

The White Path

Living the Life of the Nembutsu

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Greetings from the President

The summer is typically a slower time at the Temple, but in 2022 we're full steam ahead! Just this month, we had a wonderful picnic saying farewell to Rev. Warrick and Rona - with over 100 members and friends joining us. We had an exciting rummage sale with treasures for everyone. Thank you to all of our Sangha members who stopped by to shop, help, and take some loads to Goodwill! It was a big success - make sure you start collecting your stuff for next year!

With Rev. Warrick's departure, the Board is working hard to secure a new minister for the Temple. A new minister comes with exciting opportunities but also new challenges. We'll need to work hard as a sangha to welcome new members of the community to the Temple, think creatively on fundraising challenges, and providing support where it is needed. The Board is committed to meeting these challenges and we hope to have your support as well.

We have many opportunities for our Sangha to step up including chairing service, bringing flowers or fruits for the Onajin, and volunteering for one of our committees. We welcome you with open arms with your ideas and energy. Reach out to me if you're interested!

As always, feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions, concerns, or just want to talk! Email: president@wrbt.org or 206-947-1235.

Kendall

Buddhism Discussion Sessions

Many in our Sangha have been asking to take the Buddhism 101 education/group discussion sessions started by Rev. Warrick deeper into the study of Buddhism, while focusing them on the layperson as opposed to more academic/rigorous study that Ministers and Minister's Assistants go through. Each session will be led by a facilitator (a Sangha member, MA or guest), but questions and group discussion will determine how much value attendees receive.

Our Sangha can be characterized by two groups: (1) those new to Buddhism and (2) those raised in the Buddhist church, especially Jodo Shinshu. Therefore, we will have two series of discussions:

- Beginning the Dharma (BD) and
- Nurturing the Dharma (ND).

We did a trial run of our BD series on May 22: BD 102 Differences between Buddhism and Christianity, which was well attended and provided a good forum to present information and most importantly answer questions and spur discussion.

Our second BD session will be on June 26 (right after service; no longer than 1 hour): BD 103 Basic Tenets of Buddhism. We will have our final session before summer break on July 31 (subject TBD; depending on attendee interest). Our first ND session will be in the Fall.

Everyone is welcome to attend any session. Please contact office@wrbt.org or 253-833-1442 with any questions.

Temple Calendar

While we have currently returned to in-person services, please check the online calendar www.wrbt.org/calendar or email office@wrbt.org for the most current information. If it is necessary to change the schedule, changes will be reflected on the calendar first.

July 3 (10:30 am): Shotsuki Family Service (Rev. Castro guest)

July 10 (10:30 am): Family Service

July 17 (10:30am): Obon Family Service (Rev. Irene Goto guest)

July 24 - No SERVICES

July 31 (10:30 am): Family Service

July Shotsuki Hoyo Monthly Memorial Service

IN PERSON Service

July 3rd at 10:30am

www.wrbt.org/service

COVID protocols will remain in place with well fitting masks, social distancing, and vaccination verification for those who are eligible.

According to our Temple records, the following people passed away in the month of July. If any names have inadvertently been omitted or if you have any questions about Shotsuki services, please contact office@wrbt.org

Tsuruichi Komoto	1974	Noriko Tanabe	2005
Minoru Terada	1979	Yooko Watanabe	2010
Kiyomi Mizoguchi	1980	Stanley Doi	2010
Mike Arima	1987	Sayoko Kawasaki	2011
Isamu Suyematsu	1989	Kazuko Watanabe	2013
Yoneko Terayama	1990	Hiroshi Nakai	2014
George Takeshi Watanabe	1991	Ben Yamada	2015
Misue Komatsu	1995	Doris Sagara	2019
Mitzi Mitsuko Ibuki	1998	Yae Mikami	2019
George Tonojo Kawasaki	2002	Kayo Terayama	2020
Tokio Toyoshima	2005	Amy Kato	2020
Nancy Mikami	2005	Shiyoji Kawabata	2021

1 year ~ 2021 3 year ~ 2020 7 year ~ 2016 13 year ~ 2010
17 year ~ 2006 25 year ~ 1998 33 year ~ 1990 50 year ~ 1973

DESIGNATED MEMORIAL SERVICE YEARS To schedule a family memorial service, please contact office@wrbt.org

2022 Pledge Totals

May 1 - 30, 2022

Thank you for your support in 2022!

Date	PLEDGES DECLARED		Contributors	DOLLARS COLLECTED	
	Additional	Total		Additional	Total
June 7, 2022	\$200	\$30,440	38	\$600	\$23,970
<u>For Comparison</u>					
June 7, 2021	\$980	\$32,230	42	\$975	\$28,125

Name and Amount Not Specified for Publishing:

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Under \$500: Laurie Tanaka

\$500- \$999:

\$1,000 - 4,999:



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**White River Buddhist Temple
2022 Bon Odori**

July 23, 2022

For Temple Members, Family, & Friends

Buddhist Women's Association

BWA@wrbt.org

WR BWA extends to Rona and Rev Warrick much thanks and gratitude for all you've done for our Association and Temple. Wishing you the best in your future.

FBWA Virtual Convention, Oct 14-16, 2022: This is the annual convention for all the Buddhist Women's Associations. There are workshops and programs. Registration fee is \$30. Four people have signed up already. Please contact Georgette if you want to attend or have questions. Deadline is July 15, 2022 for me to get your details and payment in order to forward them to the Convention in time.

A great big "Thank you" to Karen Murakami for the weekly BWA Connections email that she started on March 10, 2020. This has been an inspiring communications channel while we all coped with the ever-changing conditions of the pandemic. Now that in-person services have resumed, distribution ended in June 2022. Please send comments to Karen at her e-mail: wrlink4goldenchain@comcast.net

No BWA activities are scheduled. We will follow the guidance of the re-start committee.

ABA

The ABA's spring field trip to Kubota Gardens on June 2nd was very successful and attended by 15 participants. Although there was a little more walking than anticipated, the weather was great and the tour guides very informative. A good time was had by all! Nine tour-goers met afterwards at Miyabi Sushi for an early dinner. A fall field trip to the Seattle Asian Art Museum is still being considered. The ABA is now on summer break and our next ZOOM meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 12th at 1 pm.

Facilities Committee

Kitchen Freezer Breakdown: The kitchen freezer quit working in April. Key Mechanical sent a repairman out and tried to fix it. Although it is now functioning, it is very noisy and still leaking oil. We are looking into the cost of a replacement and other alternatives.

Updating our Temple Insurance Policy to specifically include scrolls and statues and other religious objects around the Onaijin and Hondo.

The list of separately identified religious artifacts and artwork was submitted to Liberty Mutual. The quote was very expensive, so our insurance agent suggested that we insure the items as "contents of the building" at a much lower rate. We need to do more work on this issue.

Newsletter Reminder

July newsletter articles are due **Sunday, July 17th**. Please send articles to newsletter@wrbt.org. Save a tree and a stamp - receive your newsletter via email! Contact newsletter@wrbt.org

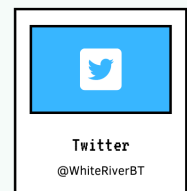
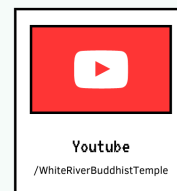
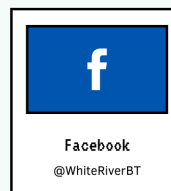


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Rummage Sale Wrap Up

Thanks to all of your **donations, hard work, and shopping**, our rummage sale was a success!! We had many happy customers (great bargains) and we, as a community were able to reuse and reduce our impact on the planet!

We will continue to accept Styrofoam, used alkaline batteries, and old lightbulbs (sorry, no fluorescent tubes) so bring them to the Temple. We'll bring them to recycling locations and keep them out of the landfill!

If you have any questions, please contact the temple office at 253-833-1442 or email office@wrbt.org.

Donations

The Temple gratefully acknowledges the following donations received and recorded from May 13th through June 19th. Thank you to the many people whose financial donations, as well as their donations of goods, energy, and time help us to conduct services, programs and maintain the temple. Please contact Charles Natsuhara, Treasurer, regarding omissions or corrections by phone (253) 833-0789, or by email to finance@wrbt.org. Donations can be sent directly to the temple or you can also make a donation by credit card at the temple website <https://www.wrbt.org/donate>.

Total Donations Received - \$6767

Shotsuki (Monthly) Memorials

M/M Sharon & Mark Kosai	June Shotsuki
Mrs. Katie Komoto	June Shotsuki
M/M James & Chiho Pewitt	June Shotsuki
Ms. Joanne Kitagawa	In memory of Yuki Kitagawa
Mrs. Lorraine Blackler	In memory of Yuki Kitagawa
Mrs. Charlene Grinolds	In memory of Charles & Kitaro Tsuji
Ms. Kathryn Natsuhara	In memory of Shizuko Natsuhara
Mr. Charles Natsuhara	In memory of Shizuko Natsuhara
Ms. Kelsey Asato	In memory of Lillian Asato
Mrs. Joan Rodgers	In memory of Naomi Martin & Betty Tanaka
Mr. Joe Watanabe	In memory of Gary Watanabe
Ms. Michi Hirata	In memory of Haruko Hiranaka
Mrs. Yuki Iwai	In memory of Shina Iwai
Mrs. Norma Geenty	In memory of Alan Murashige
Ms. Karen Yamada	In memory of Yoshiko Yamada
Mrs. Pat Kawabata	In memory of Risako Kawasaki
Ms. Susie Taketa	In memory of Naomi Martin
Ms. Marcia Kato	In memory of Naomi Martin, Steve Kato, Satoru Kato, Masaru Kato, Roy Taketa, Tsutae Taketa, Ben Taketa, George Taketa, William Hiroshi Taketa

Memorials

Mrs. Norma Geenty	In memory of Bill Geenty
Ms. Rhoda Osada	In memory of Kazumi Nishimura
Mr. Ryan Osada	In memory of Kazumi Nishimura
Mrs. Connie Toda	In memory of Kerry Taniguchi

Special Memorial Service for Members

M/M Alva & Dennis Nishimura	Mrs. Charlene Grinolds	Mr. Charles Natsuhara
Ms. Darlene Yamada	Mrs. Connie Toda	Mrs. Norma Geenty
M/M Sharon & Mark Kosai	Mrs. Gayle Takemura	Tanaka Family
Roger Fukai & Shirley Kanda	Ms. Kathryn Natsuhara	Mrs. Lilly Kato

Gotane

M/M Alva & Dennis Nishimura	Mrs. Norma Geenty	Mrs. Barbara Areggar
Roger Fukai & Shirley Kanda	Mr. Randy Okimoto	Mrs. Mary Cogger
Mrs. Kathleen Taketa- Ozanich	Mrs. Katie Komoto	Mrs. Setsuko Hamamoto
Mrs. Connie Toda	Mrs. Yuki Iwai	Ms. Darlene Yamada
Mrs. Pat Kawabata	Mr. Charles Natsuhara	

Memorial Day Cemetery Service

Mrs. Lorraine Blackler	Mr. Randy Okimoto	Ms. Irene Goto
Mrs. Margaret Teramoto	Ms. Marcia Kato	Mrs. Ilene Grome
M/M James & Ikuko Dodobara	M/M Ron & Suzuko Terada	M/M Mitsuko & Alvin Terada
M/M Calvin & Yvette Terada	Mrs. Mabel Nishizaki	M/M Sharon & Mark Kosai
Ms. Kayoko Terada	Anonymous	

Rev. Warrick's Retirement Luncheon

Leanne Nishi & Rick Wong	Mrs. June Akita	Ms. Darlene Shimizu
M/M Wayne & Sally Mizuki	Ms. Marlene Okada	Jim Norton & Kemi Nakabayashi

General Donations

Mrs. Karen Morikubo	In appreciation
Mrs. Leanne Nishi-Wong	Spring Flower Fundraiser
Mr. Stefan Dittmar	Spring Flower Fundraiser
M/M Mitsuko & Alvin Terada	In appreciation & Rummage sale

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SUMMER PACIFIC SEMINAR

REFLECTIONS ON THE PURELAND

AUGUST 5-6, 2022

IN PERSON & VIRTUAL

Jodo Shinshu Center, 2140 Durant Ave, Berkeley 94704



DR. AARON PROFFITT

Dr. Proffitt received his PhD in Buddhist Studies from the University of Michigan and works as an Assistant Professor of Japanese Studies at the University at Albany-SUNY. Dr. Proffitt has published in English and Japanese on East Asian Buddhism, Pure Land Buddhism, Esoteric Buddhism, and the Lotus Sutra.



DR. MELISSA CURLEY

Dr. Curley is associate professor in the Department of the Comparative Studies at Ohio State University and the author of Pure Land, Real World: Modern Buddhism, Japanese Leftists, and the Utopian Imagination. Her current research focuses on the body in twentieth-century Japanese Buddhism.

Moderated by Reverend Dr. Takashi Miyaji
Institute of Buddhist Studies/Southern Alameda County Buddhist Temple

REGISTRATION & INFO: <https://tinyurl.com/PacificSeminar>

BCA Center for Buddhist Education
Living The Dharma (formerly Every Day Buddhism) committee Presents:



FINDING THE ANTIDOTE TO ANGER, THE SECOND OF THE THREE POISONS

PART 2

Saturday, July 16, 2022
11:00 am – 1:00 pm (PT)

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Takashi Miyaji
Rev. Miyaji presentation will focus on the Jodo Shinshu Perspective on Anger



Rev. Dr. Takashi Miyaji is currently a minister of Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church since August 1, 2020. In addition, he teaches at the Institute of Buddhist Studies located in Berkeley, California. His previous assignment as a minister was at Tacoma Buddhist Temple from December 2017 to July 31, 2020.

He graduated from the University of California at Berkeley with a bachelor's Degree in Philosophy and Japanese Language and Literature, Institute of Buddhist Studies at Berkeley, California with a Master's in Buddhist Studies, Ryukoku University in Kyoto, Japan with a Master's Degree in Shin Buddhist Studies and most recently completed his doctoral dissertation entitled, "Shin Buddhist Ethics," through Ryukoku University. He specializes in the areas of Japanese Buddhism and religion, translation of Buddhist scripture, and Jodo Shinshu doctrine and ethics.

Moderator: Rev. Marvin Harada

Registration
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