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11th BWA State Membership Conference
May 15-16, 2010
Sheraton Waikiki Hotel

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We have SURPRISE guests attending our opening service on Saturday! We are honored to have the Go-monshu Ohtani's son, Shimmon-sama and his wife Ruzumi-sama joining us. They will be in Hawaii for the World Jodo Shinshu Coordinating Council Meeting just prior to our conference.

Bishop Koshin Ogui (Buddhist Churches of America) and his wife, Mayumi may also attend the Saturday morning service.

Bus Transportation: for neighbor islanders is being coordinated by Jikoen's Reverend Shindo Nishiyama.. If you have any questions, please e-mail him: jikoen@hawaii.rr.com
Bus pick-up time at Honolulu International Airport: **7:30 a.m.** for all units except Kahului, Lanai and Wailuku. **Kahului pick-up: 8:20 a.m.** Special arrangements for Lanai will be made by Rev. Nishiyama.

Your overnight bags and Hotel check-in: More information forthcoming.

General Membership Meeting: Federation President Donna Higashi has prepared a meaningful agenda and updates for all of us. It's been 5 years since we've all gathered together!

Saturday, after lunch speaker: We are most grateful that Reverend Yoshiaki Fujitani will share his thoughts on "BWA, Pillar of the Hongwanji". We will have an informal discussion after his talk.

Workshops: We are trying our best to accommodate first choices, but the numbers and the breakout room sizes are challenging us. We hope that you will be flexible and accept what is assigned to you. Onenju workshop will require a \$2 fee. We will be announcing more workshop details in our next bulletin.

Banquet Fashion Show: Carol Yamamoto is coordinating a wonderful fashion show! Thank you to those of you who have graciously volunteered to model their own outfits or designer Jan Tsujimura's. This event could not be done without your chutzpah! Any questions, contact Carol Yamamoto - cyamamoto@hawaii.rr.com

Sunday Panel: Thank you to Rev. Jay Okamoto, Waipahu Hongwanji; Rev. Kenn Koizumi, Honomu Hongwanji, Cheryl Sora, Hawaii Betsuin BWA and Joy Nishida, Kailua BWA who will make up our panel and focus their discussion on: "Through the eyes of the young: Future of the BWA"

Dates to remember:

- 1) Wednesday, April 14th-hotel reservation deadline. Reservations received after this date are subject to room availability. Local number to call: 921-4611 or toll free: 1-800-792-9488. Specify the group name "11th BWA State Membership Conference"

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me: Lois Ohta, Moiliili Hongwanji BWA at OHTAL002@hawaii.rr.com or (808) 942-1438 (r). In gassho, Lois Remember: Sing!! 🎵 🎶