



Rinzai Zen Mission Newsletter

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New Officers & Directors

Congratulations to our newly elected officers/directors of the Rinzai Zen Mission. The officers are: Alan Nago, President; Stanley Tamayose, 1st Vice President; Val Dieguez, 2nd Vice President; Ken Findeisen, 3rd Vice President; George Tengan, Treasurer; Elaine Fujita, Secretary. The directors are: Traci Fujita, Janet Miyahira, Rachel Shiroma. With Reverend Yamaguchi's guidance and the support of many during the past years, we are in good financial health.



Thank you to Janet Miyahira, who has served as our Treasurer for the past few decades and is now relinquishing her post to wear the hat of "Grandmother." She will remain active at RZM though as a Director. Congratulations to Janet on the arrival of her new granddaughter, Hayden. Best wishes to Janet and her family.

In Gassho,
Alan Nago, President

Hanamatsuri is here!

The birth of Shakyamuni Buddha was the very first step toward the beginnings of Buddhism. It has been over 2,500 years since the Honored One, from whom so many people in the world have received teachings, was born.

This year we celebrate our annual Paia Hanamatsuri at Mantokuji Soto Zen Mission on Sunday, April 1, at 10:00 a.m. Come and enjoy the company of their past minister Rev. Kenji Oyama, and his wife Naoko. They will be visiting from Yamagata, Japan, where they currently reside.

Let's celebrate and enjoy our annual get-together lunch and games.



It's been a wet and cold winter, and the lawn is nice and green.

Re-roofing the kitchen and other maintenance



Over 22 years have passed since the rebuilding of the present kitchen.

We renovated the inside a couple years ago for more space and easy accessibility. The kitchen has been well utilized during Obon and other occasions. However, due to the proximity of the ocean salt air, strong winds, and general wear and tear over time, the asphalt shingles are deteriorating and breaking off. We are planning to cover the old roof with a new one sometime this year.

Also there are many minor troubles in our buildings as with anyone's house. We are always trying to keep up our facilities in the best of conditions. This is made possible with your continued support, along with our Head Temple Myoshinji's annual contributions, and Toenji's generous donations.



This is why the dog is happier

Temple Schedule

- April 01(Sun) 10:00 a.m. Hanamatsuri at Mantokuji Soto Zen Mission
- 08(Sun) Cleaning Day
- May 13(Sun) Happy Mother's Day!
*** No Cleaning Day ***
- 20(Sun) 10:00a.m. Service
- June 10(Sun) Cleaning Day
- 17(Sun) 10:00 a.m. Service -
Obon meeting and Father's Day Luncheon