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December 2014



## **Just one more thing** Reverend Jundo Gregory Gibbs

The title of this article, “Just one more thing,” will remind many of you of the television detective, Columbo. Peter Falk was always charming in the

role. [Did you know that one of his daughters is a detective in real life?] Whether you viewed the earlier versions or the latter, better written, programs, that phrase of the detective, “Just one more thing...” rattles in the back of one’s head. This will be the last of more than 150 articles I’ve written for this newsletter. I do, indeed, want to speak with you about “just one more thing.”

That one more thing is, to ask you to, “Please say the nembutsu aloud when you have a chance.” Like the rumpled detective, I, a rumpled minister, assure you that there is just this one more thing I want to ask you about, - “Do you sometimes say the nembutsu aloud?” “Can you sometimes hear a great reassurance in the simple voicing of ‘Namo Amida Butsu?’”

Columbo’s conversation mates often prefer being arrested to continuing their conversations with him about that one more thing. I’ll be going off to another temple next month. No one is being arrested. However, I still want to hound you about this one more thing, - can’t you make space in your life to actually say the nembutsu aloud from time to time?

All Buddhists share a vision of the intimate connection between all things. All Mahayana Buddhists (195 of the 200 living schools of Buddhism, inclusive of Jodo Shinshu) share a commitment to the liberation of all suffering and deluded beings. Almost all Buddhists chant the sutras and sing gathas, songs with spiritual meaning. All Buddhists burn incense as an offering to the Buddha, Dharma and Sangha on occasion. All Buddhists oppose violence and support inclusiveness of all people, of all genders, of all political persuasions, of all sexual orientations. But if we are truly Buddhists there is just one more thing.

A Buddhist will have a central activity that reminds them of the above and more. That central action, that one more thing I just have to speak with you about is, for us, saying the nembutsu aloud. If there are non-Buddhist people around and it would seem invasive of us to utter “Namo Amida Butsu” it can still be held silently in the mind and heart. But there is a lot of room for self-deception is the silent holding of the nembutsu. When you say the nembutsu aloud it is right there in the room with you. It is a real thing and not just a half-thought idea or half-embraced value. When we say the nembutsu aloud we have completed that one more thing that we still needed to do for ourselves.

My wife, Kyoko, and sons Sho and Ren have enjoyed our 13 years at the Oregon Buddhist Temple. They will continue as Oregonians for six to eight months as I proceed on my own to my new position at another temple. I will be on my own for half a year, but I won’t be alone. I will have my memories of all my friends here. I will have strong confidence that I will see all of you again when we are back on vacation, probably every year. Also, there is just one more thing that will keep me from feeling lonely. That one more thing is the saying of the nembutsu. Don’t some of you also have just one more thing you were going to do? Warm regards for Bodhi Day. Merry Christmas to those of you who celebrate that holiday. And to all of you, best wishes for a happy New Year which will begin unfolding in a few weeks.

Gassho, Reverend Gibbs

### **December Highlights**

Dec 6	Bodhi Day Potluck Dinner	6 pm
	Bodhi Day Service	7:30 pm
	Nembutsu Retreat	8:30 pm to Midnight
Dec 7	Farewell Party for Rev. Gibbs	11:30 am
	at Chinese Village Restaurant	
Dec 12	Board Meeting	7 pm
Dec 14	OBT Mochitsuki	7:00 am
Dec 20	OBWA Meeting	9:30 am
Dec 31	Year End Service, Soba served	6 pm

*“The purpose of the Oregon Buddhist Temple is to insure that the Jodo Shinshu Sangha have the facilities, resident minister and other resources they need to share the BuddhaDharma in their daily lives and during their major life events.”*

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### **President's message** **Scott Winner, OBT President**

The year 2014 had this fantastic summer. It was so great, it decided to hang around a bit and check out the fall months. And we welcomed it like a house guest that likes to clean and cook for you. But then November came along and said, "nope, we are not having any of that!" and brought on the brrr. I am grateful to November for that. A home is just so much more cozy with warm blankets and hot chocolate. And even though it was a very light snow, it is still magical to watch.

Although, I do love watching the snow from the comfort of my warm blankets and cocoa, I am hoping for a snow free February, when we will be having our annual NW District Convention. The convention will be hosted by Seattle and held at the Westin in Bellevue WA next year. Rooms at the group rate for Feb 13 and 14 at available at \$155 per night. The cost to attend the convention is \$125 for adults, \$90 for youth, and \$70 for children. Banquet only is \$80 adult & youth and \$35 for children. This year there will be the opportunity to register online or through the temple. We should see the registration packets in the next week or so. Ann Shintani will be coordinating registration for the temple, thanks Ann!

At the November Board meeting, the Board decided that we would not be making Chow Mein for the JACL Mochitsuki. Unfortunately, we just can't fit it into our schedule this year, but the OBWA is planning on making dorayaki.

As many of you may already know, Bishop Umezu has officially reassigned Rev. Gibbs to the Pasadena Buddhist Temple. He will be starting his new post January 1, 2015. His last working day at OBT will be December 15 and we wish nothing but the best in Pasadena. Rev. Dennis Fujimoto from the Idaho Oregon Buddhist Temple will be our Supervision minister and we are looking forward to working him. Thank you Rev. Gibbs for your many years of service!

In gassho,  
Scott

### **Farewell Party**

There will be a farewell party  
for Rev. Gregory Gibbs  
at the Chinese Village Restaurant  
520 SE 82<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Portland, OR  
on December 7, 2014  
from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm.  
Cost: \$10 per person

To attend the party, contact Yoshi Ono at:  
[yoshi.ono@gmail.com](mailto:yoshi.ono@gmail.com)

### **2014 OBT Board Election**

**Candidates:** Katie Tamiyasu, Judy Hittle, Phaedra Urban, and Cathy Yarne. **Thank you for voting by December 6, 2014.**

### **Current OBT Board of Directors**

**Term Ending 2016:** Susan Endecott, Al Ono, Amy Peterson, Charles Reneau (Vice President)

**Term Ending 2015:** Marilyn Achterman, Angie Hughes, Craig Yanase, Ray Fukunaga (Recording Secretary)

**Term Ending 2014:** Ken Garner, Yoshi Ono, David Wright, Scott Winner (President)

**OBT Financial Officer:** Elaine Yuzuriha



### **OBWA news**

**Katie Tamiyasu**

We welcomed a new member, Chiz Chambers, who joined us at our October 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. After the meeting, we had an outstanding presentation from Lynn Tamiyasu Lee on Estate Planning. She explained the difference between a WILL and a TRUST, and the importance of which one would be the most advantageous and why. We may do this Aging Wisely subject again in the future, so more people can take advantage of all the enlightening information she presented.

June Shiigi, Alice Ando and Jayne Ichikawa recently visited Jean Tateishi, who is receiving physical therapy at Portland Health and Rehab Center after her fall in October. We wish her well with her recovery.

On November 2<sup>nd</sup> the Women's Past Members Memorial Service was held. We wish to thank Cheryl Uchida (Mary Okita's daughter), for representing all member families who have lost a loved in the past year. We also thank the attendees and appreciate the many donations received at this service.

### **Upcoming December Events:**

**Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>** - Bodhi Day Service will be held on Saturday evening with a potluck dinner at 6:00pm, followed by service at 7:30pm.

**Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>** - Temple mochitsuki shifts start at 7am. Check the enclosed shift schedule for your name. We need your help for this annual event.

**Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>** - Year End Service will be held on Wednesday evening at 6pm, followed by the serving of soba noodles.

If you are interested in joining the Oregon Buddhist Womens' Association (OBWA), please contact Co-Presidents June Shiigi ([shiigisj@comcast.net](mailto:shiigisj@comcast.net)) or Jayne Ichikawa ([jayneichi@gmail.com](mailto:jayneichi@gmail.com)).



l to r: Jean Matsumoto, OBWA Aging Wisely "Prevention of Falls" Speaker Simone Carter, Nancy Kajitsu, June Shiigi. Simone's presentation was very helpful to us all.

### December Toban

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|----------------|---------------------|
| Lisa Anderson  | Mie McGraw          |
| Kiyo Endecott  | Fusako Ouchida      |
| Susan Endecott | Amy Peterson        |
| Kyoko Gibbs    | Ann Shintani-Winner |
| Susan Leedham  | Debra Strugar       |
| Chris Leedham  | Scott Winner        |
| Connie Masuoka | David Wright        |
| Nobuko Masuoka | Judy Yamauchi       |

*Toban not only means "my turn" but "my chance" to show my appreciation to all the men and women whose monetary donations and hard work resulted in this beautiful place, our Temple, to hear the Dharma*

*Words of Jean Matsumoto - 1995*

### SAVE THE DATE

**OBWA New Year Party  
Saturday, January 31, 2014  
10 am to 2 pm at  
Holladay Park Plaza**

**Bring donations of canned food  
and toiletries.**

**Also bring White Elephant donations  
for BINGO prizes.**

**Bentos will be catered.**

**More information to be announced.**



### Rice Cake Extravaganza Sunday, December 14, 2014

Order your Fresh Mochi Cakes to  
Welcome the 2015 New Year

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Pounds at \$3.50 per Pound: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Oregon Buddhist Temple

Mail to:

3720 SE 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Portland, OR 97202

Thank you for your order.

Please pick up at OBT basement through back  
entrance on December 14<sup>th</sup>, before 3:00 pm.

*No phone orders please.*



## 2015 OBT Mochitsuki on Sunday, December 14, 2014

Thank you for your participation. We ask that helpers be middle school age or older. Lunch and snacks will be served. Name listed or not, you are welcome to help. If you are not able to come in the designated shift, you are welcome anytime.

### **Shift 1 (9:00am-11:00am)**

Amasuga, Kats  
Asakawa, Carol  
Cave, Marian  
Chambers, Chiz  
Cole, Aaron&Regan  
Fugate Family  
Hollander, David  
Ishikawa, Grace  
Kagawa, Julie  
Kajitsu, Nancy & Kori  
Kakishita, Dana  
Koyama, Richard & Edna  
Kwong, Chiki  
Larouche, Chip & Setsy  
Leedham,Chris & Susan  
Long, Amy  
Longren, Jennifer  
Masuoka, Connie  
Masuoka, Nobu  
Moro, Marlene  
Oh-Keith, Doug & Kathy  
Okamoto, Janice  
Ono, Al  
Osaki, Herb & Etsu  
Price, Heather  
Tamiyasu, Katie  
Urban, Phaedra  
Wiseman, Rachel  
Yamauchi,Dennis &  
Sandie  
Yamauchi,Judy  
Yoshinaga Family

### **Shift 2 (11:00am-1:00pm)**

Aaby, Beverly & Roberta  
Abe, Al  
Anderson, Lisa  
Ando, Alice  
Endecott, Susan & Kiyo  
Fields, Ray & Yasuko  
Gibbs, Reverend & Kyoko  
Harder Family  
Hondo, Craig  
Kasuno,Daniella,Margaret  
Kennedy, Karol  
Kiyama, Wyn and Traci

Kobata, Mindy  
Koike, Jerry  
Linde, Pat  
Nakashima, Glenn & Angie  
Nakashima, James & Judith  
Ono,Justin, Margaret,Margarete  
Osaka, Gordon  
Richards, Atsuko  
Serai,Angie,Aija  
Shigii, Stan & June  
Sumoge, Jerry & JoAnn  
Tachibana, Sahomi  
Takashima, Jean  
Tateishi, Jean  
Wilson, Trina  
Wright, David  
Yagi Family  
Young, Minnie  
Yarne Family

### **Shift 3 (1:00pm-3:00pm)**

Acostagrates, Courtney  
Ando, Roberta  
Blue and Molly  
Dawson, Charles  
Demise,Darlene  
Dickinson, Kiyomi  
Fukunaga, Ray & Lori  
Garner, Ken & Maho  
Grannan, Scott & Lynn  
Hokama, Tom & Pat  
Ishimaru,Bob & Bettina  
Kollas Philip  
Kono, Kim, Randy Choy  
Kunisaki, Randy and Dana  
Lawson, Brian  
Libeu, Leonore  
Lunzman, Casey  
Masuoka, Naomi  
McGraw, Mie and Nicole  
Mishima, Kumiko  
Monas, Tsuyako  
Neubauer, Brian  
Nishi-Strattner,Mark &  
Linda  
Pawlowski,Steve&Clara  
Oldfield, Scott & Tracy B.

Ono, Yoshi,Tomoko,  
Alyssa  
Peterson Family  
Soto,Teresa  
Takeda, Ernie  
Vinhasa, Sharon  
Yanase, Craig & Lisa  
Yuzuriha Family

### **Shift 4 (3:00pm-5:00pm)**

Achterman, Mark & Marilyn  
Carrollo, Terri Ann  
Dart, Chris  
Hardman, Jake,Jenna  
Hittle, Paul & Judy  
Hughes, Ryan & Angie  
Ichikawa, Shinya & Jayne  
Inoue, Kay & Family  
Ishii, Mike & Janice  
Jarvis, Corrine  
Johnson, David  
Kinoshita, Ken  
Maeda, Laura  
Matsumoto, Jean  
Meiners, Lily  
Mundt, Michelle  
Ouchida, Fusako  
Reneau, Charles  
Saiget,Carol  
Stoeller, Willem & Cathy  
Strugar, Debra & Devin  
Tanaka, Bill & Linda  
Wahl Family  
Watari, Duane  
Wiper, David  
Winner, Scott & Ann  
Tanada, Anna  
Tan Beck, Beebee  
Tano, Alice  
Wyant, Wendy  
Yamasaki,Stacy,Christoper  
Yoshinaga, Danielle

### **Rice Cookers:**

Scott Winner  
Mark Achterman

### **Rice Cookers. Shift 1**

Koyama, Richard  
Leedham, Chris  
Osaki, Herb  
Yamauchi, Dennis

### **Rice Cookers.Shift 2**

Hondo, Craig  
Koike, Jerry  
Osaka, Gordon  
Sumoge, Jerry

### **Rice Cookers. Shift 3**

Dawson, Charles  
Fukunaga, Ray  
Ishimaru, Robert  
Ono, Yoshi

### **Rice Cookers. Shift 4**

Kinoshita, Ken  
Reneau, Charles  
Tanaka, Bill  
Watari, Duane

### **Cashiers:**

#### **Shift 2 (11:00-1:00)**

Yarne, Cathy  
Kiyama, Traci

#### **Shift 3 (1:00-3:00)**

Dana Kunisaki  
Kim Kono

#### **Shift 4 (3:00-5:00)**

Saiget,Carol  
Dart, Chris

### Oregon Buddhist Temple October Donations

**In Memory of Seigo Sugihara & Shizue Sugihara**

Dennis Sugihara  
Ron & Virginia Sugihara  
Alice & Bob MacCallum  
Roger & Linda Morimoto

**In Memory of Phyllis Muramatsu**

**In Memory of Patsy Abe**

**In Memory of Setsu Ueno**

Shoun & Grace Ishikawa

**Lotus Circle**

Shoun & Grace Ishikawa  
Grace Aoki  
Elsie & Harold Onishi

**Special Donations**

Jean Matsumoto (*Sukiyaki Bazaar*)  
Ann Shintani & Scott Winner  
Charles Reneau (*via Tom Dwyer Automotive Refer Rewards Program*)

**Ohigan**

Anonymous

**2014 Membership Donations**

May Kasahara

**Member Pledge Donations**

Jean Matsumoto  
Kiyo Endecott

### Thank You for Your Donations by Envelopes and PayPal

Envelope donations are greatly appreciated.

PayPal donations can also be made by following a link to the OBT donate page at:

<http://www.oregonbuddhisttemple.com/donate/paypal.html>

There are several links on this page, which goes directly to OBT's PayPal account and can be used by anybody to make a donation to OBT – they do not need to have a PayPal account. Follow simple instructions for donation designations.

## 2015 Oregon Buddhist Temple Membership Dues

New or Renewal Registration

- Membership donation is \$250 per individual adult, \$500 per family  
Silver level is \$500/member, Gold level is \$1000/member
- Optional pledge payments of \$25/mo or \$75/qtr for individual or  
\$50/mo or \$150/qtr for families
- A limited number of subsidized memberships are available.  
Please indicate here to be contacted by membership committee

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership allows voting privileges, a subscription to the Wheel of Dharma newsletter from the BCA, subscription to Pureland Path newsletter, and most importantly, demonstrates your support of the Temple.

Please mail this form with check to:  
Oregon Buddhist Temple  
3720 SE 34th Ave  
Portland, OR 97202

Enclosed membership fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional donation: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Help subsidize other members: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

*\*if you wish to encourage membership and participation by helping those unable to make dues payments.*

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE OREGON BUDDHIST TEMPLE



**Temple security**  
*Amy Peterson, Security Coordinator*

Thanks to funds from the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Project we upgraded the Temple security with locks for the Hondo and a locked door to protect the Onaijin. We installed the new walk-in cooler and secured the area around it. Unfortunately, not everyone knows how the security system works. All doors that are unlocked to use the Hondo/Onaijin need to be re-locked either after the use of the temple facilities or before the Temple is locked. This procedure also applies to the door to the Mabel Boggs room and the door behind the Onaijin, both of which allow access to the Hondo/Onaijin. If any of these doors remain unlocked, the Hondo and Onaijin will not be secure.

We have transients that move through the area as well as people looking for trouble. It's up to everyone to make sure the Temple is a safe place for all. Please let someone know if a lock is missing so it can be replaced. If you find a door opened that should be secured, please be sure it's closed and locked. This will keep the Temple and the Sangha protected.

Also I will be cleaning up the access to the Temple. If you have Temple keys and no longer use them, please return them to me. Also if you have a key please be sure your alarm code is still active before you need to use it. If it hasn't been used in a while it will be deleted. If you have questions, please call or email me. My number and the number for the Alarm company are by each telephone. Thank you in advance.

**Hiroshi's Dharma garden**  
*Amy Peterson*

It is with sadness that we say goodbye to our friend, Hiroshi Yamauchi, but with deep appreciation, know that the garden is in good hands and we will continue his vision and legacy. Just this week, I checked on the Ryakkyo and it survived the cold as scallions do, so we will be able to harvest and pickle them next year. The green onions and parsley are thriving as well and available for use. Stan Shiigi the new garden Tobancho discussed plans for tilling the garden for wintering and spring.

Thanks to the many who help with the garden that wish to be nameless like Hiroshi did, but know that growing pumpkins to take to the elders, flowers from the garden for table decorations and produce to share with the Sangha is doing what was originally envisioned. Thank you to all that weeded and watered to keep it thriving. Although we never got the business end of the project correct, we have a true vision of the Dharma for the children to experience. We look forward to many more volunteers to keep this legacy going. Please check with Stan Shiigi or email Amy Peterson at [dharmaschool@oregonbuddhisttemple.com](mailto:dharmaschool@oregonbuddhisttemple.com) if you have time and ideas to volunteer.

**2014 Memorial Chart**

<u>Year of Passing</u>	<u>Memorial</u>	<u>Year of Passing</u>	<u>Memorial</u>
2013	1 year	1998	17 year
2012	3 year	1990	25 year
2008	7 year	1982	33 year
2002	13 year	1965	50 year

*If you would like to have a memorial service performed for loved ones or ancestors, please make arrangements with OBT as early as possible. Please call 503- 234-9456.*



**An Expression of Gratitude**

*Translated by Kyoko Gibbs*

*I hope everyone is doing well. I appreciated the sympathies and kind words towards us. Unfortunately, although we hoped to find him alive, we will continue living with your warmth and encouragement. I wish I could express my appreciation face to face. Thank you so much. Please take good care of yourselves.*

*Wishing the best for Oregon Buddhist Temple,*

*Tokiko Onishi (Mother) and  
Family of the Deceased Yosuke Onishi*

*(Yosuke had been missing from November 2013 and was found on Mt. St. Helens in August 2014.)*



**OBT New Year's Service & Party  
Sunday January 4, 2015**

*Come celebrate the New Year  
10:00 a.m. service & 11:30 a.m. party*

*Bentos by Chef Yoshio Matsuzaki  
\$20 per person*

**Elder Members 80 years old and over will  
receive complimentary meals.**

**Sahomi Tachibana will be this year's "Guest of Honor"**

*Everyone is encouraged to bring their grandparents, children, and friends young and old.  
An alternative lunch will be provided for children not ordering the bento.  
Please preorder your bento using the form below. Deadline: December 21, 2014*

**OBT New Year's Service & Luncheon**

Participant's name (please print)	Check if 80 and over	Participant's name (please print)	Check if 80 and over
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

\_\_\_\_\_ x \$20 = \_\_\_\_\_  
# paid bentos                      \$ enclosed

\_\_\_\_\_ # complimentary meals

Number of children not ordering bento \_\_\_\_\_

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**Make check payable to the OBT. Mail above form and payment by December 21, 2014.  
For questions, please contact KatieTamiyasu, 503-244-6299.**



## ***Sharing Our Life Stories as Buddhist—a recap***

How many of you have asked yourself at some time in your life, “How can I change or find conditions that help me grow and become more compassionate?” I have asked this question but haven’t actively pursued this. Fortunately, I had the unique opportunity to attend the 43<sup>rd</sup> National Conference of the Federation of Buddhist Women’s Association (FBWA) on Oct. 10-12, 2014 in Irvine, CA. It was held in conjunction with the BCA Southern District Dharma School Teachers’ League and the Southern District Buddhist Conference. Even though June and Stan Shiigi and I were among 600+ attendees, I felt very comfortable and appreciated this unforgettable experience. I was among friends from the NW BWA chapters and was inspired by many excellent speakers and leaders.

The theme *Sharing our Life Stories as Buddhist*, was exemplified by nine outstanding keynote speakers. This conference was truly an opportunity for all “Seeking the Light of the Buddha Dharma.” One of the hardest tasks given to me was to select which two workshops to attend. Fortunately, the Saturday session was organized and scheduled to allow participants to hear almost all nine keynote speakers.

If you have a chance to hear Rev. Patricia Usuki formerly from Canada who is now assigned to the San Fernando Valley Hongwanji Temple, I would strongly urge you to seek this opportunity. She is very personable, down-to-earth, and has a

great sense of humor. Another dynamic and compelling speaker was Reverend Shoko (Angela) Oh. Her background included public health, law, and experience as an advocacy leader for conflict resolution and alternative dispute resolution methods. Rev. Oh was ordained in the Rinzaï Sect of Zen Buddhism.

The NW BWA also was involved with the conference delegates’ meeting and programs during the weekend. NW BWA President Janet Baba of the Seattle Betsuin reported on the NW Youth Exchange Program with Japan with an excellent slide show. Rosie Yasukochi from Seattle Betsuin and Kristi Fukunaga from Oregon Buddhist Temple were selected as the BCA FBWA exchange students to Japan this year. Rosie was able to attend the conference and read her and Kristi’s very heartwarming, appreciative reports about their Japan trip.

In conclusion I hope to encourage and urge you to attend the 44<sup>th</sup> BCA FBWA conference in Seattle on Oct. 7-9, 2016 at the Westin Hotel in Bellevue, WA. I know it is two years away but our NW BWA planning committee is busy organizing and creating a spectacular weekend with the theme, “Linked in the Nembutsu: Tsunagatte.” Please consider this valuable opportunity to attend this conference as it could help you to understand, appreciate, and integrate the Jodo Shinshu teachings into your life.

I wish to thank our OBWA for paying the expenses for June Shiigi and me as representatives at the 43<sup>rd</sup> National Conference of the Federation of Buddhist Women’s Association.

In Gassho,  
Jayne Ichikawa

### ***OBWA Donations***

*2014 October to November*

#### **Past Member’s Memorial Service:**

Alice Kida, Jean Tomita, Jean Takashima, Janice Okamoto, Takako Maeda, Mary Yamaguchi, Susan Endecott, Alice Ando, Fusako Ouchida, Ami Kinoshita, Kiyomi Dickinson, Yoshie Kagawa, Cheryl Uchida, Katie Tamiyasu, Jean Matsumoto, Dana Kakishita, Grace Ishikawa, June Shiigi, Sumi Ishida, Minnie Young, Susan Yoneda, and Sumiko Ikata.

**General:** Kim Kono, Anonymous

### **2015 Northwest District Convention**

**Bellevue, Washington  
February 13 to 15, 2015  
Hosted by Seattle Betsuin**

**Keynote Speaker  
Rev. Harry Bridge from Oakland**

Link to video "trailer" at <http://vimeo.com/87551322>.

*See Scott Winner’s article for more information.*

## **Oregon Buddhist Temple Ho-onko Seminar**

**“Religion – What Good Is It?”**

**Rev. James Hozen Warrick  
Seattle Betsuin**

**January 10, 2015  
Saturday  
10 am to 4 pm**

**Free Public Seminar  
Complimentary lunch will be served.**

***Oregon Buddhist Temple  
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