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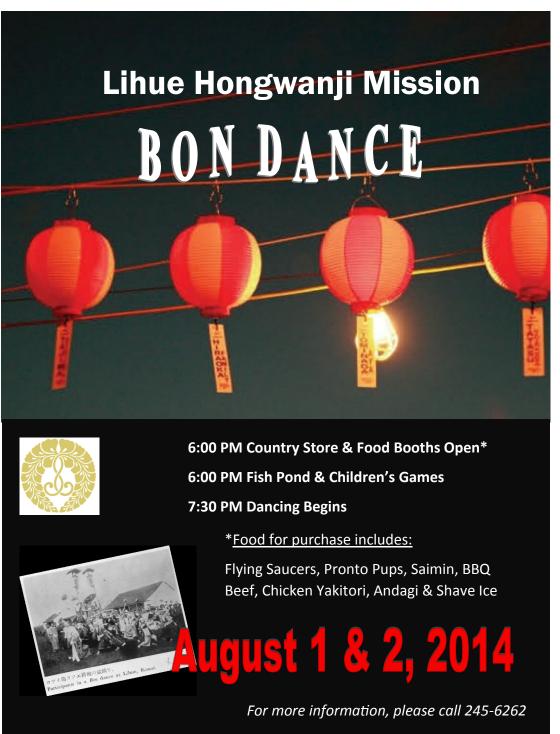
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Calendar of Events			<u>AUGUST</u>				
<u>JULY</u>				Fri	1 &	7:00 PM	Columbarium Bon Service
Sun	6	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service	& Sat	2	7:30 PM	Bon Dance Festival
Tues	8	7:30 PM	Board of Directors Mtg.	Sun	3	8:00 AM	No Service—Clean Up
Sat	12	9:00 am	Kauai Veterans' Cemetery Bon Service	Sat	9	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Lihue Cemetery Service Kauai Memorial Gardens
Sun	13	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service Birthday & Memorial Sunday	Sun	10	9:00 AM	Service Family Dharma Service
Sat	19	8:00 AM	Bon Dance Construction Omigaki				Birthday & Memorial Sunday LHWA Meeting
Sun	20	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service	Tue	12	7:30 PM	Board of Directors Mtg.
Sat	26	8:00 AM	Bon Dance Construction	s Sun	17	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service
Sun	27	9:00 AM	Bon-Hatsubon Service				Dharma School Rally Hanafuda Tournament
Thu	31	7:00 PM	Bon Dance Preparation: Skewering-Chicken & Meat	Sun	24	9:00 AM	Family Dharma Service
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# **Visitation Schedule**

Mon	July 7	8:00 AM	Regency at Puakea Service
Wed	July 16	9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Kauai Veterans Memorial Hospital (KVMH) Service/Visitation Kauai Care Home Service/Visitation (KCH) in Waimea
Mon	July 28	8:00 AM	Regency at Puakea Service
Tue	July 29	10:00 AM	Garden Isle Wilcox Service/Visitation
Wed	July 30	9:30 AM	Mahelona Hospital Ext. Care Service/Visitation

Members and friends are welcome to accompany the minister at service and visitation outreach. Please contact Rev. Nakamura in a timely way.

Privacy and confidentiality rights of individuals limit the clergy from visiting persons in medical, residential and care-home facilities without the express request/consent of the family. Our minister is happy to visit members and friends, but by law, such visits require a referral from the family. Please contact Rev. Nakamura at 245-6262 and 245-4543.

# **Temple Decorations**

Please deliver flower donations by Wed. 5:00 PM

2014 TEMPLE DECORATION			
July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	Hanamaulu		
August 6, 13, 20, 27	Nawiliwili/Wailua		
September 3, 10, 17, 24	Molokoa I		

All flower donations will be gratefully accepted.

#### LOOK AT YOURSELF AND SEE...

by Rev. Bruce Nakamura

Look at yourself and see... All that's needed is already there -Do all the good that you can; For all that you can; For as long as you can... This kindness of spirit Is a goodness just as your are, So precious, it cannot be limited By suffering, pain or even death. Look at yourself and see... You matter more deeply than you know. Go forth with all that you are and do. Take with you a courage and gratitude That do not belong just to you. It will be all that is genuinely good, Beautiful and true. Namo Amida Butsu...



Inspired by Dr. Naomi Morita's Lecture series at the 6/20<sup>th</sup> Honpa Hongwanji State Minister Seminar hosted by the Kauai Minister's Association

# LOOK AT YOURSELF AND SEE: Three-Mamas of Shin By Bruce Y. Nakamura

The following Dharma reflection is derived from Kona Honpa Hongwanji Membership Conference featured guest speaker's Dharma message, the Rev. Ronald Kobata, entitled the "three mamas of Shin Buddhism."

The core of Shin, the heart of the Pure Land pathway is Amida Tathagata's Other Power Nembutsu. Other power implies that there is no good or practice that finite and limited beings can do to equate or exceed Amida's Vow of Wisdom and Compassion—simply—Other Power Nembutsu. In the Japanese expression, this wondrous spiritual reality of being embraced without fail, requiring no qualification is expressed as "sono-mama," the first mama.

Subsequently, as I am, reflecting upon myself in the light of Amida Buddha's great compassion, I am awakened the limitless depth of my own imperfections. This in Japanese is the second of three mamas – "kono-mama"—as I am, embraced and spiritually cared for in the Other Power of great compassion.

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# **HAPPY** by Lynne Matsumura

An **EPIPHANY** came to me on my drive to work one day. What's an **EPIPHANY**?

Dictionary.com says "A sudden, intuitive perception of or insight into the reality or essential meaning of something, usually initiated by some simple or commonplace occurrence or experience."



It was the day in April when there was an accident on the west side that kept traffic at a stand-still for over an hour. During that wait, I heard a catchy tune.

The lyrics are: "Clap your hands if you think that "Happiness is the truth."

# https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a89mn7qpSBE

It was an EPIPHANY – an **AH-HAH** moment for me. I thought – wow, that sounds Buddhist. Isn't **FIND-ING THE TRUTH** the same as **ENLIGHTENMENT**?

As human beings, the pursuit of happiness, will lead us to enlightenment. But remember that happiness is not derived from having material things, power or might. A friend told me that you are happy when you are satisfied with what you have. Enlightenment is letting go of selfish desires. Isn't that the TRUTH? AH-HAH! DHARMA TALK!

So, I finally reached my office, and tell my co-workers, who have young children, about the song. They know the title right away, and tell me that it's from the movie Despicable Me 2. Well, before I use it in a Dharma talk, I better listen to the words of the entire song, so I downloaded it from Itunes. It passed the "G-audience" test. Now, I better watch the movie.

Not having grandchildren of my own, I don't watch animated shows. I barely know Barney from Shrek. So, I asked my sister's grandson, 8 year-old Kainalu if he has the Despicable Me DVD. At least, I know that I should watch **Despicable Me** before watching **Despicable Me 2**. He has it, of course! My son Darryl has **Despicable Me 2**. **So, I'm set!** On Sunday afternoons, my son Kyle brings his laundry over to my house. He and I sit down together to watch both DVD's. He's relieved to watch an American program instead of Korean.

While watching it with Kyle, I kept dozing off. Every now and then, he'd say "YOU SLEEPING?" 'HUH? NO, I WATCHING". Well, at the end of the show, I barely knew what happened. He had to explain the story to me. I wondered how 5 year-olds enjoy those movies. Then, I had to laugh at myself. THE TABLES HAD BEEN TURNED. When Kyle was little-like 2 years old, I probably had to explain movies to him. And now, he had to tell me what was going on. HOW SAD.

Well, I got my second wind and watched Despicable Me 2. The song is from Despicable Me 2. It was easier to understand. The gist of both movies is that **Gru** is a villain, whose desire is to be the worst, **most despicable villain** in the world. He's doing this to **impress his mother**, who doesn't seem satisfied with anything he accomplishes. He decides that she'll be impressed if he **steals the moon**, by shrinking it. He does it, but he can't contain the moon, and it goes back into the Universe. Ultimately, he finds that **it's human relationships that makes him happy**- he finds the love of **3 little orphan girls that he adopts and a woman, of course.** The moral of the story is that **love and kindness leads to happiness**, not material things or power. **AND THAT'S THE TRUTH!** 

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## Minister's Message

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No matter how good and virtuous I seek to be and show it to others, anger, greed and arrogance subtly bares its head exposing the subconscious willfulness and self-centeredness (third mama, Jpnse., wagamama) at the core of my existence. Shinran notes how rare it is to come upon such a being who has awakened to the working of Other Power—the person of true-entrusting (Nembutsu-shinjin) in Amida Buddha's Nembutsu.

Amida Buddha's Nembutsu is understood not as the self-centered of willful saying of "Namo Amida Butsu" by a person as myself, but more truthfully, it is the proclamation of all Buddhas and Bodhisattvas of the various spiritual realms who praise the wisdom-virtues of Amida Tathagata. This is proclaimed in Shinran's own writings and prose joyfully, praising the virtues of Other Power Nembutsu.

On this occasion of the 2014 Lihue and West Kauai Hongwanji Hatsubon and Bon services and Odori festivals, the three mamas of Shin--- Sonomama, konomama and wagamama express the unity and onenss of Life and Light.

# **BOY SCOUTS TROOP 83 AND TROOP 148 & SENATOR MAZIE HIRONO**



Boy Scouts Troop 83 and Troop 148 Lihue Christian Church, along with Senator Mazie Hirono, decorated graves and cleaned the Kauai Veterans' Cemetery on Memorial Day.

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# Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii-Highlights

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#### MINISTERIAL ASSIGNMENT

**Rev. Tomo Hojo**, the Associate Minister of Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin, will be assigned to the West Kauai Hongwanji Mission as its Resident Minister as of August 16, 2014.

#### **YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT 6**

This year's Young Adults Retreat will be held on August 8-11 at Camp Kokokahi in Oahu. Please find the application form attached.

The Young Adults Retreat is a retreat for 18-35 year olds interested in learning about or continuing their experience with Jodo Shinshu Buddhism. Over the course of the retreat, participants will not only learn about Buddhism, but also get to learn some culture as well as a little about themselves. There will be fun games and activities for participants to either develop new friendships or build upon the ones they may already have. If there are any questions, please contact Jake Chang at youth@honpahi.org

#### **BSC SUMMER SESSION 2014**

The Buddhist Study Center will be holding the Summer Session on July 28 through August 1, 2014 (No weekend sessions). Reverend Marvin Harada from the Orange County Buddhist Church will be giving a lecture titled, "Resolving Life's Problems through Buddhism".

#### YOUNG BUDDHISTS BEACH RETREAT

August 2, 2014, 9:00am-3:00pm, Waialua, HI For ages 12-35

Mingle with the BSCFC, hang out at the beach, eat good food, and have a Dharma discussion with Rev. Marvin Harada. Please RSVP to Jamie at 973-6555 or email bscassist@honpahi.org by July 18.

# PACIFIC BUDDHIST ACADEMY SEEKS NEW HEAD OF SCHOOL

Pacific Buddhist Academy's current Head of School, Robert Cody, has accepted a position as Assistant Head of School at the American Community School, a K-12 school with 900 students in Doha, Qatar. PBA thanks him for his contributions and wishes him and his family well as they embark on this exciting new opportunity in international education.

The search is underway for a new PBA leader. PBA seeks an innovative, collaborative, resourceful Head of School who will build on the strength of the school's faculty, its outstanding academic programs, its unique peace education curriculum, and its commitment to Buddhist values to guide the school to new levels of excellence. The Head of School will lead the completion of a capital campaign for construction of a new classroom building, increase student enrollment, strengthen the support of the school community, and enhance the school's long-term sustainability.

For the job description and application instructions, please visit <a href="http://bit.ly/Tcd5ql">http://bit.ly/Tcd5ql</a>.

#### PBA ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN

Aloha, Pacific Buddhist Academy 'Ohana! Just about 10 days remain in Pacific Buddhist Academy's 2013-14 fiscal year and Annual Fund campaign. We need about \$20,000 to make our goal of \$120,000 by June 30. Donations to the Annual Fund help PBA make up the difference in the actual costs of educating all our students. All your contributions create more opportunities for new generations of leaders in the service of peace to change the world. To make a donation, give online or see the <a href="How to Give page">How to Give page</a> on our website. If you have already given this year, Mahalo! Additional contributions are always needed and welcome!

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# Lihue Hongwanji Bon Dance August 1 & 2

Bon-Hatsubon Service-July 27, 9:00 AM

Graveside Services—Sat. August 9, 9:00 AM-Lihue Cemetery; 10:00 AM-Kauai Memorial Gardens

Requests for family services at residence, cemetery, columbarium or care homes shall be honored and scheduled on a first-come-first serve basis



# **Bon Dance Work Schedule**

We would really appreciate help for the following:

July 19 (Sat.) @ 8:00 am: assembly of the yagura, dance ring, and lights

July 19 (Sat.) @ 8:00 am: Omigaki –polishing of altar ornaments

July 26 (Sat.) @ 8:00 am: food booth, dining tent, etc. July 31 (Thur) @ 7:00 pm: skewering for yakitori & BBQ beef in social hall

# **Donation Requests**

#### **Baked Goods:**

Butter 20# Sugar 50# Flour 50#

Walnuts 1 large Costco bag Craisens 1 large Costco bag

Almond extract 3 bottles
Arare large (1 gal. bottle)
Crisco 3-48oz cans

Please call Marian Ogata (651-9928) to let her know what you are offering to donate, by July 15.



# 2014 KAUAI BUDDHIST COUNCIL BON DANCE SCHEDULE

All Bon Dances will begin at 7:30 pm

7/11-12 Kauai Soto Zenshuji Bon Festival 7/18-19 Koloa Jodo Mission Bon Festival

7/25-26 West Kauai Hanapepe Bon Festival

8/1-2 Lihue Hongwanji Bon Festival

8/8-9 Waimea Shingon Mission Bon Festival

# MAHALO!

Arlene & Jane thank you for the SUSHI & NISHIME DONATIONS!

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# Thanks so much!

# **Boy Scouts Troop 49**

In early June, 22 scouts and leaders of Hawai'i Betsuin's Boy Scout Troop 49 from Honolulu spent two nights in LHM's social hall to start their High Adventure outing on Kaua'i. Their service projects included cleaning our parsonage windows/screens and the Kokee Hongwanji cabin. After six days of camping in Kalalau Valley and Kokee, they left for Oahu. Thanks to Rev. Bruce Nakamura and Amy Yamada for their assistance, Arlene Fujikawa for kitchen guidance, Ted Inouye and Morton Yamasaki for organizing the service projects, and Wayne Fujioka for coordination.

# Save the Date!



**3rd Annual** 

# Hanafuda Tournament



August 17

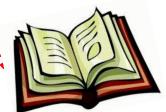
After Service

Prizes

No Entry Fee

Mahalo to Walter Yasumoto, Dennis Muffly and Duane Muffly for painting the preschool children's restrooms and putting up shelves.

Mahalo to Hideko Uemura for retaping the New Gatha Books. They look as good as new now!



# Kokua for Jason

Jason Cabot, a graduate of Kaua'i High Schoo and Honolulu Community College, was injured in a swimming accident last year, resulting in paralysis from his chest down with limited movement of his arms. His father, Gilbert Cabot, has been the scoutmaster for our Troop 83 for many years. Fundraising events were recently completed including a craft fair & food sale, car wash, and golf tournament. We are extremely grateful to our LHM members and many others from across Kaua'i who generously gave of their time, hard work, ideas, and financial support. A check for \$20,973 was presented to the Cabot family on May 28. Thank you very much to everyone.

Wayne Fujioka & Marian Ogata Chair persons

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# **MEMORIAL SERVICE (NENKI HOYO)**

# JULY-AUGUST 2014

The following is a list of members who passed away during the months of July and August. In Jodo Shin Buddhism, memorial services are observed to remind the family members of the compassion of Amida Buddha in memory of the deceased.

Lihue Hongwanji Mission recommends that the families and relatives of the deceased members listed below contact the temple office at 245-6262 for an appointment.

	1st Year Memorial Service—2013			
2013	July 15	Takiko Takiguchi		
2d VI		ALCEDVICE 2012		
3ra Yi	AK WEWOKI	AL SERVICE—2012		
2012	July 12	James Karimoto		
2012	July 24	Lynn Kawaguchi		
2012	August 4	Barbara Miyoshi		
7th Yi	EAR MEMORI	AL SERVICE—2008		
2008	July 7			
2008	August 12	Shizue Kurasaki		
<u>13th Y</u>	EAR MEMORI	IAL SERVICE—2002		
2002	August 27	Chizuko Shinseki		
17th YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—1998				
1998	July 3	Shinji Nakamura		
1998	July 7	Shizue Kakutani		
1998	July 19	Tom Tomio Morishige		
1000	July 20	Enji Fujimoto		
1998	,	, ,		
1998	,	Satoru Tanaka		
	,	Satoru Tanaka		

August 14 Tsumoru Nii

1998

25th YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—1990				
1990	July 8	Fumiko Sasaki		
1990	July 23	Mitchell Yutaka Ota		
1990	July 23	Yoshikazu Hashimoto		
1990	August 1	Hisako Kido		
1990	August 17	Chiseno Nakashige		

33rd YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—1982				
1982	July 9	Kenji Ronald Kondo		
1982	July 20	Richard Shigeto Inouye		
1982	July 24	Haru Uohara		
1982	August 21	Mitsuo Kato		

# 50th YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE—1965

1965 July 2 Shigemi Kawakami



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# Acknowledgments as of June 16, 2014

# **FUNERAL SERVICE:**

In Memory of Kreighton Kondo Emery Kondo

### 1st 7 DAY SERVICE:

In Memory of Kreighton Kondo Emery Kondo

## **INURNMENT SERVICE:**

In Memory of Kreighton Kondo Emery Kondo

# **MEMORIAL SERVICE:**

In Memory of Tomoko Watanabe
Shirley Hashimoto
Ann & Richard Ogata
Kay Kano
Steven & Janet Watanabe
M/M Hisao Maeda
Howard Nagaoka
Ernest & Lois Hamada

In Memory of Satoru Masuda (3 yrs.)
Arlene Fujikawa

In Memory of Katherine Matsuda (13 yrs.)
Mino & Flo Shimokawa

In Memory of Mitchell Ota (25 Yrs.) Hideko Uemura

In Memory of Kazuo Tsuchiyama (25yrs.)
Violet Tsuchiyama

In Memory of Kuni Okubo (50 Yrs)
Yoshie Okubo & Family
Annie Okubo & Family
M/M Jackie Urata
Nancy Yamamoto
Karen Yamamoto
Wally Yokota
M/M Norman Oyakawa

In Memory of Tonaichi Fujii Janet Fujii

In Memory of Shigemi & Gordon Kashima & Hazel Kashima Kurasaki
Gilbert & Ellen Miyasato

In Memory of Katsuyo Miyabara & Patsy, Boyd & Harry Higashi & Lambert Alapai
Gail Chun

In Memory of Chotaro Taniguchi & Shinkichi Ito Ted & Alice Inouye

In Memory of K. Oshita
Gilbert & Helen Fujimoto

## **COLUMBARIUM DONATION:**

Anonymous Henry & Grace Ishida

In Memory of Jinkuro Ota (Father's Day)
Hideko Uemura

In Memory of Seichi Higuchi (Father's Day) Mamo & Amy Yamada

# **FATHER'S DAY DONATION:**

In Memory of Joseph Quon Glenn & Gail Shibuya

In Memory of Masaichi Shibuya Glenn & Gail Shibuya Mamo & Amy Yamada

## **SPRING HIGAN DONATION:**

Rowena Yamada



# Acknowledgments as of June 16, 2014 (con't)

# SUBSCRIPTION TO BULLETIN:

Cheryl Lohman

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Roy & Carol Fujioka Mamo & Amy Yamada James Yamamoto

# **KOKUA FOR JASON DONATIONS:**

Paul & Helen Yamaguchi

# **GOTAN-E SERVICE DONATIONS:**

Robert Yotsuda, Helen Tomita, Dorothy Matsuda, Charles Niitani, Glenn Shibuya, Hideko Uemura, Setsuo Ushio, Mamo Yamada, Rowena Yamaada, James Amimoto, Wayne Fujioka, Gladys Fujiuchi, Ted Inouye, Chimako Miyoshi, Robert Nishimoto, Gene Oshiro, Stanley Segawa, Shizuko Shiramizu, Natsuko Daida, Masa Arita, Janet Fujii, Miyoshi Fujimoto, Laura Hirokawa, Tom Kajiwara, Yoshie Ogata, Violet Tsuchiyama, Akiyo Matsuyama

# **BON MEMORIAL DONATION:**

In Memory of Chota, Omaru & Hiroshi Nanbu & Toyoki, Ayako & Norman Urakawa Minoru & Gladys Nanbu

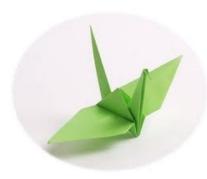
# **BON SERVICE DONATION:**

Miyoshi Fujimoto Chimako Miyoshi Howard Shinseki Helen Tomita

# **BON DONATION:**

Mokihana Insurance Agency Mildred Matsuyoshi

If there are any errors or if your name is not listed, please call Amy Yamada at 245-6262 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 12:00 Noon.



#### **LHWA News**

We welcome two new members: Joy Hiraoka and Karen Hiranaka.

LHWA is currently folding origami cranes to be sent to the Honoka'a Hongwanji Peace Day Project, chaired by Myles Okamura. The goal of the project is to send 199,000 origami cranes to the Hiroshima Peace Memorial. The number 199,000 represents the total number of causalities in the atomic bombings Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

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