



I-OBT Bulletin

Official Newsletter of the Idaho-Oregon Buddhist Temple

Upcoming Events

Gotanye Service is Sunday, May 14, 11AM. This will be followed by the Mothers' Day Luncheon with the famous IOBT barbecued chicken!

Please come! We'll have Bingo with cash prizes. Who knows, we might even have gifts for the mothers. You'll have to come and see!

Messages and Dates:

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Mother's Day & Gotanye Service May 14, 11 AM



Memorial Day Service
Monday, May 29, 11AM @ IOBT
(no cemetery service)
Nokotsudo hours: Sunday, May 28, 12N-1PM; Monday, May 29, 9-11AM

We've revamped Memorial Day to move the service earlier in the day which better coincides with nokotsudo hours. It leaves plenty of time for visiting the cemetery on your own throughout the afternoon.

Memorial Services Each month, on the back of the bulletin, we list the years for which it is traditional to have memorial services for your loved ones. While we do not have a resident minister, supervising Minister Rev. Jerry Hirano is ready to serve your family's needs where these memorial services are concerned. Please feel free to contact him with your service needs. His phone is 801 819-2648 and his email is jkhirano@msn.com. Or you may contact Mike Iseri.

**Memorial Day Service,
Monday, May 29,
11:AM at
IOBT**

MAP Message....Sharmon Fujimoto

GOTAN-E Hello and welcome to May 2017. It is spring and the farmers are in the fields. We see the green of winter wheat, alfalfa and hay growing. The grass and hills are turning very green. We have had heavy rain and big winds which often leave partial to full rainbows of vivid colors. Cows and calves, sheep and lambs, horse and foals, creatures large and small, we see life everywhere. The trees have awakened and leaves are growing rapidly every day. Spring flowers are in full bloom. Many rivers throughout our valley are still full in flood stage brought on by the heavy winter snow and rain.

On Sunday, May 14 at 11:00 AM we will observe one of our major services for the year known as Gotan-E. We acknowledge the **birthday of Shinran Shonin, the founder of our Shin Buddhist tradition. Gotan-E is translated as sect-founder birthday.**

Shinran Shonin was born on May 21, 1173. Early in Shinran's life both his parents died. Shinran was desperate to know what happens after dying. At the age of 9 he entered the Shorein temple near present-day Maruyama Park in Kyoto. He was acutely aware of his own impermanence. Shinran was desperate to find a solution, and thus began his spiritual journey. We will have the opportunity to learn and recall the life journey of Shinran Shonin. We will be able to reflect upon the influence and contributions Shinran has made to our own lives.

Our own questions and doubts find answers and clarity as we listen to the stories of Shinran's life, struggles and practice. Our personal understanding and awareness of the Nembutsu teachings may begin as a shallow and vague gratitude, that comes to grow to become a heartfelt gratitude of depth and dimension. We are fellow travelers on the same path to awaken awareness.

The Buddha was able to recognize his ego centered nature. The masters and Shinran were also able to recognize their ego centered nature. The difficulties in understanding or accepting the truths of Shin Buddhism are the same struggles they had faced. These difficulties are also the same struggles we face.

It is this ever ascending, spiraling path that we share as our lives are touched by the Nembutsu teachings. There are many on this journey of life. We are surrounded by our family and friends. We endure the lows and enjoy the highs of life. We laugh with joy and cry with sorrow together. We come to recognize that although we take credit for this and that, we can also see that it is never only our doings....there is something more and deeper. Shinran's Birthday will also be combined with our Mother's Day luncheon being served after the 11:00 service at the Idaho Oregon Buddhist Temple. Each of us are here because of infinite causes and conditions. Our Mothers were the first to give us life and physical nurturing. Whether we are lucky to still have our Moms here or if they have passed on, we all have many grateful memories for all the care, sacrifice and love given.

Gassho

Namu Amida Butsu ' 

Sharmon Fujimoto

Think Warm!

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May Monthly Memorial (service May 7, 2017)

date of death		last name	first name
month-day	year		
5/26	1978	Adachi	Frank
5/20		Chikuo	Tasuyo
5/24	2012	Enoki	James Yoshio
5/7	1974	Enoki	Tahei
5/23		Enoki	Tom Akira
5/19	2014	Furuyama	George
5/7		Goshi	Matahei
5/30	2015	Hara	Kikuye
5/2	1990	Horiuchi	Akira
5/13	1990	Horiuchi	Setsuko
5/28		Hosaki	Totaro
5/3		Iida	Toshiaki
5/18		Imada	Natsujiro
5/8		Itabashi	Buichi
5/22	1972	Kameshige	Ayako
5/3		Kameshige	Kiyoshi
5/18		Katayama	Mitsuyo
5/18		Katayama	Shigeo
5/16		Kuramoto	Satoru
5/20	2011	Matsumura	Juji
5/14	2008	McLay	Mary Ann
5/27		Miyagawa	Yohei
5/18		Miyake	Kenichi
5/18	1966	Mizomoto	Hatsuichi
5/8		Mizuta	Morio
5/8	1990	Morishige	Alyce

date of death		last name	first name
month-day	year		
5/4	1975	Nagasaka	Ryokichi
5/2		Nakagawa	Tsugi
5/29	1989	Nakamura	Chiyo
5/22	1999	Nakamura	Min
5/23	1990	Nakano	Yukiye
5/4		Nakashima	Masao
5/21		Nakata	Kise
5/2		Nishikawa	Hayato
5/15		Nishimura	Gontaro
5/31	1994	Okano	Hisayo
5/2	2007	Okano	Yoshiko
5/19	1966	Okuda	Asakichi
5/23	2015	Sadamori	George Tadashi
5/11	1972	Sadamori	Tagoro
5/22		Sasaki	Kantaro
5/16		Shintaku	Niichi
5/4		Shiraishi	Kenji
5/9	1973	Shoda	Kazumi
5/23		Tameno	George
5/18	1990	Tameno	Misao
5/9		Teshima	Hide
5/6		Wood	Keith
5/18	2005	Yamaguchi-Tonar	Lisa
5/22		Yamane	Kumekichi
5/16		Yamashita	Some

June Monthly Memorial (service June 4, 2017)

date of death		last name	first name	date of death		last name	first name
month-day	year			month-day	year		
6/19		Abe	Shizuye	6/7		Kuwahara	Kazuo
6/18		Amano	Shizuye	6/19		Kuwahara	Nick Edward
6/19	2008	Arima	Fukashi	6/1		Matsubu	Mr. Shigeo
6/21		Asakura	Miyoko	6/17	2012	Matsuura	George
6/14	2010	Atagi	Archie	6/3		Morinaga	Yonezo
6/11	1996	Demise	Azami	6/2	1968	Morishige	Steven Isamu
6/26		Demise	Wataru	6/21	1993	Morishita	Hifomi
6/15		Doi	Kameichiro	6/24		Murakami	Chohachi
6/30		Goshi	Shizumo	6/5		Murakami	Itsuyuki
6/21		Hasebe	Harry	6/13		Nakagawa	Dennis
6/18	1990	Hasebe	Takeo	6/10		Nakahara	Chosuke
6/29		Hashimoto	Koyuki	6/2	1992	Nakamura	Karie
6/2	2015	Hayashi	Masumi	6/13		Nakamura	Waichi
6/26	2005	Hondo	Masu	6/5		Nakao	Kiyono
6/3		Hori	Haruko	6/28	1961	Nishihara	Kohide
6/24		Ichida	Manhachi	6/10	1974	Nishikawa	Itsu
6/8		Itami	Kane	6/19	1998	Okazaki	Sike
6/14	2007	Ito	Tom	6/14		Saito	Yakichi
6/25		Kameshige	Kelli Suemi	6/18	1970	Shigeno	Koichi
6/1	1971	Kanetomi	Yoshiko	6/12	1993	Sugai	Midori
6/2		Kaneyama	Roy Yutaka	6/23	2012	Teramura	Dorothy
6/13	1993	Kido	Tomoyo	6/5		Tomoda	Yukichi
6/9		Kitamura	Ryu	6/24		Umeta	Frank
6/12	2011	Koyama	Midori	6/10		Uyeki	Tomoye
6/21	1996	Kuga	Jim	6/1		Yamada	Walter
6/7		Kuga	Tolchiro	6/3		Yamaguchi	Chiyono
6/8	2001	Kuramoto	Yoso	6/28	1986	Yamaguchi	Kaz

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30	1	2 American Buddhism Boise Howakai 730P Wabi Sabi setup	3 Wednesday Activity	4	5 Wabi Sabi setup	6 Gigantic Wabi Sabi Yard Sale 7a-11a
7 Rev. Hirano here shotsuki svc 11A Choir 10A Adult study 1030A	8	9 American Buddhism Boise Howakai 730P	10 Wednesday Activity	11	12 Wabi Sabi setup	13
14 Mother's Day luncheon Choir 10A Adult study 1030A Family svc 11A	15	16 American Buddhism Boise Howakai 730P	17 Wednesday Activity	18	19	20
21 Choir 10A adult study 1030A family svc 11A	22	23 American Buddhism Boise Howakai 730P board meeting 7P	24 Wednesday Activity	25	26	27
28 Choir 10A adult study 1030A family svc 11A Nokotsudo hours 12N-1P	29 Memorial Day service 11AM Nokotsudo hours 9- 11A	30 American Buddhism Boise Howakai 730P	31 Wednesday Activity	1	2	3

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18 Father's Day Eshinni-Kakushinni Memorial 11A choir 10A adult study 1030A luncheon	19	20 American Buddhism Boise Howakai 730P board meeting 7P	21 Wednesday Activity	22	23 rev jerry here	24 Japan Nite Obon Festival
25 family svc 11A rev Hirano here	26	27 American Buddhism Boise Howakai 730P	28 Wednesday Activity	29	30	31

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Monthly Memorial List - 2017

2016: 1 year	2015: 3 year	2011: 7 year
2005: 13 year	2001: 17 year	1993: 25 year
1985: 33 year	1968: 50 year	1918: 100 year