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True Essence of Buddhism: Entering the Stream

In March I was privileged to attend the four-day seminar in Los Angeles presented by Dr. Takami Inoue of Otani University. The Higashi Honganji North America District invited its working temple ministers in California along with me and Rev. Miki Nakura of the New York Jodo Shinshu Sangha. It would be difficult to report on the whole seminar, so this is only a first attempt at a summary.

In his presentation of passages from the early Buddhist writings (known as the Pali canon) and the words of Shinran Shonin, Dr. Inoue made the convincing argument that what is called Jodo Shinshu is actually the core essence of the teachings of the historical Buddha Shakyamuni. Dr. Inoue said although Shinran did not have access to the Pali canon (Japanese Buddhists would finally read those scriptures in English translation in the late 19th century), Shinran was in touch with the teachings of Shakyamuni through their expression in the Mahayana

canon (sutras and commentaries written in Sanskrit translated into Chinese).

In the Pali canon there is a phrase *Dhamma-sota* which could mean the “ear of Dharma” or the “stream of Dharma.” Dr. Inoue felt the Buddha used both meanings of *sota*, although the later Sanskrit texts differentiated “stream” *srota* from “ear” *śrota*. In the Pali canon the Buddha asserts that one who earnestly listens is the person who “enters the stream” (*sota-apanna*) flowing toward awakening. This parallels Shinran pointing to those who engage in deep listening as having joined the “rightly settled group” (*shojoju*), those who will inevitably attain nirvana.



Rev. Patti Nakai
Resident Minister

Dr. Inoue drew a picture of an “eco-system” to illustrate this flow towards enlightenment. He said he got the idea from Taitetsu Unno’s book *River of Fire*,

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New Seekers

In April’s Bulletin we gave our 100th birthday greeting to Mr. Shigeharu Itami, a BTC member from Detroit, Michigan. Let’s shift our attention about seven or so decades down the age range for this month and introduce some of the more recent members of BTC. From left to right in the photo on page 5 are Kyle, Craig, Tiffany, and John. The foursome is familiar to those regularly attending services.

John and Tiffany moved to Uptown about a year ago. Looking for a spiritual base in their new neighborhood, they came across BTC and decided to check us out. John was already interested in Eastern philosophies so BTC was natural destination. Fortunately for us, they liked what they found and stayed. In fact, John was an active participant in last summer’s Eastern Buddhist League conference,

In my February Bulletin article (“What’s Past is

Prologue?”) I asked the rhetorical question about venturing out (way out) to the cornfields of Sandwich, Illinois. BTC – “Who are we?” This is a pressing question asked in Jodo Shinshu Temples all across the



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Temple President

United States. So much of this dialogue is framed in terms of the past – the historical roots of Buddhism in America, the ethnic roots of our temples, and the aging and assimilation of the “old Buddhist” Japanese American communities. Important issues to be sure, but an equally important question is, “What are new Buddhists” seeking?

Don’t hold your breath waiting for an answer here. I suspect there are as many reasons as there are, “new Buddhists.” I asked John and Tiffany why they

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Temple News March 2014

- ❁ 3/01 BTC Young Adult Group held “Game Night” at the temple attended by eight young people, including two who are fairly new to BTC.
- ❁ 3/02 March monthly memorial service was held. *** The Shoshinge class joined the afternoon Japanese service for chanting before going to class.
- ❁ 3/08 Memorial service for the late Mrs. Merry Hirata was conducted at BTC by Rev. Nakai, assisted by Rev. Ashikaga. Mrs. Hirata is survived by son Richard.
- ❁ 3/09 At the Sunday service, Dharma School talk was given by Elaine Siegel, and Rev. Nakai gave the Dharma talk for Kosu-ki, the memorial for Rev. Gyoko Saito.
- ❁ 3/10 to 3/13 Rev. Nakai attended 4-day ministers’ seminar at the Higashi Honganji Los Angeles temple.
- ❁ 3/15 Asoka Society met.
- ❁ 3/16 Spring O-higan service was conducted entirely by lay members under the direction of Rev. Nakai. Mia Blixt-Shehan gave the lay speaker talk. The Upaya group served a St. Patrick’s Day themed luncheon of corned beef and cabbage.
- ❁ 3/19 Rev. Nakai attended the monthly Uptown Clergy luncheon. *** Rev. Nakai attended the Chicago Japanese American Council meeting.
- ❁ 3/21 April Bulletin was mailed.
- ❁ 3/22 The 49th Day Service for the late Mr. Kenji Tadamoto was conducted by Rev. Nakai, assisted by Rev. Ashikaga. *** Rev. Nakai attended the “Spiritual Beans” interfaith discussion.
- ❁ 3/23 Dharma School chaired Founder’s Day Sunday Service and hosted the “Paramita Jeopardy” game show with all attendees participating. Rev. Nakai gave the Dharma talk for Gyomei-ki, the memorial for Rev. Gyomay Kubose. *** Memorial service for the late Mr. Peter Oda was conducted at the Breakers by Rev. Nakai, assisted by Rev. Ashikaga. Mr. Oda had no children but was cared for in his later years by his niece Sue and his nephew Stanley and their families.
- ❁ 3/27 Rev. Nakai spoke at the Chicago Academy for the Arts.
- ❁ 3/29 The 49th Day service for the late Mr. Naotaka Kamiya was conducted by Rev. Ashikaga.
- ❁ 3/30 Regular Sunday service. *** Board of Directors met.
- ❁ Past temple member Emiko Adachi passed away on March 8. She is survived by daughters Tina and Patti and son John.

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of:

**Emiko Adachi
Merry Hirata
Peter Oda**

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! Understanding the Nembutsu through recognizing the Paramitas in others. Send in your recognitions!

- ❁ Sunday Service Participants: Juan Angels, Karen Baier, Sue Balsam, Mia Blixt-Shehan, Nancey Epperson, Wendy Fawcett, Abigail Hammer, Anna Idol, John Kelly, Lynnell Long, Alice Murata, William Shehan, Elaine Siegel, Miriam Solon, Linda Triplett, Gary Nakai and Dharma School students: Ava, Bea, Ian, Wen Qing, Will, Yulian.
- ❁ Accompanists: Mrs. Ashikaga, Ruth Abbinanti, Renee Blixt, Jacob Fawcett, Ann Yi
- ❁ Audio Controls: Jacob and Wendy Fawcett.
- ❁ Sunday Service Refreshments: Rodel De Ocampo, Noreen Enkoji, Haru Ito, Ruby Tsuji, Upaya Group.
- ❁ Bulletin Mailing: Antoinette D’Vencets, Noreen Enkoji, Haru Ito, Chuck Izui, Gary Nakai, Masa Nakata, Helene Rom, Ruby Tsuji.
- ❁ Cleaning Temple washrooms: Michele Mulcahy, Helene Rom, Ruby Tsuji.
- ❁ Taking care of the Temple inside and out: Tomio Tadamoto.
- ❁ Maintaining and updating the temple website and computer: Shawn Lyte.
- ❁ Emptying the trash bins, filling them with new bags and putting them out for disposal: Sue Balsam, Adam Kellman, Ruby Tsuji.



Volunteers help set up the shumidan for O-Higan.
Photo by Miriam Solon.

Attention All Scouts: Be Prepared!

Calling all Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts from the temple's past – a Scouts reunion is being planned for this fall for all Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, parents, and leaders, possibly in September 2014. Please pass the word to those Scouts who are not currently BTC members and especially to those who've moved away from Chicago – the reunion might give them a nice reason to visit Chicago. More details to follow in the months ahead.

Hatsu Mairi Ceremony on May 25

On May 25 during regular Sunday morning service at 11am, we will have the annual Hatsu Mairi ceremony. Hatsu Mairi means “first visit,” and the ceremony is the official welcoming of a child to the temple (although some of them have already been attending). Each family participating in Hatsu Mairi will receive a certificate and o-juzu (meditation beads) for their child and will be part of a group picture featured in our temple’s calendar.

If you would like your child (any age from infant to teen) to be included in the ceremony, please fill out the registration form available at the temple, or contact the temple office to have the form sent or e-mailed to you.

We ask all past Hatsu Mairi families to help welcome new honorees by helping with refreshments after service. Please contact Diana Schoendorff of the BTC Dharma School at billandi@sbcglobal.net if you can help serve and/or bring food.

The BTC Mission Statement

Founded in 1944 as an administratively independent temple, The Buddhist Temple of Chicago aspires to the following:

- ☸ To present and explore the Three Treasures of Buddhism – the Buddha (teacher), the Dharma (teachings), and the Sangha (community).
- ☸ To be guided and inspired by the historical Buddha, Gautama Shakyamuni, and the teachers who have followed – Shinran Shonin, Manshi Kiyozawa, and Haya Akegarasu.
- ☸ To present the Buddha-Dharma in a language and manner relevant and understandable in contemporary America.
- ☸ To welcome all who seek the Dharma without any exceptions.
- ☸ To be a positive presence in our local community working to enhance the vitality of our neighborhood.
- ☸ To honor and continue the traditions of our founding members.
- ☸ To always live the Nembutsu – Namu Amida Butsu.

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Book Review:

When a Peace Tree Blooms

By Ava

Title: *When a Peace Tree Blooms*

Written By: Hideko Tamura Snider

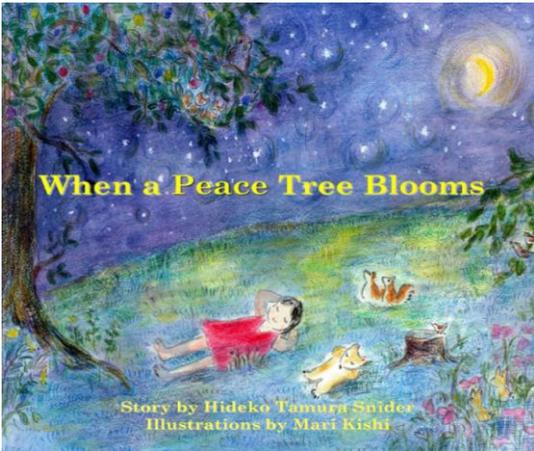
Illustrations By: Mari Kishi

My favorite character in the book is the Old Woman. She is very kind and helpful. She also let the visitor inside for a drink even though the other people didn't like him.

Mari saw an old woman and an old man walking in the forest. Mari asked what are you doing? They told her they were gonna plant a seed and they told her their story of the bombing of Hiroshima. The story is about their process of healing and how the seed given to them from the stranger represents the planting of the seeds of peace.

I like the idea of planting the seeds of peace so that we can stop fighting and Wars.

I recommend this book because it shows how people can overcome hardships and learn to get along. And I also enjoyed the lovely drawings.



Editor's Note:

Hideko Tamura Snider graciously sent BTC an advance copy of her new children's book, *When a Peace Tree Blooms*. Ms. Snider, a survivor of the bombing of Hiroshima, was a frequent guest speaker at the Temple before she moved west.

More information about Ms. Snider is available at osdinitiatives.com.

First Know Yourself

By Bill Bohlman

For six years, Gautama Shakyamuni practiced rigorous meditative and ascetic ways of life seeking the answer to the overcoming of his suffering. Finally, in desperation, he sat in meditation under a pipal tree determined to find his answer or perish doing so. Visions of demons and temptresses assailed him until, as the sun rose on the morning of the seventh day, he attained his awakening. Legend says that at this moment he cried "Avidya": "Oh, Darkness." He realized the depth of his personal darkness. He recognized that the cause of his suffering was not out there, it was within himself. His ego, anger, greed and ignorance were the cause of his suffering. Shakyamuni Buddha had finally come to know himself.

How often have we felt that the source of our discomforts in life was based in things external to us? We become convinced that if only those things out there would change, we would finally be happy. Then, when they don't change to our satisfaction we suffer even more. The Buddhadharma teaches that this is a fool's path. Rather than expect that which is out of our control to change, we must look into ourselves to see why we are suffering.

Why do we become angry? The simple answer is that someone, or something, is not acting the way we want them to act. We never become angry when our expectations or desires are met. However, do our actions that arise in this state of anger usually resolve the problem at hand, or do they make things worse? When asked if the Buddha ever became angry, his cousin Ananda replied, "Of course he did; he was only human. But he forgot it immediately." The Buddha's ability to know himself, and the reasons he had become angry, allowed him to forget, or move past the anger immediately. By doing so, whatever actions he next took helped to alleviate suffering rather than exacerbate it.

Why do we have desires and attachments? Beyond the need for food and shelter, all else is the result of desire and attachment. The essential possessions of the Buddha and his disciples were two robes and a bowl; a summer robe, a winter robe, and a bowl for begging alms. Anything more was a luxury. Contrast this to our modern lives filled with a constant craving for more. Our desires are driven by our sense that the next new thing will bring us contentment. Even worse, on a global scale this constant striving for more leads to conflict and war. Shakyamuni Buddha awakened to this fact. We can never be happy until we find contentment with that which we already have. When we know ourselves, and our reasons for our attachments and desires, we can begin to see the path to overcoming suffering in our lives.

Like the Buddha, we need to find our own "pipal tree" and work thru the illusions and delusions of our mind. First know yourself and your path will become clear.

The 2014 BTC Scholarship

ELIGIBILITY – Applicant must be a high school senior or an undergraduate senior who has attended The Buddhist Temple of Chicago Dharma School and/or participated in one of the youth activities of BTC and has been a paid member or listed on a family membership two years prior to the scholarship year according to BTC membership records.

SELECTION – The BTC Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of scholastic merit and personal dedication to the Temple with consideration given to individual need.

PROCEDURE – An applicant must complete the Scholarship Application, obtain one recommendation, and write a 200-word essay. All applications must be accompanied by a certified transcript of the student's high school grades and ACT/SAT scores (if available, or a letter given as to the reason why this was omitted). The responsibility for a completed application and submission by the time of the deadline rests solely with the applicant.

OBTAIN SCHOLARSHIP FORM – Contact Rev. Patti Nakai at 773-334-4661 for an application packet.

DEADLINE – Applications must be received by midnight May 24th, 2014. All correspondence, forms, inquiries and applications should be sent to:

The BTC Scholarship Committee
c/o The Buddhist Temple of Chicago
1151 W Leland Avenue
Chicago, IL 60640

PRESENTATION – The Buddhist Temple of Chicago Scholarships will be awarded in June during the BTC Graduation Service, on June 8th at 11 AM. Recipients will be notified by e-mail or telephone during the first week in June.



... New Seekers (Continued from page 1)

returned after the first visit. “BTC folks were friendly, welcoming. There was community and good food.” And they haven’t yet been to a Natsumatsuri! Over the summer of 2013, John and Tiffany encouraged their friends, Craig and Kyle, to check us out as well. Like John, Craig and Kyle already had a general curiosity about Buddhism. Kyle’s interest was piqued years ago during a world religions class at his Catholic School.



From left to right: Kyle, Craig, Tiffany, and John
Photo by Glenn T. Fujiura

Why are they regulars? Rev. Patti’s weekly minister’s messages are a big part of the appeal. Kyle enjoys how she gently integrates Buddhist thought and history into her weekly messages and feels like he’s always learned something after a service. Craig noted how well the messages are connected to the issues of daily life yet speak to broader spiritual meanings. In other words, the talks are relevant to our lives but also about more than our lives. John and Tiffany described how “easy” it was to participate in BTC – we weren’t fixated on ritual and practice, and not rigid or doctrinaire. As Kyle put it, BTC is, “more about attraction than promotion.” Makes sense to me.

John, Tiffany, Craig and Kyle reacted to some of the core features that make Jodo Shinshu Buddhism special – the inclusiveness and non-dogmatic approach, a “path of easy practice,” that is at its core the hardest practice of all because it is about a deep and honest self-appraisal. And I think the foursome will find the chicken teriyaki at this summer’s Natsumatsuri pretty special too.

Welcome.

... True Essence of Buddhism: Entering the Stream

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River of Water. In the chapter “The Spirit of the Valley” (pp. 10-13), Unno says Buddhist monasticism is about climbing up a steep mountain while Pure Land Buddhism is about living with the common people of the valley. Dr. Inoue said the historical Buddha could see the glistening snowtops of the Himalaya mountains from where he mostly travelled, the plains where the Ganges and two other rivers came together before streaming to the ocean. If you were a drop of water on the plains, you would be inspired to be the snow on the high peak and try to make your way up the mountain. But that’s what the Buddha, Shinran, and all the Pure Land teachers tried early in their lives with very little success. Then they found by becoming a part of the flowing river, they would merge into the ocean and through evaporation rise to the sky, condense with other moisture into clouds, and eventually come down upon the mountains as snow. If the snow on the mountains represented Buddhahood, the highest peak, the snow that melts and feeds the streams would represent bodhisattvas, those who come down to our valley to guide us to the stream of Dharma.

Citing several contemporary Buddhist scholars, Dr. Inoue presented the case that the Buddha as depicted in the Pali canon saw that his fellow seekers were getting caught up in performing difficult practices as the means towards attaining enlightenment. But as Buddha himself realized in his awakening under the Bodhi tree, these tests of physical and mental endurance only served to increase ego-attachment, not transcend it. The one sure way to lessen the ego’s strangling grip is to get involved with a community, listening to the Dharma together. In a true sangha, there is no comparing one’s self to others – who is “higher up” or “farther along” – but all are considered part of the same stream inevitably moving towards nirvana.

Despite the stereotypical notions of early Buddhism being about monks and nuns, the Pali canon reveals the Buddha interacting frequently with the everyday people of his time. He recognizes specific persons as examples of “stream-enterers” – the poor leper, the drunkard, the devoted follower who died in a physically and mentally agitated state. All they had to do was receive the Dharma and be assured in it – or as Shinran would phrase it, to hear the nembutsu and

become aware of *shinjin*, the entrusting heart/mind.

What Dr. Inoue taught us as ministers is to value the sangha and help others to see its significance. There is no nirvana – the state of “no-self” – for those who follow a “do-it-yourself” regimen of practice and study. The “nightstand Buddhists” who never join a group are not even really Buddhists. They are caught up in their ego-attachment, afraid to get contaminated by the messy interaction with other people within an organization. Of course, in a group our individual imperfections will clash and sometimes divert us from our shared endeavor of listening to the Dharma and helping each other to deepen our understanding. But there is no reason to fear “backsliding” as long as we remember that we have already entered the stream.



Dr. Inoue quoted most of the Pali canon passages from the Access to Insight website. Looking up one the passages in both English and romanized Pali, I’m struck by how Jodo Shinshu it sounds:

Open are the doors to the Deathless
to those with ears.
Let them show their conviction.

“Ayacana Sutta: The Request” (SN 6.1), translated from the Pali by Thanissaro Bhikkhu. Access to Insight (Legacy Edition), 30 November 2013, www.accesstoinsight.org/tipitaka/sn/sn06/sn06.001.than.html

The way to the Pure Land, the “beyond in the midst of our life” (Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s phrase used in one of the seminar’s reading materials) is wide open when all you have to do is hear and entrust (the Pali *saddham* “conviction,” is very close in meaning to *shin* in Japanese per Dr. Inoue). With this seminar, I now better appreciate the historical Buddha as *on-dobo* (“fellow traveler” on the path) in the “rightly settled group” instead of an individual who claims enlightenment as a personal reward for his extraordinary efforts.

Buddha 'Bout Town: Buddhist & Cultural Happenings

☸ **May 4, 2014 (Sunday): ONE Northside Inaugural Convention.** Location: Anshe Emet Synagogue, 3751 N. Broadway, from 2:30 to 4. Join members of ONE Northside, a community group whose mission advances affordable housing, mental health justice, violence prevention, and economic justice. Call 773-769-3232 or email Hannah Gelder at hgelder@onenorthside.org.

☸ **May 10, 2014: Document May 10 for the Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Center's online photo & video exhibition.** This online exhibit at apa.si.edu invites people of all skill levels, ages, and backgrounds to contribute to an online exhibit of photographs and video about Asian Pacific American life on May 10, the 145th anniversary of the Golden Spike ceremony that marked the completion of the Transcontinental Railroad. This historical event was marked with a photograph that excluded the Chinese workers critical to the building of the railroad. For more info: <http://SmithsonianAPA.org/life2014.pdf>

☸ **Through May 2014: Mai Wagner ceramics.** Location: The Coffee Studio, 5628 N. Clark Street, Chicago. Displays of works on Buddhism, nature, and poetry. Thanks to Dennis Chan.

☸ **NEW! July 25-27: Annual Maida Center Retreat.** Led by Dr. Nobuo Haneda, long-time BTC teacher and friend, and will include Rev. Patti Nakai. Details to follow.

☸ **September 18-21, tickets starting June 1: Joffrey Ballet presents three dances in their Stories in Motion program.** Location: Auditorium Theatre. The third dance is called RAKU, with choreography by Yuri Possokhov and music by Shinji Eshima. Possokhov uses the burning of the Golden Pavilion in Kyoto, Japan, as the point of departure for a story of love, treachery, separation and tragedy. Set in Japan's past, a warrior and his beloved princess are pulled apart by the schemes of a jealousy-crazed monk. To purchase tickets, visit: <http://joffrey.org/stories>

ONGOING

☸ **The Field Museum** features Buddhist artifacts in permanent sections devoted to China and Tibet.

☸ **The Art Institute** features large collections of Buddhist statuary and art in its Alsdorf Galleries and in its collections of Chinese, Japanese, Indian, and Korean art. Additional Buddhist art in other galleries can be found using the search tool available at the Art Institute site: www.artic.edu/aic/collections/

☸ **The Smart Museum of Art** at the University of Chicago features rotating works of Chinese, Japanese, and Korean art, often with Buddhist themes. Visit smartmuseum.uchicago.edu/exhibitions/asian-art/ for current highlights.

☸ **Submit information** on other Buddhist and/or Japanese cultural events in the Chicago area to: BTCbuledtr@hotmail.com



May Temple Events & Activities Guide



- ☸ See Calendar on page 8 for specific dates.
- ☸ Up-to-date details and last-minute changes are available on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/budtempchi.
- ☸ All events are free, held at the Temple (unless otherwise noted), and open to the public.

➤➤➤➤➤ Special Services & Events ◀◀◀◀◀

- ☸ May 18 Sunday, 11am - Tanjo-e service, commemoration of Shinran Shonin's birth. Dr. Gail Chin will present the talk.
- ☸ May 24 Saturday, 1:30-4pm - Tanjo-e seminar with Dr. Gail Chin.
- ☸ May 25 Sunday, 11am - Hatsu Mairi, official "first visit" ceremony for children.

🔔 Regular Sunday Services 🔔

- ☸ Religious Service (in English) – Sundays, 11 am.
- ☸ Dharma Sunday School (for children) – Second and fourth Sundays, 10:30 am (May-June)
- ☸ Shotsuki Hoyo (Monthly Memorial Service) – The first Sunday of the month at 11 am (in English) and 1 pm (in Japanese).
- ☸ Lay Speaker Sunday – Third Sunday of month, 11 am.

🏠 Meetings, Socials, Volunteering 🏠

- ☸ Asoka Society – Third Saturday, 1 pm. Social includes refreshments.
- ☸ Board Meeting – Once a month, Sunday, 12:30 pm. This month: May 25.
- ☸ Bulletin mailing & submissions – Mailing is conducted the 2nd-to-last Friday of every month, at 10 am. Submissions are due eight days prior to the mailing on Thursday, 6 pm. See page 3 for details on submissions.

📖 Education & Meditation 📖

- ☸ Introduction to Buddhism – This 4-week course is held periodically throughout the year. Visit budtempchi.org or e-mail Rev. Nakai at rev.eshin.patti23@gmail.com.
- ☸ Buddhism Study Class – Wednesdays, 7 to 8:30 pm. No previous Buddhism study required.
- ☸ Meditation – Thursdays, 7:30 pm and Sundays, 9 am.
- ☸ Sutra Study Class – Second or third Sunday of the month, 12:30 to 2 pm. No previous Buddhism study required.

☀ Cultural Activities ☀

- ☸ Calligraphy (Japanese brush writing) – First and third Tuesdays, 7:30 pm. Currently on hiatus. Contact Temple if interested.
- ☸ Chinese Movement (Qigong) – Every Tuesday morning, 11 am to noon. Call Dennis Chan 312-771-6087 for information & to register.
- ☸ Crafts Group – First & third Saturdays, 10 am to noon.
- ☸ Japanese Fencing (Kendo) – Dojo sessions held every Tuesday from 8 to 10 pm at Bethany United Church. Call Bob Kumaki, 847-853-1187 for info.
- ☸ Japanese Language School (children or adults) – Every Saturday, 10 am. Call Temple to register.
- ☸ Japanese Swordsmanship (Iaido) – Mondays, 7 to 9 pm.
- ☸ Taiko (BTC Kokyo Taiko Drum Troupe) – Fridays, 7 to 9pm.

BTC CALENDAR MAY 2014

日本語の 祥月法要
5月4日 午後1:00 時

See Temple Events & Activities Guide on page 7 for more details.
Events may be cancelled or moved after press time due to unforeseen circumstances.
Check www.facebook.com/budtempchi for the most up-to-date changes.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 7:30pm Meditation	2 7pm Kokyo Taiko	3 10am Japanese 10am Crafts
4 9am Meditation 11am Monthly Memorial Service (English) 1pm Shotsuki Hoyo (Japanese)	5 7pm Iaido	6 11am Qigong	7 No Buddhism Study Class this week	8 7:30pm Meditation	9 7pm Kokyo Taiko	10 10am Japanese
11 9am Meditation 10:30am Dharma School 11am Service 12:30pm Sutra Study	12 7pm Iaido	13 11am Qigong	14 7pm Buddhism Study Class	15 6pm Bulletin submissions due 7:30pm Meditation	16 7pm Kokyo Taiko	17 10am Japanese 10am Crafts 1pm Asoka Society
18 9am Meditation 11am Service – Tanjo-e, special speaker Dr. Gail Chin	19 7pm Iaido	20 11am Qigong	21 7pm Buddhism Study Class	22 7:30pm Meditation	23 10am Bulletin mailing 7pm Kokyo Taiko	24 10am Japanese 1:30 - 4pm Tanjo-e Seminar
25 9am Meditation 10:30am Dharma School 11am Service – Hatsu Mairi	26 7pm Iaido	27 11am Qigong	28 7pm Buddhism Study Class	29 7:30pm Meditation	30 7pm Kokyo Taiko	31 10am Japanese

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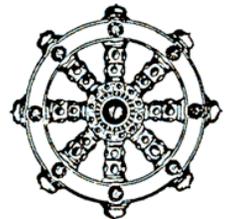
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Never miss a Temple event again!



Rev. Patti Nakai, Resident Minister
Rev. Yukei Ashikaga, Minister Emeritus
Rev. Gyomay M. Kubose (1905-2000), Founding Minister

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