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The Power Behind the Throne

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“Self-power is the effort to attain birth, whether by invoking the names of Buddhas other than Amida and practicing good acts other than the Nembutsu, in accordance with your particular circumstances and opportunities; or by endeavoring to make yourself worthy through mending the confusion in your acts, words, and thoughts, confident of your own powers and guided by your own calculation.” (from 2. Response to an Inquiry from the Nembutsu People of Kasama, Lamp for the Latter Ages, CWS p. 525)

Good morning. Thank you all for allowing me this opportunity to give this dharma message today. My name is Carmela Hirano and my weekend job is Minister's Assistant at the Salt Lake Buddhist Temple. My day job is psychiatrist and psychotherapist, and my evening job is wife and evil stepmother. I admit that giving this dharma message is freaking me out. Preparing for this has brought me smackdab against the boundaries of my ego and self-power, and now I'm staring at the face of my incompetence -- which is actually pretty cool, as I will explain later. When Patti Oshita Sensei first e-mailed me to give this talk, (and I think I know whose evil idea this was), my cocky ignorant self said “Sure, no problem.” My husband said, “Baka! What do you think you're doing?” Now I can really see the big doodoo I've put myself in.

It's so easy to get caught up in self-power. I have noticed my confidence and arrogance grow over the years the longer I'm in the business of messing with other people's minds. Maybe 28 years now. Such power! Such influence! People pay me the big bucks for my opinions, holy cow. I have important letters after my name: MD, DABPN, CEO... plus owner of a growing private practice, and several other titles like Founder and Director, not to mention “Evil Queen Stepmother” or “Minister's Assistant.” I'm so special, so important. Titles have a way of tricking the mind to the illusion, or delusion, of power, self power. Titles are like the Ring of Sauron, forged in the fires of Mount Doom, in the movie “The Lord of the Rings.” “The Ring that rules them all.” Whoever wears it gets corrupted and becomes like Gollum.

("My precioussssss...!") Having nice cars, nice house, nice clothes, nice apps on my phone, nice big letters after my name have this way of sneaking more air into the self-powered mind. I tell my staff no one in this office is allowed to have an ego bigger than mine!

Then I encountered the Nembutsu teaching, which really messed me up. I realized none of these things I call mine – my queendom, my possessions, my titles, my relationships, my whole life, my self-power -- would be possible without the work of countless others, without the Working Vow of Other Power. It's not so easy to see the real power behind everything. If everything I own were given to me, then I really can't lay claim to anything as the result of my own efforts.

Last month at the Winter Pacific Seminar led by Rev. Dr. David Matsumoto, the sensitive and sometimes controversial subject of SHINJIN was discussed. There are many definitions of shinjin; the one that grabbed me is that "shinjin" is Amida Buddha's pure and settled mind with boundless wisdom and compassion. This mind is supposed to be Buddha's gift to me. Even Gomonsu-sama said so, in his book "Buddha's Wish for the World" even though I don't deserve it because of my defiled evil mind. So where is this gift? How come no one comes up to me and says "I see that you have received the gift of the Buddha's pure and settled mind." In my struggles I realize I want some of that peace and unconditional love. So the more I want it, the more I struggle with it. So then I get stuck with the struggle to "get it." The more I use my self-power to get it, the more I hit the wall of incompetence and inefficacy.

Matsumoto Sensei also talked about "shinjin" as struggle, tension. (AKA dukkha, dis-ease, affliction) So if I struggle, does that mean I can have some of that peace and unconditional love? What a relief! But wait, how can I feel relief when I'm struggling? The Nembutsu teaching is really screwing me up again. Relief coexisting with the struggle. No struggle, no relief. No relief, no struggle. So struggle with self-power, or lack thereof, is good. Struggle with looking at our helplessness and incompetence, is good. The theme for this conference is "Do Something Now." I say "Do something now, Struggle Now!"

In my day job, I struggle all day long with irate, moaning and groaning people. Not much different from Socho's job. Or your jobs! The other day I had a conversation with our Office Manager: there was an irate patient at the desk with our receptionist, who was just doing her job but wasn't very accommodating. Fortunately the office manager was able to step in and help. This incident reminded both of us again about who we are really working for. Without irate, moaning and groaning patients, we wouldn't have a livelihood. Every patient who steps into my office moans and groans about something. That's normal for a psychiatric practice.

I'm currently working with a 24-year-old male just diagnosed with testicular cancer. He's struggling with his mortality in the face of his youthful idealism and unfulfilled ambitions. As much as I am confident of my abilities to work with difficult people and difficult situations, in this case both patient and therapist hit the wall of helplessness, the limits of self-power. I have no power to "save" this patient. But maybe my patient is "saving me" from my own illusions of self-power. I have come to realize that without my patients, I would essentially be unemployed. Without poor people, there would be no Democrats. Without rich people, there would be no Republicans. Without complainers and moaners there would be no sangha; without sangha there would be no lay leaders and ministers, no BCA, therefore no Sochos either. So we need these complainers and groaners to remind us who we are really working for. Struggling with irate moaning and groaning people is good, so do something now, struggle now! This year we are celebrating 100 years of Buddhism in Utah. Imagine that – the lotus can bloom in dry dirt instead of wet mud! But the Shin Buddhist sangha did that, thanks to our Issei

pioneers who planted the lotus bulbs in desert sand, in the shadows of the mighty Mormon Church, no less! I cannot even conceive of how enormous their struggles must have been. There were no hydroponics at the time to grow lotus in dirt; much groundbreaking had to be done with blood, sweat, and tears, and bare hands. Perhaps the struggles we invest in our temples now will change the landscape of religious practice for future Shin Buddhist generations. The great teacher TNH would always say “No mud, no lotus.” I say, “No dirt, no lotus.” Struggling in the dirt is good.

The Mayan calendar predicted that on Dec 21, 2012 the world as we know it would cease to exist. The New-Agers are saying there will be a major shift in consciousness, which has already started. Could this shift that they are referring to be the Nembutsu teaching? It is becoming cool to be Buddhist, according to our teenage girls. To their surprise, their friends told them so. One is in tenth grade, the other in 7th, both with flourishing social connections in the predominantly Mormon culture of Bountiful, Utah. The current Mindfulness-Meditation revolution in mental health, when informed with Nembutsu teaching, can deepen our understanding of the true nature of suffering and further facilitate transformation and healing of pain in this difficult population. We are all excited about research on “self-directed neuroplasticity” and rewire the bombu brain to become more like Buddha’s brain through mindfulness and meditation practice. Might mindfulness and meditation on the benefits constantly directed at the suffering being, i.e., contemplating on Amida Buddha, be considered part of this movement? The body of research on gratitude and happiness (referred to as Subjective Well Being in the literature) is growing, and the ToDo Institute in Vermont and its collaborators are in the process of obtaining a grant for formal research on gratitude and the Shin Buddhism-based self-reflection of Naikan. In this new era, with such supertechnologies as Information Technology, Environmental Sustainability, and thought-powered robotics in Rehabilitation Medicine, might the Nembutsu come in “hybrid,” “fusion,” collaborative, and integrative forms that contemporary consumers can relate to, and want, so that this well-kept teaching be made more accessible, more visible, more “heard-able?” What if “Namo Amida Butsu” is the new “Om?”

The BCA has work – or struggles – in front of it. The Temple Ministers, lay leaders, and organizations represented here are all confronted with the struggles of growing our temples and sharing Nembutsu teaching with others. How do we grow lotus in ground that hasn’t yet been broken? We struggle with mongku, we struggle with raising funds, and in some temples we struggle with shrinking instead of growing. Ultimately the real struggle is in here, in our hearts. How can we recognize self-power in the darkness of delusion without the light of Other Power? Are we clear about how we got here and who we are working for? How can we have leaders without sanghas? Temples without ministers? And vice versa. No struggles, no results. No patients, no livelihood. No dirt, no lotus.

At the end of the day, after listening to all that moaning and groaning, I come home to moan and groan to my husband Jerry, who has the laundry washed, dishes done and delicious dinner ready. But do I notice the aromas of rice cooking or cabbage and corned beef on the stove, or the freshness of clean laundry? Nooo. I complain about the girls’ stuff lying around, their going to bed too late, watching too much TV, playing a lot of video games. Thing is, I do exactly the same things. In spite of my complaining, my hot delicious dinner and clean clothes are still there for me. Jerry has not abandoned me in spite of myself, the power-hungry evil queen stepmother.

The Nembutsu teaching has twisted my already crooked mind to the edge of duality, nonduality,

and beyond. We are all interdependent evil bombus intoxicated in self-power but still embraced in Other Power, the boundless loving heart of Amida Buddha. It doesn't matter whether we are pompous or not, whether we have titles or not, whether we complain or not, whether we meditate or not. It doesn't matter whether we are good or bad. But we can try; we can struggle. Because it is in this struggle that Namo Amida Butsu blossoms as the lotus in the dirt. It is in this struggle that we can live a life of gratitude, the life of shinjin. So we say Namo Amida Butsu in gratitude – gratitude for the struggles ahead, and the struggles in the past which have made us who we are; for home-cooked dinners and clean clothes, our teachers and classmates, mentors and critics, clients and staff, the moaners and groaners, and all of you, my sangha.

Thank you again for this opportunity to speak before you. It's both an honor and punishment, and both good, very good!

In conclusion, please join me in gassho as I read one of my favorite quotes by the therapist Melodie Beattie:

“Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos into order, confusion into clarity...It turns problems into gifts, failures into success, the unexpected into perfect timing, and mistakes into important events. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow.”

Namo Amida Butsu!

President's Message

Dot Richeda

This year the 2012 Buddhist Churches of America Ministers' Association Meeting and National Council Meeting was held on February 22-February 25, 2012 in Sacramento California. The Temple was represented by Sensei Hirano, Carmela Hirano, delegates, Bruce Fong and I. “Let's do something now” was the theme. For the Opening Service Carmela Hirano gave the Dharma talk. The two days of business meeting was conducted very professionally by Everett Watada and we were ahead of schedule on both days. At the Eitaikyo Service and Installation the BCA Ministers' Association Officers & BCA National Officers were installed. Ron Murakami is our new BCA President. At the Banquet on Saturday night it was Socho Ogui's retirement dinner. Sensei Hirano was also recognized for his 25 years of service to the BCA. When I attend the Council meetings, I come away with feeling of being close to the BCA and when networking with other members, how fortunate we are in Salt Lake City. On Sunday, Sensei Hirano, Carmela, James Aoki and I attend the Florin Buddhist Temple service. Sensei Sugihara conducted the service and of course, he played his guitar. Thank you for allowing me to be a delegate to the Council Meeting.

What do you think about the screens in the Hondo? I think it's great. I would like to thank Mark Minaga and Ernie Kyed for all their hard work. Hopefully this will help make the Sunday services ran smoothly. If you have any concerns, please let me know.

March 12th will be the beginning of the renovation of the gym floor and will take at least a week. Please stay away from that area. Thank you.

Announcements:

March 31st SL JACL Nikkei Luncheon

April 12th Temple Board Meeting

BWA News – Month of March 2012

Christy Fong

“Don’t go through life – Grow through life”

The Buddhist Women’s Association is actively seeking new members. Under the leadership of **Reiko Matsuura**, an active calendar is scheduled for both within the temple and beyond with projects to help the community. Any woman who is a paid temple member is encouraged to join. Membership dues are only \$15. It’s a great opportunity to grow, become better acquainted and form friendships with women at the temple of all ages.

The following are those who have paid membership for 2012.

Frances Akimoto	Sandy Iwasaki	Grace Oshita
Geraldine Chappell	Sadie Kato	Dorothy Richeda
Joyce Chen	Brenda Koga	Connie Sakashita
Aki Chow	Sherrie Koga	Jane Sakashita
Maya Chow	Jeanne Konishi	Donna Sato
Yuriko Dennison	Tammara Kuramoto	Misuko Shimada
Lynne Doi	Leann Leach	Chie Sugaya
Ruby Doi	Reiko Matsuura	Nancy Takagi
Takeko Doi	Gail Minaga	Nanae Taketa
Elaine Endo	Faye Mitsunaga	Chic Terashima
Christy Fong	Junko Mitsunaga	Kathy Terashima
Terry Fujinami	Karie Minaga-Miya	Cindy Thomas
Maxine Furubayashi	Setsuko Nagata	Cassandra Van Buren
Carmela Hirano	Takae Nakamura	Reiko Watanabe
Mitsuko Hirota	Alice Ogura	Kazuko Yakumo
Lisa Imamura	Joni Sueoka	

Membership dues can be given to Reiko Watanabe, BWA Treasurer at any time.

The next BWA meeting will be held on March 11th at 11:30. We will be cleaning the altar that day as well.

“Work joyfully and peacefully knowing that right thoughts and right efforts inevitably bring about right results.”

BWA NEWS
Reiko Matsuura

On March 11th the BWA ladies were busy with their annual project of omigaiki (polishing and cleaning the altar). This is an annual service completed by the BWA, and we appreciate all the members who were able to participate. Thank you.

We also held our monthly BWA meeting following the omigaki project. Members volunteered to make musubi for the luncheon on Hanamatsuri. Once again we appreciate your help.

2012 CALENDAR OF EVENTS –Tentative

April 8 Hanamatsuri—Coordinate with temple (Luncheon)
April 23 Nihonmatsuri- assist with food preparation
May Kitchen reorganization and cleaning during Temple Spring Cleanup
June Women's Shelter Project – Christy Fong to help coor
July 14 Obon – Sushi preparation
August 3,4,5 Mountain States – Longmont Temple
August 10-12 Las Vegas Obon – Jane Sakashita to organize the bus trip
August 26 Annual Steak Fry – Sugarhouse Park - Brenda Koga reserved
August Temple Golf Tournament
September 15 Centennial Celebration – Salt Palace
October 6 Annual Food Bazaar—Sushi preparation, Nominating Committee
Selected-Prepares ballots, counts, informs new board members & prepares slate of officers.
October 21 Eshinniko Service – Induction of new members & luncheon
November Election of New Officers
December 4 Bodhi Day Luncheon—Main Dish and side dishes

We would also like to recognize the loss of several BWA members who have passed away. They will dearly be missed.

Ritsie Hayashi, May Koike, Reiko Imada, & Ayako Tohinaka

Our belated condolences to their families in behalf of our organization. We appreciate their contributions to our Sangha.

Next BWA Meeting April 22 at 11:15 a.m.

Dharma School Happenings

Brenda Koga

March came and went before we were even able to notice whether it came or went as a lion or a lamb. The Dharma School students were active with their preparations for the Hanamatsuri program upcoming on April 8...the actual celebrated date for Buddha's birthday.

However, before they began their rehearsals, the Dharma School sponsored their annual Ski Day at Brighton Ski Resort on March 4. It was a picture perfect day with fairly new snow and pure sunshine the entire day.

Approximately 70-75 participants enjoyed the efforts of **Maya Chow** and **Christy Fong** who co-chaired the event. Special thanks to **Karie and Marcus Miya** who transported their barbecue grills and tables and helped prepare the food. Also, a special thanks to **Miles Miya**

for assisting with the arrangements with Brighton. Everyone had a great time.

Upcoming in April will be our annual Hanamatsuri celebration. The program arrangements are under the direction of **Tracy Roberson** and the gifts for the participants will be handled by **Lisa Joko and Cheryl Nakano**. Thanks to all the time and efforts of our teachers for making the program possible.

If you have not had a chance to notice, there are some new additions to enhance our services. We now are going "high tech" with our service format and events being projected on flat screen televisions. **Mark Minaga** and **Ernie Kyed** are responsible in arranging for and installing the equipment. Let us know what you think or if you have any suggestions.

Coming up at the end of April will be the Nihonmatsuri community event for which our temple will be involved. Please contact **Reiko Matsuura** if you would like to help with the food preparation for this event.

On May 5, 2012 the Dharma School will be hosting the Nikkei Center luncheon for the seniors of the community. If you are interested in helping with this endeavor, please contact **Mary Misaka** or **Sherrie Hayashi**. If you have a student with a special talent who would like to perform, please let Brenda Koga know.

BCA National Council meeting

Bruce Fong

The 2012 Ministers' Association and National Council Meeting was held on February 22-25 in Sacramento, California. Dot Richeda and Bruce Fong attended the National Council Meeting on Friday and Saturday as delegates for the Salt Lake Buddhist Temple. Sensei Carmela Hirano gave the opening service Dharma Message which was very well received by the 200 BCA ministers, delegates and guests in attendance.

The following are a few highlights of the two-day business meeting.

The 2012-2013 BCA budget will be \$2.7 million, which is essentially the same as the previous year. Annual BCA member dues will increase from \$94.90 to \$99.99 primarily due to declining membership. Current BCA membership is about 15,000.

The BCA Debt Relief fundraising program of \$199 per member is scheduled to end on May 31, 2012 and will be replaced by a Dharma Offering fundraising program in June 2012. The Dharma Offering program will allow donators to specify where their contributions will be allocated within BCA. Categories include Center for Buddhist Education training, youth activities, minister benefits, student financial aid, outreach and propagation, communications, special needs programs, and the JSC debt. Detailed information will be provided by BCA in the coming months.

As of Feb 2012, the Jodo Shinshu Center (JSC) debt is \$5.6 million with monthly mortgage payments of \$20,794. This is a great improvement from the Jan 2007 loan balance of \$11.8

million and monthly payments of \$77,345. In the past year, \$1.0 million has been raised to pay down the debt through the current Debt Relief program, and BCA anticipates another \$500,000 will be raised by May 2012 to further pay down the debt. Overall, the JSC financial situation has improved greatly over the past several years but much additional support is still required. Please consider contributing to this very special cause that will help promote the growth of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism in the United States.

A closing banquet was held on Feb 25 to recognize Socho Koshin Ogui's service as Bishop of the BCA for the past eight years. Socho Ogui retires on Mar 31, 2012, and Rev. Kodo Umezu will be the next Socho, Bishop of BCA. During the closing banquet, Rev. Jerry Hirano was recognized for his 25 years of service as a BCA minister.

BCA Debt Relief

Options for Submitting BCA Debt Relief Contributions:

Five options for submitting contributions to help payoff the BCA mortgage are listed below. Households with more than one member may submit their contributions together, but no matter how your contribution is made, please make sure the names of all contributing members are identified to be properly credited. As a way of helping others in your church/temple, you are welcome and encouraged to assist them by contributing more than \$199. Of course, any amount that you are able to contribute to help pay off the debt will be greatly appreciated.

Please make contributions payable to BCA Debt Relief and mail to Buddhist Churches of America, 1710 Octavia Street, San Francisco, CA 94109. All donations will be entered into the BCA Donor Database for tracking and record keeping. If you decide to contribute in partial submissions, reminders from either BCA or your temple will be sent to you if needed. A letter of acknowledgement will be sent to you after your total amount has been contributed.

No matter which option you choose, please complete the detailed form on the following page to help make sure your contribution method and amounts are properly recorded and credited.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Contribution Amounts for Each Person if Based on \$199 per Individual: Monthly: \$17
Quarterly: \$49.75 Semi-annually: \$99.50 One-time: \$199

Contribution Options:

BY CHECK: 1. Make check payable to BCA Debt Relief and mail to BCA Headquarters as noted above.

AS AN AUTOMATIC "BILL-PAY" THROUGH YOUR BANK: 1. Contact your bank to set up your contribution as an automatically paid "bill". Make payments payable to BCA Debt Relief and use the BCA address listed above.

CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION BY MAIL, ONE-TIME or in MULTIPLE PAYMENTS:

1. Fill out the portion of the form on the next page for credit card authorization and mail to BCA as noted.
2. Your contribution will be processed through PayPal Credit Authorization.

CREDIT CARD BY TELEPHONE, ONE-TIME or in MULTIPLE PAYMENTS:

1. Call Mina Fujimoto, BCA Headquarters, at (415) 776-5600 extension 11 and provide name, credit card information and contribution amount.
2. Your contribution will be processed through PayPal Credit Authorization.
3. Repeat the process as needed.

CREDIT CARD VIA BCA WEBSITE, ONE-TIME or in MULTIPLE PAYMENTS

1. Access the BCA Website at www.bcahq.org. Click on "BCA Debt Relief."
2. Complete information for your credit card contribution.
3. Your contribution will be processed through PayPal Credit Card Authorization.
4. Repeat the process as needed.

If you or your church/temple has already submitted your contribution to help pay off the Buddhist Churches of America mortgage, we apologize for sending you this information. Your donation is greatly appreciated! Please complete this form to help us properly record and credit your contribution and send to: Buddhist Churches of America National Headquarters 1710 Octavia Street San Francisco, CA 94109

Thank you for your generous support to help pay off the BCA mortgage loan.

BCA Debt Relief

Name(s) of contributors: Street Address: City, State, Zip Code: Phone Number/e-mail: Temple, District:

Contribution Method: By Check as designated below By automatic "bill-pay" set up through my bank Credit Card using Authorization below Credit Card by Telephoning BCA HQ (415) 776-5600 extension 11 PayPal using BCA Website, www.bcahq.org

If contributing by check: I'm making a contribution of \$_____

I'm making a monthly/quarterly/semi-annual contribution. Amount enclosed: \$ _____

If contributing by credit card: I'm making a contribution of: \$ _____ using my credit card (please fill out

following information).

I want to make a monthly/quarterly/semi-annual contribution of: \$ _____ using my credit card (please fill out following information).

Type of Credit Card: Discover MasterCard VISA

Name as appears on Card

Card No. Exp. Date CCV

Phone No.

Questions? Please contact Mina Fujimoto, BCA Headquarters 415-776-5600 extension 11
e-mail: bcahq.office@gmail.com

Deepest Condolences

Our temple offers our deepest sympathies to the family and friends at the passing of our friends:

May Koike

5/5/1921-2/8/2012

Glen Kawa

12/12/1946-2/11/2012

Noriko Kobayashi

3/3/1954-11/25/2011

Hichiro Endo

4/27/1926-2/23/2012

Shizuye Nakagiri

1922-2012

Grahame A. Leach

1/19/1954-3/1/2012

We hope that through the nembutsu teachings and the strength of your family and community, you will find comfort in this difficult time. Namu Amida Butsu

April Shotsuki Hoyo

April 8, 10:00 am

Deceased	Date of Death	Next of kin
Akimoto Landon	4/12/92	Dennis Akimoto
Akiyama Kiyoshi	4/28/39	Genevieve Akiyama
Arishita Ayako	4/23/00	Sam Arishita
Fujimoto Rae	4/20/97	Grace Oshita
Hachisuka Shiroku	4/4/69	Nancy Takagi
Imada Shizuye	4/24/51	
Iwasaki Kamesaburo	4/13/67	Dean Iwasaki
Iwasaki Toshimasa	4/9/98	Dean Iwasaki
Koga Ichizo	4/16/62	
Koga Shigeichi	4/20/62	
Konishi Toraye	4/30/88	Jeanne Konishi
Masuda Tatsuro	4/6/91	Hatsuye Masuda
Matsuura Chotaro	4/4/50	Francis Akimoto
Minakawa Harushige	4/13/70	Dean Iwasaki
Mitsunaga Shizuko	4/14/90	Tomio Mitsunaga
Oda Fumi		Shigeru Sasaki
Oda Hayano		
Sakashita George	4/2/75	Jane Sakashita
Sugihara Yoshio	4/12/86	Dorothy Sugihara
Tachiki Kayo	4/?/27	Steve Tachiki
Takenaka Yoso	4/9/95	Takenaka Family
Taketa Shinobu	4/18/82	Nanae Taketa
Okada Hito	4/5/84	Aiko Okada
Terashima Kiyoyuki	4/29/66	Paul Terashima
Mayeda Chieko	4/6/99	Craig Mayeda
Shizue Adachi	4/8/01	Tamiko Adachi
Hasegawa Miyuki	4/7/02	Paul Hasegawa
Chow Choy Lan	4/8/02	Chuck Chow
Sekino Lillian	4/17/02	David Sekino
Aoki Eva	4/2/03	Nob Aoki
Oishi Tai	4/25/03	Victor Oishi
Shigeru Shimada	4/9/09	Misuko Shimada
Kozo Minaga	4/2/10	Hisako Minaga

Chanting Workshop and Seminar

Ogden Buddhist Temple

March 5, 4:00 pm

Led by Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki of the Lodi Buddhist Temple

2012 MARCH DONATIONS

Karen Nakagiri	100	1 yr memorial for Yukie Okubo
Noreen Okubo	100	1 yr memorial for Yukie Okubo
Henry & Tammy Kuramoto	20	In memory of Misato Kuramoto
Jeff & Linda Itami	25	In memory of May Koike
Yutako Ikegami	50	Shotsuki Hoyo - Akiko Takenaka
Yutako Ikegami	100	Shotsuki Hoyo - Akitaro Ikegami
Ken Nodzu	25	Mother's Shotsuki Hoyo
Bruce & Christy Fong	300	BCA Natl Council Conference
Lynn & Marilyn Shimada	30	Hoonko
Lynn & Marilyn Shimada	25	Shotsuki Hoyo - Yoshino Oishi
Kiyo Nakamura	100	Hoonko
Keizo Kobayashi	750	Special

OHIGAN

Yoshiko Uno	20	Bruce & Christy Fong	25
Byron & Reiko Watanabe	25	Mark & Gail Minaga	25
Hisa Minaga	25	Elizabeth Takasaki	20
Aiko Okada	25	Jerry & Carmella Hirano	50
Chic Terashima	25	Dot Richeda	30
Sachiko Tohinaka	20	Paul & Kathy Terashima	25
Jeanne Konishi	25	Tomio & Junko Mitsunaga	25
Setsuko Nagata	25	Misao & Elsie Doi	50
Nobuo Aoki	25	Brenda Koga	25
Maxine Furubayashi	25	Nancy Takagi	20
Charlie Sasaki	20	Tomiye Ishimatsu	25
Nanae Taketa	25	Reiko & Ken Matsuura	25
Jane Sakashita	25	Ichiro & Takeko Doi	25
Terry & Mits Fujinami	25	Brent & Sherrie Koga	25
May Akiyama	25		

MARCH SHOTSUKI HOYO

Yoshiko Uno	25	Paul & Kathy Terashima	25
Stan & Elaine Endo	40	Misao & Elsie Doi	50
Bruce & Christy Fong	20	Tom & Fran Akimoto	25
Rose Watamura	20	Nanae Taketa	50
Chizuko Ishimatsu	100	Tomiko Igata	25
Jeanne Konishi	25	Tomiye Ishimatsu	50

BWA

Henry & Tammy Kuramoto 25 In memory of Misato Kuramoto

DHARMA SCHOOL

Hiroshi & Mary Aramaki	40	Goodie Bag
Nobue Sudoko	15	Goodie Bag
Aiko Okada	100	Goodie Bag
Chic Terashima	20	Goodie Bag
Asako Mori	25	Goodie Bag
Hatsue Masuda	20	Goodie Bag
Kazuko Yakumo	25	Ohigan breakfast
Bruce & Christy Fong	20	Ski Outing
Maya & Chuck Chow	20	Ski Outing