

SD BWA 2023 Quarter 4 Chapter Report

Please use this to submit information on the projects and events planned by your chapter. Please submit by Dec. 6, 2023. Your responses will be posted on the SDBWA website: <https://southerndistrictbwa.weebly.com>

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Events and projects since October 2023. *

The Pasadena Japanese Cultural Institute reinstated their annual Fall Bazaar on Oct. 1st after Covid restrictions were eased. The PBWA helped our Temple prepare and sell Curry & rice at one of the food booths.

We were involved in many aspects of the planning, organizing and implementing various stages of the SDB Conference.

Otoki was served after our Eitaikyo service in November. Chicken curry with gohan was offered to our congregation. After a long period of isolation due to Covid, it was a welcome sight to see everyone enjoying their meal and chatting with each other and enjoying the camaraderie. It sounds as though we make curry often, but in truth we usually offer it maybe once a year.

Our Temple held a Bingo Night fundraiser in November. Our BWA volunteered to help with refreshments and distribute the delicious bentos that were offered.

Upcoming projects/events/activities in this next quarter. *

Oseibo means that the BWA will make their popular udon with chashu. We are fortunate to have one of our ladies who has a long standing job of making our dashi for the udon, which is enjoyed by all.

After our Joyae service, soba will be served with the help of our Okusan, Kyoko Gibbs and some of our BWA members.

Installation of our Board and a New Year's luncheon is in the planning for January. We are looking into a site for our luncheon. The goal for our New Year's luncheon is to have our members have a enjoyable meal in a relaxing atmosphere surrounded by friends and family.

Fundraisers you would like to announce:

Our Annual Silent Auction is in the planning stages. We hope to announce the date and theme soon.

Do you have ideas or strategies you have used or plan to use to attract new BWA members? *

We have discussed Bishop Harada's suggestion that we should have fun activities included in our BWA planning and execution. We have asked for suggestions and are looking into visiting the Huntington Library to see the new exhibit of the 320 year old Shoya House.

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