

## WORLD TRIBUNE MAILBOX

### **Future Hope**

Great article by youth division member Brandon Nicholson (Sept. 12 *World Tribune*) about his experience attending the youth conference at the Florida Nature and Culture Center. Only 14 years old, but a Buddhist experience that makes me envious!

Thanks for the youth pages and experiences. They really help me have hope for the future. Excellent!

— S. TAYLOR, Bend, Ore.

### **Shrub Solution**

This is in response to Shera Haynes's inquiry ("Mailbox," Oct. 24) on shrubs for the altar. I have been doing partial sun and shade gardening in the Annapolis, Md., area (Zone 7) for some 18 years now and have a good collection of the popular shrubs: mountain laurel, hollies, azaleas and rhododendrons, etc. After trying them all for altar greens since beginning my practice 10 years ago, I have settled on Japanese Andromeda (*Pieris japonica*), as it has all the qualities required. It comes in dwarf, compact and tall (faster) growing varieties as well. And it is hardy to Zone 5; I recommend it.

— ED ROTHE, Gambrills, Md.

### **Nothing's Impossible**

I am writing to thank Tom Fisher for his incredible experience (Oct. 10 *World Tribune*). It is the kind of real-life story that makes me really understand that when SGI President Ikeda says, "Nothing is impossible when one sincerely chants to the Gohonzon," he means just that — that you can fulfill any and all of your desires from a great life for yourself to world peace. Based on Mr. Fisher's experience, I determine to create a great life of happiness for myself, my family and my new district.

— DAN MARTIN, New York

### **Virtual Museum?**

In the interview with David Krieger (Oct. 17 *World Tribune*), he [proposes that the SGI create a nuclear weapons museum].

Thanks to the SGI, I had the opportunity to go to the museum in Hiroshima twice.... Ever since, I have wished there were some way for everyone to go there. (Especially all government leaders.) It must be dreadfully painful for the people of Hiroshima to live with that reminder, but they preserve the memories in hopes of preventing others from having to experience what they did....

Since Mr. Krieger has suggested this project for the SGI, how about starting with a website — a virtual museum? It would not have the impact of an actual museum, but it would reach out to people all over the world. And it would require a lot less resources than a real museum to get going.

If someone could coordinate it, maybe members from all over could participate in creating it. There could be some kind of outreach program to schools so students could discuss topics on the site with other students all over the world.

— HEATHER CARVER, Portland, Ore.

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