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# Baking Bread

## By G Sakamoto

I hope you enjoyed last month's article. You may have already recognized that the style of writing was different from usual. The article was written by Kathy but attributed to me.

I'm on my second sourdough starter. The first attempt, after seven days, showed signs of furriness. Not a good indication of a healthy yeast colony. It's been eight days since I started this new batch. So far, so good. I've started daily feedings. The house is colder than optimum for yeast so I have to be patient and diligent in caring for this starter. I haven't named it yet. I'm thinking maybe Primrose or The Hammer. Hopefully it will establish itself and become a member of our family. Once established it will reside in our refrigerator waiting to be awakened and put into service as the leavening agent for a loaf of bread. If you have also taken up baking, as apparently millions of others have in this pandemic, I wish you well in your endeavors.

With so much going on in the world sourdough starter feels somehow trivial. However, we still need to be engaged with our every day lives as we engage the headlines around us. There is so much to consider to analyze, to draw implications from. The insurrection at our Capitol incited by the President. The celebration and hope with the inauguration of the 46th President of the United States. The gaping, fractured, seemingly unresolvable, divisiveness of how we see, and not see, each other in our country. A pandemic the likes of which very few people in the world have lived through before. A degraded global environment that left unchecked will make all our concerns moot.

There is much work to be done. That work begins with a willingness to recognize the other as ourselves. We all have the ability to sympathize, to recognize when someone is experiencing difficulties. And sometimes we can empathize with another because we share a common experience. That ability can allow us the opportunity to identify, to connect with another human being whose characteristics may be different from our own but who may be experiencing something I experience.

In Buddhism we are reminded that hate, foolishness and greed are characteristics that bind us to the world of samsara, the world of birth and death. Often empathy nor sympathy resolves conflict. But, any act of kindness may not be adequate. Sometimes the point of anger is all we experience and no amount of effort can change the flow of the world. We need to look elsewhere to begin to diminish the heat that drives the anger. What is its cause? Where does it come from? We may need to look at possibilities that require me to look elsewhere. Rethink my understanding of how we arrived at this point in time.

The times we are in are perfect for the Dharma which asks us to reconsider how I see the world. Buddhism is not about Buddhism. Buddhism is the resolution of difficulties we all experience. In order to resolve those difficulties I must see outside my comfortable view of the world. The social unrest we see is not just about the events that are unfolding now. They are rooted in a history that benefit some and not others. As Jodo Shinshu

we can look for the prejudices with which we engage the world. Acknowledging that prejudice we can fundamentally change how history unfolds.

This is my second attempt at starting a starter. If you count my previous attempt years ago then this is at least my third attempt. If something aside from time has not changed my third attempt is doomed. I am unexpectedly using Korean flour. The flour is poured and stored in a container. The flour was purchased when there was a run on flour early in the pandemic. It was an opportunistic purchase. I suspect this is an unbleached all purpose flour. It shouldn't matter what flour is used. Unless some odd chemical was added. Sourdough is one of the oldest forms of bread. Maybe our house is too cold. I'm using water that has been left out overnight to dechlorinate. There is something that I am doing that is not conducive to yeast cultivation. If I don't change that I am doomed.

## *By Etsuko Mikame*

“Oni wa uchi! Fuku mo uchi!”-Blind passions are always filled with our minds! But Nembutsu is always here in our life!”

When I was waiting in the line in Nijiya supermarket, I saw a small poster on the wall. It said something about Setsubun. Setsubun is the day before the beginning of spring in the old calendar in Japan. It goes like this; this year's Setsubun or the close of winter is on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. You many think Setsubun should be celebrated on February 3<sup>rd</sup> because we normally celebrate on that day these days. But the date of Setsubun originally comes on the day before the first day of spring in the old calendar. Since the first day of spring in the old calendar is on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, Setsubun comes on the day before, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. It has been for 124 years since the last time they celebrated Setsubun on February 2<sup>nd</sup>.” We can learn something new everywhere and anytime!

When it comes to the tradition of Setsubun in Japan, there is an even called Mamemaki” bean scattering.” They scatter roasted beans out of the front door, or at a member of the family wearing an Oni(demon, ogre) mask while shouting “Devils out! Fortune in!( Fuku wa Uchi! Oni wa soto!)” Here, Oni (ogre) is regarded as the symbol of something evil which bothers us from our happiness and hated by everyone. The beans are thought to symbolically purify the home by driving away the evil spirits that bring misfortune and bad health with them. In my early memories of Setsubun, I still remember that I scattered the beans roasted by my grandmother to my father and my older brother wearing Oni mask in the house. It was so fun but always hard to clean up the room after the bean scattering.

Just like the perspectives seen in the tradition of bean scattering, I noticed that we, human beings are so selfish that we tend to try to push away the cause of bad things to outside of ourselves and think the bad events away from us. In other words, we tend to hate something inconvenient for us and beckon to something benefits us. In Buddhism, it tells us to see limitations and blind passions in inside of our minds and how to accept and front our afflictions.

I would like to share an episode of Saichi Asahara, a famous Myokonin in Shimane prefecture, Japan. I grew up in the same area. In the history of Japanese Buddhism are famous Nembutsu followers called Myokonin, people who really rejoice in the Nembutsu teaching.

When Saichi was still at the age of sixty-nine, a painter living in the community drew a picture of Saichi placing his hands at his heart center or Gassho. People said that it looked exact the same with actual Saichi and praised the painter very much. However, Saichi didn't agree with it and said "I am not the person who has the calm face like Buddha. I have the fierce heart that may attack others depending on the conditions just like ogre." And Saichi asked the painter to add horns on his picture's head just like Ogre has and he finally admitted it was the right figure of true himself.

When we hear that our true nature is outrageous just like Oni (Ogre), it is hard to accept it in our life because we are always like that. However, Saichi admitted his own true nature and lived his life to the utmost while reciting Namo Amida Butsu. I, myself, sometimes get upset to something inconvenient, hate it and maybe hurt someone, on the other hand, when we come across something or someone convenient, I may change my attitude and treat someone benefits me well. Our minds always one after another until the end of this life as long as In Jodo Shinshu, we see "Oni" in our mind as the blind passions which the blind passions wind our way of seeing the world. It is not outside of oneself. However, we are always included and embraced by Amida who never abandons us. Although we sometimes hurt others and get angry at the situations which don't go as we desired just like Oni(ogre) do bad things to human beings, Amida knows our true nature and always guide us to the right path to the liberation without leaving behind anyone. In Jodo Shinshu way of Setsubun, we can admit our weakness we have in our life and at the same time appreciate Amida's assurance with Gassho.

Oni wa uchi! Fuku mo Uchi!-Blind passions are here inside of our minds! But Nembutsu is always here in our life !"

# President Message

## by Steve Onishi

If you thought 2020 was a crazy year, January 2021 was even crazier from a historical perspective! I could never have imagined a situation where thousands of Americans stormed our Nation's Capitol and threatened members of Congress while in session. Thankfully, our Sangha is a bit less extreme and the ministers, office staff and I can feel safe at the church!

Our transition here has been peaceful, thankfully. We are in the middle of transitioning to a new Board structure. It is a minor tweak that will eventually allow us to work more efficiently and hopefully be more responsive to the needs of the Sangha. As part of the new structure, I am hopeful that we can elicit the help of everyone else. Do you have special skills that could help us out? We are always looking for expertise in wide ranging areas from facility maintenance, financial planning, event planning, video producing to expansion of our social media exposure. Please let us know if you can assist in areas such as these.

Obviously, the pandemic has changed all of our lives. But one silver lining for me personally, is that I am able to work from home. It has provided new experiences for me such as watching the inauguration for the first time in my life. I've also watched the changing of the seasons through my back window. It is these simple things I now realize that I have always taken for granted. So don't take things for granted...get your vaccination when you can and we will eventually be able to listen to Rinban Sakamoto's and Reverend Mikame's messages, in person, once again.

# Editor's Message

## by Sally Idemoto

### ***A New Hope***

With the new administration taking over at the nation's capital, there is renewed hope that things will be better.

The last few years have been anything but worthwhile or meaningful in terms of our nation's leadership. What ultimately happened with the attack on the capitol building was outrageous. Watching it all taking place seemed unbelievable and yet it happened for the entire world to see.

During all of this was the pandemic. As the numbers were going up on new cases and those who didn't make it increased,

it all added to the anxiety and fears of the people throughout our nation and the entire world.

Now, with more people getting the vaccine and with help with the economy from the new leadership, things look a little more hopeful.

Let us continue to be smart, wearing our masks and doing all of the necessary smart and safe things.

In gassho.

Sally Idemoto

# Buddhist Women's Association

By: Barbara Sasaki

BWA's Social Welfare Co-Chair, Karen Hironaga sent 1 card.

This year's Lady Takeko Kujo community service project was done at the end of 2020 and benefitted Silicon Valley Strong, an organization that helps with rent or mortgage, food assistance, small business relief and other projects. BWA gratefully gives thanks and acknowledges all those that donated so generously to this project. The long list below indicates giving is going strong in the San Jose Betsuin Buddhist Church Buddhist Women's Association. Again, thank you to:

Karen Akimoto, Joanne Akizuki, Emily Ando, Anonymous, Victoria Baxter, Betsuin Staff, Violeta Branzuela, Mary Bryant, BWA In honor of Sumi Tanabe as Speaker for Fuse-No-Hi service, Margie Cornehl, Janice Doi, Sachiko Endo, Diane Fujioka, Shizuka Hanada, Laura Hanamoto, Lynn Handa, Janice Hara, Jeanne Haruta, Kazue Hashiguchi, Shelley Hatakeyama, Lily Hayashimoto, Nancy Hikoyeda, Karen Hironaga, Irene Hirota, Tomiye Imokawa, Toyo Inouye, Karen Inouye, Michiko Itatani, Bernice Ito, Reiko Iwanaga, Stella Iwasaki, Joyce Iwasaki, Linda Iwasaki, Moschel Kadokura, Anne Katashima, Iyoko Katsuyoshi, Michie Kimizuka, Grace Kobata, Bonnie Kobayashi, Kazuko Kurasaki, June Kuwada, Hiroko Kuwano, Ray & Lucy Matsumoto, Lois Matsumoto, Etsuko Mikame, Joanne Mine, Lois Miyahara, Arline Miyasaki, Cara Miyasaki, Ellen Miyatake, Joanne Mock, Eileen Moriya, Masumi Mukai, Jeanne Nakano, Tsuyaye Nakao, Shizuko Nakao, Naomi Oda, Linda Onishi, Bonnie Ouchida, Yone Plotts, Georgia Sakai, Pauline Sakamoto, Kathleen Sakamoto, Elanor Sakamoto, Jane Sakino, Barbara Sasaki, Dorothy Sato, Carol Setoguchi, Jean Shimada, Robin Shinagawa, Phyllis Sugimoto, Elaine Sugimoto-Jones, Hisa Suzuki, Jane Takagi, H. Lynette Takemoto, Jayne Tan, Sumiye Tanabe, Alice Tanaka, Jean Taniguchi, Mary Tokiwa, Carol Tsuchiya, Agnes Miyoko Tsukuda, Emi Tsutsumi, Irene Uchiyama, Haruko Ueda, Sachiko Urata, Sharon Uyeda, Lillian Uyeda, Julie Watanabe, Frances Watanabe, Nancy Wong, Carolyn Yamaguchi, Lynne Yamaichi, Grace Yamakawa, Junko Yamano, Emiko Yamate, James & Frances Yoshiyama

Since this is 2021, a new year, do not forget to pay your BWA dues of \$15. For 1 year. Make your check payable to SJBWA and mail your dues to the Betsuin and 640 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, San Jose, CA 95112.

BWA very much appreciates the following people for their generous donations:

- Grace Yamakawa and Linda Iwasaki in memory of Setsuko Hane
- Warren Iwamura in celebration of Fumiye Iwamura's 103<sup>rd</sup> birthday
- Sachiko Endo for Keiro Kai
- Grace Kobata for BWA Memorial Service
- Eileen Haramoto for donation to 2023 WBWA Conference.

# Pack 611, Dens 4 & 5 Update

## By: Dens 4&5 Leaders

Dens 4&5 continue to busily work their way up through the Webelos requirements, albeit in virtual format. In December, to earn the First Responder pin, the boys learned how to treat a number of serious medical conditions ranging from burns to venomous snakebites. Sunnyvale Public Safety Captain David Sakurai, one of the den leaders, and Kaiser manager, Chris Jung, another leader, both had significant experiences to share in these areas.

Then, the boys proceeded to Stronger, Faster, Higher, making fitness part of their lives. This unit was timely with the shelter-in-place situation, to help pull the boys away from their electronics and get them active. Ultimately, it culminated with the boys logging their workouts for an entire month to make exercise a habit.

Most recently, the pack meeting hosted a guest speaker, marine biologist Ellie Slick, who kept the entire pack meeting captivated as she shared impressive information about sea life and the work she did. Thanks to Cubmaster Wes Tao for identifying this great learning opportunity for the boys through Skype a Scientist.

The boys, leaders, and parents of Dens 4&5 continue to wish everyone the best of health and a Happy New Year!

## *Betsuin Girl Scouts - 50th Anniversary Needed 1971 to 2021 Awards and special stories to share*

Girl Scouts have been part of the Betsuin daily life since 1971. I cannot fathom how many scouts have history with the SJBC through this program. We are collecting history from 1971 to 2021 on the past leaders, members, or special projects our Betsuin has been a part of over the last 50 years. Please email to [gs61303.2021@sjbetsuin.org](mailto:gs61303.2021@sjbetsuin.org)

Remember to include what year your info is from!

1971 to 2021 wanted! Include YEAR, TROOP#, GRADE LEVEL

\* Awards - Bronze, Silver, Gold: Girl Scout name, year awarded, short description of the project, pics if OK to share

\* Padma program - something to share

\* Other special stories or recognitions to note

Thank you! 12th Grade Girl Scout troop leaders, Sara Shoji, Kris Suzuki and Susan Aoki



## Jr. YBA

by Kaylee Okamoto

On Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, we had a General meeting virtually. During the meeting, we held a community service panel led by Mr. Matt Ogawa that asked questions to our guest speaker, Ellen Kamei, a former Jr. YBA member and currently the mayor of Mountain View. Four student leaders, Simone Fong, Sean Sakae, Rina Mok and Ryan Sung also spoke about the clubs they are currently in. It was very interesting to hear about each of the member's experiences and the advice they had to give to the younger members about joining clubs and trying new activities in school.

On Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, there will be a fundraiser for lunch and dinner at Pasta Market, 579 Coleman Ave, from 11am to 9pm. 20% of all purchases will go towards SJ Jr. YBA if you mention our group when you order. Do you know it must be take out only and will not work for delivery services like DoorDash, GrubHub, etc. We hope to see you there and thank you for supporting Jr. YBA! We also plan to hold a raffle, so stay tuned for details to come.

## Sangha Crafters

By Betty Kinoshita/Tomi Imokawa

Crafters again met in the parking lot and exchange completed blankets and those to be done. There were 50 blankets collected to be taken to Project Linus. Also scarves and caps that were taken to the Family Shelter. Thanks to the Crafters who are sharing their talent by completing blankets that are distributed to the young people in our community. Project Linus distributes to hospitals and programs in the community that serve children from birth to 18 years of age. This include neonatal intensive care centers. With much gratitude!!

Our next parking lots gathering is Feb 5 at 11AM. It has been fun to see and chat with those attending. Mask and social distancing!

Any questions, comments, suggestion, ideas: [Bettysjc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Bettysjc@sbcglobal.net) or [Georgetomi@yahoo.com](mailto:Georgetomi@yahoo.com)

# Betsuin Choir

## by Paul Endo

**Thank you Sally Idemoto for 48 Years of Joy Through The Dharma!**

**All of us in the San Jose Choir would like to recognize and send our heartfelt appreciation to former Choir Member Sally Idemoto for bringing us all information and joy as editor of The Dharma Newsletter for 48 years!**

**Thank you, Sally, for all your hard work!**

SJ Betsuin Choir members are amateur singers who have spread the Dharma through music for over 70 years. Anyone who loves to sing, has a sense of humor, likes to eat good food, and make lasting friendships is invited to join our choir family. Sopranos, altos, tenors, and basses are needed – no auditions!

Please join us when it is safe to do so and rehearsals resume. Our usual time is:

Days:	Tuesday evenings
Time:	7:00 to 8:00 pm
Place:	SJ Betsuin Hondo (640 N 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, San Jose)

We perform for the Hoonko, Hanamatsuri, and Obon services each year.

We are still unsure when our next performance will be as it depends on how quickly the state and nation get the Corona virus under control enough for us to start rehearsals again. So if you love music and would like to sing with us, contact Paul Endo at 415-730-3395 or Michael Yoshihara at 408-712-9259 or email either of us at [sjbetsuinchoir@gmail.com](mailto:sjbetsuinchoir@gmail.com) and we will keep you informed as to when practices will resume.

## EcoSangha: EcoTip

It is Ecofriendly to save on food waste. To prevent food waste plan meals ahead for one week, shop with a list, don't shop hungry to avoid impulse buying. Wasted food ends up in landfills, eventually turning into methane gas, a destructive greenhouse gas.

# UPDATE TO QIGONG ZOOM CLASSES

There have been multiple thefts in Masa Naito's San Jose office, so he's asked to have future fee payments or correspondence be sent to his home address in Union City. Please see the new address below. Should you have any mail concerns, you can contact Masa at his email address. PayPal payments have not changed.

The current qigong schedule was published in the December 2020 Dharma & can be found at the San Jose Buddhist Church Betsuin website for your reference. Look under Resources.

PayPal link - [Qigong Class](#) (<https://paypal.me/pools/c/8obqTn8gSh>)

~~Masa's office address: 1157 Saratoga Ave # 206, San Jose, 95129~~

**Masanori Naito's new mailing address : 33721 10th St. Union City CA. 94587**

Questions about Qigong movements can be directed to the instructor Masa Naito, [kikoh4000@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kikoh4000@sbcglobal.net)

Other questions or concerns can be sent to Jeanne Nakano [jmnakano@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jmnakano@sbcglobal.net)

# Aloha Club



*‘A ‘ohe lana nui ke alu ‘ia*

“No task is too big when done together by all.”

(‘Olelo no ‘eau-Hawaiian Proverbs)

Howzit?!

In da world now, everything is just crazy hammajang, yah? Or “still yet”, sorta crazy, I should say. We, da people, should share da kine aloha so dat everyone knows what dis really means, I tink.

Are all of you doing okay?

While Hālau Nā Wai Ola on 6th Street closed in May 2020 because of the scary thought of paying so many months of rent and not wanting to ask students for tuition if it could only be Zoom lessons, she made the difficult decision to close and give up the space. (yeah, our Kumu really is not the type to think about asking others for money to learn from her)

However, that didn’t mean that we hāumana should not continue to do what we’d learned or to stop caring or practicing the way of hula and the Spirit of Aloha that drives the Hawaiian lifestyle and way of being.

And so, when I helped with the Junior Chamber International (JCI) of USA and the Junior Chamber International (JCI) of Japan in the “US-Japan Subnational Global Young Professionals Forum” hosted by JCI, Koyamada International/KIFJapan/KIFUSA, between Honolulu and Hiroshima, it was almost, shall I say, gratifying, to hear those panelists talk about sharing the Aloha with the world in order to make it a better place.

Being Jodoshinshu Buddhist, the aloha is something that is easily incorporated in our daily lives. While in Hawai‘i, it may be more prevalent and more understood, we Aloha Club people can definitely show in our actions, our communication, our daily lives, how we can live with understanding, compassion, gratitude, honestly, in harmony, with perseverance.

Aloha! Stay Safe and Healthy!

## 2021 Memorial Service Schedule

*Please schedule a service if your loved ones  
passed away in the following years:*

<u>Year</u>	<u>Service</u>
2020	1 <sup>st</sup> Year
2019	3 <sup>rd</sup> annual
2015	7 <sup>th</sup> annual
2009	13 <sup>th</sup> annual
2005	17 <sup>th</sup> annual
1997	25 <sup>th</sup> annual
1989	33 <sup>rd</sup> annual
1972	50 <sup>th</sup> annual
1922	100 <sup>th</sup> annual

## Donations

February 18, 2020 to January 26, 2021

Thank you for patients and understanding during this pandemic. All donations will be listed in the upcoming Dharma newsletters.

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Irene Hirota

**In Memory of Mollie Nakasaki**

Emi Tsutsumi

Margie Cornehl

Alice Kadonaga

Hisako Ando

May Takata

The Family of Mollie Nakasaki

Glenn & Caroline Kurimoto

Anonymous

Jiro Saito

Sachi Ikeda

Anonymous

Sharon Uyeda

Sumi Tanabe

Ted and Kachi Hashiguchi

Kazumi Tamekuni

Tsuyako Sakamoto

Frances Hamada

**In Memory of Alyce Morita**

The Family of Alyce Morita

Lloyd & Elaine Ando

**In Honor and Memory of  
Sunato & Toshiyje Taniguchi  
and Arthur Tanabe**

Richard & Carole Taniguchi

**In Memory of Harry  
Sakogawa**

Theodore Sakagawa

**In Memory of Stewart E.  
Morimoto**

Gene & Alyce Morimoto and

Family

**In Memory of William S.  
Kawashima**

Reiko, Steven & Dawn

Kawashima

Steven Kawashima

**Kaz's Funeral**

Jeannie Nakamura

**In Memory of Hideko Aoji**

Yoichi Nioka

**In Memory of Jaden, Caden,  
Landen and Tysen's great  
grandma**

Sandy Kawamoto

**In Memory of Shig Tokiwa**

Mary Tokiwa  
Lillian Uyeda  
Sumi Tanabe  
Emi Tsutsumi  
John & Joyce Moody, Tadashi  
& Suzi Moody, & Mieko Moody  
Jerry Perrine  
Glenn & Caroline Kurimoto  
Donald & Mary Yamamoto  
Ronald & Barbara Asai  
May Takata  
Mary Ando  
Phyllis Yoshikawa  
Minoru Ikeda  
Emie Yamate  
Robert Okamoto  
Ernest & Toyo Inouye  
Kazumi Tamekuni  
Sharon Uyeda  
Robert & Caroline Inouye,  
William, Anne & Evan Inouye,  
Emi & David Frost and Alyse &  
Kyle Toy  
Helen Hayashimoto Tagawa &  
Lily Hayashimoto  
Naomi & Steve Friebert  
Linda Ochinerio & Joe Sisto

**AV Sound System Repairs & Maintenance: In Memory of Shig Tokiwa**

Arthur & Robin Kurimoto-  
Shinagawa

**In Memory of Dennis Yoshioka**

Joyce Iwasaki  
Judy Yoshioka

**In Memory of Melvin & Mary Arii Mah**

Donald & Julie Mah

**In Memory of James Taoka**

Grace & Sharon Soda and Lori  
Nevarez

**In Memory of Akimi Gytoku**

May Gytoku  
Kaye Masatani

**In Memory of Harry & Hiroko Mikami**

Catherine Mikami

**In Memory of Yuko Nakao**

Yuko Nakao Family

**In Memory of Calvert Kitazumi**

The Kitazumi Family

**In Memory of George Hashimoto**

Robert Okamoto

**In Memory of Chiyoko Nerio**

Brit & Yoko Berglund

**In Memory of Satsuki Santo**

Jane Takagi  
Alice Kadonaga  
Norris & Terri Hirota  
Earl & Helen Santo  
George & Lynne Yamaichi  
Mark Santo  
Scott & Tina Santo and Family  
Brad & Leslie Kitazumi and  
Family  
Irene Hirota

**In Memory of Midori Takao**

Linda & Aki Iwasaki  
Joyce Iwasaki  
Kay & Glen Wada  
Judy Yoshioka

**In Memory of Yukiye Hiyama Hayashimoto**

Helen Hayashimoto Tagawa &  
Lily Hayashimoto

**In Memory of Eileen Tanaka**

Norman & Alice Tanaka

**In Memory of Lily Hiroshige**

Mari Ann Hiroshige

**In Memory of Tamako Kubota**

The Family of T. Kubota

**In Memory of Masaru "Moose" Kunimura & Doris Kunimura**

Karen, Donna, Kathy & Diane  
Kunimura

**In Memory of George Kato, Kaoru "Kay" Kato & Victor Kato**

Joyce Iwasaki

**In Memory of Shigeki John Iwasaki & Tsuruko May Iwasaki**

Joyce Iwasaki

**In Memory of Setsuko Hane**

Carol Yamane  
Kaye Masatani  
Sally Takemoto  
June Ono  
James & Grace Yamakawa  
Hisako Ando  
Emi Tsutsumi  
Kazuko Nose  
The Setsuko Hane Family  
Teri Obata Hinmon and Family

**In Memory of Harriet Sasaoka**

Thomas Nowak

**In Memory of Sumitaka Horie**

The Horie Family

**In Memory of Mike & Yasuyo Niimoto**

Jeannie Williams

**In Memory of Mitsuharu Yamasaki & Sho Yamamoto**

Yoko Yamasaki

**In Memory of Tom Hoshida**

Bruce & Diane Kline

**In Memory of Mitsuru J. Hayashi**

June Hayashi  
Yorko Uyeda

**In Memory of Thomas Hashimoto**

Junko Hashimoto  
Yorko Uyeda  
E.Y. Hashimoto

**In Memory of Eileen Sera**

The Namimatsu Family

**In Memory of Beverly Takeda**

Fumi Suyeishi  
Sharon Uyeda



**In Memory of Yosh & Aiko  
Ouchida**

Fumi Suyeishi  
Aiko Kojima  
Tom & Joyce Tamaru

**In Memory of Steve Kato**  
James Kono

**In Memory of Ben Masatani**  
Kaye Masatani, Sally, Jeff &  
Eric Takemoto

**In Memory of Hideko Kumada**  
Karen Yamamoto

**In Memory of Shizue Urata**  
Masaru & Sachiko Urata

**In Memory of George  
Fukuhara**  
Ujinobu & Grace Niwa  
The Aso Family  
Fumi Suyeishi  
Jane Inouye

**In Memory of Fumiko Higuchi**  
The Family of Fumiko Higuchi -  
Robert & Alice Kawaguchi and  
Family, Thomas & Wendy  
Higuchi and Family  
May Takata

**In Memory of Henry Yamate**  
Yamate Family - Carol Lynne  
Poitry-Yamate and Gordon  
Yamate and Deborah Shiba  
Alice Kadonaga  
Ted & Grace Tanaka  
Glenn & Caroline Kurimoto  
Ted & Evelyn Komaki  
Kaye Masatani  
Jim Sekigahama  
Emi Yamate  
Robin Ohara  
The Kadokura Family

**In Memory of Asako  
Tamekuni**  
Dorothy & Yosh Sato

**In Memory of Yoshinobu  
Deguchi**  
Dorothy & Yosh Sato

**In Memory of Thomas  
Shinagawa**  
Susan Shinagawa

**In Memory of Stanley Toshio  
Hara & Tom Tamotsu Hara**  
The Hara Family

**In Memory of Aki Yamaoka**  
George T. Yamaoka

**In Memory of Michiko  
Hayashi**  
The Family of Michiko Hayashi

**In Memory of George A.  
Yamamoto & Bettie  
Yamamoto**  
Joyce Yamamoto

**Min'na no Mura**  
Jason Squire

**Oseibo**  
George and Shiz Hanada

**Eitaikyo Fund**  
The Family of Mary Sugimoto

**Hanamatsuri**  
Digger & Agnes Sasaki  
Steve & Linda Onishi

**Virtual Sunday Service**  
George & Lynne Yamaichi  
Glenn & Caroline Kurimoto

**Infant Presentation**  
Art & Cynthia Fong

**Gotan E Service**  
Steve & Linda Onishi

**In Honor of Kevin and Tyler's  
Graduation**  
Steve & Linda Onishi

**In Honor of Bettie & George  
Yamamoto**  
Joyce Yamamoto

**Memorial Day Service**  
Gilroy Japanese Community  
Church

**Buddhism & Yoga Sessions**  
Naomi Nakano-Matsumoto

**In Appreciation for Sara  
Kusumoto's Talk**  
Steve & Linda Onishi

**Obon**  
John Chastain

**Hatsubon Service**  
Tee Kogura & Family

**In Memory of Kirk Akahoshi**  
Rev. Kenji & Karen Akahoshi

**In Memory of Alice Sakahara**  
Bill Sakahara

**In Memory of George  
Imokawa**  
Tomiye Imokawa

**In Memory of Chiyoko Nerio**  
Briton & Yoko Berglund  
June Honda  
Hisako Ando

**In Memory of Satsuki Santo**  
Norris & Terri Hirota  
Debbie Santo-Woo

**In Memory of Yukie Ambo**  
Irene Hirota  
Norris & Terri Hirota  
Jeff & Kay Kondo and Family  
Collette Kondo & Bill Schulte

**In Memory of Dorothy  
Yamada**  
Fred & Miwako Yamada

**In Memory of Kumiko Mikame**  
Rev. Etsuko Mikame

**In Memory of Alice Tsutsui**  
Dorothy Yamashita

**In Memory of Lily Yamanaka**  
George and Shizuka Hanada

**In Memory of Doris Kunimura**  
Digger & Agnes Sasaki

**Buddhist Churches of  
America Endowment  
Foundation Dana Program  
Temple Share**

Emily Ando  
Michiko Itatani  
Marsha Nishi  
Robin & Arthur Shinagawa  
Emi Tsutsumi

**Betsuin Disaster Relief**

Anonymous  
May Takata  
Kazumi Tamekuni

**Volunteer Snack Fund**

Lillian Uyeda

**Wedding Deposit: In Honor of  
Jeff & Katie's upcoming  
Wedding**

Sally Takemoto

**Rev. Mikame's Yoga Class**

Harriet Kawamata

**2020 Keiro Kai**

Allan & Nancy Hikoyeda  
Joyce Morihiro  
Alice Kawaguchi  
Emi Tsutsumi  
Margie Cornehl  
Lynne & George Yamaichi and  
Family  
George Sakai  
Tracey Hashiguchi  
Richard Sugimoto  
Mas Nishimura  
Sus & Sadako Ikeda  
Eileen Moriya  
Cathy Pike  
Joyce Iwasaki  
Shelley Miyasaki  
Robin Hoffman  
Diane Hurd  
Chizu Kubo  
Michiko Itatani  
Anonymous  
Tomi Imokawa  
Ernest & Toyo Inouye  
Phyllis Sugimoto  
Kaye Masatani

**2020 Keiro Kai (cont'd)**

Shirley Honda - In Memory of  
Hirose & Honda Families  
Michael & Jeanne Nakano  
Sally Takemoto  
Joanne Kobori  
Ray & Lucy Matsumoto  
Eiko Yamaichi  
Jean Yamaguchi  
Gloria Yamauchi  
Susan Aoki  
Carolyn Kogura  
Richard & Cindy Kogura  
Hisako Suzuki  
Norman & Alice Tanaka  
Mary Tokiwa  
Steven & Lydia Sakai  
Miyo Shigemoto  
Matthew Ogawa  
Joyce Oyama  
Masayuki & Shirley Okabe  
Earl & Helen Santo  
Jane Takagi  
Fran Imahara  
Masakot Taketa  
Michael & Elaine Jones  
Lillian Uyeda  
Ann Tanaka

**Eitaikyo**

Charlene Yoritsune

**Generations Capital  
Campaign**

Lotus Unite  
CYS  
Stan Kawamata and Friends  
Michael Ching  
Charlotte Hiroshima  
Jeffrey Maag & Jennifer Inouye  
- Apple Matching  
The Shingai Family  
Kenichi Takagi  
Anonymous  
Debra Matsuhira  
San Jose Betsuin Girl Scouts  
Gary Aochi  
Bob Terasaki  
Tom & Greer Nishikawa  
Justin Nakamura  
Romero Esparrago Jr.  
Generations Pickers  
Ron & Barbara Asai  
Films of Remembrance  
Tammy Matsumoto

George & Jean Taniguchi  
Akira Kuwashima  
Steve & Linda Onishi  
Oyama Family  
Joyce Oyama  
Masayuki & Shirley Okabe  
Christopher Ruemmler  
Bud & Jody Mine  
May Takata  
Lloyd & Elaine Ando  
Judy Ikebe  
Nichi Bei Foundation Education  
Fund

**In Memory of Alice Sasao**

Sally Okano  
Michiko Itatani  
Allan & Nancy Hikoyeda

**In Memory of Eileen Sera**

Michiko Itatani  
Tsuyako Sakamoto

**In Honor of Lynne's Kanreki**

Moschel Kadokura  
Russ & Cynthia Jackson

**In Memory of Aki Yamaoka**

William and Frances Hamada

**In Memory of Kinji Sera**

Kenneth & Kathleen Ozawa

**In Memory of Dorothy  
Yamada**

Fred & Miwako Yamada

**In Memory of Mitsuye & Isami  
Oyama**

Richard Oyama

**In Memory of George K.  
Yamaoka**

Bonnie Yamaoka

**In Memory of Jim Sakamoto**

George & Shizuka Hanada

**In Memory of Marvin Aoki**

Arthur, Robin & Richard  
Shinagawa  
Marvin Aoki

**In Memory of Lloyd Ikegami**

Arthur, Robin & Richard  
Shinagawa

**In Memory of Chiye Takeda**

Thomas Kumamoto

**In Memory of Judy Takata & Alice Sasao**

Joyce Yuri Oyama

**In Honor of my late grandparents Mum & Mas Arie**

Melanie Mah

**In Memory of Sakaye Santo**

Michiko Itatani

**In Memory of Alice Tsutsui & Sakaye Santo**

George & Shizuka Hanada

**In Memory of Eiichi Katsuyoshi, Masa R. Nakao & Geo Tadami Nakao**

Iyoko Katsuyoshi

**In Memory of Alyce Morita**

Greg & Marlene Aso  
Arthur & Robin Shinagawa  
Michiko Itatani

**In Memory of Mollie Nakasaki**

Lillian Junker  
Michael & Jeanne Nakano  
Lily Hayashimoto  
Allan & Nancy Hikoyeda  
Arthur & Robin Shinagawa

**In Memory of Randy Inouye**

Dan, Sandy, Erin & Kristi Imai  
Mary Imai  
Lori & Masa Hirasawa  
Julia, William & Allison Iwamoto  
Fumi Suyeishi  
Aiko Kojima  
Lori & Henry Louie  
Bonnie Ouchida  
Wayne Ouchida  
Bill & Reiko Yamamoto  
Charlotte & Dyke Hiroshima  
and Family

**In Memory of Louise Oyama**

Lillian Junker  
Hisako Ando  
Lloyd & Elaine Ando

**In Honor of Rev. Mikame's 1yr Anniversary**

Arthur & Robin Shinagawa  
Bonnie Kobayashi

**In Memory Mary Nomi Sugimoto**

Arthur & Robin Shinagawa  
Bonnie Kobayashi  
Diane Ikegami

**In Honor of Amy Lin Furukawa**

Shawn Okumura

**In Memory of Shig Tokiwa**

Michael & Jeanne Nakano  
Tom & Terry Oshidari  
George & Shizuka Hanada  
Allan & Nancy Hikoyeda  
Mack & Joan Kusumoto

**In Memory of George Fukuhara**

Lillian Uyeda & Kevin Uyeda

**In Memory of Yukio & Nari Kurimoto, Thomas A.K. Shinagawa, Hoichi & Tsuneyo Nomi. and Fred & Mary Sugimoto**

Bonnie Kobayashi

**In Memory of Charlene Setsuko Hane**

Michiko Itatani  
Tom & Terry Oshidari  
Phyllis Sugimoto

**In Memory of Marvin Aoki**

Michael & Elaine Jones  
Reiko Iwanaga  
Phyllis Sugimoto

**In Memory of Lloyd Ikegami**

Bonnie Kobayashi

**In Memory of Sally Endo Hirai**

Kaye Masatani

**In Memory of Linda Onish's Father**

Diane Fujioka

**In Memory of Henry Yamate**

Reiko Iwanaga

**In Memory of Nari Kurimoto**

Bonnie Kobayashi  
Arthur & Robin Shinagawa

**In Memory of Sam Yamakoshi**

Mack & Joan Kusumoto

**In Memory of Mary Sugimoto**

Alice Kadonaga  
Lily Hayashimoto  
George & Shizuka Hanada  
Linda & Aki Iwasaki  
Mel & Sandy Shimomura  
John & Courney Cheadle  
Arthur & Robin Shinagawa  
David & Debra Sugimoto  
Bonnie Kobayashi  
Ron & Pauline Sakamoto  
Jim & Sue McClure  
Lloyd & Elaine Ando  
Susan Shinagawa  
Leanne Ikegami & Michael Rasmeenoparat  
Gerald & Ruthann Saito  
Jason & Meredith Kondo  
Richard Shinagawa  
Karen & Steve Akimoto  
Steve & Ruth Kurimoto  
Dennis Akizuki  
Glenn & Caroline Kurimoto  
Lynne & George Yamaichi  
Allan & Nancy Hikoyeda  
Sumi Tanabe  
Kathleen & Thomas Yeh  
Anne Katashima  
Jaime & Satsuki Ruiz  
Hisa Suzuki  
Steve & Bobbie Shiraki  
Tomi Imokawa  
Fumi Suyeishi  
Teruko Koshiyama  
Lillian Uyeda  
Kaye Masatani  
Laurie Dankwardt  
George Shiraki  
Doug & Patty Sugimoto  
Earl & Helen Santo  
Nolan & Cyndi Sakuma

## **In Memory of Mary Sugimoto**

(cont'd)

Jeff & Eva Sun  
Kelly & Joyce Katsuyama  
Frank & Debbie Pravettoni  
Sandra Iwamoto  
Dean & Lynnda Matsuo  
Grace Mori  
Dean & Lynn Noritake  
Toshiko Kogura  
Gordon Kanada, Karen Leoung  
& Jim Vaughn  
Sterling & Joanne Makishima  
Kathryn Fujii  
Alvin & Karen Hironaga  
Braeden & Michelle Partridge  
Derek Kurimoto & Chee  
Ogasawara  
Ron & Mihoko Kawasaki  
Joanne Akizuki  
Sally Takemoto  
Grace Soda  
Curtis Shiraki  
Kay & Itsuro Ide  
Leslie Ide  
Naomi Oda  
Yu Ai Kai Thursday Craft Class  
Robert & Sally Idemoto  
Todd & Debra Hashimoto  
Sharon Uyeda  
Norman & Alice Tanaka  
Ray & Lucy Matsumoto  
Cheryl Hesse  
Mark & Ramona Nomi  
Michael & Kristina Nomi  
Brianna & Cassidy Eastwood  
Hats & Kaz Kanazawa  
Alice Misumi  
Alice & Bob Kawaguchi  
Grace & Dave Fukuyama  
Karen & John McDowell  
Brad & Kimberly Ide  
Joyce Morihira  
Robert Ide  
Ed & Sachi Urata  
George Iwamoto  
Stan & Sharon Kurimoto  
Ken & Kathy Ozawa  
Chery Hing  
Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hashiguchi  
Warren Iwamura  
Leah Groppo & Doug Ikegami  
Robert & Diane Fujioka  
Randy Suzuki

Bob & Judy Nakano  
Hiroshi & Ann Chavez  
Steve & Linda Onishi  
Roy & Carole Kanazawa  
Arhur & Jane Mino  
Alan Morihira  
Dale & Elise Kobata  
Chester & Patty Tanihara  
Joy Anne Hanamoto  
Yuriko Misawa  
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Mr. & Mrs. Dick Sasaki  
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Steve & Millie Tani  
Glenn & Karen Iida  
Gary Mukai  
Jean Morino  
Tsuyaka Iwamoto  
Kenneth & Lisa Kawasaki  
Rose Kinaga  
Sandy & Dan Imai  
Reiko Iwanaga  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Fong  
Michael & Audrey Doi  
Stan & Harriett Kawamata  
Jane Takagi  
Hisako Ando  
Norman Ishikawa  
Sharon & Mark Kawachi  
Margie Matsuura  
Leslie Matsunaga  
Lowayne Shieh  
Winnie CHin  
Bev Amano  
Yuri Katai  
South Bay Area Hiroshima  
Nikkeijin Kai  
Barbara & Bruce Welch  
June Ono  
Michiko Itatani  
Emiko Kaita  
Lillian Uyeda  
Joyce Iwasaki  
Deborah Aso  
Greg & Marlene Aso  
Michael & Jeanne Nakano  
Kara Sonobe  
Dennis & Susan Ikegami  
Deacon & Kasey Kuwaye  
Jonathan Kawasaki & Saya Wai  
Mr. and Mrs. Shig Tokiwa  
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Wayne Okubo  
Alison Noritake  
Mrs. Sue Fujino  
Shirlee Sanda  
Bob & April Sue  
Marian Tsukamoto  
Dorothy & Yosh Sato  
Kikue & Linda Sugai  
Dan & Lynne Sakaue  
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## Community News

### *2021 Nikkei Matsuri*



### *2021 San Jose JACL Scholarship Program*

There is a major change in this year's Scholarship Program. The application can be completed electronically. If you are a high school senior, you are encouraged to apply and complete an application. The various scholarships range from \$10,000 (\$2,500 for each of 4 years) to \$500.

Contact Sharon Uyeda, scholarship chair, and request an electronic application to complete ([suyeda9356@aol.com](mailto:suyeda9356@aol.com)). If you have any questions, contact Sharon.

Submittal deadline is Monday, March 1, 2021.

Please take time to apply.

## *Films of Remembrance*

### ***“Farewell to Manzanar” Drive-in Screening***

#### **Films of Remembrance 2021 at the Capitol Drive-In**

This is a one-time-only opportunity to see the landmark film, “Farewell to Manzanar.” It was shown only once on television and later given one screening in Sacramento, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Marin, but never in San Jose. It is also a film deemed appropriate for school curriculums and so, this drive-in format is ideal for families to attend and view. Partial proceeds will benefit Yu-Ai Kai.

Please check the website, [www.filmsofremembrance.org/2021](http://www.filmsofremembrance.org/2021), for possible Japantown businesses where Drive-in Bentos may be ordered and picked up. This will support local J-Town businesses. Each order will include an Opportunity Drawing ticket to be deposited when you attend. Please see the flyer in this issue for more information on the entire Films of Remembrance 2021 schedule.



## 如月だより



みなさま、日本語のお便りの発行が長らくお休みになってしまい、大変申し訳ございませんでした。今月から、こうして今月から英語のお知らせとともに載せて頂くことになりました。

さて、先日スーパーマーケットの“にじや”でこんな広告を見ました。た。“今年の節分は二月二日だそうです。一えっ、節分って二月三日じゃないの？”と思われませんか？実は節分は固定ではなく、立春の前日というルールがあるのだそうです。今年の立春は二月三日なので、節分は前日の二日ということだそうです。そしてこれは一八九七年以来一二四年ぶりのことなんだそうです！

節分と言いますと、毎年二月三日になると「鬼は外、福は内」と声をかけとともに、悪いことを家の外へ追い払い、いいことが家庭に入ってくるように願って豆をまく行事です。私も幼いときは、鬼のお面をかぶった父や兄に向って、祖母が煎ってくれた豆をなげてはしゃいでいた記憶があります。家の中で前を投げるので、いつもかたづけが大変でしたが。。。

私たち人間というのは悪いことの原因を全部自分の外に追いやって自分と切り離して考えているようなところがあるのではないのでしょうか。また、自分にとって都合の悪いものを外へ押しやり、自分にとって都合の良いものはこっちへ来いというようにしているのです。いぶん身勝手なものの考え方をするものです。そもそも、仏教はこの私の内側に煩惱をみて、それとどのように向き合うのかというところを大切にしています。

お念仏の教えを大切に聞いてこられた妙好人の一人である浅原才市さんのお話で次のようなものがあります。才市さんはいつも念仏をしてお寺に熱心に通う人でした。才市さんの通われたお寺は私の生まれだった島根県の大田市

という小さな町にあります。また、才市さんは六十九歳の時、地元の画家が才市さんの絵を描いてくれました。完成した絵は才市さんが座って合掌をしている絵でした。周りの人はとても才市さんに似ていると口々に言いました。しかし、当の才市さんは納得いきません。それは「私はこんな仏様のような穏やかな顔をしている人間ではない。自分は何かあれば人を排除して亡きものにしようとする鬼のような心がある」というものです。そして、才市さんは完成した絵に鬼の角をつけ足して書いてもらうことにしました。そして完成した絵を見て、これが自分の姿だと満足しました。左の挿絵は私の生まれ育った日本のお寺のメンバーの方が書いて下さった才市さんの版画です。その方はお亡くなりになったのですが、今も大切に本堂に飾っています。

自分の姿を鬼だと聞くと、そのような目線で生きていくのは大変つらいことのように思います。しかし、才市さんは念仏申しながらとても生き生きとした生活を送っていたようです。私自身も、自分のことを大切にすること、つい自分にとって都合の悪いものに対しては腹を立てたり嫌悪感をもってしまったり、逆に自分にとって都合のいいことには調子よくふるまってみたりと、煩惱という鬼がこの心に住み着いているからこそ次から次へと、この心の中は変わっていきます。阿弥陀様の願いは私のような自分中心にしか物事をとらえることができない鬼のようなものを見捨てずに必ずお浄土に迎え取るという願いです。私を今ここで、かならず浄土の仏様として生まれることを定めてくださっています。鬼のような生き方しかできない私がそのまま、浄土へ向かう人生を歩めるように導いて下さっているのが、南無阿弥陀仏の阿弥陀様です。お念仏の教えを頂く人は「鬼は内、福も内」です。合掌 三瓶悦子

何かお困りのこと、ご心配などがありましたら、いつでもお寺にご相談ください。





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**Monday,  
February 8th  
11am-9pm**



- Mention San Jose Jr. YBA and they will donate 20% of your order
- Takeout only
- Not valid on delivery orders



Please contact Jo Ann  
jo912gene@comcast.net

\*Please Note that the event may be subject to change according to current COVID guidelines.





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

This is the Betsuin's version of the American Pickers show. We're looking for those lost treasures...things that you've kept for years that no one in the family really wants but are too good to toss, sell at garage sales or donate to the Goodwill. Donate these treasures to the Generation Pickers campaign and have our team of experts clean up, list, sell and ship your item on Ebay. All proceeds will help fund our Generations Education Building and Campus. This service is offered by a group of members to turn your forgotten treasures into cash donations to the Betsuin.

### **How it works:**

1. Contact our Generation Pickers team and let us know what you have. We will 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 at the church office or we can pick up the item(s).  
*Note: determination is based on estimated value (\$100+) and ability to ship.*
2. The team will list the item(s) on the online marketplace - primarily Ebay.
3. When sold, all proceeds go directly into a Generations Education Building and Campus account. Your donation letter will list the amount generated by the sale of your item and is acknowledged as a cash donation. If the item takes longer to sell, you may ask for an acknowledgement of your donation listing the actual item in the letter without a value.

### **What are good items to donate?**

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

**Cameras and lenses** - High-quality film and digital cameras like Nikon, Canon, Leica, Hasselblad, etc.

**Audio/stereo equipment** - Marantz, Phase Linear, MacIntosh, AR, SAE, Scott, B&O, tube equipment and more

**Collectibles & Vintage items**

**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/Watches** - High quality, collectable, vintage, gold and silver.

**Fashion accessories** - 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

### **Questions?**

Contact **Mike Mori** at (408) 316-4903 (call or text) or via email to [gophervalley@gmail.com](mailto:gophervalley@gmail.com)

**Watch for Generation Pickers updates every month in The Dharma!**

**Note: We cannot accept unscheduled drop-off of items.  
Please contact our team via phone or email prior to donating.**

Yu-Ai Kai



## 47<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Fundraiser

*Kansha*- In Gratitude to Our Seniors, Our Staff and Our Supporters

**Grateful for our seniors who guide and inspire us. Grateful for our staff and volunteers who are essential to providing services year-round. Grateful for our supporters who help to keep our doors open and programs expanding.**

It is with this gratitude (*Kansha*) in mind that we celebrate Yu-Ai Kai's 47<sup>th</sup> year of service. Even in a year when so much has been disrupted, Yu-Ai Kai continues to provide essential services to those in need. Nutrition, case management and many health and wellness programs continue, as Yu-Ai Kai remains steadfast and determined to adapt to every new challenge. And we continue to maintain our facilities and capabilities as we look forward to a time of normalcy. While we will certainly miss our in-person event, we hope you will join us for the safety conscious and virtual activities we have planned, which includes:

- **Bento lunch/dinner** with pick-up available February 23-25, 2021 (order form enclosed) or online: [yuaikai-47th.eventbrite.com](http://yuaikai-47th.eventbrite.com)
- **Golden Wish Campaign** online to fund meal delivery expenses, security gate installation and elevator repair/replacement (form enclosed) or online: [charity.gofundme.com/yuaikai47th-goldenwish](http://charity.gofundme.com/yuaikai47th-goldenwish)
- **47<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Opportunity Drawing** (tickets enclosed). Return by 2/26/21
- **Finale online program** on February 27, 2021, live at 7:00pm (40 minutes). Register online: [yuaikai-47thfinale.eventbrite.com](http://yuaikai-47thfinale.eventbrite.com)

Please join us to celebrate Yu-Ai Kai's 47<sup>th</sup> anniversary and help us look to the future with hope and resiliency - and with *Kansha*. Please contact Yu-Ai Kai for more information or to request additional Opportunity Drawing tickets. Thank you for your support!

Jane Kawasaki  
President, Board of Directors  
Event Chairperson



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Your generosity has enabled us to keep meeting the critical needs of the seniors in our community during the past year. We join those seniors in expressing our heartfelt gratitude "*Kansha*" to you as we celebrate 47 years of service and look forward to brighter days ahead in 2021!

**SAVE THE DATES:**

**Feb. 23, 24 and 25** - Special Anniversary Bento from Kyoto Palace + R&J Toffees

**Feb. 27** - Virtual Anniversary Event - Featuring Speakers, Videos, Opportunity Drawing & Online Golden Wish Fundraising Finale

Look for upcoming mailing, e-mail and Yu-Ai Kai website announcements for additional details!

For sponsorship opportunities or information, contact:

[BoardPresident@yuaikai.org](mailto:BoardPresident@yuaikai.org) or call: (408) 294-2505







## Celebrating Yu-Ai Kai's 47th Anniversary with 'Kansha' (Gratitude) In Gratitude to Our Seniors, Our Staff and Our Supporters

Yu-Ai Kai is celebrating its 47th year serving the community - with Gratitude. Especially in a year when so many services seem out of reach, Yu-Ai Kai is grateful for the ability to continue providing essential services to those in need. Nutrition, case management and many health and wellness programs continue. Yu-Ai Kai remains steadfast and determined to adapt to every new challenge. And as we look forward to a time of normalcy, we continue to maintain our facilities and programs. Funds raised through this 47th Anniversary Golden Wish Campaign will support the following initiatives:

- Funding the Yu-Ai Kai delivery vehicles (insurance, maintenance/repairs, registration)
- Installation of a new security gate
- Repair or replacement of the elevator

We thank you for considering these important needs in your giving decisions - with 'Kansha'.

### Ways to Donate

Online at: [charity.gofundme.com/yuaikai47th-goldenwish](https://charity.gofundme.com/yuaikai47th-goldenwish)

By mail: Use the form below and submit check by mail or drop-off

By phone: (408) 294-2505 for offline credit card donations

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City ZIP

Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donations (name and amount) will be posted to the GoFundMe site; check the boxes for your listing preference:

☐ I would like to give anonymously ☐ Do not show donation amount

Mail or deliver this form with a check, payable to 'Yu-Ai Kai', to:

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**For more information and questions, please call Yu-Ai Kai at (408) 294-2505**



## Nihonmachi Outreach Committee

2021 Day of Remembrance Virtual Program  
Sunday, February 14, 2021  
3:00 PM to 4:30 PM

On Sunday, February 14th, 2021, the Nihonmachi Outreach Committee (NOC) will present San Jose's **41st San Jose Day of Remembrance** event commemorating Executive Order 9066, which led to the World War II incarceration of more than 120,000 people of Japanese descent, two-thirds of whom were American citizens.



Photo by Dai Sugano

The theme for this virtual program is **Confronting Race in America: Unifying Our Communities**. Although many of our communities have been suffering from the effects of racism for generations, people outside of these communities are finally realizing that there are enormous disparities throughout our society due to race.

Many people have taken action to confront these issues in the struggle for racial and social justice. Since one of the driving forces behind the WW II Japanese American incarceration was attributed to racial prejudice, many Japanese Americans feel compelled to join with other communities in their fight for social justice.

Related to this theme, NOC is honored to feature Guest Keynote Speaker Reverend Jethroe Moore II, President of the San Jose/Silicon Valley NAACP. Tomio Hayase-Izu will speak about H.R. 40, *Commission to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African Americans Act*. Remembrance speaker Alice Hikido will relate her own experience of wartime incarceration. NOC Keynote Speaker Bekki Shibayama will share the recent favorable ruling for former Japanese Latin American incarcerated.

For more information, please visit [www.sjnoc.org](http://www.sjnoc.org).

Trailers:

[Issei Voices Monument](#)

[Activism on Campus](#)



# 2021 10TH ANNUAL Films of Remembrance

Presented by  
**Nichi Bei**  
FOUNDATION

A showcase of films commemorating the forced removal and incarceration of Japanese Americans in American concentration camps during WWII

## LIVE VIRTUAL SCREENINGS - NEW FILMS

**Sat., Feb. 20, 2021 - 1 p.m.**

- **"Rebel With A Cause: The Life of Aiko Herzog Yoshinaga"** (2016, 90 min.) by **Janice Tanaka**. An endearing portrait of Aiko Herzog Yoshinaga, whose discovery of governmental misconduct during WWII was crucial to the National Council for Japanese Americans Redress lawsuit of 1983. With Q&A to follow screening.

**Sun., Feb. 21, 2021 - 1 p.m.**

- **"Bearing the Unbearable"** (2019, 29 min.) by **Rory Banyard**. The story of the forced removal of Japanese Americans from their home on Bainbridge Island during WWII and their subsequent incarceration in Manzanar and Minidoka concentration camps. With Q&A to follow screening.
- **"A Hero's Hero"** (2020, 11 min.) by **Robert Shoji**. Yosh Kuromiya spent time in prison for resisting the draft during incarceration, while his nephew Kiyoshi Kuromiya, a pioneering civil rights activist in the African American and gay communities, remains an unsung hero's hero.
- **"Within Their Gates"** (2019, 10 min.) by **Matthew Gorlachkovsky**. Japanese American concentration camp survivor, Yukio Shimomura, recounts the anguish of his captivity during WW II.

## VIDEO ON DEMAND - FROM FEB. 20-28

**A retrospective of selected films from the past decade including:**

### Documentary Features:

- "Masters of Modern Design: The Art of the Japanese American Experience" • "Alternative Facts: The Lies of Executive Order 9066" • "Resistance at Tule Lake" • "Relocation, Arkansas: Aftermath of Incarceration" • "Right of Passage" • "The Untold Story: Internment of Japanese Americans in Hawai'i" • "And Then They Came For Us" • "A Bitter Legacy: WWII Secret Citizen Isolation Prisons" • "The Legacy of Heart Mountain" • "Hidden Legacy: Japanese Traditional Performing Arts in the World War II Internment Camps"

### Documentary Shorts and Animation:

- "Minidoka: An American Concentration Camp" • "Then Becoming Now" • "Moving Walls" • "For Joy" • "First to Go" • "Voices Behind Barbed Wire: Stories of Hawai'i Island" • "Three Boys Manzanar" • "Speak Out For Justice" • "A Flicker in Eternity" • "Mr. Tanimoto's Journey" • "Yamashita" • "Cherry Blossom" ... and more!

## SPECIAL DRIVE-IN SCREENING OF 'FAREWELL TO MANZANAR'



**Sunday, Feb. 21, 2021 6 p.m.**

**West Wind Capitol Drive-In, 3630 Hillcap Avenue in San Jose**

**"Farewell to Manzanar"** (1976, 107 min.) by **John Korty**. Gather with the community from the safe confines of your own car to watch this landmark 1976 film based upon **Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston's** groundbreaking book. Will include a special reunion / Q&A with cast and crew.

*Partial proceeds of drive-in to benefit Yu-Ai Kai Japanese American Community Senior Services.*

## TICKET PRICES

### Virtual Events:

**\$10** - Per group of video-on-demand films, available from Feb. 20 to 28. Students FREE w/ID

**\$15** - For livestreamed NEW films with Q&A. Students FREE w/ID

**\$50** - All-Event Pass (all above; no drive-in)

### Drive-In:

**\$40-45** "Farewell to Manzanar" (\$45 at door)

## PROGRAM

**Saturday, Feb. 20, 2021**

**1 pm** "Rebel With A Cause: The Life of Aiko Herzog Yoshinaga" Live Feature with Q&A at [www.filmsofremembrance.org/2021](http://www.filmsofremembrance.org/2021)

**Sunday, Feb. 21, 2021**

**1 pm** • "Bearing the Unbearable" (with Q&A) • "A Hero's Hero" • "Within Their Gates" Live Shorts Program with Q&A at [www.filmsofremembrance.org/2021](http://www.filmsofremembrance.org/2021)

**6 pm** "Farewell to Manzanar" at the Drive-In West Wind Capitol Drive-In, 3630 Hillcap Ave., San Jose

*Select meals purchased in San Jose Japantown Feb. 21 qualify for an opportunity drawing!*

### Presenting Sponsor:

**UCLA Asian American Studies Center and the Aratani C.A.R.E. Award**

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**More Info/Tickets: [www.filmsofremembrance.org/2021](http://www.filmsofremembrance.org/2021)**



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Masks are also available for purchase at **Nikkei Traditions** and **Kogura Company** and are \$15 (not including tax) in grey with your choice of a black or white JCCsj logo and come with 8 filters. All proceeds go to JCCsj, whose mission is to advocate for the preservation of the historic and cultural heritage of San Jose's Japantown and promote efforts to sustain and enhance the diversity, vibrancy and viability of this community as a legacy for future generations.



# JAMsj Virtual Sake Tasting Event

Date: Thursday, Feb 18th  
Time: 4:00PM to 5:00PM Zoom (English)

## Event Objectives:

To help strengthen Japan-US economic relations through a community based event highlighting Japanese culture and cuisine, with an emphasis on Sake.

## What:

Do you like Japanese Sake?  
Are you wondering what foods go well with Japanese Sake? Are you curious about the different types of Japanese Sake (Junmai, Ginjo, Daiginjo, Nigori...)

If so, join us for a fun event to explore the Japanese American history in the Bay Area and how that led to Sake breweries locating in the region. We'll also go through the tasting of 5 different types of Sake. This event is intended for adults 21 years and older.

**Proceeds go to JAMsj!**

Visit us at: <https://www.jamsj.org/>

## Cost:

Takara Sake Kit **\$65** (for pick-up at JAMsj)

Includes **5 bottles** of Takara Variety Sake Set:

- Sho Chiku Bai Classic Junmai 750ml
- Sho Chiku Bai REI Junmai Daiginjo 300ml
- Sho Chiku Bai Premium Ginjo 300ml
- Sho Chiku Bai Organic Nama 300ml
- Sho Chiku Bai Nigori Silky Mild 375ml

## Note:

Pre-orders must be made by Sunday, Feb 7th at Midnight and will only be available for Pick-up at JAMsj on Saturday, Feb 13th from 11:00AM to 2:00PM or Sunday, Feb 14th from 11:00AM to 2:00PM.



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Registration Link and QR Code:

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Paul Goodman is a cancer fighter and is one of many relying on a match for a stem cell or marrow transplant.

\*COVID-SAFE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CDC GUIDELINES.

## DRIVE-THRU DONOR REGISTRY EVENT

AGES 18-44. REGISTRATION IS COMPLETED WITH A SELF-ADMINISTERED CHEEK SWAB. THIS WILL BE A CONTACTLESS DRIVE-THRU PROCESS.

**SATURDAY  
FEBRUARY 6, 2021**

10:00AM-3:30PM

**PALO ALTO BUDDHIST TEMPLE**

2751 LOUIS RD.  
PALO ALTO, CA 94303

IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO ATTEND THE DRIVE-THRU EVENT AND WOULD STILL LIKE TO REGISTER, PLEASE VISIT:

**[WWW.AADP.ORG/HOMEKIT](http://WWW.AADP.ORG/HOMEKIT)**

CONTACT MYLANAH YOLANGCO, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT REPRESENTATIVE, IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS:

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