

Mantokuji Newsletter

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October 2018

Dates to Remember

October 7

Daruma-ki Service &
Daruma-sama Picnic

November 17

Nishime Sale
(tickets on sale October 1)

November 18

Family services &
Shichi-Go-San Ceremony



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Bobbie, Cathy & Isabelle

President's Message

Aloha everyone.

Recently, you received a letter and a flyer describing the current state of affairs at Mantokuji, the large-scale major projects we are working on, and the need for your financial support. The last time we asked you all for this kind of help was when we were preparing for our 100th anniversary celebration. Back in 2006 we recognized the temple's founding in 1906, we documented our rich history of milestones and events, and we honored the many men and women whose dedicated service helped to keep Mantokuji and Soto Zen Buddhism alive. So many of you gave generously in support of our remodeling and repair work and helped to fund a special weekend of celebratory events to mark the passing of our first 100 years in Paia. Now, as we look forward to the next 100 years, we humbly ask for your help and support once again. We greatly appreciate any donation amount you can provide, and we assure you that the officers and board members of Mantokuji are working hard on the temple's behalf.

As always, we look forward to seeing you at our next service / event on Sunday, October 7. The Daruma-ki service starts at 10:00 am with the Daruma-sama Picnic to follow in the social hall. See you there.

Take care.

With Aloha,

Eric Moto
President Mantokuji Kyodan

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Fujinkai News

The Fujinkai will be having their monthly meeting and clean up as follows:

**October 14, 2018 at 8:00am
November 11, 2018 at 8:00am**

Thank you to **Bobbie Arita, Kathleen Davis, Kay Hanano, Shirley Ann Kimizuka, Judith Matoi, Carol Moto, Cathy Murayama, Lois Sato and Sachie Toyota** for helping with the mailing on September 1.

Thank you to the Fujinkai ladies and gentlemen who came on Sunday, September 9 to help with clean up:

Tokuko Abe, Bobbie Arita, Kathleen Davis, Kay Hanano, Scott Hanano, Chester Kakiuchi, Shirley Ann Kimizuka, Joel McMullin, Judith Matoi, Elvira & Heidi Mehlich, Carol Moto, Eric Moto, Cathy Murayama, Bernice Nagato, Isabelle Scholl, Sachie Toyota, Misa Umetsu and Neil Watanabe.

Kyodan Meeting Report

Held Sunday, September 9, 2018

Below are some of the topics that were discussed at the meeting.

- Update on the work of planner, Maria Isotov, who is assisting us with the shoreline erosion
- Update on the Bell Tower project
- Update on grants available to assist with addressing the cemetery erosion and renovation of the Bell Tower
- Repairs and renovations: new toilets installed before o-bon behind the columbarium; curtains in zazen room replaced.
- Presentation by John Voxland who discussed innovative ideas to mitigate the beach erosion.

- Request for services (funeral services, memorial services) to the Soto Mission of Hawaii.
- Rev Oyama conducted the O-Bon services, 8 tanagyo services, 1 memorial service, and 1 service to remove an urn from the nokotsudo.
- Rev Tennes (Kahului Hongwanji) officiated cemetery services.
- Rev Hara (Wailuku Jodo Mission) conducted makurogyo and cemetery services.
- Rev Yoshida will conduct Autumn O-Higan & Ryosoki in October.
- Summer Sale August 18, 2018 report
- HSMA meetings on Saturday, November 3rd in conjunction with Aiea Teiheiji's Centennial Celebration on Nov 4th.

Next Kyodan meeting will be on **Sun, November 11, 2018**.

Please join us for future meetings and be involved in these important discussions.

Recipe of the Month



Allan and Cathy Murayama acquired this recipe from their friend, Steve Tsue, while attending his daughter's graduation party. The fried shrimp served was very tasty so Allan asked Steve for the recipe. Being the cook that Steve is, he replied, "Mayonnaise, oyster sauce, and sirracha." "How much?" Cathy asked. "I don't know!" So we had to guess the proportions! Please adjust to your taste. Thanks Steve! People have enjoyed the shrimp whenever we made them.

Grilled Shrimp

by Steve Tsue

Ingredients

2 - 3 # shrimp (16-20 count), deveined
1 cup mayonnaise
1 Tbl oyster sauce
1 Tbl sirracha sauce

Preparation

Cut back of shrimp and devein. Leave shell on. Rinse and pat dry.

Mix mayonnaise, oyster sauce and sirracha sauce.

Add shrimp and mix to coat.

Marinate overnight or for a few hours.

Grill over charcoal.

Variation: Dredge marinated shrimp with potato starch and deep fry.

Daruma-ki Service & Thank You Picnic



Sunday, October 7, 2018 10:00 Service - 11:00 am Darumasama Thank You Picnic

The Daruma-ki Service and Picnic will be held on Sunday, October 7 from 10:00 am. This event gives the members of Mantokuji a chance to thank our friends who come to help Mantokuji throughout the year. Their generosity and kindness are invaluable.

We will start with a service at 10:00 am in honor of Daruma-sama, or Bodhidharma, the patriarch of Zen Buddhism, followed by games at 11:00 am for children and adults, and lunch will be served at noon.

Please come and enjoy the fellowship, food and fun!

Please RSVP to Cathy Murayama @ 283-6125 or email: info@paimantokuji.org by October 1 to let the committee know if you will attend so we can plan accordingly.

Nishime Sale

Saturday, November 17, 2018 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Pick up:

Mantokuji 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
or Kahului Shopping Center (outside of the former Ah Fook's) 12:00pm – 2:00pm

Tickets will go on sale Sunday, October 7 at the Daruma-sama Picnic.

For tickets contact: Cathy Murayama @ 283-6125 or info@paimantokuji.org

New pick up times



Family Service and Shichi-Go-San Ceremony

We will have a family service together with the Shichi-Go-San Ceremony on **Sunday, November 18 at 9:00 am.**

If you have children, grandchildren or great grandchildren who have become or will be ages 3, 5, and 7 this year, please bring them for the Shichi-Go-San Ceremony to pray for their well-being. Please call Eric Moto at 579-8051 by November 1 to sign up for this ceremony.

The family service is a gathering for the whole family to participate in.

Services are conducted in English. Everyone is welcomed to join us.



Reminder: Annual dues and fees for 2018

Please double check to see if you have paid your membership dues and columbarium (nokotsudo) and cemetery fees for 2018.

Membership Dues	\$50/household
Nokotsudo Fees	\$40/niche
Cemetery Fees	\$40/plot

When sending in payment, please note what the check is for and the name or the person or niche number for whom payment is being made. We ask for your cooperation and promptness. Thank you very much.

Soto Mission of Aiea Taiheiji will have their centennial celebration on November 4th 2018. **Congratulations!**





Remembering Carol

by Bobbie Arita

Taiko, Mantokuji, Reverend Oyama and Mom were the threads that wove our connection to Carol Suzuki, which reminded me of KIZUNA – the loving bond that holds us together, the theme Reverend Oyama thoughtfully chose for our 100th anniversary.

Reverend Oyama remembers Carol first came to Mantokuji as the driver for son Mark and friends, Lani and Jan, to play taiko and ended up playing taiko also. He recalls how “cute” she looked as she turned bright red when making a mistake and would not perform but enjoyed practicing with the group. She left a lasting memory (Carol style) for Mantokuji Taiko by donating a taiko drum in memory of her parents from her two sons. From the start, Carol and Bob supported and promoted Mantokuji using their business expertise and talent to support Mantokuji. Carol would ask Reverend to donate a private taiko lesson and zazen session with a tour of Mantokuji for the Seabury Fair silent auction, a venture that benefited Seabury but more importantly got Mantokuji known and participating in the up country community. Bob, the talented artist, designed a Mantokuji obon towel featuring the historic bell tower against the ocean waves which brings in donations every obon.

My mom, Ms. Aloha, was first to befriend Carol and Bob while sharing a meal after our monthly service and introduced us to her. Carol always appreciated mom’s welcome with leis, the miniature rose ones being her favorite, and the meals and fellowship which she and Bob enjoyed as part of the sangha. So when Carol became ill two and a half years ago, we were only too happy to provide meals for her and Bob during her recovery, which she shared with whoever was visiting at the time. And, there was a constant stream of friends and family from all over, a testament to the many lives Carol touched. We kept her supplied with sponge drops because it helped with chemo treatments. It was a small way to repay her many kindnesses and generosity to our family and Mantokuji. She told us at one of our first visits, “I am going to be the miracle. I will see Mark graduate from law school in two years and hopefully see grandkids.” She sent her son and daughter-in-law a “hint, hint” picture of our grandchildren enjoying their pool in March.

Carol’s positive attitude was infectious so when she got better and energized the temple Board on the path to take on Mantokuji’s erosion crisis with the help of Strategic Planner Linda Morgan, we dispelled our fears and committed to take action — learn our options, inform our members and the community and ask for help in forms of grants and donations. She opened her home to us for our meetings, lending her business expertise to the discussions. The bond is strengthened. Although Carol was always positive and proud of our progress, we felt an urgency to accomplish more as her presence at our meetings lessened. The last time we saw her was when she was recuperating in the hospital from a broken hip with that same positive determination in her voice and demeanor that she would walk so she could go home. And, she did the very next day. These acts of determination and positive thinking made me think Carol would live to see her grandchildren. She had lived to see Mark graduate from law school in May.

I had written an e-mail to Carol on August 8th in the early morning and she face timed me which I thought odd because she usually e-mailed or called back. I returned her call and saw her sitting up in bed, smiling as she explained the next steps to her treatment. And she reminded me, “Bob will drop off a plant for Kay after he picks up the boys at the airport this afternoon.” So, the news of her passing the next day, August 9th was a shock. Reverend Oyama’s sentiment reflects what all of us are feeling, “She was an amazing person that everyone who knew her will miss and we will be forever grateful to have met her and feel so lucky that we were able to know her.” Our deepest sympathy and thank you, Bob and family, for sharing Carol with us. She always told us how lucky she was to have such a loving and supportive husband and family.

Carol is Kizuna—the loving bond that holds us together.

Donations made in August

We would like to sincerely thank you for your very generous donations.

General Donations

Randall Kimura, Patricia Konecny, Adam Nishimura, Isabelle Scholl, Owen Wilson.

Gary & Jean Anderson	To Honor Carol Suzuki
Becker Capital Management, Inc.	In Memory of Carol Suzuki
Brandy Covasa	Parking on July 29, 2018
Craig & Jilda Danielson	In Memory of Carol D Suzuki
Lydia Furomoto	In Memory of Marion Watanabe
Allan Hasegawa	O-Bon – In Memory of Saburo & Kisono Hasegawa
Joan Higashi	O-Bon – In Memory or Shichiroji & Toki Sato
Colin & Janis Hiranaga	Maintenance & Repair Projects
David Hongo	In Memory of Bryce Takahashi (Hatsubon)
Mae Matsui & Family from Hawaii	In Memory of Fumie Sato
Kiyoe Ogata & Family from Japan	In Memory of Fumie Sato
Arlyne Shibata	O-Bon Service – In Memory of Arthur Ueoka & Meyer Ueoka
Lisa Sodetani	In Memory of Douglas & Clara Sodetani
Arlene Y Taketa & Owara Family	O-Bon – In Memory or Tadashi & Shizuka Owara
Steve & Ileene Tanabe	In Memory of Douglas & Clara Sodetani
Meyer Ueoka's Family	In Memory of Meyer Ueoka on 2 nd Anniversary – August 26, 2016
Ben Walin (Maui Trailer Boat Club)	Parking on August 1, 2018
Betty A Watanabe	Erosion Project

Additional O-Bon Donations

David Hongo, Stanley Sato, Betty A Watanabe.

Welcome, New Member

The Mantokuji Sangha extends a warm welcome to the following new member:

Patricia Konecny

We are always grateful to have new members. For information about membership, please contact the temple.

Special Thanks

To Barbara Huntley and Sew Special for donation of fabric for the new curtains for the zazen room.

To Sachie Toyota for sewing the curtains for the zazen room.

To the men and ladies who helped to make the **Summer Sale** on August 18 a success!

Tokuko Abe, Bobbie Arita, Naoko Curry, Kathleen Davis, Kay Hanano, Sue Hiraga, Sheila Kawahara, Becky Kikumoto, Donald & Shirley Ann Kimizuka, Jayne Kimizuka, Patricia Konecny, Grant Matoi, Gary & Judith Matoi, Elvira & Heidi Mehlich, Allan & Cathy Murayama, Bernice Nagato, Yukie Pye, Priscilla Rafferty, Emiko Saito, Doreen Sarceda, Nora Takeuchi, Sachie Toyota, Joy Ueoka, Misa Umetsu, and Neil Watanabe.

Thank you to all who donated plants, baked goods, rummage, and furniture for the sale. And thank you to those who came to support our sale with your purchases. Thanks to all of you, we exceeded our goal! The profits from the sale will be used for the restoration of the Bell Tower.

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October	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 9:30am–12:30pm Ikebana	
7 4:00pm-5:30pm Zazen	8	9	10	11	12	13	
14 8:00am Cleanup 10:30am Fujinkai meeting 4:00pm-5:30pm Zazen	15	16	17	18	19	20	
21 4:00pm-5:30pm Zazen	22	23	24	25	26	27	
28 4:00pm-5:30pm Zazen	29	30	31				

Coming up in November (tentative Schedule)

Sunday 11	Fujinkai & Kyodan meetings & cleanup
Sunday 18	Family service – Shichi Go San (7-5-3) Ceremony

Hospital and Hale Makua
Visitations are scheduled during
the month.