

Kelowna Buddhist Temple

The New Dharma Express



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Monthly Memorial

Clean-up Altar Toban

Special points of interest:

- Sun. Mar 1, Dharma School 10am
- Wed. Mar 4, Chow Mein Prep. 8am, TSS Meditation 9:30am, Guided Meditation 7pm
- Thurs. Mar 5, Chow Mein Prep 8am, TSS Meditation 9:30am
- Fri. Mar 6, Chow Mein Prep 8am, TSS Meditation 9:30am
- Sat. Mar 7, Chow Mein Prep 8am, Annual Chow Mein and Bake Prep 8am Sale 2 to 4:30
- Sun. Mar 8, Dharma School 10am, Monthly Memorial 10am
- Wed. Mar 11, TSS Meditation 9:30am, Guided Meditation 7pm
- Thurs. Mar 12, TSS Meditation 9:30am, Temple Board Meeting 7pm
- Fri. Mar 13, TSS Meditation 9:30am

MARCH

- Miss Sueme Uemoto
 Mr. Kyojiro Ono
 Mr. Kikumatsu Fudatate
 Mr. Tokijiro Koyama
 Mr. Tatsujiro Terada
 Mr. Hikobe Oikawa
 Mr. Tokuichi Tomiyama
 Mr. Kametaro Nishi
 Mr. Chosuke Ozamoto
 Baby Suzuki
 Mr. Megumi Ohara
 Mr. Einosuke Uyeyama
 Mr. Kasoji Uemoto
 Mrs. Ayako Tanemura
 Mrs. Sadako Iwasaki
 Mrs. Shizue Ueda
 Mr. Hitoshi Suzuki
 Mrs. Mitsuko Yoshikawa
 Mrs. Iye Tanemura
 Mr. Tom Tanemura
 Mr. Shosaku Sugie
 Mr. Hikoichi Tashima
 Mr. Takao Horiuchi
 Mrs. Atsuko Kawaguchi
 Mr. Yoshiharu Wakano

- Sat. Mar 14, Quigong/Tai Chi Class 1pm (Cheryl Tanaka is leading, it is the first in a regular Saturday series of Classes – drop in fee \$5 per class)

Group #1
Mr. Albert Tainaka
M/M Minoru Mori
M/M Morio Tahara
Mr. Sumio Tahara
Mrs. Joan Tanaka
Mrs. Amy Ueda
M/M Bill Omae
Mr. Terry Hikida
M/M Alec Pelletier
Mr. Ken Ueda
Mr. Jack Ueda
Ms. Peggy Tanaka
Mr. Rick Suzuki
Mr. Shayne Erikson

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- Sun. Mar 15, Dharma School 10am
- Wed. Mar 18, TSS Meditation 9:30am, Guided Meditation 7pm
- Thurs. Mar 19, TSS Meditation 9:30am
- Fri. Mar 20, TSS Meditation 9:30am
- Sat. Mar 21, Quigong/Tai Chi Class 1pm
- Sun. Mar 22, Dharma School 10am, Spring Ohigan & Eitaikyo Service 10am
- Wed. Mar 25, TSS Meditation 9:30am, Guided Meditation 7pm
- Thurs. Mar 26, TSS Meditation 9:30am
- Fri. Mar 27, TSS Meditation 9:30am
- Sat. Mar 28, Quigong/Tai Chi Class 1pm
- Sun. Mar 29, Dharma School 10am

From Sensei

What do we overlook in our lives?

“What is there in this world that should be longed for? What pleasure is there that ought to be sought after? ---As they wander here and there, they come to their end and die before entering on the Way. Then what can be done for them. Because they are spiritually defiled, deeply troubled and confused, people indulge their passions. Hence, many are ignorant of the Way, and few realize it. Everyone is restlessly busy, and nothing can be relied on.” (The Larger Sutra)

The days are now becoming longer, and in our neighborhood during the early morning hours the birds are chirping loudly. It's almost as if they are telling us that spring is not far away. We are all looking forward to blue skies and the blossoms of spring. When I moved here from the Prairies, famous for their endless wheat fields and big sky, to the Okanagan, I was so appreciative of the mountains, trees, lakes, and wildlife. Now, after a few years, I am becoming accustomed to the beautiful surroundings, I almost take it for granted.

Often we lose our appreciation for the things that we have. Some feel that in our Western culture, we seem to have lost a certain quality of life: graciousness, spiritual values, peace of mind. Often we overlook the most precious things that we have.

One of my friends told me the following story. It begins on a cold January morning, in the middle of rush hour, when a young man entered a Metro station in Washington DC. He positioned himself against a wall beside a trash basket. He was an ordinary looking young man wearing jeans, a long sleeved white T-shirt and a baseball cap. From a small case he carefully took out a violin. He threw in a few dollars and pocket change, then turned around to face the pedestrian traffic and began to play his violin. He played six pieces with his usual enthusiasm for about 43 minutes. During that rush hour 1,097 people went through the station, most of them on their way to work.

Three minutes went by before anything happened. Sixty three people had already passed by, when a middle aged man altered his step for a split second, turning his head to notice that there was someone playing music. A minute later, the violinist got his first donation - a woman threw the money in

his case, but without stopping she continued on walking. It was not until six minutes into the violinist's performance that someone leaned against the wall to actually listen to him. However, after a very brief time, he looked at his watch and started to walk again. The one who paid the most attention was a 3 year old boy. His mother seemed hurried, but the child stopped to listen and look at the violinist. Finally his mother gave him a tug, and pulled him along. As the child walked with his mother, he kept craning his head backwards until the violinist was out of sight.

In the 43 minutes that the musician played, only 6 people stopped and stayed to listen for a while. About 20 gave him money, but continued to walk at their normal pace. Altogether he collected \$32. After finishing each piece, there was no applause, nor acknowledgment. Towards the end, a young woman arrived, and stood motionless in front of him. She remained there until the end. When the violinist finished playing, she was the only one who applauded, went over to talk to him, introduced herself, and threw in a \$20 bill. She was a Japanese-American woman who had recognized him. Although she was not a music lover, she had attended a free concert that he had given three weeks earlier.

No one except this young woman knew that the violinist in the Metro was Joshua Bell, one of the best musicians in the world. That morning in the entrance to the Metro, he played some of the most beautiful pieces ever written, on one of the most valuable violins ever made – valued around 3.5 million dollars. Three days earlier, Joshua Bell had played to a full house at Symphony Hall in Boston, with the cost of a single seat averaging around \$100.00. Two weeks later he would play to a standing-room only audience.

This is a true story. Joshua Bell, one of the greatest violinists, playing anonymously in the Metro station. This was organized by the Washington Post, as an experiment. Their question was this: In an ordinary environment at an inconvenient time, can we perceive beauty in that context? Would we stop to appreciate it? Unfortunately as the experiment showed, many of them did not. We often overlook the jewels that are right in front of us.

The Zen monk, Ryokan wrote *“If we attain*

From Sensei—Continued

something, it was there from the beginning of time, If we lose something, it is hiding somewhere near us.” If we do not take the time to appreciate the important things in life, one might also wonder how many other things are we missing in our lives.

In Gassho,

Rev. Yasuhiro Miyakawa

Fujinkai Executive—2009

Secretary - Mid Mori, Treasurer - Irene Sugie.
 Membership - Shiirley Tanemura. Religious - Flo Terada. Liaison - Tomoye Yamaoka. Newsletter - Em Nishi. P.R. - Jan-June - Flo and Barb Yamaoka. July-Dec. - Suma Hunter and Joyce Favell. Chair Groups - Jan-April - Mid, Flo Cheryl and Joyce. May-Aug - Shirle, Tomoye, Suma and Em. Sept-Dec. - Irene, Jane Tahara, Shoko Yamada and Barb.

The first week of March will very busy days with the upcoming Chow Mein dinner and Bake sale. PLEASE CHECK THE CALENDAR and plan to come out to help whenever you can. Your help is essential to put on such an event, so even for an hour or two would be appreciated. If you cannot come out to help, the bake table would welcome any donations of your delicious creations. Thank you, Em

Message from the Editor

Patience... this is my word for the day. I ask for your patience as we transition into our new positions on the executive. In talking with some people, my reminder letter about annual membership may not have been well received, perceived as a delinquent, or past due notice, my sincere apologies.

In my first week of new office, I have offended half our membership... definitely not my intention, but it has been done. Moving forward, if you talk with any founding members, please let them know it was not my intent to make anyone feel uncomfortable. I'm young, relatively speaking and will learn – we will accept your membership on your anniversary date, but would appreciate you considering moving it to early in the calendar year: for senior members that are exempt, thank you for your patience, your knowledge and guidance will be called upon.

On the subject of Members, it was brought up last

night, at YABA AGM that parents need to encourage their children (20 to 50 ages) to support the Temple and it's affiliated groups. We all need to get our kids or grandkids involved, otherwise all our volunteer hours and hard work may go to waste.

I told my kids no tattoo's or piercings, but they were just expressing themselves at that time in their lives—things change. So never stop asking your children to get involved, it can't hurt.

We are all tempted by materialistic gadgetry and activities to do, kids won't mind coming to the Temple, it's the parents that need to bring them. Our parents had to sacrifice so much, they work so hard to build the Temple, and to preserve Buddhism in Kelowna, it's the very least we can do for them—get involved—you might have fun, it takes less time and costs less than you think.

In Gassho, Jiro

The Collected Works of Shinran - see Sensei for your personal copy today—only \$50

For all people—men and women, of high station and low—Saying the Name of Amida is such that whether one is walking, standing, sitting, or reclining is of no concern and time, place, and condition are not restricted. My eyes being hindered by blind passions, I cannot perceive the light that grasps me; Yet the great compassion, without tiring, illumines me always. We who aspire for Amida's fulfilled land, though we differ in outward condition and conduct, should truly receive the Name of the Primal Vow and never forget it, whether walking or sleeping.

March 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 Dharma School 10am</p>	<p>2 Taiko Practice 7pm</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 TSS Meditation 9:30am Guided Meditation 7pm Chow Mein Prep 8am</p>	<p>5 TSS Meditation 9:30am Chow Mein Prep 8am</p>	<p>6 TSS Meditation 9:30am Taiko Practice 7pm Chow Mein Prep 8am</p>	<p>7 Annual Chow Mein Supper and Bake Prep 8am, Sale 2 till 4:30pm</p>
<p>8 Dharma School 10am Monthly Memorial 10</p>	<p>9 Taiko Practice 7pm</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 TSS Meditation 9:30am Guided Meditation 7pm</p>	<p>12 TSS Meditation 9:30am Temple Board Meeting 7pm</p>	<p>13 TSS Meditation 9:30am Taiko Practice 7pm</p>	<p>14 Qigong/Tai Chi Class 1pm</p>
<p>15 Dharma School 10am</p>	<p>16 Taiko Practice 7pm</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 TSS Meditation 9:30am Guided Meditation 7pm</p>	<p>19 TSS Meditation 9:30am</p>	<p>20 TSS Meditation 9:30am Taiko Practice 7pm</p>	<p>21 Qigong/Tai Chi Class 1pm</p>
<p>22 Dharma School 10am, Spring Ohiganye & Eitaijyo Service 10am</p>	<p>23 Taiko Practice 7pm</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25 TSS Meditation 9:30am Guided Meditation 7pm</p>	<p>26 TSS Meditation 9:30am</p>	<p>27 TSS Meditation 9:30am Taiko Practice 7pm</p>	<p>28 Qigong/Tai Chi Class 1pm</p>
<p>29 Dharma School 10am</p>	<p>30 Taiko Practice 7pm</p>	<p>31</p>				

BCC Update:

A monthly update from the national headquarters of the Shin Buddhist Churches of Canada
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May this March Update find you all in high spirits before welcoming warm spring sunshine very soon.
 Shinran Shonin, the founder of Jodo Shinshu, quoted in the Kyo-Gyo-Shin-Sho a passage from *Commentary on Amida Sutra* by Master Yuan-chao;

“Needless to say, our Buddha Amida grasps beings with the Name. Thus as we hear it with our ears and say it with our lips, exalted virtues without limit grasp and pervade our hearts and minds. It becomes ever after the seed of our Buddhahood, all at once sweeping away a koti of kalpas of heavy karmic evil, and we attain the realization of the supreme enlightenment. I know truly that the Name possesses not scant roots of good, but inexhaustible roots of good.”

Jodo Shinshu begins with the Name, namoamidabutsu, and ends with namoamidabutsu.
 Not only in the temple, but also in our daily life we take every opportunity to hear and say the Name and naturally its virtues become our flesh and blood, so that we will be able to live in peace and tranquility.

The Name is the dynamic, yet easy and simple form of tool given to every one of us as the reminder of the constant working of Great Compassion. As it is written on paper, you can see and read it. As it is uttered, you can hear and say anytime and at any place.

May you continue to live everyday by hearing and practising the Name that is coming from Amida Buddha.

With gassho, namoamidabutsu,
 Orai Fujikawa

宗祖はその著『教行信証』の中に、元照律師の「弥陀経義」から引用されています。
 「いわんやわが弥陀は名をもって物を接したもう。ここをもって耳に聞き、口に誦するに、無辺の聖徳、識心に覧入す。永く仏種となりて頓に億劫の重罪を除き、無上菩提を獲証す」

和訳（アミダ如来様は名号をもって、衆生を済度して下さいます。名号を聞いて、称えれば、限りない功德が私たちの心に満ちて、それがやがて仏になる種となつて下さり、過去の限りない罪を除いて、この上ない悟りへ導かれます。）

浄土真宗の教は、なもあみだぶつで始まり、なもあみだぶつで終わると言われます。お寺だけでなく毎日の生活の中で、名号を聞き、称えて、それを血とし肉とすることにより、安穏な生活が恵まれてまいります。名号は如来様の慈悲の働きが私たちに向けられている姿であります。

お互いに如来様の呼び声である名号を聞き、名号を称える生活をいたしましょう。 合掌。

Congratulation to Fred Ulrich Sensei for his 10th Anniversary serving Manitoba Buddhist Temple.

Congratulation to Mark Courtney who successfully completed Lay Leader Program at Manitoba Buddhist Temple in January.

COMING EVENTS

Mar 21 Higan Service of Nanaimo Fellowship

22 Higan Service at Ross Bay Cemetery in Victoria

Apr 11-19 Visit to Montreal, Toronto, and Hamilton Temples

23-24 Ministerial Association Meeting in Lethbridge

BCC Update: continued

25-26 JSBTC AGM and the Dedication of the new temple of Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta in Lethbridge

New address of Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta
470 40 Street South Lethbridge, AB T1J 3Z5 Tel 403 327 1260
Fax 403 327 7587

May 16-18 Manning Park Family Retreat

27-28 World Jodo Shinshu Coordinating Council in Kyoto

Jul 13-21 Hongwanji Cultural Exchange Program for Youth led by Grant Ikuta Sensei

Sep 15-17 Ministerial Association Meeting/Seminar in Steveston

Qigong—Tai Chi Classes

A big thank-you to the Temple Board for approving my application to teach Qigong/Taiji classes at the Temple. The classes will be held on Saturdays from 1:00pm until 2:00pm, with the first class starting on March 14th. These classes will be great for beginners, and will be open to the public. All classes will be

drop-in - \$5 per class. We will start with gentle stretching exercises, then work on a Taiji form and then end the class with deep breathing exercises. Please tell your friends!!
In Gassho, Cheryl



Mein Making As I See It:

When I first started to come out to the fund raising events, there were many people. All had their specific jobs and things went like clock work. I no longer see many of those faces. Even though I have come out several times to Mein Making, I realized that I do not have the experience and finesse of those that have done the various task for years. I feel there is a need to teach the apprentice to bring back that well oiled machine of efficiency.

I also have some thoughts and suggestions that I hope will be considered or at least thought about. Dough making at times is a full contact sport with so many tasks being done in the kitchen. The mixing machine could be moved to the auditorium. Three rows of tables: first mix/knead, the second knead, then separation of dough into the balls. The

kitchen would have two tables to set up an assembly line for adding the ingredients to the bins. I found the art of rolling the dough through the machine difficult and was relieved when a fourth roller was set up. I hear in the future we may have three woks going!

A person that knows the correct texture of the dough, could do spot checks for quality control. To me: knowledge, skills and work flow = efficiency = time. And time is money!. ...Oh yah, forgot, we're volunteers!!

The apprentice is eager to learn, but patience is needed as the apprentice will be slow and may make mistakes until skills are mastered! Perhaps I should practice on Play Dough!

In Gassho—Bev

Annual Spring Chow Mein and Bake Sale For 2009: March 7th

Pre-order pick-up 2pm to 3:30pm, Sales at the Door is limited, but continues till 4:30pm or sold-out, please guarantee your order by calling either Tammy Nishi 250-762-2653 or Linda Uemoto 250-860-3980

Mein Order—\$6.95

Apple Pies (Frozen) - \$5.50

Sushi (\$5) and Gyoza (\$3)

Pre-order cut-off date is Wednesday, March 4th

Qigong–Tai Chi Classes

行 事 案 内

3月 1日(日) 午前 10時	日曜学校
4日(水) 午前 8時	チャウメン準備
午後 9時半	千部経三昧
午後 7時	座禅案内
5日(木) 午前 8時	チャウメン準備
午前 9時半	千部経三昧
6日(金) 午前 8時	チャウメン準備
午前 9時半	千部経三昧
7日(土) 午前 8時	チャウメン準備
午後 2時–4時半	チャウメン&ハイクセー

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8日(日) 午前 10時	日曜学校
11日(水) 午前 9時半	千部経三昧
午後 7時半	座禅案内
12日(木) 午前 9時半	千部経案内
午後 7時	仏教会役員会
13日(金) 午前 9時半	千部経三昧
14日(土) 午後 1時	タイチ教室
15日(日) 午前 10時	日曜学校
18日(水) 午前 9時半	千部経三昧
午後 7時	座禅案内
19日(木) 午前 9時半	千部経三昧
20日(金) 午前 9時半	千部経三昧
21日(土) 午後 1時	タイチ教室
22日(日) 午前 10時	日曜学校
	春のお彼岸、永代経法要
25日(水) 午前 9時半	千部経三昧
午後 7時	座禅案内
26日(木) 午前 9時半	千部経三昧
27日(金) 午前 9時半	千部経三昧
28日(土) 午後 1時	タイチ教室
29日(日) 午前 10時	日曜学校



#この冬は雪が多く、春は未だ遠いように思えますが、春のチャウメン、

ハイクセール、そして春のお彼岸と行事が控えています。どう

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よろしくをお願いします。

3月14日から、毎週土曜日午後1時に、田中シャロルさんが

クイゴン流タイチを指導して下さいます。参加ご希望の方は

1回につき5ドルをご持参、動きやすい服装でお越し下さい。

From the Temple Executive

As I sit and ponder what to write in this report, I am reflecting on the long winter we are experiencing. We still have the same snow on the ground that fell in November of 2008. The time appears to pass by so quickly from one month to the next that we often forget to appreciate the things in life that seem to just happen. At the Temple level, it could be something as simple as realizing that our building is now over forty years old. It seems like just a few short years ago we were celebrating the completion of this beautiful Temple, but that was over a half a lifetime ago for some of our members. We have been very fortunate to have had the support of many members over the years as well as some very strong and dedicated leadership by people willing to step forward and sit on the board of directors. Not the least of whom are our good Dharma friends Yukio and Shirley Tanemura. They have both given countless hours of their time over several decades for the benefit of our organization. Another person worthy of recognition is George Hayashi. George has been expertly attending to the Temple's finances for several years. This position requires a huge commitment of time and energy to ensure our fiscal house is in order. We reluctantly accepted the resignation of these members at the end of their terms. Three new members accepted positions on the board for this year. They are

From the Temple Executive: Continued

Pegi Uyeyama, Jack Ueda and Tim Tahara. Under the guidance of our hard working Minister, Reverend Yasuhiro Miyakawa and new President, Alec Pelletier, we will endeavour to continue on with the legacy left by our predecessors. We will without a doubt stumble occasionally and ask for your support and patience as we move forward. I would like to acknowledge the members and other supporters who labourer for many long hours making the mein noodles for our upcoming Chow Mein fund raiser. Several people worked from 7:00 AM until after midnight to ensure that the noodles were made. Please come out and join work parties as they come up.

More hands will make for less work and shorter hours. Projects like Chow Mein are vital as they help to keep the cost of Temple membership as low as possible. Reverend Miyakawa has been offering varied programs through-out the weeks. Please plan to take part in these initiatives if possible and support Sensei as he propagates Buddhism in the southern interior of B.C. You will gain an insight into Buddha's teachings. We have inherited a beautiful Temple here in Kelowna. Let us make it a vibrant place to gather and enrich our lives.

In Gassho, Herb



YABA Update

“Thank you” Jack! Our apologies go out to Jack Hatanaka for not mentioning that he delivered all the mochi to our seniors in December who were unable to pick up their free mochi on the day we prepared it. We're sure that all our seniors were sincerely appreciative of Jack's thoughtfulness as he has done this for many years.

Keiro Kai – Our annual Keiro Kai (although held in January instead of the normal November time frame) was successful. We had a 28 members and 3 guests. Thank you Pegi for being photographer. Photos are currently being distributed – if we have missed you, please let Pegi know. Thank you to Don & L&D Meats for the delicious roast pork, and to the YABA members who catered the meal, Dharma School girls (Hayley, Kelsey and Robyn) who assisted, and to Don/Jerry for calling Bingo. Congratulations to the Bingo winners.

YABA AGM

21 members and 3 guests. Our AGM was held at the Orient Restaurant where events of the past year were highlighted, and kudos were expressed by President Alan Yamaoka in appreciation of the many hours of volunteer work our YABA members have given our Temple.

As is our custom, the AGM is the meeting at which elections are held, and some of our current Executive members step down, and we look for new members to volunteer to take a term on the board and learn about the organization, and especially bring

about fresh ideas, and a new perspective. Due to the shortage of new members, we have (for the past 12 years) been fortunate enough to continue with the same Executive who have volunteered without a break in service, and who have been willing to continue in their current positions. Thank you to Alan and Barb Yamaoka, Pegi

Uyeyama, Joyce and Don Favell, Laurie & Jerry Takeda.

In an attempt to generate a renewed interest in our YABA organization, the Executive will be sending out a questionnaire to those who we think are potential new members, asking for their input – suggestions, concerns, etc.

We sincerely hope that parents will encourage their children to consider joining, as the children and grandchildren of the Temple's founding families are our foundation, and will benefit significantly by the legacy their parents and grandparents have left us. The majority of our Young Adult Buddhist Association is currently made up of adults approximately 55 – 80+ years old and we desperately need and want the participation of our young adults. Please encourage your friends who are interested in Jodo Shinshu Buddhism to join as well. The YABA is an excellent entry point into learning about the Temple.

In Gassho,



Gratitude & Admiration

Gratitude: I am very grateful to all of you for your dedication to what I understand is a major fund-raising effort, which does much to financially sustain the Temple. For a person like me, who is just at the beginning of my Buddhist path, the Temple offers a rich opportunity for spiritual teaching that I would otherwise not be able to access directly. All of your efforts to sustain the Temple, have a direct impact on my own budding spiritual life. I do not take this for granted, and I intend to follow your example of dedication and service as I gradually grow in familiarity and faith. I am deeply grateful.

Admiration: The Kelowna Buddhist Temple is not just a building, it is a spiritual and cultural community that I greatly admire. "Noodle Night" was not the first time I have shown up at a fund-raising function to find a surprisingly large number of people working hard to contribute to a community that they clearly love and value a great deal. Many of the people I speak to at these functions have deep multigenerational family roots in Kelowna and in the Temple community. Many of the people I spoke to on the night I was there are in their 70's and 80's. They had been working twice as long as me and were still going strong! (I will have to start pumping iron so that I can keep up to you all!) We were all very tired by

the time we finished that night, but I will always remember the smiles and good humour that prevailed amongst the elders, right through to the end of the night. It was very clear to me that these are people who have worked very hard in their lives and who know how to put their shoulders to the wheel when something is important to them. I stand in admiration of this. I also take it to heart on a personal level, because by benefitting the Temple community, these dedicated people, and many others behind the scenes, make it possible for me to be exposed to the Dharma. On the way out the door that night, I was asked if I had learned anything from the experience. Well, aside from learning quite a lot about local history and how to make noodles, I also learned that next time I should show up early and be prepared to stay late if I want to hold a candle to the energy and dedication of the people I was working with. You may not be thinking a whole lot about it at the time, but by making noodles, you are spreading the Dharma.

Many thanks to Jerry Takeda, for the many ways you work diligently to spread the Dharma to people like me. You are a much better Buddhist than you might think!

In Gassho, Genevra



Special Notes and Acknowledgement missed in Newsletter: December Newsletter, Mr. Suey Koga. Membership, paid Nov. 08 for Year 09. Mr. George Hayashi, missed in January 09 newsletter \$745 towards affiliation fees and general donation, and his generous donation for repairs to the tractor used for snow removal. Our apologies—In Gassho (special note: some donations were missed in November issue, but tax receipts were issued correctly, please contact treasurer if otherwise).

If you know the current mailing address of, Mr. Susumu Miyaoka (Nakusp), and Mr. T. Nakazawa (Salmon Arm), please contact Jerry Takeda, Treasurer at 250-861-5626 or kbtemple@telus.net

Thanks for the comments about the donation page... we have tried to accommodate the changes in this issue.

***With Gratitude the Temple and all of its Affiliated Organizations
Acknowledge Your Generous Contribution and Apologies
for any Errors or Omissions.***

Fujinkai Donations: Tsuito Hoyo: Mr. Lloyd Hokazono \$100, M/M Yuki Tanemura \$30, M/M Kaichi Uemoto \$30, M/M Yosh Terada \$30, M/M Morio Tahara \$30, Mrs. Em Nishi \$25, M/M Min Mori \$20, Ms. Terry Murata \$20, M/M Tom Itani \$20, M/M Tosh Suzuki \$20, M/M Isao Terai \$20, Mrs. Toyoko Tamaki \$20, M/M Ken Yamada \$20: **Shinbokokai:** M/M T. Ogi \$20, M/M Tosh Suzuki \$20

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General

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Sugie, Mr. & Mrs. S. \$50
Yamaoka, Mrs. C. \$50
Stewart, Karen \$75
Hayashi, Mrs. S. \$100
Omae, Mr. & Mrs. T. \$100
Dux, Mr. Larry \$100
Hokazono, Mr. A. \$125
Peggy Tanaka & Rick Suzuki \$150
Tamaki, Mr. & Mrs. S. \$250
Pelletier, Mr. & Mrs. A. \$250
Yamaoka, Mr. & Mrs. T. \$600

Ho-onko

Sugie, Mr. & Mrs. S. \$20
Mori, Mrs. & Mrs. M. \$20
Nishi, Mrs. E. \$20
Yamada, Mr. & Mrs. K. \$20
Suzuki, Mr. & Mrs. \$20
Nishi, Mrs. S. \$20
Yamaoka, Mr. & Mrs. A. \$20
Lacey, Mr. & Mrs. G. \$20
Terada, Mr. & Mrs. Y. \$20
Pelletier, Mr. & Mrs. A. \$20
Ogi, Mr. & Mrs. T. \$20
Koga, Mr. & Mrs. M. \$20
Favell, Mr. & Mrs. D. \$20
Ishikawa, Mr. James \$20
Hatanaka, Mrs. S. \$25
Tahara, Mr. & Mrs. M. \$25
Stewart, Karen/Tonn, Harry \$25
Hayashi, Mrs. S. \$25
Tanemura, Mr. & Mrs. Y. \$30
Tanaka, Mr. & Mrs. H. \$30
Martin, Mr. Michael \$50

Memorial

Yamaoka, Mr. & Mrs. T. \$40
Koga, Mr. & Mr. M. (in memory of Mrs. Helen Inaba) \$30

Monthly Memorial

Terai, Mr. & Mrs. Isao \$20
Ishikawa, Mr. James \$20
Hokazonko, Mr. A. \$20
Hayashi, Mrs. Shiz (in Memory of Kisaku Hayashi) \$20
Murata, T.A. \$20

Monthly Memorial continued:

Yamaoka, Mr. & Mrs. A. (in Memory of Carl Nishi) \$20
Ishikawa, Mrs. M. \$20
Itani, Mr & Mrs. Tom \$20
Kawahara, Mrs. N. (in Memory of Hidenosuki Kawano) \$20
Yamaoka, Mrs. C. (in Memory of Kisaku Hayashi) \$30
Yamaoka, Mr. & Mrs. A. (in Memory of Grandpa Hayashi) \$30
Martin, Michael \$50
Deleurme, Denise \$50
Tahara, Mr. Sumio \$100

Newsletter

Ueda Mrs. Y. \$25
Hokazono, Mr. A. \$30
Kouchiyama, Mr. & Mrs. J. \$30
Hayashi, Mrs. S. \$50
Omae, Mr. & Mrs. T. \$50
Hikida, Mr. T. \$75
Yamaoka, Mr. & Mrs. T. \$75

Membership

Nishi, Mrs. Emiko \$125
Stewart, Karen \$125
Azama, Mr. & Mrs. M. \$250
Tamaki, Mr. & Mrs. S. \$250
Hikida, Mr. T. \$125
Yamada, Mr. & Mrs. K. \$250
Omae, Mr. & Mrs. T. \$250
Kouchiyama, Mr. & Mrs. J. \$250
Ishikawa, Mrs. M. \$125
Sugie, Mr. & Mrs. S. \$250
Takeda, Mr. & Mrs. J. \$250
Pelletier, Mr. & Mrs. A. \$250
Dux, Mr. Larry \$125
Ueda, Mrs. Y. \$125
Ueda, Mr. Scott \$125
Tanaka, Dorothy \$125
Udea, Mrs. Amy \$125
Cavanaugh, Genevra \$125
Martin, Michael \$125
Suzuki, Mr. & Mrs. T. \$250
Peggy Tanaka & Rick Suzuki \$250

YABA: Membership

Yamaoka, Mr. & Mrs. A. \$10
Yamaoka, Ms. Carrie \$5
Yamaoka, Ms. Lisa \$5
Ueda, Mr. Jack \$5
Favell, Mr. & Mrs. D. \$10
Tomiye, Mr. Reg \$5
Uemoto, Mr. & Mrs. K. \$10
Tahara, Mr. & Mrs. T. \$10
Yamaoka, Mr. & Mrs. N. \$10
Takeda, Mr. & Mrs. J. \$10
Takeda, Mr. Nathan \$5
Uyeyama, Mr. & Mrs. J. \$10
Mori, Mr. & Mrs. M. \$10
Terai, Mr. & Mrs. Isao \$10
Nishi, Mr. Jim \$5

YABA: Donations

Nishi, Mr. Jim \$15
Tanemura, Mr. & Mrs. Y. \$20
Suzuki, Mr. & Mrs. T. \$20
Mori, Mr. & Mrs. M. \$20
Tahara, Mr. & Mrs. Tim \$20
Sugie, Mr. & Mrs. S. \$25
Koga, Mr. & Mrs. M. \$25
Nishi, Mrs. E. \$25
Tahara, Mr. & Mrs. M. \$30
Uemoto, Mr. & Mrs. K. \$30
Terada, Mr. & Mrs. Y. \$30
Hayashi, Mrs. S. \$40