



Makawao Hongwanji Buddhist Temple

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Sunday, October 2, 2022, 9:00 a.m.
FIRST SUNDAY FAMILY DHARMA SERVICE
DHARMA SCHOOL

Sunday, October 9, 2022, 9:00 a.m.
FAMILY DHARMA SERVICE

Sunday, October 16, 2022, 9:00 a.m.
PAIA 115th / MAKAWAO 50th
ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday, October 23, 2022, 9:00 a.m.
FAMILY DHARMA SERVICE

CELEBRATION: OCTOBER 16, 2022 PAIA 115th / MAKAWAO 50th ANNIVERSARIES

Flag Raising- 8:45 a.m. Service- 9:00 a.m.

If not for the injustice forced upon the Kiyohara and Nakawatase families, I quite simply wouldn't be here because my parents would not have met, I wouldn't be the person I am today, I would not be the resident minister of a Hongwanji Temple in upcountry Maui, and I wouldn't be writing this reflection!



The fundamental teaching of Buddhism is “everything and every thing” arises from Causes and Conditions, and that which arises from causes and conditions is not permanent, is constantly changing, is not the same as it was mere seconds ago. The Truth of Impermanence can be seen in every aspect of our unrepeatable life—if we choose to wake up to it.

Open your eyes, and you'll see... a commuter train in Los Angeles! This LA boy finds it hard to believe that I can take a train from Union Station in downtown Los Angeles to Buena Park in Orange County and be there in 30 minutes!

Wake up and smell the ramen! Little Tokyo and Downtown LA are now “cool and trendy”? Back in the day, Little Tokyo was a tiny pocket of Japanese-American-ness, a historic community surrounded by the homeless of Skid Row (two blocks south). Today, Little Tokyo is totally packed on weekends and even weekday evenings with young people having a good time!

I'm profoundly grateful to the temple leadership and members for giving me the chance to reconnect with where I come from, to be reminded of my debt of gratitude to so many that I must endeavor to repay “even though I be crushed” (from *On-dokusan*), and for creating the time, place, and occasion, for me to remember, reflect, and rededicate myself to repaying my debt of gratitude for this unrepeatable life, the people and places in it, and for the Great Love and Great Compassion of Amida Buddha working in my life to lead me, just as I am, to go forth to Birth into the Pure Land.

NamoAmidaButsu!

Mahalo,
Rev. Kerry



NamoAmidaButsu

Please Pardon our delay... due to the crash of our computer two weeks ago, we were not able to complete our October newsletter until now. How grateful we are this happened just before our Warranty was to expire at the end of this month! Dell serviced us with a new system board at no cost! Our computer is running like new again!

Namo Amida Butsu!

Your Newsletter Team



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we approach our 115th Anniversary of Paia Hongwanji and 50th anniversary of Makawao Hongwanji Temples, I think about how happy and proud the leaders and members of our temple were back then. Although as a young man recently out of college, I was not a very active member of the temple, but my dad was the president then, and I would often hear him talk about how happy and grateful he and Reverend Yosemite were with the progress of the building. It could not have been possible without the commitment and support of the sangha and the many friends of the temple.



As the present president, I look around and am happy to say that many of the children and grandchildren are still active members of our temple some 50 years later; and some from the Paia Hongwanji days. To name a few that I can remember, the Yamamuras, Taketas, Magarifujis, Morikawas, Hiroses, and Hamais. I'm sure I missed some, but you know who you are. Arigato! We hope to have more old timer members and a lot of new families joining us at our next Anniversary celebration.

We should be forever grateful for those who have worked so hard to allow us to enjoy this celebration on October 16. See you all there!

May you all be happy and well.

Clyde

TRUNK OR TREAT Oct. 29 (Sat)

5:30 pm Hot Dog Dinner
followed by costume parade, Trunk or Treat, and movie.

Registration required for Trunk or Treaters and Treat Givers.

Registration:
send e-mail to: mimykiyohara@mac.com by Oct. 22.



Fifty Years Ago... at the dedication of the new Makawao Hongwanji Temple, Reverend Chikai Yosemori wrote the following article. With appreciation, we look back.....



September 11, 1971

Today, it is with utmost pleasure that I participate in this memorable occasion of dedicating this new and beautiful Makawao Hongwanji Temple, edifice of worship, and at the same time, may I express my deepest appreciation to all who made this happy event possible.

In pre-World War 2nd era, Paia Camp, which was said to be the largest plantation camp in the State of Hawaii, boasting the largest number of Japanese employees, was finally forced to be closed as a result of tremendous sociological changes in post-war Hawaii, and through the process of streamlining operations in the sugar industry. Hence, the formerly populated areas were either reverted back into sugar cane fields or left unattended to become unsightly forest, leaving no trace of its former self.

Paia Hongwanji was no exception, and like Paia Camp, it was finally forced to be abandoned. However, the Teaching of the Nembutsu, nurtured and developed over a period of 60 years in this district, was not to be destroyed. New land was obtained in the Makawao district, on the foothills of Mt. Haleakala in East Maui, and under the name, "Makawao Hongwanji" it will again resume its religious and social activities.

I am fully cognizant of the fact that to make this day possible it required the unceasing efforts of our membership and the heart-warming assistance of non-members to overcome many obstacles which stood in our path, and may I again express my sincere appreciation to all -- thank you very much.

In closing, may I exhort all of you to work in unison in all sincerity to better our Kyodan so it would become better able to discharge its role of propagating the Teachings of the Buddha, and thus be able to contribute to the welfare of our community and to World Peace.

Namu Amida Butsu,

Chikai Yosemori
Chikai Yosemori, Resident Minister

October & November 2022 Memorial Anniversaries

(Please call Temple Office to schedule your service—572-7229)

1st Year Memorial Service 2021

October 24 Frank Munden
October 24 Paul Takeshi Otani

1st Year Memorial service 2021

November - None

3rd Year Memorial Service 2020

October - None

3rd Year Memorial Service 2020

November - None

7th Year Memorial Service 2016

October - None

7th Year Memorial Service 2016

November - None

13th Year Memorial Service 2010

October - None

13th Year Memorial Service 2010

November 28 Richard Tokujiro Yamashiro
November 29 Haruko Takemoto

17th Year Memorial Service 2006

October 10 Yoshiko Sentani
October 14 Roy Tadaichi Ishizu

17th Year Memorial Service 2006

November - None

25th Year Memorial Service 1998

October 02 Haruko Taketa
October 12 Katsumi Okazaki
October 18 Yasunari Hamai

25th Year Memorial Service 1998

November - None

33rd Year Memorial Service 1990

October 08 Wataru Okamoto
October 24 Takushi Minobe

33rd Year Memorial Service 1990

November - None

50th Year Memorial Service 1973

October - None

50th Year Memorial Service 1973

November - None



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Thank You!

Contributions July 27, 2022 to August 26, 2022

DONATION:

Burton Onikama

Shave Ice sales – Jasmine and Rielyn Domingo

Daikon donation – Henry Koja

In memory of Moriaki and Sumiko Nakashima – Myles Nakashima

In memory of M. Kawaharada family – Nancy Shimoda

In memory of Shizumura and Nagahiro families – Roy and Ann Toma

In memory of Isao Kametani, Harlan Kawahara, Clyde Matsui, Mitsuko Matsui, and Clayton Sato, Michael and Kay Ogasawara

In memory of Edward Nakamoto, Doris Nakamoto, and James Nakamoto – Harriet Kitazawa

In memory of Mitsutoshi Terada – Hatsue Terada

In memory of Sam Morikawa and Ed Kagehiro – Sylvia Saiki

In memory of Hitoshi Yamashita (7th year memorial) – Cathlyn Watanabe

In memory of Betsy Matsumura – Glenn and Lori Okimoto

In memory of Harumi Ushijima – Alton and Susan Watanabe

In memory of Lei Matsumura – Robert and Iwa Yoshioka

In memory of Misao and Kazuo Tamura – Merle and Lorna Beghtel

In memory of Toshio and Tomie Okuda – Alan and Jane Tamiya

115th and 50th ANNIVERSARY DONATION:

Robert and Iwa Yoshioka

Allen and Janet Fukuda

NOKOTSUDO:

Susan and Alton Watanabe

Kenneth and Debra Okuno

Emiko Nakamura

In memory of Misayo and Hideo Nakamura – Louise Yue

OFUSE:

Funeral service for Harumi Ushijima – Family of Harumi Ushijima

Funeral service for Kaori Mizomi – Family of Kaori Mizomi

3rd year memorial service for Michael and Miyoko Suda – Mavis Suda

17th year memorial service for Motoshisa Unemori and 25th year memorial service for Tsuru Unemori – Family of Tsuru Unemori and Motohisa Unemori

7th year memorial service for Jean Migita – Carol Matsumoto, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Migita,

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Matsumoto, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Hanagami, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Migita,

Sheri Matsumoto, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Nakahara

17th year memorial service for Umeyo Kiyota – Family of Umeyo Kiyota

In memory of Motohisa Unemori and Tsuru Unemori – Charlotte Kennedy

In memory of Kinuye Nihei – Calvin and Sharon Higuchi

In memory of Jean Migita – Todd Hanagami and Wendy Yokoyama

AmazonSmile Charitable Donation: \$47.95

Thank you to customers who shop at smile.amazon.com and have selected Makawao Hongwanji as their charity.

RECYCLE: \$43.85

Thank you for recycling!



B4 Days

By Floyd Nagoshi

Did you know that Waikapu had a theater? Where was the Kahului Theater? Besides Iao Theater, there was King Theater and Victory Theater in Wailuku. Do you remember? There was the Queen Theater in Lahaina on Front Street? Did you know that Hailiimaile had a theater? It was next to the gym.

I remember going to the Waikapu Theater a couple of times. It was under a large tent with folding chairs. The tent was located in a vacant lot next to Sakamoto Store.

Hey, no forget Paia had a theater too!

Not sure If Hana had a theater. Anyone know if had? What about Kula?

Where else do you remember of old buildings and stores... **in theB-4 Days.....?**

FREE Monthly Upcountry Food Distribution



Drive-By Food Pick Up

Who: Individuals & families in need of food

When: 4th Saturday of each month, 9-11am

Where: 3356 Kihapai, Pukalani
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

In partnership with the Maui Food Bank



SENIOR PROGRAM

By: Alison

Seniors got together in September to make tofu patties. Iwa and Robert demonstrated their recipe and it was onolicious! Now, we can all try it at home. We also made origami boxes to organize trinkets or to collect trash like edamame or peanut shells. Then, it was lunch time! Members brought their specialty dishes and it was a feast! Next month, we will be helping the anniversary committee with projects for the celebration. Please come to help on the second Thursday in October (October 13) at 9:30 at the Dana House.



BWA News

By: Marilyn

On September 4, President Carol Yamamura presided over the first BWA in-person meeting in over 2 years. She thanked all the members who have continued to support Makawao Hongwanji activities during these uncertain times.

To commemorate Makawao's 115th/50th Anniversary, the BWA donated funds to update the sinks in the main men's and women's bathrooms. For the celebration on October 16, Diane, Karen, and BWA ladies are chairing committees for invitations and guests, service program, booklet, history, food, decorations, kei-rokai gifts, picture taking, luncheon program, and pretty much everything else except maybe parking. Please come to enjoy the day of "Living the Dharma" in fellowship, remembrance, and appreciation.

September 21 was Peace Day with "Ring Your Bell for Peace," a Honpa Hongwanji sponsored event, and making Hearts for Peace Posters and Crane Bouquets, a Maui United BWA project. Thank you to Jean H for putting up Makawao's impressive Crane display and coordinating the Zoom bell ringing program. Thank you to everyone who folded hearts and cranes, everyone who put the cranes on the straws, and everyone who made the heart posters. For the Makawao Library Peace Day folding of hearts, thank you to Diane and grandchildren, Sharon N., Alison, Julie and Marilyn.

Thank you to our community partners who displayed heart posters and passed out cranes for peace: Hamai Appliance, Fukushima Store, Maui Optix (2 locations), Anytime Fitness, Momentum Dance Maui, and Pukalani Superette. (Remember to patronize these businesses!)

On October 29, we will be participating in the Senior Fair to be held at the War Memorial Gym in Wailuku from 8 a.m.—12 noon. Committees are being set up by Gail, Alison, and Bobbi to prepare the popular Makawao food items such as Chicken Teriyaki Bentos, sushi, spam musubi, manju, jams, produce and a variety of baked goods. The sewing group will also be making various crafts to sell. Please let them know if you can lend a hand or donate produce etc.

See you at Makawao Hongwanji Buddhist Temple's 115/50th Anniversary "Living the Dharma," on October 16, and Sunday service or other events you're able to attend. After 3 years of Covid shutdowns, we can also look forward to the annual BWA New Year's Party early next year.! Maybe there will be some special surprises planned.



Dharma students and Parents sharing *HEARTS & CRANES FOR PEACE*



Peace Day 2022 Virtual Celebration

by Jean Heselden

In the spirit of promoting peace throughout the world, Makawao joined the third annual Virtual Ring Your Bell for Peace Day via Zoom on September 21, 2022, hosted by Honpa Hongwanji Mission in Honolulu.

We shared in an interfaith and multicultural gathering with several hundred participants from Canada, Germany, Ukraine, every Hawaiian island, and many mainland states. Participants ranged in age from preschool classes through high school classes, and lots of retired adults.

Messages about peace were shared by a Muslim Missionary, Dr. Warren Tamamoto, Bishop Matsumoto, and a Rabbi-Cantor. Following a minute of silence and five minutes of bell ringing, we were treated to a ukulele concert by Jake Shimabukuro and Bert Ohta, Jr.

Mahalo to our masked participants at Makawao: Kenneth, Lindsey, Sierra, and Diane Kosaka, Alison Nakagawa and her granddaughter Talia, Julie Bridle, Marilyn Morikawa, Floyd Nagoshi, Rie Taketa, and Jean Heselden. A video posted on Facebook by KTUH radio station allowed us to see ourselves in the Zoom broadcast at minute 31:42.

We hope you will join us next year at the 4th Annual Virtual Ring Your Bell for Peace Day celebration on September 21, 2023! Causes and conditions permitting, we may also have a Special Service for Peace Day on the Saturday before September 21st.



MAKAWAO HONGWANJI BUDDHIST TEMPLE
Council Minutes Highlights
Sunday, September 11, 2022



1. Treasurer's Report: Report submitted.
2. Minister's Report:
 - Japanese language Saturday classes had 20 students signed up.
 - Classes for Buddhist Scout Sangha Award will start soon.
 - Sunday Service Dharma messages will have lay speakers when Rev. Kerry is away: Sept. 18, Sept. 25, Oct. 9, and November 13.
3. Mortgage Prepayment in 2022: Finance Director Glenn Hamai recommended paying down the Peach lot rental mortgage. Motion made and Council approved.
4. Obon 2022 Wrap Up: Discussed whether Obon should be one night or two nights. No decision made. Diane Kosaka will be Kitchen/Food Coordinator.
5. Celebration October 16, 2022: Co-Chairs Karen and Diane reported that invited guests are Dr. Warren Tamamoto, JoAnn Yosemite, Grant Ito, Eric Yosemite, and Rev. Umitani, Yoshiko Umitani, and Riho Umitani. So far, 21 Keirokai members will be attending.
6. December 2022 Garage Sale: Co-Chairs Karen and Gail reported that December 3, 2022 is date for next garage sale.
7. Peace Day 2023: Motion was made by Jean Heselden to hold a Special Service on Saturday, September 16, 2023, for the whole island of Maui to participate. Council approved.
8. Japanese Class: Three levels of classes will be offered. Classes will be held in the Social Hall on Saturday mornings, lasting 45 minutes each, and starting at 8:30 am, 9:30 am, and 10.30 am. Class fee is \$25 registration per year plus \$5 per class or \$20 per month. Instructor is Ms. Tokie Ogawa, a native Japanese speaker who is trained as a Japanese language instructor and as an ESL instructor.
9. Citizenship in Society merit badges for the Scouts and Cub Scouts: Rev. Kerry is serving as advisor for this badge which focuses on diversity, equality, inclusion, and ethical leadership.
10. Membership: Report submitted. Committee sent 30 reminder letters to pay dues.
11. Funeral/Columbarium: Report submitted.
12. Maui District Hongwanji Council: Clyde Hamai reported that with the retirement of Rev. Tennes from Kahului Hongwanji, the remaining 3 Maui ministers are rotating through to officiate Kahului's Sunday services.
13. Jr. YBA : Held an overnighter at MHM last weekend. They Baked Manju for fundraiser and sold out.
14. BWA: Bobbi reported that Makawao's BWA will be donating the proceeds of the Senior Fair to the 50th anniversary celebrations.
15. Scouts and Cub Scouts, Rev. Kerry serving as advisor for Sangha, Metta, and Citizenship Merit Badges. Boy Scout Jamboree will be held July 19—28, 2023, in West Virginia.
16. Preschool: Currently 20 students. Still seeking another full time preschool teacher to increase enrollment.
17. Project Dana: The Senior Program enjoyed a tofu patties cooking demonstration by Iwa Yoshioka. A potluck lunch and craft project were also enjoyed.

(Full text of Council Meeting and reports can be obtained from the Temples Office.)

Maui Nembutsu Seminar—November 19-20, 2022

CHANGE OR DIE

Insights, Ideas, and Tips from Rev. Bob Oshita (“Retired Bob”)

Rev. Bob Oshita was resident minister of Sacramento Buddhist Church for 32 years when the Sangha temple community grew to more than 1000 families and the Dharma School from 75 to 400 students, necessitating expansion of the Temple and Educational Facilities.

Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to learn from Rev. Bob's decades of experience in making Jodo Shinshu Buddhism “immediately relevant” in people's lives, at each stage of this unrepeatable life.

“If we don't make Jodo Shinshu immediately relevant in people's lives, then Hongwanji membership will continue to dwindle and our temples will continue to close.”

—Rev. Bob Oshita

Session I: Jodo Shinshu for Everyone

Session II: Jodo Shinshu for Temple Growth

Session III: Jodo Shinshu for Youth, Parents, Grandparents, Uncles & Aunties

Session IV: Jodo Shinshu for Temple Leaders

Everyone is welcome to attend in-person (causes and conditions permitting) at Makawao Hongwanji on the beautiful island of Maui, or via livestream from anywhere in the world. The event is open to the public, admission is free, donations are welcome in the spirit in which they are given, and pre-registration is required for joining both in-person and via livestream.

In-Person Venue: Makawao Buddhist Temple, 1074 Makawao Avenue, Makawao, Maui

Pre-Register Today!

- (1) For more information, including daily schedules, please visit the **Maui Nembutsu Seminar 2022 website**
- (2) Online **Registration Form**
- (3) Call Rie in the Temple Office, **(808) 572-7229**, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- (4) Scan the QR Code with your smartphone

The annual Maui Nembutsu Seminar is made possible by the generous support of the Maui Hongwanji Council, Maui Ministers Association, and the Office of Buddhist Education, Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. Mahalo!



JUST SAY MAHALO
MAKAWAO HONGWANJI BUDDHIST TEMPLE



HEADQUARTERS UPDATE

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BISHOP'S CORNER

July 2022

HHMH Statement on Environmental Harmony

Joint Statement by Bishop Eric Matsumoto and
Steve Lohse, Chair of the Green Hongwanji Committee,
Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii

“We are here to awaken from the illusion of our separateness.” – Thich Nhat Hanh



We experience rapid, extreme environmental change as crises, and when our environment is in crisis, we suffer. We depend on the environment for everything, including stable climate, public health, clean air and water, energy, fertile soil, healthy food, land and sea resources, and the biodiversity that underlies sustainability. Environmental crises give rise to social, economic, political, and spiritual crises that in turn further degrade the environment. We are inescapably interdependent with the environments that we abuse as well as with the environments that we protect.

The causes of environmental crises are not external threats, we do this to ourselves. As our sheer numbers, consumer expectations, and developing technologies combine to overwhelm natural systems, we are witnessing an era of transition from life defined by natural processes to environments defined by human activity. Sadly, it is increasingly clear that greed, anger, ignorance, and ego-driven human activities are out of harmony with sustainable natural systems. Meanwhile, global responses to environmental degradation remain inadequate and directed largely at symptoms rather than causes.

As Buddhists, we see a way forward. We see that environmental harmony arises from Interdependence and from addressing root causes of environmental crises – our own greed, anger, and ignorance. We see that inner transformation, from ego-driven thinking to Dharma-guided entrusting, prepares us to understand and commit to wise, compassionate, effective action for environmental harmony. Just as Buddha touched the Earth as bearing witness to Enlightenment, so we touch the Earth to bear witness to Dharma guidance that inspires us to engage in skillful environmental action as an Earth Touching Sangha.

David Loy said, “Engagement in the world is how our personal awakening blossoms.” As we go to the Dharma for guidance to live in harmony and sustainability with our precious planet, we commit to the following:

- understanding the inherently interdependent, holistic nature of Buddhism;
- transforming environmental actions by first transforming environmental thinking;
- teaching clean, healthy, sustainable environments as a basic human right;
- acting effectively, always informed by Cause/Effect and scientific best practices;
- supporting sustainable societies based on social/economic/environmental equity, universal human rights, respect for nature and for future generations, and a culture of peace.



October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 <10/1 ~ 10/2> Troop 18 - Campout
2 9:00 am Family Service First Sunday Dharma Family Service & Children's Dharma School	3 6:00 pm ~ 8:45 pm Judo	4	5 10:00 am Monthly Service Kula Hospital	6 6:00 pm ~ 8:45 pm Judo	7	8
9 9:00 am Family Service	10 6:00 pm ~ 8:45 pm Judo	11	12	13 9:30 am ~ 12:30 pm Senior Prgram 6:00 pm ~ 8:45 pm Judo	14	15
16 9:00 am Paia 115th & Makawao 50th Anniversary Service & Celebration	17 6:00 pm ~ 8:45 pm Judo	18	19 Peace Day 9:00 am Bell Ringing	20 6:00 pm ~ 8:45 pm Judo	21	22
23 9:00 am Family Service	24 6:00 pm ~ 8:45 pm Judo	25	26	27 6:00 pm ~ 8:45 pm Judo	28	29 Maui County Senior Fair

