

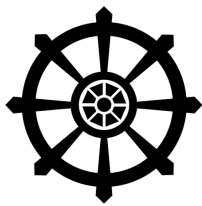
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The War of Self and Other

In 1968, I was eight years old. It was startling to me to see how quickly we went from the *Summer of Love* to hate. There were the assassinations of Robert F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King along with many violent Vietnam War protests, both for and against. I found this all very frightening. I assumed that there was something wrong with our leaders or our culture until I saw this bumper sticker below. [There is even a vintage one for sale on eBay, priced at \\$34.99.](#)



It is hard to determine the provenance of this quotation. It is attributed to Carl Sandburg. But in 1970, there was also a movie titled *Suppose They Gave a War and Nobody Came* starring Brian Keith, Ernest Borgnine, Susanne Pleshette and Tony Curtis. In this case, "the title is derived from an American antiwar slogan from the hippie subculture during the Vietnam War era, popularized by Charlotte E. Keyes in her 1966 article for McCall's magazine titled *Suppose They Gave a War and No One Came.*"

This slogan really challenged my way of thinking about war. It personalized it for me. Perhaps the problem was not with our governments but with ourselves. As an individual I can choose to be peaceful or not. This experience has stayed with me my entire life and has really helped me see violence as a personal problem, not one that I can blame on others.

The Buddha also took this very same individualistic approach.

"The Buddha addressed himself as an individual to individuals. Even when he spoke to large groups, as he frequently did, he focused on individual responsibility. He understood every group ... as resting upon the insight, conscience and actions of each of its participants. He had no theory of, nor belief in, supervening collective structures of society or government that could amend or replace the bedrock of individual choice."

Paul Fleischman,

The Buddha Taught Nonviolence, Not Pacifism (2002)

But this can be confusing to many. We expect our religious institutions to define an overriding moral and ethical structure for society. But the Buddha did not do that.

"Modern discussions of violence commonly pursue rules of conduct rooted in universal norms ... A great deal of effort in modern liberal society is invested in defining and applying codes of conduct.' [There is] a widespread assumption that such codes 'can be generated from a

single source or principle' ... Religious traditions are often understood to have served in the past to provide such foundational principles. In most Buddhist traditions, an ethicized notion of karma and the various formulations of virtues and precepts for monastics and lay practitioners may be seen to have offered such support. Recent efforts by Buddhists to reinterpret such guidelines for practice as the six paramitas or the five precepts in terms of contemporary social life reflect the modern demand for codes of conduct ..."

Dennis Hirota,

Violence and Nonviolence in Shinran (2018)

We often get questions like these as Buddhist ministers. People want to know what is Buddhist justice and what is the Buddhist position on war. But this approach deals with these issues in the abstract, often focusing on one group versus another, often further separating us rather than bringing us together. This is called Othering and it often creates more distance between us rather than less.

Shinran Shonin also takes this approach, to focus on the individual rather than on the groups. When we approach issues in this way it helps us to not blame others for our conflict. The problem is inside not outside. This also helps us to become much less self-righteous.

"Dennis Hirota wrote in his essay, 'Violence and Nonviolence in Shinran,' that violence and other aggressive acts surface 'from afflicting passions (bonno) of ego-attachment and deepens one's entanglement in samsaric existence ... [Aggressive actions] are rooted in forms of violence directed toward self-magnification and division from others.' He also writes, 'Consequently, for Shinran, mental acts are the primary form of violence.' The slogan of [Dostoyevsky's] heroes is 'we are all to blame'; the recognition that we are all complicit in sin is the gateway to grace, and hence the transformation which can take us out of the structures of evil. We are at the [antithesis] of self-righteous anger."

Ken Yamata,

War and Jodo Shinshu (2022)

By seeing ourselves clearly we can then begin to appreciate the teachings and start to recognize and change our deluded ways of thinking. We are able to reorient ourselves and begin to look for solutions within rather than without. This transformation can feel negative in the beginning but it is also the initial steps towards insight into ourselves and acceptance of others.

"In this way, Shinran traces the contours of realization born from the evil of violence, the encounter with the teaching, and the birth of self-awareness."

Dennis Hirota (2018)

Kyoto Girls Are Coming Back!

Kyoto Girls are coming back to OCBC and will attend our Sunday service on February 4th. They have not come for the past couple of years due to Covid, but now their overseas field trip has been resumed. Please join us to welcome them again. They will arrive in San Diego on January 30th, and will attend the Japanese language class as exchange students at Western High School for several days. They will return to Kyoto on the following day of their visit of OCBC. After the OCBC Service, Kyoto Girls will have lunch with Jr YBA members and enjoy a mingling time of games and some performances. Thank you to the Jr YBA parents and members for preparing the warm welcoming.



Here is the photo taken a couple years ago. On February 4th, Kyoto Girls will sing the gatha “Seiya” composed by Lady Kujo Takeko, who was a founder of the Kyoto Girls Junior and High Schools, and Kyoto Women’s University. It was a dream of Takeko and sister-in-law Kazuko (the wife of the 22nd Monshu Kyōnyo), to develop the women education system and build the first girls’ school and women’s university in the early 20th century, when people in the Japanese society thought that men were superior to women, and there was no need of education for girls and women. Takeko and Kazuko resisted the societal trend and emphasized women’s power and ability to make Japan a better country.

At the same time, the feminist movement started the civil right to include women in politics. Women in Japan were prohibited by law from joining political parties, expressing political views, and attending any political meetings. By 1920, the fight for women’s political inclusion was at the forefront of the suffrage movement, and in 1921 the Diet of Japan (parliament) overruled Article 5 of the Political Security Act by granting women the right to attend political meetings. Finally in 1945, the right of universal suffrage in Japan was finally given to include women.

The students of Kyoto Girls’ School who are coming to OCBC are all in the wisteria course, where I also studied in the 1970’s. The wisteria course provides the six-year integrated education from the junior to high school. Once a week, there is the morning service at 8:00AM in the school hondo. I remember that my grandmother living with us woke me at 6:30AM, telling me, “You have a morning service this morning. Wake up! You cannot be late.” I wanted to stay in bed to get extra sleep, but jumped out from the bed. After having breakfast and taking my obento box, I got on a city train and rushed to the service. Here is the photo showing

their morning service.



I have been communicating with Tanaka Sensei of Kyoto Girls’ School and tour leader since last summer. He has offered to have his students perform the music service in our Sunday service. I probably need to translate, but it will be interesting to all of us. They also may sing another gatha “Shinshū Shūka” (Song of Jodo Shinshu) that I sang all the time when I was a student. Page 156 in the OCBC service book shows the verse 1 and 2 in Japanese only, so let me share the English translation based on the BCA service book (2004).

Shinshū Shūka

I express deep reverence to the Dharma.

To what shall I liken my happiness!

By listening earnestly, I opened the Way and received True Compassion.

I have been liberated from the Eternal Darkness.

To what can I compare my happiness!

Reciting the nembutsu, I’ll exert myself diligently in my daily work.

Without any discrimination,

I’ll share with everyone

Amida’s precious gift

And travel together to the Pure Land.

What a wonderful opportunity to welcome back the Kyoto Girls! We are connected with Namo Amida Butsu.

Namo Amida Butsu
Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra

“Eternal Now” and the Beginner’s Mind

Eternal Now

In the beginningless, endless flow of time
Each life is a mere ripple,
Existing only for an instantaneous moment
And disappearing forever.

But each life is a unique experience
With beauty and truth, all of its own
With no identical counterpart in history
And none absolutely the same in the future.

Your life, my life -
Is attuned to the rhythm of the cosmos
And to the heartbeat of reality.

Each life exists in the Eternal Now.

Each idea that is thought,
Each word that is spoken,
Each action that is taken,
Changes the whole pattern of the universe
For the universe is interdependent.
Think, speak and act, then
Always in the eternal now

With compassion and understanding
For your own enlightenment
And for the enlightenment of all sentient beings.

Over my number of years attending the Orange County Buddhist Church, I have heard and read the “Eternal Now” countless times. I have always loved it, but when we had this as our Sunday Service reading before the holidays it really struck me. I think I had what is called an “ah ha” moment. Of course we are talking me here... so, you know,

I think what happened to me really amounts to something called “beginner’s mind”, meaning always listen to the Dharma as though it is the first time you have heard it. This keeps your mind open to hearing something new in what you have heard before. Maybe you see it from a different perspective. Maybe your life has changed, so you have a different view on things. For me it was probably just an accident, but that is another reason to keep the beginner’s mind.

(A side note about this are two books: *Zen Mind, Beginners Mind* by Shunryu Suzuki and *Let This Be Known* by my good buddy and someone you all know, minister assistant extraordinaire Jim Pollard, both good books to read on this.)

The title *Eternal Now* sounds really cool. Sounds a bit New Agey, but that’s OK. Ultimately this is talking about living in the present moment. I always find it interesting when people say, “Oh, you need to live in the present moment”. Well, we are whether we realize it or not, we don’t have a choice. It’s all we actually have. We think about the future and the past, but we are doing it in the present moment. The real idea is we need to think about the future, but must remember that it never really turns out the way we think it’s going to. It’s good to think about the past and reminisce about the good things. It’s good to remember our mistakes, so hopefully we don’t repeat them or dwell on them and realize we cannot go back and change them. I have a BBQ potato chip addiction and

will sit and eat a whole bag at one sitting. I always regret it, but I never seem to learn from that past mistake so I just move on and keep doing it. Don’t be like me!

The “Eternal Now” is a reminder to take some moments out of our day and stop and just look around and see what’s going on. We usually call this mindfulness. Don’t get too mad at me for this, but I feel that the word mindfulness has become the pop culture word for happiness. It has gone the way of the word Zen and lost its meaning. Whenever anything weird happens people like to say, “That’s so weird, that’s so Zen”. Zen comes from the Chinese word Chan, which means “to sit”. I don’t think anyone ever said, “That’s so weird, that’s so to sit”. So instead of practicing mindfulness, let’s just pay attention!

In the middle of “Eternal Now” are the lines:
Your life, my life -
Is attuned to the rhythm of the cosmos
And to The heartbeat of reality

Wow! A major part of Buddhism is interconnection or interdependence and lastly dependent arising. The idea that everything that happens, happens because of something else that happened.

I have heard people say that Buddhism is not really a religion, but a philosophy. The idea of interconnection and being attuned to the rhythm of the cosmos is a perfect example of why Buddhism is so far beyond just a philosophy. When we can see it acting in our daily lives and in the world and the universe around us, this is when we can truly embrace the dharma.

Wow again. I got a little serious and dramatic there. I better head off to my happy place of Disneyland and get some true gratitude going.

In Gassho,
Matthew A. Stolz
Minister Assistant



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President's Message

Happy February! The end of the year and January had many events and activities. The holiday season is always a busy time for families, but the Sangha of OCBC always manages to set aside time to participate and help the temple! It's been great to see many of you at the various activities.

We had our Mochitsuki in December, thank you to the BWA for leading the event. But, also, thank you to all those who came out and helped and supported the efforts with your purchases.

After our Mochitsuki, OCO and Tanaka Farms had their annual event including the Pound-Off competition. This year the Board of Directors and Jr. YBA were invited and assembled teams. The Jr. YBA team earned 2nd place in the Youth Division, while the Board successfully defended their title in the Old Farts division. I applaud the effort and the willingness of the families to get up early, work in the mud, and proudly represent OCBC in this large community event.

Then we had our New Year's Eve and New Year's Day services to reflect on last year and to welcome the new one. The New Year's Eve service was packed with those who came to ring in 2024. Thank you to our Senseis and office staff for providing these services for the Sangha.

We then rolled into our Shinnen Enkai/General Meeting where the State of the Sangha was presented along with the new officers of the Board. Thank you Carol Sakamoto for coordinating the event and the delicious luncheon. It was an entertaining afternoon and Chris Lock's video captured the essence of OCBC.

I am honored to present to you the OCBC 2024 Board of Directors Cabinet which was approved at our General Meeting:

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*indicates a new role/person

Thank you in advance for all the dedication and work to the Cabinet and Board of Directors who were installed for 2024.

For our Hō-onkō service on January 14, we were very fortunate to listen to a pre-recorded Dharma message from our guest speaker Rev. Yushi Mukojima of the Mountain View Buddhist Temple. Thank you to Rev. Wondra, Rev. Turner, and our AV team for making this Dharma message accessible to us. I'd also like to thank the Cub Scouts for the delicious luncheon following the service. It is always nice to have great food, friendly service, and share some time with our Sangha friends and families.

In gassho,
Bryan Furumoto
OCBC President



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Shin Reader – Three of My Favorite Books

By Janis Hirohama OCBC Ministers' Assistant

In this month's Shin Reader I am sharing three Shin Buddhist books that are particularly meaningful to me:

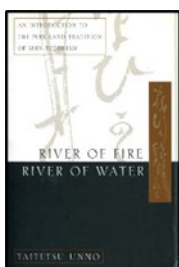


Shin Buddhist Service Book by OCBC Buddhist Education Center: You are probably quite familiar with this book, which we use at our services for chanting, readings, and gathas.

OCBC used the purple Dharma School Service Book for many years, but eventually it no longer fit the needs of a diverse 21st-century American temple, with a Sangha that includes many people who did not grow up Buddhist. A newcomer might not know who Shinran Shonin is, what we chant at services, or why we offer incense. Someone with a Christian background could be baffled by gathas with titles like "Saint Shinran" or lyrics like "I love the story of our Lord." Even many who grew up going to temple may be unfamiliar with the "why" behind our rituals, chants, and Japanese phrases.

So, in 2013 the BEC designed a contemporary and user-friendly new service book. We replaced once-common but now problematic words with more accurate terms, and added a wealth of explanatory and contextual information. For example, it explains what we experience when we chant, describes major sutras and their significance, adds new English translations of the "Shoshinge," and includes information about Shinran's teaching. It shows the dynamic, evolving spirit of Shin Buddhism in the U.S. through contemporary readings such as "Eternal Now" by Rev. Kenryu Tsuji, and new gathas written by BCA members such as OCBC's own René Maruyama. Our Service Book is now widely used at BCA temples through the U.S., and even Canada.

Although it is called a **Service Book**, it is not just for use at the temple or your home altar. With its rich content, it is so much more – a spiritual guide, a helpful study resource, and a reference that you can turn to over and over. I find myself opening it often to look up information, to practice chanting, and to find inspiration and comfort.



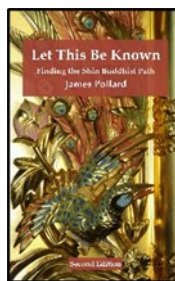
River of Fire, River of Water by Taitetsu Unno: This book was one of my first windows into Shin Buddhism. My brother Kent passed away in early 2006. He had been a member of OCBC's Daion Taiko for nearly 20 years, but I knew nothing about the temple or Jodo Shinshu until I met Kent's many OCBC friends when they came to see him at the hospital. Rev. Marvin Harada visited Kent often during those last few

weeks, and gave him several books, including this one.

I leafed through the book at the hospital, but did not have the time, heart, or focus then to really attend to it. I read enough, though, to be struck by the author's Prologue, in which he described his period of deep suffering and questioning after his close college friend committed suicide. Ultimately, this led him to Shin Buddhism as the way to address the three basic questions of life he was wrestling with: "death and dying, the meaning of true compassion,

and my karmic existence as infinite finitude."

At a time when I was grappling with the reality of suffering, death, and loss – the same questions that faced a young Taitetsu Unno – his account planted a seed of possibility in my mind. I was not quite ready to start along the path, but this story hinted to me that Shin Buddhism might be a way forward. It seemed to describe a compassionate yet rational spiritual path that made sense for someone like me, who was struggling with existential concerns but skeptical of supernatural approaches. So when, a couple of months after my brother's death, I learned that Rev. Harada was teaching a class at OCBC on "Buddhist Views of Life and Death," I was willing to go and listen, because the seed had been planted. That was the start of my Shin Buddhist journey.



Let This Be Known: Finding the Shin Buddhist Path by James Pollard: I would put this probing and thought-provoking collection of essays on my list even if it hadn't been written by my husband.

Jim expresses Shinran's teachings in ways that make sense to a modern audience. As a convert Buddhist, he started from scratch, learning from a variety of teachers and studying texts that were completely new to him. So, he was not tied to traditional views. He studied not just traditional Nishi Hongwanji interpretations of Shinran's teachings, but the more existential views of modern Higashi thinkers, and applied his own knowledge of non-Buddhist philosophy and literature, as well. He takes nothing for granted, and questions everything.

His book covers a broad range of topics, including self-awareness, rituals, community, Shinran's path, lessons from nature, and more. He explains the fundamentals of Buddhism – such as impermanence and suffering – in thoughtful, unformulaic ways. He does not confine Shin Buddhism to a culturally Japanese "container" but instead brings a broad frame of reference, connecting it to fields beyond religion by drawing on his knowledge of Western traditions of art, music, literature, philosophy, and science. This results in a refreshing and modern take on Shin Buddhism.

Perhaps most importantly, this book models the path of a spiritual seeker for us. Jim shows us that, like Shakyamuni and Shinran, he engaged deeply in a process of questioning, study, and self-reflection which formed his own spiritual path and resulted in the interpretations he shares in his book. Therefore, he emphasizes throughout the importance of bringing a beginner's mind, keeping the spirit of a perpetual student, and engaging in deep self-reflection. This book is an exhortation to us to keep the dynamic, questioning spirit of a student so that we can realize the radical potential for spiritual liberation in Shinran's teaching.

BWA News

How do we begin to express our gratitude to everyone who came out to help at our annual Mochitsuki in December? Mochitsuki translates to "rice cake-making" but the entire process involves so much more! From the maintenance team who inspected all of the equipment to the Boy Scouts who washed 550 pounds of mochigome to the early morning risers who did the set-up to the breakfast and lunch crews who provided the delicious meals, we thank you for your valuable time and energy. We also want to thank Jodi, Tobans F, G, and E who provided guidance to Girl Scout volunteers, Sangha members, and friends and family who helped form, cool, and package the several hundred plates of mochi for distribution. With everything running so smoothly, we were able to finish and clean the social hall in record time, enjoy the rest of the afternoon, and perhaps, indulge in a toasted mochi or two before the New Year. Arigatou Gozaimasu!



Announcements

-On December 11th, we celebrated birthdays for Seiko Hoshino, Nancy Inafuku, Dorothy Matsuoka, and Jane Sasaki. Thank you to Nancy Hara, Seiko Hoshino, Karen Nakagiri, and Chris Nakamura for your monetary donations. 36 attendees were treated to a special bento filled with delicious HoneyBaked ham, cabbage ramen salad, potato salad, and edamame. On January 8th, we celebrated birthdays for Rev. Dr. Wondra and Junji Sarashina. Thank you to Junji Sarashina for your monetary donation and Rev. Dr. Wondra for your donation of Tokyo Central gift certificates. 34 attendees enjoyed a special New Year's bento prepared by Mitsuwa and the tasty Zen'ai was prepared by our BWA lunch team. Everyone enjoyed the delicious food and the raffle prizes. Our next Senior Lunch will be held on February 12th and we encourage all BWA member to join us!

-Lady Takeko Kujo Service and Bunco will be held on Saturday, February 3rd at 11:00 a.m. Details will be available in the coming weeks.

-Our next Pop-up event will be held on February 4th. Please stop by and say "Hello!"

-Our next BWA meeting will be held on March 17th in the Kodo at 12:30 p.m. following the Spring Ohigan Service and luncheon.

Questions: For general questions regarding BWA or its activities, you may contact Noreen Kamimura or Rumi Nakatani at BWA @orangecountybuddhist.org

In Gassho,
Chris Nakamura



Dharma School News

We hope you had a relaxed and enjoyable holiday to welcome in 2024 New Year by spending time with family and friends.

The Dharma School teachers are very appreciative of the dedication and support that the parents and students have given us.

Dharma School classes:

January 7, 21, 28

February 4, 11, 18

March 3, 10, 24, 31

Classes begin immediately after service and end at 11:30 am.

If your child attended New Year's Eve and/or New Year's Day services, they need to sign in to get attendance credit towards perfect attendance.

Upcoming events:

Ho-onko service: Jan 14

BCA Eitaikyo virtual service: Feb 25

Spring Ohigan service: Mar 17

BCA's "My Offering" fundraising drive

This fundraiser supports education and training of Dharma School teachers, provides new teaching material and helps new ministers who are beginning to serve in a BCA temple, particularly with the purchase of new robes.

This fundraiser will continue through June. If you have not received details from your child's teacher, please inquire. Thank you in advance for your generous donation that will tremendously help the spreading of the Dharma.

Thank you to Alison Yoshihara, Cheryl Higashi and Linda Nakauchi for organizing our delicious ozoni/Mexican lunch during our mochitsuki.

All of the Dharma School students learned how to give support to the members of Lahaina temple by making greeting cards and Nengajo postcards after the Maui fires and helping them to look forward to the new year. Thank you to Nancy Suzuki/Chris Hirata/Joanne Ishii for organizing this event.

We will be starting a new service project, creating food and hygiene kits for the homeless in Anaheim.

Thank you to the Shibata family, Dorothy Matsuoka and Erik Matsuno for their generous donation. Thank you for supporting our dharma school program.

Gift card program.

Many thanks to the people who have been supporting our gift card program to help our Dharma School.

If you have any orders or questions, please contact the Dharma School at:

dharma.school@orangecountybuddhist.org.

Welcoming New Students

If you are new to OCBC and would like to join Dharma School, please contact us at:

dharma.school@orangecountybuddhist.org or ask for

information at our hospitality table. Dharma School includes students from preschool through high school. We welcome new students at any time during the school year. In addition, if you know of any families with age-appropriate children who are interested in Dharma School, please share our contact information with them. Thank you. Please stay healthy and safe!

In gassho,

Merry Hiroshima/Teri Futaba/Gail Harada



ABA News

Happy 2024! The Dragon Year is said to be a year of pursuing dreams, and personal growth/development. What better year can there be than this, to join ABA?

Do you believe such fortunes? Even if you don't, haven't things happened to you that have left you dumbfounded? I have had a few, but here are the top 2: (1) Several years ago, I found something shiny in a parking lot of a shopping center. Back then, I was into geocaching, where you leave little trinkets behind for others to find. I was in a rush, so I grabbed it and put it in my purse, without really looking at it. I had forgotten about it for a few days, but I couldn't believe what I had picked up. It was a Rolex. It had a big gash on the back, but it had diamonds all around the face. I took it to my jeweler who couldn't speak to its authenticity, but confirmed that the diamonds were real. I was wondering where I should take it, when... we were robbed. Guess what? They stole the Rolex! It was never mine to begin with, but what were the odds? If that Rolex could talk, what stories it would tell! (2) Recently, I mistakenly received a letter with the same house number as ours, and the same first two letters of our street. I took it to the post office, told the counter person what had happened, and she took the letter. Guess what? The next day, the same letter was in our mailbox again! Imagine my shock at seeing that same letter! These occurrences show me that anything is possible, even those that are seemingly impossible or improbable. A new year is filled with dates for which anything is possible. How exciting!

For some ABA members, the past year ended with a wonderful trip to the Bowers Museum to view the Hokusai exhibit. Everyone who attended had a wonderful time. Thank you to Lynda Ogawa for her efforts in organizing this event. Thanks to Gordon Tani, a photo is up on our bulletin board.

We also just celebrated the new year with our ABA Installation. Here is our 2024 ABA cabinet.

Co-Presidents:	Alan Endo and Richard Uyeno
Treasurer:	Lynn Morita
Auditor:	Mark Sollberger
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Activities:	Karen Kino, Sue Endo, and Lynda Ogawa
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Membership:	Julie Saito

Installation was followed by our Appreciation Luncheon. Thank you to Karen Kino, Sue Endo, and Lynda Ogawa, for coordinating this event. I appreciated everyone's cooperation and sportsmanship in playing the games! By the way, I nominate Kathleen Nishida for the Price is Right show! She was \$6, from guessing the total cost of 10 items combined!! Wow!

Next up, is our Super Bowl Party on February 11. We now have a tentative date of May 2024 for the Antelope Canyon trip, and are planning a visit to the Japan House exhibit called "Design Museum Japan – Bridging Design and Life". Sign-ups are available to express interest in either of these events.

Wishing you joyful and wonderful events, some surprisingly memorable too, to fill your new year! What can happen? A LOT!

With Gassho,
Jeanne Kumagai



ABA Co-presidents, Alan and Richard



Appreciation luncheon games

Project Kokoro NewsNew Year's Casino Luncheon **March 3**

Get ready to have lots of FUN by attending the upcoming New Year's Party Luncheon from 12pm – 3pm. There will be gaming tables for Blackjack, Poker, Craps, Roulette, Pai Gow, Let it Ride, plus a Money Wheel and Bingo too! Attendees receive \$500 in chips that can be redeemed for prizes. This luncheon is free to all OCBC Sustaining Senior members age 70+. Registration is \$25 for OCBC members under age 70, and \$35 for non-OCBC members. Look for the flyer in the Korin for details and registration info. For additional questions you can email:
ocbcprojectkokoro@gmail.com

PK Craft Club

Classes are back as of Wednesday, January 10th with meetings in the Social Hall from 9am to 12pm. If you would like to join a workshop or want more information, please contact Dorothy or Rumi:

Dorothy Matsuoka: **dcmatsuoka@aol.com**

Rumiko Nakatani: **rumiko@sbcglobal.net**

OCBC/Tanaka Farms CSA Program

If you have not signed-up to receive farm fresh and seasonal produce delivered every other week at OCBC you still can along with bonus recipes and meal ideas from PK members Greg and Bonnie Goodman!

To signup visit:

<https://csa.farmigo.com/join/tanakafarms>

note: be sure to select OCBC as the "pick location"

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Appreciation

We would like to share our gratitude for donations received recently from Michael Watanabe and Janet Sakahara.

In gassho,
Neddie Bokosky

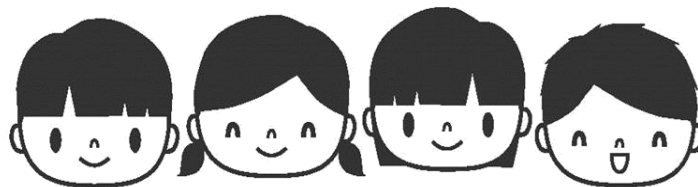
Daion Taiko

Akemashite Omedetou Gozaimasu! As we flip the page on the new year, we realize we'd better get crackin' on getting set for Hanamatsuri. Before we know it, it'll be here. All three of the mainline teams are hard at work perfecting their craft. Meanwhile, our college team has continued to represent OCBC out in the community. Already this year they've had 3 performances, helping to celebrate OC Aiki Kai Aikido's 60th Anniversary and also sharing taiko at Los Alamitos High.

Upcoming Events

JrY Kyoto Girls 2/04

In Gassho,
Daryl Doami



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 After Adult Study**
In The Library
 A support group for those diagnosed with cancer or other
 serious chronic health conditions

Dharma Wheel Club

Happy New Year Everyone! We hope that you had a good holiday season with friends and family and were able to take some time to rest and relax.

During our January Meeting we made easy microwave mochi with the kids and discussed our New Year's Resolutions. I love that one of our members said that they are going to be more grateful.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 11, 2023, after Dharma School in the MPB Conference Room. A light lunch will also be served.

If interested in joining Dharma Wheel Club, please contact Olivia Ohta (Olivia.Ohta@gmail.com) or Nicole Chaisawasdi (NicoleChaisawasdi@gmail.com).

In Gassho,
Nicole Chaisawasdi & Olivia Ohta
Dharma Wheel Club Advisors



Weekly pickleball sessions In the MPB gym.

For more information:

Wednesdays

12:30p—2:30p session

email Ryan @ rko7@hotmail.com

Weekend sessions

(times based on gym availability)

email Jeff/Carol

ocbcpickleball@gmail.com

Sangha Teens

Happy New Year OCBC!

Sangha Teens has had a ton of fun since our last update. Since November, we've had two big events, Bodhi Day and Adopt-A-Family.

Bodhi Day started with eating delicious bentos at Rush Park. After we ate, we had fun playing games like relay races, tennis, and badminton. Unfortunately, while playing tennis, we lost some tennis balls when a nearby tree "ate them." The relay races were really fun and some of the adults joined too. The winning badminton team was lucky to receive amazing prizes for their efforts. Thank you to the Yoshida, Nawa and Araki families for hosting this event.



Adopt-A-Family was held during Bodhi Day at Rush Park. We gave presents to a five-person family. We gave Legos, Hot Wheels, and arts & crafts supplies to the children. We gave the adults a whole new wardrobe of t-shirts, shoes and jackets. Thank you to the Steimetz family for hosting this event and helping us give back to our community.



Our next upcoming event is a Super Mario themed Game Night on February 10th. The Cabinet is already hard at work putting the event together by coming up with ideas and having meetings to discuss them. We are looking forward to this event!

Thank you for reading!

In Gassho,
Camden Yao, Sangha Teens Publicity Chair

Jr. YBA

Happy New Year of the Dragon! Jr. YBA has had a great 2023, with memorable activities being a fun trip to Disneyland and an engaging experience at an annual conference hosted at Gardena. We closed out a wonderful year with the SD Jam Session at San Diego Buddhist Church and the SD Religious Retreat at Senshin. The theme of SD Jam was an exciting pirate adventure, and through engaging tasks like balloon drop and karaoke, we were given the opportunity to connect with our friends from other temples. Our favorite activity was a treasure hunt, where teams were attached to a small rope and could not remove themselves to find treasure. It required lots of teamwork and compromise! SD Religious Retreat at Senshin was Nintendo themed, and centered around the traditional customs behind a funeral service. We learned how to properly oshoko and correctly chant. At the end of December, we attended Tanaka Farms' Hikari Lights. We got to see a beautiful display of lights by wagon ride, and we made sure to take lots of photos. It was an amazing way to celebrate the holidays with our friends.



To celebrate the New Year, we participated in the OCO Mochitsuki Pound Off Challenge, and this year we came in second place! Also, thank you to everyone who supported our See's Candy Fundraiser. Great way to start of 2024!

In gassho,
Olivia



OCBC Building Fund Donations

The Building Fund acknowledges the following individuals who donated between September and the end of 2023. Your support of OCBC facility maintenance and improvement efforts is very gratifying.

- Alan & Sue Endo
- Namy Folick
- Fujishige & Yada Families
- Wendell & Lori Hamamoto
- Dan & Noriko Kaneko
- Hideo & Jane Kawamura
- Karen Kino
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- Dorothy Matsuoka
- Mary Nakayama
- Akio Nitta
- Jan Onishi
- Janet Sakahara
- In memory of Bill Sakahara
- Gordon & Joan Tani
- Charles & Helen Uejo
- Judy Uyema
- Total: \$33,520**

Thank you for your contributions to the Building Fund.

In Gassho
Doug Iwanaga
Building Fund Treasurer



In Memoriam

The Orange County Buddhist Church wishes to express its deepest sympathies and condolences to the families of the late:

Emiko Ami Suzuki

May the family members find solace and comfort in the infinite compassion of Amida Buddha

Namo Amida Butsu

Services Conducted

December

- 16 Akio Kiyohara, 1-year service
- 16 Kay Sakuye Iwata, Burial
- 23 Chikashi Inanaga, Memorial
- 28 Jane Wada, 13th-year Memorial

January

- 6 Emiko Ami Suzuki, Funeral
- 8 Ben Hoshino, 17th-year Memorial
- 12 Ted Ando, 7th-day Service
- 14 Masami Onoue, 49th-day Service



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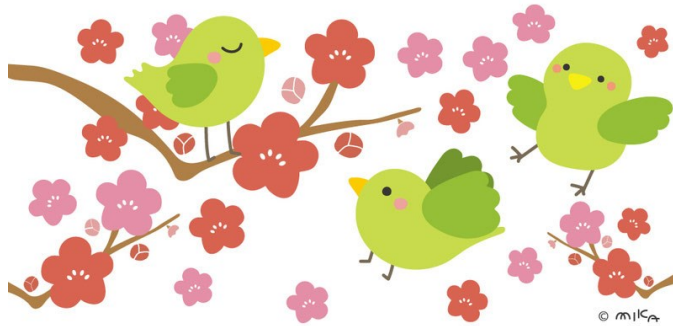
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Due to the Korin deadline date, some donations received may not be acknowledged in the Korin until the following month. We thank you for your understanding.



光輪 二月号

京都女子高校の皆さんが

2月4日に来られます！

新しい年、2024年の幕開け早々に、日本では石川県の能登半島を中心に6・7の大地震に襲われました。日本列島の日本海側では北海道から九州まで津波警報が出され、その後も度重なる余震が続きました。ようやく揺れも津波を一段落となりましたが、被害の爪痕は深く、今なお行方不明の方々の捜索が続いていると聞いています。

元旦が能登地震ニュースで終わるころ、二日には日本航空機が海上保安庁の飛行機と羽田空港で衝突し、二機とも炎上、大破してしまいました。聞くところによると海上保安庁の飛行機は地震災害のあった能登半島に物資を運ぶために離陸を待機していたところ、北海道千歳空港から着陸態勢を取った日本航空の旅客機と衝突したようです。事故原因についてはフライト・レコーダーの回収・解析がされて明らかになると思います。日本航空には乗組員を含めて379名が搭乗していましたが、迅速な避難体制によって一人も犠牲者はなか

ったようですが、残念にも海上保安庁の乗組員であった機長は炎上のなか自力で脱出されましたが重症、他の5名の方々は犠牲者となりました。心よりお悔み申し上げます。

元旦早々に悲しいことが起こった日本ですが、当地アメリカも今年は大統領選挙を迎え、社会の動向を注目することになるでしょう。私のおばあちゃんは「一月行き、二月逃げて、三月去る」の口癖で、三月の春のお彼岸まで直ぐだよと、よく言っていました。

今年も阿弥陀如来さまの限りないお智慧と大きなお慈悲のなかで皆さま方が感謝のお念仏の毎日をご過ごされて、ご健康とご多幸ある一年であることを心より念じております。

この法話のタイトルにもありますように、2月4日には京都女子高校の学生さんたちがオレンジ郡仏教会の日曜礼拝にお参りされることになっていきます。10年以上のお付き合いのなか、コロナ禍の3年ほどは海外への渡航を断念されていましたが、ようやく今年から西海岸への修学旅行が再開されるようになったと聞いています。ジュニアYBAとのフレンドシップ再スタートも有難く思っています。2月4日の当日は午前9時過ぎに到着して、10時の日曜礼拝にお参りされ、九條武子さまが作詞された讃仏偈「聖夜」を合唱してくださいませ。日曜礼拝の後は、ジュニアYBAの皆さんとの交流会とランチがソーシヤルホールで開催されます。



こちらの写真は何年前かに京都女子高校の皆さんが来られたときに撮影しました。京都女子学園は私の母校でもあり、本願寺二十一代目門主であった明如上人さまのお嬢さまであった九條武子さまが義理のお姉さまであった壽子お裏方さまと近代女子教育を願われて設立された学校です。母校である生徒さんが偶々(たまたま)私が開教使としてお勤めするオレンジ郡仏教会にお参りされるといふ思いもよらないご縁を大切に、共にお念仏をいただき、お称えするよろこびを分かち合いたく思います。

朝晩の気温が低い毎日です。どうぞ、お身体をお大事にされますように。

南無阿弥陀仏 ワンドラ 睦

❖ 二月祥月法要

2月3日(土) 午後4時30分より本堂にてお勤めします。

- ・ 日本語法話・・・ワンドラ先生
- ・ 英語法話・・・ターナー先生

❖ 三月祥月法要

3月2日(土) 午後4時30分より本堂にてお勤めします。

- ・ 日本語法話・・・ワンドラ先生
- ・ 英語法話・・・ターナー先生

❖ 春のお彼岸セミナーと法要

今年も毎田センターより羽田先生をお招きして、3月16日(土)に英語・日本語セミナーをズームで、また翌日17日(日)は春のお彼岸法要を本堂でお勤めして、羽田先生による英語・日本語の録画法話をお聴聞します。日本語の法話は小堂で、また英語法話は本堂となります。その後、サンガティーンズによるお斎ランチをソーシャルホールで行います。ハイブリッドでお届けする予定です。セミナーの詳細や参加登録については追ってご案内します。多くの皆さまのご参加をお待ちします。



❖ BCA・ダイアルアップ

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「2」を押すと日本語法話が聞けます。法話は日本語が話せる開教使の先生方によるものです。どうぞ、お聴聞くださいませ。

婦人会だより



毎年十一月に開催される餅つきに参加してくださったすべての人にどのような感謝の気持ちを表現すればよいでしょうか。「餅つき」と言っても、プロセス全体はそれだけではありません。すべての設備を点検してくれたメンテナンsteam、五百五十ポンドの餅米を洗ったボーイスカウト、準備をしてくれた早朝の起床者、おいしい食事を提供してくれた朝食と昼食のクルーに至るまで、貴重な時間とそのエネルギーをありがとうございます。また、ガールスカウトのボランティア、サンガのメンバー、配布用に数百皿の餅を成形し、冷やし、梱包するのを手伝ってくれた友人や家族に指導をしてくれたジョディ、F、G、Eの当番にも感謝したいと思います。すべてが非常にスムーズに進んだので、私たちは記録的な速さで終えてソーシャルホールを掃除し、午後の残りを楽しみ、おそらく新年の前に焼き餅を一つか二つ食べる

ことができました。ありがとうございました。

*十二月十一日、星野せいこさん、稲福ナンシーさん、松岡ドロシーさん、佐々木ジェーンさんのお誕生日を祝いました。原ナンシーさん、星野せいこさん、中桐カレンさん、中村クリスさんの義援金に感謝します。出席者三十六名には、ハニーベイクドの美味しいハム、キャベツラーメンサラダ、ポテトサラダ、枝豆が入った特製弁当が振る舞われました。また一月八日は、ワンドラ先生と更科洵爾さんのお誕生日を祝いました。更科洵爾さんの金銭の寄付と、ワンドラ先生の東京セントラル商品券の寄付に感謝いたします。出席者三十四名はミツワが用意した特別なお正月弁当と、BWAランチチームが作ったおいしいぜんざいを楽しみました。美味しいお料理と抽選会の景品をみんなで楽しみました。次回のシニアランチは二月十二日に開催されます。BWAメンバーの皆様ぜひご参加ください。

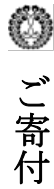
*九条武子様の法要とバンコは、二月三日土曜日午前十一時に開催されます。詳細は数週間以内に発表されます。

* 次回のポップアップイベントは二月四日に開催予定です。お気軽にぜひお立ち寄りください。

* 次回のBWAミーティングは三月十七日、春のお彼岸サービスと昼食会の後に午後十二時三十分からミニチャペルで開催されます。

婦人会あるいは婦人会のアクティビティに関するご質問がありましたら、カミムラ ノリーン会長もしくは中谷ルミ会長までご連絡ください。

Email: BWA@orangecountybuddhist.orgです。 合掌 中村クリス



「寄付」

(2023年12月4日〜2024年1月15日までに御寄付戴きましたご芳名)

「祥月法要」

「祥月」法要にご寄付戴きました方々のお名前は、英語欄のページをご覧くださいませ。

合計 5,682ドル



「お歳暮」(追加分)

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合計 18,780ドル

「除夜会」法要及び

「修正会」法要

さる12月31日・元旦に営みました「除夜会」法要及び「修正会」法要にご寄付戴きました方々のご芳名です。(敬称略)

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矢田 フランク・ジョイス

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「報恩講」法要

さる1月14日に営みました「報恩講」法要にご寄付戴きました方々のお名前は、英語欄のページをご覧くださいませ。

合計 2,865ドル

「永代経法要」(追加分)

「永代経」法要にご寄付戴きました方のご芳名です。(敬称略)

稲福 ナンシー

「仏教会にお礼」

ご寄付ご芳名です。(敬称略)

原 俊樹・ナンシー

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清原 アラン・リサ

倉上 ジョージ・かの

松原 デール

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合計 2,220ドル

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方々のご芳名です。(敬称略)

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OCBC サンガティーンズ

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ワンドラ 睦

山田 ボブ

山下 ステイブ

浜田 雅子様への追悼

ナカイ パトリシア

加登勝・スージー様への追悼

佐々木 ロイ・リアン

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匿名

「お賽銭」ご寄付です。(敬称略)

合計1,212ドル



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安藤 とみこ

匿名

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モリス シリマ

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西本 キャッシー

小野 ラッセル・ダイアナ

太田 敦子・ジーン(2)

貞金 ジョン・アン

斉藤 俊子

スー ダグラス・リンダ

辻本 しょう子

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光輪の記事掲載期限後にご寄付頂きました方々
につきましてはご寄付頂いた翌月の光輪でお名
前を掲載させて頂きます。宜しくご理解頂きま
すようお願いいたします。



お葬儀

故鈴木 恵美子 エミ

2023年12月3日往生

仏教会一同、心よりお悔やみを申し
上げます。 南無阿弥陀仏

Come join ABA's



Super Bowl Party

On Sunday, February 11, 2024
starting at 3 p.m. • Social Hall

\$10 per person • Must be over 21
Deadline: February 1, 2024



Please return this sign-up form with your payment.
Check-off the box next to your name if you want to enter the Chili Cook-Off.

Name _____ Chili Cook-Off

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Quantity x \$10 = _____
Total Enclosed

Please make checks payable to: **OCBC ABA**. Deadline: February 1, 2024



ADULT BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION
FOOD + FUN + FRIENDSHIP

Drop off or mail RSVP to
OCBC ABA, 909 S. Dale Avenue, Anaheim, CA 92804
For any questions or concerns,
please contact: Lynda Ogawa cell (714) 345-3145

OCBC PROJECT KOKORO PRESENTS:



CASINO NEW YEAR'S PARTY

Sunday, March 3, 2024

12 PM to 3 PM | OCBC Social Hall

FREE GAMING ~ RAFFLE ~ PRIZES

Blackjack - Roulette - Craps - Poker - Pai Gow
Money Wheel- Let it Ride - AND MORE!

****LUNCH INCLUDED****

RSVP by February 18, 2024 (no walk ins)

Questions? Email: ocbcprojectkokoro@gmail.com

SPACE IS LIMITED!



CASINO NY PARTY MARCH 3, 2024

Attendee(s) Name(s): _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

No. of OCBC Sustaining Seniors (70+): _____ x Free = \$0.00

No. of OCBC Sustaining Members (18+): _____ x \$25.00 = \$ _____

No. of Non-OCBC Adults (18+): _____ x \$35.00 = \$ _____

Mail to:
Project Kokoro
909 So. Dale Ave.
Anaheim, CA 92804

Check # _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____



Clothing and Textile Collection Day



Date:
Sunday
April 28, 2024

Time:
8:00am to 12:00pm

Donation Preparations:

All gently used items must be clean, dry and in a plastic bag.

Drop off donations at the OCBC parking lot on event day.

Please do not bring items before the drop off day. There is no storage space at the church.

Collecting Gently Used-

- * Clothing
- * Paired Shoes
Rubber band or tied together
- * Socks
- * Mittens
- * Scarves
- * Hats
- * Ties
- * Belts
- * Purses
- * Wallets
- * Backpacks
- * Bags
- * Bedding
- * Tablecloths
- * Towels

Donated items will be taken to Savers Thrift Shop
All Proceeds go to the OCBC Youth Department
Thank You! For Your Support!

Want faster, easier membership? Visit www.orangecountybuddhist.org/membership



2024 OCBC MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please complete the following form to apply for Membership

Note: OCBC Membership is January - December

STEP 1: MEMBERSHIP LEVEL

MEMBERSHIP LEVEL	SINGLE ADULT MEMBERSHIP	2 ADULT/FAMILY MEMBERSHIP
Young Adult (18-30 years old)	\$66 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$132 <input type="checkbox"/>
New Members (1st time only/1 year)	\$150 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$300 <input type="checkbox"/>
Renewing Sustaining Members		
Senior Adults (85 years old and older) Long time Sangha Supporter	\$164 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$328 <input type="checkbox"/>
Adult (31-84 years old) Includes dependent children	\$264 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$528 <input type="checkbox"/>
Kansha Member (includes dependent children) Opportunity to provide additional financial support	\$600 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$1200 <input type="checkbox"/>

STEP 2: MEMBER INFORMATION

*Please provide email so that we may email you your receipt

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone Home: _____ Cell: _____
 Email _____

Address changed Membership changed

Family Membership Information

Spouse Name _____
 Spouse Cell Number _____
 Email _____
 Child Name _____
 Child Name _____
 Child Name _____

For Office Use Only:

Received by: _____
 Quick-Book Entry by: _____
 Database Entry by: _____
 BCA Entry by: _____

Emergency Contact

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Date: _____
 Date: _____
 Date: _____
 Date: _____

Regular reminder notices will not be sent to those who pay quarterly

STEP 3: MAIL

Send membership form and check to:
 Mark or note on your check:

Quarterly Annually

Orange County Buddhist Church

909 South Dale Avenue
 Anaheim, CA 92804

Method of Payment:

Check No. _____ (Make check payable to OCBC)
 Credit card (go to orangecountybuddhist.org)

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FEBRUARY 2024 CALENDAR

2024年2月 カレンダー

Calendar Subject to Change! Please check our website. For all **ONLINE** services please log on to www.orangecountybuddhist.org and follow the links.

日 SUN	月 MON	火 TUE	水 WED	木 THU	金 FRI	土 SAT
28 8:30 AM – 瞑想 Mindfulness Service (in person) 10:00 AM – 日曜礼拝 Sunday Service (hybrid) 11:00 AM – Adult Discussion & Dharma School (in person)	29 10:30 AM – In Person BEC Japanese Class Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra 6:00 PM - Zoom BEC English Class Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra	30 OFFICE CLOSED	31 9:00 AM – (in person) Project Kokoro Crafts 12:30 PM – (in person) Dana Games/Pickleball 7:00 PM – Zoom Mindfulness Service	1 9:00 AM – (in person) Tai chi Class	2	3 4:30 PM – Shotsuki Hoyo Monthly Memorial Service (in person)
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Zoom Mindfulness Service sign up

Use cell phone camera, focus on the QR code then tap link that appears.