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Kala kokua Fundraiser - Pickup (Dec. 4)

We thank everyone for supporting Soto Mission of Hawaii. You should have already received your tickets via mail. If you ordered but did not received your tickets, please contact Jaymie at info@sotomission.org or call the temple for more assistance.

Also this is a friendly reminder that we will be having our Kala Kokua Fundraiser on December 4 from 8 AM to 12 Noon. There is no grace period for pickup so please mark your calendar to pickup your order. Please remember to bring your tickets.



End of the Year Temple Cleanup (Dec. 18)

On December 18, 8:30 AM we will be having our annual end of the year temple cleanup. If you are able to come down to the temple to help with dusting out all the dust from 2022 and prepare ourselves to welcome the new year, 2023. We would also like to ask all the groups that utilizes the temple to come out and help clean the places that you use for your class and activities. We would appreciate everyone's help in cleaning the temple prepare to welcome 2023.



Joya no Kane Service

Once again we will be having our Joya no kane service, which is the midnight bell ringing service as we say thank you to 2022 and welcome 2023. The service will begin at 11:30 PM. Please join us as we ring the temple bell 108 times and welcome the new year.

Daihannya Ofuda Order

This year we will be taking pre-orders of the Daihannya Ofuda. If you have been ordering them the past years, you know that it was automatically made. However, starting next year we will be taking orders instead. For more detail on what is included in the packet and price, please see the included letter and order form.



What's in the Daihannya Ofuda Packet?



Pictured to the left are the contents of the new packet.

- 1. One (1) Daihannya Kifuda, made from wood & wrapped in paper. Placed on wall inside main entrance to home or business.*
- 2. Two (2) Daihannya Ofuda, made from paper. Placed above doorway inside rooms of choice, such as bedrooms, family rooms, kitchens, offices, and even bathrooms. Additional ofuda available for \$7 each.*
- 3. One (1) Car Omamori. Placed in cars for traffic safety. Additional omamori- \$10.*
- 4. One (1) Wallet Omamori. Placed in wallets and purses. Additional omamori- \$3.*

2023 Membership Dues and Nokotsudo Maintenance Fee

As we approach the the new year, we would like to ask for your support once again in turning in your membership. The membership dues and nokotsudo maintenance fee allows us to keep the temple maintained and protect the legacy we carry from our ancestors. Please help the temple by filling out the form included and returning it to the temple with the form and money. Also this is a friendly reminder that if you had not turned in your membership dues for this year (2022), please do so as soon as possible.

Announcements

2023 California Buddhist Study Tour

In commemorating Los Angeles Zenshuji on their centennial celebration, Bishop's Office will be forming a Buddhist Study Tour to the mainland from Friday, May 26, 2023 to Friday, June 2, 2023. For more detail, please see the attached flyer and contact Rev. Shuji for more details or to sign up for this exciting Buddhist Study Tour.

Upcoming Events

December 4	Kala Kokua Fundraiser Pickup (8AM to 12 Noon)
December 18	Year-End Temple Cleanup (8:30 AM)
December 31	Joya no Kane (11:30 PM)
January 8	Daihannya New Year Service (9:30 AM)

Office Hour Changes

December 25	Temple closed at noon for Christmas
December 31	Temple closed at 4 PM but reopen at 11 PM for Joya no Kane Service
January 1	Temple will be open at 7 AM and close at 2 PM.

Donations

Thank you for your their generous donations for the month of October.

Charities Aid Foundation America	Donation
Dan K. Uyemura Trust	Donation - In Memory of Dan K. Uyemura & Parents
Family of Iris Emiko Kida	Service - Blessing Service
Family of the Late Ethel Watanabe	Service - Funeral for Ethel Watanabe
Alvin Honbo	Donation
Arden & Mary Loomis	Service - October Kannonko
Bernice Koike	Service - October Kannonko
Cheryl Allen	Service - Inurnment for Yoshito Omuro
Dara Luangphinit	Donation
Doken Unkai	Donation
Donna Usagawa	Service - Funeral for Grace Hisae Shigekane
Drucilla Koide	Donation - In Memory of Helen S. Kamiya
Ellen Nishimura	Donation and Service - October Kannonko
Gary Morikawa	Service - Funeral for Isumu Morikawa
Guy & Michelle Watanabe	Donation
Hideko Watanabe	Donation
Hiroshi Shimada	Service - In Memory of Masanobu Shimada
Jean Maekawa	Service - October Kannonko
Jean Miyata	Service - 23rd Memorial for Susumu Sunada
Jocelyn Kaneshiro	Service - In memory of Yosiaki Ikeda
Katherine Higuchi	Donation and Service - Kannonko
Keiko Kawagishi	Service - October Kannonko
Linda Unten	Service - October Kannonko
Mae Matsumoto	Service - Funeral for Stanley Watanabe
Mona Sawai	Service - October Kannonko
Rajakumary Muthukumary	Donation
Sally Nozaki	Service - October Kannonko
Suzanne Kirio	Service - Funeral for Evelyn Y. Kirio
Thomas & Chiye Itagaki	Service - October Kannonko
Toshio Ozeki	Donation
Wayne & Ann Uradomo	Service - October Kannonko

2023 California Buddhist Study Tour

Friday, May 26, 2023 to Friday, June 2, 2023

The Hawaii Soto Mission Bishop's Office is currently putting together a Buddhist Study Tour that will travel to Los Angeles and the San Francisco area in May 2023. We invite you to join the tour for the opportunity to visit a variety of temples and Zen Centers, as well as enjoy a bit of sightseeing. Pricing is still being worked on, but we hope to keep the cost at around \$2000 per person. Registration for tour will open in November 2022. If you are interested in getting more information, please call or text Rev. Shuji Komagata directly at 808-224-2584, or email him at 7676shuji@gmail.com.

Tentative Destinations and Activities

Los Angeles:

Los Angeles Zenshuji Soto Mission's 100th Anniversary Celebration Service and Banquet, Zen Center of Los Angeles, Hsi Lai Buddhist Temple, Japanese American National Museum, Little Tokyo.

San Francisco Bay Area:

Sokoji Soto Mission, San Francisco Zen Center, Green Gulch Farm Zen Center, Golden Gate Park, Japanese Tea Garden, Golden Gate Bridge, Fisherman's Wharf, Japantown.ore destinations and activities to be added...



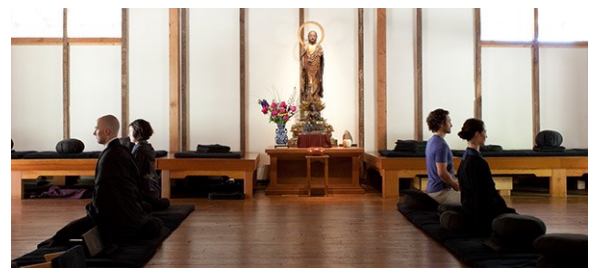
Hsi Lai Buddhist Temple



Sokoji Temple



San Francisco Zen Center



Green Gulch Farm Zen Center