

The White Path

Living the Life of the Nembutsu

WHITE RIVER BUDDHIST TEMPLE

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Minister's Greetings

照顧脚下 Shouko Kyakka literally means, "light up around your feet and pay attention!"

It means to me, "Hey, instead of looking away, just look around you!" or "Hey, instead of looking over and away from you, realize you are already fortunate."

Now, you know how you have been fortunate, lucky, and happy that you have been able to move your legs, hands, mouth, and eyes as you wish for years.

Now, I realize and think, "Hey, have I felt thankful?!" when those things get injured and could not move as I wish.

Namuamidabutsu, in Gassho

Rev. Koshin Ogui



Message from the Chairperson

October is one of our busier months at the Temple since our fall Bazaar is in October. All of you, your friends, and acquaintances have come together to make this major fundraiser a success. Thank you to Gayle Takemura and Charles Natsuhara for chairing this event and Thank you everyone; we couldn't have done this without all of you!!

I hope that you'll be able to attend our General Membership Meeting on November 12th. I know that the word "meeting" makes many of us cringe or groan but we have budgetary and other important items to talk about in order to plan for our future without Rev. and

Mrs. Ogui. We need your input!

Finally, I'm sorry that I missed working along side of you at the Bazaar and the days spent prepping for Bazaar. As many of you know, my son was seriously injured in a climbing accident while in San Diego. It's been a scary and worrying experience for all of us and we are seeing progress in his recovery every day. For that, we are grateful.

Sometimes, I am so busy that I tend to lose focus on what's really important until something like this slaps me upside the head. Then I realize that not much else matters; the busy work can wait. I can't express how appreciative I am for all of the offers of help, and that so many people have taken care of my responsibilities at home so that I can focus on my son and his medical needs.

Thank you all for the positive thoughts, good wishes for health, and prayers for my son and the rest of our family. We are very grateful and fortunate to know all of you!

Thank you for all that you do for the Temple! Thank you for all that you have done for my family!

Sharon Kosai

P.S. Remember to join me on November 5th at 10:30am for "Pastries with the President." No agenda, No donation, No catch. Just coffee, pastries (or something similar), and good conversation with your fellow Sangha members!

The White River Buddhist Temple offers its sincere condolences to Wayne Mizuki and his family on the passing of his mother, Helen Mizuki. She touched so many with her kindness; we hope you find comfort in your memories of her.

**November Shotsuki Hoyo Monthly Memorial Service
November 5, 2017 at 11:00 AM**

According to our Temple records, the following people passed away in the month of November. Family and friends are cordially invited to attend the Shotsuki Hoyo Monthly Memorial Service on Sunday, November 5th at 11:00 am. If any names have inadvertently been omitted, please email office@wrbt.org or speak with Rev. Ogui to correct our records.

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| Tame Tsujikawa | 1968 | George Tadamichi Kanda | 1994 |
| Sengoro Miyoshi | 1970 | James Masayuki Onchi | 1998 |
| Kenzo Arita | 1972 | Hatsue Okimoto | 2000 |
| Masaye Nakai | 1976 | Chiyeko Nishimura | 2003 |
| Jitsu Nakayama | 1976 | Shizuko Arima | 2008 |
| Genichi Nakagawa | 1978 | Helen Nishimoto | 2008 |
| Hiroshi Nakayama | 1983 | Koko Sutow | 2009 |
| Yoneko Fujjye | 1989 | Mae Yamada | 2010 |
| Linda Tsugiye Nishimura | 1991 | Kimiko Taniguchi | 2012 |
| Charles Franklin Moss | 1993 | Doug Yamada | 2015 |
| George Masakatsu Iida | 1994 | Harry Taketa | 2015 |

1 year ~ 2016 3 year ~ 2015 7 year ~ 2011 13 year ~ 2005
17 year ~ 2001 25 year ~ 1993 33 year ~ 1985 50 year ~ 1968

DESIGNATED MEMORIAL SERVICE YEARS To schedule a family memorial service, please contact office@wrbt.org or speak with Rev Ogui.

Auburn Community Meal

We will be preparing the Meal for the Auburn Community Meal on Thursday, November 2nd at 3:00 PM at the Temple and serving the meal at St. Matthew-San Mateo Episcopal Church. The sign up sheet is on the back bulletin board at the Temple or contact Char Grinolds if you can help. Meal prep is 3:00-5:00, Serving is 5:30-6:30 pm.

Planning Committee

With Rev. Ogui leaving next spring the Planning Committee needs your input on how to best focus our efforts along the strategic path you approved and with the programs we have implemented. Please attend the November 12th General Meeting where we, along with the Transition Committee, will present some ideas for your consideration. And we'd like our entire Sangha to voice feedback...this is an all-hands-on-deck subject that needs your attention.

TIMELESS FAVORITES

There will NOT be a Timeless Favorites Cooking Class on Nov 4th. COME FOR TEMPLE CLEAN UP INSTEAD. Watch for the announcement for the next Timeless Favorites Cooking Class!

Newsletter

October news articles are due Wednesday, November 15th. Please send your articles to newsletter@wrbt.org. If articles are late, they may not be included.

If you would like to receive your newsletter by email, please contact newsletter@wrbt.org



Thanks!!

- ◆ Justin, Charles, and Randy O. for spreading the parking lot gravel
- ◆ JR for cleaning the temple gutters
- ◆ Vivian and Janice for working in the gardens

Donations

The Temple gratefully acknowledges the following donations received and recorded from September 18th through October 15th, except for Bazaar fundraiser donations that will be included in the next newsletter. Thank you to the many people whose financial donations, as well as their donations of goods, energy, and time help us to stay in existence. Please contact Ron Murakami, Treasurer, regarding omissions or corrections by phone (253) 845-3062, or by email to ron.murakami@comcast.net. **Amount not specified for Internet Publishing.**

Donations for Recent Funeral/Memorial Services

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| David & June Akizuki | In memory of John & Mitsuko Hamakami |
| M/M Randy & Eva Chun | In memory of Randy's mother, Violet Chun |
| M/M Randy & Eva Chun | In memory of John Hamakami |
| Sharon Natsuhara Ito | In memory of John Hamakami |
| Marcia Kato | In memory of John Hamakami |
| Mrs Katie Komoto | In memory of Helen Mizuki |
| Dennis LaRue & Bonnie Natsuhara | In memory of John Hamakami |
| Nobuko Watanabe LeMay | In memory of John Hamakami |
| Greg McCormack & Jean Natsuhara | In memory of John Hamakami |
| M/M Wayne & Sally Mizuki | In memory of Helen Mizuki |
| M/M Dennis & Judy Nomura | In memory of Helen Mizuki |
| Steph Ojima | In memory of John Hamakami |
| M/M Ted & Joan Rodgers | In memory of Mr John Hamakami, Sr |
| Himeko Suyematsu & Family | In memory of John Hamakami |
| Elizabeth Zavala | In memory of John Hamakami |

Monthly (Shotsuki) Memorials

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| Mr Dennis Asato & Asato Family | 100 Day Service for Lillian Asato |
| M/M Shirley Kanda & Roger Fukai | In memory of Mitsuko Hamakami |
| Mrs Monica Furtick | In memory of Mits Hamakami |
| Mrs Monica Furtick | In memory of Mitsuko Hamakami |
| Mrs Monica Furtick | In memory of Tad Kato |
| Mrs Monica Furtick | In memory of Tad Kato |
| Kenneth Kamei | In memory of Kiku Kumasaka |
| Donald & Beta Kato | In memory of Kenichi & Urano Kato |
| Donald & Beta Kato | In memory of Tsuruichi & Tokuyo Komoto |
| Mrs Lilly Kato | In memory of Kenichi & Urano Kato |
| Mrs Lilly Kato | In memory of Tad Kato |
| Mrs Rosie Kato | In memory of Father & Mother Kato |
| M/M Sharon & Mark Kosai | October Shotsuki |
| Mr Charles Natsuhara | In memory of Sen Natsuhara & Haruko Natsuhara |
| Ms Kathryn Natsuhara | In memory of Sen Natsuhara & May Natsuhara |
| M/M Bob & Karen Nishimoto | In memory of Mitsuko Hamakami |
| M/M Dennis & Alva Nishimura | In memory of Fujiko Nishimura |
| Mr Randy Okimoto | In memory of Shig Toyoshima |
| Susie Taketa | In memory of Tad Kato |
| Toyoshima Family | In memory of Shigeru Toyoshima |

General Donations

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| Mrs Amy Kato | Ohigan |
| M/M Dennis & Alva Nishimura | Temple Use |
| Catherina Sunderland | General donation |

2017 Pledge Totals

September 1 - 30, 2017

Thank you for your support in 2017!

| PLEDGES DECLARED | | | DOLLARS COLLECTED | | |
|--|-------------|-----------------|---|------------|------------------------|
| Date | Additional | Total | Contributors | Additional | Total |
| Oct 2, 2017 | \$800 | \$20,720 | 38 | \$2,040 | \$19,225 |
| Amount Not Specified for Internet Publishing | | | Anonymous #11, Anonymous #12, Anonymous #13 | | |
| \$185-\$499 | \$500-\$999 | | | | |
| \$1,000-\$4,999 | | | | | |
| \$5,000-\$9,999 | | | | | |
| For comparison: | | Pledged | Contributors | | Total Collected |
| Sep 26, 2016 | | \$27,960 | 54 | | \$25,195 |

ABA News

There will not be a men's cooking class in October. We will resume November 13th.

A donation box for the Auburn Food Bank is in the foyer. Thank you to all who contribute to a worthy cause.

Our deepest sympathies to the Wayne Mizuki family on the passing of his mother, Mrs. Helen Mizuki.

WHITE RIVER BUDDHIST WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION – October 7, 2017

September 25: Fisher House. Vivian Alexander, Char Grinolds Sally Mizuki and Gayle Takemura assisted "Chef" Wayne Mizuki in preparing, serving and dining on Yakisoba, Toss Green Salad and Peach an Apple Pies to the residents of Fisher House. The largest group of residents enjoyed the delicious dinner served by our great cooks. It was as always a more rewarding experience for all. The next and last of the year will be on October 30th.

October 15: The annual Eshin-ni-Kakushin-ni Memorial Service will be held with Rev. Carol Himaka, Resident Minister at Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church as our guest speaker. Lunch hosted by the BWA will follow the service. Welcome and many thanks to Rev. Himaka for her presentation.

Year-Round Collections

- **Green Box July-August-September** School supplies (backpacks, binders, notebook paper, spiral notebooks, pens, pencils, erasers, calculators) and Baby supplies (diapers sizes 4,5,6, baby or preschool clothing).
- **Coins** for diapers (collection jar in lobby)
- **Recycle lightbulbs** (collection box in lobby)
- **Newspaper and towels** for animals in need (see Darlene Yamada)

Karen Murakami August Green Box Collections to Auburn Food Bank - Donation Slip attached delivered 67 pounds of school supplies, toiletries, food, and household goods to Auburn Food Bank.

Landscaping Thanks Thanks to Vivian Alexander and Janis Yamada for all their work in the gardens this summer. These ladies volunteered and followed through on watering, weeding, and deadheading spent flowers. Thanks so much ladies.

WR BWA gratefully acknowledges receipt of donations for our Esshinni/Kakushinni Service from:

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| Katie Komoto | Rosie Kato |
| Amy Kato | Lorin & Charlene Grinolds |
| Lilly Kato | Ron & Karen Murakami |
| Bill & Norma Geenty | Kathryn Natsuhara |
| Charles Natsuhara | Maydell Crane |
| Audrie Hayes | Itsuo & Yuri Shiotani |
| Roger Fukai & Shirley Kanda | Eva Chun |
| Yoshiko Yamada | Darlene Yamada |

Gift Card Fundraiser starts now!

Order your gift cards by Sunday, Nov. 26. Pay regular price for gift cards that you normally buy for others or for your own use. Remember to get gift cards for your gas & groceries, too! Receive your gift cards at church on Sun, Dec 10. If you have questions or don't see what you're looking for, ask Karen < wrlink4goldenchain@comcast.net > since there are too many retailers & denominations to list on the form. The Gift Card Order Form is included in this newsletter.

Dharma School

Dharma school sponsored a talk by Scott Currie from City of Auburn Emergency Management about disaster preparedness. He presented a lot of useful information and answered many questions. The Dharma school students helped provide some light refreshments before the talk. November 5th will be the next Dharma school class, when the students will be taking pictures on Temple grounds as part of a larger project.

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Reverend Ogui's Formal Temple Office Hours

Wed - Sat 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

Sunday 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Religious or other consultations and home visitations are encouraged to be made by appointment Wednesday through Sunday. However, Reverend Ogui is on-call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

If you have a **non-emergency** need for minister assistance, please call the Temple phone (253) 833-1442. If your call is not answered immediately, please leave a message and Rev Ogui will return your call as soon as possible.

If you have an **emergency** need for minister assistance, call Rev. Ogui's cell phone.

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