

February 2006 Temple Calendar

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Announcements

February Sangha Services - Our Sangha Service (Sangha is the Sanscrit word for Buddhist community) is a traditional Jodo Shinshu service with chanting led by a Doshi. Immediately following Sunday services we offer a book study and discussion. We now offer two book study programs. **Buddhism 101** featuring the book "Eight Mindful Steps to Happiness" by Bhante Henepola Gunaratana. The second option, **Jodo Shinshu Book Study**, featuring the book "A Life of Awakening-The Heart of the Shin Buddhist Path", by Takamaro Shigaraki. Refreshments will be available following the book study and everything will be wrapped up by noon. All are welcome to come join the discussions.

Convention Update - Convention time has finally arrived! Spokane is hosting the 59th Annual Northwest District Buddhist Convention for the first time in twenty years. There has been so much going on in preparation for this event and your board members and a handful of volunteers have been working tirelessly to provide all the delegates with a positive learning experience. A new item which we will feature this year will be open to the public. It includes a morning workshop and attendance to our opening service/keynote address. This level of participation is geared for individuals who are curious about Buddhism in general and to learn more about our temple. It is not too late to attend this event, it is only \$10 and there will be tickets available at the door (see enclosed enrollment form). Newcomers will have the opportunity to hear some excellent speakers, and enjoy a Jodo Shinshu service.

We have also enclosed in this newsletter a TENTATIVE schedule for the entire convention. As you can see there are many events and workshops to choose from. We look forward to seeing you at the Davenport Hotel, February 10 -12!

National Council Meeting - Sacramento - February 23 -26, 2006 - Spokane Buddhist Temple will be sending temple representatives to this annual event. This is where we as a temple have the opportunity to exercise our voice in issues that face the BCA and Jodo Shinshu. Christine Marr and Leslie Green will attend as voting delegates and Paul Vielle will attend as a guest representing the Minister's Assistant Program. Look for an article next month with highlights of this meeting.

Dues and Donations

The Spokane Buddhist Temple gratefully acknowledges the following dues and donations. Please notify Fumi Uyeji or Liat Parker of any omissions or errors. Dues are acknowledged when received and are often times for a few months or

paid yearly.

Dues

December 23- January 16

Colin Fitzgerald
Ann Heineman
Mary Naber
Leslie Green
Paul & Karen Vielle
Don Ferris & Marylynn Bernard
Rachel Scudder
Thomas Lande
Jenifer Johnston
Satoshi & Mary Terao
Leo & Yuriko Kiyohiro
Kam & Fumi Uyeji
Marcelline Burdett
Mrs. Patricia Omine
Jeffrey Workman
Fumiko Heyamoto

Memorial Dana

Mr. & Mrs. A. Kawaguchi
in memory of Mr. Manichi Yamaguchi

Lillian Yokunaga
in memory of Mr. Manichi Yamaguchi

Greg & Lean Sapp
Madelyn Sapp Memorial Service

Janet Tamura
in memory of M. Yamaguchi, Nike Higashi, Jim Koza

Doug & Joanne Heyamoto
in memory of Asayo Heyamoto

Etsuko Yamada
in memory of Mr. Manichi Yamaguchi

Fumiko Heyamoto
in memory of Asayo Heyamoto

Donations

Dana

Janice Simpson
Colin Fitzgerald
Ann Heineman
Offering Box
Gary Matsumoto, M.D.
Paul & Karen Vielle
Greg Sapp
Anonymous

Ho'onko

Kam & Fumi Uyeji
Yuri Kozen
Janet Tamura
Marcelline Burdett

Satoshi & Mary Terao
Kazuko & Kazuo Kuwada
Leslie Green
Leo & Yuriko Kiyohiro
Fumiko Heyamoto

Shotsuki-Hoyo February 19, 2006

Shotsuki-Hoyo (the remembrance service for deceased loved ones) will be held Sunday, February 19th. According to temple records and other sources, a total of 8 people passed away during the month of February. They are:

Evelynn Beler Vielle
Hazuo Horita
Mary Ikebe
Tsutae Muraoka
Nobuichi Nitta
Ito Tanaka
Midori Yamasaki
Chiyeko Yamauchi

Tentative Schedule

59th Annual Northwest District Buddhist Convention

February 10 -12, 2006

Schedule of Events/Activities

Friday, February 10, 2006

3:00 - 10:00 pm	Convention Registration	<i>Hall of Doges Foyer</i>
4:00 - 10:00 pm	Reception – Hors d'Oeuvres, Soda, Beer, Wine, No Host Bar	<i>Hall of Doges Foyer</i>
6:00 - 9:00 pm	Bookstore Open	<i>Hall of Doges Foyer</i>
7:00 - 9:00 pm	Northwest District Council Meeting	<i>Porter Room</i>
7:00 - 9:00 pm Ballroom	Open Discussion with Rev. Mark Unno and Bhante	<i>Pennington Grand</i>
7:00 - 9:00 pm	YBA - Social	<i>Early Bird Room</i>

Saturday, February 11, 2006

7:00 - 9:30 am Ballroom	Breakfast Buffet	Marie Antoinette
7:30 – 8:15 am <i>(next to indoor pool)</i>	Yoga Stretching	Early Bird Room
8:30 - 9:30 am	BWA Meeting	Porter Room
8:30 - 9:30 am Boardroom	Dharma School Teachers League	Davenport
8:30 - 10:00 am	Registration	Hall of Doges Foyer
8:30 - 10:00 am	Bookstore Open	Hall of Doges Foyer
9:00 - 9:45 am	Open to the public workshop #1: Experience the Dharma, Introduction to Buddhism with Bhante Seelawimala	Elizabethan Room
8:45 - 12:30 pm	Daycare/Dharma School Open	Flowerfield Room
9:30 - 10:00 am Ballroom	Oshoko	Pennington Grand
10:00 - 11:30 am Ballroom	Opening Service and Keynote address by Mark Unno	Pennington Grand
11:30 – 11:45 am	Break	Hall of Doges Foyer
11:45 - 12:30 pm	Morning Workshops: YBA - Questions! Bhante Seelawimala	Early Bird Room
	English Workshop #1 and Experience the Dharma attendees – Waking up to Oneness - Naturally An experience of Shin Buddhist in America Kenji Akahoshi	Elizabethan Room
	English Workshop #2 – A Modern Perspective on the Nature of Amida Buddha Rev. Gibbs	Pennington A
	English Workshop #3 - Transformation, Out of the Mud Grows the Lotus	
		Rev. Mark
Unno and Rev. Castro	Pennington C	

11:45 - 12:30 pm	Japanese Workshop #1 - Stories of Transformation Rev. Fukuma	Pennington B
12:30 - 2:00 pm Ballroom	Box Lunch	Marie Antoinette
2:00 - 3:00 pm Ballroom	BCA 2020 Socho Koshin Ogui	Pennington Grand
3:00 - 3:15 pm	Break	Hall of Doges Foyer
2:00 - 4:00 pm	Dharma School and Day Care	Flowerfield Room
3:15 - 4:00 pm	Afternoon Workshops: YBA - More Questions!	
	Mark Unno	Early Bird Room
	English Workshop #4 - Thank God I'm a Buddhist Dr. Kenji Akahoshi	Elizabethan Room
	English workshop #5 - Jodo Shinshu Preoccupation with Death Rev. Fujimoto	Pennington B
	Japanese Workshop #2 – Nembutsu Samadhi	Rev.
Nakagawa	Pennington A	
4:00 - 6:00 pm	Break	Hall of Doges Foyer
4:00 - 6:00 pm	Bookstore	Hall of Doges Foyer
5:00 - 6:00 pm	Social Hour – No Host Bar	Hall of Doges Foyer
6:00 - 8:00 pm Ballroom	Banquet	Pennington Grand
8:00 - 9:30 pm Ballroom	Entertainment	Pennington Grand
9:30 - 11:00 pm	Social Time	Hall of Doges Foyer
8:00 - 10:00 pm	YBA activity	TBA

Sunday, February 12, 2006

8:30 - 9:30 am	BWA General Meeting	Elizabethan Room
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8:30 - 9:30 am	Northwest District Council Meeting	<i>Porter Room</i>
9:30 - 10:00 am Ballroom	Oshoko	<i>Pennington Grand</i>
10:00 - 11:45 am Ballroom	Closing Service	<i>Pennington Grand</i>
11:45 am Valet Area	Boxed lunches picked up	Outside Main Door –