# KONA HONGWANJI BUDDHIST TEMPLE



# E - JIHO July 2014



Theme & Slogan 2014: Path of Entrusting: Share Peace!

### KEEI BUDDHIST CHURCH AND CEMETERY BON SERVICE AND BON DANCE Saturday, July 19, 2014

Cemetery Service at 5:00 p.m. - Bon Service at 6:00 p.m. Bon Dance at 7:00 p.m.

KONA HONGWANJI BON DANCE
Saturday, July 26, 2014
Lantern Parade at 6:30 p.m. – Bon Dance at 7:00 p.m.

HATSU BON SERVICE SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. Guest Speaker: Reverend Tatsuo Muneto

An ancient legend tells us that during the time of the Buddha, one of his disciples, Mokuren Sonja by name, saw with his superhuman sight the agony of his mother as she suffered in the lowest hell. When the fact was brought to the attention of the Blessed One, his heart was moved with great compassion. Through the grace of his all-embracing compassion, the woman was saved. Mokuren Sonja and his disciples clapped their hands in joy. The legend says this salvation offered by the Buddha is referred to as a "Gathering of Joy". Obon is essentially a memorial service honoring the deceased member. Instead of it being a solemn occasion, a festive mood pervades the entire gathering. Although the sense of loss of our loved one is strong in our hearts, our faith in Amida's Wisdom and Compassion is even stronger.

Until a Resident Minister is assigned: For emergencies contact Kyodan President, Norma Matsumoto at 987-9900 or 323-2552 or 989-3015. To schedule services and/or activities call the church office at 323-2993. Office hours are Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Office closed on weekends and holidays. If unable to contact office Clerk, leave message on the answering machine.

	JULY			
3 Thursday	7:30 PM	Bon Dance Practice		
6 Sunday		NO SUNDAY SERVICE		
7 Monday	7:30 PM	Bon Dance Practice		
10 Thursday	7:30 PM	Bon Dance Practice		
11 Friday	8:30 AM	Senior Activity Program		
12 Saturday		Ikebana Canceled		
-	8:30 AM	BWA Board Meeting		
13 Sunday		NO SUNDAY SERVICE		
14 Monday	7:30 PM	Bon Dance Practice		
17 Thursday	7:30 PM	Bon Dance Practice		
19 Saturday	5:00 PM	Keei Buddhist Church & Cemetery		
		Cemetery Service		
	6:00 PM	Bon Service 7:00 PM - Bon Dance		
20 Sunday	9:00 AM	Adult Sunday Service		
21 Monday	7:30 PM	Bon Dance Practice		
24 Thursday	7:30 PM	Bon Dance Practice		
26 Saturday	7:00 AM	Yagura Set-Up for Bon Dance		
	8:00 AM	Food Prep - #1; Omigaki - #2; Hosha - #3		
	6:30 PM	Lantern Parade 7:00 PM - Bon Dance		
27 Sunday	9:00 AM	Hatsubon Service		
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3 Sunday	9:00 AM	English Family Service		
6 Wednesday	10:30 AM	HAIB Meeting		
8 Friday	8:30 AM	Senior Activity Program		
9 Saturday	0.00 ANA	Ikebana Canceled		
10 Sunday	9:00 AM	Cemetery Bon Service		
13 Wednesday	7:00 PM	Board of Director's Meeting		
17 Sunday	9:00 AM	English Family Service		
24 Sunday	9:00 AM	English Family Service		

#### **CUB SCOUTS & BOY SCOUTS**

9:00 AM .... English Family Service

31 Sunday ....

EVERY MONDAY CUB SCOUT PACK 12 MEETING AT 5:00 PM EVERY WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY CUB SCOUT PACK 12 MEETING AT 5:00 PM EXCEPT 1ST WEDNESDAY EVERY TUESDAY BOY SCOUT TROOP 59 MEETING AT 7:00 PM

#### **TAIKO PRACTICE**

EVERY THURSDAY TAIKO PRACTICE AT 5:30 PM TAIKO MEETING EVERY 2<sup>nd</sup> THURSDAY IN THE SOCIAL HALL AT 6:30 PM

JUDO PRACTICE

JUDO CLUB MEETING EVERY 1<sup>ST</sup> WEDNESDAY IN SCOUT ROOM
EVERY MONDAY AT 7:00 PM NIGHT CLASS EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 6:00 PM NOVICE: 7:00 PM NIGHT CLASS EVERY TUESDAY AT 6:30 PM ADULT ONLY EVERY THURSDAY AT 7:00 PM KATA CLASS

#### **IKEBANA**

EVERY 2<sup>ND</sup> SATURDAY AT 9:00 AM IN THE SCOUT ROOM

#### **MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR JULY and AUGUST, 2014**

First Year (2013)	July August	6 7 2 16 26 26	HAROLD H. MANAGO FUSAE TAKAHARA YOSHIMI TANIYAMA HAZEL AYAKO AOYAGI SASAE TAKEMOTO MURAKAMI KIMIYO "DOROTHY" KONDO
Third Year (2012)	August	3	EMIKO SATO
Seventh Year (2008)	August	5	HARRY CHIKARA NAKASHIMA
Thirteenth Year (2002)	July August	5 7 12 25	TAKAICHI KOBAYAKAWA TONOSE HIRATA CLIFFORD MASAJI SUGIYAMA KIKUE KUMANO
Seventeenth Year (1998)	July August	2 25 12 15	YOSHITO "JONES" AOKI NEAL HISAO MORIMOTO MARK MASAICHI ONAKA SHIGEKO "DORIS" OKUMURA
Twenty-Fifth Year (1990)	July August	7 28 8 28	SANJI IKENO CHARLINE YUKIKO MASUHARA TROY TAKAO SHIRAKI NOBORU YOSHIKI
Thirty-third Year (1982)	July August	24 13 22 26	IKAKU AWA CHRISTINE TOUNZEN SHIGEICHI DOI GENTARO KITAOKA
Fiftieth Year (1965)	August	24	SOKUTARO ASHIHARA
One Hundredth Year (1915)	July August	7 29	YONEKICHI NOGAMI HIROKICHI MIZUTA

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Norma Matsumoto

Here we are at the start of O Bon season. Even without a resident minister until September 4, remember that we have access to a minister or ministers monthly. Please don't hesitate to leave your name, phone and memorial information with the church office. Judy Amano will be in contact with you as arrangements are made with a minister. We'll try to balance the minister's schedule with yours as best as we can.

We have been assigned a Hilo native, Reverend Bruce Nakamura, as our new resident minister beginning September 4. Please show him that 'Kona Aloha' by attending temple events and welcoming him!

With Fathers' Day around the corner, I hope you will celebrate with your father the good and bad times, which weave the fabric of parent/child memories. If your father is no longer with you, please pay tribute to him in some meaningful way. I'm still trying to bake a decent prune cake that he loved. All my friends know what a great (ha, ha) cook and baker I am. But that's okay. My

mom was known for her 'Japan Navy' fruitcake. All the fruits sank to the bottom. But my dad joyfully ate it and it was his favorite at Christmastime.

Let's continue to live life joyously. Every day, to a Buddhist, is a gift not to be taken lightly or lived frivolously. Misery is all around if we aren't looking at the bright side of things. We need to choose to be happy with a buoyant mindset that isn't like my mom's 'Japan Navy' fruitcake! (Actually, I think those sunken fruit caught all the brandy my mother cured the fruitcake with and made it tastier!) That's how we have to look at life.

In Gassho

#### **HEADQUARTERS UPDATE**

#### Address Delivered By Mr. Pieper Toyama at the Aloha Luncheon that was held on May 10, 2014

Thank you everyone for your presence here today. Alton and I are deeply appreciative of your support.

This afternoon I would like to take this occasion to outline the four priorities I have set for myself as I enter this office of the presidency of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii.

First, I intend to solidify gains made by Alton's leadership over the last six years.

My second priority is to support ministers and lay members in their efforts to experience the working and importance of Namo Amida Butsu in their daily lives. To this end, I would like to explore simpler ways of understanding and articulating how the Nembutsu is connected to our everyday experiences whether they be bad or good, sad or happy, depressing or exhilarating. I would also like to explore ways for us to more fully experience the profound effects of the gratitude that calls forth the Nembutsu to our lips. Western psychology is only now beginning to uncover the psychological, emotional, and spiritual effects of the gratitude experience and I would like to relate that research to Shinran's teachings to strengthen our message and make it relevant to new generations of followers and prospective followers.

My third priority is to explore ways in which to support our ministers and the bishop so they will be able to more fully meet the personal needs of members and the organizational needs of their temples and the kyodan. I would like to work directly with ministers, the office of the bishop, the Kyodan personnel committee, and temples to insure that they are compensated adequately now and into the future for the work that they do; that they understand their benefits to which they are entitled so they can plan for their respective futures; that the conditions under which they work allow them to actively participate in the raising of their families; and that they are afforded opportunities and means to maintain their physical, emotional, and spiritual health.

The fourth priority is to facilitate organizational changes in two areas to make our religion more responsive to the needs of the members as well as the needs of temples to better sustain themselves and more responsive to the suffering and inequality that plaque our communities.

As an introduction to the first organizational change I would like to pursue, let me list the various components in our current structure that govern our organization. The structure includes Giseikai, the Kyodan board, its officers, commissions and committees, by-laws, district organizations, the lay association, budgets, policies and procedures, tradition, temple politics, the Ministers Association, Sanmu-Kanji, the Office of the Bishop, and Honzan. Many will agree that this structure is slow to develop and implement change. That is why my priority for the first organizational change is to find ways to streamline our structure so we can deal with governance issues and developmental issues through quicker but more thorough research, discussions, and actions. I plan to share more details of my thoughts for approaching this challenge of bringing our structure in line with the realities of the 21st century after I assess the lay members', the bishop's, and ministers' appetite and readiness for change. I welcome any thoughts on this priority from members and ministers. I am sure there are many out there who have been monkuing about our structure for years. This is your chance to weigh in.

The second organizational change I would like to explore is the development of an additional path completely outside of the established structure (which I outlined previously) for people, especially young people, with good and creative ideas to enter into the process of change. I would like to provide a path for them to not only articulate their ideas but also a path for them to engage in the implementation of their ideas. This path will be designed so any two or more people who share a good idea and the enthusiasm, commitment, and creativity to articulate that idea can find a path to implementation with ease. I have worked out an outline of this path and would like to meet with the minister's association and each district to introduce it before presenting it the Kyodan Board in August.

If anything I have said in the last few minutes makes you want to jump out of your chair and support these priorities, let me know. Let's get started. Again thank your for your support and the honor of this position.

Submitted by Pieper J. Toyama ptoyama@honpahi.org

#### The Pursuit of Happiness

by William Tokuko Lundquist

We'll soon be celebrating the Fourth of July and the signing of the Declaration of Independence, which stated that everyone has the right to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." No values are more American, especially the pursuit of happiness. I recently read an article, however, that said such a pursuit may not be very Buddhist.

Now you may be thinking, as I did, that Shakyamuni Buddha never said anything against being happy. Wasn't he the guy who came up with a cure for human suffering? What about Amida Buddha? Didn't he promise to guide us all to the "Land of Bliss?" That sounds like a happy place. I'd bet the majority of folks who believe in Jodo Shinshu, or any other religion, do so to be happier in this life and beyond. The article, "Forget Happiness" by Ken McLeod, appeared in the spring issue of *tricycle* magazine. I can't agree with everything in the article, but it's worth thinking about. We may not be ready to forget happiness, but maybe our pursuit of it isn't Buddhist after all.

McLeod first makes the point that a pursuit of happiness isn't likely to be successful. He said even when you get something you always wanted, the happiness you feel will not last more than three days, on average. Over the years, I've read about studies that back that up. Just think of the things you wanted for your birthday when you were a kid. I used to think, "Oh man, if I could only get one of those, I'd be happy for the rest of my life." My parents didn't have much money and even less time to search out and buy what I dreamed about, but I don't remember many gifts that made me truly happy for long. There are exceptions, however. The movie, "A Christmas Story," is writer Jean Shepherd's memory of how much he wanted a genuine Red Rider BB rifle when he was a boy, and he called it "the greatest gift I'd ever received, or ever would receive." If you watch closely, however, you'll see that the real gift was the love of his father, who came through when all hope was lost.

So what about a pursuit of happiness that goes beyond material gain? Surely our families can make us happy. In the same issue of *tricycle* was the article "The Dismay of Motherhood," by New York City public school administrator Mary Talbot. She admitted that her children are probably the most important thing in her life, but said having children can bring more heartache than happiness. Perhaps what hurts most about having children, she said, is that you can't protect them from the suffering of this samsara world, no more than they can protect you from it. So what about spouses? Given the divorce rate, I'd say marriage gives you less than a 50/50 chance of being happy. I'm not saying that because I'm bitter. I'm one of the lucky winners. Most of all of the happiness I've ever experienced in life has come from my wife and she continues to bring me great happiness more than 40 years later. Still, there have been periods of unhappiness in our marriage, and again, we can't save each other from sickness, old age and death.

Maybe lasting happiness cannot be found in this samsara world, but what about heaven, the Pure Land, Nirvana, some kind of paradise after death? "Who knows?" said Shakyamuni Buddha, "You've got problems to solve here and now." McLeod said, "Forget about being happy. Put it right out of your mind." I think Shakyamuni Buddha would agree. He wasn't telling us to avoid happiness or to pursue unhappiness. According to legend, he grew up with everything a person could want, including a wonderful wife and son. He left it all behind and denied himself everything, to the point of death. That didn't make him any happier. He realized that he was suffering precisely because he was always avoiding or pursuing something. After his enlightenment, he experienced many joys and many losses in his long life. He took each as it came, not avoiding or pursuing

either. I think he would say there is nothing wrong with happiness. We should be aware when it comes and enjoy it to the fullest, but if we try to pursue happiness, it will always be just out of reach. It's the pursuit that's the problem, not happiness itself.

As for Shinran Shonin's position on happiness, we can find that in the opening pages of the Jodo Shinshu Service Book. Under the heading "Way of Life" it reads: "While always reflecting on ourselves, amidst our feelings of regret and joy, we shall live expressing our gratitude without depending on petitionary prayer and superstition." We are told to view regret and joy like Shakyamuni Buddha did, being grateful for each, and not praying for happiness only.

In the words of a popular song of 25 years ago, "Don't Worry, Be Happy." Just don't pursue that happiness. Let it come and go.

#### **NEW MEMBER**

We welcome to Kona Hongwanji Kyodan new member CLIFFORD TANOUYE of Kealakekua, Hawaii. He is employed by the Department of Education as a food service worker at Konawaena Elementary School. We look forward to seeing you at the Hongwanji activities.

#### **BSC SATELLITE SUMMER SESSION 2014**

Rev. Marvin Harada of the Orange County Buddhist Temple will speak at the BSC Satellite Summer Session on July 26, 2014, at the Hilo Betsuin. He will be speaking on the topic, "Resolving Life's Problems Through Buddhism." He will be discussing the following areas:

1. The matter of life and death; 2. Relationships; 3. Work issues; 4. Self-esteem.

Rev. Harada states, "We all face problems in life. Some of our problems are big problems. Some of our problems are little problems. Sometimes little problems don't get resolved, and they become big problems. Big or small, there isn't anyone who can say they don't face problems in life. Buddhists over the many centuries have resolved the greatest issues of life..."

Marvin Harada is the minister at Orange County Buddhist Temple where he has been serving since 1986. His is also co-director for the Center for Buddhist Education for the Buddhist Churches of America. He is the author of <u>Discovering Buddhism in Everyday Life</u> (2011).

### **TAIKO GROUP NEWS**

One Bon Dance done, and many more to go. Thank you to all those who participated in the Obon Festival held at Keauhou Shopping Center on June 14, 2014. Thank you to those who purchased items from our Fundraiser booth too! We really appreciate it.

The next bon dance that we will be participating in, is the Kona Daifukuji Mission's bon dance to be held on July 12, 2014.

Bon Dance practice will resume on June 30th and for the next four weeks on Mondays and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

"HAPPY" dancing!! :-)

#### **CUB SCOUTS PACK 12**

#### **Advancement Night**

Sunday June 1st, a night filled with fun, awards and great food. Thank you to all the scout parents who prepared the delicious meals for our potluck. Everyone had a great time reminiscing about activities the scouts had done throughout the 2013 – 2014 scout year.

A special ceremony "Crossing the Arrow of Light Bridge" depicting the passing of Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts. During the ceremony Cub Mater Glenn Hirowatari stands on one end of the Arrow of Light bridge with the Second year Webelos **Dylan Ono Bong, Carson Nishida, Drew Basque, Dylan Crusat,** and he accepts their Webelo Neckerchiefs and Slides, on the other end of the bridge is the Scout Master of Troop #59(Joseph Gusman) The Scout Master then places the New Boy Scout Neckerchief and Slide on his neck for his new scout uniform!

This is the last year for second year Webelos **Dylan Ono-Bong** (son of Michele Ono & grandson of Dee & Ken Ono), **Caron Nishida** (son of Moani & Cyril Nishida) and **Drew Basque** (son of Chad & Erin Basque). All three scouts have earned the highest honor in Cub Scouting "The Arrow of Light Badge". This Badge is the only badge that a Cub Scout may place on their Boy Scouts uniform. Scouts: Carson, Drew and Dylan Crusat will be joining Kona Hongwanji Troop 59. Dylan Ono Bong will also continue on to Boy Scouts.

The following scouts were presented awards earned within the past six months:

#### <u>Tiger</u> Den Leaders Kristy Sasada & Ben Ningeok-Ross

Jack Ningeok-Ross Mathematics, Computers, Bowling, Marbles, Photography, Collecting,

Nutrition, Physical Fitness

#### **Wolf** Den Leader Yenika Sayrs & Sharon Sakamoto

**Dylan Keawe-Aiko** Wolf Badge, Collecting, Hiking, Marbles, World Conservation Award,

Bear Gold Arrow Point, 5 Bear Silver Arrows, Astronomy, Bicycling, Bowling, Computers, Family Travel, Fishing, Flag Football, Kickball, Language and Culture, Mathematics, Pet Care, Photography, Physical

Fitness, Reading and Writing, Swimming and Video Games.

**Dylan Leinonen** Bear Gold Arrow Point and Wolf Badge

**Guy Vanetti** Wolf Badge, Bear Gold Arrow Point, 2 Bear Silver Arrows, Art,

Bicycling, Bowling, Collecting, Marbles and Video game

Justin Sayrs Wolf Badge, Gold Arrow Point, 2 Silver Arrow Points, Art, Baseball,

Bowling, Flag Football, Soccer and Video Games

**Lucas Sayrs** Wolf Badge, Gold Arrow Point, 2 Silver Arrow Points, Art, Baseball,

Bowling, Flag Football, Soccer and Video Games.

#### 1st Year Webelo Den Leaders Jon Furuto/ Dee Ono

**Keoni Gali** Aquanaut, Traveler, Citizen, Naturalist, Readyman and Showman

Rikki Furuto Traveling to Japan

#### 2nd yr Webelo Den Leaders Dee Ono & Moani Nishida

**Drew Basque** Webelos Award, Arrow of Light, Craftsman, Family Member, Forester,

Naturalist, Readyman, & Showman pins.

Carson Nishida Webelos Award, Arrow of Light, Communicator, Craftsman, Engineer,

Family Member, Fitness, Forester, Handyman, Naturalist, Outdoorsman,

Readyman, Showman and Traveler pins.

**Dylan Ono-Bong** Webelos Award, Arrow of Light, Communicator, Craftsman, Engineer,

Fitness, Forester, Handyman, Naturalist, Outdoorsman, Sportsman,

Readyman, Showman and Traveler pins.

**Dylan Crusat** Webelos Award, Arrow of Light, Aguanaut, Artist, Citizen, Craftsman,

Family Member, Engineer, Fitness, Forester, Geologist, Handyman, Naturalist, Outdoorsman, Sportsman, Readyman, Scholar, Scientist,

Showman and Traveler pins.

Great job leaders the awards reflect upon your hard work!!!

Each year Cub Master Glenn Hirowatari picks an outstanding Scout for recognition. This may be based on attendance, wearing of uniform to events or weekly meetings, neatness, participation, or for exhibiting the best Scouting tradition. This year was a tie; Congratulations go to **Dylan Ono-Bong** & **Dylan Keawe-Aiko**. Both Dylan's were awarded a Certificate and \$20.00 Game Stop gift card each.

#### Prizes & Thank you's:

A special prize was presented to **Dylan Keawe-Aiko** for selling the MOST Makahiki Tickets. Dylan won a one night stay at the Hilton Waikoloa. Thank you to his grandparents Sharon and Wayne Sakamoto who helped him to achieve his goal to sell the most. Second place seller was **Dylan Ono-Bong** (son of Michele Bong) he chooses 2 Dinner gift Certificates to Manago restaurant.

Dee Ono (Grandparent of Scout Dylan Ono-Bong), Sharon & Wayne Sakamoto (grandparents of Dylan Keawe-Aiko) were awarded a gift certificates to local restaurants for their unselfish assistance to the Pack. Dee has always provided endless snacks for meetings and also provided materials for the den projects without billing the Pack. Her last project she supplied all the materials to make individual First aid Kits for our cars. Wayne & Sharon spent endless hours supporting their grandson's den by providing snacks and supplies for activities. Pack 12 is so fortunate to have great volunteers such as Dee, Sharon and Wayne.

A special Thank You goes to the **Scout Master Joseph Gusman & Boy Scout Michael Gusman of Troop 59** for assisting in lowering the Arrow of Light Bridge on the top of the closet in the Scout Room. Also Thanks to All the parents and scouts pitched in to set up and clean up!

Surprisingly no one left to go home early. Everyone stayed to help clean up!

#### Goodbyes with a few departing words from our Graduates:

**Dylan (Optimus) Ono-Bong** Thoughts: Some things I liked best about Cub Scouts: Camping and fishing; getting to learn to do things; learned ways to help people and skills to be able to respond to an emergency. Some things I learned were: Safety and how to help if someone got hurt; CPR; how you treat people like you want to be treated. It might not work all the time but you should still try to be a good friend.

Some people I would like to thank are: - Papa Ono for always being there to help me with my car and engineering projects. He was patient and explained things to me. It always made me happy when you came to watch me and spend time with me at the activities. You are the bomb fisherman and the best papa EVER to ever be born to life. - Gram (Dee) Ono for taking me to Cub Scouts and for being patient with me while I worked on my requirements. Thank you for helping me with them. You are the best Gram EVER. --\_Cub Master Glenn for taking me to go sell Makahiki tickets and for being happy to see me and saying hi to me.- Hongwanji for helping us and for giving us a place for our meetings.

**Carson Nishida** – I mostly liked camping and going on all the tours at Pohakuloa Training Area. I learned how to perform CPR and how to save people's lives. I want to thank Aunty Lynn and Aunty Shelley for all the support towards me.

**Drew Basque** – I liked the puppet show we put on because I liked to see the other kids laugh. I liked the food because it was tasty and enjoyable. I enjoyed the time building my pinewood derby car with my family and I liked the Advancement night because I really wanted to get out of the lower levels.

**Dylan Crusat** – I liked the fun days and meeting all the Scouts! I like meeting all the different Packs and Troops and Camping! I want to thank Aunty Lynn and Aunty Dee and Aunty Moani and Pack 12.

#### **Cub Day Camp**

June 6th & 7th were days filled with fun for the Cub Scouts of the Kona District. Run by the Aloha Council Boy Scouts of America. This year's theme: "Days of Knights". This year's \$35.00 registration fee per boy/scout covered the activities, Camp shirt, Patch & lunch on Saturday.

Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> was at Kona Latter Day Saints Church in Kailua-Kona. Prior to Day Camp the Cub Scouts were asked to create a uniform to mimic a knight. Each scout created a suit of armor, shield, sword and helmet. The opening ceremony included walking in the with their knight outfits. Activities were: Sir Galahad's/BB guns, Archer's Arcade/Archery, Spoon Jousting, Balloon Race, Cannon Ball War and Town Square. Of course the best events of the day for the scouts were Archery & BB guns...

A special thank you to **Carol Kirihara** of Honaunau Market for providing the insulation material that our scouts used to create their Knight's outfit.

Saturday the 7th was held at Konawaena High School pool & parking lot. The activities were: Waterslide, Swimming, Spear the ring (with oblong balloons), Corn toss, Feather relay and Craft project (making dragons out of eggs cartons). Lunch, which was provided by Aloha Council, was hot dog, orange, apples, chips, cookies and water.

Thank you to Sharon Sakamoto & Lynn Gusman for managing the event booths. Friday Lynn ran the Spoon Jousting booth. Saturday Sharon and Lynn ran the Corn Tossing booth. Also Thank you to Ben & Jennifer Ningeok-Ross for taking turns being Den Leaders for the two days. Great Job! Our very own Nurse Mrs Dee Ono (2nd year Webelo leader) volunteered to be the First Aid Person for the two day event.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

July & August – Summer Activities to be announced. July 30<sup>th</sup> – Meet & Greet, Recruitment at Konawaena Elementary School.

#### **JR. YBA NEWS**

The 57<sup>th</sup> State Jr. YBA Convention will be held on Kauai, June 27-29, 2014. Three members and our advisors & chaperone from Kona will be attending.

We will be manning the food concession at our Kona Hongwanji's Bon Dance on July 26, 2014. Grandpa Kenneth Ciriako will be making his onolicious Chicken Hekka and Chili, along with hot dogs, drinks, spam musubis and snacks.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

### **SPECIAL DONATIONS**

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Okamoto Family, May 24th In Memory of Frank Okamoto's Anniversary Okamoto Family, Memorial Day, In Memory of Frank & Wayne Okamoto Edna Yamashita, In Memory of Tone Sakamoto's 17th Anniversary

Kona Hongwanji Saga Goryu Ikebana Class, Ikebana 2013 & 2014

Kona Japanese Civic Association, Use of Facilities

Mr. & Mrs. James Matsuda, In Memory of Niwa Matsuda's 25th Anniversary

Mr. & Mrs. James Matsuda, Flower Bouquet In Memory of Niwa Matsuda's 25th Anniversary Cynthia Nakamoto-Tomono

Total - \$3,698.00

#### MEMORIAL SERVICES

The Akiona's and The Kunitomo's, In Memory of Kai Kunitomo
Anonymous, 7th year Memorial Service for Susumu Mizoshiri
Tokino Hirata, 17th year Memorial Service for Teruo Hirata
Shayne Ichishita, 17th year Service for Sherri Lynn
Stanley & Gladys Kunitomo, Memorial Service for Kai Kunitomo
Chiyoko Mizoshiri, 7th year Service for Susumu Mizoshiri
Kimie & Frank Mizoshiri, 7th year Memorial Service for Susumu Mizoshiri
Aaron & Ramona Nagata, In Memory of Kai Kunitomo
Burke & Saxon Nagata, In Loving Memory of Kai Kunitomo
Mr. & Mrs. George Matsuoka, 25th Memorial Service for Mitsue Onizuka
Nishihara Family, 13th year Services for Kichiro & Tatsuo Nishihara
Richard Nishimoto, Funeral Service & Related Expenses for Sakae Nishimoto
Mr. & Mrs. Claude Onizuka, 25th year Memorial Service for Mitsue Onizuka
Mrs. Norman Sakata, In Memory of My Friend Mrs. Mitsue Onizuka's 25th Anniversary
Fred Uchima, Funeral Service & Related Expenses for Frances Uchima

Total - \$2,565.00

#### HAKASOJI and NOKOTSUDO

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Total - \$910.00

#### JIHO

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Total - \$245.00

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Total - \$984.00

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