

Golden Chain



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I am a link in the Buddha's golden chain of love that stretches around the world. I must keep my link bright and strong. I will try to be kind and gentle to every living thing and protect all who are weaker than myself. I will try to think pure and beautiful thoughts, to say pure and beautiful words, and to do pure and beautiful deeds, knowing that on what I do now depends not only my happiness or unhappiness, but also that of others. May every link in the Buddha's golden chain of love become bright and strong, and may we all attain perfect peace.

Buddha Gives Us the Wisdom to See the Human Condition

Greetings and I hope everyone is doing well as we go into full swing for the summer season. As the summer season brings in hotter days, please stay cool. It is hard to do this however, as there is much news recently about the major water shortages the west coast and other states are facing. The troubling news makes me think twice about what plants I should water, or the length of time to take a shower. In this day and age, we still hear about people who argue against climate change. However, the overwhelming majority of all scientists tell us about the dangers of this environmental problem. It almost makes me wonder, what would it take to convince these climate change deniers that the world is facing some very serious problems ahead? The literal end of the world?



But as a Jodo Shinshu practitioner, to be quite honest, I am not surprised with this response of denial. There will always be climate change deniers quite literally, to the very end. As long as there are people with attachments and blind passions, there will always be ignorance. Even when I look at myself, there are parts of me that just wants to say, "Well, my faucet still has running water, so it can't be all that bad, right?" There are parts of me that want to deny the effects of climate change and make it seem like everything is still okay. There are parts of me that think that I deserve to live like I always did before because I believe that I did nothing directly to hurt the environment.

However, the fact of the matter is that pretty much everything I have done has left a carbon footprint of some sort on the environment. When I ate a piece of juicy steak, I contributed in the process of producing meat, a process that is very taxing on the environment. Whenever I drove in my car, I contributed to the emission of pollutants to the environment. Even the plastic straws that I used at all the restaurants that I have ever eaten at in the past contributed to the hurting of the environment. Even the diapers I used as a baby is probably still in the process of decomposing at some landfill somewhere in the world! The clothes that I wear, the food that

I eat, the products that I use for work and entertainment, all have been and will be on the dime of this wonderful Earth that we are allowed to exist on.

Being a Buddhist and an environmentalist go hand-in-hand, but being a Jodo Shinshu Buddhist, we have to go one step further than that. We have to recognize that we are humans and as such, we have our limitations. We have our egos and because of that, even though we have the best of intentions for this Earth, we still end-up acting in self-interest that will hurt this environment in some way. This is what it means to be a *bonbu*, an ordinary and ignorant being. It means that no matter how hard we try, even though we might have the best of intentions and try to be the most perfect individuals that we can be, we will still fall short and hurt the world we live in. This is not just regarding the environment, but also in other things such as our relationships with others, or our engagement with the world around us, etc. We will always be acting in at least a little bit of self-interest, which means we will prioritize ourselves over other people.

What Shinran Shonin shares with us is that we must recognize this truth regarding the human condition. We are *bonbu*: we are not perfect people, we do not act selflessly, and in every action that we do, we are always wondering—even if it's a tiny bit—in our hearts and minds, “What’s in it for me?”

But when we reflect upon the teachings of Amida Buddha’s Great Compassion and we come to see and understand this *bonbu* within ourselves, our worldview changes. We now see that we are all in this together. We now see that the water that I am using is the water that another person is not being able to use; the juicy steak that I am able to eat takes a lot to produce in so many ways; that my very existence is made possible because of all the causes and conditions around me. In other words, I become aware that I am not the center of the universe and that it is much too easy to forget this fact. Let us open our hearts and minds to receive Amida Buddha’s message of Great Compassion that tells us to see past the egocentric self.

阿弥陀如来様から与えられる智慧

夏に入りまして毎日が暑くなってきました。皆さんどうか熱中症にならないようにお体に気をつけてください。しかし、そう言いますと同時に近頃のニュースに見るアメリカ各地で起きている水不足が大変な問題になっていることが忘れられません。家にある植物よりも、人間の生活がどうなるのかが不安になります。そうであるにも関わらず、環境問題の深刻さを否定する人たちも未だにいるそうです。ここまですますと、何を言ってもその人たちを説得することは無理でしょうと思います。正直、なんて愚かだなと思います。

しかし、浄土真宗の教えから見ますと、このような環境問題を否定する考えは一つもおかしくないのです。なぜならば、人間は無明というものに惑わされているからであります。そしてその「無明」というのは煩惱から来るものです。自分を考えてみますと、蛇口から水が出ると、やっぱり「まあ、まだ水が出るからそんなに大した問題じゃないか」とか思ったりします。あるいは、環境問題をあんまり心配しない方が心が心配しなくなり、ストレスを感じないと思ったりします。また、自分は地球に

対して直接破壊するようなことはしていないから、今までの暮らし方でいいでしょうと思ったりとがします。

しかし、よく考えてみますと、自分を生かす生活そのものが環境を破壊しているのです。例えば、美味しいステーキを食べるとします。アメリカのステーキは日本と違って分厚くて量が多いです。しかし、そのステーキ一枚を美味しく食べれるには、牛からのメタンガスが環境に放出したり、牛にあげる餌を運ぶのに多くの石油を使ったり、色々な面で環境に悪影響を与えています。また、仕事に行くのに車に乗って家から仕事場に往復しますが、それにも石油を使って環境を悪くしています。また、今までレストランや飲食店で使ってきたプラスチックのストローも環境の破壊につながります。さらに、自分が赤ちゃんの時に使ったおむつまでもどこかの埋め立てゴミ場で分解している途中だと思えます。こう考えますと、自分の生活の全てがこの地球の環境の破壊に関わっていることが分かります。生かされていることですら周りの人たち、生きとし生けるもの、または環境に負担をかけることばかりです。

仏教徒であることとは、環境問題に注意を払うのであるということとは当然なことではありますが、そのもう一步を進めて浄土真宗の信者としてこの環境問題をどう考えたらいいのでしょうか。それは、人間には限界があるということに気づくことではないかと思えます。つまり、衆生は煩惱というものを持っていますから、自己中心的な考えを持って生きています。これを「凡夫」というのです。そして凡夫は、いくら頑張っても、煩惱を抱えている限り自分が何をしても、どのような行動をとったとしても、どうしても「自分」というものを見捨てることはできないのです。自分が可愛いのです。毎日鏡を見ますとその通りだと自覚させられます。「煩惱」を抱える限り、自分というものを誰より優先します。

ご開山は、この人間の現実的状況に気づきなさいと戒められます。それをどのように分かるのであるかと言いますと、阿弥陀如来様のお慈悲によって自分の本当の姿を見せていただくことなのです。そしてそれが分かってくると、自分がいかに自己中心的に生きているのかが分かり、そのような考えかたから少しでも離れようとする心が出てきます。そして自分が今使っている水はただの水じゃない、自分が美味しく食べているステーキは簡単にできるものじゃない、自分が生きている人生は当然なことじゃない、いや、生かされているんだということが少しずつ分かってくるのです。これが阿弥陀様のはたらきのおかげで気づいてくることでもあります。皆さんと一緒に、如来様のメッセージを深く深く味わっていきたいと思えます。合掌。



Services for July 2021

**July 4, 2021
No Service**



(Note: July & August Shotsuki will be observed with on August 1)

**July 11, 2021
No Service (Traditional “Bazaar Sunday”)**

**July 18, 2021 – Family Service
10 A.M.**

Rev. Dr. Takashi Miyaji will prerecord this service. It will be available online.

**July 25, 2021 – Family Service
10 A.M.**

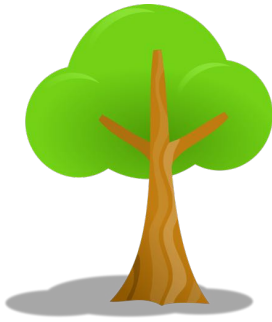
Rev. Dr. Takashi Miyaji will officiate this service on Zoom.

**OBON Cemetery
Visitations**

Saturday, August 7, 2021

9:00 AM	Mt. Eden Cemetery, Hayward
9:40 AM	Lone Tree Cemetery, Hayward
10:20 AM	Chapel of the Chimes, Hayward (Courage Mausoleum)
11:30 AM	Irvington Cemetery, Fremont
12:10 PM	Cedar Lawn Memorial Park, Fremont
1:00 PM	Oakhill Cemetery, San Jose

Acknowledgement:



Thank you to Mr. John Uchida for the annual trimming of our Bonsai trees in front of the Hondo.



2021 BAZAAR DANA

Well, the COVID situation is improving this summer but not enough to hold our Bazaar once again. There are still many unknowns and risks to both our workers and attendees to prepare and hold an event in early July.

So once again we'll miss our major summer fundraiser and all the activities surrounding it. We'll miss seeing and working with our family and friends. And for a second year, we'll miss the vital proceeds so we are once again asking you to consider a special Dana donation to help offset the loss of revenue. Any amount will help and donations may be made by check with the enclosed envelope or by making an online donation on our website. If you're making a donation online, please note it as a special donation for the Bazaar.

While nothing can replace our summer Bazaar traditions, your Dana can really help this year until we can bring it back next year hopefully when COVID is far back in our rearview mirror.

With Much Appreciation and Gassho,

President
Ken Suyama

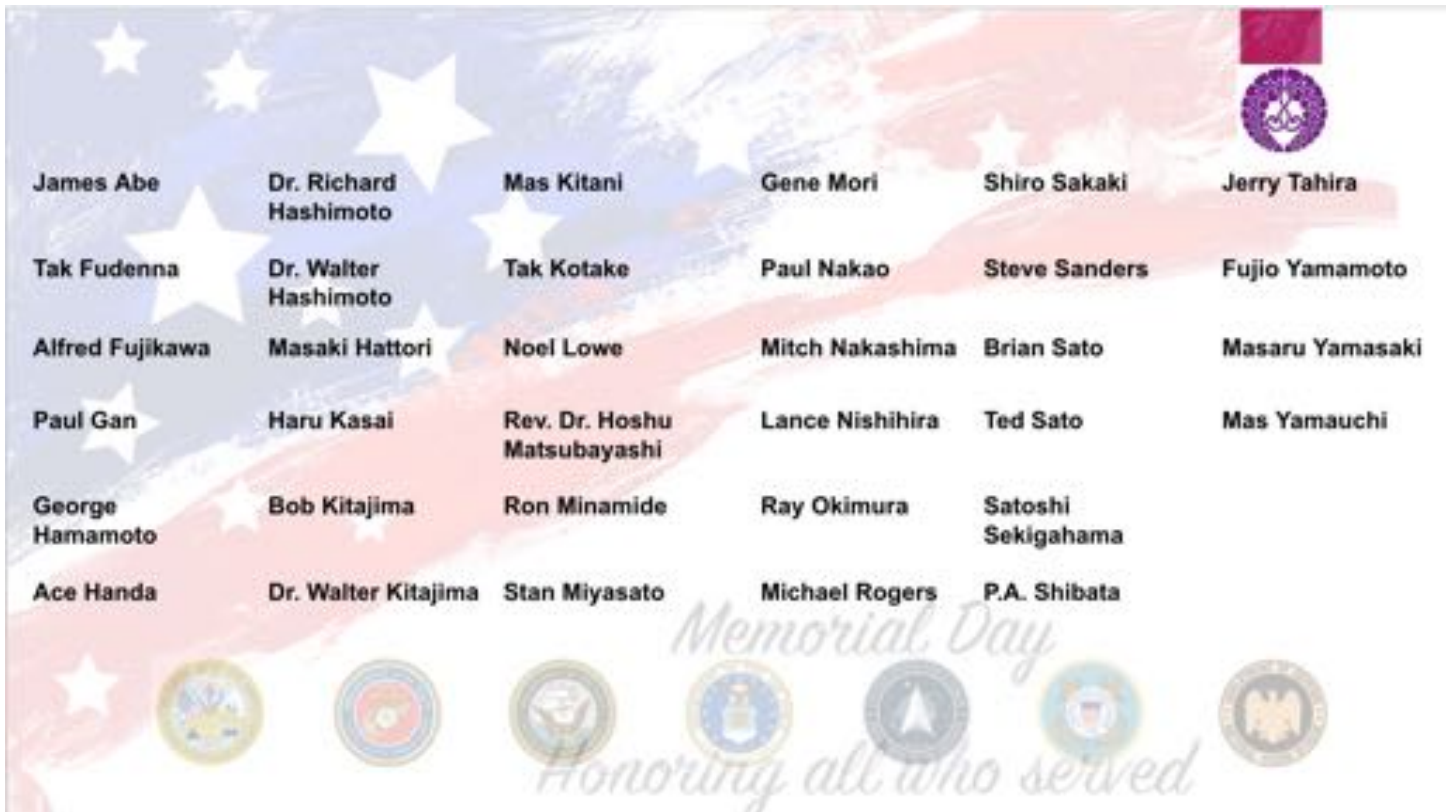
Bazaar Co-Chair
Karen Suyama

Resident Minister
Rev Takashi Miyaji

Bazaar Co-Chair
John Arai

On this July 4th, we celebrate the USA's Independence Day. Here are members of our Sangha who bravely served or are serving so that we can live with in peace with the freedoms and rights provided by our democracy.

Thank you to the veterans and active-duty members of the military.



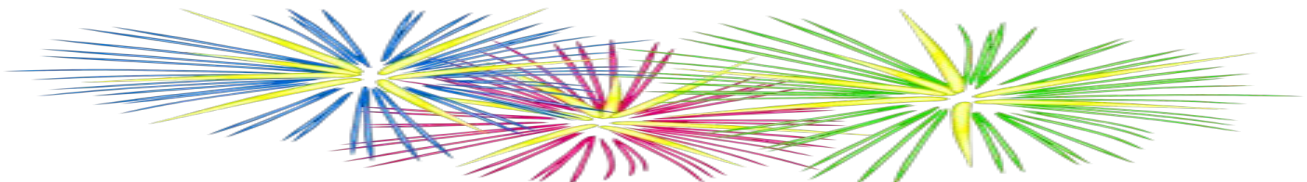
SACBC FIREWORKS SALE

Come and celebrate July 4th with amazing fireworks from our booth!

We are open from July 2 to July 4 from 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM.

Proceeds from the sale goes to SACBC and affiliated organizations.

Please contact John Arai to sign up for shifts to help with the sale. Shifts are 3 hours per segment. John Arai (johnmarai1428@gmail.com) or (415)706-7490



BCA Social Welfare Committee Awards Grant to Umenoki Gardens Senior Home

The Buddhist Churches of America (BCA) Social Welfare Committee has awarded a \$20,000 grant to Umenoki Gardens Senior Home. The grant will help cover the shortfall caused by the COVID-19 pandemic when the number of residents was reduced to give each resident a single room to minimize the risk of spreading COVID-19 and the loss of donations from SACBC Bingo.

The BCA Social Welfare Fund was established to aid those suffering from deprivations of basic human needs with a goal to help others sustain or attain a way of life which promotes mental, physical and spiritual well-being. They make grants to nonprofit organizations and support disaster relief.

Thanks to the vision of the founding members, Umenoki remains the only senior care facility located on the grounds of a BCA temple. It continues to be a place filled with positive energy with an appreciation that each day of life is precious. For many BCA families, the residents and families appreciate the opportunity to participate in SACBC services, celebrations and activities while receiving 24-hour palliative care. The Japanese food and culture are especially important for residents with memory loss or dementia who light up with happy memories of celebratory foods and Japanese-American traditions from the past.

A fundraising team was started earlier this year to help Umenoki raise funds to fill the gap from the impact of COVID-19. All the members of the team remain grateful to the Umenoki staff for caring for their parents. We would like to thank the many Umenoki families, SACBC members and friends who generously donated to Umenoki through the [Go Fund Me Campaign](#) that met its fundraising targets to help Umenoki through 2021.

Pictured below is Ken Suyama, President of SACBC, Naoko Fujii, Umenoki Volunteer, and Yas Yamada, President of Wisteria Gardens Inc./ Umenoki Gardens Senior Home. Our thanks to the additional members of the fundraising team: Iris Yakuma of SACBC, Vickie Yamaoka and June Matsueda of the Palo Alto Buddhist Temple, Karen Whitworth, and Lucy Hamai of the Berkeley Buddhist Temple.



What's Up Dharma School?

Hard to believe Dharma school for the 2020-2021 year has come to an end during this unprecedented time!

At the end of April, the elementary class continued with their ABC book. The Jr./High class attended an AAPI discussion on zoom held by the San Jose Betsuin (hosted by Matt Ogawa with Devon Matsumoto) about their view on the Buddhist response to the rising asian hate crime.

For the month of May, both elementary and Jr/High school classes did a group project making mother and father's days gifts. Mrs.Cathleen asked all of the students for 3-4 photos and put them onto tiles to make them into coaster and/or picture displays. Then with a sharpie, students then wrote well wishes. Students also were given additional blank tiles to design them as they pleased. Mrs.Cathleen then waterproofed them! They came out fantastic and hope the parents liked them too.

With the COVID restrictions relaxing a bit, our Dharma school families had our last Dharma class together, in person, in the Sangha Hall classrooms, hoping to see, and for some of us, meet each other for the first time this school year. Although we had MUCH difficulty with the wifi, our students were still able to watch and listen to the service as a class. We then had presentations and thank you's while enjoying an Udon Otoki and cake.

We'd like to thank ALL of our Dharma school families for participating in Dharma school and SACBC Sangha for all the support during this unusual school year. We truly have amazing students and look forward to next year!

In gassho,

Cathleen and Betty



Congratulations Graduates!

In addition, we'd like to congratulate the following graduates. May the teachings of the Buddha Dharma guide you along your path to your happiness and success.

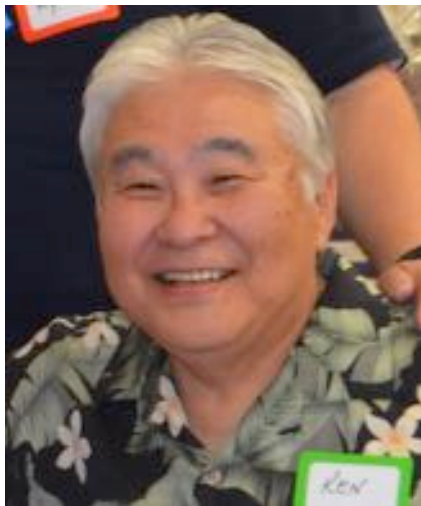
- Russell Yamasaki graduated from Los Altos High School.
- Allison Matsubayashi graduated from Mission San Jose High School
- Brett Uemura graduated from San Diego State University

Your SACBC Board Officers:

Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church is guided by its members who generously give of their time and expertise to “take care of church business” as they serve as officers of the Board of Trustees. Decisions are made that reflect what best is in the best interest of the Sangha and that follow the bylaws. Overarching is ensuring that SACBC is where the Dharma is taught, nurtured, and practiced.

We are sharing who we are and what we do. Please come join the Board! Let us know how we can support you. We look forward to hearing from you!

Ken Suyama - President



Karen and I joined SACBC in 1977 when we first moved to Fremont. Initially we mainly helped out at Bazaars and then when our daughter, Kristen arrived and grew up, we got involved in various church activities. Later we both joined the Board and I became the Membership Treasurer. I then became President first in 2005 and then again in 2011 to present day. (I know – way too long.)

As President my main duty is to lead our Board and implement Board decisions. I also represent SACBC at BCA and Bay District meetings and events. At the same time, I also try to be mindful of our Sangha in developing Board policies and actions. A very important part of my responsibilities is to support our Sensei to help him serve our Sangha.

A major challenge for SACBC is transitioning and growing our church to serve a new generation while respecting the heritage of our current Sangha. Like many churches, Buddhist or otherwise, growing membership is a major challenge these days.

As we emerge from COVID, I believe that there is an opportunity to leverage our virtual lessons. The challenge is to take advantage of this opportunity to enhance and grow our Sangha.

John Arai – Vice President – Operations



I have served on the Board of Directors for SACBC for the past 15 years (I think). I have served as the Board President for 4 or 5 of these years. Most recently, I have served as the Vice President – Operations. My main responsibilities are to make sure that the facilities are maintained. Fortunately, I have Bob Kitajima who is always willing and able to fix most problems that arise. My other responsibility is to oversee any Facility Requests from SACBC members. Since the Board of Directors only meets every three months, most of the Facility Requests are voted via email by the members of the Board.

Karen Fujii – VP – Religious Activities



I first attended a service at SACBC in 1968 when I was in the Teacher Credentialing program at Cal State Hayward. Rev. Sugiyama was the resident minister, and June Handa was the Dharma School Superintendent. A year later, my parents moved to Fremont, and we began attending services and activities. After moving and living 40 miles away as of 1975, Jasan, Reina, and I returned to SACBC in 1991.

I joined the Board around 2010, was the Corresponding Secretary and then the VP of Religious Activities/ BEC from 2013. Since then, we have had 3 resident ministers with months between with supervising ministers. I've learned much and enjoyed working with the ministers and Dharma friends who have supported us in having weekly and special services. Each month, I prepare the Service Page for the Golden Chain in coordination with Dharma School. Each week I schedule a Chair for service. Each year I work with the minister to create the calendar of services, special services, and the Obon cemetery visits. Included in the calendar are "hosts" for special services and otoki lunches.

I look forward to seeing my Dharma friends as our lives adapt to the new COVID norms.

Larry Gissible - Treasurer



I am Larry Gissible, SACBC Treasurer. (See me at the Bazaar Bookstore!) I found SACBC by seeing signs for the Bazaar while driving through Union City in the late 70's. In those days, it was surrounded by Gladiola fields. We attended the Bazaar for several years sampling the delicious foods and interesting activities. One year, I was given a flyer for Rev. Tanaka's Buddhism for Busy People classes which I began attending in the Fall 1997. The participants of those classes were very friendly and welcoming. The teachings we studied seemed to be the right path for me. I became a member in 1999 and was joined to the Board in 2000. In 2011, I became the Treasurer.

The Treasurer processes donations, pays bills, prepares monthly financial reports, monthly payroll, quarterly payroll reports to the IRS & California EDD, and more.

Since Covid, I have missed the personal interaction with everyone at Services and at Bingo. One positive thing has been the delicious meals prepared by Chef Royce and the Bento team.

I look forward to the dinners every week and my wife loves not having to cook. Thank you Bento Team for all your hard work.

Yvette Shibata Hornig – Membership Treasurer



Hello- I'm Yvette Shibata Hornig and have been the Membership Treasurer since around 2010. Wow, it has been so long, I actually had to look it up! I keep track of membership, pledges, and update the BCA of any changes. Anyone interested in this position, I will train free of charge. It is fun to connect the lists of names with faces and... I'm still learning!

I've been a member of SACBC since I was born, (so apparently a long time). My parents and grandparents on both sides were all members since the temple was established. I really enjoy being part of this SACBC community. So many lasting friendships are formed here. Members connect through Sunday service, sharing recipes and food, YBA, bingo, and even poker (yes, you know who you are). My favorite things are seeing multiple generations all working together at the bazaar and church functions. It's really amazing (and tiring) but everyone really looks forward to these events every year. Hopefully, we can resume our activities soon. I know we all want to see and hear Reverend Miyaji in person, too!

I hope everyone is well. Please continue to stay safe and it looks like there is light at the end of the tunnel!

Iris Yakuma - Equipment Fund Treasurer



My name is Iris Yakuma, and I have been a member of SACBC for about 28 years. I have been the Equipment Fund treasurer for about five years, and I am responsible for the account that pays for capital improvements or infrastructure expenses. I have enjoyed attending the events at SACBC, and I hope that SACBC can continue to hold these events in the future.

Karen Suyama – Recording Secretary



I've been the recording secretary almost as long as Ken has been president. I was also the recording secretary for other board presidents so I've had a little experience. It's my job to record the board meeting minutes, and now with quarterly meetings it is very manageable. Also helpful is when board members who give organization reports will submit a written report that can be filed with the minutes.

I've been a board member since the early 1980's (wow). It keeps me in the loop with temple business, and in turn, has me involved with a lot of things. I was the first woman temple president in 1991 and I'm a member of the BWA (past president many times), Funeral Committee Co-Chair, Obon Co-Chair and Bazaar Co-Chair, and more.

Being active allowed me to be Bay District President (more than once), a Director-at-Large for the BCA, a member of two different BCA committees, and cabinet member of the Federation of Buddhist Women Association. I was on a planning committee for the Buddhist Women's World Convention for 8 years and was a Vice Chair for the recent convention that was held in San Francisco in 2019. That was an incredible event with people from all (5) Kyodans visiting California, thankfully before the pandemic. I am extremely grateful for getting the opportunity to be that involved in a worldwide convention and serve at many levels from our SACBC to the BCA.

Pat Takemoto – Corresponding Secretary



I've been a member of SACBC since 1970. I served on the board as corresponding secretary when Rev. Yukawa was our minister. More recently, I have been on this board as corresponding secretary since 2013. One of the many, many jobs that Larry Gissible does for our temple is to go through all the donations to our temple and deposit and record them. He then lets me know who donated to our temple and the amount or the items. My job is to send out the acknowledgments to the donors and also send out any other correspondence as needed.



**SACBC Obon Festival
2021 Home Edition
August 14, 2021**

Don't miss out on SACBC Obon Shirts & Towels, Delicious Bentos and a YouTube Live Stream!

Bento pick-up: 4:00-5:30 PM (pre-order only, please order by 8/7)

YouTube Live Stream: 7:00-8:00 PM

YT Live Stream will include cooking demonstrations, Obon dancing and live Q&A with
Rev. Dr. Takashi Miyaji, Karen Suyama and Chef Royce Mori

Find us on YouTube at : <https://www.youtube.com/SouthernAlamedaCountyBuddhistChurch>

Bento Menu Selections

Option 1: Garlic-Soy Chicken Wings

Reverend Miyaji's Famous Yaki Udon, Dashi Braised Daikon,
Spinach Goma-ae and Steamed White Rice

For Dessert...Dark Chocolate Lava Cake (you cook at home...instructions provided.) \$24

Option 2: Grilled Hamachi Kama

Reverend Miyaji's Famous Yaki Udon, Dashi Braised Daikon,
Spinach Goma-ae and Steamed White Rice

For Dessert...Dark Chocolate Lava Cake (you cook at home...instructions provided.) \$24

Option 3: Wok Fired Eggplant & Tofu in Roasted Garlic Sauce

Reverend Miyaji's Famous Yaki Udon, Soy Braised Kabocha,
Spinach Goma-ae and Steamed White Rice

For Dessert...Dark Chocolate Lava Cake (you cook at home...instructions provided.) \$20

E-mail questions for ordering bentos and shirts/towels to: SACBCoffice@gmail.com

SACBC Bento Fundraiser by Chef Royce Mori

To order: Call and leave a message at church: 510-471-2581 or Email: SACBCOffice@gmail.com


Order deadline: Mondays at NOON! No late orders, please.

Pick Up: Wednesdays, 3PM – 4 PM SACBC, 32975 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, CA

Payment: There are five options for paying:

- Payal or Venmo: sacbc.treasurer1@gmail.com
- Credit card: VISA, Mastercard (will be processed onsite during pick up)
- **Check** made out to: SACBC or Cash (Exact amount pls) in a sealed envelope with your name and address on the outside.

JULY BENTO MENU 'BBQ Series'

Pick up Date	Meat	Pescatarian/Vegetarian	Notes/comments
July 7	BBQ Miso Pork Ribs <i>Potato Mac Salad</i> <i>Dashi Braised Cabbage</i> <i>Lomi Tomatoes</i> <i>Steamed White Rice</i> \$18	Grilled Teriyaki Salmon <i>Potato Mac Salad</i> <i>Dashi Braised Cabbage</i> <i>Lomi Tomatoes</i> <i>Steamed White Rice</i> \$18	
July 14	Teriburger <i>Avocado, Caramelized Onions,</i> <i>Lettuce, Tomato, Brioche Bun</i> <i>Wasabi Caesar Salad</i> <i>Housemade Chips</i> \$16	Furikake Crab Cakes <i>Grilled Romaine Salad</i> <i>Corn, Asparagus, Bell</i> <i>Peppers, Avacado Relish</i> \$18	
July 21	Grilled Korean Style Garlic Pork <i>Sesame Spinach</i> <i>Soy-braised Potatoes</i> <i>Kimchee Fried Rice (mild)</i> \$17	Grilled Miso Eggplant <i>Sesame Spinach</i> <i>Soy-braised Potatoes</i> <i>Steamed White Rice</i> \$16	
July 28	BBQ Teriyaki Chicken <i>Cold Somen</i> <i>Baby Bok Choy</i> <i>Soy-braised Kabocha</i> <i>Steamed White Rice</i> \$17	Grilled Shrimp <i>Cold Somen</i> <i>Baby Bok Choy</i> <i>Soy-braised Kabocha</i> <i>Steamed White Rice</i> \$18	<i>Somen served with dipping sauce, grated ginger and green onions</i>

Happy 5th Birthday, Keisai !!!

On May 31, 2021, Keisai Miyaji celebrated his 5th birthday.

As a surprise, all sponsored and affiliated organizations of SACBC plus some Sangha members pooled resources and gave Keisai a swing set. It is located behind the garage where the “shed” used to be.



A big truck delivered two BIG, heavy boxes. John Arai helped get them hidden behind Sangha



John Arai, Karen Fujii, Nathan Tanabe, Ken Suyama, & Glen Sekigahama began assembling.



Finding the right parts and fitting them together continues.



Keisai on the swing!
Nate adjusted the height so he can get on it with room to grow. There's a slide, too!



Keisai!



Keisai showing his muscles as he hangs and swings on the trapeze.

Thanks to Bob Kitajima who shopped for & delivered the boards, weed barrier fabric, and mulch creating the swing area. Bob worked with Glen Sekigahama who spent much time and muscle power leveling the hard ground, setting the boards and fabric. Nathan Tanabe brought his tools and expertise leading the assembly one part at a time. John Arai provided tools and muscle power. Ken Suyama pitched in with the assembly. Karen Fujii sorted nuts, bolts, and washers so the big parts could be put together. All this labor of love occurred without Keisai knowing until he was brought to see and play on his new swing set.

Thank you, Sensei and Kaori for keeping the secret and for the yummy cheesecake.



JULY EVENTS

4 – Sunday	No Service – Independence Day
5 – Monday	Office Closed in observance of Independence Day
11- Sunday	No Service – Traditional “Bazaar Sunday”
18- Sunday	Family Service
25- Sunday	Family Service

ALL SUNDAY SERVICES START AT 10:00 AM VIA ZOOM

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