



Live Each Day Relying on the Buddha's View Reverend Yuki Sugahara

The Buddha-land is overspread by countless jeweled nets entirely decorated with gold lace, pearls, and a hundred thousand kinds of rare and precious treasure. (The Three Pure Land Sutras II, p. 54-55)

Good morning everyone and welcome to this year's Spring Ohigan Service. Few weeks ago, I looked at my Facebook post from two years ago, and it was about Spring Ohigan Service online. I remember that I was feeling it will be just a few months of not having in-person services. But here we are... two full years later. Finally, we are going to have in-person service next week. You know, Aoi was 7, and Hikaru was 3 when the pandemic started. Now, they are 9 and 5 and you will be surprised to see how much they have grown! I am also looking forward to meeting all of you again.

What I have shared at the beginning of my talk is from the Larger Sutra where Shakyamuni Buddha talks about the adornments of the Pure Land of Amida Buddha. It said there are countless jewels decorated with gold lace, pearls, and a hundred thousand kinds or rare and precious treasures.

This depiction of the Pure Land might be intended to direct practitioners' minds to aspire to be born into a beautiful place like the Pure Land, but some people might say that I have no interest in the place where we go after we die, or the depiction is just a fantasy. However I feel it is pitiful just to understand the Pure Land as a depiction of a beautiful place or the realm of after death.

One of the Seven Pure Land Masters, Shan-tao, in his Commentary on the Contemplation Sutra, said something like "Sutra is warp. Warp holds the weft well and weaves a fabric. Each fabric has its unique working."

Even though we have beautiful weft, we cannot weave a fabric without warp. Weft would be meaningless without warp. Because of the warp, because of the Sutra, finally our lives become the life with a core. So I feel pitiful for accepting the words of the Sutra just as a fantasy or meaningless. There are many things we could learn from the sutras.

In the Mahayana Vimalakirti Sutra there is a depiction that when Shakyamuni Buddha stomped his feet, the world starts to shine like gold and when he stomped his feet again,

the world return to normal. Do we just understand this depiction as Shakyamuni Buddha had supernatural power or do we understand this depiction as trying to teach us something? The depiction of the world starting to shine like gold is Shakyamuni Buddha indicating what the realm of the enlightenment is like. In the other words, from the eyes of the Buddha, the world is as brilliant as shiny gold, but from the eyes of ordinary beings defiled with blind passions, we cannot see the world like the Buddha. We see everything with our convenience, i.e. what is useful, useless, like, dislike and so on.

I am not too familiar with his thoughts, but the philosopher Nishida Kitaro in his writing, *A Study of Good*, discussed "pure experience." Pure Experience is that before we distinguish something with the idea of subject and object. In a simple way it is like water before becoming coffee. Water becomes coffee by going through the filter filled with dark brown coffee, but the water itself originally has no color. I don't think Kitaro mentioned in *A Study of Good*, but I feel this idea of Pure Experience is close to the idea of one of the Mahayana Schools, Yogacara.

Yogacara is often translated as "consciousness only," but it is more accurate to say "representation only." The outside world is only the representation of our impressions and experiences stored in our consciousness. We are creating our own world outside of the self.

Yogacara divides consciousness into eight consciousnesses of visual, auditory, olfactory, gustatory, tactile, mental consciousness, Manas, and Alaya. Manas and Alaya are subconscious. Alaya is storehouse consciousness where we store all the experiences and the impressions we acquired from the experiences. What is troublesome is Manas. This is just like the coffee filter. Water becomes coffee by going through the filter filled with coffee. Similarly, all the experiences go through Manas that adds self-centered impressions and such to the experiences.

That is why we have differences of likes or dislikes even though we eat, drink or do the same things. We ordinary beings, experience everything with the working of Manas such that we are always adding our own color to the world. In Avatamsaka Sutra it said, "Mind is just like a skillful painter." This is so true. We are living in the same world at the same time, but we all have different worlds. This is Parikalpita, imaginary or imputed nature of the ordinary beings. We attach to our self-centered calculation and see everything with it. On

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the other hand, Parinispanna is Buddha's view. It is perfected/consummate nature of the Buddha, and to see everything as they are. It is expressed as everything is like shiny gold in the Vimalakirti Sutra.

So Shakyamuni Buddha stomped the ground and everything turned into the color of the brilliant gold. This is the same for the Larger Sutra. The Pure Land of Amida Buddha is adorned with gold and various kinds of jewelries and treasures. This means that the realm of enlightenment or awakening is as shiny as brilliant gold. And this is expressing, all beings, regardless of the differences, are equal and all lives are illuminating each other.

This is an extremely important teaching, especially in the world right now. The Asian Hate incidents appeared on the surface level of society after the Covid19 pandemic, and now we have Russia invading Ukraine. It is unacceptable what Putin is doing. And because the information people of Russia get is limited and selected, there are still many who believe in Putin. But this does not mean that we should discriminate against Russian people.

I might have mentioned this a few weeks ago, but it was Japanese news saying that the Russian market in Japan was vandalized. But, actually the owner of the shop was Ukrainian. The owner wanted to be the bridge between different cultures. It is sad to hear people being targeted due to their nationalities, ethnicities, race, gender and color of skin.

This news teaches us the danger and risk to rely on the self-centered mind which is always affected by the working of Manas. We cannot see the world like Buddha sees the world. The view of Buddha is taught in the sutra.

As Master Shan-tao said, "the teaching of the sutra is just like a mirror..." through presenting the Buddha's view in the sutra, we realize our ugly self-centered views.

The world is now in chaos, but because it is in chaos, we should not rely on our self-centered viewpoint and we should not hurt others through attaching to the self-centered views. Instead, we should self-reflect our self-centered view, and live each day relying on the Buddha's view.

Today is Ohigan and Ohigan means other shore, the shore of the Enlightenment. For Jodo Shinshu Buddhists, other shore refers to the Pure Land of Amida Buddha. The depiction of the adornments of the Pure Land of Amida Buddha in the Sutra is not only about the place where we go after we die, but also indicates to us what the world really should be. I believe it is the way of living of Jodo Shinshu Buddhist relying on Buddha's view. And on this occasion of Ohigan, please once again listen to the adornments of the Pure Land and self-reflect on our way of seeing the world.

Gassho.



Herb Osaki: Expressing Gratitude for his Life of Dana Charles Reneau
OBT President

Last month, the Oregon Buddhist Temple said goodbye to one of the most active, influential leaders we've had in the

last 70 years: Herb Osaki (please read the Obituary in this issue). On behalf of the Temple, I'd like to express our deepest condolences to his family, and especially his wife Etsu Osaki.

According to Cathy Yarne, "Whether he was chairing a service, moderating discussions, performing in a Hanamatsuri talent show, grilling chicken for a bazaar, manning a grinder to make mochi, playing the taiko at Obon, driving the convention bus through snow storms, mopping the floors, or presiding over Board meetings, Herb demonstrated how important the temple was to him."

If you've ever walked through the doors of our Temple on 34th Avenue, you can thank Herb, who was an energetic leader of the committee which organized its construction. In fact, as I hear, he led work volunteer parties every weekend. At the time, Temple members said there were so many volunteers swinging hammers every which way that all the wild nails would prevent the building from ever falling down.

When I hear about the great gift of spirit we have received from people like Herb, I'm humbled. Herb's life is an example of selfless giving, or Dana. Without the efforts of people like Herb, I'd never have had the opportunity to hear the dharma. How can one possibly show gratitude for a lifetime of such generosity? Jodo Shinshu is the teaching of gratitude, of course! So we can always say the nembutsu, as an expression of gratitude for Herb's efforts.

We can also continue Herb's work. In ways both large and small, we can continue to build the Sangha as Herb did for so long. Whether you're washing dishes after refreshments, or organizing a large fundraiser, you're walking in Herb's very big shoes.

Finally, I'd like to ask a favor: I'm writing this just a few days before we return to our first in-person service in over two years. I'm chairing the first service and I hope you'll forgive me if I can't get through this first service without tears of relief and joy. I can't wait to see you there!



A Friendly Reminder about Announcements
Cathy Yarne

Since it been a long while, it's a good time for a gentle reminder about announcements made at the end of our services. In the past, sometimes there were so many announcements it would take almost as long as the Dharma message. Okay, this is an exaggeration but you get the idea.

All announcements should be *directly related* to OBT and the Sangha. Other events and activities can be shared after Dharma Exchange or post information on the bulletin board.

All announcements need to be *written out*. Please come a few minutes early and fill out an *announcement form* that the Greeters will have available. Keep your message simple, 1-3 sentences. If there are a lot of details like addresses and schedules, refer them to a notice on the bulletin board downstairs or "see so-and-so" after service.

The Greeter, the chairperson of a major event or Sensei will read all the announcements.

Thank you for your cooperation.

April Shotsuki Hoyo

This is a monthly memorial service to honor and remember those loved ones who passed away during the month of March. The Shotsuki-Hoyo service will be held April 10th at the Sunday service at 10 am. Please join us and offer incense in memory of your relative(s) or friends.

Listed below are the names of those who passed away starting from 1950. Oregon Buddhist Temple has records from 1904. Names of deceased prior to 1950 are added if requested. If a name is missing or incorrect, please notify Jean Matsumoto, Etsu Osaki, or the temple.

Aono, Setsuko 4/6/1977	Katada, John H 4/12/1995	Phaophongsavaf, Sisaveny 4/6/1980
Asakawa, Carol 4/10/2020	Kayama, Miyaki 4/30/1988 *	Phommavanb, Boun Panh 4/6/1980
Dabelstein, Alice 4/1997	Kinoshita, Masaki 4/1/1996	Saito, Emil 4/16/2000
Fujii, May Michiko 4/15/2001	Kinoshita, Sauda 4/24/2008	Sato, Kathie 4/28/2020
Fujinaka, Tatsuo G 4/15/2007	Konishi, Tsunesuke 4/5/1963	Shimoishimaru, Mitsu 4/25/1978*
Fukushima, Michiko 4/21/1994	Masuoka, Matsuyo 4/26/1960 *	Shimomaeda, Matsuko 4/22/1999*
Furukawa, Richard 4/22/2012	Meiners, Dale 4/17/2020	Sunamoto, Katsumi 4/18/2002
Greenwood, Merrie 4/25/2012 *	Nagae, Mitsunosuke 4/28/1966	Takashima, Noboru Newton 4/12/1978
Hirofujii, Noye 4/4/1976 *	Nakamura, Shoemon 4/27/1973	Tomohiro, Haruyo 4/18/1983 *
Ideguchi, Sadakichi 4/13/1950	Niemi, Tami 4/2/1950	Urushitani, Yoshio 4/4/1975
Imai, Ryokichi 4/8/1955	Nishimura, George 4/9/1999	Waskevitch, Hatsue Saikawa 4/17/2002
Ishida, Ben Tsutomu 4/2/2015	Ogawa, Hiroshi 4/9/2021	Weiser, Haruka Juliana 4/5/2016
Ishida, Suetaro 4/12/1961	Okawa, Tsutsuji 4/6/1957	Yamanaka, Takeo 4/1/1985
Iwamoto, Miyoshi 4/14/1956	Ota, Frances 4/3/2009 *	Yasumichi, Calvin K 4/24/2001
Kagawa, Tsuneki 4/18/1976	Ouchida, Kyuta 4/30/1980	Yoneyama, Hon Terukichi 4/9/1993
Kamaya, Carol Fumie 4/28/1976	Osaki, Tamenaka 4/10/1951	Yumibe, Isako 4/20/1989 *
Kasubuchi, Alan 4/26/2014	Ozaki, Shizue 4/3/1963 *	

*OBWA member

Year	Memorial	Year	Memorial
Of Passing		Of Passing	
2021	1 Year	2006	17 Year
2020	3 Year	1998	25 Year
2015	7 year	1990	33 Year
2010	13 Year	1973	50 Year

If you would like to schedule a memorial service for
Loved ones or ancestors, please make arrangements
With Reverend Sugahara at 916-834-7350 or
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Hanamatsuri – Birthday of the Buddha, April 8

Hanamatsuri or “Flower Festival” is a service of rejoicing in which we commemorate the birth of Shakyamuni Buddha with the decorating of a flower pavilion

and the rite of Bathing the Body of the Buddha (Kanbutsu).

The Buddha was the only child of King Suddhodana Gautama and Queen Maya of the Shakya Kingdom. The King and Queen were childless for some 20 years. Then one day, after having a dream of a white elephant, the Queen became pregnant. According to the custom of the time, Queen Maya was returning to her parent’s home to await the birth of the baby when she stopped to rest in a garden called Lumbini. As the Queen reached up to touch the blossoms of the Asoka Tree., the baby was born from her right side. The earth shook in six directions and a light, sweet rain fell from the sky. The newborn baby took seven steps, pointed his

right hand to the sky and his left hand to the earth, and spoke the following words. “Above and below the heavens, I alone am the World Honored One”.

The joy of the King was great, and he named the child Siddhartha, which means “every wish fulfilled”. The date is given in the Mahayana tradition as April 8, 565 B.C.

For the Hanamatsuri service, a flower-decorated shrine known as a Hanamido or flower pavilion is set up in front of the Naijin, representing Lumbini Garden. The Hanamido is set up on the back of a white elephant, recalling Queen Maya’s dream. In the center of the flower-decked shrine is placed a small statue of the infant Siddhartha in a bowl of Amacha or “sweet tea”.

The bathing of the Buddha image was a popular festival ritual practiced in India and China. It has been practiced in Japan since the Nara Period (710AD – 794 AD) but was not observed by Jodo Shinshu until the Meiji era (Jan 25, 1868 – Jul 30, 1912).

Above narrative extracted from Traditions of Jodoshinshu Hongwanji by Masao Kodani and Russell Hamada.

Hanamido White Elephant watercolor painting by Yasashi Ichikawa



Service Chairpersons Alfred Ono

Yea, we are back to live services where we can see each other not in little boxes and we can all chant and sing together. However, to do this we need a person to guide us through the service - the service chair.

For this we need volunteers. You do not need speaking skills. There is a microphone and a script. The only requirement is you need to show up about 15 minutes before the service to get the specifics of the service. You don’t need to be creative like starting the service with a special gatha such as Seiya or Nadame. For special service I will ask a Board member to chair the service.

Let me know by Email portlandonos@gmail.com- when you would like to chair a service. This is a great way to give to the Temple.

Gassho,
Alfred Ono



Oregon Buddhist Women’s Association Pat Hokama

Plans for activities are at a standstill. We are waiting for a green light to allow us to schedule another self-defense class and a summer gathering.

Several ladies will be helping at the OBT chow mein fundraiser on weekend of April 8. It will be sold on a mini-production of 150 orders. Help is being requested.

The Caring for Members project produced several scarves and neck warmers for the homebound (see below). They will be presented for comfort during the few more days of cold weather.

The in-person service on March 27 was long awaited and was nice to see everyone's faces....even just the top half! A return to "normal" soon, I hope.



Ann's scarf



Pat's neck warmer



Pat's scarf



Pat's scarf



Dharma School
Ann Shintani

STEAM TEAM

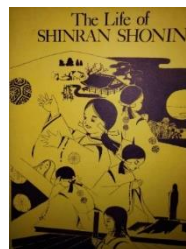
One can tell a lot from one's carpeting... nearly forgotten stains, paths of wear and tear, curious shapes of rug burns... The carpeting at the temple was steam cleaned for our first in-person Sunday Service after quarantine. Our carpeting covers around 5,000 square feet. And took over five hours to clean a recent Saturday. We guess that this may have been the first time the carpets had been professionally cleaned since it was installed, which was around 2003.



Owner/operator Jesse Wiper of STEAM TEAM, the carpet cleaning business, says that steam cleaning removes particles that are on and underneath the carpet, which cleans more so than simply using scrubbers. Thank you to David Wiper for having the STEAM TEAM clean our temple.

Youth at OBT

For our last virtual Sunday Service, Sensei shared "The Life of SHINRAN SHONIN" video by students of OBT's



Dharma School. Students read the story of Shinran Shonin's life. I enjoyed hearing from our students being their charming selves. Shinran's life included experiences that we all can relate to -- loneliness, searching for answers, kindnesses of others, and changes of hearts. Thank you to Marilyn Achterman and Mai Thi La for initiating this effort.

Thank you to families and students, Akash, Anya, Aoi, Arianna, Davis, Devon, Grace, Hajime, Hunter, Midori, Mika, Olivia, and Towa. Finally, thank you Scott Winner for putting the video together. This picture book, published by the Buddhist Churches of America in 1972, was illustrated by Atsutaka Saito.

Dana class Cook-off on March 19 was held in the sparkling temple kitchen. Students shared dishes from home, and made cupcakes (chocolate, tiramisu, and raspberry lemon).



We had passion fruit punch, sesame green beans, spinach dip, bear bread, mabu tofu, mochiko chicken, and milk loaf. I am grateful to families for wonderful food, for reuniting with parents,

and catching up with imaginative students. I am also grateful to Marilyn, Mai Thi La, and other teachers for their thoughtfulness and effort... we have learned to adapt as we try to figure out what works for students and families. We agree that meeting in person assist in sharing that one may not be able to do on Zoom. (Photo with Mai Thi, Marilyn, Katsuki, Julianne, Mika, Davis, and Hunter).



Girl Scouts
Amy Petersen

First we want to thank everyone for their support of the troop! The troop exceeded their goal in spite of the shortages in cookie selections. We couldn't have done it without your support. The number of donations to Meals on Wheels, Our local senior lunch program and a local animal shelter was over the top!

We planned and executed a Girl Scout Birthday bowling party on Mar 13 with about a hundred participants. During the preparation meeting we also sold cookies from the Annex driveway. Afterward the girls painted over graffiti at the neighboring building that faces the temple.

From the cookie proceeds the girls can do their planning for a family campout in June.

Thanks again,
Troop 43720

The below article by OBT board member Judy Hittle is intended to help make the board more accessible to temple members.



What is Toban? Judy Hittle

Isn't it wonderful? Our Temple is once again open and we're slowly returning to our in-person gatherings. I hope you have joined us or will join us soon. It's okay if you're not quite ready for this. After all, it's been two years since we felt safe to meet in person. We'll be here when you are ready. In the meantime, besides in-person services, Rev. Sugahara has graciously agreed to continue to record the services so you can continue to join us virtually.

We are truly fortunate to have Reverend Sugahara and our Temple. Do you wish there was something you could do to show your gratitude? Do you want an opportunity to do even a small part to express your gratitude? Well, here's your answer and it's free - it's Toban.

What's Toban? Well, it is teams of Sangha members who take turns to help with keeping the Temple clean. Each team takes a turn, perhaps once or twice a year. The team is assigned a month for which they are responsible to provide weekly refreshments and one day in the month when the team takes care of doing the necessary cleaning. With a dozen or more members in each team, the cleaning is done in a few hours. It not only gives you a chance to show gratitude to the Temple, but it's an opportunity to meet and work with other Sangha members.

I've already contacted many of you who were in a toban team in the past. I hope you have responded positively since then. If not, it's not too late to do so.

Now those of you who have not been contacted and who want to be a part of a toban team, just let me know and we will certainly be more than happy to add you on a team.

Finally, I'd like to conclude with a statement I made in my article last year.



"What does it mean to you, to be a Buddhist? "How can I answer that? Well first of all, why Buddhism? I guess everyone has their own reasons. Me? I think I grew into it just by the fact that I grew up in Buddhism. I may not thoroughly understand it, but I've accepted it. I don't know that I'm any different because I've accepted Buddhism. It seems to me, that it would be difficult to separate the influences that made each of us into unique individuals. How can I answer the question of what it means to be a Buddhist? Can you? And yet, I know without a doubt, I wouldn't have it any other way "

I hope to hear from you. Please join us. Email me at jasatohi@gmail.com

2022 Japanese American Graduation Banquet Elaine Yuzuriha

Tickets are currently for sale for the 2022 Japanese American Community Graduation Banquet, being held on Sunday, May 1st at 1 PM. It is a luncheon in honor of the high school graduates from the Portland metro area, and graduates from 2020 and 2021 will also be invited to attend as well since the banquet was cancelled for the last two years. Our own Rev. Yuki will be giving the words before and after the meal, and the keynote speaker will be announced soon.

2022 Graduates include Bryan Yanase, son of Craig and Dr. Lisa Yanase, and Janice Okamoto's grandson, Brandon, who is the son of Gary Okamoto.

The banquet will be held at the Monarch Hotel and Conference Center in Clackamas. Tickets cost \$40, which includes a chicken or vegetarian meal. Please consider coming to support the community graduates, especially after two years of forced shut down. It is truly something to celebrate! Contact Elaine Yuzuriha for tickets at e.yuzuriha@gmail.com.

A reminder to encourage readers to continue donations for the below events and any other time.

January	Hoonko
February	Nirvana Day
March	Spring Ohigan
April	Hanamatsuri
May	Gotan-E Shinran Shonin Birthday Celebration
July	Kangi-e "A Celebration of Joy" Obon Service
August	Obonfest
September	Fall Ohigan
November	Eitaikyo - Perpetual Memorial Service
December	Bodhi Day
	Year End Gift for the Temple

OBT Services, Events, and Meetings by Date

Links to Recurring Events – special links in table following For questions: bec@oregonbuddhisttemple.com

NOTE: Because OBT is reopening on March 27th. Schedules/meetings will be different. If something does not work, please check our website for any last minutes updates.

OBT Regular Service Every week – Sun 10 AM Due to reopening on March 27th, services will now be hybrid – in person and on zoom. Link below to website for the filmed services, and below that the zoom link for the hybrid services. https://www.oregonbuddhisttemple.com/ zoom: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85452093371?pwd=RkV2QkRyb3dIRllyQkNneFE5cTRKQT09 Meeting ID: 854 5209 3371 Passcode: 517706	
ON HOLD for reopening Dharma Exchange Every 2 weeks – Sun 11 AM Zoom Meeting ID: 991 9789 7816 Passcode: 103319 https://zoom.us/j/99197897816?pwd=amRuZ1Y1bEM3Mk5kU0lHeXNleVM4dz09	
Intermediate Study Class Every 2 weeks – Wed 7 PM Zoom Meeting ID: 815 9359 3428 Passcode: 704135 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81593593428?pwd=WEhYSEZTV0RlcEN4MjhpNnNvOUxBZz09	
OBWA 3rd Sat, mid-month, each month – 10 AM Zoom Meeting ID: 962 3703 0266 Passcode: 574232 https://zoom.us/j/96237030266?pwd=QjYxMjl5dDM3cnFVLzR5YmEvUU94UT09	
IN Person on Sunday (including Dana) for reopening – check with Ann Shintani for details Dharma School Every 2 weeks – On non-Dharma Exchange Sundays Zoom Meeting ID: 972 9043 7213 https://us06web.zoom.us/j/97290437213	
For reopening – meetings in person at OBT at 12:15 on 1st and 3rd Sundays. Check with leader Amy for details.	
OBT Girl Scout Troop Every other week on Sunday (dates below in table) Zoom Meeting ID: 934 4857 6281 Passcode: 43720 https://zoom.us/j/93448576281 Calendar: https://zoom.us/meeting/tJcpc-GtqT0oEtVJpNmFUrmDsDwMTIJqlwF4/ics?icsToken=98tyKuCrqj8iH9OTshGGR0wqBo-gWe_wtiFBj7drtg_LDgZmcA7SJcZVH4ZW0snc	

DATE	DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	WHERE/NOTES
NOTE			OBT Reopen –	Meetings, locations, and links subject to change
3/27	Sun	10 AM	Service – Rev. Sugahara	In person and on Zoom
3/27	Sun	11 AM	After service visiting	In parking lot
3/27	Sun	11 AM	Dharma School	In person – see Ann Shintani for details
3/30	Wed	7 PM	Intermediate Study Class	Rev. Sugahara
April				
4/3	Sun	10 AM	Service – Rev. Sugahara	Hanamatsuri Service – in person and on Zoom
4/3	Sun	11 AM	After service visiting	In parking lot
4/3	Sun	11 AM	Dharma School	In person for Hanamatsuri – see Ann Shintani for details
4/3	Sun	12:15	Girl Scout Meeting	See Leader Amy for details -- in person at OBT
4/10	Sun	10 AM	Service – Rev. Sugahara	Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service - in person and on Zoom
4/10	Sun	11 AM	After service visiting	In parking lot
4/10	Sun	11 AM	Dharma School	In person – see Ann Shintani for details
4/10	Sun		Dharma Exchange	ON HOLD
4/13	Wed	7 PM	Intermediate Study Class	Rev. Sugahara
4/16	Sat	10 AM	OBWA	Watch email for information – on zoom
4/17	Sun	10 AM	Service – Rev. Sugahara	In person and on Zoom
4/17	Sun	11 AM	After service visiting	In parking lot
4/17	Sun	11 AM	Dharma School	In person – see Ann Shintani for details
4/17	Sun	12:15	Girl Scout Meeting	See Leader Amy for details -- in person at OBT
4/24	Sun	10 AM	Service – Rev. Sugahara	In person and on Zoom
4/24	Sun	11 AM	After service visiting	in parking lot
4/24	Sun	11 AM	Dharma School	In person – see Ann Shintani for details
4/24	Sun		Dharma Exchange	ON HOLD
4/27	Wed	7 PM	Intermediate Study Class	Rev. Sugahara
May				
5/1	Sun	10 AM	Service – Rev. Sugahara	In person and on Zoom
5/1	Sun	11 AM	After service visiting	In parking lot --- continue ??? change ???
5/1	Sun	11 AM	Dharma School	In person – see Ann Shintani for details
5/1	Sun	12:15	Girl Scout Meeting	See Leader Amy for details -- in person at OBT
5/8	Sun	10 AM	Service – Rev. Sugahara	Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service - in person and on Zoom
5/8	Sun	11 AM	After service visiting	In parking lot --- continue ??? change ???
5/8	Sun	11 AM	Dharma School	In person – see Ann Shintani for details
5/8	Sun		Dharma Exchange	ON HOLD
5/11	Wed	7 PM	Intermediate Study Class	Rev. Sugahara
5/15	Sun	10 AM	Service – Rev. Sugahara	In person and on Zoom
5/15	Sun	11 AM	After service visiting	In parking lot --- continue ??? change ???
5/15	Sun	11 AM	Dharma School	In person – see Ann Shintani for details
5/15	Sun	12:15	Girl Scout Meeting	See Leader Amy for details -- in person at OBT
5/21	Sat	10 AM	OBWA	Watch email for information – on zoom
5/22	Sun	10 AM	Service – Rev. Sugahara	In person and on Zoom
5/22	Sun	11 AM	After service visiting	In parking lot --- continue ??? change ???
5/22	Sun	11 AM	Dharma School	In person – see Ann Shintani for details
5/22	Sun		Dharma Exchange	ON HOLD
5/25	Wed	7 PM	Intermediate Study Class	Rev. Sugahara
5/29	Sun	10 AM	Service – Rev. Sugahara	Rennyō Shōnin Memorial – in person and on Zoom
5/29	Sun	11 AM	After service visiting	In parking lot --- continue ??? change ???
5/29	Sun	11 AM	Dharma School	In person – see Ann Shintani for details

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From the Oregonian, March 2, 2022

OREGON LEGISLATURE

Highway designated in honor of Japanese American veterans

A state highway near Hood River will be designated in honor of Japanese Americans who served in the United States military during World War II.

Legislators voted Thursday to name Oregon 35 as the Oregon Nisei Veterans World War II Memorial Highway. The 41-mile road runs between Mount Hood's Government Camp and the town of Hood River. The bill awaits Gov. Kate Brown's signature.

About 120 second-generation Japanese Americans, or Nisei, fought in World War II. Nearly half were from the Oregon side of the mid-Columbia River Gorge, with many living and working on orchards and farms along Oregon 35 before they fought in the war. About 33,000 Nisei from around the country fought in World War II.

Jerry Sumoge, who has relatives in Hood River, will represent Oregon Buddhist Temple for this event.

At the same time, many of their families were incarcerated in internment camps. President Franklin Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066 in 1942, which led to the imprisonment of about 120,000 people of Japanese descent, many of them born in the United States, under armed guard and behind barbed wire fences.

The soldiers and their families faced discrimination and imprisonment during and after the war.

In Hood River, 16 Nisei soldiers' names were blacked out from an honor roll of local service members on wall plaques at the county courthouse in 1944. They were restored three months later only because of pressure from the American Legion national commander.

Jayati Ramakrishnan

Oregon Nisei Veterans World War II Memorial Highway

Mount Hood rises high above state Highway 35 south of Hood River.

Bulletin file photo



Shinichi Miyazaki Donates Artwork to OBT



Very brief resume'

EDUCATION: Tokyo University of Fine Art and Music, Tokyo, Japan. BFA, Painting, 1965. Additional coursework in sculpture and industrial design.

MUSEUM COLLECTIONS: Renwick Gallery, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC. Mirt Museum of Art, Charlotte, NC.

AWARDS/PUBLICATIONS: Award of Excellence, American Craft Council, February 2000. The Art of Making

Fine Wood Jewelry, Sterling Chapel, 1996; American Craft Magazine, "Portfolio". February/March 1995.

From Reverend Sugahara

I don't know if you remember Mr. Miyazaki who used to come to the temple. He passed away in January and his daughter Hibiki Miyazaki said it was Mr. Miyazaki's wish to donate this art to the temple. I went to receive this and now it is in the hallway of the temple. This is not the set place so I might relocate it.

I really like this art which says "Namo Amida Butsu". The back side says "All beings possess Buddha nature (from the Nirvana Sutra)"

A chair made by Mr. Miyazaki is exhibited at the Smithsonian Museum.

Pledges for the Oregon Buddhist Temple The Membership/Committee

It is because of each and every one who has ever been a part of the OBT Sangha since its inception, through caring for each other and our home Temple, that OBT has continued for so many, many years. It is up to us to nurture the Dharma teachings in our hearts and through our actions, keeping it alive for our children and generations to come.

Your pledge is important in supporting all that we do at OBT. Pledges of \$300 per individual also include your membership dues with the Buddhist Churches of America (BCA). Any amount shows your support of OBT's Dharma services, classes and programs and our other Sangha community activities. If you can, pledges beyond \$300 are greatly appreciated. (Pledge form below).



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In gratitude for your support of the Oregon Buddhist Temple.

Thank You Etsu Osaki

I would like to thank OBT members, friends and family who supported me when my husband, Herb Osaki, passed away. Thank you for your kind words, your cards and donations. Herb's motto was "Live each day with gratitude" and I think he did. I am grateful for the almost 70 years we had together. Now he is at peace in Amida Buddha's land. Namuamidabutsu. Etsu



Seattle June 22, 1952



Herb Susumu Osaki was born in Kapaa, Kauai, Hawaii on June 20, 1930. He passed away February 10, 2022 at the age of 91. Herb married Etsuko Ichikawa in 1952 at the Seattle Buddhist Church, now known as the Seattle Betsuin. They raised five children, Alan Osaki (wife Phyllis), Lora Wahl (husband Joe), Lynn Hishinuma (husband Sabu), Jill Standridge and Dean Osaki (wife Yukiko). His grandchildren are Alexa and Troy Osaki; Ryan Wahl and Kelsey Wahl; Eric, Lauren and Kristin Hishinuma; Jordan, Cory and Taylor Standridge; Trent and Bryce Osaki. His great grandchildren are Penelope and Marcus Wahl.

Herb attended Pacific University in Forest Grove. He was a Science teacher at then Madison High School in Portland, now Leodis V. McDaniel High School.

Herb was a long-time cherished member of the Oregon Buddhist Temple. He organized and was a driving force on the building committee that constructed the current Oregon Buddhist Temple building, dedicated in November 1966. He served as Temple president in 1973, 1981, 1990-1991. He was also president of the Buddhist Churches of America (BCA) in 1983.

A private family memorial service for Herb was held Saturday February 12 at the Oregon Buddhist Temple

