### Ohigan - Reaching the Other Shore on the Oregon



# PureLand Path



### The Oregon Buddhist Temple Monthly Newsletter

March 2024



# Our Perceptions, Our Reality Rev. Tadao Koyama

Happy March everyone! We had a very busy two first months of the year. I would first like to thank all of the Oregon Sangha for their dedication to the Dharma and their willingness to help our sister

temple, Seattle Betsuin, in their time of need! I was able to visit the temple recently and saw the Hondo and the main building totally stripped down to its wood planks! While the sight was somewhat unsettling at first, it also means that there is definite progress in the renovation and reconstruction of the temple.

When we see our temple buildings, we are so used to how they look on the weekly basis we go. However, when the context or the situation changes, it can cause a lot of anxiety and stress! This is because we are bonbu, or unenlightened beings. It is hard for any of us to accept change as it comes, or for us to see reality for what it is. When seeing Seattle Betsuin in a different state than I am used to, I too also had a sense of unease.

The reality of the situation though, is that a temple is more than just the mere structure or adornments of the building. While many of these aspects of the building could be gone forever, they can still be replaced and given anew. It is also the reality that a temple is the community that comes to it. Don't misunderstand me, the building and structure are absolutely necessary for a temple to exist. Yet, if it did not have the compassionate, caring, and kind community who goes there every weekend, what good is a building alone?

We must always remember the most important aspect of a building is the people who come in to utilize the space, and what they are utilizing the space for. The building's purpose is to be a center for gathering so that we can all listen to, study, and engage with the Buddhist teachings handed down to us from generation, to generation.

It is a totally valid emotion to be angry, upset, and scared for what transpired at our sister temple. All of us, surrounding the temple went through this type of anxiety. At the same time, however, we immediately went into help and support mode. Our first instinct was to reach out to our friends and make sure that they were okay and ask if there was anything we could do.

This is because there is a recognition that all of us are travelers of the Dharma. All of us say Namo Amida Butsu. I don't mean to say that we should only help Jodo Shinshu members, but to say that us having a common bond in the

Dharma helps us to feel our fellow nembutsu travelers' sense of being. It is important for us to recognize at first that a building is more than just a building, it's also the people who come to the building. Yet for that very same reason, the building is of vital importance and is needed.

I thank all of our sanghas for showing sincere solidarity and a desire to continue to walk the path of the Dharma together.



# **OBT President's Message** Cathy Yarne

Greetings Everyone!

A few months ago, I went to a presentation about mindfulness. The speaker led us through exercises that

encouraged us to explore and focus on one thing we were grateful for. We were instructed to think about the specific reasons why we were grateful for that one thing, and to ask ourselves what did I learn? I'm making a conscious effort to do this at least once a day. So last Sunday, at the end of the service I started thinking about the number of people involved in this service.

1 person who unlocks temple doors, gates and makes sure the heat is on.

2 people make floral arrangements

1 person brings obuppan (food offering)

1-2 Minister Assistants to set up

1 person who puts together the slides that will be shown on the monitors

1 person to operate the camera and computers during service

1 person plays the organ or piano

1 service chairperson

And last but not least we have a minister or minister assistant to conduct the service. Even if a few people did more than one task, it's still a lot of people. I'm sure I'm forgetting another task, but you get the idea.

You've heard me go on and on about how our temple exists because so many people volunteered their time. Back in 2020 I started an article by stating, "At our temple, Dana takes on many forms. I acknowledge how almost all aspects of the temple are dependent on volunteers". OBT is very fortunate to have so many giving people who help plan and organize the temple activities and maintain the facilities. I'm grateful to all those who make an effort to make our services a warm, welcoming and pleasant experience. Thank you.

"OBT welcomes all people regardless of ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identification, and political or religious affiliation."

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Please contact the temple with any comments, questions or concerns, or if you wish to report a change of address.

### March 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 at the March 17 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 the temple at 503 481-0699 or at obtlanterns@gmail.com.

Chozo Abe, 3/26/1962 Michael Allyn Noboru Ando, 3/08/2018 George Shigeru Aoki, 3/08/1986 Wonchoon Choi, 3/06/1966 Eric Dahl, 3/01/2018 Masako Dilley, 3/23/1991 Ben Feingold, 3/22/1982 Haru Fujita, 3/7/1999\* Hana Hamada, 3/9/1993\* Eijiro Hara, 3/16/1959 Shinichi Hariya, 3/09/1955 Koji Haruki, 3/23/1959 Taro Hataseki, 3/07/1953 Roy Higashi, 3/19/1998 Sumiko Ikata, 3/30/2016\* Shohachi Itoyama, 3/11/1956 Shigeichi Kakishita, 3/01/1993 Nancy Hisako Kanai, 3/12/1987 Hanjiro Kato, 3/27/1955 James Keijiro Kida, 3/31/1988 Sada Kitagawa, 3/20/1993 Chikara Koike, 3/10/1986 Toshiko Koike, 3/31/2006\* Jean Owashi Kono, 3/3/2015 Isao Kuranishi, 3/26/1995 Torakazu Kuranishi, 3/12/1956

Toraichi Kurata, 3/12/1956 Tatsuko Kuribayashi, 3/08/2011 Wallace Kurihara, 3/19/2020 Karen Fusae Lazzeroni, 3/20/2019 Yaeko Maeda, 3/23/1986\* Mathew M Masuoka, 3/20/1998 Henry Matsunaga, 3/10/1985 Iki Mishiro, 3/1970\* Hitoshi Miura, 3/18/1975 Wataru Mizote, 3/04/1962 Makie Muraki, 3/24/2017 Kyu Muramatsu, 3/31/1966\* Sumi Naganuma, 3/1981\* Leke Nakashimada, 3/30/2012 Mary Nakashimada, 3/15/2009 Tatsuzo Nakashimada, 3/05/1952 Takeshi Nakaya, 3/16/2019 Koji Naruki, 3/23/1959 Gunichi Nishida, 3/25/1997 Kijyu Nishimura, 3/31/1982\* Shinichi Nunotani, 3/09/1955 Zenzaburo Ochiai, 3/04/1982 Hatsu Okabayashi, 3/19/1968 Fred Onishi, 3/01/1982 Tameichi Rikiishi, 3/30/1964 Yoshito G Sadamoto, 3/30/2006 Akira Cap Saheki, 3/31/2014

Hisako Saito, 3/25/2002\* Chiyoko Sakurai, 3/11/1986\* Iki Sanjo, 3/26/1970 Ojiro Art Sasaki, 3/27/2004 Sueno Sato, 3/12/1980 Beatrice Serikaku, 3/31/1999 Sadaji Shiogi, 3/14/1975 Joe Shiraishi, 3/06/2005 Yutaka Shiraishi, 3/19//1996 Yukino Takabayashi, 3/9/1976\* Yoshigo Takano, 3/07/1963 Dori Junko Takeuchi, 3/22/1976 Janet Setsuko Takeuchi, 3/22/1976 Kuniji Tamura, 3/17/2001 Howard Toshikatsu Tanada, 3/29/1994 Toshiko Tanaka, 3/23/2013\* Yutaka Tanaka, 3/10/1962 Tokichi Tom Tsujimura, 3/08/1971 Kazue Uyesugi, 3/1974\* Shio Uyetake, 3/16/2009 Jane Yasui Van Ness, 5/13/2021 Jack Shizuma Watari, 3/19/1999 Frances Yurie Yamada, 3/26/2015 Senichiro Yamada, 3/01/1958 Shigetaro Yamano, 3/06/1978 Yoko Yuzuriha, 3/26/2023

<sup>\*</sup> OBWA member

### Oregon Buddhist Temple January 2024 Donations

SHOTSUKI HOYO

In memory of Tomi Tsujimura

Katie & Ed Tamiyasu

In memory of Sakae Ando

Diane Ando Harder Roberta Ando

In memory of Denny Ando,

Hiroshi Fujii Roberta Ando

In memory of Tom Hokama

Pat Hokama

Special donations

Carolyn Saiget (Year end gift) Etsuko Osaki (New Year)

Susan Endecott (New Year Party)

Frances S. Palk Anonymous Hoonko

Gerald & JoAnn Sumoge

Pat Hokama

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Diane Ando Harder

Roberta Ando Dana Kakishita

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2024 Annual Pledge

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Carolyn Saiget

Amy Peterson

Debra Shimamoto Suniti Kumar

Elaine Yuzuriha

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Toyoko Oguri

Kristen & Stephen Wong

(2023 & 2024)

2024 Annual Pledge (continued)

Christine White

Randy Choy & Kim Kono

Yoshie Kagawa

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Ronald K. Kobata

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Monthly/bi-monthly/quarterly/ semi-annual pledge donations

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Pat Hokama

Diane Ando Harder

Susan Endecott

Donation acknowledgements are mailed for donations of \$250 or more, and to any donor upon request. Please inform us of any significant errors or omissions.

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Thank you.

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Thank you for your continued support!

# SAVE THE DATES

# Upcoming Events with Rev. Koyama at OBT

# March 30th

Hanjusan Chanting Seminar 11am – 12:30pm

## March 31<sup>st</sup>

Ohigan Special Service 10 am



April 7<sup>th</sup>
Hanamatsuri Service
and Potluck
10 am





### Dharma School Ann Shintani

Happy March! Although it is still chilly, I notice that the mornings are getting brighter with more sunlight. This month I will ask the older students to participate in the service on March 3rd; Amy Peterson

will host a Scouts Sunday on March 10th; and Avery Hughes-Davis will hold "Healthy Body + Karate" sessions on March 10th and 24th after service. Then, on Saturday, April 6th, we will put together the Flower Altar with our small statue of baby Buddha. We are seeking donations of cut flowers (preferably from your backyards... and not purchased). We will enjoy it for our Sunday, April 7th Hanamatsuri Service. Please join us on that festive day.





# Friendly Teens at OBT By Marilyn Achterman

The intelligent, willing, athletic, courageous, artistic, kind, responsible Dana Class gathers on Sundays for Buddhist lessons, discussions on relevant topics in their lives,

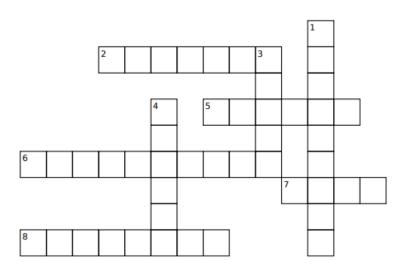
art projects, playing games and cooking Nirvana Day lunch for the Sangha. When you see a teen at the temple, say 'Hello'. It will be an enlightening encounter.



(Above) Dana class gathering before Nirvana Day lunch

(Left) Cooking lunch in the kitchen

# Happy Birthday, Siddhartha



### Down:

- 1. Family name
- Country
- 4. Clan name

### Across:

- 2. Garden where the Buddha was born
- 5. The Awakened One
- 6. Name given at birth
- 7. Mother's name
- 8. Animal of dreams

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



### Embracing The Dharma With Hope And Joy By Ken Garner

Last night I returned home from the Buddhist Churches of America National Council Meeting (NCM), where I had the

honor of representing Oregon Buddhist Temple and the Northwest District. This year's theme was **Embracing The Dharma With Hope And Joy**. The meeting was held February 23 -25 in Sacramento, California. For those of you who are new or who may be wondering what the National Council is, it is an annual meeting where the state of the denomination is reported as well as business and financial decisions ratified. As the president of the NW District Council, I submitted and presented a report on the activities in the NW.

Over the past decade, I have been to a majority of the NCMs. This one, at least for me, had a very different feel to it. This was in part due to this being the first in-person council meeting we have had since 2020. Delegates were happy to see old friends in the flesh and not just in a Zoom window. We had the hospitality room where we renewed acquaintances and made new friends. We could talk about goings on in our respective temples, discussing issues and solutions with those facing similar circumstances.

While there was a certain giddiness for being in-person, and maybe a bit too much liquid hospitality (!) I also had additional feelings of positivity and hopefulness. At previous NCM's the decline in membership numbers and the rise in the average age of members always hung over the proceedings. While there would be talk about turning the demographic trend around, I rarely heard ideas or saw much appetite for change. As each report, new program, and initiative were presented this year, I felt the optimism within me grow.

Perhaps it was the Covid pandemic and subsequent quarantines that brought to the forefront the importance of the temple in our lives. Losing something of immense value became a real possibility. The silver lining of the pandemic was that we -- BCA, OBT, and us as individuals -- had to find ways to stay connected. And we did. Activities at the Jodo Shinshu Center, Institute for Buddhist Studies symposium and classes, Jodo Shinshu International Organization publications, are available to us as never before. The situation dragged us all kicking and screaming to utilizing new tools and expanding what is offered.

So much more is going on with BCA and so much more is available to us than in my experience in BCA up to this point. This year is the 125th anniversary of BCA. I feel very positive about our future and for another 125 years!



# **Girl Scouts Update**By Amy Peterson

Troop 43720 wants to thank the Sangha for its continued support. They were happy to pass out their pre-orders so people could get their

cookies in hand the day after the cookies were distributed to the troops.



Cookies can still be ordered by emailing the troop at gstroop43720OBT@gmail.com with your cookie selection. Cookies are \$6 per box.

Cookies will be available at the temple on Sundays in case you need refills.

The girls will be doing a lot of booth sales and will be at several local businesses including Movie Madness, Portland Nursery, Fubon, Safeway. They've wanted to have a movie night so after a booth sale, they'll be back at the temple for a movie night, Troop Beverly Hills.

The girls planned their participation in the Service for Girl Scout Sunday March 10th. I hope you and any other scouts attend. BCA has a Scout Sunday patch if the girls participate in the service that day.

We hope to go fossil and rock hunting this summer in Central Oregon, thanks to your generosity.

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### Oregon Buddhist Women's Association Nancy Kajitsu

Happy New Year!

A joyful celebration of the New Year was well attended!

Of course, birthdays were observed! Happy Birthday Etsu! For one!

We are also supporting a program, IRCO who collect clothing for new immigrants in the Portland area! Please bring your items to Temple! We are collecting until March 31st!

OBT is going to have their Spring Bazaar on April 28th! Many food items are to be served!

Please volunteer! We will need your help!

Lady Takeko Kujo and Lady Yoshiko Ohtani were honored in a special service! A very informative and inspiring dharma talk by Brenda Fugate, our Minister's Assistant was presented! Photos included!

Look at our Newsletter for March events!

We will be contacting you for our next Zoom meeting in March!

Gassho,

Nancy Kajitsu.



Members and guests of the Oregon Buddhist Women's Association (OBWA) celebrate the New Year at Super King Buffet on February 17.



# Thank You for Clothing Donations By Jayne Ichikawa

Thank you all for the tremendous amount of warm clothing items for the

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IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE COMMUNITY ORGAN

IRCO that have been donated. On Friday, February 23, the IRCO came to the temple to pick up the many bags. The OBT will continue this warm clothing drive until March 31.



OBT New Year's Party and Hoonko Special Service – January 28, 2024





















Hoppy New Year
2024

OBT New Year's Party and Hoonko Special Service January 28, 2024





### Omiyage Donations By Susan Leedham

We are beginning to collect donations for Omiyage to sell at Obon. Spring is around the corner, so please consider donating to OBT when decluttering, and please ask your friends and relatives too!

Most anything Japanese sells best, such as dishes, serving pieces and art. We are also interested in gently used decorative and kitchen items, although as is common with garage sales, it is surprising what sells! Toys and jewelry also sell, though other than T-shirts, most clothing does not.

We are putting the donations in the Mabel Boggs room. If anyone needs help or has any questions, my cell phone number is 503-803-1041, and my email address is <a href="mailto:leedhamreporting@comcast.net">leedhamreporting@comcast.net</a>.

Thank you!



# 2024 Japanese American Community Graduation Banquet Elaine Yuzuriha

The Japanese American Community Scholarships and JACL scholarship applications are due on March 1st. The application for the scholarships can be found

on the Portland JACL website:

www.pdxjacl.org/scholarships/

Check out the eligibility requirements for the scholarship on the application. Students or their parents must be a member of one of 11 community organizations of which Oregon Buddhist Temple is one.

The Japanese American Graduation Banquet will be Sunday, April 21, 2024 at 1 pm, located at the Monarch Hotel and Convention Center. This annual event will honor the Class of 2024 high school graduates from the Portland Metro area and award the community scholarships. The keynote speaker will be Tiffany Tamaribuchi, Artistic Director of Portland Taiko.

Please send the names of any Japanese American High School Graduate from the Multnomah, Washington, Clackamas counties in Oregon, and Clark County, WA to the graduation committee so they can invite the graduate to the banquet to honor them. Contact Elaine Yuzuriha at <a href="mailto:e.yuzuriha@gmail.com">e.yuzuriha@gmail.com</a> for information. See our Facebook page: Portland Japanese American Community Graduation.



Healthy Body + Karate By Avery Hughes-Davis

Continuing in March, I will periodically be teaching free wellness lessons after service to interested Dharma School students. This class

will be called Healthy Body + Karate and will be a combination of basic karate moves and overall practices in wellness. I will focus on very basic karate stances and forms and also on mental discipline, self-care, stretching, and positive thinking. These classes will be available to students in the following age ranges: 11 and under and then 12-17. The younger class will go first, directly following Sunday service, and then the second group will be invited to attend right after the younger group finishes.

A little bit about my experience! Having studied karate for over 10 years, culminating in reaching Black Belt status through Krav Maga at East West Martial Arts in Vancouver, I have had time to receive many teachings from a variety of skilled instructors. I attended karate three times a week, participated in demonstrations, attaining the belt levels along the way to Black Belt, and loved what I learned there. This should be a fun experience for all involved and I will strive to help students gain a better understanding of karate while also promoting a healthy body philosophy.

Parent/guardian visitors are encouraged to watch class (but not required) and each participating student and their parent/guardian will be asked to sign a waiver in order to participate. Class will not be strenuous or dangerous in any way, but a waiver will be in place to protect all involved.

We hope you'll join us for this fun and new experience at OBT. Students should be dressed in casual, athletic wear. Please contact Avery Hughes-Davis at <a href="averymhd@gmail.com">averymhd@gmail.com</a> with any questions and we'll look forward to meeting you for Healthy Body + Karate on March 10, 2024 in the OBT basement space directly after service. Please check the newsletter calendar for updates. Thanks for your interest!

# **OBT Pet Memorial 2024**



**Buddy Boy** 



Georgie



Joey Yoshimoto-Singh



**Bucky Winner** 



Mr.Chips



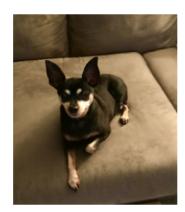
Riley



Tango



Pancake



Journey

### Minidoka Swing Band performs at King City Clubhouse, February 11



From an earlier performance:
Sing Sing Sing by Minidoka Swing Band





### Minidoka Swing Band needs a Sound Manager

Would you like to help out the Minidoka Swing Band and learn a new skill? The Minidoka Swing Band is in need of a Sound Manager. This non-profit band has been affiliated with the Portland JACL since 2007, and practices at Oregon Buddhist Temple. MSB owns all of its own sound equipment such as sound boards, wireless and corded microphones, mic stands and all of the cords needed for a full sound set-up. This position has been filled by a volunteer band member for 15 years who is now retiring from the band.

Responsibilities of Sound Manager include:

- 1. Being responsible for all of the sound equipment
- 2. Ability to set up the sound equipment 2-3 hours before an event
- 3. Ability to take down the equipment, usually requires about an hour for tear down.

We can negotiate some compensation per gig, and we will only need a full sound set up about 2 or 3 times a year. If you have questions about the equipment MSB owns or what it takes to set up the sound system for an event, please call Karl Baxter or Laura Baxter at 503-640-0120, or contact Elaine Yuzuriha: <a href="mailto:e.yuzuriha@gmail.com">e.yuzuriha@gmail.com</a>

### **OBT Events and Meetings**

Links to and list of recurring events and meetings. Because most events are now live at OBT, this table will contain only those events/meetings with zoom links. Check the newsletter calendar for a list of everything that is occurring at the temple. For questions: obon.oregonbuddhisttemple@gmail.com (goes to Chris).

Please check our website for any last minute updates (like weather, funerals, or cancellations).

### **OBT Regular Service**

Every week – Sun 10 AM

Dharma Exchange (following the Regular Service)

Every other week – Sun 11 AM

And occasional special events that are held in the Hondo right after service like the general meeting.

Link below to website for the filmed services:

https://www.oregonbuddhisttemple.com/

This link is to zoom for the live Sunday Services and Dharma Exchange:

Zoom:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88441525686?pwd=EeovjfEdmbgAgQUoFXpEC1RAQrzPP1.1

Meeting ID: 884 4152 5686 Passcode: 804117

### **OBWA**

3rd Sat, mid-month, each month – 10 AM (see calendar for specific date)

Zoom

https://zoom.us/j/96237030266?pwd=QjYxMjl5dDM3cnFVLzR5YmEvUU94UT09

Meeting ID: 962 3703 0266 Passcode: 574232

### **Sunday Bon Odori**

Bon odori is back! Last Sunday of the month at 1 PM in the basement. July/August are exceptions because of Obon and dancing at the Japanese Garden. See calendar for specific dates. Masks optional and we try to distance. See Chris for details or to be added to our Japanese Stuff list that we use to notify dancers --- <a href="mailto:obon.oregonbuddhisttemple@gmail.com">obon.oregonbuddhisttemple@gmail.com</a> email comes to me and I can answer questions or add you to the list.

Zoom link if you can't make it in person.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81054749182?pwd=aHBjNXhERzNyT3hUU0E5Wmw2cUliZz09

Meeting ID: 810 5474 9182 Passcode: 113529

The April Sunday Bon Odori will be on May 5th at 1 PM in the basement

### **BEC (Buddhist Education Committee)**

This is the group who figures out the educational activities for the temple like the Sunday Services, Dharma Exchange, the Library, the videos and Sunday slide show presentations, and other tasks. We are always busy especially since we are currently without a resident minister. You are welcome to visit and listen in on the decisions or volunteer

Meetings are the third Tuesday of each month at 7 PM with a couple exceptions (like during bon odori practice dates).

### Zoom link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/97807303590?pwd=MU90SkZHUnpJUXVxd0EvVGZDYUo4Zz09

Meeting ID: 978 0730 3590 Passcode: 790943



Here's some ways you can stay connected to the dharma and to your community:

- Visit the <u>BCA Connect blog</u> to read and share BCA news, announcements, and articles from *Wheel of Dharma*.
- <u>Watch videos and live-streams</u> of dharma talks and services throughout the United States.
- Go to the <u>BCA YouTube</u> channel to view dharma content from throughout BCA.

Know someone who would enjoy BCA emails? Share this sign up link with them:buddhistchurchesofamerica.org/bca-connect.

# Nitta Scholarship

The Fred and Helen Nitta Scholarship was established with a generous donation of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nitta of Watsonville, California to commemorate their twenty-fifth anniversary in 1964. This award is to honor and give recognition to an outstanding Buddhist youth.

Fred and Helen Nitta of Watsonville, CA were very active in the YBA before World War II and the Dharma School (then Sunday School) of the Watsonville Buddhist Temple. One mimeographed newsletter from the late 1930s notes that they were one of the organizers of a YBA Halloween Dance at Watsonville. In addition, Fred was active in what would eventually be known as the Federation of Dharma School Teacher Leagues (FDSTL) throughout his adult life.

Follow this link for more information and how to apply. Deadline is March 31, 2024.

https://sites.google.com/view/nitta-scholarship



After a five year break, Portland Taiko's Benefit Banquet is returning, Friday, April 5th at Excellent Cuisine (formerly Wong's Kings). Visit their website (portlandtaiko.org) for tickets and additional information.

Traditionally the banquets have been fun, lively, and delicious! Who knows, there may even be a few surprise guests, too! (Portland Taiko rents office space and holds rehearsals and classes at our temple.)



















# UNTIL MARCH 31 OREGON BUDDHIST TEMPLE WARM CLOTHES DRIVE FOR IRCO

### **Immigrant & Refugee Community Organization**

Uniting newcomers and long-time community members --IRCO provides wraparound services for immigrants and refugees in their adjustment to life in the U.S. IRCO offer over 75 programs that provide culturally and linguistically specific services – from early learning to senior services – to welcome, serve, and empower refugees, immigrants and people across cultures and generations to reach their full potential.

The Oregon Buddhist Temple asks for your help in collecting new or clean, gently used winter clothing for men, women and children served by IRCO. New or Clean, Gently Used Warm Clothing for Men, Women, or Children

Coats, Jackets,

Long sleeve t-shirts,

Sweaters,

Warm pants,

Winter accessories, like hats, gloves, scarves

Bring your clothing donations to the Oregon Buddhist Temple lobby and place them in the marked IRCO box.

Check donations for the IRCO drive may be made to the Oregon Buddhist Temple ("IRCO" in comment) and mailed to Oregon Buddhist Temple

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FOR MORE INFORMATION

Jayne Ichikawa

jayneichi@gmail.com



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Pledge payments can be mailed to the above address or made via PayPal at <u>OregonBuddhistTemple.com</u>

In gratitude for your support of the Oregon Buddhist Temple