

Daifukuji Soto Mission

Creating a Bright World

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November, 2019

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See "archives" on our website for previous newsletters.



Temple & Grounds Clean Up

Sunday, November 3 8:00 a.m.

Members and temple groups, please pitch in and lend a hand on November 3. Please join us in cleaning our temple, hall, columbarium, and grounds in preparation for Bodhi Day and the new year.

We will begin with a short blessing inside the temple at 8:00 a.m. Please bring rags, buckets, garden tools and gloves, all labelled with your name.

Refreshments will be prepared by the Daifukuji Family Sangha.

Any amount of time you can contribute would be very much appreciated. Mahalo!



Thanksgiving Service

*Sunday, November 17
9:30 a.m.*

All are invited to Daifukuji's Thanksgiving service at which the Dharma message will be given by Deacon Amy Jikai Nakade.

The service will be followed by light refreshments. Flowers for the altar are appreciated and may be delivered the morning of Friday, November 15.

Donations of canned foods for the Hawaii Island Food Basket may be brought to the service.

The temple's gift shop will be open before and after the service.

Zazenkai members, there will be a meeting in the social hall at 11:00 a.m. (See page 3)

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November Programs

Dharma Study Classes **Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19, & 26** **3:30 - 5:00 p.m.** **Kannon Hall**
A Path With Heart by Jack Kornfield is being used for this series of classes. Books are available for \$10 in the Daifukuji Gift Shop or through Rev. Jiko. All sessions begin at 3:30 p.m. with 30 minutes of zazen followed by an hour of Dharma sharing. Please plan on arriving before 3:30. Late arrivals, please do your zazen sitting in the pews outside the meditation room. Contact Rev. Jiko for information: info@daifukuji.org, (808) 322-3524. All are welcome.

Family Sangha: A Dharma Program for Children - Sunday, November 24 **at 9:30 a.m.**
Child-friendly 45-minute services which include meditation, chanting, singing, & Dharma lessons. For children of all ages and their parents & grandparents. Call Rev. Jiko for information: (808) 322-3524.

Zazen (Meditation)

- * Every Wednesday morning from 6 a.m. - 7:20 a.m.
- * Thursdays, November 7 & 14 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:20 p.m.

Both morning and evening sessions include 20 minutes of chanting. Donations may be placed in the box on the incense table. All are welcome. Please arrive at least 5 minutes before starting time. Call ahead if you are new to zazen practice. (808) 322-3524

Shakyo & Shabutsu Art Meditation - Saturday, November 2 from 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Mindfully tracing the Heart Sutra & pictures of buddhas and bodhisattvas in silence unifies body, breath, and mind. All supplies provided. By donation. Call Rev. Jiko at (808) 322-3524.

Baikako Plum Blossom Choir Workshop —November 15 & 16 with Rev. Ryoko Matsui

The Gay Sangha - Friday, November 1 **6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

A Buddhist group open to all, with a particular invitation to gay women and men and their families and friends. Meetings are the first Fridays of each month at 6:00 pm. Meditation and discussion. Call Clear or Steve at (808) 328-0329.

T'ai Chi

Tuesdays at 9 a.m., Wednesdays at 12 noon, Thursdays at 9 a.m. All classes are one hour. \$5.00 per class. No prior experience is necessary. Call instructor Philip Kakuho Hema : (808) 345-1492.

Yoga

Mondays from 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. in the Hisashi Kimura Cultural Hall. No fee, but donations accepted. Bring a mat or towel. Call instructor Liz Aschenbrenner: (808) 345-1270 or liz217a@hotmail.com.

For information on programs such as Taiko, Project Dana, Bare Bones Writers, Sangha Sisters Women's Circle, Soleful Strutters Walking Moai & Kona Daifukuji Orchid Club, please go to:

<http://www.daifukuji.org/activities.html>.

Zazenkai Meeting

Sunday, November 17

11:00 a.m. Temple Library



Daifukuji Zazenkai members, your kind attendance is requested. At this meeting we will be discussing the following topics: (1) Post public retreat suggestions & comments & 2020 public retreat, (2) Rohatsu Sesshin — December 1 - 8, (3) Dharma talk by Joshin Althouse Roshi on December 12, 2019, (4) January 4, 2020 Joint Zen retreat, and (5) Donation to temple or Legacy Fund for 2019.

Questions? Please contact Zazenkai president Barb Shoshin. (808) 987-2673, barbarainkona@gmail.com.

Serenity Sundays: A Peaceful Start to Your Week

November 10 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Guest Speaker: Harold Jiho Hall, Ph.D.

“Happiness and Well Being from Buddhist and Neuroscience Perspectives”



Join us for meditation, Qigong, & talks on mindful living. Youth, who are able to sit in silence, are welcome to meditate with the adults at 9:00 a.m. Families with young children are welcome to start with Qigong at 9:30 a.m.

8:50 a.m. Arrive and settle in

9:00 a.m. Meditation Begins

9:30 a.m. Qigong

10:00 a.m. Talk by Dr. Harold Jiho Hall, Q & A

10:30 a.m. Tea & Fellowship

“Serenity Sundays” is an opportunity to start the week in a serene way. The benefits of meditation, Qigong, and mindful living are well documented. Those who learn how to slow down and enjoy the present moment are happier & healthier. This program is free of Buddhist ritual, making it a program that people, regardless of their religious faith, would feel comfortable attending. It’s a program that our temple is offering with the hope of creating a peaceful society and a bright world. Please join us. Donations are appreciated.

It's Kona Coffee Cultural Festival time!

by Barbara Shoshin Bosz

Who wants to march in the Lantern Parade? We had lots of fun last year.

Date: Friday, November 1

Assembly time: 5:30 p.m.

Place: Kailua Pier

If you'd like to walk with our Daifukuji sangha in the parade, please let me know. I'm thinking that we could be dressed in happi coats & yukata and carry coffee picking baskets if available. Otherwise, please wear your Daifukuji shirt. A Coffee Festival button needs to be worn. Lanterns will be passed out at the pier. This is to be a glowing procession of light, music & color. The parade will end at Hale Halawai where there will be a traditional Bon Dance.

Please sign up before October 25 by calling Barb at (808) 325-0166, or call or text (808) 987-2673. You may also send an email to: barbarainkona@gmail.com.



Japanese Conversation & Grammar Classes

Mondays, November 4, 18, & 25 (No class on Nov. 11)

4:15 - 5:15 p.m. in the temple's library

All are welcome to join the classes. Lessons will be conducted according to who is present in class.

Classes offer a great start for beginners and are a good review for advanced students. questions. A donation to the instructor and to the temple would be appreciated.

Contact Takako Sensei:
toxley@kuleanaeducation.com or (808) 989-8085.



Mahalo Nui Loa

We send a warm mahalo to the ten monks from the Blue Cliff Monastery who led an Evening of Mindfulness at Daifukuji on September 26th. Thank you also to the Daifukuji Zazenkai & Dharma Study Group for hosting the event & to sangha volunteers for the help received. It was an evening of music, meditation, and Dharma.



Y.B.A. Meeting to be Held December 1

The Daifukuji Soto Mission Y.B.A (Young Buddhists Association) will be offering a program for middle & high school students to learn about Buddhism in a fun and nurturing setting. Teens will have the opportunity to learn how Buddhist practice can be their source of calm in an ever-changing world. Not only will teens be a part of the Y.B.A family, they will also be a part of the entire Daifukuji Sangha family.

We are re-building the Y.B.A, and our youth will determine what the Y.B.A should offer for them and future teens. The first meeting will be held on Sunday, December 1 after the family service. All middle & high school students are welcome. Our Y.B.A advisors are Avis and Brian Yamamoto (byama88@gmail.com, 322-3167) and Amy Nakade (amy_jikai@daifukuji.org, 322-3524).

Library News

By Clear Houn Englebert



Here are the new arrivals:

The Heart Sutra by Kazuaki Tanahashi. This is a comprehensive guide to the sutra that we recite most often at Daifukuji. I love that one of the chapters is titled In Print for One Thousand Years. The Heart Sutra is indeed the oldest printed book in the world, predating the Gutenberg Bible by 700 years.

Zen in the Art of Archery by Eugen Herrigel. This is the original book that started the fad of having books titled Zen and the Art of Such-and-Such.

Illuminated Spirit by Jackie and Dan DeProspero. This is a great companion to the previous book. It's subtitled Conversations with a Kyudo Master—kyudo being traditional Japanese archery. The master is Hideharu Onuma, a fifteenth-generation master!

Record of the Transmission of Illumination, Vol. 1 & 2 by Great Master Keizan. We now have five different translations of the Denkoroku in the library, this being the latest. It's quite deluxe with each volume bound in silk and having its own slipcase. Sotoshu Shumicho is responsible for this incredibly respectful edition, with T. Griffith Foulk as the Editor-in-Chief. The first volume is the actual Denkoroku in English and Japanese with copious notes. The second volume is related material, consisting mostly of an excellent introduction, and then almost 600 pages of glossary. One thing you can say about Sotoshu is they don't cut corners!

The Buddhist Outlook by Francis Story is from Sri Lanka, and it consists of his essays, dialogues, and poems. He's one of my favorite writers, and I love that he has a chapter titled World Lunacy.

Why Buddhism is True by Robert Wright. The dust jacket has this nice description: "It show how, in a time of technological distraction and social division, we can save ourselves from ourselves, both as individuals and as a species."

Vijnaptimatratasiddhi: Thirty Verses of Vasubandhu by Reb Anderson is his commentary on this famous scripture from India.

The Early Buddhist World Outlook in Historical Perspective by G. B. Upreti is also from India.

Daifukuji Fujinkai Women's Association News

Bento Sale Cancelled

The Fujinkai's Kona Coffee Festival Bento Sale has been cancelled. We thank our Fujinkai members, as well as our Kona community, for supporting this fundraiser for many years in the past. We'll be concentrating our energies on our February 2020 pancake breakfast & manju sale, and will be asking for your support at that time.

Fujinkai's Autumn Field Trip

by Lorraine Jitoku Tanimoto, field trip coordinator

With the 2018 Kilauea eruption having ended last December, 27 Fujinkai members and guests decided to visit the Hawaii Volcanoes National Park on Saturday, October 12. The weather was pleasantly cool, yet sunny. Our group had lunch at the Volcano House Rim Restaurant, overlooking a scenic view of the Halema'uma'u Crater with Mauna Loa in the background.



It's been years since I last visited this National Park. Due to the devastation caused by the 2018 volcanic eruption, many places of interest were restricted to visitors, yet it felt like walking down memory lane because the beautiful, pristine scenery and greenery around the park had not changed.

Here are comments about the outing from some of our members.

By Jean Ikeda

My family and I got to spend time together on our Volcano trip. It was fun to see our kupuna enjoying the ride, chatting, and buying goodies at the Punaluu Bake Shop. We got to enjoy the creme-filled malasadas there and bought the apple-filled breads to take home. We stopped at the Volcanoes National Park Visitor Center, went to the art gallery, and drove to the steam vents. We enjoyed the lunch at the Volcano House. After everyone started their trek back to Kona, we got to see the crater rim and Kilauea Iki lookouts. It was too bad that the sulfur banks, Thurston Lava Tube, and Jagger Museum were closed. We then drove to Hilo and did some shopping. We ran into the Morichika family twice that day and had dinner at Ken's House of Pancakes, where Myles and I, separately with our friends, ate quite often during our college days. Lorraine, thank you for coordinating this trip.

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By Ann Nakamoto

Saturday, October 12 was a beautiful day for a trip to the volcano side of the island. The amazing changes to the Halema'uma'u Crater were a sight to see. The company of my fellow Fujinkai members and friends filled the day, along with Punalu'u Bakery treats, lunch at the Volcano House, and very happy smiles! Thank you to Lorraine and Rev. Jiko for making this a trip to remember.



By Amy Jikai Nakade

Our Fujinkai ladies and friends escaped the Ironman Triathlon craziness and had such a lovely, relaxing day on the other side of the island. The weather was just perfect! The drive through the greenery and lava fields was absolutely gorgeous and the ladies in our car had lots of fun with good conversation, laughter and even some singing. Going to the Punalu'u Bake Shop, and then on to Volcano to see the crater and have lunch at the Volcano House was such a treat for us all. For all the hard work that the Fujinkai does throughout the year, this day was a chance for our members to just have fun and enjoy the day. A big MAHALO to Lorraine, Rev. Jiko and our wonderful drivers for making this trip possible.



24th Annual Building Maintenance Bazaar Report September 8, 2019



SALES:

Auction	\$2,274.00
Book/Toys	655.21
Child games/Toys	319.30
Clothing/Rummage	2,404.91
Crafts/Household	3,754.50
Food/Produce	7,548.00
Garden Shop	1,103.25
Massage	342.00
Snack Shop	<u>865.00</u>
Total sales	\$19,266.17

Mahalo nui loa. This year's bazaar was a tremendous success, thanks to everyone's hard work and great support.

Next year's bazaar will be held on **May 3, 2020.**

EXPENSES:

West Hawaii Today Ads	379.00
Traffic Control/Admin fee	218.00
Saturday set-up lunch	223.56
Sunday Breakfast	78.17
Sunday Lunch	216.39
General Excise Tax	<u>818.18</u>
Total Expenses	\$1,933.93
Sub-Total	\$17,332.24
Cash Donations	<u>1,325.00</u>
Total Revenue	\$18,657.24



The Return of the Young Buddhist Association

by Rev. Jikō Nakade

Belonging to the Daifukuji Y.B.A. was one of the highlights of my teen years. Back in the 70's, it was a pretty "cool" thing for teens to gather at the temple, even though I was the bookish type and wasn't "cool" in any way, shape, or form. Members of the Y.B.A. helped with temple services and fundraisers and attended Y.B.A. conventions, which were always a blast. I remember the time we did a community service project for Kona Hospital, camped at the Mauna Kea State Park, and held the first *mochitsuki* under the guidance of Rev. and Mrs. Shugen Komagata. In the Y.B.A., I was also introduced to *zazen*, and have been meditating ever since. Oh, such good memories!

Yet, as time went on, the Y.B.A. lost its momentum. Kona grew rapidly & our society became increasingly secularized. For many, Sunday lost its "church day" status and became a shopping & beach day. Sports events & club meetings moved into this once sacred slot, giving teens a variety of things to do and places to hang out.

The same holds true today, but I do think that it's worth reviving the Young Buddhist Association. Providing a safe, nurturing, and wholesome space for Buddhist youth is very important to me. Luckily, Avis and Brian Yamamoto and Amy Jikai think so, too, and are willing to make time in their busy lives to serve as advisors to the group. For this, I am truly grateful.

The "new" Y.B.A. will welcome middle and high school students with open arms. **Parents and grandparents, we need your support. Please encourage the youth in your lives to attend the first meeting on Sunday, December 1.** There will be a family service at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting will follow.

Dear sangha, I wish you all a very happy Thanksgiving. Thank you for helping our temple community in so many different ways. Your kindness, goodness, generosity, and warm aloha are what make our temple a wonderful place to be. I am thankful for each one of you.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

May the blessings of the Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha bring peace to your heart.

Coming up in December...

Rohatsu Sesshin.....December 1 - 8	Kannon-ko & Ofudayaki.....December 18
Project Dana.....December 11	Serenity Sunday.....December 22
Bodhi Day Service.....December 15	Mochitsuki.....December 28

November 2019

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- Adult Taiko
- Family Service
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- Home
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- Kannon-ko Service
- Project Dana
- Zazen
- Sangha Sisters
- Youth Taiko
- Baikako Practice
- Dharma Study
- Happy Strummers
- Temple Board
- Fujinkai
- Bon Dance Group
- Teen Sangha
- Orchid Club
- Samu
- Special Events
- Offsite Backup

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 9:30 AM Family Sangha	28 8:30 AM Yoga 4:15 PM Japanese Class 5:00 PM Youth Taiko	29 8:30 AM Walking Moai 9:00 AM T'ai chi 3:30 PM Dharma Study & Zazen 5:30 PM Zen Taiko	30 6:00 AM Zazen 12:00 PM T'ai chi 5:00 PM Youth Taiko	31 9:00 AM T'ai chi 5:30 PM Zen Taiko	1 5:30 PM Lantern Parade Assembly 6:00 PM Gay Sangha	2 8:00 AM Shakyo 9:00 AM Youth Taiko
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2019 Daifukuji Mochi Order Form

Mochi Tsuki is scheduled for **Saturday, December 28, 2019**

Pick up from 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

A fundraiser for the Daifukuji Soto Mission Y.B.A. & Daifukuji Taiko Group

To our loyal Mochi Customers,

Please complete the information below and return promptly along with your payment (please make checks out to **Daifukuji Soto Mission-YBA**). You may also place your order at the Jodo-E Bodhi Day service on December 15.

We are decreasing the amount of mochi to be made this year to adjust to the lower demand for mochi. While every effort will be made to accommodate our members and long-time customers, we will process orders on a first-come-first-served basis. When we reach our quota, names will be added to a Wait List. Once it is determined that we have extra mochi, we will call individuals from this list on December 28.

We enjoy being a part of your New Year tradition and truly appreciate your support!

We humbly ask for volunteers to help with our Mochi Tsuki. It has been said that Mochi Tsuki helps to keep everyone together because the mochi is so sticky. Although we will be starting at 5:00 a.m., we would welcome help throughout the day. Please stop by and join us. Please call our temple, 322-3524, with any questions.

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Quantity Ordered	Item	Price	Total
	 Kagami Mochi	\$8.00 per set	\$

	Ko Mochi	\$8.00 tray of 10	\$
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