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originates and continues forever*

ON THE 20th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

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Jikishoan's 20th Anniversary with the celebration of the Mountain Seat Ceremony, the formal Installation of Ekai Osho as our Abbot, is approaching fast.



Photo: Katherine Yeo

Ven Thich Phuoc Tan with Ekai Osho at Tokozan

Preparations for the Anniversary, to be held in Heidelberg West over three days, 10th to 12th May 2019, are intensifying. We are planning to have stalls, as well as a larger than usual Foundation-Day Silent Auction. For those who are able to submit a plan to participate, please let your co-ordinator know. For details of the Anniversary Celebration program, please refer to the separate insert in this Myoju.

The most recent fundraising effort was associated with this project and raised \$15,090. After the 20th Anniversary, all future funds raised and initiated by the Building Sub-Committee will, once again, be for Jikishoan's Building Fund, currently holding \$290,730.

Generous donations received from Toshoji, Japan, have been ¥400,000. We really appreciate this support from Seido Suzuki Roshi, Abbot of Toshoji. And we are very grateful for the tremendous effort and support of Venerable Thich Phuoc Tan from Quang Minh Buddhist Temple, Braybrook, Melbourne.

For the 20th Anniversary celebrations we are expecting three groups of overseas visitors:

- 10 guests from Sotoshu Headquarters from Japan, the United States/Hawaii, Europe and South America. Kenshi Kimikobe Roshi, the Head of Education of Sotoshu Shumicho (Headquarters) in Japan, will be part of this group.
- 15 monks from Toshoji, led by Seido Suzuki Roshi and with his Japanese and Australian monastics who are currently at Toshoji, and others. Hoitsu Suzuki Roshi, the son of Shunryu Suzuki Roshi (Zen Mind, Beginners Mind) will also be part of this group.
- 8 monks from Zuioji, Japan, where Tsugen Narasaki Roshi (the brother of the late Daigen Ikko Narasaki Roshi – Ekai Osho's teacher) resides as the Abbot.

Tokozan, our home temple, is at the finishing stage. Ekai Osho invites the community to visit and to participate.

Gassho

Christine Maingard

on behalf of Ekai Osho and the Building Sub-Committee

20th March 2019