

The White Path

Living the Life of the Nembutsu

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Greetings from the President

This month, I've been thinking a lot more about gratitude. Gratitude for how lucky we are to be living in one of the most naturally beautiful regions in the country. Gratitude for those who have worked throughout the pandemic. Gratitude for the unsung heroes of the temple who keep us running. Gratitude for YOU, the sangha who continue to support the spreading of the Dharma.

I hope that you will consider expressing your gratitude to our friends at the Idaho-Oregon Buddhist Temple by attending their Convention (either in-person or virtually) from September 16-18th. They have some great programming set up and it's important we show our support, especially during these challenging times following the fire in their basement. More information on the Convention can be found in this newsletter.

Finally, as we quickly prepare for the Fall, we will be announcing new projects, programs, and opportunities for you to get involved with! One of these events is the return of our Fall Bazaar which will take place on October 23rd. More info to come!

As always, feel free to reach out with questions, comments, concerns, or just to chat about the temple any time! Email me at president@wrbt.org!

Kendall

Reflecting On The Past Looking To The Future

**75th NW District Convention
&
75th Anniversary of IOBT**

**Save the Dates
Sept 16-18, 2022**

**Hosted by
Idaho-Oregon
Buddhist Temple**



The 75th NW District Convention will take place at Four Rivers Cultural Center, 676 SW 5th Ave, Ontario Oregon with in-person and virtual options. Bishop Harada will be the keynote speaker and guest, Stu Hirai, native of IOBT and expert on 442nd/100th will be on hand for one of the sessions.

Covid protocols will be in place and registration is fully refundable if cancelled by September 15th. Hotel refunds will depend on the policy of the hotel. The contracted hotel is the Holiday Inn Express. Reservations may be made by calling them directly at 541 889-7100. Other hotels in the area include Sleep Inn, Clarion Inn, Best Western Inn, Red Lion, Super 8, and Motel 6.

The individual registration form (due ASAP) is included in this newsletter, You may also download it from bit.ly/NWDconvention2022 (case sensitive), or contact office@wrbt.org 253-833-1442. Please contact the wrbt office for youth consent forms.

September Shotsuki Hoyo Monthly Memorial Service

IN PERSON Service

September 11th 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 September. If any names have inadvertently been omitted or if you have any questions about Shotsuki services, please contact office@wrbt.org

Rikuye Kawasaki	1975	Janis Tsuneko Ikuta	2005
Charley Miyoshi	1983	Takejiro Hama	2009
Matsuo Sakagami	1988	Edward Tanaka	2013
Jackie Kawasaki Wills	1991	Lloyd Herndon	2014
Edwin Arima	1997	Nancy Tomiye Fujikawa	2015
Joe Toshio Nishimoto	2001	John H Hamakami Sr	2017
Jack Schilthroat	2002	Helen H Mizuki	2017
May Fumie Kajikami	2003	William Geenty	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

July 1 - 31, 2022

Thank you for your support in 2022!

Date	PLEDGES DECLARED			DOLLARS COLLECTED	
	Additional	Total	Contributors	Additional	Total
Aug 11, 2022	\$1500	\$31,940	39	\$2,095	\$28,340
<u>For Comparison</u>					
Aug 5, 2021	\$0	\$32,730	43	\$625	\$30,075

Name and Amount Not Specified for Publishing:

Amount Not Specified for Publishing:

Under \$500:

\$500- \$999:

\$1,000 - 4,999: Anonymous #5

White River Virtual Book Club

We are not meeting for the summer. Next meeting is Sept. 11, 2022 and the book is *A Tale for the Time Being* by Ruth Ozeki.



In Tokyo, sixteen-year-old Nao has decided there's only one escape from her aching loneliness and her classmates' bullying. But before she ends it all, Nao first plans to document the life of her great grandmother, a Buddhist nun who's lived more than a century. A diary is Nao's only solace—and will touch lives in ways she can scarcely imagine.

Across the Pacific, we meet Ruth, a novelist living on a remote island who discovers a collection of artifacts washed ashore in a Hello Kitty lunchbox—possibly debris from the devastating 2011 tsunami. As the mystery of its contents unfolds, Ruth is pulled into the past, into Nao's drama and her unknown fate, and forward into her own future. Full of Ozeki's signature humor and deeply engaged with the relationship between writer and reader, past and present, fact and fiction, quantum physics, history, and myth, *A Tale for the Time Being* is a brilliantly inventive, beguiling story of our shared humanity and the search for home.

2013 [Man Booker Prize](#) shortlist. Ozeki was the first practicing Zen Buddhist priest to be shortlisted for the Man Booker.

Donations

The Temple gratefully acknowledges the following donations received and recorded from July 26th through August 18th. 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 - \$1,240

Shotsuki (Monthly) Memorials

Mr. Don Maekawa	In memory of Zentaro Maekawa
Ms. Miyuki Peterson	In memory of George Uchida
Mrs. Katie Komoto	In memory of James Komoto
M/M Sharon & Mark Kosai	In memory of James Komoto and August Shotsuki
Ms. Marcia Kato	In memory of James Komoto
Ms. Susan Taketa	In memory of James Komoto
Ms. Irene Goto	August Shotsuki
Mrs. Charlene Grinolds	In memory of Tomi Tsuji
Ms. Laurie Tanaka	In memory of Tsuki Tanaka
Mrs. Norma Geenty	In memory of Shiro Murashige
Kawasaki Family	In memory of George & Risako Kawasaki, Jackie & Darrel Wills

Bon Odori (Donations, Memory Lanterns, Dance Sponsorships)

Ms. Valerie Yamanaka
Ms. Nadine Miyahara

Obon

Ms. Lorraine Blackler In memory of Hiroto & Kiyomi Mizoguchi
Dr. & Mrs. Allan & Ronalee Mizoguchi In memory of Hiroto & Kiyomi Mizoguchi

General Donations

M/M James & Chiho Pewitt In appreciation

Buddhist Women's Association

BWA@wrbt.org

Thank you to all the BWA members for their efforts to make our limited attendance Bon Odori a success. There was excitement at the temple during the food prep and setup. New food items and flavors brought an extra sparkle to our celebration.

Flower and Fruit Offerings: Now that in-person services have resumed, there is an opportunity for you to bring flowers or fruit offerings to decorate our altar. There is a signup sheet with further information in the hallway by the temple library.

ABA

The ABA is now on summer recess and our next ZOOM meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 12th at 1 pm.

Facilities Committee

JR, Charles, Mary and Randy continue to work on the outside maintenance.

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.

September 4 - NO SERVICE

September 11 (10:30am) - Family Shotsuki Service

September 18 - NO SERVICE; NWD Convention at IOBT in Ontario, OR

September 25 (10:30am) - Family Ohigan Service

Newsletter Reminder

July newsletter articles are due **Sunday, September 18th**. Please send articles to newsletter@wrbt.org.

If you are getting duplicate copies of the newsletter by email AND hard copy, please consider receiving your newsletter by email only. Contact newsletter@wrbt.org or call 253-833-1442.

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Temple Office Hours (SUSPENDED)

For non-emergencies, please call the Temple phone [\(253\) 833-1442](tel:(253)833-1442) and leave a message. Your call will be returned as soon as possible. For urgent ministerial needs, please contact Kendall at 206-947-1235 and he will contact the on-call minister.

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