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| 1 | 9:00am | Family Dharma Service & Dharma School |
| 8 | 9:00am | Joint Memorial & Family Dharma Service |
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| 15 | 9:00am | Family Dharma Service & Dharma School |
| 22 | 9:00am | Family Dharma Service & Dharma School |
| 29 | 9:00am | Family Dharma Service & Dharma School (Guest Speaker: Dennis Kawamoto) |

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| 5 | 9:00am | Keirokai Recognition & Family Dharma Service |
| 12 | 9:00am | Joint Memorial & Family Dharma Service |
| 12 | 10:15am | BWA Meeting |
| 19 | 9:00am | Etaikyo Family Dharma Service & Dharma School |
| 26 | 9:00am | Bodhi Day Family Dharma Service & Dharma School |



Minister's Message



The Mililani Hongwanji Bodhi Tree

Just before the Mililani Hongwanji Bon Dance, many of the people who passed by the Bodhi Tree on the campus, noticed that the leaves were prematurely falling and littering the parking lot, like we've never seen before, and the branches became brittle and was falling.

One day while I was greeting some of our adult day care center clients, something made me look in the planter box, to where the tree was growing, and I noticed some big beetles. Could it be? Nah, it can't be! I collected some of the beetles, took pictures and notified the Department of Land and Natural Resources, and within minutes, it was confirmed, the Bodhi Tree was infested with the infamous Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle!



Over the years, these invasive species beetles have slowly spread throughout Central Oahu and have finally come into the walls of the temple. These beetles damage trees by boring a hole into the center of the crown of the tree, and feed on the young tree tissues of the tree and the sap, causing damage to the tree.

DLNR and the response team quickly advised of some of the possible things we could do to eradicate the situation. Within a couple of weeks, there was some noticeable differences, and today, new leaves are growing, and new branches are starting to shoot out.

We just observed Ohigan in September, and as I was watching the new leaves coming out and noticing no new beetle infestations, I was reminded of the six paramitas, in particularly the act of perseverance.

With the tree, and even more as the people of Maui start to rebuild, perseverance is a word that we have come to hear over and over, as we hear it in the term "Maui Strong". In Hawaiian, the term "Kuleana" is often referred to as perseverance, but I think that in this sense, may I offer the term, "Laulima". This term has a connotation of many hands that strengthens, develops, and supports the community.

The tree positively responded to the many hands that helped to nurture it, and no one ever gave up on that tree, being that it has sure a deep history here in Mililani. As Maui starts to rebuild, I hope all of us can have that same sense, and send our loving kindness to all those who are involved with the process and promote the many hands, and not perpetuate the negativity that is surrounding the events in Maui.



Rev. David Fujimoto

President's Corner

Greetings Mililani Sangha,

A group of leaders from Mililani Hongwanji participated in the 60th State Lay Association Convention that was held in Kona on September 15-16 with some participating online. It was an inspiring and productive two day event which was planned by a board of directors which will meet at least 4 times a year beginning in 2025. We got to hear Bishop Umitani share his goals and aspirations and those who attended in person got to mingle with him in a relaxed social setting. Get on board now as we need new leaders as Mililani Hongwanji enters its 47th year since its founding. The 2024 61st Annual State Lay Association Convention will be hosted by Honolulu and this will be a great year to get more involved in the state level. The next district Lay Association and Oahu District Council will be meeting online on December 11th so join in. Janice Yasunaga was elected a director from Oahu Lay Association until the end of the 2025 Convention. Janice and Brandon Hee both attended in person, and Cliff Togo, Rene Mansho, Dean Sakamoto and June Asato attended online. Excellent presentations and sharing of Going Green, new ways of growing the Sangha, responding and preparing temples and homes and public places in times of increased attacks by guns and other means, preparing for disasters and mobilizing for quick action were some of the workshops. Ask us about it and we will be sharing throughout the next few months.

Mahalo to all who joined us for Senior Fair, Ohana Day, Bell Ringing for Peace Day, and the Dharma School Virtual Gathering which included the Statewide Memorial Service with Bishop Umitani. Coming up are the Fall Festival for families in November and we continue our regular events here at our "hangout" or "Third Place" where we spend most of our time after home and work/school as Bishop Umitani would like to see our temple campuses become centers in our community.

Thank you for your tremendous response to our ohana on Maui. You can still contribute. For information on nearly half a million \$ that our Hongwanjis and friends have contributed in various ways to help Lahaina Hongwanji, Rev. Ai Hironaka and family and the members of Lahaina Hongwanji the social concerns committee has submitted a comprehensive report which has been shared.



In the next few months we will be setting up our calendar of events for 2024 and the years to follow. Not too far in the future is the 50th Anniversary of Mililani Hongwanji in 2027. How old will you be in 2027? Where will you be 50 years from 2027? Start thinking about how we should celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of Mililani Hongwanji in 1977?

Mililani Hongwanji wants you—The nomination committee will be seeking 10 or more volunteers to serve on the Board of Directors for the next two years. Please say Yes if you are called upon or better yet, just volunteer.



June Asato

Summary of September 13, 2023

Kyodan Board Meeting

- The Mililani Hongwanji Board of Directors met via ZOOM with a quorum. Pres. June Asato presided. Minutes of prior meeting was approved.
- Treasurer's Report: (Cliff) Distributed the monthly financial report as of August 30, 2023. Major income and expenses related to Bon Dance. Again the Bon Dance did very well and matched last years income. A Bon Dance Financial Report will be provided at the next Board Meeting. Third Quarter HHMH Assessment was paid.
- Finance Committee: (Dennis O) Reported how currently Ewa Hongwanji is assessed for Rev. Fujimoto's time. Will review options and make recommendation for next year's budget planning.
- Minister's Report: (Rev. Fujimoto) Bodhi Tree stricken by Rhino Beetles, but recovering. COVID on rise, please remain vigilant, continue to support members affected by the Maui Wildfire, inform Rev. Fujimoto if you know people affected by the fire. Maui Fires Memorial Service on Sept. 24, 10:00am via Zoom or in person. Office users reminded to turn off AC and set alarm. Thanked Cliff and Stan for co-chairing the Bon Dance.
- President's Report: (June) Will spearhead a Mililani Hongwanji activity to "Do Something" in support of the Maui Wildfire Relief Effort. HHMH Social Concerns Committee provided Update on distribution of funds to those affected. Lay Convention participants enjoyed themselves in Kona. Very productive and good presentations on what other temples are doing to effect change at their temples. Planning for the 50th Anniversary (2027) will begin. Green Hongwanji is in full swing, David Thomson will coordinate Mililani Hongwanji's efforts. Mary Fujitani recently passed. She was the wife of former Resident Minister "Shig" Fujitani.
- Facilities: (Steven) Clogged toilets repaired, and several old ones replaced. Possible flood lights on buildings to illuminate lawn area for Bon Dance. Dean working on securing the Ed Building with additional similar system.
- Operations: (Kevin) Nominations Committee will start search for potential Board members for 2024. New Insurance Policy needs to be well understood and complied. Group insurance temple leaders will meet with insurance agent soon to answer any questions temples may have. Letter to be sent to Columbarium owners to clarify program and procedures.
- Religious Activities & Programs: (Brandon) Bon Dance speakers being modified to be able to project sound adequately. Possible Sangha Day activity at Waimea Falls Park. Looking for someone to chair this event. Kei-rokai honorees to be recognized on November 5th, light lunch to follow.
- BWA: (Diane) Bon Country Store did well again, exceeding last year's efforts. Zippy's Fundraising in progress and the \$11 tickets will be valid through November 19. Oahu United BWA Conference will be on Oct. 28th at Waipahu. Temple Bazaar with co-chairs Aryn & Diane, will be on March 24th. BWA will have a Country Store (Claire & Diane) and a Rummage Sale (Nora & Warren). BWA donated \$1,000 to Lahaina Hongwanji.
- Jr. YBA: (Ty) Zoomed in from CA. Studying hard and enjoying college life. Jr YBA had a busy summer helping at the various Bon Dances and hosting the State Convention. Manju fundraising to be done at several Oahu District temples.
- Bon Dance: (Cliff) Will have a wrap up and evaluation meeting on September 20th. Thanked all those who helped. Successful event based on attendance and income generated.
- Approved Actions: **Mililani Hongwanji to donate \$10,000 to support the HHMH Maui Wildfire Disaster Relief Fund.**
- Next Board ZOOM meeting on October 11, 7:00 pm.



BWA News

Many activities are being planned over the next few months. First of all, the BWA's Zippy's fundraiser is currently underway, with chair, Arynn Ishikawa urging everyone to support this fundraiser. Your \$11 ticket can be redeemed for Portuguese Bean Soup, a hearty breakfast, chili, or cornbread, and is good until Nov. 19. Remember that when you support this event, you are also supporting the Kyodan. See any BWA member for tickets.



In keeping with the theme of "Building Healthy Sanghas-Coping With the Future", the Oahu United BWA Conference will convene on Oct. 28 at Waipahu Hongwanji. The conference will begin with a Memorial Service by Rev. Soga that honors BWA members who passed away over the last year, and a Dharma Message by Rev. Matsumoto. That will be followed by a general meeting, then a workshop by Chikako Nano on the composting method of bokashi, and a bento lunch.



Although it's still many months ahead, it's never too early to clear out your unneeded but usable items. Please save any of your gently used items for the bazaar, scheduled for March 24, 2024. Diane Yoza and Arynn Ishikawa are co-chairs, while Nora and Warren Hahn will be chairs for the rummage sale, and Diane and Claire Doi will handle the Country Store. Please calendarize that date.

June Asato, our Kyodan President, is currently making arrangements for a field trip on the Skyline, possibly in October. Please contact her if interested.



Some BWA members, who also serve as Project Dana volunteers, participated in the recent Senior Fair by explaining the mission of the organization, answering questions, and handing out flyers. Diane Yoza, Joyce Ogawa, and Lani Yamami, were very pleased with the large number of seniors who were interested in learning more about Project Dana.

The next BWA meeting is on October 8, so we hope to see you then.



Jr. YBA Happenings

Happy Fall Y'all! Thank you again for supporting the Jr. YBA. We had a very successful beverage booth at the Mililani Bon Dance! The money raised will go toward some of our expenses throughout the year.



To continue our theme from convention Sangha: Our Independent Environment, we want to promote "Going Green." We are also selling sterling steel utensil sets that includes a fork, spoon, knife and chopsticks in a case that comes in red, blue, or black. Each set is \$7. We also gave each of the summer convention attendees one of these sets with the hope that



it will be used instead of throwaway plasticware. Please contact a Jr. YBA member if you would like to purchase one of these sets! Available while supplies last!

Our next United meeting will be held on Sunday, October 8, at 11:30pm at Aiea Hongwanji. If you are interested, please come. We'd love to have you! We will be planning a few upcoming activities for the next couple of months.

We will be making Manju for our Hawaii Buddhist Youth (HBY) month fundraiser for Oahu District temples. Our baking date is Saturday, October 21 at 11am at Wai-pahu Hongwanji with distribution to the temples the following day. We will have more details for the juniors at the next meeting. The manju fundraiser for Mililani and Ewa temples will be scheduled for a later date.

We are always open for new members to join Jr. YBA and membership is open for students entering 6th grade through students up to 2 years after High School graduation. Please contact Jr. YBA advisor Auntie Aryn Ishikawa at arynn.m.ishikawa@gmail.com if you'd like more information. You can also follow us on Instagram! @jrybafoahu and @hawaii-fedjryba





Dharma School



Wow, we are into month 2 of this Dharma School year already! It was nice to see familiar and new faces at our classes in September.

Our first Dharma School class of the new school year was on September 3rd. We started off class recognizing those who celebrated birthdays over the summer and in September. We continued our belly breathing practice led by Ms. Gay, which was followed by a fun Ice Breaker Bingo game. Then Ms. Claire read the book, "Breathe with Me" about mindful breathing.

For our September 17th class, Sgt. Rainbow led everyone in Chocolate Meditation. It was an eye-opening way to eat a Hershey kiss. Then we were entertained by the magic of "Dennis the Great" with the help of all his student assistants.

We all attended the special Maui Memorial service held in the main temple. We also started our Honolulu District's passport activity and got our first 2 stamps for visiting the Betsuin and its bookstore.

Here's what we are planning for October:

- Sunday, October 1st, 10am: DS 101 with Rev. David Fujimoto
- Sunday, October 15th, 10am: No Dharma School. Families are encouraged to participate in the Virtual State Dharma School Gathering (see info flyer in the newsletter)
- Sunday, October 22nd, 10am: Intergenerational activity with Keirokai honorees
- Sunday, October 29th, 10am: Belly Breathing Bottle craft



The Oahu District Buddhist Education Committee is sponsoring a Fall Festival on Saturday, October 21st at Leilehua High School and Wahiawa Hongwanji. We hope all our Dharma School families and any family/youth will join in. Please see flyer in the newsletter for more details.

If you know a student (preschool to high school) who would like to join our classes, please contact Claire Doi at clairedoi@hawaiiantel.net to be added to our email list to get our meeting agendas. Or please feel to contact us if you have any questions or need more info about our Dharma School sessions.

DHARMA SCHOOL RALLY DAY- August 27, 2023

"Sharing Joy Together" with FOOD

GIGANTIC MAHALO to our "Make & Eat" Station Chefs! **Oshizushi/Musubi:** Joyces Nishioka and Fujimoto; **Somen Nagashi:** Karen Yamamoto and Cliff Togo; **Manju:** Arynn Ishikawa and Gay Tanaka. Also, to the Menehunes: Susan O., Claire, Warren, Steve K., Nora, Debbie, Shirley/Amy, Luana, Sharon F., Aileen, Diane, Sharon K., Jamelyn, Stephen C., Tyler, Larry, Dennis O., and Lani, ARIGATO! Special thanks to Kevin Yoza for video-taping the event.

Reflections by students: Courtney Uehara (10th grade) - "It was fun to catch the flowing noodles in the



bamboo troughs with chopsticks. The Nagashi Somen was tasty with the condiments (egg,

green onions, kamaboko) and sauce. I had two bowlfuls! We should do it again! I enjoyed making the sushi because we could make them into different shapes with spam and egg—my favorite. Besides eating the manju, the best part was decorating them with edible ink before baking them."



Dayton Uehara (6th grade) - "Fishing out the somen noodles was very fun! But the most important part was tasting it. Making the sushi with the rice press and eating it with egg and spam was very flavorful. To make manju, you have to shape the dough into circles, then put a ball of beans on it and form it into a flat ball shape with your fingers. After it comes out of the oven, you cool it before you eat it. The outside is flaky and the inside is soft and sweet. Mmmm!"



Some adult members comments: It (Rally Day) was fun because it was so different. It was exciting because it was the first time I got to try Somen Nagashi. Was the tsuyu (sauce) home-made? It's so ono. (sorry, from a bottle). I was inspired, so I bought a CAT mold to make Sushi. My Musubi (with nori face) is so cute, I can't eat it! The Manju that the Jr. YBA makes is delicious; the best part is the flaky outside. Lots of people stayed longer than usual, eating and talking. The Rally Day committee worked so hard...Thank you!

NOTES ON BAMBOO PREP for SOMEN NAGASHI. On Friday, Aug. 26th Cliff Togo, Warren Hahn, and Karen & Ross Yamamoto spent TWO hours to bring down the huge, maybe 60+-foot tall, heavy bamboo "tree" in the Yamamoto's "backyard." It was an arduous task, from Ross sawing it down, using a machete to cut/split it in half, chiseling the inside notch-nodes, and cleaning the insides by brushing with water. Watching his chiseling skill, we discovered Mililani Hongwanji's "Clifford-Angelo!" After a short lunch break, came transporting the almost 11.5' long halves from Ahuimanu back to temple. Steve Koito joined us and it took another TWO hours figuring out the set-up slope, checking the water flow, doing a trial run and of course, eating the somen! On Saturday, Warren & Steve sanded down the trough's sharp edges to make it safer for the kids. By Sunday everything went perfectly. All in all, it was quite a feat!

Karen's Bamboo leaf decorations completed a realistic touch to the Somen Nagashi, which was enjoyed by students and adult members. Thus, making the Bamboo fiasco really worth it all!





Oahu District Halloween Festival

When: Saturday, October 21, 2023

Time: 9:00am-12:00pm

Where: Leilehua High School (LHS)
& Wahiawa Hongwanji

Join your fellow Oahu Hongwanji youth/families at this fun Halloween/Fall event that includes:

- **Pumpkin Patch:** Each family gets a pumpkin to take home & carve
- **Halloween-themed games/crafts & bento lunch at Wahiawa Hongwanji**



- 1) Meet at the LHS Fall Festival event entrance at 9am & enter as a group. Please bring 1 canned good/per person to donate to the event.
- 2) Pick your pumpkin & enjoy the rest of the activities like food booths, produce sale, games, train ride and more (9-10am)
- 3) Go to Wahiawa Hongwanji to enjoy games, crafts (10-11am) & lunch (11am-12noon) small bento (fried chicken, pancit noodles, rice) & water

~ **RSVP by Friday, October 13th** to susanoshiro@hawaii.m.com ~
(Please include: adult names, children names/ages & home temple)

LHS: 1515 California Ave A, Wahiawa • Wahiawa Hongwanji: 1067 California Ave

Open Invitation to All...

5th Virtual State Dharma School Gathering

Featuring Bishop Toshiyuki Umitani

Sunday, October 15, 2023

10:00 a.m. to 12 noon

(8:45 - 9:45 am - DS Teachers/
Educators Session)



"Just
As You
Are"

- 8:45 - 9:45 am - DS Teachers/
Educators Session
- 10:00 - 10:30 am - Intergenerational
Service: Dharma Message by
Bishop Toshiyuki Umitani
- 10:30 - 11:30 am - Breakout Rooms:
DS & Adult Rooms
- 11:30 am - All return to Main Room:
DS Groups share creations
- 12:00 pm - End

RSVP Deadline:
October 1, 2023

Click on the link
to register:
<https://forms.gio/ztEt3apBwvz02w>

Questions?
Please
Contact:
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Gathering Zoom Link
will be emailed to
participants by Friday,
October 13.

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October Memorials

Those who have passed during the month.

Thomas Akamine	Jesse Nomura
Utako Ando	Haruji Ogata
Ichio Hirata	Marion Oka
Atsuko Iguchi	Makiyo Okino
Hachiro Imamura	Tomiko Oshiro
Pamela Ishikawa	Jane Saito
Satoru Kai	Edwin Shima
Sayoko Kuwata	Hisayoshi Tachibana
Makiya Makino	Sueko Takenaka
Kusuo Matsumoto	Phyllis Tanaka
Tadao Matsuzaki	Jean Tashima
Stanley Mikami	Tasuke Terao
James Miyamoto	Jiuu Wakumoto
Yukiyo Miyamoto	Shuji Watanabe
Kiku Nakashima	Dan Yamamoto

Please call the minister at (808) 625-0925 and/or email dharmaconnection@gmail.com if there are corrections or additions to the published list. Families may call the minister to schedule special family memorial services for their loved ones. For 2023, special memorial years are observed for loved ones who passed away in:

2022 1st Year	2011 13th Year	1991 33rd year
2021 3rd Year	2007 17th Year	1974 50th year
2017 7th Year	1999 25th year	



Mark your Calendar

Keirokai 2023
Sunday, November 5th

The Keirokai Recognition Program will be held on Sunday, November 5, 2023, where we celebrate, honor, and show our gratitude to our Keirosha honorees and past recipients! Light lunch to follow.



FYI...



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Adult Day Center at Mililani Hongwanji

Aloha! We would like to let everyone know that we are accepting applications for Adult Day Center enrollment. Do you know anyone caring for a loved one that needs respite or help caring for their loved one throughout the day? We are welcoming new clients in our **air conditioned** facility.

For any interested new applicants, we are offering tuition assistance. Please contact our ADC Director Trece Scott for more information at (808) 561-2147. We are OPEN 5 Days a week Monday thru Fridays from 8am-5pm, and early drop off can be arranged beginning at 7am.

Memorial Services

Mililani Hongwanji conducts memorial services in honor of those who have passed away. The Shotsuki Memorial Service is a general memorial service which are held monthly to remember members and friends who passed away during the month in which the memorial service is held. These services are held primarily for those individuals that do not fall in the yearly service interval cycle.

Nenki Hoyo Memorial Services are memorial services which are held separate from the monthly memorial services in yearly intervals. These separate private services can be held before, on or after the memorial dates. It is a personal opportunity to gather as a family to encounter and listen to the Buddha Dharma and remember your family members and friends who have passed on and through these services, we are able to reflect on all that we have received from them in our daily lives. It also gives families the opportunity to reconnect with members they otherwise would not see during the course of the year.

Monthly Joint Memorial Service

Mililani Hongwanji's monthly joint memorial service is on the **SECOND Sunday** of each month. Mililani Hongwanji will continue to publish the names of the members and friends that will be honored in the monthly memorial services.

For families attending the joint memorial service, please sign in on the memorial service tablet on the counter, which will be made available every Sunday leading up the service.

For those who wish to add or remove family members or friends from the published list, please let Rev. Fujimoto know as soon as possible to ensure proper action.

Minister's Private Visitation

Are you unable to come to the temple? Please call Rev. David Fujimoto at 808.625.0925 to request a private visit. The minister would love to reach out to you and be the bridge between you, the temple and the sangha!



Mahalo for your DANA

(August 16, 2023 to September 14, 2023)

General Donation(Bon Dance)

Anonymous		Earline Kihara	
Anonymous		Jeffrey Kimoto	
Anonymous		Ann Kinningham	IMO Harumi Nakamura
Christine Sato & Richard Lightner		Toshio Kishi	
Susan Asato & Ryan Takakawa		Wayne & Roberta Kishinami	
Harriet Abe		Kenneth Y. & Joan Y. Kitagawa	
Dorothy Abe		Stephen & Susan Koito	
Trudy Akamine		David Koizumi	
Richard & Ethel Anbe		Corri Lee & Seann Kojima	IMO Paul Tanaka
June Asato	IMO Yeihan & Tsuruko Asato	Charles & Shirley Kon	
June Asato	IMO Bob Asato	Alan Kubota	
Clifford & Lorna Ching		Stanley & Sharon Kuboyama	
Elaine Chun		Joseph Kuroda	
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Claire Doi		Krysta Lei	
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Wendi Fujino		Bishop Eric & Tamayo Matsumoto	
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Francis & Ruth Fukumoto	IMO David Fukumoto	Baldwin & Sally Miyake	
Luana Fukutomi		Karl Miyashiro	
Alvin & Melody Fukuyama		Morris Moribe	
Charlyn Goto		Susan Morishige	
Joyce Gushiken		John & Terry Nagasawa	
Warren & Nora Hahn	IMO Ralph Yasunaga	Blaine & Jennifer Nakamura	
Judith Hamada		Gayle & Carl Nakamura	
Allan & Helen Hasegawa		L Nakata	
Nicholle & Lynne Hasegawa	IMO Paul Tanaka	Earl & Amy Nishimoto	
Theodine Hirai		Lawrence & Joyce Nishioka	
Debra Hiyakumoto	IMO Larry Hiyakumoto	Myra Nohara	
Debra Hiyakumoto		Karen Oda	
Yasuko Honda Family		June Ogawa	
Parker Honda-Endow		Lester & Joyce Ogawa	
George Horibata		Keegan Ohta	
Lenora Inoue		Raimi & Harris Okazaki	From Havi
Calvin & Kay Ishii		Raimi & Harris Okazaki	From Raylie
John K. & Ann Y.M. Ishikawa		Beatrice Okino	
Randall & Jan Iwase		Patrick & Susan Oshiro	
George & Sarah Kadoyama		Dennis & Michele Oshita	
Lloyd & Caroline Kajiware		Carol Saito	IMO Edwin Saito
Sharon Kaneko		Dean & Doreen Sakamoto	
Dorothy Kaneshiro		Stanley & Carol Sasaki	
Mamoru & Ethel Kawahara		Aileen Sato	
Dennis & Carrie Kawamoto		Marcos Sawada	
Andrew Keliikoa		Mia Sen	
Charlene Kihara		Charles & June Shimata	
		Dale Shimauro	

Donations made thru FOODLAND's Give Aloha Program, register receipts should be turned in to Treasurer.

Mahalo for your DANA

(August 16, 2023 to September 14, 2023)

Steven & Sadako Shintaku
Winifred Singeo
Norman & LaVerne Tada
Richard & Gail Taira
Jason & Mona Takara
Dr. & Mrs. Warren Tamamoto
Tyler & Kristi Tamashiro
Annie Tanaka
Gay M. Tanaka
Nancy Tanaka
Hiroyoshi & Satoko Terao
Dexter Teruya
Clifford Togo
Yasuhiro & Diane Tokuda
Ivan & Fay Toyama
Carolyn Uchiyama
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Ethel Yamashige
Grace Yamashiro
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Carl & Sandra Yanagi
Miles & Sandra Yasui
Ralph & Janice Yasunaga
Reid & Cheryl Yasunaga
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IMO Jocelyn Tokuda

IMO Glenn Yutaka Toyama

IMO Jocelyn Tokuda, Itsuyo Kaneshiro, Jean Sanehira

IMO Ralph Yasunaga

Joint Memorial Service

Christine Sato & Richard Lightner
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Sharon Kaneko
Beatrice Okino
Dennis & Michele Oshita
Charles & June Shimata
Margaret Tanabe
Margaret Tanabe
Margaret Tanabe
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IMO Kataro Sako & Tadayoshi Sako

IMO Norman Okino

IMO Ernest Tanaka

IMO Charles Hamasaki

IMO Fusayo Tanabe

IMO Richard & Hisaye Nomura

IMO Takino Nomura

IMO Ernest Tanaka

Memorial Service

Corrine Arakaki

IMO Melvin Arakaki



*If you haven't submitted your
pledge letter or paid your Gojikai
Dues for 2023, please do so.
In Gassho*



Photo Gallery





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NEWSLETTER

October 2023

Calendar

Oct 19 (Thu) 9:00 am Before service clean-up
22 (Sun) 11:00 am Higan-e Service

President's Message

Aloha. Everybody has heard the term, "It's hard to believe". Well the "perfect storm" has happened to Lahaina, Maui that made it "hard to believe". From the pictures, I thought I was touring the Hiroshima Peace Museum in May, again. I HOPE the best for Lahaina. And I HOPE to do what little I can. This is another showing that things are impermanent. There will be a lifetime of finger-pointing. And probably a lifetime of rebuilding. Which side will you choose? Have a good everyday, everybody.

In Gassho

Craig T. Tsutsumi

Hawaii State Federation of State Lay Associations

The 60th Annual State Lay Convention was held in-person and on Zoom at Kona Hongwanji on September 15-16. A resolution to reorganize the State Lay Association was passed to reconfigure the organization to better support the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii and effectively support activities that will address individual temple needs. The Lay Association is working hard to help temples thrive and to be more engaged with the community.

We are always looking for volunteers ~ please consider coming out to help spread the Dharma.

Cane Tassels, Work Whistles, and Labor Day Carnivals

The books have arrived ~ put in your orders now before they sell out. Donation of \$20 will be accepted. Proceeds will go to repair and maintenance fund for our temple.

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Mahalo for your Donations

General

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