

"RAMEN FEST"



**30th Annual Japanese Fall Food Festival
Sunday - October 20th - 11am – 3pm**

Spokane Buddhist Temple, 927 S. Perry Street, Spokane

FEATURING TRADITIONAL RECIPE

JAPANESE RAMEN - \$12

Pork - Chicken - Tofu

Assorted Side Dishes & Desserts (\$4-\$6)

Vegetarian Items Available

Also a Temple Open House

******Dine in or Take out ******

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activities and services. Visit us online at:
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www.Facebook.com/SpokaneBuddhistTemple

Calendar of Events

October 2019

- Oct 5th Sat 5:00 pm **All Sangha Game Night Potluck** (see below)
- Oct 6th Sun 10:30 am **Sarana Affirmation Service (Kieshiki)**
with Rev. Kodo Umezu, Bishop & Dharma School
Potluck after Service (See Page 6)
- Oct 13th Sun 9:00 am Shoshinge Chanting Practice
10:30 am Shotsuki Hoyo Service & Dharma School
12:00 pm All Sangha Meeting
- Oct 14th Mon 6:00 pm Board Meeting
- Oct 18th Fri 5:30 pm we give a dinner to Odyssey Youth Center (See Page 7)
- Oct 20th Sun 11 am - 3 pm **RAMEN FEST** Fall Food Fundraiser (see Page 1)
- Oct 23rd Wed 6 pm **Workshop with Rod Tamura**
*"The Incarceration of Japanese Americans and my Family's
Experiences In Spokane"* (See page 5)
- Oct 26th Sat 2 pm **Shin & A Show** showing the movie *Kwaidan* (see Page 5)
- Oct 27th Sun 10:30 am Sangha Service & Dharma School
12:00 pm **Introduction To Buddhism Class** (see Page 3)



ALL SANGHA GAME NIGHT POTLUCK

October 5th - 5:00 pm

Our monthly Sangha gatherings have been fun.
Come get to know your Sangha.

Parkwood Clubhouse, 2091 South Parkwood
Circle, South Hill, Spokane

All Ages Welcome! Bring your favorite game.

Head South on Thor/Ray from I-90, Turn right on 19th, turn immediately left
on Greene St, which turns in to Parkwood Dr, right on S Parkwood Circle. The
Clubhouse is on your left.

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Sangha Services— Our Sangha Service (Sangha is the Sanskrit word for Buddhist community) is a traditional Jodo Shinshu service with chanting led by a Doshi. Services are at 10:30 am on Sundays at the Temple. We meet after service for refreshments and sometimes a dharma discussion.

♦ **GET THIS NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL**

We no longer mail out the newsletter.

IT IS EMAILED IN COLOR. Email:

SpokaneBuddhistTemple@gmail.com

♦ **For the latest Temple Information**

VISIT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE:

www.facebook.com/SpokaneBuddhistTemple

♦ Visit the **Buddhist Churches of America** Website:

www.BuddhistChurchesofAmerica.org

There is a wealth of information, podcasts, and information about Shin Buddhism on this site.

Spokane Buddhist Temple Team

-Supervising Minister-
Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki
Seattle Betsuin



---Minister Assistants---
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Sensei Melissa Opel
MA Chad Donoho
MA Eric Kerkove

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Have questions? Contact Board
President Celeste Sterrett
at 509-599-8378
dcsterrett@yahoo.com

Introduction to Buddhism

**Sunday
October 27th
Noon - 1 pm**

Join Ministers Assistant Eric Kerkove for a brief introductory lecture, followed by an opportunity for discussion with questions and answers. The lecture follows the 10:30 am Service, so come to both.

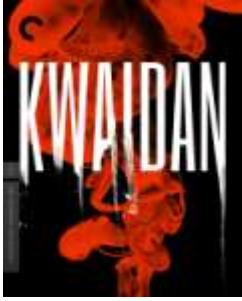
If you are new to the Temple or to Buddhism, this is a good beginning class. All Are Welcome!

DHARMA SCHOOL

will be available **Every Sunday!**

Thank you Aiko, Jacqui, Marji & welcome back Harumi!!! Thank you Nanami.





SHIN & A SHOW - *Kwaidan*

Join us for a Buddhist Movie in the Temple Basement

Saturday - Oct. 26th - 2 pm

- Not Rated (some frightening images)
- In Japanese with English subtitles
- 1964 anthology of traditional Japanese scary stories

Kwaidan (怪談, literally "ghost stories") is a Japanese anthology horror film directed by Masaki Kobayashi. It is based on stories from Lafcadio Hearn's collections of Japanese folk tales, mainly *Kwaidan: Stories and Studies of Strange Things*, for which it is named. The film consists of four separate and unrelated stories. It won the Special Jury Prize at the 1965 Cannes Film Festival, and received an Academy Award nomination for Best Foreign Language Film. Presented by MA Eric Kerkove.

The Religious Education Committee Presents:
A Wednesday Workshop with Rod Tamura
*"The Incarceration of Japanese Americans
and my Family's Experiences In Spokane"*
October 23rd - 6 pm - Dessert & Tea Provided

Most of us at the Spokane Buddhist Temple know very little about the history of the people who founded this Temple. Come hear the Tamura family's history.

Rod Tamura is a third-generation Japanese-American, born and raised in Spokane. He has been an educator for 36 years, 14 years at the Elementary level, 16 years at the Middle school level, and the last 6 years at the high school level teaching Algebra 1 and Geometry. He has been a wrestling coach for 33 years at the middle and high school level. He is in his 7th year as the head wrestling coach at Rogers high school.


Rod's grandparents, Yoichi and Haruyo Oba were charter members of the Spokane Buddhist Temple. Rod's mom, Janet Tamura, has been a member of the Temple since the Oba family moved to Spokane about a year after they were released from the Minidoka Incarceration Camp near Twin Falls, Idaho. His dad, Jim, joined the temple in the 1990's and was actively involved in the Fall and Spring Bazaars until he passed away after the 2004 Fall bazaar.

Rod has been speaking at local middle and high schools for over 20 years, as well as speaking, for the past eight years, at the Mukogawa Institute, where girls from Japan spend time experiencing life in America and learning to speak English. He is currently on the Board of the Spokane Japanese American Citizens League.



Rod Tamura with his Mother, Janet Tamura

Support our friends at Highland Park
Methodist Church:



A BIT OF THE ORIENT	5\$/ entree: Chicken curry Pansit/lumpia Tempura veggies Yakisoba Beef bowl Kalua pork Teriyaki chicken wings Inarizushi/ California roll Baked goods Senbei Handmade crafts Debit and credit cards accepted
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM	
October 12, 2019	
Highland Park UMC	
611 S Garfield Spokane, WA (509) 535-2687	

JAPANESE LANGUAGE LESSONS FOR ABSOLUTE BEGINNERS!

Fridays 5pm-6pm

12 sessions 10/4 - 12/27 (excludes 11/29)
\$200 (including materials)

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TO SIGN UP: e-mail harunora0317@hotmail.co.jp
or text 509-599-3678

Instructor: Harumi Norasakkunkit
Native Japanese, Teaching Japanese at Whitworth



2019 Sarana Affirmation Service (Kie Shiki) Sunday - Oct. 6th - 10:30 am With Reverend Kodo Umezu, Bishop

Socho Umezu, the Bishop of the Buddhist Churches of America will officiate at the affirmation ceremony for those who applied in September.



The special service is an opportunity for Jodo Shinshu Buddhists, who aspire to lead the Buddhist way of life, to affirm their entry onto the Path of Nembutsu. By appearing before the shrine of Amida Buddha and taking refuge in the Three Treasures (Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha), we pledge to live the Buddhist way of life.

Buddhist name is given to each participant as an indication that the person aspires for the Truth and is now counted among the disciples of Sakyamuni Buddha. It is through the teaching of Sakyamuni Buddha that we have been able to hear the Dharma of Amida Buddha's primal vow.

*****SERVICE FOLLOWED BY A POTLUCK LUNCH*****

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Other Groups Renting Space at the Spokane Buddhist Temple

Passage Meditation Group - Tuesdays

More information: call Mary Naber: 509-570-6876. Also, "Learn to Meditate" on the web: <http://www.easwaran.org/introductory-passage-meditation-course-introduction.html>

Keiko Von Holt & Sumi-E - Thursdays

Keiko teaches the Japanese watercolor art of Sumi-E at our temple. Please contact her if you are interested in her classes. Email: keikossumie@aol.com.

Japanese Language Class For Absolute Beginners - Fridays: 12-week class beginning Oct. 4th at 6 pm (see Page 6). harunora0317@hotmail.co.jp or text 509-599-3678

**We have "adopted" the Odyssey Youth Center
once a month, by providing a nutritious and fun dinner to the teens & young adults at the
Odyssey Youth Center (in our neighborhood)
This month it is on Friday - Oct. 18th**

Meet by 5:30 PM (NEW TIME) at the Temple with a main dish, dessert, salad, etc. in a disposable container. Make a card showing the main ingredients (allergens, meat, dairy, etc.) We will walk the food up to the center. *We really appreciate the cooks, but monetary donations are accepted as well, towards food purchases.*

Odyssey Youth Center is a youth-led, adult-supported organization committed to creating, sustaining, and advocating for safe and affirming programs, policies, and services for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning (LGBTQ) youth community.

Contact Kathy to participate: naturalke@gmail.com

Any special or requested food items will be announced the Sunday before the delivery date.

