

# SANGHA

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RB'S CORNER  
REV. BOB OSHITA

Hello and welcome to the month of August! Last month our Betsuin hosted the 8th annual BCA/YAC Youth Retreat. We had 16 young participants from 12 different BCA temples attending this year. For one whole week, they lived, learned, ate and slept on our temple grounds. The week started with them being virtually strangers to one another. When the retreat concluded, they were a Dharma Family. They spent their last evening together enjoying our Obon Odori... and on Obon Sunday, we had a special Graduation/Kieshiki Ceremony with Bishop Umezu.

Two years ago, a youth advisor came from Hawaii to observe our retreat. It seems Hawaii had heard about this event and hoped to duplicate this experience over there. At the end of the week, we asked her what she thought of the retreat. She said, "It's amazing... but we could never duplicate this in Hawaii." When we asked why, she said, "There is no group of support volunteers, no one facility and no staff of teachers that could run a retreat as you are able to do here." Although this is certainly debatable, I do know that we have something very special here at the Sacramento Betsuin.

And on Obon Sunday, July 15, we successfully completed our eighth involvement with hosting this BCA/YAC Youth Retreat. I know I speak for all the participants in thanking the Betsuin for their complete and total support of this program. There is no doubt that we are nurturing great future leaders for our BCA temples... and the impact of these programs will be significantly felt in the years to come.

One other special Obon highlight we'd like to share with our sangha, was the official BCA certification of Keith Kato as a Betsuin minister's assistant. Keith has long been active with our Betsuin. He has served as both ABA president and also president of our Betsuin Board of Trustees. He has been taking the Hongwanji Correspondence  
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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**  
 GORDON L. NITTA

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**ATTENTION BAKERS & PASTRY CHEFS!**  
**PASTRY BOOTH DONATIONS**

Course and attending our study classes... and we are pleased and proud to welcome him now as a part of our ministerial team. Thank you, Keith!

We look back on an event-filled July... and we look forward to an activity-filled August! On the weekend of August 11-12, 2012, we will have our 66th Annual Betsuin Bazaar! We look forward to seeing everyone during the weeks of preparation before... and once again I have a special request from our Reiko Kurahara: **Please come out on the Monday after Bazaar to help with Bazaar Clean-Up!** The more people we have, the quicker we finish... and Reiko & Gladys and the Crew will again be providing us with delicious meals! Thank you in advance for your continuing help. It is our members who have made our Sacramento Betsuin the Best Temple in BCA!

Gratefully... RB

**J**uly and August are our busiest but most enjoyable months for our sangha members and sangha friends. July activities were kick-started by the 8th BCA Youth Advocacy Retreat held at our temple. Sixteen youth — four boys and 12 girls — from Washington, Oregon, Arizona and California (Northern, Southern, Central and Bay) attended the retreat. All had an amazing time at the youth minister week-long camp, July 9 through July 15. Many of their parents traveled to Sacramento to attend their graduation ceremony on Sunday, July 15 following our Obon-Hatsubon Service.

Our Obon Dance was held on Saturday, July 14. Each year it seems that more people participate in the Obon Dance. The festivities progressed very smoothly. Our Obon's signature tent and strings of chochins (lanterns) were up as usual. The tent and chochins highlight the atmosphere surrounding the dances. Those of you who were around the temple in the month, weeks and even days leading up to Obon night may have thought we would have a different look this year — no tent and possibly no lights.

This year we had concerns about the stability of our wooden tent supports. After many years, the wooden supports had shown signs of weakening from the sun and rain. A strong wind could have possibly brought down part or all of the tent system. Three of our sangha members came to the rescue.

Steve Hamamoto, Allan Hoshida and Marty Sakata teamed up to evaluate and make necessary changes to ensure the safety of all. Steve put in hundreds of hours evaluating and planning for the changes. Allan coordinated city and fire department inspections and permits with Steve's and Marty's plans and work. Marty brought in his company, KW Construction, to complete the project on time and cut costs as much as he could to finish the project below the anticipated cost.

Thank you, Steve and Allan, for volunteering the hundreds of hours of your professional time and thank you, Marty, for keeping the costs down and the project on time. The three were given a small window in which to get the project finished so that we would enjoy the tent for Obon and Bazaar and came through.

This month, August — to be more specific, the second weekend of August — is our Annual Bazaar. The Bazaar is our single most important fundraiser of the year. The net proceeds from the Bazaar fund the temple's operating budget for the year.

Our sangha and sangha friends enjoy both Obon and Bazaar because of all the behind-the-scenes work that all of you do for the church. The intense preparation is the thing the public doesn't see, but without it, the events would not be so successful.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I thank all of you for all your hours of volunteer work at the church.

**T**he Betsuin would welcome your creations for the pastry booths at the Bazaar. We are asking for pastries that do NOT require any refrigeration. The pastry booth is a popular stop for Bazaar patrons who want a taste of something sweet to finish off their Bazaar meal.

Please deliver your pastry donations to the indoor pastry booth in the kaikan. Thank you!

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KASHIWADA



**MINISTER  
ASSISTANTS**  
SENSEI KELVIN  
MARK

The July SBWA Board Meeting was held on Thursday, July 5, 2012, with President Midori Ito presiding.

#### **BCA/BETSUIN UPDATE - RINBAN BOB OSHITA**

- The Sacramento Betsuin held its 8th Annual YAC Youth Retreat from July 9 to July 15. Representing the Sacramento Betsuin were Royce Kurahara and NaOmi Furukawa.
- On July 15, Keith Kato was certified as a minister's assistant.
- Reverend Kaz Nakata was transferred from the Ekoji Temple in Virginia to the Los Angeles Betsuin effective July 1.

#### **DONATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

Thank you to the following for their donations to the BWA:

Frederick Kochi .....	Donation/Appreciation .....	\$100
(Frederick served as the docent for the Wakamatsu trip taken by the SBWA ladies and he returned our orei.)		
Hanaye Menda .....	In Memory of Frank Menda .....	\$100
Heidi Sakazaki .....	In Appreciation .....	\$100
Mariko Nakagawa .....	Appreciation for Wakamatsu Trip .....	\$30
(for Ann & Robert Nakagawa)		

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2012**

- **BWA's Bazaar Craft Booth:** Shirley Kato expressed her thanks to the following for their donations to the craft booth: We had a record number of participants for the June craft class! Thank you to Joanne Nishimura for teaching the group, and to all the ladies who came out to help make the beautiful crocheted necklaces! Thank you also to the following for their contributions: Sherry Fujii and Jean Kashiwada for the fans they decorated; Loleen Nakano, Meriko Hoshida, Sueko Yamashita and Tessie Goi for the beautifully embroidered dishtowels; Misa Oshiro for her creative "lucky wish" cranes; Judy Inaba for the decorated gift bags; Jane Komure for making more than a hundred ribbon fish; Meriko Ishigaki for the yarn donation; Sally Hamatake for sewing the rice sack aprons and bags; Mary Noda for her generous donation of various items; and Kiyo Tanaka for the great tissue holders! Shirley also thanked Kathy Tanaka Henry for leading the class that made the memory boards that were shown at the July meeting. Thank you to all who attended the classes and/or donated crafts that you made on your own this past year. It is all very much appreciated!

Thank you to Pam Shintaku for leading the July 20 class in making kimono paper artwork and heart-shaped picture frames.

- **Bazaar BWA - Sushi Making:** Lynn Kurahara and Irene Takeda encourage all BWA ladies, their families and friends to come out and help with the sushi preparation. Listed below are the days and times we need help:  
 Friday, August 10: 8 a.m.      Gu preparation  
 Saturday, August 11: 2 a.m.      Sushi making  
 Sunday, August 12: 2 a.m.      Sushi making  
 Those of you who are helping with the spam musubi, please bring your spam musubi mold that holds 2 slices of spam.

If you need a ride at 2 .a.m., please contact Lynn Kurahara at 392-3022. She will try to arrange transportation to pick you up and bring you to the church.

The next BWA Board meeting will be on Wednesday, September 5. Look forward to seeing you at the Bazaar preparation days and the Bazaar weekend!

A Buddhist teacher once asked his scholarly pupil: "Which is more valuable, a pound of gold or a pile of dirt?" Bemused, the pupil, quizzically looked up at his teacher, and quickly answered: "Shifu (Sensei), surely, the pound of gold is more valuable." Shifu looked at his pupil and responded in meditative measure: "Ahh perhaps... but a pound of gold is worthless to the *seed*."

Bishop Kodo Umezu traveled to Sacramento in order to conduct the Minister Assistant certification ceremony for Team Betsuin's newest "go to" sensei and bench mobster, Keith Kato. In ceremonially shaving Sensei K's head, Bishop Umezu welcomed Sensei Keith into the Shakya clan, reaffirming a lifelong dedication to sharing the Buddha dharma, to meeting the spiritual needs of our temple, and to the continued advancement of our sangha community at large. As a past temple president and ABA president, you may remember that Sensei was key in coordinating the expansion and improvement of our temple grounds. We are so grateful for his efforts, for the support of his wife, Shirley, and so very appreciative of his drive to share the Dharma.

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**MINISTER ASSISTANT**  
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Echoing amidst the strength and power of the *miya-daiko* and drum dance finale, Rinban Bob, Assistant Ministers Peter and Patti, Ministers Tim and Carol, Senseis Grace, Koichi, Kelvin and Keith could loudly cheer: "... another record breaker! Another successful Obon Odori and YAC retreat (the 8th-finity) is in the books!"

Together, we mark the completion of eight visionary Youth Advocacy Council retreats and the certification of over 100 youth minister assistants. Please give a shout out to our newest Sacramento Betsuin YAC graduates, NaOmi Furukawa and Royce Kurahara, who are living proof that enlightenment is a wondrous journey... cheers for enjoying the ride.

Please take note and know that each hand-sewn YAC/YMA robe, courtesy of Rachel Nagai and her talented team of sewing volunteers, was well deserved, is personally treasured, and is deeply appreciated by our newest 16 youth leaders.

Round-the-clock support provided by Reiko, Gladys and Crew, volunteers Susan Bottari, Charlene Grinolds, Keith Sawada and Jim Shimomaye, Team Betsuin, and our entire temple staff, has again delivered a full week of oneness, immersing 16 high school-aged young dharma seekers, from all across our BCA, in conducting proper *onaijin* (altar) and service etiquette, in the exploration of personal and spiritual challenge, and in guiding the way of Pure Land Buddhism in America. Each participant reached deep within themselves and outside of their comfort zones to learn how to prepare the altar, how to properly chant, to ring the *kansho* bell, to chair service, and to give *howa* (a dharma talk) from the heart.

Considering their few hours of sleep, our participants and staff truly lived fully and in the moment of 24/7. How wonderfully amazing to share in their youthful humor, to draw from their energies, and to revel in their abilities to learn and to see things just as they are.

To be sure, the Youth Advocacy Retreat just past is much more than Dharma Boot Camp for young Buddhists. The YAC represents the caring, the kindness, and the **dharma seed**, of Shin Buddhist leadership in America. Put another way, the YAC represents the oneness and the **seed** of DBFL — Dharma Buddies for Life — which will continue to grow and flourish in ways both boundless and immeasurable.

In Gassho,  
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**F**irst of all, a big thank you to everyone who showed up on July 7 to help with the tent setup a mere week before Odori! We had a big contingent of Scouts who were invaluable in making this perhaps the fastest setup in Betsuin history!

Now on to the Bazaar. With Bazaar construction already kicked off with equipment pullout on Friday, July 20, followed by construction weekend, we are well on our way to getting the infrastructure built for the 66th Annual Bazaar.

The next significant event is **food prep** on Thursday and Friday, August 9 and 10.

The TEMPURA BOOTH is requesting volunteers to help with veggie prep, starting at 11 a.m. on Thursday and Friday. Please come out if you are at all able to take the time off!

Note: For ALL volunteers, e.g., beef skewering, etc., who will be working into the evening on Thursday and Friday, we are asking for your help in bringing a dish to share for the potluck meal on both Thursday and Friday. This meal will no longer be actively managed by Reiko and Gladys, so your participation by donation is greatly appreciated!

Finally, SBWA (Fujinkai) is ALWAYS looking for new volunteers for the early mornings of Saturday and Sunday to help make their sushi products for the day. No prior experience needed! Please come out any time after 2 a.m. — yes, that's 2 a.m., in the kaikan and learn new skills!

Thanks in advance for your invaluable help with Bazaar!

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**BAZAAR NEWS**  
SHERMAN IIDA  
2012 BAZAAR  
CHAIRMAN


Please be aware that articles for the SANGHA are **due** on the **15th of each month**. Late articles will be published in the following month's issue.

When sending articles by e-mail, please send e-mail to: **vibrocount@lanset.com** with a cc to: **betsuinoffice@gmail.com** and inform the church office at 446-0121. Please include the author's name. Thank you.

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**R**egistration and orientation for the fall semester is on Monday, August 20, at 6 p.m., first come, first served.

Our classes are designed for busy people like you: once a week, small class size (8 to 15 students per class), and different types and levels of classes. Beginner Level 1 requires no knowledge of Japanese. Intermediate and Refresher courses are for those who have learned some and want to improve or maintain the proficiency level. We also have a Continuing Kanji class.

Fall Semester is from September 10, 2012 to January 28, 2013.

Tuition for our church members is \$148 per semester class, 20% discount of \$185 for others. Registration fee for a new student is \$10. Please check the Sakura Gakuen Adult Class website, or contact Masako Thomas at [thomas@sakuragakuen.org](mailto:thomas@sakuragakuen.org)

**T**he end of the Dharma School year was the service and picnic in the park! What a fun way to end the year! There were also a lot of awards presented! Here is a summary of some of them:

**Perfect attendance awards** were given to 34 students:

Jamie Adachi, 8th	Lindsey Miyao, 5th	Melissa Otow, 6th
Amanda Borges, 8th	Carson Nakao, 2nd	Jacie Shimosaka, N
Jasen Fong, 12th	Jason Nguyen, 4th	Jordan Shimosaka, 1st
Mari Gellerman, N	Tristan Nguyen, K	Allison Tamai, 12th
Raven Gellerman, 2nd	Andrew Nishikawa, 1st	Allison Tanaka, 6th
Holly Ham, 7th	Andrew Nishikawa, 6th	Steven Tanaka, 9th
Tyler Ham, K	Annika Ohta, 8th	Chad Wong, 6th
Drew Ikemoto, 6th	Gillian Ohta, 10th	Kyle Wong, 2nd
Miya Ikemoto, 2nd	Russell Okino, 11th.	Kristine Yabumoto, 8th
Blake Kochi, N	Mason Oto, 3rd	Lindsey Yep, 5th
Derek Kochi, K	Morgan Oto, 5th	
Geoffrey Miyao, 3rd	Thomas Oto, 6th	

High school seniors Jasen Fong and Ryan Ito were this year's 5th grade teachers and received **special recognition certificates** and thanks from the Dharma School for their outstanding service!

Eleven graduating high school seniors received the Betsuin's **Dharma Education Award** certificate from Board of Trustees President Gordon Nitta and President-Elect Robbie Midzuno. There is a \$500 monetary portion to be applied to educational expenses that can be claimed later. This award required a separate application and interview process late in the spring. This award recognized service and participation in Dharma School as well as other sponsored Betsuin organizations and activities, and was open to all graduating high school seniors. This year's recipients were: Kate Ely, Kyle Fong, NaOmi Furukawa, Joshua Honda, Ryan Ito, Royce Kurahara, Emma Maron, Marissa Siu, Allison Tamai, Lindsey Wong, and Michael Wong.

Many thanks go out to Valerie Fong for coordinating this year's games and prizes with the help of Carol Tamai, and the many Lower Division TAs! The races looked like fun. Janet Oto and Carol Tamai worked hard to make sure that the certificates and awards were correct... a big job in our large Dharma School program. Of course, the Dharma School picnic service wouldn't be anything without the FOOD! Thanks to the Dharma School Courtyard Kitchen Crew for all their hard work! Again these dedicated "elders" were up and out before most of us even opened our eyes for the day.

Summer is here, and that means Obon and Bazaar season is upon us! In case you didn't know it, the season is filled with events throughout the Northern California district and BCA-wide as well. As many of you will help out at other temples this summer, don't forget about our events!

**DHARMA SCHOOL BUSSING ASSIGNMENTS**

If you have not scheduled yourselves to help with our Bazaar, remember that Dharma School is responsible for bussing (cleaning) the outdoor eating areas from 11:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday August 10 and 11! Each class has a time slot for coverage, but help is always appreciated at any time!

**STUDENTS:** If you were in 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th/10th, and In Search Of (11th/12th) grade classes last school year, please remember that you are requested to help with table bussing, with or without your parents. The schedules will be circulated again by your teachers if help is needed. But even if you did not get a phone call or e-mail, stop by the outdoor table bussing area to check on your shift assignments. Specifically, closing/clean up 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Saturday is 8th grade, and Sunday's shift is 9th-12th grade!

## DHARMA SCHOOL NEWS

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### WANTED: DHARMA SCHOOL TEACHERS AND TAs

Thinking about helping out your Dharma School program? We still have plenty of needs for part-time teachers and teaching assistants. Teachers are needed for 4th, 5th, 8th and In Search Of classes. As I have mentioned before, we are moving toward more team teaching at all levels, and that allows much more flexible scheduling, allowing teachers to fulfill other commitments on some Sundays.

Due to our relative teacher shortage for some grade levels, there will probably be more need for parent fill-in for class discussions and projects. So parents, be aware that there may be some added requests for participation at various times of the year.

Interested? Please contact me or Valerie Fong about this interesting and fulfilling way to give back to the Betsuin!

High school students who completed the 8th grade class are eligible to be Teacher Assistants (if a high school student did not complete the 8th grade class, exceptions can be made with some work). TAs are expected to attend almost all Sundays. Requests for specific grades are taken into account when assignments are made, but assignments are also made to fulfill needs throughout the Dharma School. Students interested in being a TA must submit a letter or e-mail letter to me or Valerie Fong before the Dharma School term begins.

The new Dharma School term begins after Labor Day! As last year, we will have open registration in the kaikan.

## DONATIONS

Dharma School "courtyard" gratefully acknowledges donations from the following:

5th Grade Class	Amiko & George Kashiwagi	Eleanor Nobuye
Brandon Dishno	Kaye Kato	Mary Orite
Carol Fukumoto	Tom & Carol Kudow	Ray Orite
Ken Furukawa	Frank Menda Family	Fusako Takahashi
Ruth Hayashi	Barbara Nakatomi	Venture Crew Club
Norma Ito	Aileen Nishio	John Yoshikawa

## BOY SCOUT TROOP 50

REID MASAKI



The month of June is the beginning of summer; everyone gets out of school and for the troop this is a busy month. The troop had many fun and eventful service projects, outings, meetings and activities planned.

To begin with, the troop helped out at the Walnut Grove Bazaar service pull-out on the 2nd. Scouts set up booths and helped to set up the tent tarp cover to the Bazaar.

The troop also had another service project to help at the Girl Scout Anniversary dinner at Sacramento Asian Sports Foundation on the 23rd. Scouts bussed tables, took out trash and helped set up for the event.

The troop had a meeting on the 9th where we went over gun safety for the troop's shooting event. Scouts learned how to safely and properly maintain and use firearms. The following day, on the 10th, the troop had a shooting event. It was a fun family event that all of the scouts enjoyed. Scouts were able to shoot targets with 22 caliber rifles.

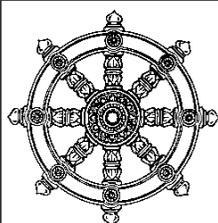
The troop had scheduled two camp outs this month as well, Yosemite and the Smurf Outing. The Yosemite outing occurs every two years and is a fun experience for everyone. It takes place from June 16 to June 20. In Yosemite, scouts were able to participate in hikes and other camping activities. The Smurf Outing is the first campout for incoming Boy Scouts and is very worthwhile for first-year scouts. Unfortunately, it was rescheduled for a later date.

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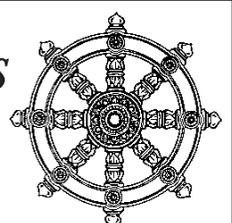
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*Welcome New Members*

*Michel Inaba  
Billy Manji*



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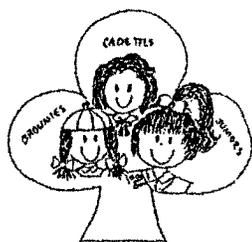
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**A**ny address changes? Have you paid your 2012 dues?

**A**s we bring in the month of August for this year, 2012, we must remind everyone that you should not ask not what August brings to you, but what you bring to August.

As everyone should know by now, for the past 66 years the most important event of and for the church is our annual Bazaar.

And with this year's Bazaar quickly approaching, here are some reminders of a few Bazaar requirements:

Thursday, August 9 – 6 p.m. Beef Skewering

Friday, August 10 – 6 p.m. Final Prep

Monday, August 13 – 7 a.m. Deconstruction and return church to normal operations

Please come out and help.

As we get prepared for the month of September, get ready for 2 extra credit days, bowling league registration, basketball registration, mochi-tsuki signups, and Dharma School registration, just to name a few.

We'll talk more about September at a later date, but for now we'll see you out there for all the Bazaar activities.

Thank you for your help and assistance.

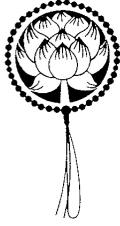
**T**his year Girl Scout Troop 569 had the honor of celebrating its **20th Anniversary**. Amazingly, in those 20 years, the troop has grown from one small group of girls led by **Patti Oshita** and **Judy Inaba** to a troop of over 200 girls. To mark this very special occasion, almost 300 current and former Girl Scouts, leaders and parents joined together for a celebratory dinner at the Sacramento Asian Sports Foundation on Saturday, June 23. Good food, congratulatory speeches, photo and video displays, a panel of some of our brightest former Girl Scouts, and a surprise Flash Mob by the current leaders was part of the entertainment for the evening.

A special thank you to panelists Joycelin Leong, Elise Wong and Nikki Muranaka, Grand Master MC Jason Campbell, the leaders (and RB and RP) who took themselves out of their comfort zone and participated in the crazy idea of a flash mob, the parents and leaders who helped with the decorations and set-up, and to the committee who spent well over a year making this event possible. The biggest thank yous go out to Boy Scout Troop 50 for assisting during the entire event with set-up, food prep, serving, and clean-up, to the Girl Scouts, leaders, and families who took time out of their busy schedules to attend the event, and most of all to Patti, Judy and the Betsuin for starting the troop in the first place.

Brownies 1 celebrated their end-of-year party at Golfland Sunsplash. The girls enjoyed an afternoon of golfing, laser tag, arcade games, and pizza. Brownies 1 also attended the Camp Menzies, Beads, Jewels, and Rhinestones camp and earned the Jeweler badge. They enjoyed making jewelry, horseback riding, archery, swimming, cooking, and sleeping in the meadow. Brownies 1 is looking forward to becoming Juniors and they are very excited Janet Kawamoto is going to co-lead the troop this upcoming year!

Girl Scouts from Troop 569 participated in earning their 2012 Obon patch. The Girl Scout must attend an Obon workshop and also participate in the Obon Festival to receive the patch. We would like to gratefully acknowledge Obon workshop instructors Sandy Kataoka Fong, Kathi Omoto, Ashley Wong and Donna Wong. We would also like to thank Reverend Tim Castle for the interesting and meaningful Obon lecture.

Girl Scout Troop 569 sold mouthwatering cold somen, scrumptious spam musubi, delectable homemade mochi, and refreshing mango drinks during the Obon Festival. A big thank you to Judy Inaba for coordinating this effort. Judy coordinates this fundraiser for the troop every year and we appreciate all of her time and generosity. Thank you, also to the parent volunteers who helped make this fundraiser a success!



*Condolences to  
the Families of:*



*Harry Kawakami ..... April 8, 1925 – April 28, 2012*  
*Sunao Imai ..... April 27, 1950 – May 6, 2012*  
*Masaru Ohara ..... November 14, 1937 – May 29, 2012*  
*Frank Yutaka Menda ..... August 10, 1922 – May 29, 2012*  
*Tokuko Ida ..... August 16, 1914-- June 5, 2012*  
*Mitsuji "Swiss" Hironaka ..... December 30, 1914-- June 8, 2012*  
*Eiko Yokota ..... February 4, 1924 – June 11, 2012*

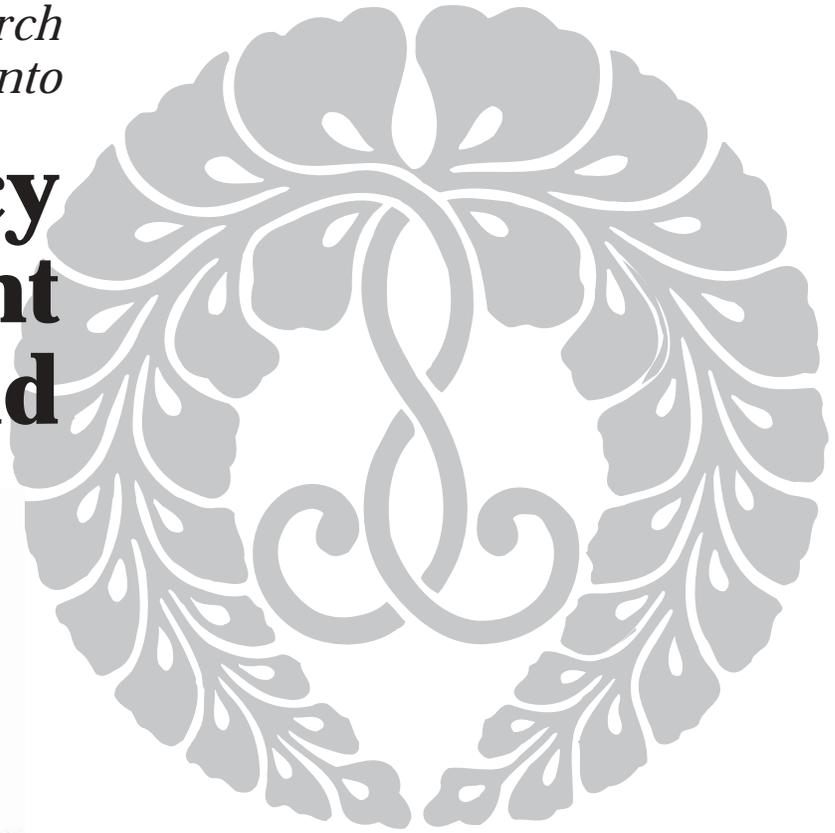
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