



Sersei's message

Names

In order to clarify and to bring us to know that the light of Amida surpasses conceptual understanding, the expression "I take refuge in the Tathagata of unhindered light filling the ten quarters" is used. When we constantly hold in mind and say the Name of the Buddha of unhindered light, since it embodies the virtues of all the Buddhas of the ten quarters, in saying the Name of Amida, all the virtues and roots of good come to fullness in us. Hence Bodhisattva Nagarjuna has taught, "I have expounded the virtues of that honored-one; the good [I have received] is boundless, like the waters of the ocean." Thus, the expression "Buddha of inconceivable light" is taught. Because Amida is Buddha of inconceivable light, we may also say "Buddha of unhindered light filling the ten quarters"; this is stated by Bodhisattva Vasubandhu in the Treatise on the Pure Land. Amida Buddha has names based on the twelve kinds of light...

Recently, I was helping with an elementary school homework assignment researching various animals. We came across the picture of the Peacock. I have fond memories of hearing the peacock's call while walking with the family at the zoo. I probably knew, but forgot an important point. As I looked at the page with the picture, it didn't say peacock on top. It said peafowl. I remember just saying "boy peacock and girl peacock." I wonder if the birds could understand what we call them if they would be upset and correct us or just find compassion and let us continue in our ignorant joyful appreciation of their beauty.

The passage I began with was composed by Shinran at the age of 83 years old. It says there are many names to which we could say when thinking about Amida Buddha. It specifically refers to Namu-Fukashigiko-butsu (The Buddha of Infinite Light.)





Sensei's Message continued...



This is another way to recite the Nembutsu. Just like saying *Namu Amida Butsu*.

I think about the Buddha's Heart. The passage says to hold the Buddha in your mind and think about the virtues and say the name. Even though there are several names, it is your heart during this time of reflection which is important.

Even Shinran had many names; Matsuwaka-Maru, Han'en, Shakkū, Zenshin, Gutoku, Shinran, and posthumously named Kenshin Daishi. When we reflect on our lives as Jodo Shinshu followers, why not be flexible and change your name to the different periods that you have gone through? It isn't just about labels. It is about what inspires us through the evolution of our path and what inspires us towards Buddhahood.

It doesn't matter what others say about you always stay focused on the Buddha's virtues and the names you take for yourself.

Let us all begin with the Buddha of Immeasurable Light and Life and say together in Gassho, *Namu Amida Butsu*.

Namo Amida Butsu, Rev. Kory Quon







President's Message

2023: Happy Year of the Rabbit!

Being named temple president still seems so surreal to me and quite honestly, a bit scary. Having been on the board a few years, I still have a lot to learn and familiarize myself with, but I know I'm surrounded by people willing to give support. That's what I've heard from my predecessors and I've seen many examples of this support.

2023 is the Year of the Rabbit. I know I'm giving away my age, but I was born in the Year of the Rabbit. The following is what I found on the internet that describes people born in the Year of the Rabbit:

"...Rabbits are predicted to be gentle, quiet, elegant, and alert as well as quick, skillful, kind, patient, and very responsible, sometimes reluctant to reveal their minds to others and having a tendency to escape reality, but always faithful to those around them.

"Male Rabbits are characterized by always treating people politely, with a gentle smile that makes people feel that they are credible and sincere. When encountering tough difficulties, they are never discouraged but instead remain persistent in their endeavors to find solutions. This means they eventually achieve enviable success."

I don't know how many of these traits describe me, but I will try to take the favorable ones and apply them where I can.

As many of you know, I have a long association with Venice Hongwanji. I mentioned at Shinnenkai that my parents opened their home after the war to hold services before there was a physical temple, and continued to support the temple in throughout the years. My uncle, Kiyoshi Waki, was the very first temple president of Venice Hongwanji. My family has remained dedicated to continue this legacy of supporting the temple in any way we can.

Of course, I have some big shoes to fill. Jerry Iseda had the arduous task of being temple president during the COVID crisis and the challenge of living 3,000 miles away in Connecticut. Even with these challenges, he accomplished so much, created many innovative programs, and demonstrated that he is a true leader. Great job Jerry!

With everyone's support and guidance, I'm looking forward to a lot of great things to come these next few years. So, thank you in advance. Let's make the Year of the Rabbit a great one!!

In Gassho

Tom Nakagiri





Buddhist Women's Association

Fujinkai ladies met in the Temple kitchen on December 30 to prepare the dashi for the evening's Toshi Koshi Soba after Joya E service, and for January 1 Ozoni after the Shu Sho E Service. Toshikoshi soba means "year crossing buckwheat noodles," and cooked soba can be easily bitten off to cut with the past.



Thank you to Barbara Fukuji, Joyce Enomoto, Judy Hopfield, Margo Oku, Phyllis Hayashibara, Vicki Tokirio, Shinobu Koda, Linda Oshinomi, Elaine Koyama for preparing the soba and dashi (Tomoko Fukkuda went to pick up lunches)

For Saturday, December 30, 2022, two gallons of Joe Belli/George Awasa's world famous dashi had been frozen from the ABA All You Can Eat Udon Feast in November, just enough to serve 29 bowls of soba and 5 bowls of udon, with children taking home a few baggies of udon. For Sunday, January 1, 2023, Phyllis Hayashibara made her own version of vegetable ozoni dashi, with sliced renkon (lotus root), takenoko (bamboo shoots), carrots, daikon (white radish), and shiitake mushrooms to pour over the Temple-made mochi cakes, softened in boiling water or microwaved dry, or microwaved in water. The Temple served

about 20 bowls of ozoni, and sent some vegetable ozoni home, too.



Phyllis Tanisaki and Linda Oshinomi add tsukemono, naruto, kamaboko, and datemake to their vegetable ozoni

Ojinjo services on January 14 and 16 began at 6:30 am, to commemorate the January 16, 1263 passing of Shinran Shonin, founder of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism. Fujinkai members prepared okayu and brought vegetable condiments such as tofu, baked yam, kizami (shredded) nori, natto and daikon, kaki (persimmon), kuromame, and various tsukemono, including ryakkyo, umeboshi, cucumber, and cabbage.

On Saturday, February 11, 2023, Reverend Maribeth Smith, also known as "Rev. Smitty," gave the guest sermon for the Fujinkai's annual Memorial Service. Rev. Smitty became one of the first eleven to receive the Kyoshi Kyoshu, the minister certification program, at the Jodo Shinshu Center in Berkeley, California rather than at the traditional Nishiyama Betsuin in Kyoto, Japan. The Buddhist Churches of America received special permission for this state-side certification to help alleviate the minister shortage in the U. S.





BWA continued...

Rev. Smith grew up in the Catholic religion, where the nuns responded to her constant questioning by telling her she just didn't have enough faith, and that gays didn't belong in their church. According to a November 7, 2022 article by Dennis Akizuki in the BCA online, "Rev. Smith discovered Shin ministers had a different reaction to her questions. 'Generally in Buddhism, asking questions is not just OK, it's encouraged,' she said." Smith served as a career U. S. Navy aviator and as a Ministerial Assistant at the Buddhist Temple of San Diego.



Rev. Marybeth "Smitty" Smith

The Fujinkai Memorial commemorates the lives of Eshinni sama and Kakushinni sama, wife and daughter respectively of Jodo Shinshu founder Shinran Shonin. The Memorial service is also called Kisaragi, to commemorate the life of Lady Takeko Kujo, the co-founder of the Buddhist Women's Association with her sister-in-law, Kazuko Ohtani. In addition, over 100 names of departed Fujinkai members were read aloud in memoriam.



Lady Takeko Kujo



Eshinni Sama



Kakushinni Sama







Dharma School had a combined class on Jan. 8 for all grades. Emily Kariya led it with Julia Ueda and Leslie Nakahara assisting. The theme for Jan. was Buddhist Etiquette and they all first practiced the proper way to Oshoko. After, Emily explained the reasoning behind various Buddhist customs and etiquette and had the students respond and ask questions.

Our first in person Kids Club since the pandemic started was held on Feb. 4. The theme was from the movie, "Turning Red," which is about a 13 year old Chinese Canadian girl, Meilin, who turns into a giant red panda whenever she experiences any strong emotion. We had over 30 kids and adults join us that evening. We started out by making Chinese New Year lights and then went upstairs for service and a Dharma talk by Rev. Kory. He showed the kids his various red panda stuffed animals each displaying a different emotion. Downstairs, clips from the movie were shown and then more crafts which included

coloring and making red panda ears to wear. The potluck dinner continued the red theme with spaghetti, red fruits and vegetables, red cookies and red velvet cupcakes and red punch and juice. Dharma School would like to thank all the families that participated and contributed to the dinner and clean up after. Joe Belli was surrounded by all the kids who wanted to help him clean the floor.

The next day after Kids Club, Dharma School sponsored the Pet Memorial on Feb. 5. Judy Hopfield helped to organize it and provided snacks after service. Heartfelt remembrances were read and we even got to watch a humorous Tik Tok video of the Ueda's dogs. Emily Kariya also had class for the Middle/High School students with the theme Dana. The one student that came, Mark Yamashita, wrote a nice acrostic poem about Pets and Dana.

For Scout Sunday on Feb. 12th, the temple was fortunate to have Rev. Maribeth Smith as our guest speaker. We had Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts join us that day. Rev. Smith gave them 2 of her prized possessions that she received when in the Navy. We greatly appreciated her words of wisdom and hope she will be able to return to Venice in the future. After service, Victoria Yamashita from Girl Scout Troop 5325 and Dharma School teacher Julia Ueda, conducted a class for all scouts and students. A short video was shown about paying it forward and tied into February's Dana theme. Valentine cards were made after with the Girl Scouts teaching the others how to fold an origami heart. Thanks to Dianne Belli and Julia for the homemade cookies for refreshments.





Dharma School continued...

Dharma School's theme for March was "Amida Buddha." Emily's class read an article written by Rev. John Iwohara and learned about Dharmakara and the vows he made on Mar. 5. The younger kids learned about the three different forms of how Amida is represented and practiced singing "Buddha Loves You."

On April 1, Dharma School had our second Kids Club. The theme was "Hanamatsuri" and the kids made

pictures of baby Buddha and towel bunnies and helped decorate the Hanamido with flowers. After the service, Rev. Kory showed the kids our white elephant and also talked about "monkey minds" and how the Buddha helps us to try to be calm. We all enjoyed another delicious potluck dinner thanks to all the parents and grandparents that came. After dinner, Dylan Nakahara helped the younger kids on a Hanamatsuri scavenger hunt. The surprise at the end was a box full of candy filled eggs.









Junior Young Buddhists Association

On February 4th, 2023, Jr. YBA attended the Southern District Jr. YBL's pickleball tournament at Orange County Buddhist Church. During the event, members were split into teams of 4-8 people with multiple rounds of pickleball. In the end, VHBT's Jameson Johnston ended up in the finals. Pickleball was a fun event, with plenty of opportunities to meet and interact with Jr. YBA members from other Temples!



On March 4th, 2023, Jr. YBA attended Seminar 2,

Buddhism in Nature, hosted by Oxnard, Pasadena, and Senshin Jr. YBA's. The event was made up of a service, followed by an icebreaker and three workshops. The workshops included the creation of ikebana, Japanese flower arrangement, a notepad to write the connection between Buddhism and nature, and a lesson on correct understanding and meditation on voidness to counteract our ignorance. With Senshin's sakura trees in bloom, Seminar 2 made for a beautiful experience with much insight to the relations between Buddhism and nature.











Sangha Teens

By Chloe Yoshikawa

On March 17th, Sangha teens went to La Rocco's Pizzeria to enjoy some great pizza! After we enjoyed our dinner, we had a meeting and made groups for the escape rooms.

Group 1 took on M.I.S (Men in Suits) was about a highly secretive organization to defend earth from hostile aliens and to protect innocent civilians. Once this villain, Mr. Dirty Ovens, arrived, the aliens became more hostile and crazy, they needed to figure out what happened after he arrived to escape the room.

Group 2 entered Cyberpunk Samurai which jumps participants into parallel worlds to stop the time space continuum from being broken. It had industrial and Japanese themed rooms. Even though neither team escaped their room, we had a fun experience and we got to know each other better.











Girl Scout Troop 5325

Dear VHBT,

Thank you very much for the Obon donation to our troop. We used the money to help pay for our first-ever Troop 5325 family camping trip, as well as new troop t-shirts.

The Family Camping trip was such a fun experience! We went to Irvine Outdoor Education Center and participated in a outdoor activities like zip lining, bb gun shooting, archery, mining for gold and a scavenger hunt. At night, we roasted marshmallows and made s'mores. They were so delicious! We got to spend quality time with our Girl Scout friends from all different levels.

Our new t-shirts are great too. They are red and have our troop number on the front, similar to our old ones. On the back, there is a big white heart with lots of Girl Scout related words. Did you know our troops were established in 1985? We plan to wear these to troop events and when we work booths together at Venice's Obon and the VJCC festival.

Thank you again for such a generous donation!









Girl Scouts continued...













Girl Scouts continued...

Stiches for Service

By Julia Musumeci

Throughout my final year in Girl Scouts, I have been dedicating my time to completing the Gold Award Project, which is the highest honor a Girl Scout can earn, and it involves targeting and attempting to positively contribute to an issue in a local community. As the winter months are chilly, and homeless people were always very visible on the streets growing up, I combined this issue with my hobby of crocheting into a project involving the Temple, as well as the community near my school, at the Palisades Public Library. The bulk of my project involved organizing workshops for Temple members and Girl Scouts to attend where I taught participants how to crochet simple hats and scarves. The workshops were hosted at the Temple on several dates, and as seen in the images, there was a very positive and uplifting atmosphere as the community worked together to give back. All crocheted items are going to be donated to PATH, a local organization that helps those in need, specifically the homeless population of Los Angeles, which has been steadily rising throughout the past decade. For the project, I also filmed video tutorials and wrote on this issue, all of which can be found on my website,

https://sites.google.com/view/stitchesforservice/home

The project was very successful, with nearly 70 participants (including school club meetings, Temple workshops and workshops at the Palisades Library). Altogether have crocheted a multitude of both hats and scarves, which I am very excited to donate to PATH. This project has been very helpful in challenging my skills, including resource

management and simply being accountable for deadlines. I would like to especially thank the Venice Buddhist Temple and its community for all of their support on this project: they helped me organize a yarn collection, where the yarn that was donated was used in the project, as well as supporting me in fundraising, and offering a location to host the workshops and publicize them. The project could not have been possible without this, and I hope that the Temple will continue the project in the future, as it was very successful and a rewarding process to see so many individuals work on their crocheting skills for a helpful cause!











Girl Scouts continued...

Keeping Japanese Culture Alive Through Traditional Foods

By Kimiko Yamaguchi, Girl Scout Troop 5325

I have been working on my Gold Award Project, the highest award for a Girl Scout. My project's focus is keeping Japanese culture alive through traditional foods.

One of my first workshops at the Temple was teaching how to make onigiri and spam musubi to the younger girls in my troop. The girls were able to mold the rice in little bags and cut shapes out of seaweed to add designs to their rice balls. They were also able to add spam on top of their rice and wrap it with seaweed to make musubis. They learned the history behind these traditional, triangular-size foods that represent a mountain. It has been around for more than two thousand years since the Heian period and was made for people of all status' as a token of gratitude. They became more popular as they were easy to carry and transport and people took it with them to school, work or picnics.

In the next two workshops, I used this time to teach the special Chirashi and Toshi Koshi Soba recipe from Mrs. Omote, a long time temple member. Participants were able to chop vegetables, watch the demonstration on how to cook the rice goo, and mix and fan the rice, which are all important parts of the chirashi recipe. Chirashi, also known as Chirashizushi, which means 'to scatter' in Japanese, is sushi rice topped with a variety of toppings such as raw fish, omelets, lotus root, seaweed, carrots, etc. There are many different types of chirashi depending on the area of Japan and sometimes many families have their own recipes. Each ingredient has their own special meaning such as lotus root, which the holes in it represent being able to see through for a good future. Omelets represent prosperity.

The Toshi Koshi Soba, which means "year crossing buckwheat noodles" is usually served on New Year' Eve to break with the past and look forward to a fulfilling and long life. In this recipe we made the dashi to go along with it. Participants helped put ingredients into the dashi and cut toppings.

I was happy to see that many people joined my workshops, including girl scout members, temple members, and even friends and family. After workshops participants were able to enjoy a dish of the recipe we had just made together.







I would like to thank Vicki Tokirio and Phyllis Hayashibara for your time and support with the recipes. I would also like to thank Reverend Kory, Tom Nakagiri, Eva Nakasone, Victoria Yamashita, and Temple members for your support.





Cub Pack 79

The pack was honored to have Culver City council member Dan O'Brien be a guest speaker at our monthly pack meeting. He talked about his experiences as a scout parent and scoutmaster going from having little to no experience hiking and camping to now helping scouts and parents with high adventuring skills, like snow camping and ice climbing. He showed the scouts his Silver Beaver award, which is awarded to leaders who perform community service through hard work, self-sacrifice, dedication, and many years of service.



Pack 79 would like to thank everyone who supported our See's candy fundraiser as well as our Scouting for food drive. We were able to again collect close to 750 lbs of donations which we were able to donate to the Feed Culver project.

Scouting isn't all about community service, sometimes they get to have fun too. The wet and cold weather limited the outdoor activities for the pack, so we took the fun indoors. The scouts participated in scout games and crafts at the temple. They also got to enjoy cookies and hot chocolate to end the night.





We continue to welcome new families and scouts in Pack 79. For the first time, Pack 79 now welcomes girls and kindergarteners to the pack and are looking for interested families to embark on this new adventure with us! If you or family members/friends would like to learn more about Pack 79 please reach out to us via email or check us out on social media:

https://www.facebook.com/culvercubpack79/ Culver Pack 79 - YouTube https://www.culverpack79.com/ cubpack79@vhbt.org







The rain has gone, and the flowers (and weeds) are in bloom.

ABA has returned to meeting at the temple on the second Tuesday after the Board Meeting. We enjoyed getting back to our gatherings. We all missed the social hour during and after the meeting. We still did zooming for those who were unable to attend, but we all would like to see all ABA members, at the meeting. For those interested in joining, you are welcome to attend. Just send me an email, and I will get you information on the meetings and events we are planning.

The first part of the year, has been quiet, but the second half will be full of activities.

July we will have Obon, with return of our chicken teriyaki plate. Looking for help at Obon. Keep watch for announcements.

September we will have our annual ABA Memorial service for past members.

October we are planning a Wine event with WLA ABA. More information to come

November we will have our regular Steak Feast and Bingo night, and in December our MOCHI TSUKI.

So, come join us next on Tuesday, May16th, at 7:30 pm at the temple for our ABA meeting and social hours.



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2023 Memorial Service Schedule by Years

Memorial services for those who passed away in the following years:

2022: 1 year

2021: 3 year

2017: 7 year

2011: 13 year

2007: 17 year

1999: 25 year

1991: 33 year

1974: 50 year





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Family Membership	Individual Membership	Senior Membership*
(Includes children under age 22 yrs)	(Single Adult age 30 and older)	(Keiro – age 80 yrs. during or after 2018)
\$500	\$250	\$125
Young Family Membership	Young Adult Individual Membership	Senior Membership*
(Family under age 35 yrs.)	(Single adult under age 30 yrs.)	(Keiro – age 80 yrs. before 2018)
\$350	\$50	Complimentary





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