



Temple Reflections

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Special Event of interest

- Sunday, February 4th
- BWA Annual General Meeting & Potluck

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Ju-Sei-Ge

Summary of 48 Vows

"Ju-Sei-Ge" is a well-known part of The Larger Sutra and we chant it often during our Sunday services. It follows the 48 Vows which are stated in the same sutra; Ju Sei Ge is a summary of the 48 Vows:

Ju: Briefly repeat the essence (of the 48 vows)

Sei: The 48 vows

Ge: In poetic form or gatha.

Thus, "Ju-Sei-Ge" means the essence of the Vows summarized in poetic form. Now I will explain the gatha verse by verse:

I have made vows, unrivaled in all the world;

I shall certainly reach the unsurpassed Way.

If these vows should not be fulfilled,

May I not attain perfect Enlightenment.

The teachings of Buddha say that I have 84,000 blind passions. This first verse says that "I have made vows that can overcome all blind passions with one practice." That's why the phrase says "unrivaled" and "unsurpassed." Thus, the practice is just like an All-In-One Practice; it is the practice of **Recitation of Namo-Amida-Butsu** that is equally given to anybody, anytime, and anywhere.

Sutra – the scriptures which convey the Buddha's teaching.

-a Sanskrit word meaning "warp" or "thread" which pierces through reality and holds it together as a teaching; the scripture of Buddhism.

Gatha – a Sanskrit term for "song" or "verse"

- Is also synonymous with "poem" or "hymn"

For example, if I am a lazy man, I need the practice of efforts because my laziness twists my view so that I cannot see things as they are. I overcome my laziness through effort. If I am a hot tempered man, I need the practice

of patience to overcome my anger. Then I can view things as they are. If I am a greedy man, I need the practice of sharing to conquer my greed. Then, I can view things as they are without greed.

If I have many blind desires, I have to overcome all of them one by one through many practices. But there is no guarantee for me to get rid of every blind desire. In other words, as long as I have blind passions, I create a bondage of selfishness and attachment. Then I will surely die in vain. I will die without truth.

If I have to conquer 84,000 blind passions one by one, I have no ability and power to do so within my limited span of life. That's why Wisdom and Compassion works on me to conquer all of them in one practice. The practice (recitation of Namo Amida Butsu) is so-called "Great Practice" or "Buddha's Practice." If the vows can not erase all 84,000 blind passions, it is not the true vow of perfect enlightenment.

In Gassho,
Rev. Doei Fujii

Monthly Salutations from Rev. Diana Thompson

Hello everyone, welcome to February! This month, we are observing Nehan-e or Nirvana Day, the day when the historical Buddha, Shakyamuni, passed away. For his many followers, it was a tragic occasion and they gathered at his ‘bedside’ (he was actually lying in a grove between two trees) to lament his passing out of this world. However for the Buddha, it was his last opportunity to share the Dharma. Of the many teachings that he was able to convey in his last moments was to tell those gathered, ‘Do not grieve. If I were to live in this world a whole kalpa, our association would still have to end. You cannot find any association which does not end... Therefore, you must know that the world is all transient, and meeting certainly implies separation.’ The Truth of impermanence is one that the Buddha had been teaching all along, but this is a difficult Truth to fully understand and embrace and this is made clear by the fact that even the Buddha’s long-time disciples were there lamenting their teacher’s passing. And yet I believe that this detail makes this story wonderfully human.

The disciples and laypeople were gathered before their revered teacher, engaging in the difficult practice of seeing oneself as truly human. We all think that we understand change and I think that most people do on an intellectual level. But understanding it on a deeper, emotional level is more difficult. We get annoyed by small changes and deeply troubled by big ones and, knowing this, the Buddha was trying to comfort his followers by reminding them that his death was merely a part of that never-ending cycle of change. All things that come into existence will eventually pass away and all of our associations will therefore come to an end. This might seem dreary or even a little callous on the Buddha’s part (‘ah, quit yer cryin’, I’ve been telling you guys this the whole time’) but it was not. The Buddha, in his boundless compassion, was merely trying to keep them from becoming mired in their grief.

The Buddha was well aware of how difficult human life can be and knew that the cause was ultimately our own humanity. We are small beings, prone to fear and ignorance, but when we begin to recognize this within ourselves, we begin to view the world a different way. When we acknowledge that we can be foolish and scared, we stop berating ourselves and others for being this way. When we find ourselves getting annoyed at things like having to go a few blocks out of our way because of some construction project, we can acknowledge our annoyance but not hate it. Perhaps you had perfectly timed out your commute and were now going to be late. It’s ok to be annoyed; a change has happened and you weren’t prepared, this is perfectly human. And even if we think we have attained a high level of understanding, we will still find ourselves weeping at the loss of someone we love. This does not mean that you are weak or foolish; it simply means that you have been given an opportunity to remember your humanity. Namo Amida Butsu

Tri-State/Denver Buddhist Temples’ membership offers condolences to the family and friends of:

*Helene Ioka
June 11, 1924 - December 16, 2017*

*Xander Lee Shimamoto
March 29, 2006 - December 28, 2017*

*Goro ‘Goon’ Sakaguchi
July 2, 1924 - January 7, 2018*

この世はどこへ向かうのか？

もう**40**年以上も前のことだが、私は知識もないままにコンピューターの仕事に配属になった。私の扱っていた材料はコンピューターの中心部を封印する粉状の樹脂（じゅし）だった。この粉を熱で溶かしてコンピューター・チップが置かれた鋳型に流し込む。すると表面にある髪の毛よりもはるかに細い純金の線を切らないような水より柔らかになる。ひとたび封印されると、ハンマーでたたいても壊れない、熱でも溶かせない、というコンピューター・チップが出来上がる。

私の仕事は材料を売る仕事。だがまったく知識がないため信頼できる顧客のもとに行き二人の博士号を持つ技術者に「私のあつかっている樹脂がどうして世界一なのですか。どこがいいのですか？」と時間をさいてもらい幾度も質問ぜめにしていた。そんなある日のことその技術者から最新樹脂のサンプルが欲しいとの連絡があった。彼らはもうすでにその最新樹脂の資料を手に入れていた。私はまたもや「どうして新しい樹脂がいるのですか？どのような用途に？」といつものように問うてみた。すると驚くような返事が戻ってきた。

「今、わが社ではスーパー・コンピューターを計画しており、その中心部はすでに出来上がっております。ですが高い成功率、特に**99%**以上の成功率で封印する樹脂がります。中心部分は**15cm x 15cm**で一つの部品が実に高価なので成功率の高いあなたの樹脂がいるのです」という。「そんなバケモノみたいなコンピューターを作るとどんなことができるのですか？」と無知な私はきいた。「何でもできますよ。例えば、より正確な気象予報、地震予測、あるいは戦争と何でもできます」との答えだった。これが**40**年前の日本の技術力だった。

さて、今のIT技術はそれよりもはるかに進歩し、子供までが小さな携帯電話大のスーパー・コンピューターを持ち歩いて遊んでいる。計算も、将棋も、チェスも、工場での生産も、いたるところで人間以上に正確で速い技術がみられる。人間が要らなくなっている。家庭内でも話し相手をしてくれるコンピューターがあり、もうすでに人間が運転しなくてもいい「自動運転車」がほぼできあがっている。今から**40、50**年後にはどんな社会になっているのだろうか。IT技術の発展が人間生活におよぼす影響が知りたい。特に私は坊さんだからIT技術と宗教の関係を知りたい。そこで、自分で考えても分からずからインター・ネットで調べてみた。すると科学者は次のように未来を予測していることが分かった。

彼ら科学者によると、人類は今までに二つの大革命をへてきた。一つの革命は氷河期が約1万年前に終了し、人類は定住するようになり農業が始まり人口が急激に増加した。つまり第一の革命は農業革命。第二の革命は産業革命でイギリスで**1825**年に始まり、手作業から機械にうつり蒸気機関ができ新しい動力の出現で飛躍的に生産量が増え人口も増えた。そして我々人類は第三の革命に向かっているという。

今のIT技術の進歩を考えれば第三の革命が**2045**年に来るという。コンピューターの能力があらゆる面で人間の能力を超える。その革命は人工頭脳による革命で、コンピューターが機械ではなくなり、人間と同じように学習し・自分で考え・自分で判断して、コンピューター自身がより高度な人工頭脳を待つコンピューターをつくり出し、その人工頭脳がより良い人工頭脳を作り、その人工頭脳がより高度なコンピューターを、、、と次々と優れたコンピューターを作り出し、全ての面でコンピューターが人間を超えると予想する。その境目となるのが**2045**年だという。そんな時代があと**30**年足らずでやってくるらしい。

さて、ではいくら優秀なコンピューターであっても人間にしかできない分野があるはずだが、それらはどんな分野なのだろうか。例えば、音楽や芸術や美術などの創造力のいる分野はどうか。すると今の発展段階でさえも、私が好きな音楽を3、4曲コンピューターに入力すると、コンピューターが私の好みを学習して、好みに従って私の気に入る曲を作ってくれるという。聴いて「まんざら悪くはない」らしい。すると作曲家も要らなくなるのだろうか？



Greetings from Dharma School!

by Alyssa Holland, Co-Superintendent

Dharma Discussion With Rev. Thompson

February 6th, 13th and
27th
Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m.

February 9th and 16th
Friday evenings at 7:00 pm

Discussion preceded by a
short service

You are invited to join in dharma discussions that cover such topics as Amida Buddha and the PureLand, basic temple etiquette, onaijin objects and other concepts related to Jodo Shinshu Buddhism. Bring your own questions and thoughts to keep the discussions lively and relevant.

Contact:
Diana Thompson Sensei at
303.295.1844 OR
dthompson@tsdbt.org

Dates and times are subject to change. Contacting Diana Sensei ahead of time is highly recommended.

Thank you to those who were able to contribute their time and cleaning abilities to make Clean Up Sunday happen January 7th. It is always satisfying to start the year with a scrubbed kitchen, cleaned floors, organized storage and tidy classrooms.

This month Dharma School will be hosting a Pet Hoji in conjunction with the Nehan E-service scheduled for Sunday, February 18th.

The Pet Hoji is held in remembrance of beloved pets who have passed away in this last year. As animals are such an important part of many of our lives, we hope this service provides an opportunity for those who are grieving a time to reflect and feel grateful for their role in your family and life.

Those who wish to memorialize a pet

should bring a picture (framed will make it easier to display during the service) which will be placed up in the shrine area during services. Please arrive a little early in order to allow time to have the photo placed. Also please note that a donation (\$15 is recommended) will be collected from those wishing to participate. Donations can be made at the front table in the lobby prior to the service.

Please note that Hanamatsuri Service and Program is scheduled for Sunday, April 8th and is quickly approaching. Dharma School classes are currently putting together their various performances for the day. Mark your calendars as it will be a wonderful family day comprised of Service, lunch and entertainment.

Simpson United Methodist Church is hosting the 50th Annual Doll & Cultural Festival (Hina Matsuri) on Saturday, March 3rd and Sunday, March 4th 2018.

You are invited to view the display of dolls, arts & crafts, origami demonstrations, ikebana (flower arranging), bonsai, tea ceremony, calligraphy, judo karate,

Okagesame de

Thank you to the following people who faithfully gathered to fold, fasten and address last month's newsletter for mailing: Judy, Kay, Michi, Shirley, Rod, Mabel and Dora. You are monthly life-savers!

Thank you Mayor Hancock (and Staff) for the beautiful holiday poinsettia plant. It adorned our altar reminding us of the importance of community.

Thank you Wayne Berne for making the Bonsho tower steps safe and nice – just in time for our annual New Year's Eve celebratory bell ringing. Your efforts are another reminder of the value of community.

Thank you to YBA and all their faithful Volunteers for another year of WONDERFUL mochi.

Thank you to Dharma School for sponsoring AND Sangha members for participating in Clean Up Sunday.

Thank you to Glenn Asakawa for assembling and publishing the 2018 TSDBT pictorial calendar. It's such a wonderful collection and record of our Sangha smiles!

Tri-State/Denver Buddhist Temples gratefully acknowledges donations and offerings received from December 1, 2017—December 30, 2017:

Bodhi Day service

Armijo Family
Susie Asano
Mabel Googins
Michi Kajiwara
Jack & Alice Kimura
Frank Miyazawa
Hank & Irene shibao
Kay Takahashi
Sayoko Takata
Elaine & Ted Tsumura
Richard & Michi Yoshida

Facilities use donation

Anastasis Academy
Humu Humu Ukulele
DBT Craft Class
DBT Judo Dojo
Wednesday Nite Bball
Marge Fukuhara
Mtn View High School

Tamai Sensei Memorial service

Susie Asano
Michiko Chikuma
Miyuki Mabel Googins
Kenzo & Shirley Horiuchi
Gary & Shirley Horiuchi
Cindy Horiuchi
Ken & Amy Inouye
Ayako Kimura
Frank Miyazawa
Alice Nishimoto
Charles & Teri Ozaki
Dora C. Shibata
Doris Taniguchi
Hisae Taniwaki
Fumiko Yamashita
Gary & Debbie Yamashita

December Shotsuki donations ... in memory of

Toshiko Sakamoto	Frank Sakamoto
Hisae Taniwaki	Gladys Taniwaki
Richard & Michi Yoshida	Herman Yoshida
Sayoko Takata	Isao Jon & Hatsumi Takata
Ken & Aiko Horiuchi	Kaisaku&Saburo Horiuchi & Sakuju Sato
Miko Yamashita & family	Kaori Kajiwara
Betty Inamasu	Kichigoro Ono
Families of Tosh & Mary Tawara	Kiwa & Sallie Tawara
Sumi & Yosh Akiyama	Kiwa & Sallie Tawara & Nancy Matsuda
Fumiko Yamashita	Kohana Yamashita
Gary & Debbie Yamashita	Kohana Yamashita
Alice Mizuno	Leonard Mizuno
Ota Family	Richard M & Louise M Ota
Richard & Michi Yoshida	Sam Matsuda
Sogi & Shibata Family	Sanaye Sogi & Tokuhei Shibata
Mabel Googins	Yoshi Nishimura & Arthur Oka
Jan/Ron Marshall & family	Shin Hiraoka, Helen Ito, Saburo Horiuchi
.....	Motoma & Carl Kinoshita

January Shotsuki donations

Nancee M. Nishimi	Mitsuyo & Yukio Sogi
Dora C. Shibata	Mitsuyo & Yukio Sogi
Clifford M. Sogi	Mitsuyo & Yukio Sogi

Donation Offerings

Charles & Teri Ozaki	for
Susie Asano	Legacy Endowment Fund
Preschool Dharma Class	Obon service
Gayle & Dave Goto	osaisen
Fumiko & Arlene Hattori	through Vehicles for Charity
Yuri & Michael Gorin	in memory of George Hattori – 25 th yr
Alice Mizuno	in memory of James & Grace Shimada
Sato Family	in memory of Leonard Mizuno – 1 st yr
Michael & Brenda Tabuchi	in memory of Sakuju Sato – 13 th yr
Mabel Googins	in memory of Tom & Harry Tabuchi
Yoshiko Sameshima	in memory of Yoshi Nishimura – 13 th yr
.....	in memory of Tom Kiyota Sameshima – 7 th yr

In memory of Anna Murahata – 1 yr

Kiyoko Omoto
Karen Omoto

In memory of Charles Komaru

Dale & Jamie Chikuma
James Yamane

In memory of Takino Takamatsu – 33rd yr

Susie Asano
Erlene Hikida

Nokotsudo Donation; imo Mitsumasa & Kimiye Miyake

Mr. & Mrs. Tom Miyake
Mr. & Mrs. Cal Newlin

Donation

Takenobu Horiuchi
Irene & Kenzo Kawanabe
Alice Mizuno
Anonymous
Kelly & Kent Yamasaki
James & Jeanne Matsuda
Betty Inamasu
100th Year Anniversary funds
Mary Mead Hammond

この世はどこへ向かうのか？

(conclusion from page 3)

また、「アーマロイド」という人間そっくりのロボットが今すでに作られている。若い美人の女性ロボットだが、動画をみると確かに身の動きは人間に近いがどこか少々不自然だ。ところが人工皮膚、髪、表情、人工音声は人間と見分けがつかない。そのロボットを会場でみた人々が「これはロボットではないよ。人間の女性がロボットのふりをしているだけだ」という。「いいえ、これはロボットです」と作った人が言っていた。驚愕だね。私の好みの女性の写真を数枚コンピューターにみせると、私の好みのガール・フレンドができるがわかる。もうボーイフレンドもガール・フレンドも手間暇かけずに探さなくてよろしい時代になっているのか。

さて、結論です。あるとき**40**代の女性が不調を訴えて入院した。検査の結果ガンの第四期と判明。耳にしたとたんにその女性は発狂しだした。医者も看護婦も家族も手がつけられないほどに狂い出した。ところがある日のこと、違う病室から一人の老婆がその女性に会いに来て「死ぬのは恐くないです。静かにお念仏を称えなさい」とだけ言って病室を去った。するとその女性はその短い言葉で発狂はピタリとやんだ。顔も安らかになった。それをみていた医師が「これこそ本当の医療だ！」と感激して書いていた。医者は身体の病気が相手だが、本当の医療は身体だけではない。患者は人間だ。心がありその心が病む。その心を安らかにするのも大切な医療ではないかと感服したて書いていた。

スーパー・コンピューターも、人工頭脳も、アーマロイドも人間の脳や願いが作り出した「脳化（のうか）」の世界だ。その飛躍的に発展する時代、すべての面で人間を超える時代が**2045**年ごろに予想されている。では、その頃には「人間の抱える心の苦悩」は解決されているのだろうか。坊さんは**2045**年以降もまだ必要なのだろうか？

まあ、全ては私の死んだ後のことだがね。合掌、



BCA Ministers' Association and National Council Meeting

Together in Gassho

DoubleTree Inn by Hilton - Sacramento, CA

February 21-25, 2018

Registration Materials were sent to temples in October

February Shotsuki Names

(Sangha members who have passed away in the month of February)

Mitsuzo Aigaki	Yoshio Kataoka	Kiyoshi Nakamura	Noboru Tashiro
Frank Y. Akahoshi	Kenzo Kawakami	Yayeko Nakamura	Sunao Tashiro
Kunisaburo Akahoshi	Michiko Kawakami	Fumiko Nakano	Sumae Tazawa
Katsue Aoki	Byron Kawata	Kisaichi Nakano	Haruye Alice Terada
Yoshio Norman Arakawa	Shinzo Kimura	Sogo Nakano	Tom Todomu Terada
Isamu Jim Arita	Tomitaro Kimura	Gohachi Nakata	Kinu Tersaki
Melvin Ashida	George Akinori Kinoshita	Hideo Nakata	Uchachiro Teshima
Hatsuichi Chado	Yoshimi Jean Kinoshita	Dale Neel	Masashi James Tochihara
Janet Sachiko Chikuma	Bill Kenzo Kishimoto	Miyoko Nigo	Yoshiko Toda
Torataro Doi	Nikichi Kishimoto	Yonezo Nishida	Margaret Taeko Torem
Henry Seichi Doizaki	Roy Mankichi Kishiyama	Shigeru Nishimoto	Misuo Tsuruda
Denji Eto	Joanne Kimiye Knight	Roy Isamu Nishimura	Yagoto Uchida
Chiyo Eya	Robert Emmett Knight	Bill Masuo Nukaya	Matazo Ueba
Katsusaburo Fujii	Tepper Mark Koga	George Saburo Nukaya	Tetsu Ueba
Shizuye Marion Fujimoto	Akira Kojima	Kane Nukaya	Yoshie Ujifusa
Yuji Fujimoto	Baby Konishi	Zenita Oda	Chie Wakimura
Gregory James Fujita	John Koshi	Tome Ogawa	Minosuke Washizu
Harry Kiyoshi Fukaye	Sestuko Koshio	Hagino Helen Okada	Esther Kinue Watada
Guntaro Fukino	Masaye Lil Kuge	Noriaki Okada	Lowell Wikoff
Shigeru Funakoshi	Hisako Kuroda	Suzu Okagawa	George Kiyoshi Yago
Joe Funayama	Kaz Kuroda	Tokusaburo Okamoto	Sueki Yamada
Janette Haruko Furukawa	Henry Atsushi Kuroki	Jukichi Okugawa	Santo Yamasaki
Tadashi Fushimi	Chizuko Doris Kuruma	Taichiro Omaye	Shizuye Yamashita
Katsuki Gow	Itsuko Kuruma	Henry Omoto	Tadao Tom Yamashita
Nobu Gow	Masao Kuwada	Jirohachi Onodera	Muneomi Harry Yanari
Barbara Jean Masako	Kam Wah Kwong	Tsuka Onodera	Sami Yasuda
Hamai	George H. Mamiya	Kunio Osaki	Tetsuichi Yasuda
Shunji George Hamano	Yasu Masuda	Ito Sakurai	Yu Yasumura
Tomiye Mary Hamano	Hatsuko Matsuba	Kiyozo Sameshima	Sam Susumu Yasuzawa
Jessie Yoshiko Hanatani	Charles Matsubara	Gene Yoshitsugu Sasa	Aya Yoshihara
Lily Yuriye Hara	Alyce Matsuda	Haruko Sasa	
Sohichi Hara	Bob Sakae Matsumonji	Tetsujiro Sasamoto	
Kazuyoshi Hasui	Ikera Akira Matsumonji	Kimiye Sato	
Kay Takako Hatanaka	Betty Eiko Matsuno	Motoye Sawada	
Eijiro Hayashi	Teruko Matsushima	Taichi Sera	
George Shigenori Hayashi	Ben S. Mitamura	Toshiye Shibata	
Michie Mary Hiramatsu	Hatsuyo Miyamoto	Jack Shigeru Shigetomi	
Yukiye Hirokawa	Masayoshi Fred Miyamoto	Yukano Shino	
Kathleen Kiyo Hora	Charles Nagahiko Mizunaga	Katsumi Harry Shiramizu	
Joe Tsunetoshi Horiuchi	James Hisashi Mizuno	Josaku Shiroyama	
Keiji Horiuchi	Kenneth Seiichi Mizuno	Chiyo Nishiyama Stanhope	
Shuhei Horiuchi	George Mori	Hitose Suekama	
Kunihiko Hosoya	Yoshi Mori	Alice Sugihara	
Tadashi Igata	Haruyo Morimoto	Sumiko Sumida	
Yoshiharu Igata	Isaku Morita	Tamiko Suzuki	
Rikimatsu Inouye	Michael Masatohi Murakami	Tazu Suzuki	
Teizo Inouye	Shizuko Murakami	Takeo Tadehara	
Zennosuke Ishiguro	Douglas Dean Muroya	Frank Tadayuki Tagawa	
Suteji Ito	Kimiyo Muroya	Thomas Taggart	
Aki Jackson	Ichiyo Nagai	Mansuke Taira	
Betty Kajiwara	Shige Nagaki	Aiko Takeda	
Isao Kajiwara	Kumichi Nagamoto	Inohei Tamura	
Shizuko Kanai	Iwayo Nakafuji	Haruyo Tani	
Mitsuru Kanegaye	Edward Tamaki Nakagawa	Kane Tani	
Mary Setsuno Kanemoto	Kazuo Nakagawa	Rose Jitsuye Tanouye	
Miyoshi Kasa	Fusao Nakai		

Shotsuki Monthly Memorial Service

February 25, 2018

The Shotsuki Service is a general memorial service held on a montly basis for members and friends of the temple who have passed away during the month of service. Although there are major memorial (hoji) services set at specific time intervals such as 49th Day, 1st Year, 3rd Year, 7th, 13th, 17th, 25th, 33rd and 50th years, the temple provides families with monthly memorial Shotsuki services held in conjunction with regularly scheduled Sunday services, so family members will have the opportunity to pay respect and gratitude to loves ones who have passed away in that particular month. Donation by affected family members is appreciated: \$50/observance.
In Gassho

February 2018

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

4 8:30 am Nihongo serv. 9:30 am Family service 10:15 am Adult service 11:30 BWVA Annual General Mtg 1 pm Sedgwick T	5 6 11:30 am Dharma D&S 10:15 am Family service F 10:15 am Adult service F 9 am Brighton service T 11 am Ft. Lupton service	6 7 11:30 am Dharma D&S 10:15 am Family service F 10:15 am Adult service F 9:30 am Nihongo service 10:15 Family service 10:15 Adult service	7 8 11:30 am Dharma D&S 10:15 am Family service F 10:15 am Adult service F 9:30 am Nihongo service 10:15 Family service 10:15 Adult service	8 9 10:30 APALA mtg (aud) 11 am Shinran's service 1:30 College student visitation T 14 11:30 am Dharma D&S 10:15 am Family service F 10:15 am Adult service F 9 am Brighton service T 11 am Ft. Lupton service	9 10:30 APALA mtg (aud) 11 am Shinran's service 1:30 College student visitation T 15 11:30 am Dharma D&S 10:15 am Family service F 10:15 am Adult service F 9:30 am Nihongo service 10:15 Family service 10:15 Adult service	10 9 am -12 noon Chibi No Gakkō 1 pm Greeley Service T 16 7 PM Dharma D&S T 17 7 PM Dharma D&S T
18 Nehan E & Pet Hoji 8:30 am Nihongo service 9:30 Family service 10:15 Adult service 11:30 Nenju-making class	19 20 8:30 am Nihongo service 9:30 Family service 10:15 Adult service 11:30 Nenju-making class	21 22 BCA National Ministers & Annual Council Mtg 23 7 pm Humu Humu	22 23 In Sacramento, CA T 24 12 noon-2 pm Chibi Celebratory Potluck			
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In this time and place I offer my gratitude for and to all living things.

I realize the importance of compassion for not only my life but,

for the peaceful survival of all who abide in this universe

whether they be legged, winged, rooted, finned;

whether they be thinking, inanimate, feeling, breathing, being;

whether they suffer from hunger, cold, loneliness or rejoice in love, success, bounty;

whether they be vocal, silent, abrupt, humble.

I rejoice in the opportunity to participate in and learn from the Buddha, Dharma and Sangha.

Thank goodness for the goodness of others who surround me with their loving compassion.

Thank goodness for Amida Buddha's all-encompassing, ever-accessible, one-size-fits-all, and beautifully simple:

Namo Amida Butsu