



Rinzai Zen Mission Newsletter

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

I would like to wish you a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year for the year 2017. Looking back over the years (29 years!) I can consider myself fortunate, living on the island of Maui. No big disasters occurred and the island is still a beautiful place, welcoming people from all over into its folds. We cannot control the events that take place in our family lives. The ebb and flow of the natural world is always looking at us square in the face no matter how technologically advanced we are. So let us enter into the New Year with strength and equanimity to handle what may come our way.

Don't forget that in 2017 we will be celebrating 90 years of the Myoshinji School of Rinzai Zen in Hawaii as we move on and embrace the future.

新年明けましておめでとうございます。
みなさまにとってご健康でお幸せな歳となります
よう祈念奉ります。
今年岡本開教師マウイ到着90周年を迎えます。
4月の花祭りと合わせて行事を計画いたしております。
みなさまがお元気でご参加していただけますことを願っています。

~Rev. Ryoza Yamaguchi

Temple Schedule

Dec. 31, 2016, starting around 11:30 p.m.
Joya no Kane at the Rinzai Zen Mission

January

- 8(Sun): Cleaning Day
- 8(Sun): 1:00 p.m. - First Tea of the year by Urasenke Maui
- 15(Sun): 10:00 a.m. - Rinzai-ki Service and New Year's party.

February

- 12(Sun): Cleaning Day
- 19(Sun): 10:00 a.m. - Nehan-e Service
Shakyamuni Buddha's memorial service

March

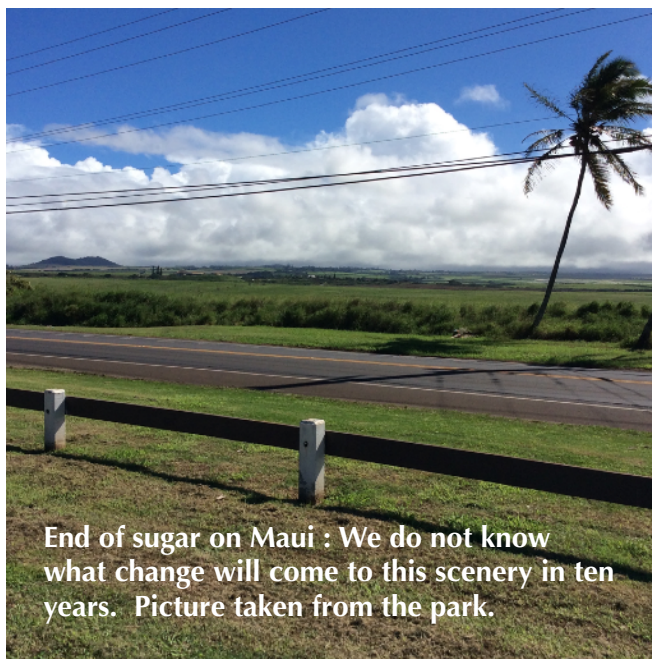
- 3(Fri) - 6(Mon): Sesshin, Zen retreat
- 12(Sun): Cleaning Day
- 19(Sun): 10:00 a.m. - Spring Ohigan Service

Important events for the year 2017

- April 2 (Sun):** 10:00 a.m. - 90 years of Rinzai Zen in Hawaii and Hanamatsuri Celebration
- August 19 (Sat):** OBON

Schedule for Memorial Service 2017

Term period	Year	Term period	Year
1 year	2016	17 years	2001
3 years	2015	25 years	1993
7 years	2011	33 years	1985
13 years	2005		



End of sugar on Maui : We do not know what change will come to this scenery in ten years. Picture taken from the park.



Very wet and green winter

Without inner peace, outer peace is impossible. We all wish for world peace, but world peace will never be achieved unless we first establish peace within our own minds. We can send so-called "peacekeeping forces" into areas of conflict, but peace cannot be imposed from the outside with guns. Only by creating peace within our own mind and helping others to do the same can we hope to achieve peace in this world.

~ Kelsang Gyatso

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