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Difficulty with Masks

J.K. Hirano

When we say “Namu-amida-butsu,”
Which surpasses all virtues,
Our heavy obstructions of evil – past, present, and future –
Are all unflinching transformed, becoming light.

Jodo Wasan: Hymn 98

When I was in high school, I remember clearly thinking about who I was and who I wanted to be. I had just turned 16. My parents had bought me a 1967 Dodge Charger. My dad wanted me to get a 1965 Ford Mustang. As with so many things at that time in my life, I didn't want a Mustang, not just because my dad thought I should. I just wanted a big block muscle car. I didn't really know anything about cars, but I knew I didn't want the Mustang, which came with a small 289 V8. I wanted the bigger-sounding 383 four-barrel Mopar big-block. I loved my dad, but from about the age of 14 well into adulthood, my dad and I didn't agree about many things.

Gasoline at the time was about 40 cents a gallon, so I wasn't really thinking about gas mileage. I don't think my Charger got more than 10 miles per gallon if I was driving carefully. I put “Cherry Bomb” mufflers on it, so I felt loud and proud! Looking back over 50 years, very few people remember the '67 Charger, but the '65 Mustang is a collector car! Like many other things from that time in my life, my dad was right.

With so many of the illusions from that time in my life, I realize now how wrong or possibly too naïve I was to see the truth of the situation. However, if I had done what my dad wanted for me, I can honestly say I wouldn't have had as much fun as I have had in my life. If I had listened to my dad, I would have been a retired engineer, wondering what I will do tomorrow, whether I should go golfing, fishing or maybe bowling. My dad didn't want me to play the trumpet; he wanted me to play the sax. Playing the trumpet or flugelhorn has been one of the joys in my life. It is still my go to when I am feeling a little down. At 65, I am beginning to be the right age for my mind-set. I think I've always felt old. Many of my friends are retired or are retiring. I don't think I am quite ready. I wonder if this feeling is just another mask I am putting over my true self? And what is my true self?

Reverend Hirano's article continued on next page

The other day, as I was trying to decide on my Halloween costume for this year's temple Halloween party. I looked in the basement where I have many of my past costumes. I don't really know what the costumes are saying about me, since they are usually decided by Carmela. But most masks and costumes are about putting on a mask to cover your real self, replacing it with a persona you wish to be or emulate. That's why every year, superheroes, princesses, or Disney characters are so popular.

When I was 16, I knew nothing about cars, but I wanted to put on the mask of being cool, driving a muscle car. It's interesting how in your mind's eye you have a vision of yourself. I could see myself, wearing my Levi jacket with Vuarnet sunglasses, which were the cool sunglasses, more than Ray-Bans. Like so many things, Ray-Ban is still popular. I wonder if Vuarnet is still in business. Inside, I knew that I was quite timid and introverted, but if I had a big car, I might fool people into thinking I was bigger and not so afraid. It was about that time that I thought about what I wanted to do with my life.

I would never wish to be young again. I think it is the most stressful anxiety inducing time of our lives. If there is any wisdom I would share with the youth, it is to just hang on; things will get better. I know it has for me. This has been proven scientifically. I don't know how it was done, but according to a book I read, even primates, like gorillas, show a marked improvement in their well-being after the age of 40. For myself, the anxiety I felt was about what my peers thought of me.

I had three very different groups of friends at that age. I had my neighborhood friends that I had grown up with. These were the friends that I spent endless summer vacations just hanging out with: Richard H., Darrell S., Brian H., Kurt N.. In the summer we would do things like collect empty bottles to turn into the neighborhood store, which we called "the school store," since it was across the street from Whittier Elementary School. This was before there were 7-11s or convenience stores. In my old neighborhood there was the school store or the corner drugstore where I would buy my comic books. The school store sold bread, soda, snacks, some household items, and of course candy. My Mom would sometimes have me run to the store to buy bread. She would give me ten cents and I would usually buy cinnamon bears or small Tootsie Rolls because they were two for a penny. It felt like I was getting a lot for my ten cents. Back then, there was a local soda company called "Mac's," where for twenty-five cents that got you a large bottle of soda. My friends and I would collect our money so each of us could get our own bottle of soda and it would last us most of the day. We would either hang out in our tree hut or we played baseball at Whittier Elementary School.

My second group of friends in High School were my older friends, who drove fast muscle cars. I really looked up to them. Fred L. had a fast '67 Camaro. I think it only had the 327 engine, but he had fixed it up to be very fast. Most people who were into dragging State Street knew that Camaro. Fred worked at the gas station next to Miniature Market also on State Street, so we would often park there and just hang out. Rick M. always had amazing cars. His first car was a rebuilt, copper-colored '57 Bel Air. I had always wanted to buy that car, but when he was selling it, someone blew the engine, wrongly down-shifting on the freeway while test driving it. He then got a '69 Pontiac GTO called "The Judge." That was an amazing car, especially considering us being at South High School. No one had that nice of a car. But to top that off, Rick sold it and bought a '69 custom lacquer painted, air brushed Chevy Z28 with a huge 454 in it. These friends were two years older than me but protected me when I first entered high school. Most people were intimidated by Fred. He was a big Hispanic kid, and he was very tough. I remember a time when we were dragging State and some other car was acting up like they wanted to race us and yelling at us. Fred just put his arm out the window with his fist and they backed off. He was always looking out for me. I know these friends would stay out until late, especially on weekends, but Fred would make sure that I was home by 11 or 12, because that was one of my dad's rules.

The third group of friends were my temple and Japanese-American friends. These are people that I keep in contact with to this day. These were the friends I made through the temple. For those who may

not know, growing up in Utah, good LDS “Mormon” boys go on missions when they turn 18. Their church decides that for two years they will be sent somewhere in the world as missionaries to try to convert others to their belief.

The Broadway musical “Book of Mormon” is a parody of this rite of passage. Most of my white friends were Mormon. When I went to college, they went on missions. The friends I had in college were mostly Japanese American kids. However, even before college, I had my Japanese American temple friends. When I was 16, I went to my first Western Young Buddhist League (WYBL) conference in Fresno, California. It was a mind opening experience. There were probably 900 young people in attendance and well over half were female. In Utah, in my graduating class, I think there were six Asian American kids and only two were female. I always felt intimidated by the white girls. This feeling of racial inferiority changed when I went to this conference. After this conference, I decided I wanted to be braver, stronger and I didn’t want to be a follower and would not be intimidated because of my race. I was never really intimidated, but growing up, I had been in a lot of fights, maybe once a week, from being called “Jap.”

However, after this conference, I began to question what it meant for me to be a Japanese American Buddhist in this largely white LDS society I had grown up in. After graduating from high school, I began to attend various BCA and Asian American activities in California. My dad was from L.A. and still had many close friends there. The Mori family was one of them. Their son Johnny was one of the first, if not the first Japanese-American Buddhist to file as a conscientious objector to the Vietnam War. For his duty as a conscientious objector, he opened up a store in L.A.’s Japan Town called Amerasia Bookstore. As I was becoming aware of this Asian American movement, he told me to come out and just hang out with him at his bookstore. This experience really influenced many of my future activities and once again made me wonder who I was.

When I returned to Utah, I attended the University of Utah. I’ve been feeling that we should have an Asian-American program at the University, like Johnny had told me about in California. It was then that I became quite active in the university’s student government. With some friends like Glen M., we got the university to reopen a position in the Center for Ethnic Student Affairs. I was hired by the university to work as the Asian-American Affairs advisor. One of my jobs was to be the liaison between the University and the Ethnic student associations on campus. My close friends at the university were Pete S., who became a state senator and tragically died in an ATV accident, Frank C., and Lacey H. who remained active in community activities until their premature deaths from cancer a few years ago.

As I think about all these various masks I have worn over the years, I still wonder who the real me is? I am a son, father, brother, husband, Buddhist priest, teacher etc. Each of these require me to wear masks. I thought that when I chose to become a priest, I would be able to quit wearing masks. When I think of so many of my friends and mentors that have died, Fred L., Rev. Russell Hamada, Senator Pete S., Lacey H., Frank C, I remember how lucky I am to still be alive. I realize I may not know who these friends really were in regard to who they personally thought they were. However, in calling and remembering their names, they remain a part of my true and real self. As the wasan I began calls “heavy obstructions,” I believe Shinran is referring to our masks as he speaks of “heavy obstructions of evil -- past, present and future.” Maybe none of us are able to live without these masks. However, the name of Amida Buddha, the Nembutsu “Namo Amida Butsu” transforms us into our true and real self. In calling Amida Buddha’s name, the light reveals our true selves regardless of our own ego weakness.

On September 23 at the Japanese American National Museum, in Los Angeles, they held a ceremony for “Ireicho” a book of names for all the Japanese and Japanese Americans that were interned in various concentration camps during World War II.

This book of names recognizes the 76 concentration camps and the 126,000 Japanese and Japanese Americans held in these camps. Rev. Dr. Duncan Williams had asked me to take part in this ceremony,

since I have been involved with some activities at the Topaz camp in Delta, Utah and conduct Obon services there and at the Minidoka Camp site in Jerome, Idaho. I would have loved to take part, but because of some previous commitments, I couldn't attend. When I went on my 48-state sojourn to hold a service in all the United States, I stopped at many of these camp sites, such as Rohwer, Arkansas, Heart Mountain, Wyoming and Santa Fe, New Mexico. The light of Amida Buddha did not forget these sites or individuals who had been held there and I believe that this listing of the names, reveals who we are as a community. If we do not forget the names of those who came before us, they will be the light of Amida Buddha that can show us who we truly are. This Halloween, whether you dress in costume, in saying Namu Amida Butsu, Amida Buddha sees and recognizes your real self.

Happy Halloween.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope this message finds you all happy and well! Thank you for your support of this year's annual bazaar and raffle. This year's bazaar was successful, due to all the arduous work from our dedicated board members and all the community support we received. Many thanks to all who devoted time and donated items for bazaar; I would also like to thank those who also provided monetary contributions as well.

As we are getting back to our new normal and get back to a regular schedule, I want to thank Reverend Hirano for all his leadership and direction. As one of his minister's assistants (MA) I could not imagine how we would manage without his guidance. I would also like to thank you all for supporting the minister's program so we can continue our studies to assist Reverend Hirano when he is not available. Our wonderful temple has been able to surmount the difficulties posed by the pandemic due to the efforts of our devoted Sangha. It is an exciting time; our Sangha is finally able to reconnect in-person to hear and embrace the Dharma. I would like to thank everyone for their patience and for everything that they have had to endure, and I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the temple.

In Gassho,

James



DID YOU KNOW?

Mr. Kaz Tamura was a quiet force who never took credit for his contribution to the Ogden Buddhist Church. As you attend services at the OBC, you sit quietly on the magnificent pews made of beautiful, sturdy wood and even cushions carefully attached. That was Mr. Tamura's contribution to the OBC. Very few people knew what a long lasting legacy Mr. Tamura made.

Most recently I read (Mr. Tamura's wife) Mrs. Chizu Tamura's obituary in the Salt Lake Tribune. She passed away on March 12, 2019. Mr. and Mrs. Tamura and daughters Carolyn (Nick named, Pumpkin, since passed away) and Patty resided in the Ogden area in the 70's and 80's. Two amazing parents and two beautiful daughters who will remain in our memories as contributors to a legacy that will last many more years than any of us.

Namu Amida Butsu, Kunie O.

In Memory

The Buddhist Church of Ogden Sangha extends its deepest sympathies to the families of the following member who recently passed away.

*May the family members find solace and comfort in the Nembutsu.
Namo Amida Butsu*

Sharon Michiko Koga ~ October 7, 2022

THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS!

The Ogden Buddhist Church would like to THANK the following Bazaar Business donors:

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BAZAAR THANK YOU

The Ogden Buddhist Church would like to sincerely THANK our members who donated food for the bentos or prizes for our Bizarre Bazaar. This special event is only a success because of the support of our Sangha.

Marisa & James A.
Maya & Chuck C.
Linda E.
Christy & Bruce F.
Julia F.
Fran H.
Stephanie H.
Justine & Kevin H.
Pat K.
Ellen & Steve K.
Brenda K.
LaVerne & Ernie K.

Tena M.
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Kunie O.
Linda & Geoff R.
Ruth S.
Janice & Roland S.
Geniel & Craig S.
Kris & Steve Y.
Betty & Kirk Y.
Yai Y.
Suzan & Blaine Y.

GENERAL BOARD MEETING

EVERYBODY IS INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL GENERAL BOARD MEETING!

This is where you can have a say in what happens to our Temple! We would LOVE to hear what you would like to see happen this coming year! Our General Board Meeting is OPEN to all and will be IN-PERSON!

Sunday, November 20, 2022 at 1:00 pm
(following Otoki lunch)



YBA Mochi Fund Raiser



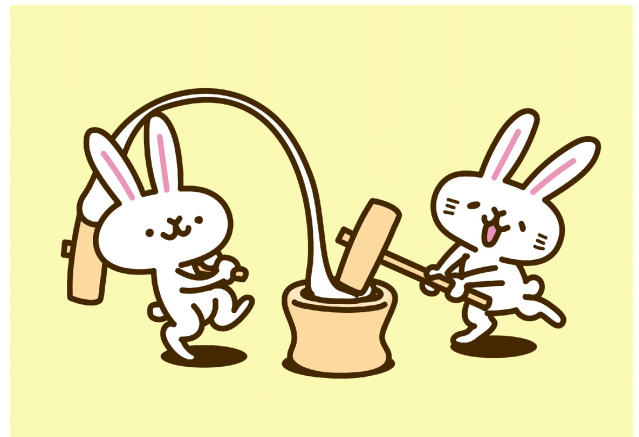
The Ogden YBA will be making Mochi again this year to provide you and all our temple friends with your New Year's supply!

We will be making the Mochi on **Saturday, December 17, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.**
Please come out and help, if you can!

We are taking orders in advance.
Mochi will be available for pick up on,
December 18, 2022.

Please reserve your order by
December 4, 2022.

The price for each order is \$8.00
for an order of six pieces of Mochi.



HOLIDAY SCRIPT ORDERS

By using gift cards purchased through Dharma School instead of cash or credit to pay for everyday purchases, we receive cash back from RaiseRight. Order form is available on the church's home page or in the Sept/Oct Geppo.

Order Placed

- Nov 6 (Sunday)
- Nov 13 (Sunday)
- Nov 20 (Sunday)
- Nov 27 (Sunday)
- Dec 4 (Sunday)
- Dec11 (Sunday)

Order Received

- Nov 13 (Sunday)
- Nov 20 (Sunday)
- Nov 27 (Sunday)
- Dec 4 (Sunday)
- Dec 11 (Sunday)
- Dec 18 (Sunday)

Black Friday Sale Begin

Last order for 2022

You can pay with a check or through the church's VENMO account. To place an order text me XXX-XXX-XXXX or email me at OMITTED. Please contact me if you have any questions. Gassho, Suzan Y.



BWA NEWS

By Brenda K.



By being yourself you put something wonderful in the world that was not there before. ~ Edwin Elliot

Fall is in the air and the season has finally changed over, bringing a crisp chill in the air and some much needed moisture. As the season changes, so do the BWA activities, but the pace continues to rapidly move.

We most recently experienced all the action related to the bazaar bento box preparation and the creation of the quilt for the big raffle. Thanks so much to all who helped out with the bento boxes...cooking, packaging, selling and distribution. It was a relatively small crew, but very efficient. Also, our utmost gratitude to Ruth S. for purchasing the material, Darlene M. for finishing off the quilt and Lorraine S. for making pillow cases to accompany the quilt. We appreciate the ladies who dedicated their time and efforts to frame and tie the quilt. It takes a team to accomplish it all, and we had a winning one!

Our next project will be the making of the manju plates to sell at the Holiday Boutique at the Salt Lake Buddhist Temple. Thank you so much to those who are donating the ingredients. The BWA will be preparing the manju on **November 12 and 18**. We are asking anyone interesting in helping out to come to our temple on Saturday, **November 12 at 9:00 a.m. and Friday, November 18 at 2:00 p.m.** If you have any questions, please contact Tami H. or a BWA member.

The BWA is also in the process of donating needed items to the YCC who serve those affected by domestic violence. Included in the list of needed items are twin bedding, cleaning products, diapers, toasters and other clothing and household products. A complete listing is available in this newsletter. Monetary donations are also being taken by the BWA. Please make your contributions at the temple by **November 30**.

The BWA will also be having their Eshinniko/Kakushinni and BWA Memorial Service in conjunction with the temple's Eitaikyo Service on **November 20 at 10 a.m.** We will be remembering our members who have passed away since our last service in 2021. Those who will be memorialized will be Aiko H., Fumiko S., Akiko K. and Sharon K. A luncheon will be prepared by Tami H.'s toban group.

November 13th will be the BWA meeting and the BWA Annual General Meeting for 2022 directly following service at approximately 10:45 a.m. Please join us for a summary of the year and election of officers for the next year.

December 4 will be our Bodhi Day service followed by a luncheon hosted by Shauna R.'s toban group. Please join us to commemorate that occasion.

BWA DONATIONS

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BWA MEMBERSHIP

Judy K.

Christine G.



CONGRATULATIONS



Kris Y. received the Education Excellence award from the Women Tech Council. It basically means she is the best technology teacher in the entire state!

Kris is currently a CTE Education Specialist (Career & Technical Education) for the Utah State Board of Education. She is a licensed educator and adjunct professor at Utah Valley University. Kris has worked in education for the past 21 years and has taught students from kindergarten to college! Kris currently oversees the K12 Computer Science Grant Program (which she co-wrote). She manages legislative funds to expand K12 Computer Science to every school district in the state. Currently she is at 33 school districts and 19 charter schools throughout Utah and working to obtain 100% of all students!

Kris has achieved the title of Executive Director of the National Alternative Education Association through her hard work and dedication in alternative education. She has been a student advisor for FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America), GSA (Gay Straight Alliance) and currently oversees SkillsUSA for the state. Through her advocacy work with these student-led organizations and the JACL, she has

traveled with students from California to Washington DC and as far as Japan.

Kris won the Educational Excellence for this work, her work with alternative schools and for supporting her community and students.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Weber State honored its esteemed alumni as part of homecoming week. The Emeriti Alumni Lifetime Achievement Award was given to Linda O. (Kunie, to our Sangha), who received her bachelor's degree from Weber State in 1967. The honorees "represent the best of Weber State University. Their inspiring stories demonstrate the wide-ranging impact of a Weber State education," said university President Brad Mortensen.

Her Japanese-American family made a life in Utah not by choice, but out of necessity after fleeing Los Angeles to escape internment during World War II. Her parents opened a successful market on Ogden's 25th Street. The family managed to keep their store open as Kunie navigated high school and graduated from Weber State with a bachelor's degree in elementary education. Her educational journey wasn't easy. She balanced what little time she had to study with minding the store and caring for her mother who had suffered an incapacitating stroke.

Kunie taught school for a few years before working as a reading specialist for several Utah school districts. She impressively earned a doctorate in education at Brigham Young University while serving as principal at C.H. Taylor Elementary in Ogden. She joined the faculty at Weber State, oversaw the Davis School District's Quality Teaching program, and was asked to develop materials to educate children about World War II internment camps.



Kunie directed the Office of Asian Affairs during Utah Governor Jon Huntsman Jr.'s tenure. She coordinated the Utah State Board of Education's English Language Learner program, and spearheaded numerous efforts at Weber State to improve curriculum for children from minority populations. She continues to volunteer at the university's division of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.

Way to go!



DHARMA SCHOOL NEWS



A big thank you to the Salt Lake Dharma School for inviting our Dharma School students to attend their annual Halloween costume parade, luncheon and games to be held on Sunday, October 30th. Everyone who attends will be sure to have a good time. Thanks to Candace F. for coordinating this event for our Ogden students.

Our Dharma School students will be participating in the Salvation Army Angel Tree program again this year. We plan to meet at the temple on Sunday, December 11th at 11 a.m. (should be easy to remember the date and time!) The students pick names from the Angel Tree and use the money donated by temple families/ members to purchase items from the wish lists of children. If anyone wishes to contribute to this project, please make your checks to the Ogden Dharma School and give your donation to Betty Y, myself or any of the other Dharma School students or parents. We appreciate everyone’s support and contributions to help children in need.

For clarification and a reminder about our Dharma School class structure for this year, due to our limited teacher pool, we are holding class directly after service on the **Sundays when Sensei conducts service**. Anyone interested in helping teach ages up to 10 years-old, please let me know.

We appreciate all your support to our Dharma School students!

In Gassho,
LaVerne K.



DHARMA SCHOOL DONATIONS

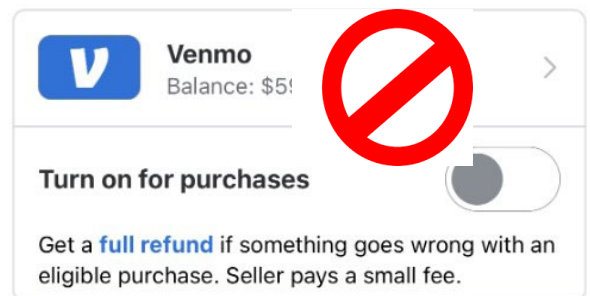
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Lumbini's Garden

Holiday Boutique

Saturday, November 19, 2022 - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Sunday, November 20, 2022 - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

This year the boutique will be in-person!

Salt Lake Buddhist Temple
211 West 100 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84101

Check out hundreds of gift ideas, including items made by local artisans. Food available both days too!

www.lumbinisingarden.com



BWA SERVICE PROJECT - YCC FAMILY CRISIS CENTER



BWA has decided to support the Ogden YCC with a donation drive in November. The YCC supports individuals and families impacted by domestic and sexual violence through safety, advocacy, and resources on their journey to safe and healthy lives. By donating, you are contributing to their mission of keeping families safe and free from abuse.

For their transitional housing project the YCC is accepting new items: toasters, pots and pans, coffee makers, silverware, dishes, twin comforters, twin sheets, bath towels, bathroom/kitchen cleaning products (cleaning kits, dish cloths, kitchen items, soap, paper towels, dish soap, sponges, brooms, etc.), children's and women's pajamas, diapers (size 5 & 6), afghans. (Please note they are NOT accepting used items, only new items.)

Please bring any items and place them in the box near the Donation Station in the main hallway of the church. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make it to Ogden BWA.

DHARMA SCHOOL ANGEL TREE DANA PROJECT



ANGEL TREE

For several years, our Dharma School students have decided that instead of buying Christmas gifts for each other, they would prefer to use that money to give Christmas to a child who is less fortunate than them!

This is a GREAT way for our students to learn about Dana and truly share the Buddha’s compassion! What a true gift of Dana from our children!

Here is where you can be a part of this Dana! Just take the money you would have used to purchase gifts for our church families and donate that to this project instead.

You can make your check payable to the Ogden Buddhist Dharma School and give it to our Treasurer, Betty Y. or Dharma School Superintendent, LaVerne K.

Or you can VENMO @**BuddhistChurchofOgden**

Please note: ANGEL TREE, your name & your donation

WANT TO HELP AND BECOME AN ANGEL TOO?

Our students would LOVE to have you come along. They would love to share this amazing experience with you. If you would like to join us the information is listed below:

Angel Tree Dana Event:

Sunday, December 11, 2022

11:00 am – we will meet at the church first



Have you been saving your **POP TABS** ?

Please bring in your **POP TABS** to the temple by Bodhi Day - December 4, 2022

We will be taking our **POP TAB** donation for 2022 in December.



November Shotsuki Hoyo

November 20, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Nov 5	2016	Masao Endo
Nov 20	1986	Shizu Fukuda
Nov 20	2003	Masaru Hamada
Nov 17	2001	Shigeru Hamada
Nov 23	2005	Norma Hatsuye Inouye
Nov 21	1961	Kunimatsu Inouye
Nov 14	1964	Kyuta Ishibashi
Nov 6	1981	Kikujiro Ishii
Nov 21	1982	Masami Itakura
Nov 21	1961	Chiyoji Kamita
Nov 16	1993	Toshio George Kano
Nov 18	2006	Yoshito (Yosh) Kato
Nov 23	1963	Kiyoyasu Kawashima
Nov 20	1989	Jimmie Noboru Kunimoto
Nov 21	1964	Todd T. Kuroiwa
Nov 2	1981	Masaichiro Marumoto
Nov 13	2014	June Teruko Nagao
Nov 6	1961	Yagoro Nakamoto
Nov 24	2013	Miyuki T. Nakano
Nov 17	1981	Shigako Nimori
Nov 26	1991	Kimi Nishikawa
Nov 23	2016	Roy Kiyoharu Ryujin
Nov 22	2013	Toddy Sameshima
Nov 27	1959	Jisaku Sakurada
Nov 26	1964	Kamesaburo Suekawa
Nov 23	1979	Motoharu Sumida
Nov 5	1970	Sanji Tawatari
Nov 11	2001	Dan Tsukamoto
Nov 7	1988	Kiyonobu Watanabe
Nov 25	1964	Tomesaku Watanabe
Nov 24	1979	Suzumi Yamada
Nov 15	1989	Sidney Yukiyoshi Yamasaki
Nov 28	1986	Shunjiro Yamasaki
Nov 23	1991	George Yamashita
Nov 1	2019	Nina Yonetani
Nov 14	1982	Munagi Yoshitaka

December Shotsuki Hoyo

December 4, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Dec 5	2013	Jayden Endo
Dec 26	1982	Kristen Taeko Fukawa
Dec 29	1986	Kasumi Hamada
Dec 1	1972	Yorito Hamada
Dec 11	2004	Dick Setsuji Hirabayashi
Dec 6	1977	Yasu Hirabayashi
Dec 24	2016	Alice Setsuko Hirai
Dec 24	1982	Tome Inouye
Dec 11	1966	Masayasu Ito
Dec 7	1991	Nobuo Kamigaki
Dec 23	2008	Shigeru Henry Kawaguchi
Dec 22	1985	Ray Isao Kano
Dec 19	1989	Hideo Kawaguchi
Dec 5	2014	Shigeru Kiyomura
Dec 30	2019	Fumie Nagao Koga
Dec 21	2016	Jimmy Kusuda
Dec 23	2007	Shizu Nakano Miya
Dec 30	1995	James Sunao Morinaka
Dec 29	1991	Hanako Moriyama(Yonemoto)
Dec 23	1961	Yae Murakami
Dec 29	1995	Suyeo Frank Nakano
Dec 19	1962	Isekichi Nishiki
Dec 30	1981	Masashi Nozaki
Dec 11	1995	Staci Sachiko Oda
Dec 21	1994	Wataru Jack Oda
Dec 29	1968	Mitsugu Oda
Dec 21	1993	Tokiichi George Sato
Dec 19	2012	Elsie Shiramizu
Dec 20	1969	Yonekichi Shiramizu
Dec 31	1978	Hajime Tokifuji
Dec 3	1990	Asao Tsukamoto
Dec 2	1984	Tatsuji Watanabe
Dec 6	1989	Takako Watanabe (Onishi)
Dec 22	1969	Torahei Yamamoto
Dec 19	2014	Yukimi Yonetani

For those years not having a specific memorial service such as 2nd, 4th, 5th, etc. the temple is holding these monthly Shotsuki Hoyo. During these services, the temple will list the names of those member who have died during the month in the preceding years. The families then attend that monthly service in memory of their loved one. These services are not meant to replace the specific memorial services. Please contact Rev. Hirano to make arrangements for those services. Rev. Hirano contact information - Office: 363-4742, Emergency: 801- 819-2648. Corrections/Additions to the Shotsuki Hoyo list - please contact Ruth S., xxx-xxx-xxxx

2022 Memorial Service Schedule for those who passed away in:

2021 - 1 year	2010 - 13 year	1988 - 33 year
2020 - 3 year	2006 - 17 year	1973 - 50 year
2016 - 7 year	1998 - 25 year	1923 - 100 y



**ESHINNIKO / KAKUSHINNI AND BWA MEMORIAL SERVICE
EITAIKYO SERVICE AND NOVEMBER SHOTSUKI HOYO**

Sunday, November 20, 2022

Service at 10:00 a.m.

Otoki Lunch to follow

This is a memorial service the wife of Shinran Shonin, Eshinni. Eshinni is considered the first role model of Jodo Shinshu womanhood. In this regard, the memorial service is held in memory of any BWA (Buddhist Women's Association) member who died during the previous year.

In Memory of:

Aiko Inouye Hamada

Akiko Sueoka Kato

Jane Fumiko Shioji

Sharon Michiko Koga

The Eitaikyo Service is a memorial service for people who have handed down the teaching of the Nembutsu to us. In the glossary in our temple's service book, "Eitaikyo" is defined as a "perpetual memorial service." This is a general memorial service for all departed members of the temple. The word Eitaikyo actually means "perpetual sutra." Eitai means "perpetual" and Kyo means "sutra," or "teaching of Buddha."



BODHI DAY AND DECEMBER SHOTSUKI HOYO

Sunday, December 4, 2022

Service at 10:00 a.m.

Otoki Lunch to follow

At the age of 35, while meditating under the bodhi tree, Siddhartha Gautama attained enlightenment and became Sakyamuni Buddha. By his example, the Buddha showed us that it was possible for anyone to become a Buddha - a fully enlightened person. We commemorate this very special event on Bodhi Day.



JOYA-E (Last Night Gathering)

Saturday, December 31, 2022

Pot Luck Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Service at 8:00 p.m.

This year end service is held to express gratitude for all the causes and conditions which have allowed us to live this past year. It is a time to reflect upon the interdependence of all Sangha members and the lives we live. At the end of the service all those attending the service participate in the ringing of the Joya no Kane (Last Night Bell). The Temple Bell is rung 108 times signifying the 108 Bonno or Passions that make up our human existence. This bell is rung to recognize these traits in our own personalities and express appreciation for Amida Buddha's compassion, which embraces us, even though we are bound by these passions.

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In Kind Donations

If you have made any In Kind Donations to the Church, please submit the amounts to me so that I can get it on your year end contribution letter.

Thank You, Betty Y.

Thank You !! Thank You !!

On behalf of the Board, I would like to Thank everyone for their generous donations. It is only through your donations, that our Temple can meet its financial obligations.

If you have any questions or concerns about any donations made, please feel free to contact me at XXX-XXX-XXXX or my email address is OMITTED.

Thank You, Betty Y.

It's not too late to pay your 2022 membership!!

Please pay your 2022 annual membership dues at your earliest convenience.

Annual dues are \$175 per adult member,

\$10 for members 20 and under,

Members 80 years old and above are exempt.



Naikan* Day Retreat :

GRATITUDE PRACTICE IN DIFFICULT TIMES

Salt Lake Buddhist Temple
Saturday, December 3, 2022
9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

To register:

\$ 50 pp to: Salt Lake Buddhist Temple
211 W. 100 S. Salt Lake City, UT 84101

Includes lunch, refreshments, personal journal &
other materials

Questions: drcarmela.shin@yahoo.com

***Naikan is Japanese for “deep self-reflection” to see the true nature of the self in the Light of Unconditional Compassion.**

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<h1>November 2022</h1>						
		1	2	3	4	5
6 9:00 am - Meditation 10:00 am - Dharma Service 11:00 am - Adult Discussion	7	8 7:00 pm - Board Meeting	9	10	11	12 9:00 am - BWA Manju Making
13 9:00 am - Meditation 10:00 am - Dharma Service * 11:00 am - Dharma School 11:00 am - Adult Discussion 11:00 am - BWA Meeting / General Meeting	14	15	16	17	18 2:00 pm - BWA Mochi Making	19 10 am - 4 pm - SLBT Holiday Boutique
20 9:00 am - Meditation 10:00 am - Eitaikyo / Eshinniko / November Shotsuki Hoyo * 11:00 am - Dharma School 11:00 am - Adult Discussion 11:30 am - Otoki Lunch 1:00 pm - OBC General Meeting	21	22	23	24 	25	26
27 No Services	28	29	30			

NOVEMBER TOBAN CLEANING GROUP:

Bart & Robyn H.
Kevin & Justine H.
Marie H.

* Service with Rev. Hirano



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18 9:00 am - Meditation 10:00 am - Dharma Service* 11:00 am - Dharma School 11:00 am - Adult Discussion	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 No Services 	26	27	28	29	30	31 6:00 pm Potluck Dinner 8:00 pm Joya-E Service *

December Toban Cleaning Group:
 Stan & Tami H. (Toban Cleaning Leader)
 Mackenzie & Alex H.

* Service with Rev. Hirano



YBA Mochi Fundraiser



The Ogden YBA will be making Mochi again this year to provide you and all our temple friends with your New Year's supply!

We will be making the Mochi on **Saturday, December 17, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.**
Please come out and help, if you can!

We are taking orders in advance. Mochi will be available for pick up on **December 18, 2022** between 11 am and 1 pm

Please reserve your order by **December 4, 2022.**

The price for each order is \$8.00 for an order of six pieces of Mochi!

Thanks again for your support of the Ogden Buddhist Church YBA.



Ogden YBA Mochi Fundraiser Order Form

Thank you for your support!

Your Mochi will be ready for pick-up on **Sunday, December 18, 2022.**
Mochi is \$8.00 per tray of six.

Your Name: _____

Phone Number _____

of trays ordered _____ x \$8.00 each = \$ _____ Total

Please make checks payable to:
Ogden Buddhist Church YBA
or

OR you can VENMO @BuddhistChurchofOgden
Please note: MOCHI, your name & your order.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!