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## Formula in Buddhism

### The 18 Vow: #6; King of Vows

The formula below consists of essential items for learning the Teaching of Buddha:

1. To Learn Buddhism is to learn myself,
2. to learn myself is to learn Buddha's Compassion.
3. to learn Compassion is to forget myself,
- 4. and to forget myself is to throw me into Buddha's World.**

### The 18<sup>th</sup> Vow

"If, when I attain Buddhahood, the sentient beings of the 10 quarters who, with sincere and entrusting heart, aspire to be born in my land and **say my name** even 10 times, should not be born there, may I not attain the perfect enlightenment. Excluded are those who commit the five grave offenses and those who slander the right Dharma."

### Words:

1. Sentient being of the 10 quarters: Sentient being = you and me
2. Sincere heart: The heart generated by Wisdom of Buddha.
3. Entrusting heart: The heart generated by Compassion of Buddha.
4. Aspire to be born in my land: The future direction of my life.
5. Even 10 times: As long as my life lasts, even very short, recitation is essential.
6. Five grave offenses: Those who commit offenses such as (1) murder father, (2) murder mother, (3) murder Bodhisattvas, (4) murder Buddha, (5) destroy harmony in sangha.
7. Slander the right Dharma: False spoken statements related to Mahayana Teaching.



This Vow is called "King of Vows"; it clarifies the true meaning of Amida's Name and its recitation. Recitation of the Name is a practice available to everyone.

June Temple  
Holiday. . .

Sakura Matsuri  
Cherry Blossom  
Festival

June 28, 29

The recitation is easy, quick, and simple for everyone even if a person is not a Buddhist. The essence of Mahayana Buddhism is to provide the vessel that carries any&every body equally from a world filled with suffering to a world of highest enlightenment. It is simply because the Name (Namo-Amida-Butsu) is made of pure cause of Wisdom and pure condition of Compassion. That's why its pure result is called "Pure-Land."

"To forget myself is to throw me into Buddha's World" means I don't form attachments to what I have. Then, I throw myself into Buddha's World. In other words, when I decide to recite the Name, that is the moment I throw myself into the Buddha's World. It is also the moment I recognize I become a person not to die but one who goes into the highest Enlightenment.

In Gassho, Rev. Doei Fujii

# Monthly Salutations

from Rev. Diana Thompson

Hello everyone, welcome to June! My wall calendar tells me that summer officially begins at the end of this month. However, my internal calendar informs me that summertime officially begins when I flip the calendar page at the end of May. Perhaps because of the many school calendars that seemed to identify certain months with certain seasons, I have very definite pictures in my head about what each month will bring; March is windy, September has apples and falling leaves, December through February are filled with sleds and snowflakes, and June has a big, smiling sun (and often a swimming or camping motif). Being a native of Colorado, I am well aware that these images are just that, images. We have get sleds and snowflakes here but those can appear from October through May and are always broken up by several days of sunshine. In Berkeley, CA it doesn't snow. The first year I lived there, it rained from December through March and yet the calendars at my daughter's school still showed kids playing in the snow through those months. The perception of those months and the reality did not quite match up and though I am keenly aware of this, the school calendar images remain.

But let us go back to June. As I said, June is a month of sunshine (and camping, I guess) and is, for me, the official start of summer. With pictures in my mind of rainy April and sunny but cool May, I relish the return of June specifically because of the sunshine. I picture the sun breaking through the clouds with its big smiley face (it doesn't wear sunglasses until July) ready to wrap everything up in its warmth. Shinran Shonin wrote, 'the cloud of light is unhindered, like open sky; there is nothing that impedes it. Every being is nurtured by this light, so take refuge in Amida, the one beyond conception.'

When I read this passage, it reminds me June. The light of Amida's great wisdom is the sun breaking through our dark clouds of foolishness. I remember that my perceptions are colored by my own experiences and are therefore narrow; my perceptions of the calendar year being a good example. The great wisdom of the Buddha is wide and sees everything just as it is and would view the calendar year in all of its complexities, with the sun and snow existing in the same month (sometimes even the same day) and all of it as part of the same whole. I, too, am aware of those complexities but my narrow perceptions make it difficult to accept all of the time. It is sometimes easier to see the smaller picture than it is to see the whole and so I say Namu Amida Butsu to express my gratitude to the Buddha and the Buddha's teachings which will occasionally remind me to recognize that the sun or light of wisdom is always there despite the clouds.

*Tri-State/Denver Buddhist Temples' membership offers congratulations and welcome to the following Hatsumairi babies and their parents:*

*Mitsugi Powers Takemoto  
son of  
Jenni & Rick Takemoto*

*Lux Aimi Umetani  
daughter of  
Zak & Shannon Umetani*

*Walker Zwierkowski  
son of  
Sonny & Kara Zwierkowski*

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RE: Obon/Hatsubon Service

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## 人間にしかできないこととは

日産自動車は2020年までに「運転しなくてもよい車」と数年でそんな車が世に出てくる。目的地の住所を打ち込めばコンピューターが計算して運転する。人間は座ってコーヒーを飲んでいれば目的地に安全に到着する。丸でタクシーの客席が出来ると渋滞や事故をも防げる。そんな安全な自動運転車はもう運転などしなくてもよくなる。運転から人間は

自動車ぐらいで驚いてはいけない。今はロボット工場「自動車のそっくりのロボット」がすでに出来上がっている。人間も人間そっくりで、言葉も話すロボットが使われている。例の例で、客相手に商品をきちんと売ってくれる。人間も人間らしくなく、お茶の時間も要らなくなる。ましてや労働組合もなくなり、家も学校の先生も僧侶もロボットとなる。その内に頭のチップを埋め込めば、語学を学ぶことも要らなくなる。人間も人間らしくなくなる。今まで人間のすることだと思っていた労働や仕事もなくなる。人間はもう働かなくていいのだ。そのようになる。また、働かなくてもよい時代がいつそこまで来てい

では、人間にしか出来ないこととは何だろうか。ロボットには出来ないこととは何だろうか。考えてみれば、人間の本能は人間にしかない。食欲・性欲・睡眠欲などはロボットには出来ない。逃れられない。一生涯つきまとうのが本能。また人間には感情は作り出せない。笑ったり、泣いたり、退屈し



## Our Teachers Rock! Our Students Rock, Too!

As you are reading this, Dharma School is fast approaching its summer break. We had a great year with some very special students—your children!—and we hope you feel getting them up, dressed, fed, and to the temple each Sunday was worth your effort. (And don't worry, we know that despite what they tell Fujii Sensei, you *did* provide them with breakfast!)

Dharma School will resume the first Sunday after Labor Day, as is tradition. In the meantime, you can still bring your children to Sunday service (if you can get them out of bed!), and of course there's the Cherry Blossom Festival (June 28–29) and Obon (July 19) to participate in.

We gratefully acknowledge the commitment and energy of the following individuals who were affiliated with the Dharma School during the 2013–2014 session:

Lisa Bilotta  
 Jan Brucklacher  
 Jon Campbell  
 Vicky Case  
 Audrey Charness  
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 Shelly Tanaka  
 Debby Tanigawa  
 Shannon Umetani  
 Kelly Yamasaki  
 Amy Yoshimura  
 Sue Yoshimura

—with thanks from Michelle Asakawa and  
Naomi Nguyen, co-superintendents

## Colfax Marathon Runners

Harry Budhisdharma  
 Maya Davis  
 Rachel Davis  
 Sam Davis  
 Alyssa DeMars  
 Emily Abo  
 Ryan Abo  
 William Hwang  
 Kai Sakata  
 Thom Sakata  
 Matt Knippel  
 Suzuho Shimasaki  
 Robert Tanaka  
 Jennifer Trompeter  
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 Kia Silverman  
 Quentin Yamasaki

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 Gary Yamashita  
 Kevin Yoshida Family  
 Michiko & Richard  
 Yoshida  
 Amy Yoshimura  
 Erin Yoshimura

### *A Note from Michelle:*

My two-year term as Dharma School co-superintendent is coming to an end. I thank everyone who helped me gain my “sea legs” and navigate the waters of leadership. I really learned a lot during my time assisting Dennis Flodeen last year, and it's been great fun working with Naomi Nguyen. Please throw your full support behind Naomi and Rachel Davis for the 2014–2015 Dharma School session.

# On Behalf of the Runners

by Thom Sakata

Dear Sangha, friends and families,

The DBT runners in the Colfax Marathon would like to express our deepest gratitude for all the donations, support and encouragement leading up to and during the Colfax Marathon. Together our 5 relay teams ran a total of 131 miles (that's like running from Denver to 20 miles past Pueblo, Colorado); and raised more than \$5,500 for the Temple with 10% going to the Children's Hospital.

Special thanks go out to Donna Inouye, Gary Yamashita, Joni Sakaguchi and Gail Ida for handling all of the administrative work so the teams could concentrate on training and running; and to Sam and Rachel Davis for designing the PayPal website and awesome race shirts. A big thank you also goes out to Shannon Umetani (aka Supermom and her husband, Zak) for hosting a pre-run dinner the night before the run, running her 6 miles at 6am the next morning, and still making it to Hatsumari!

Of course we can't leave out all the runners. Thank you to all 25 runners who got to their positions on time and ran a great race. Did you know that two Dharma school kids participated in the relay? Maya Davis (age 11) ran 6 miles and Kai Sakata (age 10) ran 4 miles - way to go young runners! Not to be out done by an 11 and 10 year old, Jacob Daniels of YBA finished his 6 mile leg and promptly went to the Chobani tent at the finish line to do 50 push-ups and win a whole case of Greek yogurt! And a big shout out to Miko Holmes and Quentin Yamasaki for stepping in to fill vacant running slots with only 3 weeks to train before the race! Also worth mentioning, Brian Horiuchi sported a Mohawk for the event and came in .001 seconds faster than if he would of ran with a full head of hair.

If you didn't get a chance to show your support, you can still donate until the end of June. Please visit: <http://www.tsdbt.org/web/node/263>. Thank you for your support and generosity; it was an enjoyable and memorable event!

## Colfax Marathon Donors

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**Hanamatsuri Service**

Ohara School of Ikebana  
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Susie Asano  
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Brighton Buddhist Sangha  
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Hiroko Hung  
Dorothy & Herb Inouye  
Ken & Amy Inouye  
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Beulah & Tsutomu Kagiya  
Charles Kagiya  
Michi Kajiwara  
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Fumiko Yamashita  
Judy & Steve Yasuzawa  
Richard & Michiko Yoshida

**Spring Ohigan Service**

Gladys Hiraoka  
Fumiko Yamashita

**Gotan E Service**

Frances Furukawa  
Joe & Jill Ozaki  
Yuriko Shimoda  
Hiroshi Takeda

**In memory of Aiko Omiya – 3<sup>rd</sup> yr**

Randy, Faye, Sean, Karen Koto  
Dennis & Kazuko Munetake  
Hugh & Alice Nishimoto  
Don & Louise Takemura

**In memory of Chiyo Nakayama**

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**In memory of Christine Mayeda (49 day):**

**Scott Kim (17<sup>th</sup> yr):**  
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Hugh & Alice Nishimoto

**In memory of Florence Yanaru – 17<sup>th</sup> yr**

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**In memory of Henry Urano**

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**In memory of Joe M. Ozaki (13<sup>th</sup> yr):**

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**In memory of Mae Doida**

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**In memory of Mary Miyazawa (7<sup>th</sup> yr):**

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Lillian & Phillip Miyazawa  
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Elaine & Ted Tsumura  
Betty Yamashita  
Richard & Michiko Yoshida

**In memory of Roy Kagiya – 1<sup>st</sup> yr**

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Walt & Jo Tokunaga  
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**Donation**

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Tamai Towers Tenant Council  
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**Hatsumairi**

Shannon & Zach Umetani  
Sonny Zweirkowski  
Jenni Lei Powers

**Osaisen**

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Dharma Class  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Dharma Class  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade Dharma Class  
Susan Inouye  
Jr. YBA Dharma Class  
Preschool Dharma Class

**Facilities Usage**

DBT Craft Class  
David Nakayama; funeral reception  
Youko Yamasaki; hoji reception

**Temple Visits**

Justin Grant  
Josh Lansky  
Helene North  
West Middle School

DBTYBA ..... 100<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration funds  
Kiyoko Mura-Smith ..... funeral; Mas Mura  
David Nakayama ..... funeral; Chiyo Nakayama  
Kunio Tamai ..... in appreciation of the Late Rev. Tamai  
Shizue Asano ..... nokotsudo; Sadao Asano  
Hugh & Alice Nishimoto ..... in memory of Frank Hiraoka  
Gene & Alyce Morimoto ..... in memory of Rii Morimoto  
Florence Bauer ..... in memory of John Sadahiro  
Chiyo Yoshida ..... in memory of Lisa Yoshida Henn – 7<sup>th</sup> yr  
..... In memory of Chitoshi Toshi Yoshida – 7<sup>th</sup> yr  
Betty Shimamoto ..... in memory of Tad Shimamoto

## Temple Transitions

by Donna Inouye

The first half of this year, 2014, has consisted of many transitions. Most of the time, we envision "transition" as a singular event, switching us over from old to new. But, intrinsically we know that a simple transition involves more than a beginning and end; it is a complicated web of pathways, intersections and "shakings" - in other words, a single transition affects numerous networks and levels of people, time and places.

Newsletter articles can be one way for Sangha members to track these transitions. And tracking information held in common with fellow Sangha members is important in the building and maintaining of a group's cohesiveness and identity. (This segues, briefly, to an apology/explanation - my life has/is undergoing major personal transitions during this same period. As I result, I have been less than forceful in collecting newsletter articles from persons and groups - resulting in this haphazard summary below.)

The TSDBT Board of Directors elected a new President - Rebecca Steinebrey. She was installed into office during the Gotan E service which was minimally attended for several co-incidental reasons, one of them being the Colfax Marathon (SEE: page 5). The Colfax Marathon is an annual event which invites local non-profit organizations to participate for possible fundraising and/or PR opportunities; the Temple was introduced to this

event via business connections of Gary Yamashita, Sakura Square Management (and Sangha member).

Sakura Square connections also provide the service/labor of Gary Matsuda who, in conjunction with Cal Kato and Wayne Berve, is trying to come up to speed on all the temple building systems while providing solutions to immediate problems of basement flooding and obtaining a new fire security system.

Other transitions include "new" BWA co-presidents, Stacey Umemoto Ospina and Lesli Hirokawa. The unusual number of funeral services and reported illnesses have thrown Stacey and Lesli quickly and relentlessly into the leadership role as the "caregiving" services of BWA members are in demand. The occasion of death has also required frequent usage of the Temple's re-formed Sodan Committee - thank you to Steve Nitta, Cal Kato, Joe Ozaki, Charles Ozaki, Frank Miyazawa and Gene Watada.

Other new officers of Temple organizations include: new Dharma School co-superintendents, Naomi Nguyen and Rachel Davis; and new YBA president, Connor Ospina. The Dharma School and YBA sponsor events on a practically, weekly basis - hopefully, I can get them (and all other mentioned officers/organizations) to write and submit monthly updates for newsletter publication ☺.

# Dharma Discussion

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Thursday nights, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>

All sessions begin at 6pm

*Please join us here at the temple for evening dharma discussions. We will cover topics such as Amida Buddha and the Pure Land, basic temple etiquette, onaijin objects and other concepts related to Jōdo Shinshū Buddhism. We would also like to encourage participants to bring in their own questions and topics in order to keep the discussions lively and relevant ☺.*

**Dates and times are subject to change. Signing up or contacting us ahead of time is highly recommended if you wish to park in the Sakura Square lot and also so that we may keep you informed of changes or cancellations.**

Contact: Sensei Diana Thompson  
(303) 295-1844  
dthompson@tsdbt.org

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

*Chiyo Nakayama  
died April 11, 2014*

*James Fukushima  
January 28, 1923 - April 21, 2014*

*Eiko Tagawa  
December 28, 1940 - April 24, 2014*

*Haruko Kimura  
February 25, 1922 - April 15, 2014*

*May Yokooji  
May 8, 1922 - April 27, 2014*

*Katie Yago  
December 4, 1922 - May 24, 2014*

## Telephone Number Correction for the 100-Year Video Project

We incorrectly listed Shannon Umetani's contact phone number in the May 2014 Newsletter. It should be 720-280-4915. The other contact information remains the same: Shannon Umetani's email address: shannonumetani@gmail.com

Richard Yoshida at 303-470-6388 or 720-369-5195 are correct.

Please provide your videos and movies to any of the above sources.



## Religious Services

SUN June 1 8:30 am Nihongo service (F)  
10 am Dharma School service -  
offsite (T)  
1 pm Sedgwick monthly service (T)

SAT June 7 11 am Hoji

SUN June 8 9:30 am Family Service  
9 am Brighton Sangha service  
11 am Ft. Lupton service

WED June 11 6 pm LaJara/Alamosa service

FRI June 13 11am Shinran's Day service  
6 pm Hoji

SAT June 14 10 am funeral  
4 pm wedding

SUN June 22 9:30 am Family Service

TUES June 24 5:30 pm Hoji - offsite

SUN July 6 8:30 am Nihongo service (F)  
9:30 am Family Service  
11 am Sedgwick Hakamairi  
1 pm Sedgwick Obon/Hatsubon

FRI July 11 11 am Shinran's Day service (F)

SUN July 13 9:30 am Family Service  
9 am Brighton Obon/Hatsubon  
11 am Ft. Lupton Obon/Hatsubon

WED July 16 11 am LaJara/Alamosa Hakamairi

SAT July 19 10 am Ault Hakamairi  
11 am Greeley Hakamairi  
12 pm Greeley Obon/Hatsubon  
3 pm Denver Obon/Hatsubon  
6 pm Obon Odori

SUN July 20 8:30 am Nihongo service (F)  
9:30 am Family Service

SAT July 26 3 pm Wedding

SUN July 27 9:30 am Family Service

## Meetings & Other Events

Dharma Discussions with Rev. Thompson  
Thursday evenings; 6 pm  
June 12th, 19th & 26th

JACGP Senior Graduate Banquet  
Saturday, June 14th; 6:00 pm  
Arvada Centre

CBF Manju Making  
Sunday, June 22nd; 9 am  
Friday, June 27th; 9 am

Denver Pride Fest Parade  
Sunday, June 22nd; 9:30 am

Cherry Blossom Festival  
Saturday, June 28th - all day  
Sunday, June 29th - all day  
Come to EAT, WORK and PLAY.

Obon Odori Practices taught by DBT Minyo  
Evenings from 7 pm - 9 pm  
Tuesday, July 15th  
Wednesday, July 16th  
Thursday, July 17th

Saturday, July 19, 2014  
3 pm Obon/Hatsubon service  
6 pm Obon Odori

## Gym Schedule

SUNDAY 11:30 am Karate

MONDAY 6 - 7:30 pm Aikido  
6:30 - 8 pm Judo

TUESDAY 7 pm Volleyball

WEDNESDAY 7:30 pm Basketball

THURSDAY 6 - 7:30 pm Aikido  
6:30 - 8 pm Judo

FRIDAY 6 - 7:30 pm Family Aikido  
Judo (every other week)

# July 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>R</b> = Rockies' game	June 30	1	2	3 <b>R</b>	4 <b>R</b>	5 <b>R</b>
	<b>BCA Summer Fuken at Jodo Shinshu Center</b>			4 pm Hoji (F)		10:30 Family Reunion Hoji - offsite
<b>6 R</b> 8:30 am Nihongo service 9:30 am Family service	<b>7 R</b>	<b>8 R</b>	<b>9 R</b>	10	<b>11 R</b> 11 am Shinran's Day Service (F)  6pm Judo practice	<b>12 R</b>
<b>13 R</b> 9:30 Family Service 9 am Brighton Obon/Hatsubon 11 am Ft. Lupton Obon/Hatsubon	<b>14</b> 10 am Sedgwick Hakamairi 12 pm Sedgwick Obon/Hatsubon  5 m Scottsbluff Obon	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 11 am LaJara/Alamosa Hakamairi	17	18	19 10 am Ault Hakamairi 11 am Greeley Hakamairi 1:30 pm Sunset  3 pm Obon/Hatsubon 6 pm Obon Odori
<b>20</b> 8:30 am Nihongo service 9:30 am Family service	<b>21 R</b>	<b>22 R</b>	<b>23 R</b>	<b>7 pm nightly; Obon Odori practice</b>	<b>25 R</b>	<b>26 R</b>
				24	3 pm Wedding rehearsal 6pm Judo practice	3 pm Wedding
<b>27 R</b> 9:30 am Family service	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 8:30 am Nihongo service 10 am DS Picnic/Award service - offsite 9:30 am TSDBT Board mtg 1 pm Sedgwick	<b>2</b> 9 am wedding mtg 1 pm Onaijin mtg	<b>3 R</b>	<b>4 R</b>	<b>5 R</b>	<b>6 R</b> 11 am Hoji	<b>7 R</b> 11 am Hoji
<b>8 R</b> 9:30 am Family Service 9 am Brighton 11 am Ft. Lupton	<b>9 R</b>	<b>10 R</b>	<b>11 R</b> 6 pm LaJara/Alamosa	<b>12 R</b> 6 pm Dharma Discussion	<b>13</b> 11 am Shinran's Day Service 4 pm Wedding rehearsal	<b>14</b> 9 am Craft Class 10 am funeral 2 pm Wedding 6 pm JACGP Banquet
<b>15</b> 8:30 am Nihongo service 9:30 am Family service	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 7 pm Humu Humu Uke (final for Summer)	<b>18</b> 6 pm JACGP potluck mtg 6:30 pm Hoji - offsite (T)	<b>19</b>	<b>20 R</b>	<b>21 R</b> 1 pm Greeley service
<b>22 R</b> 9am - 1 pm Manju making 9:30 am Family Service 9:30 am Denver Pride Fest Parade	<b>23 R</b>	<b>24 R</b> 5:30 pm Hoji-offsite	<b>25 R</b>	<b>26</b> 6 pm Dharma Discussion	<b>27</b> 9 am Manju making & CBF set up	<b>28</b> <b>2014 Cherry Blossom Festival</b>
<b>29</b> <b>2014 Cherry Blossom Festival</b> late pm - both ministers leave for Summer Fuken	<b>30</b>	<b>R</b> = Rockies' game		<b>6 pm Dharma Discussion</b>		

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Thank you to Dat Nguyen for rebuilding Rev. Thompson's office computer and bringing her system "up to date". Also, thank you for your ongoing diligence in repair and maintenance of the office copier/printer machines.

Thank you to Rev. Thompson for coordinating Sangha member efforts so that the Temple can be a

participant in the upcoming Pride Fest Parade - Sunday, June 22nd at 9:30 a.m.

Thank you to Cal Kato; in the winter months he kept temple grounds accessible and safe by shoveling snow and clearing ice. He kept the temple warm by maintaining the heating systems. He might have thought the warmer temperatures of Spring and Summer would cut back his working hours – no such luck! Thank you, Cal, for attending to the AC and swamp cooler systems so that we can comfortably transition to the heat of Summer.

Thank you to Gary Matsuda for jumping aboard wholeheartedly. . . in keeping with the doggedly, determined nature of any building to have problems, the Temple is keeping Gary busy with a major plumbing repair in the basement and updating the Temple fire safety system. As a Sangha, we are very fortunate to have someone as conscientious as Gary M. on our team (through the foresight and generosity of Sakura Square Management and Tri-State Apartments).