

the Dharma

September 2020



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Crises

G Sakamoto

Hope everyone is safe and well.

We have had crisis laid upon crisis. Sheltered in our homes to blunt the spread of a disease that has killed thousands in our communities. The demand of ourselves to find ways to join in solidarity the people who work to bring about racial and gender equality, reparations and social justice. To this nearly overwhelming mix, fires that threaten our lives and homes. Fires that were seemingly lit instantaneously across the state in a night of spectacular lightning and thunder.

There is no easy way to see how our lives are changing if at all. We know we are questioned about how we interact with the world. Do you wear a mask? Are you Republican or Democrat? Do you know that eating meat contributes to global warming? When we consider the changes that will truly affect how we live it seems very little will change. As long as our attention is drawn to what is external the challenges we face will continue to simply change into new expressions of difficulties we faced long before Shakyamuni Buddha.

The root of difficulties lies in our tendency to engage the world through my preferences. This is tanha, the second of the Four Noble Truths. If we can cultivate the mind that sees and engages things as they are then we can begin to resolve the difficulties we cause and experience. It is not far away. Enlightenment is not some exotic experience outside of human experience. It is here. We experience nirvana as samsara because we don't see things as they are.

“When a foolish beings of delusion and defilement awaken shinjin,
They realize that birth-and-death is itself nirvana” CWS 72

How we respond to the crises we are immersed in is determined by how we see and understand things. If we believe that the pandemic is not a serious health threat then that will be reflected in our actions. No need for social distancing. No need for masks. If Democrats see Republicans as having nothing of value to say then there can be no discussion about common ground.

To see things as they are is not to simply say fire is not hot. Fire is hot and differences of opinion still exists. If we can acknowledge differences then we might be able to move on to what we have in common. The two aspects of shinjin (nishujinshin) are an acknowledgement of my faults and limitations, and the absolute assurance of Amida of the resolution of difficulties. The assurance is compassion. It is hope that I too am a part the world as it is. My push against what I don't agree with can sometimes be simply a separation from things as they are. That can lead to fear and anger. To begin to see my limitations is to begin to see things as they are.

In this time of great stress allow yourself the space to welcome the compassion of the life that supports and nurtures us. The compassion and life that continuously sustains us. The next moment may be our last but until it is here this moment, now, holds everything.

Namo Amida Butsu.

Ichigo Ichie(一期一会)

Etsuko Mikame

1 year has already passed since I came to San Jose. I really appreciated that many people celebrated my first year anniversary. All of your messages and special gifts surprised me a lot and made me so happy. Although we cannot see everyone in person, I touched everyone's kindness and compassions through them. Thank you very much! I am so happy to be here.

I had experienced many exciting things during the first six months, but it has been calm and quiet time for the next six months because of this unexpected situation. Especially one of my biggest regrets was cancellation of actual Obon festival. However, on the other side of the coin, I was so grateful that I could share special Obon experiences which anyone have never experienced with many people thanks to this situation. It reminded me of the word 'Ichigo Ichie'.

Have you heard the Japanese phrase 'Ichigo Ichie'(一期一会) meaning 'one time, one meeting' This word roughly translates to the idea that we live 'each moment, only once' and that the value of each encounter is that it happens only once in a lifetime. This phrase is widely known to express the sprits of Tea ceremony.

If someone ask you what your 'Ichigo Ichie' is, what would you answer to this question? Maybe you might think 'Ichigo Ichie' is special events and memorable things in our life. However, it actually means every single encounter is all 'Ichigo Ichie' in our life.

The phrase 'ichigo ichie' was coined by li Naosuke, a chief minister of Tokugawa Shogunate in Edo period and the Japanese tea master who lived from 1815-1860. li was always threatened with assassination and so he made his tea each day as if it were his last. Every time he made tea, he said the tea was unique and more beautiful than the time before. He knew that he could never have the chance to drink another tea exactly like the one he had just made, and so 'ichigo ichie' is a way to understand and embrace the impermanence of life.

As I mentioned earlier, 'Ichigo Ichie' comes from the sprits of Tea ceremony. It is not unusual that the same person make tea and serve it to the same guest in the Tea ceremony. Even if the repetition of the same routine, it is 'Ichigo Ichie' because they understand every thing is in the process of the change. So that is why they understand each time is lifetime opportunity and tea masters and guests always try to do their best to all things and to take care of each other with sincerity.

Here is the words of the Vietnamese monk Thich Nhat Hanh:

Drink your tea slowly and reverently, as if it is the axis on which the earth revolves – slowly, evenly, without rushing toward the future. Live the actual moment. Only this moment is life.

As 'Ichigo Ichie' tells us, I would like to appreciate each moment and each opportunity as one, only and precious thing in my life from now one. We are living in 'Ichigo Ichie', so let us have fun with it ! Namu Amida Butsu

President's Message

By: Edward Nodohara

Hi everyone, I hope all of you are healthy and well. Please take care and stay safe.

I received an email from a friend who got a message from Rinban Bob Oshita of Buddhist Church of Sacramento. Reverend Bob is a well-known minister with his wife Reverend Patti Oshita, after leading the temple for 32 years, now retired. Reverend Bob caught COVID-19 and I will tell you what he said about his ordeal.

- Tuesday, July 21, I developed a sore throat and drainage like a bad allergy.
- Wednesday, July 22, I realized I lost my sense of taste.
- Saturday, July 25, I ordered my favorite food but only ate about one third of it.
- Sunday, July 26, I spiked a 100.3° fever, we began to eat, sleep and use separate bathrooms to keep Patti safe, quick decision kept Patti from the contagion.
- Monday, July 27, Patti is working hard to keep me nourished with fresh fruits and Char Siu Bao.
- Tuesday, July 28, fever still at 100.3°. Tylenol works quickly to bring it down. Arranged for COVID Testing for the next morning.
- Wednesday, July 29, COVID Test. No appetite, that morning I began coughing up blood. I told the Urgent Care Doctor, but she was not too concerned since my Oxygen was at 92.
- Thursday, July 30, Test Results back quickly. Patti tested negative. Bob, positive.
- Friday, July 31, I did absolutely nothing. Shortness of breath increasing. Oxygen Count down to 92. But I could work it up to 94. Called my primary care Dr. who dropped off a Z-Pack Antibiotic Treatment at our home.
- Saturday, August 1, I was in denial. I thought for sure I'm getting better now. But there was a feeling of tightness and shortness of breath. Oxygen Count was a shocking 78! Called primary Dr and she said I should be taken to the ER and evaluated immediately. Patti called the paramedics around 4 PM. First ambulance ride. Once at the ER:
 1. Chest X-ray within 10 minutes
 2. Multiple blood draws
 3. EKG
 4. couple (maybe 3) IV bags of various Antibacterial Cocktails
 5. Arterial Blood Gas draw was painful.
 6. Second COVID swab test. Silly me was still wondering if I would be able to go home that night. ER Dr. said, "The Virus will tell us how long you'll be here..."Once admitted, I was taken to cardiac ICU. Results of test showed my heart was releasing enzymes of "distress." Lungs had developed COVID Pneumonia. They were concerned it was both bacterial and viral. Only heard later that I was showing signs of developing congestive Heart Failure. That's scary.
- Sunday, August 2, doctors needed to know the extent of the COVID Infection.
 1. D-Dimer is like a COVID Marker test. It measures the extent of my experiencing "Coagulation" in my body. Normal is like 135-150, my number was worrisomely high – in the 500's.
 2. C-Reactive Protein" Marker, this indicates the level of Inflammation in my body.
 3. Ultrasound on my Kidneys, Liver and Spleen. COVID Inflammation can cause renal (kidney) and Multi-Organ Failure. Nurse indicated concern for pulmonary embolism (blood clot in arteries in my lungs) too...always checking for discomfort or pain in your chest. All this going on and I did not feel better or worse than when I first came to ER. Just hard to breath.

- Monday, August 3, Dr. revealed recent tests. It showed that my pneumonia was all COVID, antibiotics were stopped. I was doing well and numbers moving in the right direction. Dr. encouraged me to sleep on my stomach as much as possible and sit up for as long as I can. I'm not a back sleeper. Dr. said, "This is good, "COVID hates it when we sleep on their stomachs!" He explained how sleeping prone on my stomach will help with lung expansion and will not squash the aveoli (gas sacs that exchange oxygen and CO² in your lungs). I engineered a 'Massage Table' with rolled up towels and slept only on my stomach. Also, once I got up in the morning, I did not lay down again until 9 or 9:30 PM. I would nap in the chair and not lay down at all. Dr. was pleased that the ultrasound showed Inflammation was not spreading. The Dr. also stated, 'You need to lose weight and eat better.'
- I was on steroids for inflammation, blood thinner shots twice a day to prevent clotting and bronchial dilators twice a day. Doc explained that the steroids were to calm my body down so that it does not overdo fighting the inflammation. Trying to do too much too quickly is counterproductive...and can be harmful. So now I'm on a mission to try to do my small part to get better. Honestly, I still feel no better than I did when I came in on Saturday. But it is a tremendous peace of mind to know I'm in treatment and things are improving and that I'm being constantly monitored (always plugged into the heart/oxygen monitor).
- Tuesday, August 4, I'm now accustomed to the routine of daily testing and treatments. Still feel no tremendous improvement, but the Dr. came in this morning totally elated. Numbers continue to improve. He said I was doing a great job. But all I'm doing is sitting up and sleeping on my stomach. It was more his demeanor that was so encouraging. He indicated I might be going home soon. I didn't mention this to Patti because I still did not feel much better and we certainly don't want to raise hopes, plus, I was more than willing to stay a while longer to keep Patti safe. So now we know clearly where the COVID seems to be affecting and what we need to do. I have been very impressed with the level of care and attention I've received here from the doctors down the entire line of health care staff.

This is Reverend Bob Oshita's experience with COVID. It doesn't sound like a comfortable experience to say the least. There are many degrees COVID that can affect a person, some may not even feel any discomfort and may be an asymptomatic COVID spreader and some may experience Reverend Bob's COVID encounter. Please be careful.

Electrical storm on August 16 started approximately 32 fires around the Bay Area, now condensed to 25 fires. Three huge fires are affecting the Bay Area. CZU Lightning Complex Fire in the Santa Cruz Mountains, SCU Lightning Complex Fire east of San Jose, LNU Lightning Complex Fire in Napa and Solano Counties. If you have friends or relatives who are affected by the fires, the Betsuin annex is open to store valuables. Please call the Betsuin Office for more information.

Wow, the virus, the fires from lightning, smoke, earthquakes, heatwave, water shortage, job layoffs, electrical power outages, civil unrest, is there still room for me to move to Canada? But seriously, as in the past, these setbacks will pass. Please be strong, keep in contact with relatives and friends. Be like Bob Idemoto, we talk on the phone every few days. We talk and laugh which helps relieve the tension and stress of our current situation. Hopefully, our plans for lunch will come true when all of this is over.

Be sure to join in on Sunday for Service at 10:00 with Rinban Sakamoto and Mikame Sensei.

Gassho,
Ed Nodohara

Board Highlights

By: Edward Nodohara

SAN JOSE BUDDHIST CHURCH BETSUIN BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

AUGUST 6, 2020, 7:00PM

A. CALL TO ORDER: President Ed Nodohara

1. Opening Gassho: Rinban G. Sakamoto 7:00
2. Quorum: 22

B. MOTIONS VOTED UPON

1. Review of July 2, 2020 meeting minutes: **Motion by Amy Lin-Furukawa, seconded by Mas Nishimura. Minutes were approved with the corrections.**
2. Hire Mitchell Beutler as Betsuin's webmaster. **Amy Lin-Furukawa moved to provide an initial \$5000 limit to the account and pay Mitchell Beutler \$50 an hour for projects after Mitchell provides a quotation. Mas Nishimura second the motion, motion passed.**
3. Request approval of YABA as an official club/organization by Board: **Amy Lin-Furukawa moved that YABA be an official organization of San Jose Betsuin, Mas Nishimura second the motion, motion passed unanimously.**
4. The Girl Scouts bank account Authorized Signers needs updated. **Amy Lin-Furukawa motioned to change the authorized signatures on the Girl Scout checking account per their request. Mas Nishimura second, motion passed.**

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. Surveillance camera installation: Installation completed. Office requesting more door opening buttons.
2. New Board Meeting structure and Bylaws change update: Will present responsibilities of the Board in the next meeting.
3. 3 new chalk artworks: Everyone enjoyed the sidewalk artwork. Motion to present gifts of appreciation to the 3 artists. Ed Nodohara to inquire how much was given Momo-san on the first artwork. No gift was given. Suggestion by Mikame Sensei The each should be awarded \$50 for each drawing.
4. Fundraising opportunity suggested by Mike Mori on eBay: Steve Onishi has spoken to Mike Mori. What he has sold so far are items from his personal inventory. Request form is in the Dharma, which gives the donor the opportunity to donate items.
5. Removal of parking along Jackson and Taylor Streets update: Per Tamiko Rast, City of San Jose has removed any class of Bike Lanes on Jackson Street and most of Taylor. Jackson Street may be reclassified as a Bicycle Boulevard, which allows riders to "take the full lane", which we fully support, since it doesn't impact parking and encourages drivers to slow down. Thank you Tamiko for alerting the community.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Request list of potential member list from Board members: Everyone is to provide a list of potential temple members to Ed Nodohara. A letter will be sent to them to invite them to join the temple.
2. Quote from ADVG to rewire Hondo. Kevin Kitagawa said it was discovered the cable (control and video) between the Hondo and the annex was damaged possibly while install the cameras. The best scenario is to replace the cables at a cost of \$4,400. Additional cable installed is within the computer budget.
3. Generation II discussion and reflection on Komon presentation.

E. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Ministerial: Rinban Sakamoto said the Japanese language speaking Sangha is not computer savvy. He has asked Reverend Mikame to develop a program to be in touch with this group. Virtual funeral service demand is increasing.
2. Budget and Finance: June/July reports: Funerals and weddings revenue is down; revenue from Go Fund Me is about \$135K.
3. Gratitude Project: Recipients were very appreciative for being recognized. There were donations from these recipients. Joyce Iwasaki initiated this successful project
4. Property Management: The entry to the office has been greatly improved thanks to the efforts by Dave Pascual, Ted Hashiguchi, Al Hironaga. They also added a nice bench outside the office doors. There was vandalism at night which may require installation of a flood light to illuminate the to prevent further despoilment.

F. ORGANIZATIONS, CLUBS & COMMITTEES:

1. Japanese Language School: Student enrollment has dropped from last year's 40 to 17 students. Need to get the word out that registration is still open for fall. Announce on Betsuin website, also adult classes are also available.
2. Mas Nishimura was applauded for the wonderful job with Obon@Home. Lots of praises from near and far. Mas will send the report to the Board. Ed sent a copy of the report to BCA with great response.

G. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. BCA Update has new ministerial assignments, condolences..., see in Google Drive.
2. FDSTL Distance Learning Online Tools Workshop, see in Google Drive.
3. BCA is seeking a Digital Content Assistant and job description, see in Google Drive.
4. Bells for Peace, on August 5 was very interesting, for those of you who missed it, there is another Bells for Peace-Nagasaki ceremony on Saturday August 8 at 6:30 PM. It will be carried over Zoom.
5. Next Board Meeting to be held September 3rd at 7:00. Meeting concludes with

Gassho led by Mikame Sensei.

Respectfully submitted,
Emi Tsutsumi
Secretary

Buddhist Women's Association

By: Barbara Sasaki

I would like to acknowledge Holly Low, BWA Treasurer who has sent out monthly treasury reports to the Board Members even though there have been no Board meetings. Thank you for keeping us informed. BWA would like to take this opportunity to thank and acknowledge all those people that have donated so generously to the organization:

1. Anonymous for general donation
2. Roy Idehara in memory of his mother Matsuyo Idehara; Roland Santo in memory of Sakaye Santo; and Emi Tsutsumi in memory of Alyce Morita
3. Yuri Saito for Obon @Home event
4. Linda Onishi for Obon crafts.

Until next month, please stay safe.

Jr. YBA

By Cassidy Yoneda

San Jose Jr. YBA (Young Buddhist Association) is a religious and social youth group, and we would love for you to join us for the 2020-21 year! We are open to any student from 8th grade to 12th grade.

We have many activities during the year such as conferences, mixers, outings, community service events, and fundraisers. We plan activities with other YBA chapters such as Mountain View and Salinas, and will be hosting the Coast District conference in the spring, where we connect with other YBAers from all over California. At the end of the year, we go on our annual Big Trip. Our previous Big Trips have been to Universal Studios, Santa Cruz, San Francisco, and Disneyland.

For more information, please contact sanjosejryba@gmail.com.



Sangha Crafters

by Betty Kinoshita/Tomi Imokawa

It has been 6 months since we had a gathering. This has been a difficult episode in our lives. This too will pass but when is the big question. The air quality is so bad it is hard to be outside. Thanks again to those who made masks, continue to do so it looks like we will need them for awhile. Who knows how long?? At this point there is no collection for our blankets and scarves. If any of you want to give them to me please email and we can set up a pickup at the Temple parking lot.

Stay safe in so many ways till next time.

Any questions, comments or suggestions: bettyjc@sbcglobal.net or georgetomi@yahoo.com

Boy Scout Troop 611

by Sandy Kawamoto

FOR RELEASE

EAGLE SCOUT HONORED

Amidst this pandemic, Aidan Inoue has attained the highest rank in scouting, that of an Eagle Scout. He is recognized by San Jose's Troop 611 for his years of dedication, perseverance, and community service. Aidan Inoue will join more than 160 Eagles from Troop 611 since its founding in 1968.

Aidan James Inoue is the son of Sau Tam and Stephen Inoue. Aidan Inoue began his scouting career in 2013 with our Boy Scout Troop 611 where he has held positions as a Scribe, Den Chief, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader. Aidan led Cub Scouts for 4 years as a Den Chief where he served as a scouting role model and helped his entire den transition into the Boy Scout program. He has earned the Mile Swim and the Pioneer Hiker Awards.

For his Eagle Scout project, Aidan built phone charging stands for Bellarmine College Preparatory's Student Life Center. Each stand features multiple types of charging adaptors with the ability to charge 5 devices at once. He chose this project to fulfill the need for phone charging capabilities and to leave the school with a lasting impact.

Graduated from Bellarmine College Preparatory, Aidan will continue his education at California Polytechnic State University majoring in Agricultural and Environmental Plant Sciences. While at Bellarmine, his achievements include two-time Water Polo WCAL League Champions and two-time Swim WCAL League Champions. Aidan's role on the Robotics team earned the 2017 World Champion Title. He has also held positions as the Surf Rider Club President and the Commissioner of Service and Community.

This young man has led his patrol and troop in significant ways and has learned skills necessary to be prepared for life. The Eagle Scout rank is truly a prestigious rank and Aidan will continue to live his life with integrity.

Cub Scout Pack 611

By Wes Tao

Cub scouting this past year has been a challenge due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As of March, all of our physical meetings and events were cancelled. Despite Sheltering in Place and not being able to meet physically, scouting continued with virtual Den and Pack meetings. The Scouts did a great job completing their rank advancement requirements at home. The year concluded with a Virtual Arrow of Light Awards Ceremony for seven of our outgoing Cub Scouts.

We are still faced with challenges as we begin a new year of scouting. Despite having to start the year virtually, we are up to the task of creating an engaging program for the kids. Our first Den Meetings are scheduled to start on Sept 11, 7 PM. It's not too late to join! We are currently accepting youth from K - 5th grade. If interested in learning more about Pack 611, please contact pack611cubmaster@sjbetsuin.org

Our annual Popcorn fundraising drive is happening now! Popcorn sales help to support pack activities, such as Pinewood Derby, Blue and Gold Dinner, Scout Olympics, etc. Cubs would normally be doing "Show and Sells" in front of the Buddhist Church during Dharma service, but due to COVID-19 that is no longer an option. Instead, Pack 611 is offering ONLINE orders of Popcorn with **FREE drop-off delivery** courtesy of the Cub Scouts. If you would like to place an order, please click on the following link. <https://bit.ly/3hrEKj8>. We appreciate your support!



Qigong Classes

by Jeanne Nakano

Masanori Naito is inviting you to join his continuing Qigong class via Zoom through the month of September, three days a week (Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays).

The class fee is \$5. per person, per class. You can pay through the PayPal link or by check to his office:

Masanori Naito
1157 Saratoga Ave. #206
San Jose, CA. 95129.

If you are new to Qigong, take it easy at first. Masa says, "If anyone has a special health problem, feel free to email it to me. I can share some Qigong movements that can help during the Zoom classes". kikoh4000@sbcglobal.net (The word kikoh is the Japanese equivalent for qigong)

Questions, comments can be directed to: Jeanne Nakano, jmnakano@sbcglobal.net

Paypal: [Qigong Class](https://paypal.me/pools/c/8obqTn8gSh) (<https://paypal.me/pools/c/8obqTn8gSh>)

Masanori Naito is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Qigong Class of September

Time: Sep 2, 2020 09:30 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Every week on Mon, Wed, Fri, until Sep 30, 2020, 13 occurrence(s)

Sep 2, 2020 09:30 AM

Sep 4, 2020 09:30 AM

Sep 7, 2020 09:30 AM

Sep 9, 2020 09:30 AM

Sep 11, 2020 09:30 AM

Sep 14, 2020 09:30 AM

Sep 16, 2020 09:30 AM

Sep 18, 2020 09:30 AM

Sep 21, 2020 09:30 AM

Sep 23, 2020 09:30 AM

Sep 25, 2020 09:30 AM

Sep 28, 2020 09:30 AM

Sep 30, 2020 09:30 AM

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Weekly: [https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZlod-](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZlod-CrqjliHNAoQoleBdIUxDkpvkLvdtSq/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGuqzsjGdCcuB-DRpwAGYigXenwiFhHgo18ky7qKiVxZirDDsZJlqR0PM7U)

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Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86509349864?pwd=NG9HdUJBNUh0STBNRS93UIBWM2ZIUT09>

Meeting ID: 865 0934 9864

Passcode: 741416

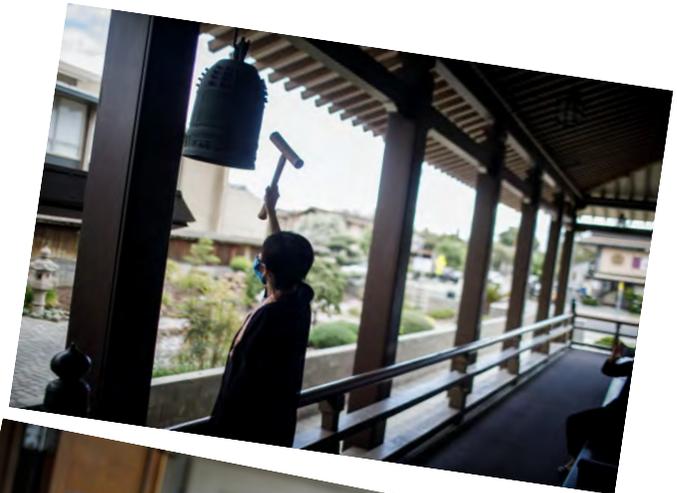
Bells for Peace

Held on Wednesday, August 4, 2020

Photo taken by Dai Sugano, photojournalist and San Jose Mercury News

Please check out story:

<https://www.eastbaytimes.com/2020/08/06/throughout-bay-area-bells-ring-on-75th-anniversary-of-hiroshima-bombing/>



Community News

Plot for Sale at Oak Hill Memorial Park

The plot number is R-8. It is a double decker/stackable plot.

My contact number is yiyoshi95@gmail.com.



Donations received from July 28 to August 27.

J. Morey Company

\$250

Lon and Robin Handa

\$100

Julia and Spencer Mayeda

In memory of our parents Takaji & Sueko

Mayeda

\$40

Grace Kobata

In memory of Kobata Family

\$100

June S. Kuwada

In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Masuo and Motoko Akizuki, Chitoshi Akizuki, Mr. & Mrs. Choshiro and Teru Kuwada, William Kuwada and Alan Yoshioka

\$125

Roxanne Ozawa Coulon

In memory of Takao and Yoshiko Ozawa and Michael Coulon

\$750

Boy Scout Troop 611

\$1000

Gwen Nakamae

\$500

Ikuyo Saiku

In memory of Fred Saiku

\$100

Ellen Miyatake

In memory of Ken Miyatake

\$100

Randy and Lynne Nakagawa

\$200

**Girl Scouts of Northern California Troop
60782**
\$208

Anonymous
\$100

Jacquelyn Maruhashi
In memory of Hisaichi and Mary Maruhashi
\$100

Clara Ike
In memory of all of our families
\$100

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nakamura
In memory of Ray Nakamura
\$350

Toku Matsumoto
In memory of James Matsumoto
\$50

Anonymous
\$200

Alan and Colleen Kariya
In memory of James S. Nakamura
\$100

Alice Nakamura
In memory of James S. Nakamura
\$100

Tamako Kubota
\$100

Mary Wakatsuki
\$100

Scott and Sue Ohara
In memory of Mr. B.C. Kim
\$500

Cub Pack 611
\$1000

Lynn Tanaka-Esparrago
\$100

Anonymous
\$100

Komori Stager Family
In honor of Roy Komori
\$25

***Himiko & Toshitaka Inoue**
\$100

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

****We apologize for the error in last month's
Dharma.****



**JR. YBA WILL BE HOSTING COLLEGE PREP
WORKSHOPS WITH MRS. GERRY WATANABE**

COLLEGE PREP WORKSHOPS

**THE WORKSHOPS WILL BE ONLINE WITH
MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW**

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
1:00PM-3:00PM

HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17
10:00AM-12:00PM

HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMEN & SOPHOMORES
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7
10:00AM-12:00PM

**PLEASE RSVP TO ASHLEY HASHIGUCHI
(ashleyhashiguchi04@gmail.com)
WITH YOUR NAME, PHONE #, # OF
STUDENTS & # OF PARENTS**



ONLINE GATHERING

OKAERI CONNECTS!

a digital space for Nikkei folks
seeking community & connection
during these unprecedented times

This virtual space is intended for Nikkei LGBTQ+ community members and allies of all ages and backgrounds to connect and provide support, resources and information for one another. Since this space is online, people from all locations can join the conversations and share with the community.



SEPT 6, 2020

@ 4 PM PDT Duration: **90 mins**

4 PM PDT / 5 PM MDT / 6 PM CDT / 7 PM EDT
VIA ZOOM -- MORE INFO AT LINK BELOW!
QUESTIONS? OKAERICONNECTS@GMAIL.COM

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L&L Hawaiian Barbecue Fundraiser

Supporting Yu-Ai Kai. Supporting our community.

September 22, 23 and 24, 2020

Mochiko Chicken Combo Plate (Steamed Rice, Broccoli & Carrots)

Pick-up Times (each day): **1:00, 1:30, 5:00 and 5:30pm**

(Pick-up only; 30-minute time slots)

Pick-up in front of Yu-Ai Kai building

Order online:

yuaikai-LandL.eventbrite.com

*Limited quantities!
Order early!*

Order by mail: (form below)

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

I would like to order _____ L&L Combo Plates @ \$20 each for a total of \$_____

Pick up **DATE** (check one): Tues, Sept. 22 Wed, Sept. 23 Thurs, Sept. 24

Pick up **TIME** (check one): 1:00pm 1:30pm 5:00pm 5:30pm

Mail this form with your check made payable to 'Yu-Ai Kai' no later than **September 14, 2020** to:

Yu-Ai Kai
588 North 4th Street
San Jose, CA 95112

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