



The Padma



May 2022

Berkeley Buddhist Temple Newsletter

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Guidelines:

The Padma welcomes articles from sangha members.

Articles should be around 500-600 words typed. Word documents are best; PDF documents are discouraged.

Please include your name, a title for the article, and include any photos. Cite references if quotes are used.

Articles will be reviewed for content and length, and should contain information relevant to Buddhist teachings, the Berkeley Buddhist Temple, and/or the Buddhist Churches of America. Publication will be at the discretion of the editorial board.

Email submissions to padma@BerkeleyBuddhistTemple.org.

Highlights and Reminders:

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*Welcome to the Hatsumairi babies !! See more pictures on page 8.
(Photo courtesy of Jon Kawamoto)*

Our Vision
A Community Where Our Spiritual Life and True Self Can Be Realized

Our Mission
To Live A Life Of Joy In The Nembutsu And Share The Dharma With Others

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BERKELEY BUDDHIST TEMPLE

2121 CHANNING WAY, BERKELEY, CA 94704

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 9:30a Virtual & In-person Dharma Family & Shotsuki Service 10:15a Virtual Yoga	2	3	4 7:00p Virtual Meditation	5	6	7
8 9:30a Virtual & In-person Dharma Family & Parents' Day Service	9	10 7:00p Board of Director's Meeting	11	12	13 <i>Padma Articles Due</i>	14
15 9:30a Virtual & In-person Dharma Family Service 10:15a Virtual Yoga	16	17 Padma Newsletter Production	18 7:00p Virtual Meditation	19	20	21
22 9:30a Virtual & In-person Dharma Family & Gotan-E Service and DS Award & Graduation 11a-2p Bento Pick up	23	24	25	26 6:30p Dharmanar	27	28
29 9:30a Virtual & In-person Dharma Family Service	30	31			Berkeley Buddhist Temple (510) 841-1356 berkeleybuddhisttemple.org info@berkeleybuddhisttemple.org facebook.com/berkeleybuddhisttemple youtube.com/berkeleybuddhisttemple	



Dates to Remember

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Thu
28
Apr
Virtual
BBT Dharmanar (Topic: Attachment)

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Sun
1
May
Livestream & In-person
Shotsuki Memorial Service
Virtual Yoga

Wed
4
May
Virtual
Meditation & Discussion

Sun
8
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Livestream & In-person
Parents' Day Service

Sun
15
May
Livestream & In-person
Dharma Family Service
Virtual Yoga

Wed
18
May
Virtual
Meditation & Discussion

Sun
22
May
Livestream & In-person
Gotan-E Service and Dharma School Award & Graduation
Bento Pick Up@JSC

Thu
26
May
Online Study Session
BBT Dharmanar (Topic TBD)

Sun
29
May
Livestream & In-person
Dharma Family Service

Berkeley Buddhist Temple

BBT Dharmanar

Monthly Online Study Session

**APRIL
2022
TOPIC**

ATTACHMENT

Join us for BBT's monthly study session. March's topic is "Attachment (執着)". Rev. Kuwahara and Rev. CJ will give their presentations from their own perspective. Then we will discuss it after.

Thu. Apr 28, 6:30 - 8PM

RSVP here:

<https://sanghaevents.info/dharmanar>



www.berkeleybuddhisttemple.org

Berkeley Buddhist Temple Virtual Tera Yoga



Instructor:
Hitomi Kuwahara



Sunday:
May 1 & 15, 2022

Immediately after the
service

Zoom

No sign up required

Join on zoom:
<https://sanghaevents.info/yoga>

Questions:
info@berkeleybuddhisttemp
le.org
(510)841-1356

*Join us for a gentle yoga
session by Hitomi
Kuwahara that you can do
while sitting on a chair or
couch without a yoga mat.
No experience or
registration needed.
Everyone is welcome!*



Encouragement to Listen to the Dharma

I recently read a collection of the sayings of a Jodo Shinshu minister in 19th century Japan. I enjoyed the book very much and found some of his words to be very insightful. As a Buddhist minister, he encouraged his temple members to put the Dharma at the center of their lives. This is an exchange between the minister and one of his temple members:

Member: We are so busy that we cannot visit the temple to listen to the Dharma. When we are better organized and have more time, we will then start thinking about coming.

Minister: Mm... that sounds like waiting for the water to cease its flow before crossing the river. As you know, it will never stop. To cross the river, you must wade through it regardless of the oncoming water. In the same way, when your current task is half-finished, another task will come along. I don't think there will ever be an end to your work. As Rennyō Shōnin said, no matter how busy we are, we should make time for the Dharma, not listen to it only when we have time.

Listening to the Dharma is not just one of many tasks in our everyday lives, but the very thing that will help us live better and more profoundly. There are many examples of this, but here I would like to focus on how the Dharma helps us to live this limited life, which I think is a universal and quite important matter for all of us.

I recently experienced the unexpected loss of one of my teachers, Rev. Chiko Naito, a well-known Jodo Shinshu scholar. He passed away suddenly due to an accident. He was scheduled to give two online lectures in April, and I was looking forward to attending them. I was shocked by the news of his sudden death, but I was also reminded of these words from *White Ashes*: “*There is no knowing whether I will die first or others, whether death will occur today or tomorrow...we may have radiant faces in the morning, but by evening we may turn into white ashes... The ephemeral nature of human existence is such that death comes to young and old alike without discrimination.*”

In the Jodo Shinshu tradition, we read *White Ashes* at funeral services. *White Ashes* is a letter written by Rennyō Shōnin (1415-1499), the 8th spiritual leader of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism, in which he addresses the reality of human existence in this impermanent world. We read it at funerals to encourage the participants to awaken to the reality of the world and the transient nature of our lives. It is said that Sakyamuni Buddha once stated “There is no teaching for the dead.” The religious purpose of the Jodo Shinshu funeral is for those of us who still live, to give us an opportunity to deeply think about our lives with the Dharma.

Many of us know that we are living in an impermanent world and that our lives are limited. But how seriously or personally do we take this teaching? 170,000. Every day, this number of people end their lives on this earth. Today or tomorrow, I may be one of them. As pointed out in *White Ashes*, age doesn't matter. When I see this number, the truth of impermanence becomes more real. Then, the question is "Am I ready?"

Death is one of the most important and difficult issues for many of us. Compared with death, anything else in life seems trivial. Religiously or spiritually, it is urgent to find the answer to the issue of our death and also that of our loved ones. Speaking as a Jodo Shinshu minister, I would say the temple is the very place to seek that understanding.

In Jodo Shinshu Buddhism, it is taught that we attain birth in the Pure Land and become a Buddha once our life in this world ends. The point is NOT that we go somewhere after life but that we will start a new life as a Buddha, who has attained wisdom and compassion, and start guiding and embracing those still living in this world. Death is not the end of everything, but the beginning of a new spiritual connection with the world.

To come to the temple and listen to the teaching means to come to understand life's most important and difficult issue. As we deeply listen to the teaching, we receive the strength to face our anxiety and fear of death. We are spiritually nurtured so that we can focus on and find meaning in the things in our everyday life.

Since the 19th century minister I referenced at the beginning of this message knew the significance of the teaching, he encouraged his temple members to live a life with the Dharma at its center. Nowadays, thanks to the development of the internet, we can attend services and listen to the Dharma anytime, without physically coming to a temple. Let us take advantage of the technology and make time to listen to the Dharma as much as we can.

In gassho (palms together),
Rev. Kiyonobu Kuwahara



“Diverticulitis and Gratitude” by Diane Ames

“As I suspected, your CT scan shows extensive diverticulitis,” the doctor proclaimed. “ But since you only have abdominal pain, nausea, malaise, and a general feeling of physical misery, and you walked into the emergency room instead of being carried in on a gurney in agony, I have concluded that you have what we call simple diverticulitis.”



“This is a simple case?” I ventured to ask.

“Yes, a mere routine case. Our job now is to make sure that it does not turn into a complicated case, which would require major surgery and might even cause a painful death. All you need to do is eat a bland diet, liquid at first, rest, and take a couple of powerful antibiotics, including Cipro.”

“Here’s your Cipro, the drug of choice for diverticulitis,” said the pharmacist. “You should call your doctor immediately if it causes you to rupture a tendon, break out in a rash, go into convulsions, or go crazy. It doesn’t say how to call the doctor if you’re having convulsions or you’ve gone crazy, but try. Look, don’t worry; it will probably only make your nausea worse.”

“Is this necessary?”

“You better believe it is,” said the doctor. And the doctor and the pharmacist danced arm in arm, singing, “Kill or cure! Kill or cure! Kill or cure!”

“You must learn to be grateful,” sighed a nurse when she saw my reaction.

“Grateful? For diverticulitis and ten days on Cipro?”

“Yes, grateful. Grateful that you were born in the very year that antibiotics became widely available. They have probably saved your life more than once and odds are that Cipro, together with today’s medical science, will save you from an awful medical emergency now. If you don’t learn to be grateful for earthly things like this, how can you ever be truly grateful to Amida?”



Temple Announcements

Hana Matsuri “*Flower Festival*” is the religious event celebrating the birth of the historical Buddha. The celebration is also called **Kanbutsue** “*Buddha Bathing Party*”. A statue of the baby Buddha stands in a shallow bowl under the **hana-mido** “*Flower Pavilion*”, covered in flowers.” Participants pour sweet tea over the statue, reproducing the baby Buddha’s first bath in the purifying waters of sweet rain. The Berkeley Buddhist Temple held its in-person and virtual Hana Matsuri service on April 10th.



Photo courtesy of Jon Kawamoto

Hatsumairi is the “*Infant Presentation Ceremony*” in which a child or grandchild is presented to Amida Buddha for the first time. Also held on April 10th, the Berkeley Buddhist Temple was thrilled to welcome baby Masaru and baby Chenoa!



Erin Kagehiro & Ugo Anoruo with baby Masaru (Mimi & Ron Kagehiro's grandson) Photo courtesy of Jon Kawamoto



Brandon & Tiffany Reeves with baby Chenoa (Don & Joanie Hamasaki's granddaughter) Photo courtesy of Jon Kawamoto

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2022 Satsuki Bazaar Fundraiser & Bento Sale



We hope you can join us!

Bazaar Fundraiser: Our goal is to generate \$45,000 for BBT in lieu of our annual Satsuki Bazaar and Arts Festival!

Update: As of 4/13/2022, we are at 25% of our goal

Bento Sale: We will be offering Chicken and Vegan Bentos from Musashi for \$18 for pick up at the JSC Drive Through on Sunday, May 22nd - 11am - 2pm.

Proceeds from your Bento purchase will be used to provide a complimentary bento to be delivered to all BBT Keiro members!

Last Day to Donate and Order Bento: Friday, May 13th

Questions: Please email fundraising@berkeleybuddhisttemple.org

Click here to Donate & Order Bentos

[Fundraiser & Bento Orders](#)

BBT Camping Trip

BBT CAMPING TRIP 2022



July 28th thru July 31, 2022
Manchester Beach KOA (North of Point Arena)
707-882-2375

We hope you can join us for Mike's Annual BBT camping trip this year
We'll have great food and fun activities!

Food, supplies, wood, etc (excludes lodging)

Adults – Temple Member	\$75
Adults – Non Temple Member	\$85
Kids – 5 to 18	\$25
Kids – Under 5	Free

Lodging - Tent Site

Adults – Temple Member	\$25/Day
Adults – Non Temple Member	\$30/Day
Kids – Dharma School Member	Free
Kids – Non Dharma School (5 to 18)	\$5/Day

Lodging - Cabins

Approx \$100/day - Contact Tina Iwasaki for details & availability

Amenities: Restrooms & shower facilities, mini mart, pool, game room, park, beach

Pets: Dogs allowed. Additional fee applies

Questions or to sign up, contact Tina Iwasaki, ckiwasaki@comcast.net
Space is limited – Sign up early!

A's Baseball Anyone?

Oakland A's Tailgate/Potluck/Game? Play Ball!

Hi everybody — This is Jon Kawamoto and I'm trying to see if there's any interest in a BBT group outing to an Oakland A's game this August.

The tentative date would be a day game on Sunday, Aug. 21, against the Seattle Mariners. I'm not sure what the eventual ticket prices will be — but the A's are offering a special deal of \$15 per ticket for the Field Level (second deck) for the Aug. 21 game. And the A's would offer a 15 percent ticket discount — if 15 or more people buy tickets.

(As for parking, I don't know the details about discounts — I just wanted to see if there's interest first.)

Because of COVID-19, we've suspended the A's tailgates since 2019 — but let me know if you'd be interested in buying a ticket — or tickets!

The deadline to let me know if you're interested is April 15. I just have to know if we can get at least 15 BBT Sangha members to go.

My contact information is:

jonkawamoto@gmail.com or text or call 510-386-7122.

Hope we can do this! It's been too long!)



The BBT Sangha and friends pose for a group photo at the last BBT Oakland A's tailgate in June 2019. (Courtesy of Jon Kawamoto)



Dharma School Newsletter

Dharma School Has Been Meeting In Person!

The Dharma School has been enjoying April classes in person. On Hanamatsuri, we decorated the hanamido and played Eightfold Hopscotch. On another Sunday, we took a walking field trip to UC Berkeley.



8th grader Tiegan prepares the hanamido with carnations and wisteria for Hanamatsuri.

May Calendar

5/1/2022 In-person	DFS/May Shotsuki	School-wide - cooperative game
5/8/2022 In-person	DF/Parents' Day Service	School-wide - Parents' Day gift
5/15/2022 In-person	DFS	School-wide - Prep for Graduation Party
5/22/2022 In-person	DFS/Dharma School Awards & Graduation/Gotan-e	No Dharma School classes...but celebration and Satsuki bento after service in the courtyard!
5/29/2022	DFS	No DS classes - Happy Summer!

Dharma School Alumni Sighting

We hope to feature former BBT Dharma School students in the Padma as much as possible. We would love to know how your children or grandchildren are doing after Dharma School. If you can share a story and a photo, please contact Stacy Uyeda at: bbtdharmaschool@gmail.com. Here's our third article:

Mali and Noel McGuire



Sisters Mali and Noel McGuire, both former BBT Dharma School students, have recently made their family so proud with wonderful accomplishments over the past two years.

Older sister, Mali, completed her D.D.S. degree at the University of the Pacific in 2021. Congratulations, Dr. McGuire!

Younger sister, Noel, graduated in 2020 from Chapman University and now is teaching and pursuing her Ph.D. in Chapman's Media and Health Communication program. Go, Noel!



Community Outreach & BLEND



Northern California Cherry Blossom Festival

Sharing a booth to share the Dharma

The Berkeley Buddhist Temple joined forces with four other BCA temples and churches to host an informational booth at the 2022 Northern California Cherry Blossom Festival. This was a two-weekend in-person event celebrating varied aspects of Japanese culture and showcasing the San Francisco Japantown community. Hosting the booth on April 9-10 and April 16-17 were representatives from:

- Buddhist Temple of Alameda
- Berkeley Buddhist Temple
- Buddhist Church of Oakland
- Buddhist Church of San Francisco
- San Mateo Buddhist Church.

The weather was (mostly) on our side. We handed out informational material, answered questions, and enjoyed watching the constant parade of people (think Cosplay) and dogs. We were happy to be situated right next to the Shiba Inu Fanciers booth. The Shiba Inu were irresistible to the crowds!

The BBT Community Outreach Committee thanks:

- Bradley and Tara for handling our registration and logistics.
- And for booth setup, staffing, and cleanup:
 - CJ, Karen, and Tara from Berkeley
 - Doug D., Hiko S., Joan D., Jane N., Howard S., and Rev. Fujimoto from the Buddhist Temple of Alameda
 - Jun H., Jeff H., and Steve T. from the Buddhist Church of Oakland
 - Grace L., Arlene K., and Rev. Adams from the Buddhist Church of San Francisco
 - Yuko S., David C., and Rev. Adams from the San Mateo Buddhist Church.



Doug D. (Alameda), Karen S. (Berkeley) (Photo courtesy of Karen Sugiyama)



Jun H. (Oakland) (Photo courtesy of Karen Sugiyama)

Please VOTE !

BBT Satsuki Bazaar Annual Gift (BAG)

Here is the link to the Google form for the Satsuki Bazaar gift. [BBT BAG ballot](#)



BBT Satsuki Bazaar Annual Gift (BAG)

Vote!

In 2001, Bob Matsueda suggested that the Berkeley Buddhist Temple offer free entertainment in conjunction with the Bazaar to involve the local community. He also suggested that a portion of the proceeds from the Temple's Bazaar be donated to a nonprofit organization.

Since 2001, BBT donates part of the Satsuki Bazaar proceeds to a community nonprofit organization. Thank you to Yuki and the BAG committee for leading this effort for so many years! Typically we would solicit nominations from the Sangha, but due to getting a late start, this year we are trying something different. This year the Community Outreach Committee has selected a few local organizations that you all may vote on, you are also welcome to nominate your own.

****NOTE:** This form will remain open until EXTENDED TO May 7, 2022.

Which Community organization would you like to vote for? *

- Healing Clinic Collective (<http://www.healingcliniccollective.net/>)
- Oakland LGBTQ Center (Oakland - <https://www.oaklandlgbtqcenter.org/>)
- Project Homeless Connect (SF - <https://www.projecthomelessconnect.org/>)



BCA Announcements

BCA Center for Buddhist Education
Living The Dharma (formerly Every Day Buddhism) Committee Presents:



FINDING THE ANTIDOTE TO ANGER, THE SECOND OF THE THREE POISONS

PART 1

Saturday, May 14, 2022

11:00 am – 1:00 pm (PT)

Guest Speaker: Dr. Larry Ward

Dr. Ward's presentation will focus on Thich Nhat Hanh's book
Anger: Wisdom for Cooling the Flames



Larry Ward is a senior teacher in Buddhist Zen Master Thich Nhat Hanh's Plum Village tradition, the author of the book *America's Racial Karma*, and co-author with his wife, Peggy, of *Love's Garden: A Guide To Mindful Relationships*. Dr. Ward brings twenty-five years of international experience in organizational change and local community renewal to his work as director of the Lotus Institute and as an advisor to the Executive Mind Leadership Institute at the Drucker School of Management. He holds a PhD in Religious Studies with an emphasis on Buddhism and the neuroscience of meditation, and has trained at the Trauma Resource Institute. As a teacher, Dr. Ward interweaves insights with personal stories and resounding clarity that express his Dharma name, "True Great Sound."

Moderator: Rev. Marvin Harada

Registration

<https://forms.gle/5iKxqPv9RfmbfgZ4A>

Part 2 Continued on July 16, 2022 Guest Speaker: Rev. T. Miyaji

Donations gratefully accepted

Click to Donate <https://bca.kindful.com/> Scroll campaigns to select CBE

(Donations are processed by BCA Endowment Foundation)

Visit buddhistchurchesofamerica.org email: cbe@bcahq.org or phone: 510.809.1460

BCA

Buddhist Churches
of America

VIRTUAL

— O B O N D A N C E —

AUGUST 14, 2022 @ 2PM (PT)



Broadcast on CBE Youtube Channel:

<https://tinyurl.com/cx4wb6s6>



Community Announcements

Kauai Hongwanji Council Nembutsu Seminar

Women in Buddhism

- Historiographical Approach -

Tuesday, April 26, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm (HST): Zoom

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra



Women's roles in the history of Buddhism and Jodoshinshu-Buddhism are vital. In the historiographical approach, this seminar talks about Sakyamuni's stepmother Mahapajapati, Śrīmālādevī described in Śrīmālādevī-siṃhanāda-sūtra, Queen Vaidehī in the Contemplation sūtra, and in the Pure Land Buddhism. Shin Buddhism has nurtured the Shin Buddhist women such as Shinran Shonin's wife Eshinni-sama, and daughter Kakushinni-sama who established the current Hongwanji. In the modernism time, Lady Takeko Kujo, the daughter of the 21st Gomonsu Myoyo Shonin, founded the BWA-Fujinkai in Japan in 1907 and established the first women university, Kyoto Women's University. We also explore the view of women by Shinran, Kakunyo, Zonkaku, and Rennyō Shonins.

Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra was born in Kyoto, Japan, and graduated from Kyoto Women's University, founded by Lady Takeko Kujo. While being an active member in California, she aspired to study Buddhism and attended Kyoto Chuo-Bukkyo Gakuin, and Institute do Buddhist Studies (M.A.), Ryukoku University (M.A.), and Ryukoku University (Ph.D.) she received Hongwanji Gakkai Hokyo. She is currently the resident minister of the Orange County Buddhist Church (OCBC) in California and the Institute of Buddhist Study instructor.

Her research and teaching interests are the history of Shin Buddhism in premodern, the history of Shin Buddhist thought in modernism in America, and Women and Shin Buddhism in America. She is a co-translator of *Leaves of My Hear* by Lady Takeko Kujo.

Registration Fee: Free (Registration Required)

Donations can be made to the Kauai Hongwanji Council. Please make a check payable to Kauai Hongwanji Council and send it to Lihue Hongwanji Mission 3-3556 Kuhio Highway, Lihue, HI 96766.

The maximum capacity is 100 people, first come, first served. We will email you a Zoom link three days prior to the seminar.

Click below to register!

"Registration Deadline April 19, 2022"

<https://forms.gle/7oBvsVVrazFJM5ma6>



When you complete the seminar registration, you will receive an automatic confirmation email from Google forms.

For further information, please contact:

Kapaa Hongwanji at 822-4667, West Kauai Hongwanji at 335-3195 or Lihue Hongwanji at 245-6262.



BUDDHIST SPIRITUAL CARE FOR OUR TIMES

Join ministry and chaplaincy alumni from the Institute of Buddhist Studies as they discuss the challenges and gifts of spiritual care during the COVID pandemic



REV. BLAYNE HIGA

Minister, Honpa Hongwanji
Mission of Hawaii



REV. JO LAURENCE

Palliative care chaplain,
Providence Home Services



REV. TRENT THORNLEY

Executive Director, SF Night
Ministry

THURSDAY APRIL 28 2022
4-5PM PST

MODERATED BY CHAPLAINCY
PROGRAM COORDINATOR
CHENXING HAN

REGISTER FOR ZOOM LINK

COMBINED DHARMA FAMILY SERVICE & SHOTSUKI MEMORIAL SERVICE

Sunday, May 1 2022
9:30 am

Livestream: <https://www.berkeleybuddhisttemple.org/dharma-live>

The following persons will be remembered during the Shotsuki Hoyo (monthly memorial service) for
May.

Hideyo Adachi	Stella Isao Kimura	Kenji Ota
Douglas Berute Davis	Teruko Komure	Hisae Joanna Sakai
Ayako Fujii	Michio Kono	Larry Takeo Sato
Sansuke Fujinaga	Torayoshi Maida	Chizuko Shimada
Bill Galeota	Kane Maida	Fumiko Oshita Sugihara
Junji Hamai	Roy Saburo Matsushino	Ginzo Suto
Tomoko Hamamoto	Priscilla Setsuko Mayeda	Mary Bonzo Suzuki
Satoshi Hane	Alma Tsuneko Hirose Miller	Lucille Takano
Florence Nitta Hiramoto	Naokichi Mitsuyasu	Yoshinori Tanada
Terry Teruyo Hiramoto	Kimiyo Miyaji	Kikuye Alice Tokuyoshi
Kiriye Hiraoka	Ayako Marie Miyasaki	Wataru Tsuchihashi
Yonezo Hirose	Yuta Morimoto	Toshiko Tsurumoto
Edward Akihiko Imazumi	Fusako Morita	Kiyomi Uehisa
Kazuhiro Ishida	John Morita	Kiyoye Unoki
Tamayo Ishida	Robert Nagahisa	Kawayo Yamasaki
Shigenori Iyama	Miyoko Nakagawa	Satoshi Joe Yamasaki
Toshio Jimbo	Miyoshi Nakano	Ninosuke Yoshida
Shigeru Jio	Edwin Shigeyuki Oki	Toshio Yoshida
Chika Kawamoto	Ami Oki	Takehiko Yoshimura

Note: If there are any additions, corrections, or deletions to the above list, please notify the Berkeley Buddhist Temple at 510-841-1356.



Membership & Toban

2022 Membership Pledges (Receiving Period: 3/4/2022 – 4/7/2022)

The temple would like to gratefully acknowledge the following members for their generous contributions:

Devon Akiyama	Georgia Daikai	Pauline Fong
Noreen Fukumori	Linda & Craig Griffin	Lucy Hamai
Gail Harada	Ritsuko Ide	Erin Kagehiro Anoruo
Susan Kajiwara	Yoshio & Junko Kamimura	Rev. William & Kiyoko Masuda
Fumiye Mayeda	Bradley Menda & Myron Jung	Leroy & Barbara Hedani Morishita
Jerry Nagafuji	Catherine Nagareda	James Nakabayashi
Ittsei & Kiriye Nakagawa	Lorene & Gary Nakagiri	Chizuko Nakashita
Nobuko Nishikado	Kay Okamura	Sadao Oki
Emiko (Amy) Ota	Doreen Sakamoto & Bruce Buchholz	Pat Takeda
Geraldine Ueda	Tara Umemoto	Alice Wakida
Yasuyo Wolfe	Ranko Yamada & Bob Matsueda	Yae Yedlosky
Lena & George Yin	Elaine Yokoyama & Toshio Tsuda	

If you have any questions, please contact Mimi Kagehiro at membership@berkeleybuddhisttemple.org or 510-841-1356.

TOBAN

Coordinators - Lena Yin & Pat Takeda

April	May
<p>Chair - Akemi Hamai Cochair - Bob Matsueda</p> <p>Aldrich, Collette Ames, Diane Fukumori, Naomi Hamai, Akemi & Amy Haruyama *Hamai, Lucy Horstein, Scott & Antonia Glenn *Kami, Frank Kawakami, Keiko Matsueda, Bob & Ranko Yamada Nolan, Paul & Sara Jotoku Omori, Laurie Roueche, Akira Sakurai, Dennis Shinsako, Glenn & Amy *Wakida, Alice</p>	<p>Chair - Don Hamasaki Cochair - Judy Fujimoto Cochair - Barbara Hedani-Morishita</p> <p>Flamenco, Jenna Fujimoto, Bill & Judy Hamasaki, Don & Joanie *Hiraoka, Yo Ito-Taylor, Dean & Lori Suzuki Kato, Vernon & Karen Kuwahara, Rev Kiyoo & Hitomi Miyake, Ron & Janet Cordova Morishita, Leroy & Barbara Hedani Okano, Steven *Oki, Sadao Okimoto, Joyce Palacios, Stephen & Sabouri, Nina (TX) Taylor, Rumi Ware, Russell</p>

** Denotes disabled and/or elderly. Toban duty optional.*



Memorial Service Schedule



The following is a list of special service years.
If you have a departed relative who has passed away
in any of the listed years,
and would like to make arrangements
for a memorial service,
please contact Rev. Kuwahara at [\(510\) 841-1356](tel:5108411356).

2022 MEMORIAL SERVICE SCHEDULE

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>
2021	1 st Year
2020	3 rd Year
2016	7 th Year
2010	13 th Year
2006	17 th Year
1998	25 th Year
1990	33 rd Year
1973	50 th Year
1923	100 th Year

Services

Our regular Sunday program begins with a Chanting Service at 8:30am followed by a Family Service at 9:30am. A Dharma talk is available after the Family Service while Dharma School classes are convened for students.

Special Services

January 1 Service	Gantan-e	New Year's Day
February	Nehan-e	Nirvana Day
March	Ohigan	Spring Equinox
April	Hanamatsuri	Flower Festival
May	Gotan-e	Birthday of Shinran
July	Kangi-e	Obon
September	Ohigan	Autumn Equinox
November Memorial	Hoonko	Shinran Shonin
December	Jodo-e	Bodhi Day
December 31	Joya-e	Year End Service

A Shotsuki Hoyo (Monthly Memorial) Service is held the first Sunday of each month.

Dharma School

Our Dharma School (Sunday School) has classes from preschool through high school. Our teachers are happy to discuss the appropriate level of spiritual enrichment for your student.

Monthly Discussions

In our discussions, we strive to experience the Buddha-Dharma with our entire selves – with our bodies (quiet sitting and other forms of meditation), voices (chanting and other liturgy) and minds (study and discussion).

Our sessions focus on ways in which Buddhist teaching and practice can impact our everyday lives. Each session will take up a different topic and you are welcome to attend any or all sessions.

All interested persons are welcome to attend.

Visitor Information

Please feel free to ask any of our greeters for information. We are here to assist you with whatever level of participation you may be seeking.

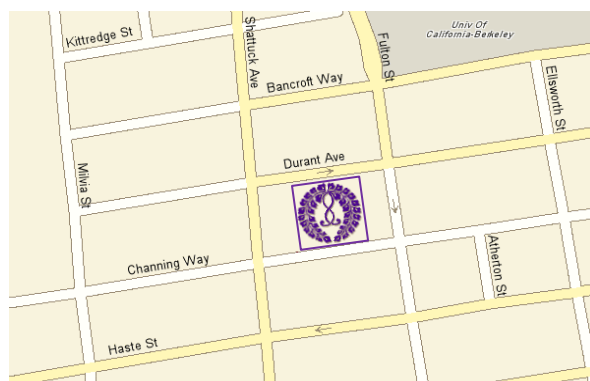
Whether you are here to satisfy a slight interest or to make a more personal connection, we wish you well and hope that you will be visiting us again soon.

Membership Information

Membership is open to all who view the Temple as their spiritual home and seek the Buddha-Dharma.

Kindly complete a [Membership Form](#), have your name entered in the membership roll and support the Temple through a pledge and participation.

For more information about becoming a member, visit our



[Registration](#) page, or contact our [Membership Chair](#).

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