



Rinzai Zen Mission Newsletter

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マウイに春来たる

久し振りに雨の多い年になりました。やはりマウイの冬から春にかけて緑に包まれるのは有り難いものです。お寺の芝もよく伸び(草は芝より一段早く)毎週二度も芝刈り機が走り回っています。屋根が新しくなりましたので、どんな大雨にも心配する事がなくなりました。緑の季節の恒例行事は花祭りです。今年は4月6日に満徳寺に集まることになっています。今年も日本から何人もの先生方がお越し下さるはずで。毎年の行事がいつまでも続けられることは皆様がたのおかげさまと感謝いたしております。本当に有り難いことです。

Spring has come to Maui!

The island of Maui was blessed this year with lots of rainfall so we can welcome the spring months with lush green hills and valleys.

The lawnmower is running hard on temple grounds twice a week.

Because of the new roof, we do not have to worry about the heavy rain that happened a few times this season.

Hanamatsuri is coming soon. We will celebrate Shakyamuni's birthday on April 6 (Sunday) at Mantokuji Mission this year. We are expected to have an official from Myoshinji and our old friends from Miyagi as well. It is so fortunate that we are able to keep having traditional activities with many people's participation. We are looking forward to seeing you there.



Schedule

March

Feb.28 ~ Mar.3
9(Sun) Sesshin (Zen retreat)
Cleaning Day
16(Sun), 10:00am: Spring Ohigan Service
23(Sun) Mantokuji Bazaar

April

5(Sat) Dinner for Japanese ministers /
cooking for Hanamatsuri
6(Sun), 10:00am: Hanamatsuri at Paia Mantokuji
Mission
13(Sun) Cleaning Day

Do you have internet access?

We are mailing this newsletter via the U.S. Postal Service to many places in the country and overseas. The newsletter is our way of communicating and keeping in touch with family and friends.



If you have email, would you please let us know so we can send this newsletter via email? Send your email address to info@rinzai-maui.org. You may also find our

website at rinzai-maui.org, which has the newsletters, photos, and lots more information.

If you don't have internet access, we will keep sending you the paper newsletter.

Rev. Yamaguchi will Translate

Rev. Yamaguchi will help you with the translation of historical papers. You may have old Japanese documents or a family tree sitting in the drawers of your Butsudan or of your parents' old dresser. Rev. Yamaguchi is still able to read old Japanese and translate to English. It is good to know the family history with your parents' papers, before Rev. Yamaguchi becomes too old. Just call him and ask what he can do for you.