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- ***11/5 Mon, 7:30 PM***
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  Guest Speaker:
  Rev. Ron Miyamura,
  Midwest Buddhist Temple
  12:00 PM
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- ***11/14 Wed, 7:30 PM***
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  OFFICE CLOSED
- ***11/25 Sun, 10:00 AM***
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  Guest speaker **Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki**

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The Teachings, the Temple and All of You

I've always told folks that I "grew up" at the Temple. But, only in preparing my thoughts for this talk, did I realize how intertwined the last forty years of my life were with this place. I've come to appreciate that I didn't just grow up **at** the Temple, but **with** the Temple.

I was part of the generation that attended service in what is now the YBA hall, where Reverend Sasaki, who as a three year- old I actually believed was the Buddha himself, made his dramatic entrance with loud organ music and pulling back of that velvet curtain,

My Friday night memories growing up were ***Family Fun Nights*** making Japanese umbrellas from cigarette papers, or sitting on the floor of the YBA hall watching Japanese language movies projected on a big white sheet.

Traci Inouye,
a second-generation MVBT member,

delivered this heartfelt address as part of the 50th Anniversary Celebration

As kids, we spent endless weekends climbing up and down what we called the "mountain"—an enormous pile of dirt where we took pictures earlier today… and running a pretend laundromat on the wooden bridge.

I developed lifelong friendships with my Dharma School classmates as we made kamaboko obutsudans, V.T. SCLEMM octopuses, and practiced meditation, chanting and Kansho ringing together.

I learned to play basketball on these floors, nervously had my first slow dances at YBA dances held in this gym. I had my first leadership experiences through YBA and the very first time I spoke in public (which I still hate to do) was at the Temple, probably in front of many of you.

Our Memorable 50th Anniversary—President's Message

By Bob Imai

The Mountain View Buddhist Temple's 50th Anniversary was held on September 29th, 2012.

I hope you were able to attend this historic event. The day started with an Anniversary Group Photo. This was followed by the 50th Anniversary Service.

To start the service we had an **Ochigo Procession** made up by many of your Dharma School children and entry of minister into the Hondo. This was a very impressive sight.

Next followed the offerings of candles, flowers, fruit, and rice from our Temple groups and affiliated organizations. Sutra chanting was next, followed by Oshoko by representatives: **BCA president**, **Palo Alto Buddhist Temple**, the **Coast District Buddhist Temples**, and **Mountain View Buddhist Temple organizations**.

Reverend Koyama introduced our special guest speaker, **Bishop Kodo Umezu**, Bishop. Reverend Umezu gave a very engaging Dharma message. After the service friends, family, special guests and the members of the Mountain

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 10:00am Sunday 7am - Boy Scouts 8:30am - O-asaji 11am - Dharma 12pm - Taiko 2:30pm - TCYG @	29 6:30pm - Girl Scouts 7pm - Kendo @ gym	30 6pm - Taiko 6:30pm - Cub Scouts 7pm - Shodo Kai @	31 7pm - Boy Scouts 7pm - Temple choir	1 9am - Senior activity 6:30pm - Taiko 7:30pm - MVBT	2 4:30pm - Calligraph 5pm - ABA @	3
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Religious Planning—November

ALL SERVICES WILL BE HELD IN THE NEWLY UPDATED HONDO

November 4th, Sunday 10:00 AM —Shotsuki Hoyo

November 11th, Sunday, 10:00 AM Eitaikyo Perpetual Memorial Service

Guest Speaker: **Rev. Ron Miyamura,** Midwest Buddhist Temple & Keiro Kai Luncheon

November 18th Sunday 10:00 AM

November 20-23rd, Tuesday-Friday

OFFICE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING HOLLIDAYS

November 25th, Sunday 10:00AM Eshinni-ko/ Kakushinni-ko Memorial Service

Guest Speaker: **Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki**

What Do These Icons Mean?

In an effort to consolidate information within the Echo as well provide more information on services, the following icons indicate various activities for Sunday Services:

Shotsuki Hoyo Service

O-asaji (Morning Chanting)—8:30 AM

Adult Discussion—11:00 AM

Dharma School—11:00 AM

YBA Begins Planning for CDYBL Conference

This month the YBA helped out with the 50th Anniversary Service and Banquet by participating in the service, helping with the children's activity, and serving beverages.

At the YBA meeting on October 7th, we discussed upcoming events, such as our Halloween Activity and the Fresno Conference. Additionally we talked about future fundraisers, such as a pancake breakfast and restaurant donations.

The YBA will be attending Coast District meetings to help plan for our CDYBL Conference on March 16th.

In gassho,

Jennifer Adachi
YBA President 2012-2013

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EVERY SINGLE KID

in this

Dharma School Pre-school class

could also

MEAN

seeing things

When I went away to UCLA, one of my happiest memories was caravanning with 10 – 12 cars back to Mountain View to attend our Obon festival each year.

This Temple is where Mike and I started dating, helping with Rev. Shinseki's Dharma Education Center. This is where we discussed our wedding ceremony with Rev. Koyama. This is where I held my babies as they participated in the Hatsumairi service.

We're actually at a unique moment. I was looking through old photos and found a picture of my preschool Dharma School class.

There are two wonderful things about this picture. First, it really demonstrates Mrs. Bunya's true dedication as a Dharma School teacher. The other remarkable thing is that almost every single kid in this Dharma school preschool class from 35 years ago, has a child in the preschool class **right now**.

And it's kind of shocking that when I think about the people I want my children to be, my vision is so tied to the Jodo Shinshu teachings:

I want them to **approach life with a sense of empathy and compassion**.

A sense of social responsibility to help others. **To give voice to the voiceless**, and to stand up for others who cannot stand up for themselves.

Many of you—both old and young—can probably also trace your lives to different memories here at the Temple. I just wanted to share a bit about my sense of connection to the last 50 years and to convey how very honored and grateful I am to be given the opportunity to speak as we celebrate this milestone together.

Why am I here?

Sensei asked me to share my perspectives on this question: What brought me back to raise my kids in the Temple I grew up in? What have I learned through growing up here that I want to pass onto my children…and the next generation?

So I asked them the question that Rev. Koyama asked me: What motivates you to bring your children each week? And their answers were very similar to what I was feeling, and centered on two main ideas.

#1: The Teachings

At its core, folks felt connected to a shared set of values that they wanted to pass onto their children.

Even after attending Dharma School for so many years, the teachings were never as clear to me until after I became a parent… actually responsible for these little beings and setting them on the right path.

I want them to **dream big but avoid a sense of entitlement**. I want them to understand that their success is the result of their own efforts, yes, but also the countless causes and conditions and generations of sacrifice that came before them.

I want them to experience the joy that comes with seeing the interrelated nature of life…of feeling connected to a global world, but also connected to the cow whose milk made their ice cream.

And I want them to understand—really understand—that everything is always changing...so that they appreciate every moment and

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somehow equipped to help navigate through the inevitable disappointment that is coming their way.

So bringing them here, exposing them to the Jodo Shinshu teachings, is my way of giving them all of this. It's why, whenever we read the Golden Chain, I always kneel down to Kendall and read the words right in her ear. I remember the profound impact that those lines had on me as a little girl growing up…and even through graduate school and as an adult.

But it has to be more than the teachings, right? Otherwise we'd just read the Golden Chain over and over to our kids. There's something intangible about why we come to Temple…and not just any temple. But **this temple**, **our temple.**

#2 The Temple

This is the second theme that came up in my discussions with the kids in that Dharma school class from 35 years ago…and also in conversations with many of you though the years. We have a special community here.

As Mike shared when he introduced me, my job is helping foundations figure out how to best support and invest in vulnerable communities. This question of community is one that I think about a lot in my professional life. What makes a community strong? How to do strong communities benefit the lives of people—especially children—who are a part of it?

Several years ago, an organization working with immigrant and ethnic communities was promoting the idea of the importance of physical space. A safe place where elders, families, youth, children could connect and interact together on a spiritual and cultural level…and where individuals gain a sense of replenishment through connection a larger whole. They called it a "**center of gravity**."

One of the communities was the Lao Iu Mien community in East Oakland. Many of you have probably not heard of "Iu Mien", but their story might sound familiar.

Lu Mien is actually a small community of refugees who settled in the U.S. in the last 30 years…really wonderful, kind people with a strong connection to cultural traditions of their homeland. At that time, they also had this strong sense of urgency to create a legacy for their children, a "center of gravity" where families could come together and where their community's youth—many of whom were straying into trouble and gangs—could see themselves as whole beings. About the time that I met them, they had purchased a plot of land in the middle of what was kind of a rough neighborhood. Like us, they were organized by "zones" and were just finishing Phase I of their capital campaign to build a Temple on their land.

I remember being invited to their groundbreaking ceremony; being served a wonderful lunch that the women of the community had made together; leaders proudly showing me blueprints for their Temple and then excitedly sharing more blueprints for a social hall that they planned to build next. They shared that years down the road, they had a vision for building a classrooms at the back of their property…

In that moment, looking at their faces, I recalled this image that Mike shared with me once from over 50 years ago: of his grandfather and others standing in a completely empty field here in Mountain View around a small obustudan. Absolutely nothing around them, but the very same vision for all of this. All of this...the buildings. And all of this…us here within this Sangha Hall. And all the same dreams and hopes for their children.

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I know that many here, you lived this dream, were a part of this dream. But for me—the beneficiary—it was so moving to experience it vicariously through the leaders of the Iu Mien community. And the profound sense of gratitude for the realization of our Temple founders dreams is truly overwhelming to me.

Because Mountain View Buddhist Temple has always been my center of gravity, my place of replenishment. Where I've felt completely safe and free to be my true self. And you all—folks that I know well and folks that I just know by face—are my community. Not just the people in this room, but those that are no longer with us: Mrs. Kariya, Mr. and Mrs. Shimoguchi, Mr. Furusho, Mr. Furuichi, Mr. Ikeuye, Mr. Abey, Auntie Ruth Kamei…all are a part of my community.

In Closing…

So the teachings. The Temple. And all of you. This is the gift that I want to give Mason and Kendall. What we all want to give to our children. What I know many of those who came before us sacrificed for me, for our children. And for generations going forward.

And these guys in the today's photo? I also asked many of the munchkins, "What do you like about the Temple?"

Their answers: "Cookies," "Running in the gym," "Obon Games," "The big face" (in the middle of the parking circle), "playing in the dirt."

Their answers are a lesson in itself, right? We can have all these profound hopes and dreams for them, but this is where they are in their journey: Cookies.

There's something really comforting in that...and in imagining all that lays ahead of them in the years to come as they "grow up" in this special place.

SAVE THE DATE

Keiro Kai Luncheon

Sunday November 11, 2012, 12:00 Noon

Come to celebrate and honor our Seniors

Reservations will be mailed to all Temple Members . RSVP by October 26

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View Buddhist Temple had the opportunity to have a self-guided tour of the facilities (remodeled YBA Hall and newly constructed Nokotsudo) and many displays.

The Banquet was spectacular with the many congratulatory messages, the wonderful bento and fruit, and entertainment. For me the highlight of the afternoon was the two keynote speakers, **Traci Inouye** and **Bruce Morimoto**. The speeches were from their hearts, emotional and uplifting.

In closing I'd like to thank the **50th Anniversary Committee, sub-committees**, and the **many volunteers** who worked so hard to put on this very special event.

ARIGATO.

Best regards,
Bob Imai
MVBT President

Mochi-Tsuki—Sunday December 9th!

Mochi-Tsuki time is here again and we look forward to seeing you all at this annual get together. Come and have fun helping and participating in the activities that make this cultural event and fundraiser a success.

Tickets have been distributed to each zone and **a final count is due on Monday, December 5, 2011**. Tickets are also available at the MVBT office or through your zone chairperson.

Mochi Prices

Komochi
$ 4.00
(1-pound pkg)

Okasane
$ 8.00
(Kagami)
(1-pound pkg)

Noshimochi
$16.00
(4-pound pkg)

Work schedule is as follows:

SAT, Dec 7	**8:00 am**	Pre-preparation, test equipment, and hang plastic
FRI, Dec 7	**8:00 am**	Wash barrels & rinse rice
SAT, Dec 8	**8:00 am**	Final setup, clean area, move equipment
SUN, Dec 9	**Mochi-Tsuki Day**	
	5:00 am	Start steamers
	5:30 am	Start cooking rice
	6:00 am	Start pounding
	6:30 am	Start shaping mochi
	12:00-4:00 pm	Mochi Pickup

See you all on Sunday, December 9th. **If you have any questions, please contact Ron Murata at (408) 329-2477 or email remurata.sv@gmail.com.**

Thank You from the 50th Anniversary Committee

Our Hearfelt Gratitude to **Reverend Dean Koyama** and **all the dedicated chairpersons** that have given their unselfish time and energy making this 50th Anniversary celebration a unforgettable success.

With the planning, over six years of hard work has made this event all worthwhile.

With the support and the attendance of our Sangha, celebrating this historic celebration has been very heartwarming to the entire committee. It was ultimately the intention of reaching out to all our members and have everyone get involved that we held the festive event in the Sangha Hall.

Thank you to everyone for making it a memorable event.

Amy Imai and
Aiko Sugimoto-Miyamoto

Wrap-Up Meeting for the 50th Anniversary

Monday
November 12, 2012
7:00 PM, YBA Hall

November

Monthly

Memorial

Service

Sunday
Nov 4th

10:00 am

Shotsuki Hoyo (Monthly Memorial Service)

The Shotsuki (Monthly Memorial) Services are conducted and sponsored by the temple in memory of the past members who have passed away during a given month. It is not meant to be a substitute for families to observe their Family Memorial Service for their loved ones. The Shotsuki loved ones are:

Tsutomu Akizuki	**Hideo Kato**	**Nobuo Oda**
Tomoye Aoki-Johnson	**Shigeaki Kihara**	**Walter Okino**
Frank Furuichi	**Eugene Kono**	**Roy Ozawa**
Sunao Furusho	**Kinuyo Kunimoto**	**Tom Ozawa**
Hana Furuto	**Shigeko Masaki**	**Ichiro Sakae**
Eddie Higuchi	**Gregory Matsumoto**	**Kosue Sakae**
George Hirota	**Rose Morimoto**	**Akira Sasaki**
Fred Hoshi	**Haruko Nakamura**	**Seikichi Shimoguchi**
Akira Hoshiko	**Yutaka Nakano**	**Sei Tachibana**
Tom Ichikawa	**Ayako Nakashima**	**Alice Takagi**
Frank Ikebe	**Teiichi Naritomi**	**Mildred Takegami**
Irene Kakigi	**Yoshio Nishimoto**	**Kay Tanouye**

If a name has been inadvertently left off or you would like to add a family member to the Mountain View Buddhist Temple list of Shotsuki names, please contact Rev. Koyama.

E-mail **dkoyama@comcast.net**

Phone (temple office) **(650) 964-9426**

The Mountain View Buddhist Temple would like to express its heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of:

Nancy Irene Smith ***September 27, 2012***

Shozo Mayeda ***October 7, 2012***

May you find comfort in the embrace
of Infinite Light and Life,
the wisdom and compassion of Amida Buddha.

Namo Amida Butsu

Save the Date—Casino Day Coming November 15th

NOV 15—CASINO DAY
12:30PM-2:00PM

Hosted by **Dennis Tsukagawa**. Save that date. A fun day learning the games such as Black Jack, Pai Gow, Craps, Texas Hold-em, etc. with lunch and many prizes to win. Please join us. Starting with lunch at 11:30AM. Many prizes will be a challenge to win. Dennis or any members are willing to be very helpful if you are not familiar with the game. **This will be our last day before the Holidays.**

We will resume on January 10, 2013, and are planning for next years activities, so if there are any request for places you would like to visit, please let any of our committee member know.

Our committee consists of **Allan Nara**, **Chuck Uyeda**, **Miyo Tagekami**, **Rich Endo**, **Amy Imai**, **Aiko Sugimoto-Miyamoto** and introducing our newest member **Dennis Tsukagawa** and **Alice Ikenaga**.

We welcome suggestions from anyone for places to visit. If you can share with us any trips that possibly our Seniors can enjoy, it will be greatly appreciated.

COOKBOOKS FOR SALE

We continue to sell Senior Cookbooks. They make good gifts with the holidays soon approaching. The price is $18.00.

SENIOR CRAFT HOURS
Thursdays, 9:00AM-12:00PM

Light refreshment of coffee, tea and desserts are always provided. Everyone is welcome to join in and share new ideas. Please feel free to join us, for we are always looking to make new friends.

SENIOR KNITTERS

Whether you are a beginner or an expert in knitting and crocheting, **Debbie Kitani** has been very helpful to the Senior Craft Class every Thursday morning, showing the ladies new ways to knit. Debbie has many new ideas and her knowledge will make your knitting and crocheting enjoyable.

LINE DANCING
Thursdays, 9:30AM-10:00AM

For anyone interested in getting some morning exercise, line dancing is taught by **Naomi Ariyama**. A short, but invigorating half hour. Come and enjoy the group.

Senior Activities for Fall

Dharma School

"Dining for Dollars Fundraiser"

armadillo willy's

Wednesday, October 24, 2012
Armadillo Willy's
1031 N. San Antonio Road, Los Altos

Visit http://mvbuddhisttemple.org/ to download more information.

150 Club News

The winner for October is the **Arima Family**! Congratulations!! Each month someone wins $500 with a $2,000 Grand Prize picked at the end of the year.

If you would like to participate please contact **Glenn Kitasoe**:

Phone 408-749-9925
Email: rgkit114@aol.com

Toban & Echo Schedule

	Toban	Echo	Article Deadline
NOV	Zones 1 & 2	Nov 21 (Wed)	Nov 16 (Fri)
DEC	Zones 3 & 4	Dec 19 (Wed)	Dec 14 (Fri)
JAN	Zones 5 & 6	Jan 16 (Wed)	Jan 11 (Fri)

Please note the revised article deadline, printing dates and email submission process. This is provide time to layout in the new format. Thank you.

Email all articles to echo@mvbuddhisttemple.org

Buddhist Women's Association

25 to Attend BCA FBWA Conference in San Jose

As this report goes in we will be in the middle of our 42nd BCA FBWA Conference in San Jose at the Doubletree Hotel where there will be 25 persons representing our MVBT chapter. There are some coming from as far east as New York and north from Seattle.

The theme is **Diversity in Oneness, Oneness in Diversity**.

CHAIRING NOV SERVICES

In November BWA will be chairing Shotsuki Hoyo on the 4th;, 18th, and Eshinni-ko/ Kakushinni-ko memorial service on the 25th with guest speaker **Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki** as our guest speaker.

UDON FUNDRAISER—12/2

To order, ask a BWA member.

NEXT BWA MEETING

November 17th, 9:00AM in the YBA Hall.

Thank You to Dharma School Parents!

Dharma School enjoyed the Temple's 50th Anniversary Celebration with the Ochigo parade with 21 Dharma School students participating. Thank you to everyone who donated Ochigo outfits to this special event.

Special thank you to **Debbie Kitani** who organized the students and to her parent helpers: **Yumi Higa, Debbie Sato, Alice Chu, Pauline Shinkawa, Sharon Tsukuhara, Joan Aoki**, and **Lori Leonard**.

Thanks also to **Carol Harbin** and **Debby Inenaga** for organizing the students in the entertainment portion of the banquet. A fun time was had by all!

A big **THANK YOU** to all the Dharma School parents who helped get their registration forms verified or filled out in a timely manner this school year. Because of everyone's promptness, Dharma School teachers were able to receive their per-child-stipend sooner and the directory will no doubt be emailed sooner. Thanks for making our jobs easier!

Lastly, thanks to everyone who signed up to coordinate a Dharma School event or activity. We could not enjoy our wonderful program without your help.

DONATIONS

Gratefully Acknowledged

Stuart Ishida & Catherine Borillo
Dylan & Cassidy's birthdays

Judy Fong

Deborah & Thomas Ho
Sara's birthday

Jon Wakimoto & Karen Bunya
Jason's birthday

Come to ABA's Meet & Greet Dinner—November 2nd!

Thank you to all the ABA members who helped in so many ways during the 50th Anniversary celebration of the MVBT. They were in charge of or involved with planning, execution of the plan (setting up, checking in, serving dinners) and even entertainment!

Thank you to **Joanne Makishima** for patiently teaching the ABA the Hukilau so that they could perform it for the 50th! She took care of everything including the costumes of the gentlemen in ABA. Thanks Joanne!

JOIN US FOR DINNER!

Friday, November 2, 2012, 6PM

ABA would like to extend an invitation to all adults(21 years old & older) to come to Greet & Meet those of us who are members of ABA. We will be welcoming three new members. We have fun! Come to have great dinner and laugh with us!

A good laugh is guaranteed.

Congratulations to Kieshiki Participants!

Name	Homyo	Buddhist Name	Meaning
Debbie Aiu	釋 鳳龍	Shaku Hō-Ryū	Phoenix-Dragon
Marcus Aiu	釋 大慈	Shaku Dai-Ji	Great Benevolence
Matthew Aiu	釋 明照	Shaku Myō-Shō	Bright Illumination
Joan Aoki	釋 浄安	Shaku Jō-An	Pure Peace
Amy Arakaki	釋 妙果	Shaku Myō-Ka	Wonderful Fruit
Eric Arakaki	釋 極唱	Shaku Gyoku-Shō	Excellent Recitation
Tami Fumoto	釋 利他	Shaku Ri-Ta	Benefitting Others
Thomas Fumoto	釋 守道	Shaku Shu-Dō	Protector of the Path
Irene Hashimoto	釋 教門	Shaku Kyō-Mon	Gate of the Teachings
Deborah Ho	釋 明夢	Shaku Myō-Mu	Bright Dream
Lauren Ho	釋 韻理	Shaku In-Ri	Elegant Truth
Sara Ho	釋 恵昌	Shaku E-Shō	Blessed Brightness
Brayden Inahara	釋 教城	Shaku Kyō-Jō	Castle of the Teachings
Curt Kawabata	釋 賢秀	Shaku Ken-Shū	Firm Excellence
Stacey Kawabata	釋 浄満	Shaku Jō-Man	Pure Perfection
Yoshiye Kawabata	釋 美徳	Shaku Mi-Toku	Beautiful Virtues
Jill Kunishige	釋 満心	Shaku Man-Shin	Full Heart
Kenneth Nakano	釋 親智	Shaku Shin-Chi	Intimate Wisdom
Fumiko Sawamura	釋 文華	Shaku Bun-Ka	Glorious Flower
Tadashi Sawamura	釋 忠信	Shaku Chū-Shin	Loyal Faith
Jean Shimoguchi	釋 浄性	Shaku Jō-Shō	Pure Nature
Donna Takasuka	釋 秀発	Shaku Shū-Hotsu	Excellent Aspiration
Kazuko Tashiro	釋 和顔	Shaku Wa-Gen	Harmonious Appearance
Shigeru Tashiro	釋 勝音	Shaku Katsu-On	Excellent Sound
Dennis Tsukagawa	釋 開心	Shaku Kai-Shin	To Open the Mind
Evan Tsukahara	釋 彰恩	Shaku Shō-On	With Clarity and Gratitude
Sharon Tsukahara	釋 知恩	Shaku Chi-On	To Know Gratitude

What is the Eitaikyo Perpetual Memorial Fund?

永代読経

The word *Eitaikyo* is a contraction of the more formal term, **Ei-tai dok(u)-kyo (永代読経).**

Ei means eternal. It is composed of the Chinese Characters for a river with many tributaries that flows on and on. ***Tai*** means generations. ***Kyo*** means sutras or the words of the Buddha. ***Doku*** means to read or chant. Thus the meaning of Eitaikyo is to eternally chant the sutras on behalf of our loved ones for generations and generations to come.

The Eitaikyo Perpetual Memorial Fund

A special Eitaikyo Perpetual Memorial Fund was established to ensure the continuation of the teachings of the Buddha and Nembutsu. It is to be used specifically for religious purposes such as to purchase candles and incense, religious articles, altar enhancements and altar repairs. This fund is established through the donations made in memory of deceased members of the family, relative, and friends. This ensures a perpetual service for the deceased even when there is no one left in the family to observe a Buddhist Service.

Because the purpose of Eitaikyo is to ensure that a Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Service be conducted eternally in memory of a loved one, an initial substantial donation is requested to place a loved one's name in the Eitaikyo Registry. An amount of $500 or more is suggested. However, due to circumstances any amount will be considered. Please consult with the resident minister.

The Eitaikyo Registry

After completing the Eitaikyo form and donating to the Eitaikyo fund, the name of your deceased loved one will be entered into a Special Eitaikyo Registry book. This is a calendar type book listing the deceased names on the day of death. This book is kept in the Mountain View Buddhist Temple's altar. Each day, the morning service is dedicated to the names that appear on the page for that particular day. Thus by donating to the Eitaikyo Fund, a sutra will be chanted in memory of your loved one for eternal generations to come. As an expression of appreciation and gratitude for the guidance, leadership and support in the growth of the Mountain View Buddhist Temple, automatically entered into this Eitaikyo registry will be:

1. Past Ministers and Ministers' spouses who served the Mountain View Buddhist Temple
2. Past Mountain View Buddhist Temple Presidents who have served two or more years. No donations from the family will be expected in these cases.

The Annual Eitaikyo Service

Every November an Annual Eitaikyo Service will be conducted at the Mountain View Buddhist Temple. This service will be dedicated in special memory to those loved ones newly recorded into the Eitaikyo registry within the past year. Those families will be sent an invitation to this service so that they can o-shoko in memory of their loved one during the service.

Mountain View Buddhist Temple

EITAIKYO PERPETUAL MEMORIAL FUND DONATION

No. _____

Date: _____

In Memory of

Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____

Japanese Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Date of Death:** _____

Buddhist Name

English: _____ **Japanese:** _____

Place of Funeral: _____

Name of Donor(s)

Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____

Japanese Name: _____

MVBT Office Record Use Only

Amount of Donation: _____ **Date of Eitaikyo (Initial) Service:** _____

Acknowledgment Forwarded: _____

Remarks: _____

Signature of Minister: _____

Order Your 50th Anniversary Photos & DVDs!

It's not too late to have a lasting keepsake. Don't miss your chance to order a copy of your own 50th Anniversary memorabilia.

Photo—$10.00

The photo will be an 8x10 shot of the group photo taken at the Temple's 50th anniversary. For those who would like a copy of the photo, they can place their order during the day.

DVD Only—$20.00

The Mountain View Buddhist Temple 50th Anniversary DVD will feature a video montage highlighting many moments of the day's events such as: the 50th Anniversary service with children and parents during Chigo, the large photo session, children working on their arts & crafts, Jun Daiko, highlights of the Banquet and many more scenes.

Photo and DVD Package Deal—$25.00

Get an 8x10 photo and the DVD for only $25.00 (Save $5.00).

Ordering Information

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Richard Endo
riche58@sbcglobal.net

Phone
Temple office
10:00AM to 2:00PM

Help Needed—Retirees and part-time workers

Please help with yard work at the temple on Fridays.

Gardeners.....add the temple as a 1/2 day job. Help blow out the parking lot so it will be clean on Sunday.
Ladies...help water and pick up the tree cuttings.
Any help is appreciated.
The best part is that when it rains or is too cold or too hot, we don't work!

Girls Scouts Starts the Year with 26 Members!

We began our new 2012-2013 program year on September 17.

On October 1st we held our Investiture and Rededication Ceremony. Investiture is for girls and adults who are new to Girl Scouts, welcoming them as new Scouts and Leaders. Rededication is for all current Girl Scouts and Leaders who recommitting to the Girl Scout program

Welcome to Yamani Huang who is joining us as a Daisy.

Our troop this year has 26 members and 7 leaders:
4 Daisies
3 Brownies
10 Juniors
9 Cadettes

We are looking forward to an exciting new year.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25 10:00am Sunday 8:30am - O-asaji 12pm - Taiko	26 7pm - Kendo @ gym	27 6:30pm - Cub Scouts 6:30pm - Taiko 7pm - Shodo Kai @ 7:30pm - Tri-City	28 7pm - Boy Scouts 7pm - Temple choir	29 6:30pm - Taiko 7:30pm - MVBT	30	1
2 10:00am Sunday 10am - Shotsuki 11am - Dharma 11:30am - YBA 12pm - Taiko	3 6:30pm - Girl Scouts 7pm - Kendo @ gym 7:30pm - Religious	4 6:30pm - Cub Scouts 6:30pm - Taiko 7pm - Nakayoshi 7pm - Shodo Kai	5 6pm - Boy Scouts & 7pm - Temple choir	6 6:30pm - Taiko 7:30pm - MVBT	7 4:30pm - Calligraph	8 9am - TCYG @ gym 5pm - Tri-City
9 5am - Mochitsuki 12pm - Mochi pick 9pm - Janitors clean	10 6:30pm - Girl Scouts 7pm - Kendo @ gym	11 6:30pm - Cub Scouts 6:30pm - Taiko 6:30pm - Tri-City 7pm - Shodo Kai @	12 7pm - Boy Scouts 7pm - Temple choir 7:30pm - Temple	13 6:30pm - Taiko 7:30pm - MVBT	14 ECHO DEADLINE 4:30pm - Calligraph 6:30pm - Fuji Club @ 7pm - ABA @ YBA	15 YBA Holiday 9am - BWA meeting
16 10am - Osoji clean	17 6:30pm - Girl Scouts 7pm - Kendo @ gym	18 6:30pm - Cub Scouts 6:30pm - Taiko	19 7pm - Boy Scouts 7pm - Temple choir	20 6:30pm - Taiko 7:30pm - MVBT	21	22 10am - Memorial
23 NO SUNDAY	24 OFFICE CLOSED 6:30pm - Girl Scouts 7pm - Kendo @ gym	25 CHRISTMAS DAY OFFICE CLOSED	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27 OFFICE CLOSED 7:30pm - MVBT	28 OFFICE CLOSED	29
30 NO SUNDAY	31 Bonen Kai OFFICE CLOSED 7pm - Joya-e New	1 OFFICE CLOSED 10am - New Year's 10am - Susho-e	2 7pm - Boy Scouts & 7:30pm - Temple	3 9am - Senior activity 6pm - Taiko 7pm - MVBT	4 4:30pm - Caligraphy	5

Eitaikyo Service November 11th

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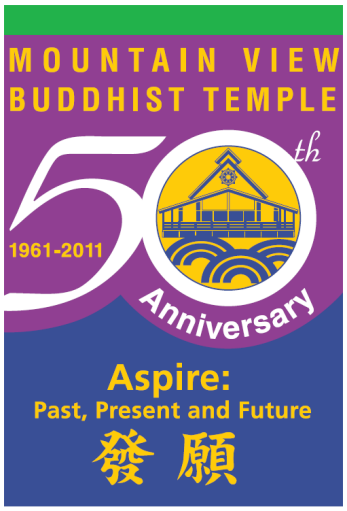

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The Echo Staff

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