

the Dharma

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Obon@Home

G Sakamoto

Obon@Home was a great success! Thank you to everyone who worked on this project. You brought your expertise, experience and energy to bear on sharing Obon. Thousands of people joined in celebrating community and remembering together family and friends who have passed away. Obon@Home demonstrated that we can bring thousands of people together safely in the midst of a pandemic. And when the critical phase of the pandemic has passed the knowledge gained will be applied to our core mission of sharing the Dharma.

Thank you Mas Nishimura who inspired and led the effort to bring our massive Obon online. Mas led a talented and dedicated group of people. Please look for the acknowledgements of the individuals who made this possible.

Our Obon moved into social media because of the pandemic. We should not forget that our experience is all the more important because of the circumstances we are in. We are unable to do things in the same way as we have in the past. But we can find new and different ways to stay connected. For many, the changes that we have had to make have been overwhelming. Separated, isolated, unable to even go outside has caused many to feel depressed, frustrated and angry. It has taken me weeks to regain my footing. There is still much work to be done. Not easy. Very unsettling and sometimes overwhelming. But an important part of becoming stable again has been acknowledging the new patterns that the changes have brought.

When shelter in place began it felt almost like a lark. We would comply with the changes in behavior that would help stop the spread of the disease. Staying at home seemed like a break. But as the days, weeks and now months have passed we find ourselves having to make decisions that our lives depend on. Now with nearly half a year passed, with no end in sight, the realization that our lives and how we behave has changed. We know that in order to get through this we must work together. We cannot think selfishly about what I need or want. For all of us to survive I must consider how my actions will affect the health and well being of others.

You and I must be responsible. The action of the Betsuin can, under some circumstances, directly affect the lives of the community. These actions take place through organizations and groups of individuals. As individuals our actions have great importance. Relying on the organization when necessary but acting as independent individuals when we can. In this time of isolation it is more important than ever to reach out as individuals to friends and family. Our Obon@Home demonstrated how much just chatting with people online can mean. Each of us have people we are connected to, to check in with once in awhile. Let them know you're still thinking about them.

Okagesama to everyone

Etsuko Mikame

This year due to the COVID-19, we decided to cancel our annual in-person Obon festival. But, we were fortunate to share that we host an Obon@Home with many people from the comfort of their homes in place of our in-person Obon festival. I think we were able to enjoy Obon@Home because of the hard work of many individuals. Especially the enthusiasm and expertise of people

working hard behind the scene made this event possible and successful. So, I would like to appreciate their selfless contributions to make this project possible. But not only to people working hard in the technological side, I would like to appreciate also all of you who participated and enjoyed this even through social media and to those who gave us generous donations for this event. It is very grateful that so many people coming together could express their compassions through their hard work.

There is a specific word in Japanese to express the gratitude to someone or something working behind us; Okagesama, which means “thanks to all the causes and conditions.” Okagesama can be divided into 3 parts; O, kage, sama. O is the prefix and sama is suffix to make the word polite. Kage originally means “shadow.” When we live our daily life, we don’t realize that we have shadows. It is not very remarkable but it is part of us. Just like it, Kage means someone working behind the scene to make it possible here. Ancestors in Japan added O and sama to make Kage, which made us to express the big gratitude to people working hard behind us to support us, more polite. So, Okagesama indicates that our awareness that where we are now is due to the efforts and supports of others. Reflecting upon our life, there may be countless Okagesama in our lives. What and who is your “Okagesama” in your life? Your family? Your friends? Maybe you must have countless relationships to say Okagesama. Maybe our loved ones who shared many precious memories with us, too.

And of course, our biggest Okagesama must be Amida Buddha. Wherever we are in any situations, whatever happens to us, Amida Buddha is always by our sides and works behind us to try to make us aware the truth of the life.

If you can realize many Okagesama in our lives, we will be able to live our lives with appreciation and to feel joy of living. Buddhism gives us the opportunity to make us aware Okagesama which support our lives and to deepen the meaning of our lives.

Okagesama to everyone! Namo Amida Butsu.

President’s Message

Hi everyone, I hope all of you are healthy and well. Please stay well by following the COVID-19 protocol:

1. Wash your hands often
2. Stay 6 feet apart from non-household members when outside
3. Wear cloth face coverings when outside and not exercising
4. Wear gloves where possible in public places
5. Cough and sneeze into tissue or elbow
6. Stay home if you have COVID-19 symptoms
7. See doctor if COVID-19 symptoms persist
8. Do not cancel/postpone doctor appointments.
9. For mental wellbeing, connect with a relative or friend by mail or phone regularly.

As many of you have probably heard, we had a very successful Obon@Home Festival. Thanks to Mas Nishimura and his team of highly talented individuals, they pulled off a sensational Obon event.

1. Over 11,000 people engaged and 4,000 responded in Facebook.
2. Over 13,000 people viewed it live. Over 3,000 viewed after conclusion of live event.
3. Over 103,000 impressions in Facebook.
4. Over 26,000 viewers and 700 additional followers on Instagram.
5. There were very good responses from the local businesses for the free online advertisement.
6. As of July 29, \$196,554 generated as part of the "In Memory Of" Giving Campaign.
7. Over 8 hours of material (19 video segments) with live segments interspersed throughout the day.
8. Over 30 ads by various businesses and organizations including a public service announcement from the City of San Jose.

If you have not already done so, you can still watch 2020 Obon@home Festival online at SJBetsuin.org and follow the links. Click on SJ Obon@Home 2020-YouTube and you will be directed to the 19 videos in order. You can still donate to the "In Memory of" to the GoFundMe on the Betsuin website.

The videos truly bring back the memories of past Obon Festivals and how it used to be just last year. As COVID-19 rages on, we hope that someday soon, we can return to how things used to be where we are greeted by friends and strangers with smiles and handshakes.

On another note, Japanese Language School has extended their registration for the 2020-2021 academic year. The deadline for priority registration has been extended to September 12, 2020. Please visit our website to register and learn more about the JLS: <http://www.sjbetsuin.com/programs/japanese-language-school/>. This is a great time for not only children but for adults to sign up and refresh your "nihongo".

Dharma School will begin most likely after Labor Day. This year, Dharma School will start with lessons being on Zoom. Please be ready to join in on another exciting year of Dharma School online.

San Jose Betsuin Black Lives Matter Statement

The San Jose Buddhist Church Betsuin, as Jodo Shinshu Buddhists, stands with Black Lives Matter. We rise to join the voices condemning the unjustified deaths of the known - George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, Rayshard Brooks - the unknown, and the forgotten.

We are mindful of the lives lost, past and present, in order to prevent future tragedies. We commit to work toward eliminating all forms of systemic racial injustice locally, nationally, and globally.

We work with the deep hope that together we can become a compassionate community that values the life we share and the humanity of each individual.

Namu Amida Butsu

We can no longer sit quietly hoping this issue will miraculously go away. We must stand with the oppressed as we all were at one time. We see on videos where hatred is affecting everyone. If you have not registered to vote, please do so and make a difference in November.

Gassho,

Ed Nodohara

Editor's Message

Sally Idemoto

Here we are still being careful...staying at home, going out and wearing a mask whenever necessary ...doing whatever we can to stay healthy and well. The pandemic has not gone away.

While there is some question whether it's safe to go back and opening up the various businesses, it seems more and more that we need to be careful and to not rush back to anything too soon. Things are not as it should be and rushing back to reopen businesses and schools seem risky still.

So, trying to somewhat celebrate Obon this year, the Betsuin decided to go online with 'Obon At Home.' I hope you caught it.

As I watched the program on my laptop, I was very impressed with all of the various programs that were put together including a service with Rinban Sakamoto and Reverend Mikame.

Hosting the event were Dennis Akizuki and Jeff Ota. They did a wonderful job as they presented the various Obon events as well as showing some of the local restaurants' food that people could purchase.

There were so many different presentations of Obon that you had to see for yourself so I won't go into the details. Kudos to all who participated and to those who put it all together. The taiko performance from the various homes were outstanding and the odori dancing also from the different homes were nice as well.

All in all, the event online was a success and, again, I want to give praise to all who were part of this effort to celebrate this year's Obon. Great job!!

So, what's ahead for us is uncertain.

We have to continue being careful in whatever we do. Don't be one of those people that I see on the news who behave as though nothing bad is happening. Whatever makes certain people ignore the warnings and dangers of this virus is totally beyond my understanding.

Let's continue to shelter in place, and if you need to go out, do so with extreme care. Be sure to wear a mask when appropriate and wash your hands often.

Let's get through this safely and in good health.

With gassho

BETSUIN BOARD HIGHLIGHT

July 2, 2020

Respectfully submitted by Ed Nodohara

Mission Statement:

The mission of the San Jose Buddhist Church Betsuin is to learn and to share the Jodo Shinshu understanding of the Three Treasures Buddha, Dharma and Sangha.

Motions and Guest Presentations

1. Review of June 4, 2020 Meeting Minutes: Motion passed to approve June Board Meeting Minutes.
2. Mikame-sensei's friend, Momo-san street art update. There is a time saps photography of Momo-san creating her fish pond drawing. Momo-san and two other friends would like to create 3 new drawings. Board passed motion to permit new drawings.
3. Fundraising opportunity on eBay: Steve Onishi talked to Mike Mori, who offered a fundraiser proposal on eBay. Motion was made and passed.
4. Japantown Business parking space rentals being charged with no customers, motioned to not charge rental parking from March to August 2020. Motion passed.
5. President-Elect Committee nominated Steve Onishi as the new incoming President. Motion to announce Steve Onishi as the President-Elect. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Reports

1. Surveillance camera installation: All cameras are installed. Video can be viewed but it is not storing. Best is working to find the problem
2. Food Bank food distribution going well
3. Loaves and Fishes sandwich requests scuttled because bread was not available. Plans are to make 500 sandwiches in coming weeks.
4. New Board Meeting structure and Bylaws changes to streamline the decision-making process smoother and quicker in the future. Change number of board directors is not a priority and not necessary. If this section is to be changed, the Sangha needs to approve the change at the annual meeting held in December. The quorum must stay at 17. Other changes to the Bylaws are internal. Section to be clarified will be the following: a) succession process, b) meetings process, c) new board structure. Gene Takagi, Betsuin attorney will review and return by August board meeting.
5. Removal of parking along Jackson and Taylor Streets: The Silicon Valley Bike Coalition would like to put bike lanes on Jackson and Taylor from 1st Street to 9th Street. The subject will be on the city's agenda on July 19th. Letters sent to council members as well as the bike coalition group and Dept. of Transportation to object to this proposal. Request was made for everyone to send messages to District 3 associates to Councilman Raul Paralez.
6. Ministerial report announced Obon service guest speaker will be Rev. Earl of the New York Buddhist Church, who will be Zoomed in. An Obon program is being created with many different elements. A dress rehearsal will be held this Sunday, July 5th. Obon program will be held on July 11th from 12-9pm on Zoom.
7. Budget and Finance reported a question of extra \$60,000. Question is: Is this the extra money in salary from the government stimulus package that was requested jointly with Lotus. Diane Fujioka to verify.
8. Communications: AV system wiring between the Hondo and annex is not working. The camera works, but the remote does not. They had to use laptop to make it work. Issue is being worked. The virtual Dharma will be on line soon. Sally Idemoto has sent the PDF files. If this continues, Kevin will need to get articles sent to him. See written report.
9. Membership is working on on-line membership.
10. Youth reported Baccalaureate Service went well. Good trial run for the Obon program.
11. Sangha Support Committee has been working on Project Gratitude. It has been very successful. There are 42 people who were recognized. There still is \$1,000 left in Project

- Gratitude. Thank you to the committee for working so hard on this project.
12. Obon Committee: Mas Nishimura is busy coordinating the virtual Obon day, July 11 from 12-9pm. There will be an Obon dancing section, Buddhism 101, Taiko, Kimono dressing, etc. Practice day will be on Tuesday.
 13. EcoSangha conducted an art contest, normally part of Earth Day. Winners were sent cash prizes. An article will be placed in The Dharma (electronic) and an article and photos will be on the Betsuin website. Continue collecting shoes, cartridges and Styro-foam for recycle.
 14. Garden Committee: Volunteers continue tidying up the garden area and walkway to the office.
 15. Incident at Foster's Freeze; Someone witnessed person acting very violent. He was cursing, saying he was going to kill her, asked for water at Foster Freeze window, grabbed the credit card machine, stole the tip jar. Police were called and they were able to apprehend him. Be careful when you are out and about.
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Obon @ Home

Reiko Iwanaga

San Jose Buddhist Church Betsuin history was made on July 11, 2020 when our first (and, hopefully, only) Virtual Obon was presented, streaming on Facebook. Led with quiet and calm confidence by Virtual Obon chair, **Mas Nishimura**, a committee developed a program in a short time.

The eight hours of Obon@Home programs came together in about two months through weekly Zoom calls. The reaction was overwhelming. More than 16,000 people from all over the world either watched it live or afterwards and more than 600 people donated to the "In Memory Of" Campaign or bought Obon@Home clothing. Overall the event raised more than \$200,000 for the temple, the most ever for an Obon festival.

Congenial masters of ceremonies, **Dennis Akizuki** and **Jeff Ota**, kept the program lively and informative, recalling memories of past Obons, enhanced by their own long family histories. They provided transitions between pre-filmed segments, aided by a hardworking tech crew: **Mas Nishimura, Duane Kubo, Mitchell Beutler, Matt Ogawa, Ken Furukawa, Alvin Hironaga, Janice Doi, Steve Doi, Paul Endo, Kevin Kitagawa** and **Matt Fukuichi**.

The program opened with a welcome from **Rinban Gerald Sakamoto**, followed by a short history of the Obon Odori and an invitation to dance by **Reiko Iwanaga**, Obon Odori teacher. These segments were edited by **Duane Kubo**.

Dennis Akizuki, past Obon chair, interviewed **Jim McClure**, Obon chair for 19 years, and **Ken Kamei**, current chair. They recalled the enormous work and challenges involved in putting on the festival, reciting remembrances of past events and the evolution of techniques, manpower and efforts. **Ted Nakano** edited this video and the yukata tutorial.

Paul Endo created the enticing cooking segments of Obon foods. A cookbook, prepared by **Kathy** and **Elanor Sakamoto**, with layout by **Mitch Beutler**, contains recipes of traditional Obon food, with interesting fun facts. It is available on the website.

Moschel Kadokura, aided by **Lynne Yamaichi**, presented a tutorial on yukata dressing with

helpful visual tips. This is an essential and useful element for Obon Odori preparation. Various instructional Obon videos created by **Alex Ruemmler**, **Miya Uenaka** and **Kailey Wong** for their Silver Scout Award were also available.

Nostalgia was an emotional aspect of the afternoon, aided greatly by the 'Faces of Obon' segment coordinated by **Gloria Yamauchi** and the "Natsukashii" portion handled by **Paul Endo**. The latter included a segment with **Kaye Masatani** and **Elaine Ando** who recalled many of their experiences as well as those of beloved late Sangha members.

Buddhism 101 has always been an important component and, thus, a virtual service and Q&A were held in the Hondo. **Rinban Sakamoto**, **Rev. Mikame** and **Michael Jones** provided a reminder of the religious foundation of this special festival and answered queries from the public.

To support local businesses, **Janice Doi** contacted Japantown stores and restaurants and others and offered free ads. These were lively additions, as many restaurants provided samples of their culinary offerings throughout the broadcast, probably inducing longings for favorite foods in the viewing audience.

An intermittently live presentation, coordinated by **Rev. Etsuko Mikame**, was an ongoing activity of sidewalk mural painting by artist, **Momo Cha**, aided by artists, **Yurika Chiba** and **Addie McClure**. The audience was able to watch as a beautiful mural titled, "May Peace Prevail Throughout the World" was completed. Time-lapse photos and video by **Mike Mori** and **Chisa Matsunaga**, respectively, captured the creative process.

Music, an important component of our Obon, was fully represented by a delightful video segment from San Jose Taiko, a charming Chidori Band retrospective assembled by **Gloria Yamauchi** and taped performances by various collegiate taiko groups: **Seattle University**, **Cal Poly Pomona**, **UC San Diego**, **Cal State Northridge**, **UCLA**, **UC Irvine**, **Stanford**, **Cornell**, **UC Berkeley**, **Swarthmore College**, **UC Davis**. All the musical ensembles must be thanked for embracing this activity with enthusiasm and creativity.

Binding the entire enterprise together was the Obon Go-Fund-Me segment developed and managed by **Janice Oda**. "In Memory Of" and "In Honor Of" categories inspired many to donate throughout the broadcast. The opportunity for personal and emotional interaction resulted in record fundraising results, as reported earlier, and even exceeded last year's high revenue.

Enlarging the donor base and viewership were the efforts of **Mitch Beutler** and **Matt Ogawa** who spent many weeks building our presence on Facebook and other social media sites. Due to these efforts, we had 12,000 viewers when it was live and now have over 16,000, including those from many states, Japan, Ireland and London.

Merchandise displaying the clever logo created by **Mitch Beutler** was available for sale. The t-shirts, aprons, tote bags will be a touchstone to this pandemic year and were entirely handled by Mitch. For younger audiences, craft projects created by **Lynne Yamaichi** and Lotus Preschool were on our website and our chair, **Mas Nishimura**, developed an intriguing and challenging online scavenger hunt.

As per usual in a normal year, the Obon Odori was the last experience in the program. **Reiko Iwanaga** coordinated a zoom recording of dancers culled together by a spontaneous call-out. Technically handled by **Duane Kubo**, **Dennis Akizuki** and **Mas Nishimura**, the hope was that people would dance in their living rooms and, based on that concept, Reiko selected the public's favorite dances. **Alvin Hironaga's** videos of past Obons were also incorporated.

The crew that handled the integration of live and filmed portions was the absolute essential 'glue' that resulted in a home-grown, yet professional, program. The studio was the multipurpose room with multiple devices and technical skills involved. This crew, working within sheltering guidelines, was so committed to delivering the program that they should be mentioned again: **Rinban Sakamoto, Rev. Mikame, Mas Nishimura, Mitch Beutler, Matt Ogawa, Ken Furukawa, Alvin Hironaga, Janice Doi, Steve Doi, Paul Endo**, and our emcees, **Dennis Akizuki and Jeff Ota**. **Kevin Kitagawa** and **Matt Fukuchi** helped with the Annex networking.

Many others were involved in the myriad tasks involved in this unusual activity and they included **Steve Onishi, Randy Suzuki, Deborah Aso, Garage Champs**, the spontaneous **Zoom Obon Odori dancers, Jr. YBA** and many others. Photographers, **Scott Nakajima** and **Joe Na** were essential to the program. Apologies are extended to others whose names may have been inadvertently missed.

San Jose's Virtual Obon is completed and is a testament to the commitment of Sangha members to present an Obon experience, even during this pandemic. As we all danced in joy to "Obon no Uta" and remembered our loved ones with gratitude, the goals of spiritual, emotional and personal connections and memories were reached. Much appreciation is extended to **Mas Nishimura**, Virtual Obon Chair, and his Committee for this truly successful Obon Festival.

Video segments may still be viewed at the Betsuin's You Tube channel or at this link:
https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=san+jose+buddhist+church+obon+2020

Please see the Obon@Home fundraising article including the donation listing at the end of this newsletter.

Thank you from Project Gratitude

Reiko Iwanaga

Project Gratitude is pleased to report that we were able to express appreciation to over 40 essential workers who have prevailed during this pandemic by serving in various necessary occupations. With deep gratitude to the generous donations of many, we were able to send gift certificates, primarily from our local Japantown businesses, and masks to thank them for their services.

Many of you made masks and dropped them off. Sewers included Carol Yuki, Betty Kinoshita, Tomi Imokawa, Jeanne Nakano and many more. We would like to list all of you, so please give your names to a committee member. We appreciated all the individuals who graciously offered talent, material and time to this cause and wish to acknowledge you.

Thank you to those of you who made masks. You are selfless and skilled!

Thank you to the following generous financial donors. Your support was indispensable!

Lloyd and Elaine Ando

Deborah Aso

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Kaye Masatani	Yukio and Kathy Yoshikawa
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Donors as of July 24, 2020

Special thanks to Deborah Aso, aided by Randy Suzuki, who coordinated packaging and mailing.

Project Gratitude Committee:

Advisors: Rinban Sakamoto, Rev. Mikame, Ed Nodohara.

Tomi Imokawa, Reiko Iwanaga, Joyce Iwasaki, Betty Kinoshita, Jeanne Nakano, Sumi Tanabe



EcoSangha Eco Tip

Do you want to learn more about living green in a fun way? There are many websites that contain useful eco news and information, but one that is especially enjoyable and rewarding is the Recyclebank website. Their site at recyclebank.com has articles and tests that inform and check your knowledge of various topics, while allowing you to earn points that can be redeemed for rewards such as gift cards, magazine subscriptions, or discount coupons. There is even a shop that sells sustainable products.

BETSUIN CHOIR SHELTERING IN PLACE WITH MUSIC IN OUR HEARTS

Paul Endo

With the Covid-19 virus pandemic preventing us from coming together, it has been a difficult year for all of us in the San Jose Betsuin Choir, but not entirely without music.

In January, we performed two songs for the New Year's Service, *Mirai Yosouzu* by Dreams Come True and arranged by Michael Yoshihara, and *Listen To Amida With Your Heart* by B.J. Soriano/Michael Springer.

In February, we participated in an Interfaith Choir composed of members from five faith communities, Wesley United Methodist Church, San Jose First Congregational Church, Temple Emanu-El, Congregation Shir-Hadash and the San Jose Buddhist Church Betsuin. 52 singers performed *Love Has Broken Down The Wall* by Mark A. Miller and directed by Mark Teagle of Wesley United Methodist Church. It was truly wonderful to hear so many voices from so many faiths singing together in a spirit of unity and love!

Although we were not able to perform for Hanamatsuri nor Obon services, we are all doing our part to shelter in place, keep our families safe, and keep music in our hearts as we look forward to the day when we can safely come together and sing again.

We are not meeting during this pandemic, but when it is safe to do so we will resume weekly rehearsals on Tuesdays from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in the Betsuin Hondo. We welcome soprano, alto, tenor, and bass voices -- no auditions are required. Please join us when that time comes! For further information or questions, contact sjbetsuinchoir@gmail.com or call Michael Yoshihara at (408) 712-9259 or Paul H. Endo at (415) 730-33

My Obon@Home Story! Let's Capture Photos and Videos!

by Lynne Yamaichi

This year's Obon was celebrated at our homes virtually with San Jose's

Obon@Home! It was not like the Obon that we are accustomed to, but individuals and families took this unfortunate pandemic situation and made their own Obon happen! Some families prepared Obon foods, made game booths with prizes, played bingo, made an uchiwa, and perhaps finished the evening with Obon odori! What did you do for your Obon?

Hope you can share your photos or videos which may be used in the Dharma Newsletter. All submissions will be put up on the Betsuin's website for everyone to view.

For more information and how to submit your photos and videos, please see the Google Form. Or on the Obon portion of the Betsuin website: sjbetsuin.org. The URL is: <https://bit.ly/2D5Uppe>

If you have any questions, please contact Mas Nishimura: nish221@gmail.com



Sakuma family Obon meal and a special zori and geta face mask made by Cyndi!



Royce is having fun playing Whiffle Ball Toss and Ping Pong Toss in the fishbowls!



Santo Obon in Grandma and Grandpa's backyard! Ei Ja Nai Ka!! And enjoyed our mango and mocha smoothies!

Buddhist Women's Association

by Barbara Sasaki

Karen Hironaga, Social Welfare Co-Chair has been busy sending cards to those in need. She sent 10 cards in February, 2 cards in March and 1 card in May, June and July. I am sure the recipients were grateful to receive the card. Thank you for doing this Karen.

BWA would like to express their deep appreciation to those that so generously contributed to the organization:

1. Shirlee Sanda thank you for card received
2. Anonymous and Barbara Sasaki for Grateful Garment Project
3. Sumi Tanabe for the World Buddhist Women's Convention in Kyoto, Japan in 2023

Please stay safe.

Sangha Crafters

by Betty Kinoshita/Tomi Imokawa

Another month of precautions, necessary to fight this virus. Hope all is well with everyone. Will not be meeting for a few more months. Thanks for storing the stuff you have completed. Still trying to figure out a safe way to get the blankets and distribute.

Best be safe than sorry! Take care of you and your loved ones.

Any comments, suggestions, ideas : bettyajc@sbcglobal.net or georgetomi@yahoo.com

Boy Scout Troop 611

by Rajan Dasu

Boy Scout activities and troop meetings from March until August. Due to COVID-19 concerns starting March 12th the weekly in person troop meetings were canceled. The annual family dinner scheduled for March 14th was canceled. The camp-out to be held on March 21st at Sunset State Beach was canceled.

The first virtual game night was held over zoom on April 2nd. A virtual Patrol Leader Conference meeting was held on April 6th to plan for online troop meetings. A second virtual game night was held on April 8th. The game the troop played was Skribbl. There was a virtual troop meeting on April 15 and hour was reserved for rank advancement scout and ASM meetings. Troop meeting on April 22nd was held by Fox patrol. The troop did an interactive quiz using the virtual platform PearDeck. Another virtual troop meeting was held on April 29th held by Owl patrol.

The camping trip with Troop 29 scheduled in May was canceled. Antelope patrol hosted the May 6th virtual troop meeting. Buffalo patrol hosted the May 13th troop meeting. The May 20th troop meeting was held by Fox which included a PLC meeting. Cub scouts and their parents were invited

to the May 20th meeting.

The June 3rd meeting was hosted by Owl Patrol. Signups began for virtual merit badge camp on June 7th. Troop elections were held on June 17th. Cemetery cleanup was canceled on June 18th. Church cleanup and the All Scouts picnic were cancelled on June 20th.

On July 1st the schedule for the virtual summer merit badge program was announced. The virtual summer merit badge program will go until August 26th. Thirty three scouts are working on merit badges this summer.

Cub Scouts Pack 611

by Wes Tao

Hi Families,

Interested in learning about Cub Scouting? Parents and prospective scouts are invited to attend Pack 611's Virtual Orientation and Join Event. The Pack is open to youth K-5th Grade.

Date: Monday, August 10, 2020

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Video Conferencing via Zoom

Learn more and register at <https://bit.ly/30wrXVg>

For questions please contact: pack611cubmaster@gmail.com

Quigong Classes

by Jeanne Nakano

Masa's Qigong classes via Zoom are available to everyone. Here is the August, 2020 schedule. You can choose the days to join his class.

The class fee is \$5. per person, per class. Payment can be through **PayPal**:

Qigong Class <https://paypal.me/pools/c/8obqTn8gSh>

or by **check** to Masa's office address:

Masanori Naito

1157 Saratoga Ave. #206

San Jose, CA. 95129

Any questions can be directed to Jeanne Nakano, jmnakano@sbcglobal.net

Masanori Naito is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Qigong Class of August

Time: Aug 3, 2020 09:30 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Every week on Mon, Wed, Fri, until Aug 31, 2020, 13 occurrence(s)

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EcoSangha/Dharma School

by Lynda Ichinaga

Earth Day Art Contest for 2020

After some rocky starts and deadline changes to the EcoSangha/Dharma School Art Contest for this year (2020), we can finally give the results of the contest.

We did not have as many entries as previous years but the ones that were entered were very impressive. They showed a lot of creativity and showed how we can re-use things and make them useful or repurposed.

Thank you to all the artists for their submittal. Every one of you is to be congratulated for a job well done!!! Here is the list of “Winners”, the title of their artwork and the represented categories they were in.

Category 1 (Pre-K to 2nd Grade)

1st Place – Madison Sum, “Fun at the Beach”

2nd Place – Group Project, **Aaliyah and Avery Fujikawa**, “Coffee Filter Koinobori”

Category 2 (3rd to 6th Grade)

1st Place – Dharma School 3rd Grade Project, “Obutsudan For My Home”

Group members were Emily Hamada, Brandon Nagatani, Dylan Suliguin, & Adalyn Yamada

Category 3 (7th Grade to High School)

1st Place – Josh Nakamura, “Bottle Cap Coasters”

2nd Place – Hally Chheang, “Card Bird”

Category 4 (Adults)

1st Place – Mae Kawamoto, “Lamp Chandelier”

2nd Place – Jackie Nakamura, “Water Bottle Wind Chime”

Those who placed first were awarded \$40. Second place was given \$25. The group project awards were divided equally between the members who participated.

The Judges enjoyed and were impressed with all the art projects. Also, a special “Thank you!” to Janice Oda for arranging all the artwork in a collage for everyone to see the art projects that were submitted.

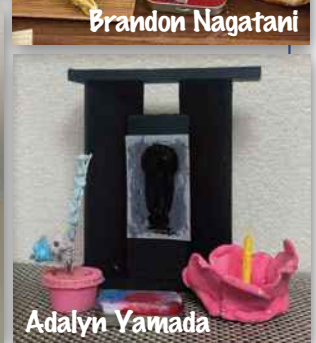
Congratulations again to our Art Contest Participants!!!

2020 Earth Day Art Contest

Pre K - 2nd Grade



3rd - 6th Grades



'Obutstudan
for My Home'
(group project)



7th Grade - High School

Josh Nakamura
'Bottle Cap Coasters'

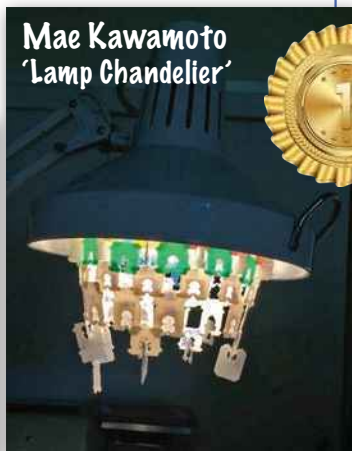


Hally Chheang
'Card Bird'



Adults

Mae Kawamoto
'Lamp Chandelier'



Jackie Nakamura
'Water Bottle
Wind Chime'



GENERATION PICKERS



In-kind donations to benefit the San Jose Buddhist Church Generations Campaign

Don't you love the American Pickers show? I'm sure many of you have thought of something you or a family member has that would be Pickers worthy. Now's your chance. We're kicking off the San Jose Buddhist Church Betsuin's version, Generation Pickers. We're looking for "in-kind" or non-cash donations to help fund our Generations Education Building and Campus. We know there's great stuff lurking in closets, garages and drawers. Stuff that you've kept for years. Items that are too good to toss, sell at garage sales or donate to the Goodwill. Donate "stuff" to the campaign and have our team of experts clean up, list, sell and ship your item on Ebay.

Here's how it works:

Contact our Generation Pickers team and let us know what you have. We'll give you an honest evaluation of what we think your item is worth. If we determine that it's something we can handle, you can drop off or we can pick up the item. From there we will:

List item on the online marketplace - Take photos, write descriptions and decide whether the items will be sold via auction or a fixed price listing.

Ship the item - Once the item has sold, we will carefully pack and ship.

Final report - After shipping the item, we will wait 30 days for the customer to accept the item. Once accepted we will let you know how much your item(s) have sold for. All funds generated will benefit the Generations building fund.

Ebay and PayPal have supported charities for years. They only charge a small processing fee for items sold by charities. That means more dollars to benefit our Generations campaign.

Contact **Mike Mori** via email at gophervalley@gmail.com or call **408-316-4903** for more information. Watch for Generation Pickers updates in the upcoming months.

Note: We cannot accept unsolicited drop-off of items. Contact our team via phone or email and we will let you know if your item(s) are appropriate for online sale

Q&A

What kind of items do you accept? - We accept a wide variety of items from electronics, antiques, jewelry, collectibles and tools to business and commercial equipment. Because of the time and preparation required to sell these donations, each item should have an estimated value of at least \$100.

How do I determine the value? Do a search on Ebay or Amazon for the item you are donating. If using Ebay, check the "Sold" box on the left side of the search listing to see comparable items that have sold in the past. If you are unsure about an item or need help, please contact us and we will help you determine an estimated value.

What are good items to donate?

Newer Smartphones: for example, Apple Iphone 7s or later, Samsung Galaxy S8 or newer

Cameras: High-quality film and digital cameras like Nikon, Canon, Leica, Hasselblad, etc. Also lenses for these cameras

Audio/stereo equipment - High end names like Marantz, Phase Linear, MacIntosh, AR, SAE, Scott, B&O, tube equipment and more

Collectibles & Vintage items - Too many to list. Contact us for help in determining value

Vintage Technology - Pre 1980 computers, 1st Generation Iphones, vintage video games, HP calculators, etc.

Sports Memorabilia - baseball/collector cards, autographed balls, autographed photos, etc.

Jewelry - High quality, collectable, gold and silver.

Watches - High-end or vintage

Fashion accessories such as vintage or designer handbags, coats, wallets, etc.

Collectible shoes - Shoes in unused to excellent condition. Sneakerheads clean out your closets!

Professional Tools - Pro engineering, scientific, construction, technical, manufacturing, and more.

Professional Audio Equipment - Microphones, rack equipment, quality musical instruments, etc

What items will you not accept? Knick knacks, kitchenware, furniture, home appliances, toys, large items.

My company is clearing out various industrial/commercial equipment. Is this of any interest? Yes, please contact us.

What if you cannot sell the item? Items that do not sell or are returned after purchase can either be returned to the donor or transferred to the ABA Rummage Sale.

GENERATION PICKERS

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Obon@Home Fundraising – ‘In Memory Of’ Giving

Submitted by Janice Oda

Profound thanks to all for the success of the fundraising efforts needed to replace the revenue usually generated by the annual Obon Festival. Just as the festival is a huge undertaking, the same was true for this year of pandemic challenges. But once again, our community came together, embraced the new virtual form of Obon celebration and provided the means to ensure the well-being of the Betsuin. Thank you!

As of this moment, we have raised over \$200,000 from more than 600 individuals and families towards the temple's General Fund budget which is essential to the daily operations of our temple and the services offered to the community by the Betsuin. The response was overwhelming by both the Sangha and our broader community. We received so many wonderful messages included with your donations...so while it's difficult to intertwine the realities of funding with Obon, your messages expressed so much of what the spirit of Obon is meant to be. Truly moving and very much appreciated.

Special thanks to Matt Ogawa for his vision and social media expertise, Mitch Beutler for his creativity and amazing webmaster skills, Reiko Iwanaga for her publicity efforts and guidance, and Randy Suzuki and Deborah Aso for all their support in the production of materials and other arrangements. Also, many thanks to the hosts, Dennis Akizuki and Jeff Ota, for adding a bit of 'telethon' fun during the live stream of Obon@Home and to the many Jr. YBA members and other Sangha members who created video messages to help with the fundraising and merchandise sales. They, along with our community, helped to make this campaign a successful and meaningful effort.

The following pages list all donations along with each donor's message. Please take a few moments to read through these as they will likely bring up special memories of those we have lost and also some wonderful things to remember about our families, friends and all that we cherish about the our annual Obon Festival! It certainly is a year to remember and a heartflet reminder of the value of our community.

Many thanks to everyone!



Donations are listed chronologically beginning on June 17 through July 27. Donations received after July 27 will be published in the September newsletter. Thank you for sharing your sentiments and for your support!

Janice

To all those who cherish this festival as much as my family has over the past 45 years!
\$100

Reiko Iwanaga

In Honor of Dennis Akizuki, Asst. Dance Teachers, AV Group, Alvin Hironaga -Thank you for your support annually!
\$150

Rich Narasaki

In loving memory of Rei Trujillo (2003-2020)
\$100

Matt Ogawa

In honor of the Virtual Obon Committee and all of their energy to ensure 2020 has an Obon!
\$100

Robin Hoffman

In memory of Marlene Terasaki

Martie & Jeanie Suzuki

In Memory of Tyler Nii
\$100

Michiya Hanayagi Kai

In honor of the San Jose Obon Festival
\$100

Alix Koyama

\$100

Dan and Denise Young

In memory of George and Tamaye Nakano who enjoyed doing their part in countless Obon festivals ❤️
\$100

Vicky Phan

\$100

April Yamaichi

In memory of Shigeru and Mieko Yamaichi
\$50

Anonymous

\$100

Yuki Igarashi

Janice and Steven Doi

In memory and honor of our parents and loved ones.
\$250

Philip Matsumura

\$250

Jeff Ota, Stephanie Neustadter, Tanner and Kellan

In honor of the late Phil and Sue Matsumura and all who volunteered in the raffle / information booth especially the late Kats Tokunaga, who made the raffle booth the institution it is today.
\$250

Terry and Shirley Ota

A tribute to the Matsumura, Kurasaki, and Hinaga families and friends who answered the call to help in the Saturday Udon Reheat Kitchen for 34 fun-filled years. Some have passed but our memories of them remain as we remember them during OBON. Thank you for helping our Betsuin all those years.
\$500

Lupe Glass

In Honor of my favorite school principal Tom Nanamura.

Adrean Takemoto

\$25

Jennifer Wada

In memory of my grandparents, Yoshio and Michiko Wada.

Steve Creagh

Bill and Jackie, Josh & Ellie

In memory of those who came before us. We would not be where we are today if not for them.
\$500

Rob and Denise Jayson

In Honor of Lloyd and Mae Nishimoto

Joanne and Sterling Makishima

In Memory of Joe and Mary Jio
\$100

David Kenjiro Tanaka

\$100

Yutaka Roy Omura

We love you Dad, Grandpa and Great-Grandpa!
\$100

San Jose Jr. YBA

In honor of the 2020 San Jose Obon@Home festival and with gratitude to all of the Sangha members that dedicate so much of their time and effort each year. We will miss spending time working our shifts together, but look forward to joining virtually! Gassho - San Jose Jr. YBA
\$5,000

Karen Akiyama

In loving memory of those who have passed in my family, and with joy and honor to those who are still present in this life.
\$500

Jacqueline Yamaguchi and family

In memory of (Uncle) Jim Sakamoto
\$100

Anonymous

\$50

Jacqueline Yamaguchi

Donation in memory of my family members: Grandparents Sakamoto and Shinagawa, parents Polly and Frank Sakamoto, Aunts, Uncles and cousins.
\$1,000

Anonymous

In the giving spirit of Obon and in support of the SJBCB and all it does for the community.

Chris, Gloria, & Ally Nodohara

In memory of those who came before us.
\$250

Stephen Sorakubo

\$250

Rich, Dawn, Gabriella and Isaiah Slade

In memory of all those who have come before us.
\$100

The Fujimoto Dilger Family**Mich Yee & David Tanaka**

\$150

Lloyd and Elaine Ando

In memory of Yoshio and Muraye Ando
\$1,000

Bob Terasaki

In memory of George Imokawa
\$100

Bob Terasaki

In memory of Kunio Idemoto
\$100

Bob Terasaki

In memory of Marlene Terasaki
\$100

Bryan Quan and Janice Oda

In memory of Wiley Quan and Henry Oda...our Dads who worked and gave completely of themselves for their families and all those around them.
\$1,000

Edith Oda

In memory of Jack S. Oda
\$50

Keiko Kay Tachibana

In memory of Toshi Tachibana
\$100

Allan and Nancy Hikoyeda

\$250

Mr. and Mrs. Keith M. Inouye

\$50

Fumiko Higuchi

In memory of Hidemasa Higuchi
\$100

Craig, Susan, Aderyn & Aedan Clark Family

In loving memory of Marvin Aoki, who passed away May 6th. He always looked forward to helping at Obon and the joy it brought to so many families. He would recruit the family and friends to help at Obon, and it's funny we don't have any family pictures at Obon, because someone was always at some booth/shift somewhere else! Obon is such an important tradition that we are so lucky to have here. Many many THANKS to the SJBC team that pulled off 2020 "Obon at Home" ! My sisters and family will be doing Obon Odori at home in the backyard, so happy dancing!
\$250

Bob & Alice Kawaguchi & Family

In memory of Hidemasa Higuchi
\$100

Lorena Kuritsubo

In memory of Fumiko Fujii and Satoru Kuritsubo
\$200

Howard and Joanne Okayama

In memory of Terumitsu and Hisako Higashi
\$100

Howard and Joanne Okayama

In memory of Satoru and Misako Okayama
\$100

Norris and Teri Hirota

In memory of Satsuki Santo
\$250

Norris and Teri Hirota

In memory of Yukie Ambo
\$250

Joyce Iwasaki

In memory of K. Edward Iwasaki
\$500

Joyce Iwasaki

In memory of Mr. George Kato and Mrs. Kaoru Kato
\$100

Joyce Iwasaki

In memory of Mr. Shigeki Iwasaki and Mrs. Tsuruko Iwasaki
\$100

Edith Oda

In memory of Takashi, Masaye and Ernest Mitsunaga
\$150

Kenji & Yoshiko Numoto

In memory of Craig K. Numoto - missing you so much
\$100

Fred and Deanna Kawahara

\$1,000

Carol Yamane

In memory of Bennie Yamane
\$100

Louise and Bob Hayamizu

In memory of Joe and Mary Jio
\$50

Michiko Itatani

In memory of Shizuo Itatani
\$100

Michiko Itatani

In memory of Yasaku and Sakaye Hirose
\$100

Michiko Itatani

In memory of Daisuke and Wakayo Itatani
\$100

Koichi Tanaka

In memory of Yoshito and Shizue Okimura
\$100

Koichi Tanaka

\$150

Ron & Shirley Bungo

Yoshihiro Uchida

In memory of Mae Uchida
\$100

Shiz Nishimura

In memory of Hiroshi Nishimura
\$50

Kaye Masatani

\$500

Shiz Nishimura

In memory of Junso, Tsue and Tak Kawamoto
\$50

Vic and Frances Itow

In memory of Kazuo and Tsuneko Itow
\$100

Vic and Frances Itow

In memory of Aki Ito
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Vic and Frances Itow

In memory of Chester Itow
\$100

Barney Shiroma

In memory of Setsuko Shiroma
\$250

Junko Hashimoto

In memory of Tom Hashimoto
\$200

Emily Ando and Family

In memory of Ernie Ando
\$100

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In memory of Alice Sasao
\$100

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In memory of McKenna Ando
\$100

Masao Suzuki

\$100

Eric Takemoto

\$100

Jeff Takemoto

\$100

Sally Takemoto

\$200

Anonymous

\$200

Georgine Sato and Cristine LaMontagne

In memory of Jack and Margaret Kaku
\$100

Dick and Alice Horio

\$100

Richard Kaku

*In memory of Jack and Margaret Kaku - Thank you,
Dad & Mom*
\$100

Yosh & Dorothy Sato

In memory of Jack and Margaret Kaku
\$100

Denise Takao

\$200

Jennifer Takao

In memory of Troy Takao
\$150

Kyle and Charlene Hama

In memory of Masumi and Judy Onishi
\$100

Larry and Yvonne Namekata

In memory of Shigeo and Fujiye Namekata
\$100

Larry and Yvonne Namekata

In memory of Kay Leung
\$100

James Makiyama

\$100

Lily Hayashimoto

In memory of Yukimori and Yukiye Hayashimoto
\$20

Irene Hirota

In memory of Yukie Ambo
\$300

Sumiko Shiimoto

In memory of Michio Shiimoto
\$50

Phyllis Yoshikawa

In memory of Robert Yoshikawa
\$250

Larry and Yvonne Namekata

In memory of George and Inez San
\$100

Robin Ohara and Scotty

In memory of Mikiko, Tom & Michelle Eto and Stan Ohara
\$400

Sandy Shimomura

In memory of Saichi & Chieko Saito and Hiroko Nagasaki
\$100

Gerald & Jean Izumi

In honor of our granddaughter, Kayla Itagaki, and her high school graduation
\$100

Josephine Mayeda

In memory of Richard I. Mayeda, love you with all our hearts
\$50

Arthur, Robin & Richard Shinagawa

In Memory of Thomas A. K. Shinagawa, Yukio & Nari Kurimoto, Hoichi & Tsuneyo Nomi and Lloyd Ikegami
\$100

Anonymous

In memory of many family and friends and for everything the SJBCB does for the community.
\$500

Alexis Nakamura Doris

In loving memory of Tosh, Sayo, and Douglas Nakamura.
\$100

Anonymous

In Memory of Rodney Aarii
\$500

Niko, Chelsea, Jessie, Matt, Jerry and Barbara

In memory of Obon stalwarts and our wonderful parents/grandparents/parents Yoshio, Muraye, Hideko, and Noboru. Thanks for all the hard work and good memories.
\$250

Ito Family

In Memory of Clayton Park
\$100

Pear Urushima

So grateful for the Japan Town community spirit.

Kaz, Brian, & Steven Tamekuni

In Memory of Asako Tamekuni

Midori Endo

In loving memory of Mitsuhiro Endo
\$100

Rev. Dr. Kenji & Karen Akahoshi, Reiko Iwanaga

In Memory of Joe and Grace Akahoshi - remembering your work at Obon and your love of Obon Odori
\$100

Reiko, Maya, Ryan, Courtney, Ashley Iwanaga

In Memory of Dr. Gordon Mutsumi Iwanaga - July 10, 1990 - 30 years
\$100

Anonymous

In memory of Robbie Yamada; 'always the tireless Obon volunteer.
\$25

Reiko Iwanaga and Family

In honor of the 1990 Obon crew and Sangha who cleaned the Obon Festival in one day so that our memorial service for our husband and dad could be held on Monday. Still grateful.
\$100

Anonymous

In memory of Kathy Ujifusa, Lee Ujifusa, and Mary Kyle

Kikue Sugai and family

In Memory of Jim Sugai

\$250

Greg Ota and Family

In Memory of Kelly Kinuye Ota

\$100

Norman and Alice Tanaka

In memory of Eileen Tanaka

\$300

Henry and Frances Watanabe

In memory of Patty Kogura

Henry and Frances Watanabe

In memory of Chiyeiko Takeda

Henry and Frances Watanabe

In memory of Merry Aragaki

Yasuo and Janice Hara

In memory of Jiro and Umeko Yotsuya

\$100

Yasuo and Janice Hara

In memory of Nancy Yotsuya

\$100

Yasuo and Janice Hara

In memory of Carol Woods

\$100

Iwao and Miye Shintani & Family

In memory of Haruyo Shintani

\$200

Iwao and Miye Shintani & Family

In memory of Shizuye Asai

\$200

Mrs. Kazuko Nose

In memory of Henry T. Nose

\$100

Charles Okita

\$150

Ron, Pauline, Stephanie and Doug Sakamoto

In memory of Goichi Hamamoto

\$100

Lois Matsumoto

\$500

Karen Inouye

\$200

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In memory of Myles Masao Yamanaka

Howard and Julie Watanabe

In memory of Shoichi and Hideko Araki

\$100

Teru Araki

In memory of Shoichi and Hideko Araki

\$100

Reiko Araki

In memory of Shoichi and Hideko Araki

\$100

Roy and Carol Kanazawa

In memory of Tamaye Morino

\$50

Joanne Kobori

In memory of George Kobori

\$100

Michael and Elaine Jones

In memory of Fred Sugimoto

\$200

Keith & Moschel Kadokura & Family

In memory of Masao & Christine Kadokura

\$250

Keith and Moschel Kadokura & Family

In memory of Minoru Yamate

\$250

Keith and Moschel Kadokura & Family

In memory of Miyoko Yuki

\$250

Keith and Moschel Kadokura & Family

In memory of Misao Yamate

\$250

Keith and Moschel Kadokura & Family

In memory of Mikiko Abe Eto

\$250

Masa and Marian Suhama

In memory of Mary Jio

\$100

Mrs. Irene Katayama

In memory of Larry Katayama and daughter Carol Katayama

\$200

Mrs. Irene Katayama

In memory of Jisaku and Riyo Mukai

\$200

Mrs. Irene Katayama

In memory of Taro and Rose Mukai

\$200

Moon and Lois Miyahara

\$25

Mr. and Mrs. Seito Mike Gyotoku

In memory of Frances and Minoru Higashi
\$100

Nozomu and Stella Iwasaki

In memory of Shigeki and Tsuruko Iwasaki
\$100

Nozomu and Stella Iwasaki

In memory of Stone and Ayako Saruwatari
\$100

Sharon Uyeda

In memory of Henry and Ada Uyeda
\$100

Steve and Linda Onishi

In honor of Leslie Kitazumi, Lynne Yamaichi, Moschel Kadokura, Diane Fukioka, Fran Tsudama, Marissa, Mitchell, Trisha, Yody, Carly, Aly, Shelby, Mitchell, Ryan, Jeff and Eric. Thank you for always helping with Beef Skewering!
\$100

Joyce Morihiro

In memory of Ed and Tsukiye Morihiro
\$200

Hamby & Nancy Aochi Family

In Loving Memory of Keiji & Janice Aochi
\$200

Craig, Denise, Caden, Jaden, Landen, & Tysen Kanazawa

In memory of Grandpa Fred Sugimoto, Grandma Vi Yamaoka, Grandpa Tony Yamaoka, Grandpa Kanazawa, Grandma Kanazawa, Grandma Morino, and Grandpa Morino. We love you and miss you so much!
\$250

Bonnie Kurimoto-Kobayashi

In memory of Yukio & Nari Kurimoto
\$100

Bonnie Kurimoto-Kobayashi

In memory of Thomas A.K. Shinagawa and Lloyd Ikegami
\$100

Bonnie Kurimoto-Kobayashi

In memory of Hoichi and Tsuneyo Nomi
\$100

Anonymous

\$100

Anonymous

In tribute to the hard work and dedication of so many. Missing Obon this year!

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Yamaichi

In memory of Masaru and Itsuye Yamaichi
\$150

Fred and Candace Kido

\$100

Hisako Mukai

In memory of Masato Mukai
\$30

George and Shizuka Hanada

\$300

Donald and Mary Yamamoto

In memory of Troy C. Takao
\$100

Joy Sakai

In memory of Grace and Henry Suezaki
\$200

Kyoto Palace, Inc.

\$250

Jane Takagi

In memory of Satoru Takagi
\$100

Suzie Sato

In memory of Senkichi and Yeiko Mikuni
\$100

Shigeru and Mary Tokiwa

In memory of Mr & Mrs Tom Toyoji Tokiwa
\$100

Shigeru and Mary Tokiwa

In memory of Mr & Mrs Kichita Higashi
\$100

Shigeru and Mary Tokiwa

In memory of Harry Tatsuo Kamitsubo
\$100

The Hirai Tsuchitani Family

In memory of Alice & Masatoshi Harai
\$100

Jean Hiraishi

In memory of Tom Hiraishi and his niece Jeannie Yamauchi
\$40

Charles Powers

In memory of Donald J. Powers - You are missed
\$200

Families of Brownie Troop 61301

In honor of the Betsuin, for years of support for our troop, as well as all of the other youth organizations
\$750

Steve and Linda Onishi

In memory of Tokio and Haruye Onishi
\$150

Steve and Linda Onishi

In memory of Mary Hoshida
\$150

Stan and Harriet Kawamata

In memory of Harry Akira Kawamata
\$200

Tracey, Burt & Hunter

In loving memory of Kazuo and Toshi Ouchida
(grandma and grandpa) <3
\$300

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Yamanouchi, Jr.

In memory of Tom Onishi
\$1,000

Yoriko Uyeda

In memory of Jim S. Uyeda
\$100

Albert and Janice Kogura

In memory of Meiji, Menlo and Aurora Kawakami
\$50

Albert and Janice Kogura

In memory of Sal and Aiko Jio
\$100

Albert and Janice Kogura

In memory of Kohei and Hatsuyo Kogura
\$100

Mike Kaku & La Donna Yumori-Kaku

\$100

Ted and Kazue Hashiguchi

In memory of Kazuo, Toshi, and Etsuo Ouchida
\$500

Adrean Takemoto

\$10

Rich, Jayna, Emily and Cole Nakashima

In loving memory of family and friends who have
passed but will never be forgotten. In honor of those
who make Obon happen year after year.
\$300

Michael Touchi

In Memory of Kenneth Touochi

Bando Mitsusa Kai of San Jose

In memory of our San Jose Bando Mitsusa Kai mem-
bers. And, In honor of our supportive San Jose Bando
Mitsusa Kai families.
\$200

Fujihara Family

Ogawa, Fujihara, Kajikawa, Hirotsuka and Yamamoto
families on behalf of the Fujihara Family. Remembering,
with gratitude, those that have passed before us.
Honoring the SJ Obon committees and volunteers that
support this annual event.
\$1,000

Ray W Shoemaker

\$50

Matthew Mah

In Memory of Mamoru and Masayo Aarii
\$1,000

Linda Nishita

In Memory of Saki and Marian Aarii
\$250

Linda Nishita

In Memory of Eiichi Katsuyoshi
\$100

Jeff, Denise, Kaylee and Camryn Nishita

In Memory of Grandpa Eiichi Katsuyoshi
\$200

Jeff, Denise, Kaylee and Camryn Nishita

In Memory of Grandpa Saki and Grandma Marian Aarii
\$100

Jeff, Denise, Kaylee and Camryn Nishita

In Memory of Uncle Mum, Auntie Mas and Rodney
Aarii and Melvin and Mary Mah
\$100

Jeff, Denise, Kaylee and Camryn Nishita

In Memory of Uncle Ta and Uncle Masa Nakao
\$100

Jacqueline Leong-Abad

In Memory of Grandpa Otillio, Grandma Isabel,
Gichan, Bachan, Tai Gong, Tai Paa, and Grandma
Mary Ellen.
\$250

Kenji G. Taguma

In Memory of Jimi Yamaichi
\$25

Gayle Boesch

In honor of Mas and Sue Doi

Stacy Handa

Takuzo "Andy" & Yayoi Jean Handa
\$250

Anonymous

In memory of Sadao and Shizue Sakai
\$500

Jeff Asai

In memory of the Asai and Nishi families
\$50

Ashley Sugimoto & Kevin Withstandley
\$200**Gerald & Ruthann Saito**

In memory of Richard, Chiyo & Dede Ogami
\$100

Janet Hiroshima and Christopher Padilla
\$100**George & Lynne Yamaichi and Family**

In memory of Jimi Yamaichi
\$200

Trisha, Carly, Aly, Lynne & George Yamaichi

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\$200

Lynne & George Yamaichi and Family

With gratitude to the San Jose Obon @ Home committee for bringing Obon to us!
\$100

Sandra Franciscus

Hoping for the prosperity of S.J. Japantown for years to come. And when I can visit again, I will see many familiar faces.
\$50

Susan Kusano**Steve and Janice**

In memory of Bob and Joyce Ellington
\$200

Paul & Sophie Forrester

In Memory of Harvey Hiroaki Horiuchi & Annette Forrester

Janice and Steven Doi

In memory of Martha Nakao Onishi
\$250

Sumi Tanabe

In loving memory of Toshiye Taniguchi and Art Tanabe
\$250

Mary Sasaki

In memory of Tomiko Sasaki
\$100

Tera Nakano-Louie

\$50

Anonymous \$25**Kara Jamet**

In memory of my grandmother Nobuko Lowe. In honor of my mother Akiko Ann Winter. In honor of my aunts Marie Bailon and Janice Lowe.

James and Grace Yamakawa

In Memory of Hane Family: Parents-Ichitaro and Hifuyo; Siblings-Mitsugi, Isao, Mikiso, Satoshi and Hisako Kajioka
\$1,000

Emiko Ono

In memory of Tsutomu Richard Ono
\$200

Sandra Kiss

Yoko Abe
\$25

Yoshikawa Family

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\$500

Kathleen Starr

Lea Ann Hernandez and Stephanie Caudillo
\$100

Wally & Robin Williams

In honor of my mother, Matsuko Miyahara (Sally Ownby), who is 100 years old and going strong!
\$100

Caitlyn Nichols

\$20

John & Nadine Foley & family, Kelly & Anita Matsuda & family

In memory of Bobby Nishimura 06/29/1949-03/26/2020
\$150

Davina Yamaichi

Mamoru Yamaichi
\$100

Timmy, Tiffany, Tyler Louie

In memory of Grandma & Grandpa Lou and Shiz Watanabe
\$200

Mike and Janice Mizota and family

In Memory of Fred & Hisako Mizota
\$1,000

Michelle Tanaka

In memory of my grandparents and aunties and uncles

Glovers

In Memory of our Omatsu ancestors

Kari Matsumoto Robinson

In Memory of Nana

Carisa Nakano

\$100

Anonymous

In honor of the family and friends who can't come together this year. (And in honor of the tempura I am missing eating.)

\$25

Tina Burke

In memory of Frank Burke 1949-2010

\$50

Craig & Linda Tsukamoto and Family

\$200

Anonymous

In Memory of Fred and Hisako Mizota

\$100

Sydney Shiroyama and Andrew Knaack

In memory of Harue Artitomi

\$50

Joni Tsukimura

In memory of Eileen Tanaka

David Tsukimura

In memory of Hiro Tsukimura

Keiko Shinagawa

\$50

Julie and Carey Netzloff

\$75

R Kohaya

\$200

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In Memory of Reverend Takamaro Saigusa

\$300

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Jessica Springer

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Philip Yoshikawa & family

William Sugimoto

Fred Sugimoto, Tom & Nari Kurimoto

\$1,000

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In memory of ERLINDA ESTRADA and ROD ARII.

\$50

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Dana Pulido

Lara Iwasaki Umemoto

In memory of my grandparents Shigeki & Tsuruko Iwasaki and Stone & Ayako Saruwatari, and my Uncle Ed Iwasaki

\$50

Addi McClure

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Mark Akizuki

Chi Akizuki and Tyler Nii

\$50

Yuji Higaki

\$500

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Anonymous

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\$25

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Glenn and Caroline Kurimoto

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Stephanie McLellan

Thank you for making our community so special.

\$50

Anonymous

\$15

Henry Nakata

In honor of Rev. Hiroshi Abiko

\$50

Henry Nakata

In honor of George Hanada

\$50

Henry Nakata

In honor of Rev. Gerald Sakamoto

\$50

Henry Nakata

In memory of Jimi Yamaichi

\$50

Henry Nakata

In honor of Jim McClure

\$50

Stacey, Yarrow, and Nathan Madrona

*In Memory of George and Hisaye Osaki, Ted and Kimi
Kino, and Grandpa Stuart*

\$200

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\$50,000

Claire and John**Suzuki Hudson Family****Tony & Yoko**

\$100

Laurie and Brent

\$250

Anonymous

\$500

Anonymous

In Memory of Tsunehiko and Chiyomo Masuda

\$100

Sidney Inouye

In Memory of our cat, Furla.

\$10

Holly Low

In memory of William and Mitsuko Yamada

\$250

Paulette & Gary Tom

In Loving Memory of Eileen Sera

\$100

Aaron lum

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Sasaki*

\$50

The Vasquez Family

In Memory of Minoru Tsudama

\$100

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\$250

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Jichan, Bachan and Mabo Mori

Anonymous

\$50

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In memory of Toshiko Takemoto

Sabina & Shaw Walker

In Memory of our Bachan, Lillie Morita

\$500

Emie Yamate

In memory of my dear husband, Minori Yamate

\$3,000

Emie Yamate

In memory of Miyoko and Takeo Yuki, our parents

\$1,000

Emie Yamate

In memory of Misao Yamate, my husband's mother

\$1,000

Emie Yamate

*In memory of Mikiko Eto, my aunt who passed away
this year*

\$200

Scott and Susan Hanada

In honor of George and Shiz Hanada

\$250

Jeff, Jenny, and Lexie Maag

\$100

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*In loving memory of our parents, William and Alice
Mizuno, and George and Martha Kays; a brother, David
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Mrs. Park and Family

In memory of Clayton Park

\$200

Arianna Azevedo

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\$60

Sue Kimura

Asako and Tsutomu Kimura

\$50

Anonymous

Thank you for the virtual Obon! Hope I can come in person someday.

\$25

Carin High

In memory of Michiko and Hideo Akagi

Jonathan Hironaga

Many thanks to all the volunteers who make this an event we all enjoy and look forward to year after year.

It was great to see a bit of history and get some looks behind the scenes with this year's virtual version.

\$1,000

Kathy San

In memory of George & Inez San Much love Mom & Dad.

\$250

Aiko, Ben, and Cedar Yep

In memory of Dennis Yep who made obon a family tradition.

\$100

Michelle Lopez

In loving memory of Grandpa Jim Sakamoto

\$100

Anonymous

\$50

Kathy San

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\$250

Brad and Kimberly Ide

In memory of Satoru Kuritsubo

\$50

Ken, Michelle, Brendan, and Kaylee Lopez

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\$100

Brad and Kimberly Ide

In memory of Fumiko Fujii

\$50

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\$250

Kelli, Richard, and Eva Chou

\$100

Anonymous

SJT Thank you NGNF for your work in our community!

\$50

Ellen Kamei

Donation via SJT & NGNF

\$250

Anonymous

San Jose Taiko. Thanks to all who make the SJ Obon possible every year, so much time and effort from everyone involved - GRATITUDE. Shout out to the Beef Teriyaki Crew! You all rock it every year!

\$100

Kimi Hiroshima

\$50

Rome Hamner & Kristin Block

\$100

Tajii Family

Donation via SJT & NGNF

\$200

David Tanaka

Donation via SJT & NGNF

\$200

Kyle and Kini

Donation via SJT & NGNF

Anonymous

Donation via SJT & NGNF

\$25

Anonymous

\$50

Kerry and Susan Tajii

Our parents Robert Ichinaga, Kingo & Lilly Tajii, Wendy Tsutsumi, Diane Mayeda, Brian Tajii and Lon Tajii

\$100

Kyle Uyeda

Love the Uyeda family

\$100

Derek and Airi Oye

San Jose Taiko match!

\$25

Reiko Iwanaga

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\$100

Sonja Winter

San Jose Taiko. Thank you all so much for creating such an amazing community!
\$50

Janice

Thank you, San Jose Taiko, for all you do for the community!
\$100

Wes and Lee Tao

Contribution via SJT. In memory of Yotsuo Tao and Leosing Wong
\$250

The Nishihara Family

In support of San Jose Taiko
\$250

Aya Ino

\$25

Dan and Chris Kubo

In Memory of Matsuo Furuyama
\$100

Debbie & Steve Shimada

\$100

Sue Luptovic

Via SJT
\$100

Kay Fukumoto

Thank you San Jose Taiko! Your performances were awesome.

Alice Lee

\$10

Kazuko Hishida

\$50

Jane J Kawasaki and John Adachi

In tribute to SJ Taiko
\$100

Anonymous

In Memory of Norio & Elsie Tominaga
\$25

Sydney Shiroyama

San Jose Taiko
\$50

Sylvia King

On behalf of San Jose Taiko
\$100

Terabe-Torrey Family

Thank you San Jose Taiko!
\$250

Anonymous

San Jose Taiko
\$100

Anonymous

Given during the SJTaiko performance, in loving memory of and gratitude to my beloved husband, Spencer, my parents on both sides, Auntie Mae and Janice.
\$250

Leon Kimura

Sj Taiko
\$50

Christopher Baer and Jenelle Jindal

Thanks San Jose Taiko

Anh Tan

Thank you for hosting Obon at Home! So creative and fun! Sending love from Hawaii! 💕💕💕
\$100

Craig, Sandy, Griffin & Owen Tanaka

In memory of Richard Tanaka
\$100

Jayne & Kenneth Tan

San Jose Taiko matching
\$100

Randy Suzuki and Todd Fouyer

via San Jose Taiko!
\$100

Rylan Sekiguchi

Contribution via SJT
\$50

Anonymous

\$250

Joseph Azevedo

Obon, San Jose Taiko
\$100

The Cook/Yamakawa family

\$25

Kemi & Jim**Jason Raquinio**

Go San Jose Taiko!
\$25

Melissa, Paul, and Jayden Ramos

\$50

Rosalyn Tonai and Grant Din

As suggested by SJ Taiko for the matching program. We are enjoying their show as always. Hope to see you all in person next year!

\$25

M. Yukiko Northon

For the Love, Obon at Home

Anonymous

\$100

Leanne Ikegami and Michael Rasmeenoparat

\$100

Anonymous

Thank you SJ Obon at Home, SJ Taiko and NGNF!!

\$100

Anonymous

In Memory of Al and Seiko Tanaka

Chris and Angella Takeda

In memory of Cindy Takeda

\$50

Brandon Hoshiko

SJ Taiko

\$36

Mike & Jeanne Yamanaka of Torrance

Todd, Fran, Mitchell, Ryan and Shelby

In memory of my mom and Kona

\$100

Nakajima family

In memory of Tok and Haru Onishi

Christine Kawashima

In Memory of Donald H. Kawashima

\$100

Craig & Jennifer Uyeda

\$250

Masa

San Jose Taiko :)

Aileen Osato

Thank you for the obon! Very well done!

\$25

Anonymous

in honor of / on behalf of San Jose Taiko

\$25

Megan Kitagawa

Mason family

Hideo & Kiyomi Yamashita

\$200

Anonymous

In Memory of Sue

Laura Oda

In memory of Henry "Dad and Papa" Oda, miss him very much.

\$50

Danielle Kitagawa

\$25

San Jose New Generation Nikkei Fund

In honor of the SJ Obon Festival and San Jose Taiko.

Thank you for all that you do for the community!

\$2,500

Stacie & Jay

San Jose Obon will always be home ❤️

\$50

Anonymous

In memory of George and Nancy Horii

Kathlynn Uenaka

San Jose Taiko

\$100

Anonymous

For San Jose Taiko I'm memory of Harue Aritomi

\$100

Michel Yamate

\$100

Annie & Michael

SJT - San Jose Taiko - great performances!

\$20

Alvin Hironaga family

In memory of our relatives and friends

\$500

Joanne Nakaso

Thank you, SJ Taiko for your wonderful performances

AND for your matching program! My donation is in

memory of my father Saburo "Sam" Nakaso.

\$25

Derek, Kami, Taryn & Logan Takegami

\$50

Steve, Yooko, Brett, & Bryce Itatani

In memory of Ted Sakamoto and Shizuo Itatani

\$100

Stuart, Tiffanie, and Kate

To the temple, the community, and the Obon that we always love coming home to

\$100

Scott, Dee, Ashley, Hailey & Kasey

In Honor of the Beef Teriyaki crew - your the best & all

SJ Obon volunteers. In Memory of those in our family

& our friends families

\$1,000

Horii family

Ruth Terada

Heather Rose

In memory of Yoko Goto, Ellis Rose, and Jerry Cerepa
\$50

Cheryl Nakagawa

In memory of Hideo and Kiyoko Shirasaki
\$100

Eric Nakagawa

\$100

Megan Nakagawa

\$100

Tom Savage

In loving memory of Duke & Mae Tokiwa
\$100

Masahiro Kamei

\$25

Randy Suzuki and Todd Fouyer

In memory of Karen and Lou Suzuki
\$100

Robert Nishime

In memory of Jiro Nishime
\$100

Kellie Nunokawa

\$100

Cherie Kazuko Hishida

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\$50

Anonymous

\$25

Neal and Stacy Nakano

\$25

Ray & Lucy Matsumoto

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Jeff and Cindy Ando

\$100

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Chris and Susan Kalaboukis

Parents Joe & Michiyo Hamade and our extended family
\$100

Connie & Peter Decena

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\$100

The Tanaka Family

Auntie Bernie Tomiyama & Macy Tanaka
\$100

Aldada Family

Love donating to a great cause
\$250

Kirk Shiimoto and Family

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\$100

Courtney Iwanaga

In memory of Mutsu Iwanaga, Kirk Akahoshi, Bach & Jich Akahoshi & Iwanaga

Kelly Okamoto-Lou and Family

\$100

Elizabeth Finkler

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In loving memory: Mitsugi, Isao, Miki, Hisako and Satoshi Hane
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Celeste Kohaya

Anonymous

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\$500

Kylie

John and Lorraine Tatsukawa

Thank you for the virtual Obon - Hope to see everyone in person next year!
\$50

Dina & Ted Nakano

In Memory of our family and friends who have passed and in Appreciation of all those who make Bingo so awesome (and Beef)

Karen and Howard Nakagiri (OCBC)

\$100

Smith Family

In memory of Arthur Tanabe and Toshiye Taniguchi
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\$250

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In memory of Uncle Jimi Yamaichi

\$250

Kathy & Vic Yamamoto

\$50

Lauren Yamamoto

\$50

Mune Family

In loving memory of Kin & Jeanne Mune

\$250

Ron and Cheryl Shimizu

In memory of Ida Shimizu

\$250

Karen, Chris, Melanie & Maddie Prince

\$250

The Pang Family

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\$100

Carly

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Kevin Onishi

In Memory of Tok and Haru Onishi

\$100

Erin Yamamoto Huynh

\$50

Randy Ando

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The Kong Family

\$250

Randy Ando

In Appreciation of the San Jose Betsuin BWA and Associates

Brad, Leslie, Marissa & Mitchell Kitazumi

Thank you to SJBCB and the 2020 Obon committee for the special experience of Obon @ Home.

\$300

Santo Market

Thank you SJBCB for supporting the SJ Japantown community.

\$500

Darren, Krista & Chiemi Wong/Mizusaki

In loving memory of family and friends we've lost. In honor of all those that made obon@home happen.

Chiu Family

In memory of all the happy memories at Obon - Hope to see you all next year at the booth again Jeff!

\$50

Marisa Yoshioka

In loving memory of my dad; granny and grandpa T; and grandpa Y

Anonymous

In memory of Chester Yasukawa and Eugene Yasukawa

Debbie Sorich

In memory of Kathy Shigemoto

\$100

Julie Kogura

In Memory of Patty Kogura

Art and Jolene Osaki

In memory of George and Hisaye Osaki

\$500

Art and Jolene

In memory of Ted and Kimi Kino

\$500

Kuwada Family

In memory of Donna, Alice, and Paul Kuwada

Dorothy Ishimatsu

In Memory of Robert Ishimatsu

Russ and Wendy

\$100

Stephen S Tanga

In memory of Patricia Setsuko Tanga Chang

\$278

Teri Schwimmer

In honor of Carl Haruta

\$100

Meglio Family

\$100

Steve & Karen Akimoto

In memory of our parents, and in honor of friends and family.

Anonymous

\$50

Joyce Yokoe

In honor of Yukio and Juliet Yokoe

Jeanne Haruta

In memory of Carl Haruta who passed away in May.
\$100

Sayama

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Anonymous

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Masumi Mukai

In memory of Roy Mukai
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Trisha Yamaichi and Yody Chi**Sheri Mukai**

In memory of Roy Mukai
\$100

Linda Taylor

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Namo Amida Butsu
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Girl Scout Troop 60404

In appreciation of the SJ Betsuin for supporting our Girl Scout troops.
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In Memory of Yone Kubo
\$500

Anonymous

In Memory of Masashi Kimizuka
\$250

Anonymous

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Anonymous

In memory of our loved ones!
\$200

Anonymous

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in support of keeping traditions and community
\$1,000

The Sum Family

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Anonymous

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\$100

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In appreciation to the SJ Betsuin for supporting the Fifth Grade Junior Troop.
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Yasuhara Family

\$200

Laura Nakashima

\$250

Cynthia Kaneshiro

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Anonymous

\$150

The Okada Family

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\$100

Ken, Cristina & Cynthia Diaz

In memory of our grandfather, Thomas Shigemasa

Merv Kato

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Ellyson Matsui

In Memory of Tyler Nii
\$50

Girl Scout Troop 61052

In appreciation to SJ Betsuin for supporting our 6th grade Cadette Troop
\$161

Lisa Torrey*In tribute to family of Yukino Torrey*

\$50

Steven Oda*In memory of my beloved father, Henry Oda.*

\$250

Nicole Santo*In Memory Of my grandparents Herman and Satsuki**Santo*

\$50

Yuri Saito*In memory of Shunji, Yaeko & Julian Saito*

\$300

Yuri Saito*In honor of the Buddhist Women's Association (BWA)*

\$200

Yuri Saito*In memory of Carol Toyo Fujimoto Ohmi and Eileen**Sera*

\$200

John Chastain

\$50

Alisa Van Ginkel

\$20

Mary Ann Beggs

\$100

Jo Ann Okabekubo*In memory of Meiji Kawakami, Menlo & Aurora**Nava-Kawakami*

\$50

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Katherine Harada

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Kyle Sakai

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Glenn Kozumi

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Mitch and Kaye Hiraki*In memory of Satoshi and Toshi Kaminishi*

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\$500

Tory and David Sakurai*In memory of Mo Ueda*

\$100

Tee Kogura*In memory of Patty Kogura*

\$500

Carolyn Kogura*In memory of Patty Kogura*

\$250

Lily Hashimoto*In memory of Marvin Aoki*

\$20

Pam Yoshida

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Kogura Company

\$100

Anonymous

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Anonymous*In memory of Jimi Yamaichi & in honor of his parents, siblings and spouses*

\$500

Larry & Lynn Handa*In memory of Matsuo & Polly Handa and Sumito &**Natsuko Horio***Girl Scout Troop 61302**

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Iyoko Katsuyoshi

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Nii Family*In memory of Tyler Isao Nii*

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Emi Tsutsumi

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Reginald and Judy Ikebe

In memory of Minoru Hayashi
\$100

Sus & Sadako Ikeda

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Tsumoru Kai*
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In memory of Tamiko Nishikawa and Sam Nishikawa
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Tom and Greer Nishikawa

In memory of Lillian and Charles Donaldson
\$100

Nishi Family

*In memory of Zitaro, Take, Johnny, Floyd, Shigeru &
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Nishi Family

In memory of George Nishi and Stacy Nishi-McMullen
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Newton and Diane Iwamura

*In memory of Yoshio Iwamura, Fumi and Judy
Kitagawa*
\$100

Newton & Diane Iwamura

*In memory of George & Sakae Yasukochi and Marilyn
Xavier*
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Alice and Norman Tanaka

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Joe and Ann Morimoto

\$200

Chiyuki Higuchi

\$100

Donna Tokunaga

In memory of Harry Tokunaga
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Wayne and Kailyn Higashi

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Arthur and Patricia Yotsuya

In memory of Nancy Yotsuya and Eileen Sera
\$100

Yukio and Kathy Yoshikawa

In memory of Matsuo and Masako Taoka
\$200

Aki and Linda Iwasaki

In honor of Rinban Sakamoto
\$100

Aki and Linda Iwasaki

In honor of Reverend Mikame
\$100

Aki and Linda Iwasaki

In memory of Isamu and Midori Takao
\$100

Aki and Linda Iwasaki

In memory of Shigeki and Tsuruko Iwasaki
\$100

Aki and Linda Iwasaki

In memory of Dennis Yoshioka
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Anonymous

\$200

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In memory of Kamachi and Kifune Memorial
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Mr. & Mrs. Ken Takemoto

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Mary Sugimoto

In memory of Fred Sugimoto

Phyllis Sugimoto

In memory of Fred Sugimoto

Earl & Helen Santo

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Mr. and Mrs. Albert Uyeda

In memory of Charlotte and Chuck Uyeda
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\$300

Sandy Sugie*In memory of Mary Takai*

\$50

Sally Okano*In memory of Richard M. Okano*

\$200

Tsuyaye Sue Nakao*In Remembrance*

\$200

Gary and Betty Ching

\$200

Robert and Sally Idemoto*In memory of Kamekichi and Kasumi Idemoto*

\$50

Robert and Sally Idemoto*In memory of Joseph and Hisa Sakamoto*

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Naomi Oda and Family*In loving memory of Henry Oda*

\$1,000

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\$500

Teruye Oshidari*In memory of Mr Kanichi & Mrs Michiko Uyemoto and Mrs Leiko Berger*

\$125

Sharon Uyeda*In memory of Harry Okasaki*

\$50

Michael and Jeanne Nakano*In memory of Harry Kajioka and Mariko Nakano*

\$200

Kirk Akimoto & Craig Akimoto*In memory of our Jichan & Bachan, George & Mabel Shimane, and our grandparents, Ned & Emmy Akimoto*

\$100

Diane Ikegami*In memory of Lloyd Ikegami, Shiro & Yoshiko Ikegami, Russell Ikegami*

\$100

Diane Ikegami*In Memory of Yukio & Nari Kurimoto, Hoichi & Tsuneyo Nomi and Thomas Shinagawa*

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Stan and Harriet Kawamata
\$50

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In memory of Lily Yamanaka
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Gil and Linda Takemori
In memory of Hitoshi Takemori and In honor of
Madge Takemori
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Stan & Eileen Moriya
In memory of Kazuo & Sueko Kubo
\$100

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In honor of Auntie Ida Nomi's 94th Birthday
\$100

Sachi Ikeda
In memory of Mr. and Mrs. Isao Ikeda
\$100

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In memory of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ikeda
\$100

Deborah Amemiya
In honor of Kevin Amemiya achieving a 4.0 GPA for
his 2020 Spring quarter at UC San Diego.

Julia, Theresa & Sarah
In memory of Raleigh M. Nakao, Loving Husband and
Father
\$150

Kyle Matsumoto Burch
\$200

Reiko Iwanaga
In Honor of: Janice Oda for her tireless volunteerism
\$50

Kevin and Karen Kitagawa

Janet Namba
\$200

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Morimoto Family
\$5,000

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In memory of Yoshinobu Suzuki
\$100

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In memory of George J. Matsumura
\$200

Bernice Matsumura
In memory of George J. Matsumura
\$50

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\$100

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Thank you for the Obon@Home last week!
\$50

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In memory of Aki Yamaoka
\$1000

Ted and Grace Tanaka
In memory of Nancy Yotsuya
\$200

May Sadako, Patti Saso Kaneda and Family, Mark
Sasao and Family
In memory of Albert T. Sasao and Alice Sasao
\$1000

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Otsuji
In memory of Bruce Otsuji
\$200

Himiko and Toshitaka Inouye
\$100

Carol Setoguchi and sons, Kent and Garth
In memory of Robert Setoguchi
\$500





Join Cub Scouts!

Pack **611**

ORIENTATION AND JOIN EVENT

Interested in learning about Cub Scouting?
Parents and prospective scouts are invited to attend Pack 611's Virtual Orientation and Join Event. The Pack is open to youth K - 5th grade.

Date: Monday, August 10, 2020

Time: 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Place: Video Conferencing via Zoom



Learn more and register @

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For questions contact pack611cubmaster@gmail.com



I wear the crown for **La Corona Taqueria**.
Join me for a Yu-Ai Kai fundraiser on
August 10, 2020. 9:00 am – 8:00 pm.
601 N. 4th Street, San Jose Japantown
408-925-9336

*Please present the flyer and mention that you are
dining out for Yu-Ai Kai.*

