

# KONA HONGWANJI BUDDHIST TEMPLE



**E - JIHO  
February 2020**



**Theme & Slogan 2020:**

**Building Healthy Sanghas: Embracing Generosity and Openness**

## **Okagesama de Hawaii Nikkei Woman's Trajectory**

The Kona Screening of "Okagesama de" will be at the Kona Hongwanji Social Hall on **Saturday, February 8. Doors will open at 4:30 p.m.** Film viewing will begin at 5:00 p.m. **Admission is FREE**, donations will be accepted.

Film Director Hiroyuki Matsumoto who also directed the film "Go For Broke", Memories of the Hawai'i Nisei troops who served in WWII, came to Hawaii last year and interviewed the Issei women as well as their children, documenting the history and hard work of the Japanese women who immigrated to Hawaii and the Nikkei women (Japanese American woman) born in Hawaii.

The Issei women came to Hawaii gave birth and raised their children in a Foreign Land and watched as their sons went of to war, some never returning. Today many people visit and enjoy Hawai'i, due to the hardships and sacrifices of the Nikkei people. So to them we say "OKAGESAMA DE", arigatou gozaimasu, thank you very much.

To everyone at Kona Hongwanji and the Kona Community we ask that you come and view this film with us and meet some of the people featured in this film. Some of the Kona people featured are: Norman Sakata, Shigeo Nakasone, Tadao Sakamoto, and Carol Okuna. Looking forward to seeing you on Saturday, February 8, at the Kona Hongwanji Social Hall.

**NIRVANA DAY SERVICE**  
**Sunday, February 9, 2020 at 9:00 AM**  
**Guest Speaker: Rev. Shinso Hata**  
**Resident Minister at Taishoji Soto Mission**

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - KEIROKAI - LUNCHEON**  
**Sunday, February 16, 2020 at 9:00 AM**  
**Service, Keirokai, Membership Meeting in Temple**  
**Program and Luncheon to follow in Social Hall**  
***NEED COUNT FOR LUNCHEON BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7<sup>TH</sup>***  
***PLEASE CALL CHURCH OFFICE AT 323-2993 FOR RESERVATION***

**NEED THE ASSISTANCE OF THE MINISTER, contact Rev. Blayne Higa at 323-2993 or Emergency only (808)383-9153 or Joseph Gusman at 896-4988 or 324-0708. To schedule services or activities, call the church office at 323-2993 Monday thru Friday – 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed on weekends and holidays. If unable to contact the office clerk, leave a message on the answering machine.**

**E-MAIL ADDRESS: Church – [konahongwanji@twc.com](mailto:konahongwanji@twc.com)**

**FEBRUARY**

1 Saturday ...	-----	Cherry Blossom Festival @ Waimea
2 Sunday ...	9:00 AM ...	Dharma Family Service
	-----	BWA General Membership Meeting
7 Friday ... thru 8 Saturday	-----	Giseikai Meeting in Honolulu
	5:00 PM ...	Okagesama de Movie Viewing
9 Sunday ...	9:00 AM ...	Nirvana Day
12 Wednesday ...	9:30 AM ...	Service @ Hualalai Regency
	11:00 AM ...	Service @ Life Care Center
	7:00 PM ...	Board of Director's Meeting
13 Thursday ...	9:30 AM ...	Preschool Temple Visitation
14 Friday ...	8:30 AM ...	Senior Activity Program
16 Sunday ...	9:00 AM ...	Annual Membership Meeting and Luncheon
18 Tuesday ...	10:30 AM ...	HAIB Meeting
23 Sunday ...	-----	NO SUNDAY SERVICE
		Gathafest @ Honokaa

**MARCH**

1 Sunday ...	9:00 AM...	Eshinni-Kakushinni Day Service
4 Wednesday ...	9:30 AM ...	Service @ Hualalai Regency
	11:00 AM ...	Service @ Life Care Center
5 Thursday ... thru 6 Friday	.....	BSC Spring Seminar in Honolulu
8 Sunday ...	9:30 AM ...	HAIB Buddha Day Service
12 Thursday ...	9:30 AM ...	Preschool Temple Visitation
13 Friday ...	8:30 AM ...	Senior Activity Program
15 Sunday ...	9:00 AM ...	Dharma Family Service
21 Saturday ...	8:00 AM ...	Omigaki – 1 Food Prep – 2
	-----	Buddhist Education Seminar w/Rev. Alan Urasaki
22 Sunday ...	9:00 AM ...	Spring O-Higan Service
29 Sunday ...	9:00 AM ...	Dharma Family Service

**DAILY MORNING SERVICE**

MONDAY THRU SATURDAY AT 8:00 AM  
WEDNESDAYS AT 7:30 AM except Holidays

**WEEKLY TEMPLE MEDITATION SERVICE**

EVERY MONDAY AT 6:30 PM except Holidays

**CUB SCOUTS & BOY SCOUTS**

EVERY MONDAY CUB SCOUT PACK 12 MEETING AT 5:00 PM  
EVERY WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY CUB SCOUT PACK 12 MEETING AT 5:00 PM EXCEPT 1<sup>ST</sup>  
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 6:45 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 THURSDAY AT 7:00 PM KATA CLASS  
EVERY FRIDAY AT 6:30 PM ADULT ONLY

**IKEBANA**

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







Written by Shinran Shonin, the *Shoshinge (Hymn of True Entrusting)* is the most popular chant in the Hongwanji tradition because it summarizes the basic teaching of the Pure Land Way and expresses Shinran's gratitude to Amida Buddha and the Seven Masters.

Sutra chanting has a meditative quality which settles our heart and mind, helping us to hear the calling voice of the Buddha. As the Dharma is heard and received, our chanting becomes an expression of profound gratitude for the Buddha's compassion.

Join in the chanting or simply sit and listen to the beautiful words of Shinran. All are welcome!

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### **Mindfulness Monday**

Begin the week with a moment of contemplation and self-reflection at our meditation session. Join us on Mondays from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm for quiet sitting, walking meditation, and sutra chanting. As we calm our mind and body, we can focus on the present moment and hear the calling voice of wisdom and compassion in our lives. All are welcome!

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### **Compassionate Care**

Providing a compassionate presence through spiritual care is a primary way of caring for Sangha. The Dharma offers guidance and support for our whole lives and especially during times of difficulty. I am here to be a companion to you on life's journey and am available for a private consultation, hospital, or home visitation. Please contact the temple office at 808-323-2993 to schedule an appointment. -Rev. Blayne

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Please join us at Project Dana! We are a senior activity program. If you feel that you are not yet a "senior", please come as a volunteer. We meet every second Friday of the month from 8:30am to about 12:30pm.

Come and enjoy the fellowship, meet new friends and play games. Mid-morning refreshments and a delicious lunch will be served.

If you need transportation, please call Elaine Nakagawa at (808)987-4470

We look forward to having you join us!

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### **Nirvana Day Service**

Shakyamuni awakened to Truth and became a Buddha at the age of 35. After sharing the Dharma for the next 45 years, he attained perfect enlightenment or *parinirvana* with his death at the age of eighty on February 15. Nirvana Day is one of three observances commemorating Shakyamuni, the

other two being his birthday on April 8 and his awakening on December 8. The Sanskrit word Nirvana is understood to mean the blowing out or extinction of the flame of personal desire and delusion.

**We will observe Nirvana Day on Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am.** Our guest speaker will be Rev. Shinsho Hata of Taishoji Soto Mission of Hilo. Rev. Hata grew up in Ehime prefecture, Japan. After graduating from Aichi Gakuin University, he entered Soji-ji Monastery in Kanagawa prefecture. His home temple is Myokenji in Osaka Prefecture. He became the minister of Taishoji in October 2015. Please join us to reflect on Shakyamuni Buddha's life!



### Celebrating the New Year



Remembering Shinran during Hōonkō

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Rev. David Fujimoto of Mililani Hongwanji was the guest speaker for our Hoonko Candlelight and Dharma Family Services on January 18 and 19.







**Acknowledgements Continued:**

William Nakagawa, In Memory of Nakagawa Family  
Patsy Nishina  
Mr. & Mrs. Earl Ogata  
Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Tanaka, Preschool  
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Sugiyama, Boy Scouts, Preschool and Taiko Group  
Total - \$3,980.00

**MEMORIAL SERVICES**

Anonymous, In Memory of Larry Minoru Matsuyama  
Arthur & Joy Kawakami, 25<sup>th</sup> Year Memorial Service for Larry Minoru Matsuyama  
Robert N. Matsuyama, In Memory of Larry Minoru Matsuyama  
Family of Dale Aoki, Funeral Service & Related Expenses for Dale Aoki  
Shirai Family, 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Memorial Service for Asayo Shirai  
Mark & Patti Aoki, In Memory of Ethel Aoki  
Geri-Ann Aoki-Davidson, In Memory of Ethel Aoki  
David & Susan Miyashita, 1<sup>st</sup> Year Memorial Service In Memory of Ethel Aoki  
Suisan, New Year Blessing  
Norman & Betty Takeoka, 1<sup>st</sup> Year Memorial Service In Memory of Ethel Aoki  
Total - \$1,480.00

**HAKASOJI and NOKOTSUDO**

Yoshiyuki & Emi Kaneko	Bessie Kakizoe	Nancy Shibata
Wendell Shibata	Mr. & Mrs. Gary Higashi	Nancy Katayama
Mr. & Mrs. Earl Matsuyama	Yoshiko Kadooka	Pauline Ege
Chizuko Nakamura	Yukiko Nakayama	Jane Poentis
Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Tanaka	Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Sugiyama	Carole Weart
	Total - \$710.96	

**JIHO**

Lorraine Haraguchi	Mr. & Mrs. Kaoru Uyeda	Nancy Shibata
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Higashi	Mr. & Mrs. Richard Sasaki	Yoshiko Kadooka
Mr. & Mrs. Shizuya Sakata	Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Sugiyama	
	Total - \$270.00	

**NEW YEAR EVE, NEW YEAR DAY and JANUARY SUNDAY SERVICES**

Total - \$1,571.00

**Acknowledgements Continued:**

Mr. & Mrs. Francis Abe  
Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert Kaneko  
Mr. & Mrs. George Nakamoto  
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Takiue

**SOCIAL CONCERNS**

Mr. & Mrs. Sadayuki Inouye  
Mr. & Mrs. Yoshiyuki Kaneko  
Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Nakano  
Akino Sonoda  
Total - \$455.00

Nora Koyanagi  
Rinko Matsuoka  
Satsuko Matsuoka  
Janet Yanagi

**CAPITAL FUND**

Mr. & Mrs. Gary Higashi  
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Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Tanaka

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Sugiyama  
Nancy Katayama  
Elbert Iwane

Nancy Shibata  
Chizuko Nakamura

**HAWAII KYODAN DUES**

Mr. & Mrs. Gary Higashi  
Mr. & Mrs. Bert Maedo  
Mr. & Mrs. Shizuya Sakata

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Sugiyama  
Mr. & Mrs. Earl Matsuyama  
Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Tanaka

Nancy Shibata  
Chizuko Nakamura  
Elbert Iwane

## Kona Hongwanji Buddhist Temple, List of Memorial Service for 2020 - revised

**Dear Members:** It is the Buddhist Custom that Family members observe memorial services to pay their respects to those who passed away. Through the services, the families are reminded of the importance of religious life. The role of the rites is helpful in strengthening and aiding the families to lead a meaningful life in the guiding light of Amida Buddha's Compassion. Please note the list below and make an appointment at least **Three Months** prior to the service date.

### FIRST YEAR (2019)

<b>DATE</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>NAME</b>
01/16	Miyahira, Leatrice Emiko	01/17	Takamoto, Katsumi
03/02	Sakamoto, Tsuneo "Charles"	04/09	Kunitomo, Stanley Mitsuo
04/18	Shiraki, Desiree Jade	05/07	Tanaka, Takiyo
06/16	Sato, Saeko	07/17	Miyose, Janet Mieko
07/18	Pratt, Asako	09/23	Fenske, Jane Emiko
10/23	Katoku, Naoto	12/05	Aoki, Dale Kakuma
12/28	Matsumoto, Glenn Tatsuki	12/28	Deguchi, Yasunori
12/30	Matsuoka, George Hideaki		

### THIRD YEAR (2018)

01/10	Yokoyama, Lorelei T.	01/19	Sakata, Tokiko
02/12	Iha, Isamu "Joseph"	03/11	Uechi, Fred
05/03	Nagata, Henri-Ann K.	05/29	Takamoto, Yukito
05/31	Shiraki, Fukue "Betty"	06/26	Shiraishi, Htsuko
07/08	Tomono, Koshi	07/09	Kimoto, Wayne M.
11/7	Matsumura, Sanae	11/21	Inouye, Mildred M.
11/24	Aoki, Ethel C.		

### SEVENTH YEAR (2014)

01/13	Uemura, Jerry Yoshimasa	01/18	Sato, Hidetaka
04/15	Nishimoto, Sakae	05/03	Uchima, Frances Fumiko
06/07	Oue, Clarence Toshio	06/11	Masutomi, Patrick Shunji
06/21	Komo, Mitsugi	07/15	Mizoshiri, Chiyoko
07/18	Kaku, Tadashi	08/01	Nagai, Toshio
08/25	Uemura, Nozomu	09/16	Hirata, Darren Michio
09/22	Koshi, Wilmer Hiromu	10/12	Oue, Herbert Kenso
11/04	Harano, Ellen Tamaki	11/09	Araki, Doris K.
11/26	Kitaoka, Fusae		

### THIRTEENTH YEAR (2008)

01/10	Murai, Mitsuko	01/25	Yamagata, Junji
02/20	Kameda, Shimiko	2/24	Fukushima, Hajime
02/26	Komo, Hideo	04/14	Mizoshiri, Susumu
04/20	Kirihara, Thelma Sachiko	05/10	Aoki, Helen Fumiko
05/28	Fujii, Theodore Toshiharu	06/09	Omoto, Kimiko
06/23	Ueno, Toshiko	10/18	Takayama, Albert Shigeyuki
10/23	Sakata, Tsugio		

### SEVENTEENTH YEAR (2004)

01/03	Hatta, Rev. Shoyei	01/04	Matsumoto, Yaeko
01/12	Ohata, Masami	01/22	Kaneo, Fujiyo
02/17	Kanda, Toru	02/20	Fukushma, Katsutaka
03/04	Nakashima, Ernest Manabu	03/23	Ito, Yukichi
04/15	Nishihara, Ruth Michiko	04/29	Marutani, Kiyoko
05/03	Fukushima, Kimie	05/05	Sakanashi, Shizue
06/09	Asbach, Donna Keiko	08/13	Igeta, Terumasa
09/14	Nakashima, Tsuyoki	09/15	Yamamoto, Takeyo "Dorothy"
09/30	Iwane, Tsuyuko	10/02	Kaku, Hatsuko
10/15	Aoki, Alice Ruth	10/18	Nishikawa, Masao "Masa"
11/09	Matsuda, Mike Mitsuaki	11/29	Motomura, Kuniyoshi "Paul"
12/18	Okabayashi, Ben Minoru	12/20	Horibata, Florence Hatsuko
12/28	Yamasawa, Masayo "Hazel"	12/30	Fujino, Haruno

### TWENTY-FIFTH YEAR (1996)

<b>DATE</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>NAME</b>
01/08	Tanaka, Fumi	01/08	Nishihara, Michiko
01/12	Nakamura, Masao	01/15	Nishimoto, Kiyoshi "Silent"
02/04	Zakahi, Ethel Kiyoko	02/11	Takahama, Elaine Kazuko
03/12	Nakagawa, Shizue	03/16	Nakamoto, Kiyoshi
05/04	Yanagi, Toshiko	05/25	Kamigaki, Teruo
06/18	Tanaka, Harry Isami	06/20	Masuhara, Hana
06/20	Oka, Haruo	07/02	Kira, Mitsuo
07/10	Masutomi, Yoshino	07/23	Egami, Yosoto
07/24	Kaku, Norman Takeshi	08/06	Morinoue, Ayako
08/14	Taniguchi, Elicia Kimiko	08/22	Shimizu, George Kimio
08/23	Ueda, Mitsue	09/12	Yamasawa, Chester Takashi
09/26	Amano, Arnold Tatsuo	10/05	Katoku, Jean Tamiko
12/14	Manago, Osame		

### THIRTY-THIRD YEAR (1988)

01/01	Nishimoto, Take	01/09	Tokumura, Shoichi
01/12	Matsuda, Fred Matsuhei	01/12	Harada, Junichiro
02/14	Miyazono, Fumiko	02/21	Yoshimoto, Takeshi
03/20	Honda, Kitsu	03/23	Tsukahara, Torahichi
04/19	Kunitake, Shigeo	03/25	Takahara, Ruth Haruko
05/07	Ege, Zenji	05/26	Inouye, Clyde Toshio
07/14	Ohta, Kenso	07/30	Morimoto, Rikio
08/04	Ege, Shunichi	08/14	Sonoda, Tsukumo
09/01	Yoshimatsu, Shimo	09/06	Yamagata, Shigeji
09/15	Kobayakawa, Kunio	09/21	Izu, Shoichi
09/22	Morimoto, James Shigeji	09/22	Yamada, Mitsuko
09/24	Oka, Ito	09/27	Fujii, Yukie
10/12	Sato, Akinori	10/29	Manago, (Major) Masakazu
11/13	Sato, Richard Taketoshi	12/04	Yanagi, Hatsuki

**FIFTIETH YEAR (1971)**

01/02	Yoshimoto, Miju	01/15	Tanaka, Denzo
03/11	Ueda, Agnes Katsue	03/29	Fujino, Ine
04/08	Yamamoto, Chester Kazuso	04/11	Nishina, Tojiu
05/01	Kawaguchi, Akino	05/13	Yamasaki, Takeo
05/22	Izuno, Tokio	06/28	Onaka, Shizue
08/04	Shikada, Sueo	09/12	Eto, Tsurue
10/08	Kojima, Tsuya	10/10	Obata, Tsuya
10/10	Honda, Iwaki		

**NOTE: If you have any questions or corrections regarding the information listed above, please call the office at 323-2993. Thank you.**