyer, and to avoid entering conflicting entries. The board will be addressing this matter shortly.

Akira Ichikawa

BUDDHIST Q & A

Q. Why are there many gold-colored decorations inside the Buddha's shrine?

A. Gold was considered as the highest-value resource in the world, at least when Buddhism was born in India. Probably, it was understood in those days that Buddha's teaching had the highest value in human life and that those who lived in the realm of the Buddha were people of value. In one of Buddha's vows, it symbolically said that all sentient beings will become the color of genuine gold. This means that our life regardless color, religion and sex, should always be valuable and precious, and should be free from discrimination. This is Buddha's wish towards us. Furthermore, like "gold", Buddha's compassion coming out of true wisdom of oneness is constantly shining upon us and embracing us. Y.I.

CHAIR SCHEDULE Sept & Oct 2015

Sept 06

Chair: Jack Nagai
Audio: Sway Nishimura

Sept 13 SHOTSUKI

Chair: Kynan Gordon
Audio: Akira Ichikawa

Sept 20 FALL OHIGAN

Chair: Ross Jacobs
Audio: Brenda Ikuta

Sept 27

Chair: Robert Takaguchi
Audio: Tak Okamura

Oct 04 SHOTSUKI

Chair: Val Boras
Audio: John Dubbelboer

Oct 11

Chair: Pat Sassa
Audio: Sway Nishimura

Oct 18

Chair: Sylvia Oishi
Audio: Akira Ichikawa

Oct 25

Chair: Sway Nishimura
Audio: Brenda Oishi

Remembering With Gratitude . . . BON ODORI 2015

Although the bazaar aspect has grown and changed over the last few years, we have always kept in mind the purpose of the Bon Odori, to remember those who have passed on and to appreciate all that they have done for us and to recognize the continuation of their influence on our lives. This year, we distributed cards to dancers and attendees that said "Write the name of someone you'll remember while dancing (Tuck the card in your obi or pocket)". Whether dancing or watching, most participants took a card and we ran out rather quickly. Thanks to Sheila Oishi for the idea and Akira for making the cards.

This year, we added two new vendors. Nanao Kimono from Calgary had a brisk sale of Japanese clothing and accessories, available to the dancers at the temple in the afternoon and to the public at Bazaar. Koko Japanese Restaurant sold karokke, cold ramen and udon dishes. Lighthouse Japanese Restaurant returned for a second year selling sushi and donburi (chicken or beef). Nakagama's provided fans and arare (Japanese snacks) for the BTSA Craft/Information tables. Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden, a long-time supporter, had craft activities and various Japanese items from their kiosk.

While the photos tell much of the Bon Odori story, I would like to mention, with gratitude those that made it happen.

Pat Sassa for her dedication to the odori in practicing the dancers, experienced and new, young and old, over the summer as well as coaching the Jr. Minyo group, Sophie & Celine Man, Asha Ichikawa and Lily Hilgersom.

David Tanaka sensei of the taiko groups, music and lead taiko with Kynan Gordon and Kai Ichikawa | NCS Youth Taiko: Ryan Jensen, Tomas Ota, Kai Ichikawa & Sam Hilgersom | BTSA Chiba Taiko: Asha Ichikawa, Lily Hilgersom, Akeo Ichikawa & Seiji Hilgersom with Kynan Gordon, teacher | NCS Taiko: Mary Clewes, Dorene Gordon, Kynan Gordon, Ina Harris, Sheila Oishi, Silke Sodeman, Marlene Van Durzen.

Youth volunteers: Kiyomi Coffman, Robert Scharf, Owen Vander Hulst, Sebastian (Bas) Liska, Sam Hilgersom and Roland Ikuta, supervisor, Sno-cone/Ice shave sales | Totsy Nishimura for making 70 hachimaki and coordinating the BTSA Craft/Information table with assist from Sway Nishimura, Irene Sakamoto, Jan and Tak Okamura.

Flo Senda, head sensei, Lethbridge Kyodokan Judo Club for recruiting Kata demonstration by youth, Troy Gallant & Elijah Hill.

Maya Ichikawa for design of posters, cards, advertising and Hachimaki (head bands) | MC: Jim Tsukishima | Sound Coordinator: Ross Jacobs | Brenda & Roland Ikuta and Akira Ichikawa for “extreme support” in getting everything together.

Special thanks to the Bon Odori Planning Committee members: Izumi sensei, Roland, Brenda, Maya, Totsy, Sheila, Akira, Jim and all those who contributed ideas, put up posters and distributed the cards.

In Gassho,
Lorita Ichikawa

Guru Panima observed at temple

Buddhist members and friends of the Bhutanese community in Lethbridge celebrated Guru Panima at the temple on Aug. 2, lending their colorful presence to the najjin and the multipurpose room.

Guru Panima, according to internet sources, is described as a celebration to spiritual leaders in Buddhism, Hinduism and Jainism. Bhutan is among the Asian countries that observe this event.

Locally, the Bhutanese community decided to rent the BTSA temple for the day to observe the thanksgiving to their spiritual leaders. Besides the day-long chanting, attendants lit candles to remember those who have died before them.

The Lethbridge get-together drew people from as far away as Regina. It was held on a Sunday closest to the official Guru Purnima on July 31. Note in the photo that sensei sat in with the Bhutanese teachers.



CALGARY Holds First Service In Renovated Temple

The Calgary Buddhist Temple held its grand re-opening on Aug. 30, concurrent with its annual Obon service, but its sangha did have its first service earlier on Aug. 9. The remodeled interior and najjin can be seen in the photo with James Martin sensei speaking to those who attended.

In drawing attention to the first service, past president Lester Ikuta emailed the member temples of Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada:

As of August 9, 2015, we are officially back in our temple. We held our first service in our newly renovated space with over 50 members and new comers.

On behalf of our members I would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to all of you across Canada who have helped and supported us. Without your help, our dream to renovate our temple would not have become a reality.

We look forward to hearing the Dharma in our new Temple for many more years, and if you are ever in Calgary and would like to see the temple, please call us and we would be more than happy to open the temple for you.

The September edition of the Hikari was unable to cover the official opening, but updates are planned for the next issue.



Extension of Shotsuki Refreshments

The BTSA board decided at its July meeting to extend until the next annual general meeting the resolution to have refreshment tea after Sunday service only on the day of the monthly memorial service (shotsuki).

The original resolution read that “snacks only be served on Shotsuki Service from now through Summer break after which feedback will be collected from the membership.”

Feedback invited at the annual picnic on June 21 reflected various views, although the prevailing response favored continuing the once-a-month tea. Other suggestions also were proposed, but none was as prevalent as the original “only after shotsuki.”

The matter comes up again in March, 2016, at the AGM, following the shotsuki service for that month.

Membership to August 27, 2015: 205

Hanamatsuri Donations

Tom and Lily Kaga
Jim Tsukishima

Total - \$250

Shotsuki Hoyo Donations

July & August 2015

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Rumiko Ibuki
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Total \$2,185

Other Donations

July & August 2015

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of Lethbridge
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Total \$1,616.40

Obon Donations

July & August 2015

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Total - \$15,960

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REGULAR EVENTS

Southern Alberta Buddhist Choir

Contact: Katie Nakagawa 403.327.4296

Tonari Gumi Tuesdays, 12-3pm starting Sept 8

The Lethbridge Karaoke Club Wednesdays, 1:30pm starting Sept 16

New members welcome!

Contact Nao 403.327.7357 or Tad 403.942.7783

Taiko Class start dates TBA

Adult taiko, Tuesdays @ 7pm

Youth taiko, Fridays @ 7pm

Contact: David Tanaka 403.330.1548 or david@albrio.com

Children's Taiko with Kynan Gordon TBA; Please contact Lorita at 403.327.1668 or lorita.ichikawa@gmail.com if you are interested in regular practice.

Minyo dancers Tuesdays, 5pm starting Sept 22

Junior Minyo will resume in October

Contact Pat Sassa 403.329.3105

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Condolences

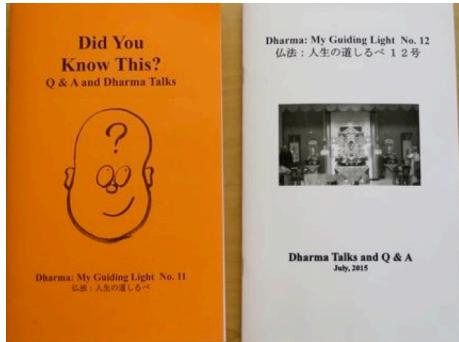
The BTSA expresses heartfelt sympathy to those who have lost loved ones:

Mr. Masami Tashiro (83) May 21, 2015

Toshiko Kinoshita (94) July 25, 2015

Mr. Saburo Nishi (88) Aug. 13, 2015

Now Available. Izumi sensei's 12th Guiding Light (on right below) was published this summer and is available at the temple. A small donation of \$3 is suggested to help defray the cost of publication. Copies of his earlier booklet, the 11th Guiding Light entitled "Did You Know This?", are still available.



INTERESTED IN TRYING OUT TAIKO?

An Introductory Workshop



Cost: \$25

Date & Time TBA

Contact David Tanaka

david@albrio.com

403-330-1548

A Hitachi-brand breadmaker found in the front parking lot at the temple is being stored in the kitchen in case anyone might be missing one. The item was left in the lot, possibly by someone who planned to put it into his or her car and forgot it there.

If any member might have lost a breadmaker machine or knows someone who has, this apparently workable machine will be held at the temple for a month or so before being donated to a second-hand store or disposed.



TOBAN UPDATE

Thank you to **Toban 2** for a busy July handling the O Bon supper and regular monthly activities. Special appreciation goes to coordinators Betty Tanaka, Keiko Gordon, June Terakita, Irene Sakamoto and Marge Tomomitsu and all who contributed their time, energy and goodies to the delicious supper. Thanks also to Tom and Mitsuko Shigehiro for regularly attending to the naijin. With no services in August it was relatively quiet for Toban 4. Thanks to all who helped with the funeral August 19. **Toban 3** is up for the Month of September as we move into the fall season. If you are not on a toban call list and wish to be or to help when you can, please contact Lorita at 403.327.1668 or lorita.ichikawa@gmail.com.

Toban Schedule

SEPTEMBER Toban 3

OCTOBER Toban 2

NOVEMBER Toban 4

DECEMBER Toban 3

Soup Kitchen 2016 volunteering has once again been arranged for BTSA by Lily Oishi. Dates in the new year are on Wednesdays: March 16, April 20, May 18 and June 22. Toban leaders, please e-mail Lorita if you have a preference for a specific date.



The fourth and final soup kitchen assistance of the year for BTSA was on June 23, with Lilly Oishi organizing the help. Taking a break from preparing sandwiches, from left, were Tad Sakaguchi, Sam Taniguchi, Mitsuko Oga, Lilly Oishi, Betty Taniguchi, Joyce Adachi, Karen Thomas, Hisae Price and Akira Ichikawa.

Area Obon Cemetery Visitations

July was a busy month for visitations to area cemeteries for Obon, including the major BTSA Obon service on July 19. Sensei performed services at Brooks, Magrath and Temple Hill (Raymond). Mountain View (Lethbridge), and Taber cemeteries. Here are several photos from each of the services:

Brooks, July 5



Mountain View (Lethbridge), July 19



The annual BTSA Obon service on July 19 drew a large crowd, with many observing hatsubon or the first Obon since the death of a family member. It also was the monthly memorial service for July and August.

The large gathering was completed with a catered meal, assisted by members of Toban 2.



A display of Buddhist name cards (homyo).



Part of the large Obon congregation.

Magrath, July 12



Temple Hill (Raymond), July 12



Taber, July 25



Bon Odori in Galt Gardens

Nice summer weather prevailed during the 2015 bon odori on July 18. For this essay, photos were contributed by John Dubbelboer and Akira and Lorita Ichikawa.



Setting up the stage (yagura).



Opening sutra, with Mayor Spearman in background.



Taiko call to assemble.



Dancers begin the bon odori.



Intermission: Jim being tossed during judo demonstration.



Youth selling shaved ice (kori).



BTSA Craft Sales Table.



Tanko Bushi dancers and crowd joining in the last dance.



Left: Dancers assembled after the event. Above: Crowd watching dancers.



SEPTEMBER: TOBAN 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
*OFFICIAL BTSA ACTIVITY						
		1	2	3	4	5 10:30am Exploring Buddhism & Jodo Shinshu*
6 10:30am Regular Service*	7	8 12pm Tonari Gumi Ministers' meeting in Kelowna	9 7pm BTSA Board Meeting* Ministers' meeting in Kelowna	10 Ministers' meeting in Kelowna	11	12
13 10:30am Shotsuki Memorial Service*	14 Memorial Service at University of Leth*	15 12pm Tonari Gumi	16 1:30pm Karaoke	17	18 1:30pm Correctional Centre Visit*	19 9am Mindfulness Workshop
20 10:30am Autumn Ohigan Service*	21	22 12pm Tonari Gumi 5pm Minyo Dance	23 1:30pm Karaoke	24	25	26 10:30am Exploring Buddhism & Jodo Shinshu*
27 10:30am Regular Service*	28	29 12pm Tonari Gumi 5pm Minyo Dance	30 1:30pm Karaoke			

OCTOBER: TOBAN 2

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 10:30am Shotsuki Memorial Service*	5	6 12pm Tonari Gumi 5pm Minyo Dance	7 1:30pm Karaoke	8	9 1:30pm Correctional Centre Visit*	10 10:30am Exploring Buddhism & Jodo Shinshu*
11 10:30am Regular Service*	12	13 12pm Tonari Gumi 5pm Minyo Dance	14 1:30pm Karaoke	15	16	17
18 10:30am Regular Service* (Rev. Izumi in Toronto)	19	20 12pm Tonari Gumi 5pm Minyo Dance	21 1:30pm Karaoke	22	23	24 10:30am Exploring Buddhism & Jodo Shinshu*
25 10:30am Regular Service*	26	27 12pm Tonari Gumi 5pm Minyo Dance	28 1:30pm Karaoke	29	30	31