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JULY/AUGUST 2018




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TORONTO BUDDHIST CHURCH *a Jodo Shinshu Temple*

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JULY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
PLEASE NOTE: Events marked with an asterisk * are PRIVATE and are not open to the general public Thank You						
1  HAPPY CANADA DAY <u>CHURCH CLOSED</u> OBON Service in Montreal	2 CHURCH CLOSED	3 8:00 pm Bon Odori	4 7:00 pm Isshin	5	6 8:00 pm Bon Odori 8:00 pm Buyo	7
8 Monthly Memorial (Shotsuki) Service 11:00 am English Service 12:30 pm *Sangha Exec Bd Mtg (Eko)	9 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	10 8:00 pm Bon Odori	11 7:00 pm Isshin	12 10:30 am *Japanese Garden Club Mtg 8:00 pm Bon Odori	13 8:00 pm Buyo	14 Cemetery Visitations 3:30-7:00 pm Natsumatsuri 7:00 pm Bon Odori at JCCC
15 OBON SERVICES 9:00 am HATSUBON Families Service 11:00 am Obon Service (E) 2:00 pm Obon Service (J) Guest Speaker: Rev. Kazunori Takahashi Hawaii	16 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	17	18 7:00 pm Isshin	19	20 8:00 pm Buyo	21 11:00 am * Family Memorial Service
22 SUMMER SERVICE 11:00 am Service OBON Service in Hamilton	23 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	24	25 7:00 pm Isshin	26	27 8:00 pm Buyo	28
29 SUMMER SERVICE 9:30 am * CCOV Mtng 11:00 am Service 12:30 pm * Shin Fujinkai Mtg 1:00 pm * Family Memorial	30 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	31				
<div>KID'S CAMP AT LUMBINI JULY 29 - AUGUST 4</div>						

Morning Chanting is held on Monday, Thursday and Friday from 10:00 am—10:30 am when a Minister is available. Due to emergencies, last minute cancellations may occur.

Thank you !

AUGUST 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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			1 7:00 pm Isshin	2	3	4 2:00 pm * Family Memorial Srv
			Kid's Camp at Lumbini			
5 MONTHLY MEMORIAL SERVICE 11:00 am Service	6 Civic Day CHURCH CLOSED	7	8 7:00 pm Isshin	9	10	11
	Rev. Ouchi will attend BCA Fuku in USA representing JSBTC					
12 SUMMER SERVICE 9:15 am * Management Committee Mtng 11:00 am Summer Service 12:30 pm * Board Mtng	13 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	14	15 7:00 pm Isshin	16	17	18 10:00 am Mindful Meditation Workshop
19 SUMMER SERVICE 11:00 am Summer Service	20 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	21	22 7:00 pm Isshin	23	24	25 10:00 am * TBC Buyo Workshop (SH) 11:00 am * Family Memorial Service
26 SUMMER SERVICE 11:00 am Summer Service	27 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	28	29 7:00 pm Isshin	30	31	
				EBL Convention in TORONTO August 31st— Sept 2nd		

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**DHARMA TALK BY REV GRANT IKUTA OF
STEVESTON BUDDHIST TEMPLE
(former Resident Minister of the Toronto Buddhist Church)**



Visiting Mrs. P.

As I sit in front of my computer typing this message, I am swamped with the feeling that I have too many things to do. As many of you know, over the course of the past couple of months we've had a number of our members pass away. Since the beginning of March there have been eight funeral services. With all the services involved with each funeral, people have been saying to me "Sensei, we've been seeing too much of you lately". I know their comments are in jest, but I think we are all getting tired of meeting under such unfortunate circumstances.

Along with the many funeral services, there is always the ongoing operation of the temple. With such a busy schedule, I notice that I am doing more and more complaining about how busy I am. The more I complain, the more I realize my body feels tense and tired.

It was during such a time that I received a phone call from my Uncle Mak. He told me that a certain individual, Mrs. P, who lives at the Maples residence and regularly attends our monthly service there, had fallen and been hospitalized with a fractured hip. I told him I was sorry to hear that and I would try to go and visit her. So, when my uncle called back several days later to ask how she was doing, I felt really bad in telling him that I hadn't gone yet to visit her. He said something to the nature that she was probably going to be in there for awhile so there probably isn't that much of a hurry to go visit. Of course, you probably know how reverse psychology works, I felt really guilty and stopped what I was doing to go visit her. I needed to go to Staples anyway to buy some ink toner so I figured I'll pop by the hospital on my way. In truth, the ink toner was secondary, my guilt was getting the better of me. I was having mixed emotions, as a part of me was feeling guilty, but another part was feeling put out as I was thinking about all of the work I had left to do.

I arrived at the hospital thinking I will just make it a short visit and be on my way. I wasn't even sure how she would respond to an unannounced visit. When I entered the room, Mrs. P. was with her daughter. The moment Mrs. P. saw me, her eyes lit up and she beamed a big smile and said, "Reverend, you came to see me!!" From her expression it was obvious that she was genuinely happy to see me. Now I felt really guilty, how could I have been thinking about how busy I was when there is a person in the hospital who was so happy to see me. Mrs. P. reminded me of a very important lesson in compassion. Here I was, supposedly going to visit a person in the hospital to comfort them, but instead it was me who received such a warm feeling from the genuine joy that Mrs. P. expressed when she saw me. I was the one who was benefitting from the visit. Suddenly my feelings of being busy went out the window and the importance of being in the moment with person in front of me was all that mattered.

I know that I will still complain about how busy I am. After all as Shinran Shonin has stated, I am still a foolish being full of blind passions and I cannot help but complain (monku in Japanese). Yet it's the simple encounters in life that remind of the great compassion of the Buddha Dharma that makes me recite the Nembutsu out of gratitude.

Namo Amida Butsu...

In Gassho

Grant Ikuta

Hatsubon Memorial Listing

On Obon Sunday, July 15, the first service of the day at 9 am is for Hatsubon families.

All those who have lost a family member in the past year, attend Hatsubon (First Obon) memorial service to honour and respect their loved one.

Please find below the listing of names of individuals who will be remembered with a hanging Chochin (lantern) in the Hondo.

KASHINO, Mary	NAKABAYSHI, Hiroshi
SUYAMA, Kenji Larry	WENG, Chia Kean Weng
KODAMA, Isamu	NISHIJIMA, William Shigetada
OMOTO, Mr. Paul Kazuo	DOBSON, John Charles
WALSH, Teagan Carroll	KODAMA, June Fumiye
OOYA, Takuma	WAKISAKA, Sumiko
DOUCETTE, Nina	DMYTRYSHYN, Nick
HAYASHI, Toshio George	NAKAMURA, Joe Dick Ichizo
HIRASAWA, John Oliver	SEKO, Chiyo
KAMINO, Michael	HASHIMOTO, Fusae
TESHIMA, Rose Setsuko	HAYASHI, Toshiko
TSUBOUCHI, Lynne Reiko	YOSHIDA, Kikumi
SHIMODA, Yoshio Joe	BANDO, Haruko

OBITUARIES

The Toronto Buddhist Church wishes to extend its deepest condolences to the families, relatives and friends of the following individuals who have passed away during the past month.

Mrs. Haruko Bando

June 19, 2018

88 years



2018 SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE

After Obon has passed, the temple begins the summer, casual service schedule. From Sunday, July 22 through to September 2, the 11am service is informal.

The August Memorial (shotsuki) service will be held on Sunday, August 5th.

Our regular service schedule begins again on Rally Sunday which is also our September Memorial (shotsuki) service and Kid's Sangha. It all starts up on Sunday, September 9th.

Have a safe, wonderful summer.

Memorial (Shotsuki) Listing for the Month of August

Our monthly memorial services (shotsuki) are usually held on the first Sunday of each month (please check our Temple calendars to confirm the day of the monthly memorial service) to remember and honour those who have passed away in that month regardless of year.

Usually, mail reminders are sent out to the next of kin but due to changing circumstances we have not always been able to reach families and hope that by publishing the names of those who have passed, we can still reach and remind families and dear friends of the month of their loved ones honouring.

Below is our listing of our members and supporters who have passed away during the month of August. All are invited and welcome to attend.

AKAYE, Robert Hiroshi

AZUMA, Sano

BANDO, Mark

EBATA, Matsuko Betty

EGUCHI, Shizu

FUKUMORI, Hatsuno

FURUYA, Minoru

HAMAMOTO, Yoshio

HIDAKA, Kathy Ling Fai

HIKIDA, Kikue

IKEBATA, Masao

ITO, Akitaro

ITO, Peter Shizuma

KAKINOKI, John Masahiro

KITAMURA, Masaru

KONDO, Harry Shota

KUROYAMA, Sannosuke

MATSUYAMA, Hikohei

MIYAGAWA, GeorgeKiichiro

MORI, Shozo

MURATA, Hanae

NAKAMURA, Ginpachi

NAKATSU, Yoshiharu

NASU, Kaoru

NISHIMURA, Eitaro

OKAZAKI, Robert

SAITO, Fred Ichiro

SATO, Keiko

SHIKATANI, Ino

SHIMONO, Shiroemon

SHIRAISHI, Isamu

SUMIDA, Yoshinari

TAKASAKI, Matsue

TANAKA, Jinya

TANAKA, Nobby Nobuyoshi

TERASHITA, Allen Akitoshi

TSURUDA, Kikuye

WAKISAKA, Minoru Lefty

YAMAMOTO, Etsu

YOSHIKAWA, Hatsue

ANDREONE, Jo Anne Yasuko

BABA, Teijiro

BANDO, Sada

EBATA, Joe Ryota

FUJITA, Hikosaku

FUKUMOTO, Umechiyo

GYOTOKU, Unta

HARA, Kiyoji

HIGUCHI, Hisakichi

HORI, Yoshio

IMAI, Jiro

ITO, Lily

ITO, Zenya

KAWABATA, Masao

KOBAYASHI, Shigeno

KONDO, Kimiko

KUSHIDA, Takashi

MILLARD, Mayuko

MIYAUCHI, Shozo Bob

MOTOTSUNE, Marie Satsuko

NABETA, Matsuichi

NAKAGAWA, Miyoko

NARUSE, Kimi

NATSUHARA, Kichi

OHASHI, Ross Shozo

OMOTO, Sada

SAKAI, Nobuko Jean

SATO, Sadamu

SHIKATANI, Hisaya

SHIN, Yeda

SHOJI, Tsunehiro Tony

SUYAMA, Kenji Larry

TAKEDA, Kumasaburo

TANAKA, Mine

TANAKA, Tatsuya

TOKUYAMA, Fumie

TSUSHIMA, Ayako

WATANABE, Tsuneharu

YOKOTA, Kenji Bernie

YOSHIKAWA, Toshiko

ARIZA, Darrell Patrick

BABA, Teruko

CHIJIWA, Yoko

EBISUZAKI, Hide

FUJITA, Kii

FURUKAWA, Gentaro

HAKKAKU, Kiyo

HARA, Kimie

HOSAKI, George Kazuki

INOUE, Bruce Keigo

ITO, Mitsujiro

KAJI, Jiro

KISHIBE, Tokichi

KOBAYASHI, Tokujiro

KONDO, Shigeo

MATSUDA, Shizuka

MITSUKI, Yukio

MIZUYABU, Kenneth Mitsuo

MUKAI, Takeno

NAKABAYASHI, Hiroshi

NAKANISHI, Kenichiro

NATSUHARA, Kichi

NISHIMOTO, Harumi

OTAGURO, Sumiye

SAKURA, Hikotaro

SHIGA, Teruji Terry

SHIKATANI, Yohei

SHINMOTO, Hisayo

SHOJI, Genji Gene

TAKANO, Denji

TAKEHISA, Michiko

TANAKA, Mitsuo

TATEBE, Kazuo

TOYAMA, Akiko

URA, Taneshiro

WATARI, Gentaro

YONEMURA, Kaoru

Memorial (Shotsuki) Listing for the Month of *September*

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AMEMORI , Rinzo Jon	ASADA , Mitsuru	AYUKAWA , Robert Noboru	AZUMA , Ikichi
BABA , Hisaye	BABA , Tatsuo	EBATA , Genei	EBATA , Shio
EDAMURA , John Hideo	EJIMA , Hatsujiro	FUJII , Jean Misako	FUJII , Rinnosuke
FUJINO , Iwajiro	FUJINO , Shizue	FUKAKUSA , Mariko	FUJIOKA , Yonesaku
FUKUMA , Hirotsuke	FUKUSHIMA , Shizue Sue	GIGA , Fujiko	
HALLISCHUK , Joanne Yoshiko	HARADA , Chiyono	HATANAKA , Sueko	HAYASHI , Doreen Akemi
HAYASHI , Gibson	HAYASHI , Sute	HIGA , Matsu	HIKIDA , Tsunekichi
HONKAWA , Kyuhachi	HUANG , Chan Nuan Po	ICHII , Miyo	ICHII , Seinojo
ICHII , Tokumatsu	IGARASHI , Toyono	IKEBATA , Natsue	INAMOTO , Allan Yukio
INAMOTO , William Akira	INAMOTO , Yoshi	INAMOTO , Kishi	ISHIDA , Yoshiro
ITO , Suga	IWASAKI , Suye	IWASHITA , Motaro	KAIURA , Hideo
KAMADA , Masu	KATO , Katsujiro	KAWAMOTO , Chujiro	KIKUCHI , Kamematsu-
KISHIMOTO , Yo	KISHIMOTO , Seikichi	KIYONAGA , Chiyoko May	KIYONAGA , Don Kitaji
NAGA , Kiheiji	KOBAYASHI , Kenichiro	KOBAYASHI , Kiyoshi	KODAMA , Isamu
KOKURA , Mitsu	KONDO , Yuki	KONISHI , Helen Haruye	KOSHIDA , Thomas Yoichi
KOYAMA , Katsuko	KUMABE , Masayuki	KURAHASHI , Satoru Sam	KUROYAMA , Iwa
KUSHIDA , Imaji	KUSHIDA , Shirley Sachiko	LEBA , Thanh	MA , Junko
MAEHARA , Mutsuko	MAEHARA , Jiro	MAEKAWA , Iwajiro	MASUDA , Suyekichi
MATSUBA , Kenneth Brian Yukio	MATSUOKA , Haruno	MITSUHASHI , Shigejiro	MITSUKI , Shige
MIYASAKI , Nobu	MORIMOTO , Ikunosuke	MORIMOTO , Takeo	MORISHITA , Kamekichi-
MURAKAMI , Itoku	MURANAKA , Kenneth Kenichi	MURATA , Matsutaro	NAKAGAWA , Katsujiro-
NAKAGAWA , Margaret Fumiko	NAKAHARA , Genichiro	NAKATSU , Kichinosuke	NAKATSU , Tsunekichi
NAKAUCHI , Seki	NASU , Naoya	NISHI , Yukari Lolly	
NISHIJIMA , William Shigetada	NISHIKAWA , Taro	NISHIKAWA , Tomijiro	NISHIMURA , Alyce Asano
NISHIMURA , Yutaka Glenn	NISHIYAMA , Catherine Hisako	NISHIZAKI , Marion Kiku	NOMURA , Lucy Toshiko
NOZOE , James Akira	OHARA , Kinosuke	OHASHI , Shizuko	OHASHI , Uta
OMOTO , Paul	OTAGURO , Sumiye	SAITO , Sally Shizue	SAKAUYE , Kazuo
SEKIMOTO , Yasuko	SHIBATA , Yoshikazu	SHIMONO , Sakino	SHIN , Zentaro
SHINYA , Shinsuke	SHIRAISHI , Robert Bob Shigeo	SHOJI , Yoshiko Mary	TAHARA , Mamoru Mum
TAHARA , Noboru	TAJIMA , Takakazu	TAKAHASHI , George Yoshikazu	TAKAHASHI , Torao "Tote"
TAKANO , Shizue	TAKEMURA , Soichiro James	TAKATA , Ichiro	TAKATA , Morikichi
TAKISHITA , Isami	TANAKA , Chiyo	TANAKA , Kisa	TANAKA , Saburo
TATEBE , Kazutaro	TATEISHI , Tsugeko	TEHARA , Joe Heijiro	TEHARA , Kazuko
TERAKAWA , Sadako	TOHANA , Shigeo	TOJI , Toki	TOKUYAMA , Akira
TSUCHIDA , Mitsu	TSUCHIDA , Tsugio	TSUJI , Allan Takeru	TSUJI , Tsuru
TSUKAMOTO , Hana	TSUKADA , Masao	TSURUDA , Shuzo	UCHIDA , Minoru
URA , Tomoye	WAKISAKA , Takashi	WAKISAKA , Yasuo	WATADA , Chisato
YAKO , Tokuzo	YAMASHITA , Suwa	YONEKURA , Sumiye	YOSHIDA , Hideo
YU , Hsieh Wei	YU , Song Shing		

OBON 2018**SATURDAY, JULY 14TH****CEMETERY VISITATION SCHEDULE**

After a long and sometime difficult winter, it seems Spring is definitely on its way and that signals the preparation for the Obon weekend. The Obon committee respectfully submits this year's schedule along with the names of the choshos and times for each cemetery. For each of the Hatsubon, English and Japanese services on Sunday, July 15, we encourage members to bring homyos and Memory Lanterns and remind you that they will be returned immediately after each service.

There have been changes to this year's schedule. We are very pleased to have the attendance of guest speaker, Reverend Kazunori Takahashi who will conduct services at Prospect and Parklawn cemeteries.

CEMETERIES RECEIVING CENTRAL SERVICES**Rev. Yoshimichi Ouchi**

Toronto Necropolis 9:00 AM
 St. James 9:30 AM
 Mount Pleasant 10:30 AM

Paul Aoki

Glen Oaks 9:15 AM
 Spring Creek 10:00 AM

Rev. Kazunori Takahashi

Prospect 9:30 AM
 Park Lawn 10:30 AM

Dennis Madokoro

Highland Memorial Gdn 9:30 AM
 Elgin Mills 11:00 AM

Aki Ikebata

Pine Hills 9:30 AM
 Rest Haven 10:30 AM

The following is a list of individual graveside services**Martin Cartledge**

York 9:30 AM

John Nishikawa

Glendale 9:30 AM

Jessie Ebata

Sanctuary, North 9:00 AM
 Riverside and St. Philips 9:30 AM

Pauline Knude

Pine Ridge 1:00 PM
 Salem 1:30 PM

Mr. George Nakano

Sanctuary, South 9:00 AM
 Meadowvale 1:00 PM or to be arranged

The Obon committee is grateful for the continuing support of all volunteers. Together we ensure the success of this wonderful tradition. We ask all families for their patience while waiting for the arrival of Senseis and Choshos.

Namu Amida Butsu

Obon Committee



TBC Annual Picnic

Camp Green Acres, Sunday June 10, 2018

For the second year in a row, beautiful weather greeted all those attending the picnic and they were able to take advantage of the amenities available to us – tractor rides, swimming pool, farm visit as well as wandering throughout the beautiful grounds.

As in the past years an outdoor service was held as well the traditional activities: races for the children and adults, suika wari, Fukubiki and Share the Wealth draws, bingo as well as free hot dogs. The Kids Sangha this year made bird houses which were a hit.

The Toronto Buddhist Church gratefully acknowledges and thanks the following businesses for their donations:

Cooksville Auto
 Fisherman's Plaiice
 Heisei Mart
 Ikebata Nursery/Dr. Sushi
 Main Auto Body
 Ocean Food
 Ogden Funeral Home
 Sanko Trading
 Sea Hi Restaurant



Thank you also to the many individuals for their donations to the picnic.

Congratulations to all our winners from the Share the Wealth draw and Bingo!

Thank you to all those who volunteered to make this years' picnic a success and we hope to see you again next year.

2018 Special Projects - Picnic Committee



Sarana Affirmation Ceremony 2018

A great group of 11 individuals ranging in age from 10 mths to 90 yrs young participated in the Sarana ceremony to obtain their Dharma names on June 16. Bishop Aoki was in Toronto and during his welcomed visit, we were grateful to have him conduct the meaningful ritual for our applicants.

Our **congratulations** goes to : Heron Carr, Jessie Ebata, Devra Freedman, Joe Hakkaku,
 Yoko Hanabusa, Sachiko Inoue, Alexander James O'Neill,
 Leland Shipperley, Shelby Shipperley, Mika Tamaki, Gerry Tsuji

CHEERS! BRAVO!! BRAVO!! Best Wishes to all.



Look Who was at the Temple on Sunday June 24/18?



Guest Speaker Rev. Hayashi



TBC had a pleasant and wonderful surprise from you know who? Do you recognize anyone? Surprise! It's Rev. Fujii, Naoko, Kazu (2) and Harufumi (6).

OBON 2018 GUEST SPEAKER

REVEREND KAZUNORI TAKAHASHI



Obon services will be held on Sunday, July 15, 2018, and we are pleased to announce that Reverend Kazunori Takahashi from Lihue, Hawaii will be our guest speaker.

Born in Nagato City, Japan, Reverend Takahashi completed his Masters degree in Buddhist Studies at Ryukoku University in Kyoto in 2007 and then participated in an orientation programme at the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. He has been a minister at several Hawaiian temples: Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin, Kapaa Hongwanji Mission and currently at the Lihue Hongwanji Mission.

As of July 1, 2018, he will be assigned to the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii headquarters as Executive Assistant to the Bishop.

Reverend Takahashi has been very active in the propagation of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism through his Dharma talks for Hawaiian radio and appearances as guest speaker at many temples and workshops. He is also involved in the Jodo Shinshu Correspondence Course as one of the ministers for the district of Hawaii.

If you would like to read some of Reverend Takahashi's Dharma talks and messages, please go to the Lihue Hongwanji Mission's newsletter, "Dharma Wheel", which can be found on their website: www.lihuehongwanjimission.com.

In his spare time, Reverend Takahashi enjoys traveling, photography, reading and running.

We look forward to welcoming him to our temple for Obon 2018.

Wasaga Beach Cottage Rental

Summer is just around the corner. Don't wait until the last minute to book a cottage.

There are three rental cottages. Each cottage has running water, a shower, flush toilet and a fully equipped kitchen.

What a great family vacation, just 1.5 hours drive from Toronto. Wasaga Beach is just a short two minute walk from the cottages. The surrounding area also offers convenient shopping and entertainment such as canoeing, kayaking, mini-golf, go carts and bowling.

The cottages are available from May 18 (Victoria Day Long Weekend). All pets are welcome.

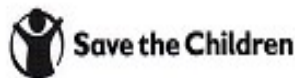
Please contact the church office to book your cottage. 416-534-4302 Tbc@tbc.on.ca

Create Great Family memories that will last a lifetime.

NB Renter must be a registered Church Member.

Mindful Meditation Summer Break!

Please Note: Mindful Meditation classes with Ray Nakano will be taking a break for the summer (July and August). Classes will resume again on September 6, 2018. In the meantime, please join us every Thursday night for the month of June at 7:00 pm. We look forward to seeing you!



We need your Used Postage Stamps!!

Save the Children-Canada collects used postage stamps for resale to dealers and collectors. Money raised by this method of fundraising is used to help provide a better life and a brighter future for children around the world and in Canada.

The JSBTC Women's Federation has been participating in the Used Postage Stamp program since 1992. To date, the WF has provided more than \$2,500 in aid to children in developing countries in the form of livestock, education, medical aid, famine- and disaster-relief.

Save the Children takes *ALL* stamps, foreign and Canadian.

The 2018/2019 Coordinator is Hiroko Yoshihara (ht.yoshi@jehc.net)



How to participate...these stamps are sold to stamp collectors by the stamp store so the condition of the stamps is important!!!

- Please cut with scissors (do not tear!!) and leave a 1/3 to 1/2 inch border around the stamp.
- Stamps with postmarks showing the location and date are worth more so please cut around the post mark. Leave multiple stamps together.
- If you have a postcard with the postmark showing the date and location, please turn in the whole postcard—do not cut it.
- If it does not show the town or city just trim around the stamp.
- Stamps without enough border trim and machine generated business postage are not accepted.

Accepted.



Not Accepted.



Machine generated postage



bad trimming

RALLY SUNDAY

Sunday September 9, 2017

After the glorious summer break, we invite everyone back to mark "RALLY SUNDAY", on **Sunday September 9th**, traditionally the start of our regular services and activities at our temple. After service, the many groups and activities offered at the temple are highlighted with boards, artwork and displays in the social hall. Please enjoy some tea after service downstairs and see what activities you can participate in.

This date is also the **Monthly Memorial (Shotsuki)** for the month of September, a chance to remember our family, friends and loved ones who have entered Nirvana in previous Septembers. Please remember to bring your homyos for your loved ones.

The **Kids Sangha services and programs** also resume on Sunday September 9th at 10:30am.

Please check the Guiding Light calendar and the website for details.

We look forward to seeing you upon your return to the temple on September 9th and wish all a safe and lovely summer.

CALLING ALL CCOV AND TEMPLE MEMBERS. WE NEED YOUR HELP

Over the last few months we have been advertising the 2018 Eastern Buddhist League Conference being held at our Temple August 31 to September 2, 2018 (Labour Day weekend).

We are now asking for your help to make the event a success. We will need people in many of the areas of the conference. Drivers, greeters, kitchen help, servers, registration, baked goods, clean up, and many other tasks. If you are available to help on this weekend it will be truly appreciated. If you are attending the conference we can work around the workshops you will be attending.

If you can help please contact June Asano at asanojune@gmail.com, Denise Crofton at dcrofton@rogers.com, Donna Nakano at donna.m.nakano@gmail.com or Darlene Rieger at darlene.rieger28@gmail.com

Thank you, EBL Committee

JSBTC WF AGM Report April 28, 2018 Calgary Buddhist Temple

- New JSBTC WF Executive Committee: It was decided that we should go back to having a regional committee. June Asano and Darlene Rieger co-chairs, Myra Takasaki treasurer, Diane Mark secretary were elected as the new JSBTC WF Executive Committee. All are from the Toronto Buddhist Church.
- Over \$4,000 collected this year from the WF Dana Day! Because of returned funds from the previous year, the amount of \$3,000 was designated to go to the Canadian Red Cross and \$3,000 to Indspire (Indspire helps Indigenous students in Canada complete their postsecondary education for a successful future.)
- Last year WF collected \$300 worth of used stamps from across Canada. The proceeds were forwarded to the Save the Children Fund. The stamps are sold by weight. See the directions on how to save and trim the stamps on page 9. Please deposit used stamps in the box in the temple foyer.
- Foreign Coin Collection: This leftover change goes to the Air Canada Foundation which supports causes and programs such as the Children's Miracle Network and member pediatric hospitals across Canada. Help by putting your loose foreign coins in the box in the Temple foyer.
- Youth Dharma Assistance –Last year Miriah Conway of Fraser Valley Buddhist Temple, received \$500 towards her attending the Hongwanji sponsored Japan Youth Tour.
- 2019 World Buddhist Women's Convention Update: August 30-September 1, 2019 in San Francisco (Marriott Hotel) \$350 USD registration fee; Keynote speakers have been identified (see poster). The WF Executive Committee will designate someone from the executive to set up a working committee which will organize selection of a panel speaker, district attire and stage performance, etc.
- Terms of Reference for JSBTC WF: A subcommittee was formed (Susan Huntley, Maureen Hatanaka, and Brenda Ikuta) to draft and distribute a copy to each chapter by September 30, 2018. Adjustments to be made by January 30, 2019 for distribution and approval at the 2019 AGM.
- *Resolution in support of the World Buddhist Women's Association to establish and finance an endowed chair in Jodo Shinshu studies at the Institute of Buddhist Studies in honor of Eshinni and Kakushinni. The amount from Canada would be \$3600. However, all actions are pending CRA approval. The resolution was voted all in favor and Carried.



CALLING ALL SANGHA KIDS

RALLY SUNDAY.....SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2018

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE KIDS SERVICE AT 10:30 IN THE HONDO.



WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

IN GASSHO,

Yumi, Jess, Abigail, Rachel, Koji, Stephen, Adam, Denise and Naomi

Obon Odori 2018

Obon is a significant Buddhist celebration and it would be wonderful to see more TBC members participating especially Kids Sangha and their parents.

Obon odori is for all ages, any gender, the young and the young at heart. So come out to the TBC to learn odori, see old friends, make new ones, and have some fun!

The Obon odori festival will be held on Saturday, July 14, 2018 at the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre starting at 7:00pm. The dancers will be dressed in colourful yukata as they perform minyo, Japanese folk dances, in unison around the taiko drums. There will also be performances of taiko and classical Japanese dancing. The audience is encouraged to join in for the traditional Tanko Bushi and the more modern Dancing Hero and others.

Please come out to celebrate Obon with us!



Camp Lumbini 2018 (July 29th – Aug 5th)

Camp Lumbini is once again fast approaching – join us for a whole week of fun and Buddhist related activities. Every year Camp Lumbini revolves around two themes: one associated with Buddhist teachings and another based on popular culture. This year the themes will be a “Buddha-Ful mind” and a wild animal safari. With this theme of a “Buddha-Ful mind” the staff at Camp Lumbini will explore with the attending youth the importance of compassion and gratitude, while also having fun for all with a “Lumbini Safari”.

Daily activities at Camp Lumbini include trips to the beach, various arts and crafts, fun team building activities and daily evening activities including, mini golf, campfires, movie night and bowling. Additionally, the day trip will either be a canoe/kayak trip with Free Spirit Tours or Tree Top Trekking at Horseshoe Valley Resort depending on age and size of participants. Every year it is our goal to provide a safe environment that fosters leadership and teamwork development, acceptance of individual differences and values and provide an opportunity for all individuals to participate in recreational activities regardless of individual skill in addition to imparting a greater understanding of Buddhist teachings.

For more information on regarding Camp Lumbini please contact Stephen Taguchi or Rachel Kataoka at stephent194@gmail.com and rachelkataoka@hotmail.com respectively.

Hope to see you this summer!



THE 2018 EASTERN BUDDHIST LEAGUE CONFERENCE (EBL)

IS BEING HOSTED BY TORONTO.

‘PURSUIT OF TRUE HAPPINESS, THE SHIN BUDDHIST PATH’

THIS IS THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL TORONTO MEMBERS TO EXPERIENCE THE EBL. IN THE PAST YOU WOULD HAVE HAD TO TRAVEL TO THE STATES TO PARTICIPATE BUT THIS YEAR IT'S RIGHT HERE AT THE TEMPLE. VISIT OUR WEBSITE tbc.on.ca. THERE IS A TAB AT THE BOTTOM OF THE HOME PAGE ‘2018 EBL CONFERENCE’ WITH ALL THE DETAILS AND REGISTRATION ‘RSVP NOW’. REGISTER NOW!

JOIN US FOR AN EVENTFUL AND FULFILLING WEEKEND.



EASTERN BUDDHIST LEAGUE CONFERENCE

AUG 31ST - SEPT 2ND, 2018 | LECTURES & WORKSHOPS ON SEPT 1 & 2

PURSUIT OF TRUE HAPPINESS... THE SHIN BUDDHIST PATH.

“Set your heart on doing good.
Do it over and over again and
you will be filled with joy.”

- Buddha

Learn more about what it means to be happy everyday...join our lectures & workshops while meeting new people.

Lecture & Workshops

- Introduction: Pursuit of True Happiness
- Moments of Reflection
- Actionable ways to achieve happiness
- Dealing with conflict
- Mindful meditation
- Ted Talks - Happiness & Buddhism
- Happiness game and so much more ...

Saturday & Sunday Kids Program available

Guest Speakers



REVEREND
Bob Oshita

REVEREND
Patti Oshita

Friday - Sunday

Includes all Lectures & Workshops,
2 Lunches & Sunday Dinner

\$125
CAD

Sunday Only

Includes Lectures & Workshops,
Lunch & Dinner

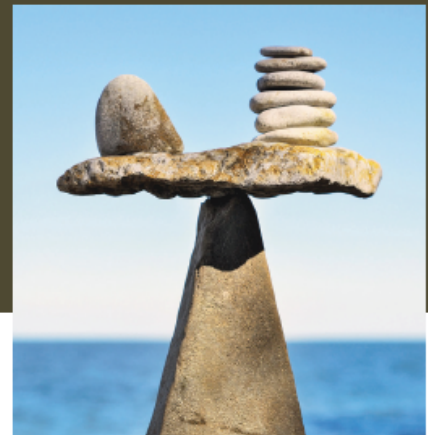
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Visit our website www.tbc.on.ca/ebf

for more information on registration, hotel & conference activities.

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REGULAR MEMBERSHIP

- Valid from January 1 to December 31 each year
- Those wishing to be recognized as a Temple member please complete the application form as early as possible at the start of each year
- Membership card will be sent once your signed application and membership fee or your promise to pay the total fee by May 31 have been received
- Please note membership this year is a minimum of \$130.00

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

- Issued to all members 77 years of age & over
- If already an Honorary member simply fill out a membership form each year to confirm your wish to continue Honorary Membership
- Honorary Members do not need to pay any annual membership fees, although all donations are always welcome

Can't make it to the Temple?
You can submit your application and membership fee online at tbc.on.ca



TORONTO BUDDHIST CHURCH

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2018 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please note that this application is for membership from January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018. The Individual Membership Fee for 2018 is a minimum of \$130. However, the Temple welcomes and will be grateful for any amount over and above this minimum fee.

A tax receipt will be issued for the total Membership amount paid.

Please note that \$80 of your Individual Membership Fee is paid to Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada (JSBTC) as an assessment for each member of our Temple.

Membership Fees may be paid in one lump sum or in monthly or quarterly installments. **Please do not use Offering envelopes to pay membership fees. Instead, please insert them in separate plain envelopes clearly marked "For Membership". Please make any cheques payable to Toronto Buddhist Church.**

In the case of couples, please complete information for each applicant individually.

Applicant #1 Renewal (<input type="checkbox"/>) New (<input type="checkbox"/>)		Mr. (<input type="checkbox"/>) Mrs. (<input type="checkbox"/>) Ms. (<input type="checkbox"/>)
Last Name: _____		Birthdate: dy/mm/year: _____
First Name: _____		Email: _____
Address: _____		Phone: _____
City: _____		Signature: _____
Prov: _____ Postal Code: _____		_____ Regular Member _____ Honorary Member
I promise to pay \$ _____ as my Membership Fee for 2018 and am enclosing the amount of \$ _____ on account of such fee. I will pay the balance of my Membership Fee, if any, by May 31, 2018 . By signing this Membership Application I hereby adopt the vow printed on the reverse side of your membership card.		
I would like a Guiding Light mailed to me _____		

Applicant #2 Renewal (<input type="checkbox"/>) New (<input type="checkbox"/>)		Mr. (<input type="checkbox"/>) Mrs. (<input type="checkbox"/>) Ms. (<input type="checkbox"/>)
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REMINDER: MEMBERSHIP FOR 2018 IS \$130.00



MINDFUL MEDITATION WITH RAY NAKANO AND YIN YOGA WITH DENISE CROFTON

Join us on Saturday August 18th 2018 for a Day of Mindful Meditation and Yin Yoga. This workshop will take place at Toronto Buddhist Church in the Hondo. We will begin our workshop at 10:00 am and end at 3:00 pm.

Our session will start with a Yin Yoga class to help us sit and meditate. Our meditation session will include a Guided and Silent sitting meditation and Walking Meditation. We will break for lunch at 12:00 pm – Please bring a vegetarian dish to share with the group.

After lunch we will start with a Total Relaxation Meditation followed by a Dharma talk and sharing with the sangha. We have some yoga mats available, but If you have your own mat please bring that with you along with a blanket.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at:

mindfulnesspracticesangha@hotmail.com

We hope to see you on August 18th!

Namaste,

Ray & Denise