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HUMBLENESS AND HUMILITY By Rev. Bert Sumikawa

In August of this year, I was fortunate to have been chosen, along with Rev. Hasebe of Hawaii Betsuin, to attend the Buddhist Churches of America Ministers Meeting and Seminar in San Jose, California. It was there that I met a wonderful minister from the Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta, Rev. Yasuo Izumi. Rev. Izumi shared this story with me which illustrates negative results that occur when things are done for the purpose of surpassing others rather than with a sincere heart and mind.



Once there was a Buddhist woman in Japan who was a so-called "churchgoer." She went to the temple regularly, chanted sutras and listened to the minister's talks eagerly. At home she meditated in front of the Buddha's shrine every morning. All that she did was fine and noble, and because of her actions, she thought that among her congregation and friends, only the minister and she would be born into the Pure Land without fail. One day, the minister got involved in some kind of trouble and had to leave the temple. When she heard the news, she grinned and thought to herself, "Now, I am the only one who is able to be born into the Pure Land." Well, what do you think about this?

According to Shinran's teaching, her actions will not enable her to be born into the Pure Land. The Pure Land is the realm where Buddha's thoughts and practices to benefit others in terms of spiritual liberation is fulfilled. The Pure Land is also called the Fulfilled Land by the Vow of Amida Buddha to save others. In other words, the Pure Land is the realm of Amida's unconditional love and compassion toward us, the realm of non-ego-attachment. With our egomind or selfish efforts, we are not able to reach Buddha's realm. In this sense, those who humbly listen to and receive the Buddha's Vow by which Amida Buddha is working for our spiritual freedom will be born there.

A great theologian once said that when people try to come closer to God and pray at the top of a tall tower, they actually make themselves morally corrupt. It is because they misunderstand and believe that they are special—above others—and look down on other people. He said that when they pray they must make themselves "low." Here, we can see the important similarity between Buddhist humbleness and Christian humility to negate human arrogance and taking refuge in the working of the Buddha or of God. Namu Amida Butsu.



BWA-SPONSORED HOONKO SERVICE

The BWA-sponsored Hoonko Service, the commemoration of Shinran Shonin's passing, will be held on **Sunday**, **Nov. 1** at **9 a.m**. Our guest speaker will be the Rev. Satoshi Tomioka of Hawaii Betsuin. Please join us!



EITAIKYO SERVICE ON NOV. 15

Please join us for our annual Sangha Remembrance (Eitaikyo) Service on **Sunday**, **Nov. 15**, at **9 a.m.** Our guest speaker will be Rev. Shindo Nishiyama of Jikoen Hongwanji Mission. The Eitaikyo Service is a time to remember with gratitude past Sangha members whose dedication made it possible for us to hear the Dharma in our beautiful temple. It is a time of rededication to perpetuating the teachings through the continued strengthening of our Dharma home at Moiliili Hongwanji.

ANNUAL TEMPLE CLEANUP ON NOV. 29

Please save $Nov.\ 29$ to help with our annual temple cleanup. We'll begin at $8\ a.m.$ with a short

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service in the hondo and then give our temple a good year-end cleaning. If you can, please bring rags, buckets or other helpful cleaning tools. Lunch will be served. Thank you so much for your help!

HBC BODHI DAY SERVICE ON DEC. 6

The Hawaii Buddhist Council Bodhi Day Service will be held on **Sunday**, **Dec. 6**, at **9 a.m.** at Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin. Let's all join together with fellow Buddhists of the temples of the Hawaii Buddhist Council to commemorate the great enlightenment of Shakyamuni Buddha. There will be no service at Moiliili.

MHM BODHI DAY SERVICE

Our Bodhi Day Service will be held on **Sunday**, **Dec. 13**, at **9 a.m**. with guest speaker Rev. Reyn Tsuru of Shingon Shu Hawaii. Please join us.

NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE (JOYA-E)

You are cordially invited to Moiliili Hongwanji's candlelight New Year's Eve Service on **Thursday, Dec. 31**, at **11 p.m**. Those attending will be invited to ring the temple bell as midnight approaches.

NEW YEAR'S DAY SERVICE (SHUSHO-E)

Please join us for our New Year's Day Service on Friday, Jan. 1, 2016, at 10 a.m. We look forward to joining together with family and friends of the Sangha to greet the new year! Refreshments will be served.

MOCHITSUKI ON JAN. 3

Our annual Mochitsuki will be held following the Sunday service on **Jan. 3**. You will be able to pound mochi with a *kine* and *usu*, practice shaping the mochi, and best of all, eat the delicious fresh mochi with a variety of condiments. Everyone is welcome!

MISSION STATEMENT:

Mo'ili'ili Hongwanji Mission is a center of Shin Buddhist spiritual growth, learning, and compassionate service to our community.

VISION STATEMENT:

Mo'ili'ili Hongwanji Mission is a growing inclusive Buddhist community seeking spiritual growth, learning, and compassionate service, living our values and preserving them for future generations.



PRESENTATION BY FRANCES KAKUGAWA



Poet, Author, Lecturer



Dignity, Joy and Compassion in Giving Care

Sunday, Nov. 8, 2015
11 a.m. - Registration/Refreshments
11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Presentation
Hawaii Betsuin Annex Temple
1727 Pali Highway

Event is free and open to the public.

Co-sponsored by Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin and Project Dana. For more information, contact Hawaii Betsuin Office 536-7044 or Project Dana 945 -3736. Parking available from the Lusitana Street (back) entrance.



WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Moiliili Hongwanji Mission extends its deepest sympathy and condolences to the families of the following who have recently passed away:

Glenn Kiyoshi Oyama, 67, on Sept. 9 Beverly Ann Fudeko Nakamura, 74, on Oct. 3 Myrtle Nobuyo Yamashiro, 75, on Oct. 6 Toshiyuki Tagawa, 90, on Oct. 12

May the Onembutsu provide solace to family members during this time of sorrow (*indicates Temple Sustaining Gojikai Member).

MONTHLY REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

During the first Sunday service of each month, we remember loved ones whose memorial date falls within the month. Please call the temple to register or come a little early and register before the service. During the service, family members will be called to offer incense in memory of their loved one.

MAHALO, TEMPLE SUSTAINING MEMBERS

We wish to extend a sincere thank you to our temple Sustaining (Gojikai) Members for your very kind and generous support throughout the year. The temple is very grateful for your dedicated



volunteer efforts and your generous contributions.

Toward the end of December, we will be sending out our year-end mailing of the 2016 Hawaii Kyodan Calendar, the MHM calendar of events, and the 2016 membership dues renewal. If you have not yet paid your dues for 2015, we hope you will take a moment to send it in at your earliest convenience. Thank you so much, and we wish you a very happy holiday season!

ROMANO'S MACARONI GRILL

On Wednesday, Nov. 4, from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., enjoy a meal at Romano's Macaroni Grill at Ala Moana Center and 20% of your purchase will be donated to Moiliili Hongwanji. Please cut out the flyer below and present it when you go. A group from the temple is planning to meet at 6:00 p.m., and if you would like to join in, please call the temple at 949-1659 and space will be reserved for you. Mahalo for your kokua, and mahalo to Romano's Macaroni Grill for this fundraising opportunity!

CLIP AND TAKE TO MACARONI GRILL





PROJECT DANA NEWS

November is Family Caregiver Month

Nationally President Barack Obama proclaimed November as National Family Caregivers Month. He recognized the "quiet acts of selflessness and sacrifice telling a story of love and devotion. Across the country, parents, children, siblings, and spouses heroically give of themselves to support their loved ones". Family caregivers are the ones who are present in all care settings, whether it be at home (95% of elders reside at home), care/nursing homes, foster family homes, or retirement communities. Many of these dedicated family caregivers work, either full or part time, or raise their own families while taking care of their loved ones. It is important to remember that family caregivers are not paid. They continue to offer loving and compassionate care in all ways possible. According to the Caregiver Action Network, 37% of men are now almost as likely to say they are family caregivers as 40% are women. Even 36% of younger Americans between ages of 18-29 say they are family caregivers. Project Dana extends a heartfelt thank you and expresses much gratitude to ALL family caregivers who care for their loved ones.

Project Dana provides assistance and support to family caregivers. Should you have any questions on services or resources in the community, please call Project Dana at 945-3736. We will be happy to assist.

Save the Date!

Date: Sunday, Jan. 27, 2016

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Moiliili Hongwanji Mission For the Special Occasion of:

Project Dana at Moiliili Hongwanji Mission's 27th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Service

Join us as we enter into the 27th year of volunteer caregiving at our temple and in the community. This is the time we rededicate ourselves to the mission of Project Dana and be re-inspired to continue experiencing the Joy of Dana. We are truly grateful for the past 27 years of support to the homebound elders, family caregivers, and disabled persons. Mark your calendars and watch for your invitation. Light lunch will be served. Everyone is welcome.

Healthy Habits

At a recent seminar sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association, the topic of brain health was discussed. Taking care of your health means to care for your brain, the control center of the body. Signals traveling through the brain form memories, thoughts and feelings. Alzheimer's disease destroys brain cells. Dementia is caused by many different diseases and conditions and Alzheimer's disease is the most common cause of dementia. It is NOT part of normal aging. Therapies for Alzheimer's can treat symptoms but cannot cure or prevent the disease progression.

"Caring for and living with someone with dementia can be frustrating, infuriating, and scary at times. However, if we can understand the physical and chemical failure that is happening to their brain, then we can begin to understand why they do and say the things they do. They are truly doing the best they can with what they have left and cannot change or stop what is happening to them. We are the ones without dementia in the relationship and we are the ones with the capacity to change our responses and caregiving approach." Hale Ku'ike 4th Quarter October 2015 newsletter.

Here are 4 areas in taking care of yourself as you age for a healthy you and a healthy brain.

- Cognitive activity keep your mind active. Read books or articles that challenge and inspire you. Complete puzzles and play games that are challenging for you. Learn new skills or hobbies. Engage in ongoing learning.
- Physical health and exercise get moving and do something you like and start out small. Ask friends to join you and have fun. Always check with your doctor before you start. Stop smoking and avoid excess alcohol. Get adequate sleep.
- Diet & nutrition Always consult your doctor. Eat right. Nutritious food is fuel for the brain. Following some dietary guidelines may reduce the risk of some diseases. Ask a reliable source about dietary supplements and vitamins. See the article written by Helen Hamasu on nuts.
- Social engagement stay connected. Remaining both socially and mentally active may support brain health. Visit with friends and family. Stay involved in the community by volunteering or joining a club or group.

Let's remember that aging well and a healthy brain depends on #1 your genes, #2 environment and #3 lifestyle. The choices made may help to keep your body and brain healthy. Thank you to the Alzheimer's Association for this information.



HEADQUARTERS NEWS

President's Report: 33rd World Jodo Shinshu Coordinating Council Meeting Bishop Eric Matsumoto, Hawaii Kyodan President Pieper Toyama and Rev. Toshiyuki Umitani, Executive Assistant to the Bishop, attended the Coordinating Council Meeting held on Sept 24-25, 2015, at Honzan in Kyoto. President Toyama's report is printed in the October 2015 Headquarters Update. The following is taken from his report:

Observation and Comments:

The two most significant developments at this year's Coordination Council meeting were:

- 1. The unveiling of the Honzan's World Wide Ten Year Plan
- 2. The development of an International Office to be located overseas.

Ten Year Plan

The main objectives are:

- 1. Contribute to social concerns based on Buddhist principles.
 - a. Enrich ties within the Buddhist community and strengthen connections with organizations both within and outside of the temple organization.
- 2. Live a life of compassion with others.
 - a. Fulfill ministerial duties as ordained ministers.
 - b. Lay members live with wisdom and compassion transmitting the Nembutsu to the next generation.
 - c. Develop welcoming temples for members and newcomers.
- 3. Solidify the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha foundation.
 - a. Review of the role of each organization within temples.
 - b. Maintain financial stability.
 - c. Consider making facilities available to answer the needs both within and outside of the organization.

The most interesting aspect of Honzan's Ten Year Plan is that it echoes much of what Hawaii is doing. A review of Honzan's Ten Year Plan and Hawaii's initiatives clearly indicate that the issues we face here in Hawaii are shared throughout the world Jodo Shinshu community, and that whatever we learn here is important to share with the world as temples work on common problems.

International Office

The Ten Year Plan includes an allocation to establish an International Office outside of Japan. Overseas district Bishops and presidents discussed the possible activities

such an office could undertake, and Rev. Kuwahara of BCA has been charged to draft an outline of the International Office's mission, organization and personnel, finances, and schedule of development and implementation. It was noted that the office would bring together, coordinate, and share in a much more effective manner the many activities overseas districts are already engaged in. In addition, it will be a driving force in shaping Jodo Shinshu's response to the issues facing the international community.

Conclusion

The one thing that became clear to me as I participated in the discussions is that the globalization of Jodo Shinshu has begun. The small steps to make Jodo Shinshu, a once Japanese-based religion, into a responsive world religion are being taken. And it appears that Hawaii is a part of that journey.

[From report submitted by Pieper Toyama, President]

Peace on Your Wings—Los Angeles Mainland Premier The original Ohana Arts musical Peace on Your Wings, inspired by the life of Sadako Sasaki, had a very successful North America Premiere in Los Angeles at the Aratani Theater on Sept 18 and 19. Three shows were performed before large audiences with standing ovations at every show. Gratitude is extended to temples, organizations and individuals for the generous support of Peace on Your Wings and world peace!

Dento Hokoku Hoyo The Commemoration on the Accession of the Jodo Shinshu Tradition. A series of services will be held between Oct. 2016 and May 2017 at the Nishi Hongwanji in Kyoto to officially recognize that the tradition of the Jodo Shinshu Teaching of Shinran Shonin has been transmitted to the 25th Sennyo Gomonshu, and to express the wish that the teachings of the Onembutsu will continue to spread throughout the world. The following two dates have been designated for the Overseas Districts (BCA, Canada and Hawaii)

2016 Fall: Oct. 21, 2016 (openings for 50 Hawaii participants

2017 Spring: Mar. 31, 2017 (openings for 60 Hawaii participants

In conjunction with the Accession Ceremony, 7-8 days of sightseeing, fellowship and spiritual enrichment is being planned. Details are forthcoming. The cost estimate for the entire trip is around \$3,000-\$3,500 per person. Please talk to the liaison minister of your district. [Moiliili members, please let Rev. Sumikawa know if you are interested.]

"Headquarters Update" may be found in its entirety on the Headquarters website www.hongwanjihawaii.com

2015 NEMBUTSU GATHERING

It's not too late to register for the 2015 Nembutsu Gathering: "Dharma by Doing" which will be held on **Saturday, Nov. 7,** from **8 a.m.** to **3 p.m.** at the Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin. Sponsored by the Honolulu and Oahu Districts, the session will give everyone a chance to learn about, experience, and appreciate the practice of Jodo Shinshu rituals—ringing the kansho, chanting, quiet meditation, and group activities to inspire self-reflection and sharing. Lunch will be served. To register, call Moiliili Hongwanji at 949-1659. The recommended donation is \$15, and additional donations to support Hongwanji programs are always welcome. Please make checks payable to Moiliili Hongwanji Mission.

SUICIDE PREVENTION

Suicide is the 10th leading cause of death worldwide. We can work together to relieve suffering by breaking the silence on this significant social and mental health issue. Professional staff members of the Samaritan Counseling Center of Hawaii will provide the opportunity to understand more about suicide and suicide prevention strategies on Monday, Nov. 23, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin Annex Temple. Presenters will be Dr. Gary C. Augustin and Dr. Darcy Ing. Sponsored by the Honolulu Hongwanji Council and funded by Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Committee on Social Concerns, the event is free and open to the public. It is developed for family members, caregivers, teachers, religious and community leaders, and all whose lives have been or may be touched by suicide and depression. For more information call the Hawaii Betsuin office at 536-7044.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Do you often snack on nuts? If you do, this article is for you. The October 2015 issue of Prevention Magazine contains a report on "Snack Your Way Healthy." The source of the report is International Journal of Epidemiology, BMC Medicine, European Journal of Clinical Nutrition. The report listed six beneficial effects of nuts:

- 1. Those who ate nine almonds a day had 23% lower chance of death from any cause.
- 2. Those who nibbled three servings of nuts per week were less likely to be obese, have diabetes or carry excess belly fat than those who ate less then one serving per week.

- 3. The Vitamin E and selenium in almonds and Brazil nuts help to protect against skin damage including wrinkles.
- 4. Those with the highest intake of Vitamin E from nuts and other foods like legumes (not supplements), have 25% reduced risk of developing dementia, compared to those who have the lowest intake of Vitamin E from food.
- 5. Type 2 diabetics who ate a Mediterranean diet that included an ounce of mix nuts a day had 40% less chance of developing depression.
- 6. Those who ate almonds, peanuts and even peanut butter at breakfast, secrete more appetite suppressing hormones which help to control blood sugar levels and craving for up to 12 hours.

The report cautions against eating too much nuts at each serving because nuts do contain fat. Moderation is recommended.

Contributed by Helen Hamasu



WHITE WAY RADIO BROADCAST

Please tune in to Radio KZOO (1210AM dial) for Moiliili Hongwanji's White Way Radio Broadcast each **Saturday** from **7:45-8 a.m.** Here is the upcoming schedule with speaker's name followed by sponsor's name:

- 11/7 Rev. Shinkai Murakami (Thelma Ando)
- 11/14 Rev. Blayne Higa (Jolene Nakamatsu)
- 11/21 Mrs. Rose Nakamura (M/M Roy Abe)
- 11/28 Rev. Mariko Nishiyama (M/M Michael Sorakubo)
- 12/5 Dr. Rosalie Tatsuguchi (Morikubo Family)
- 12/12 Mr. Joel Merchant (M/M Alfred Ono)
- **12/19** Mr. Raymond Takiue (M/M Michael Sorakubo)
- 12/26 Rev. Bert Sumikawa (Dr. Douglas Shiraki)
- 1/2/16 Bishop Eric Matsumoto (M/M Michael Sorakubo)

Mahalo to our speakers, our sponsors and our volunteer staff for making this broadcast possible. For 2016 the following dates are available for sponsorship: 1/9, 5/28, 7/23, 10/29. If you would like to sponsor one of these broadcasts, please call the temple office at 949-1659. A donation of \$65 is requested to help cover the costs associated with the broadcast. Past broadcasts can be found on our website www.moiliilihongwanji.org.



Buddhist Women's Association



Ban-ban-zai! We executed another successful BWA activity! On Saturday, Sept. 26, the energetic ladies offered chili and rice, spam musubi, mochi and gon lo mein at the Open House and Bazaar. It takes great leaders, untiring support help and congenial sellers to make \$1064 in sales of tasty food offerings.

May I acknowledge all the hard workers. Our food "generals": chili-Anne Kawabata, spam-Betsy Nishioka and Jeanne Watari, mochi-Lily Masuda, gon lo mein-Joy Fujita and Donna Higashi, rice-single-handedly, one of our BWA "dream-boats", Osamu Kawabata. We can have "generals", but we couldn't do it without the battalion: Susan Okano, Sharen Uyeunten, Cynthia Ogasawara, Joanne Kealoha, Satsu Tanaka, Edna Wada, Ethel Shintaku, Ethel Oda, Lois Ohta, and also others who helped with mochi-making on the Friday night before the event. Thank you all for your unselfish offering of time, energy and brain power to think everything out so we can make a profit!

By the time the next White Way publishes, we would have attended Honolulu United's Joint Membership and Education Conference at Hawaii Betsuin on Oct. 17. Twenty-five ladies from Moiliili have signed up to attend this wonderful gathering of four units (Hawaii Betsuin, Jikoen, Kailua and Moiliili). It is a guaranteed opportunity for fellowship across the units, new opportunities to expand our learning and to just have fun together. About 100 women gather for this conference which is co-hosted this year by Kailua Hongwanji and Moiliili Hongwanji. We will also be presenting the cash donations to four of the Dana recipients: Ohana Arts, Lanakila Meals on Wheels, Ohia Shelter for Women and Children, and Project Dana. We look forward to meeting our community recipients.

Coming up: Nov. 1, our BWA-hosted Hoonko Service with Rev. Satoshi Tomioka of Hawaii Betsuin as our Dharma speaker. Our final general membership meeting will be held after the refreshment hour. We also will be holding our election for next year's BWA officers and our installation of these officers. We hope to see you at our last meeting!

Report by: Lois Ohta

Honolulu United Membership Meeting & Education Workshop







HAPPY STRUMMERS NEWS

The Happy Strummers were pleased to play several numbers at a beautiful place called 15 Craigside. It is an Arcadia Community. In the newspaper a Sharon Maekawa wrote an article about this residence.

The Strummers played six numbers there that are recognized by most of us at Moiliili Hongwanji. We did a sing-along with the resident members there. "Pearly Shells," "Musunde Hiraite," "You Are My Sunshine," "Kaimana Hila," "America," "Yuuyake Koyake," and "Kutsu ga Naru" are all familiar tunes and were well-received by them.

If you are interested in these songs, and many more, join the Moiliili Hongwanji Strummers. You will be playing these numbers in no time with the group, enjoying fellowship and many challenges and fun to add on. Leave your names at the office with Emma, Richard or Rev. Bert Sumikawa. Aloha and mahalo from the Strummers.

Contributed by Michiko Motooka NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2015

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Moiliili Hongwanji is most grateful for your generous donations. If you would like to have a receipt for your donation, please call the temple office at 949-1659. Ofuse for funerals, memorial services, and other services are not listed. If you prefer that your name not be listed, please include a note and we will list it as "anonymous."



ANNUAL FUNDRAISER MAHALO

A BIG MAHALO is extended to all of our members and friends for your support of our annual temple fundraiser of Hoku's BBQ chicken, maki sushi from Ala Hawaii, Zippy's benefit chili tickets, and takuan. Thank you to the volunteers who came out on Oct. 11 to help with the chicken and sushi distribution. Special thanks go to co-chairs Patrick and Roy M., to Karen K. and helpers for making the takuan, to Arlyne and helpers for the ono lunch, and to the members of the United Jr. YBA of Honolulu for their help. Thank you also to Mel (traffic control/tent setup), Mimy (breakfast preparation), Anne K. (sushi/ takuan coordination), Eugene M. and Hudson (chicken oil disposal), Jay & Charlotte, Cynthia O. & Andy C. (finances/tickets), Emma & Richard O. (office staff), and Alan & Matthew K.I. (chicken pickup). If you haven't already done so, the deadline to redeem Zippy's tickets is Nov. 1 (five days grace period.) Thank you again for your support!

KAPAHULU MOILIILI CHRISTMAS PARADE

Moiliili Hongwanji is planning to participate in the Kapahulu Moiliili Christmas Parade on **Thursday**, **Dec 10**. If you would like to march with the group, call the temple office at 949-1659 for more information. Plan to be at the parade, either to march or to watch!

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

Please check out our website www.moiliilihongwanji.org for lots of interesting information. Be sure to click on the Facebook link.

GO GREEN!



If you would like to receive <u>The White Way</u> by email, please notify the temple office at mhm@moiliilihongwanji.org. Mahalo for going green!

Moiliili Hongwanji Preschool Accepting Enrollment

Children 2.5 to 5 years of age Weekdays 7:00 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. Wendy Harman, Preschool Director Tel: 946-4416 Cell 630-4963 email: mhps902@gmail.com. www.moiliilihongwanjipreschool.com

JR YBA NEWS

The members of the United Jr YBA of Honolulu have been busy in the past few months. In August, we participated in the Family Promise 5K Walk at Kailua Intermediate



School. In September, we had our Membership Drive at Rascals in Dole Cannery and we also sold Joy's cookies at the Moiliili Open House. In October, we helped with the Moiliili Chicken and Sushi sale and we had a movie night at Betsuin to raise funds for our Hawaii Buddhist Youth (HBY) Month. All monies raised at the movie night were donated to Make a Wish Foundation. Along with all the activities, we have been having monthly meetings and we also hosted our quarterly Federation meeting.

If you know anyone who is in the 7th grade to 12th grade and is interested in joining the Jr YBA of Honolulu, please have them contact me, Alisa, at chikopups@gmail.com.

Hope you all have a wonderful holiday season!

Contributed by Alisa Kondo





Everywhere you look it's that special time of the year. It's "Halloween." The children are busy making decorations, singing Halloween songs, and

talking about who and what they're going to be on that special day. You can hear the excitement in their voices. On Oct. 30, Friday the preschool will be having Halloween Activities, Costume Show followed by a parade. We will be walking through Kapa'akea Lane - King Street - University Ave. All preschool families are welcome to join us for our Costume Show.

November is around the corner and it's Thanksgiving...gobble, gobble. The children will be busy making Thanksgiving projects. We are planning an excursion in November. From our family to yours have an awesome Thanksgiving.

Contributed by Joy Menor

FROM THE PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR



October was an exciting month for our Moiliili Hongwanji Preschoolers with the many fall activities.

We took the children to the McCully-Moiliili Fire Station during Fire Prevention week. The Fire Fighters reviewed the Stop-Drop and Roll technique with the children. The children also got to sit in and explore the different fire trucks.

On our visit to the Aloun Pumpkin Patch, the children had a chance to pick their own pumpkins, go on a hay ride, and watch a video on how pumpkins grow.

Finally, with Halloween creeping up on us, we will have our very own Haunted House, Trick-O-Treating and Costume contest on Friday, Oct. 30.

The teachers and I were also uplifted through the HAEYC Conference held on Oct. 2-3. We heard the keynote speaker Peter Pizzolongo explain about early childhood education and participated in sessions such as Calling All Directors, Teaching Strategies Fold, Exploring Wiggle and many more.

October was a special month for parents too with Parent Teacher Conferences. Parents had the opportunity to sit down one on one with their child's teacher to see how their child is progressing.

We are still providing school tours and accepting applications year round. We are having observations done this month for potentially new children.

Happy Halloween!

In Gassho Wendy Harman

























Mr. Masuo Kino from Jikoen



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