

MOUNTAIN VIEW BUDDHIST TEMPLE

April Highlights

- **4/3 Sun, 10:00 am**
Shotsuki Hoyo Service
11:00 am
Japanese Language Service
- **4/10 Sun, 10:00 am**
Hanamatsuri Service & Hatsumairi
11:30 am
Hanamatsuri Luncheon
- **4/13 Wed, 7:30 pm**
Temple Board Meeting
- **4/17 Sun, 10:00 am**
MVBT New Member Introduction & Luncheon
- **4/23 Sat, 10:00 am**
Zones 4, 5, 6 & 7 Town Hall

I Heard Sakyamuni and Amida Buddha Calling Me

Last month, I drove to San Diego with my family to participate in the Buddhist Temple of San Diego's Nirvana Day and BWA Memorial Service as their guest speaker. I was glad to see so many members who had taken such good care of us during my tenure as resident minister there. We really enjoyed our visit there.

It had been two and half years since we left San Diego and I was very surprised at the big change in the Dharma School kids. Most members of the Jr. YBA were almost the same height as me. When I began serving in San Diego in 2005, these kids were only waist-high and really cute. But now even their voices have



By Rev. Yushi Mukojima

completely changed and I can no longer identify them by hearing them speak. Of course I was very glad at how well they have grown, but at the same time, I was amazed again at how quickly kids

grow. I would like to take this opportunity to extend my deep gratitude to all the San Diego Sangha members who were so welcoming and hospitable to my family and me last month.

I still recall vividly receiving the request to transfer to the Mountain View Buddhist Temple in January three years ago. To tell the truth, it was really hard for me to imagine leaving the Buddhist Temple of San Diego, where I had become really comfortable working with the Temple Sangha members. I was not at all sure how it would be for me at Mountain View, which has a member-

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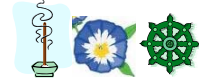
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Religious Planning — April 2016

April 3, 2016, Sunday, 10:00 a.m. — Shotsuki Hoyo

11:00 am Japanese Language Service



April 10, 2016, Sunday, 10:00 am — Hanamatsuri & Hatsumairi Services

11:00 am Hanamatsuri Luncheon and Program

Hanamatsuri: The services commemorate the birth of Prince Siddhartha, who later became the historical Sakyamuni Buddha

Hatsumairi: The ceremony introduces your child to the Sangha and welcomes him/her to the Dharma




April 17, 2016, Sunday, 10:00 am — Sunday Service

MVBT New Members Introduction with Luncheon following



April 24, 2016, Sunday, 1:00 - 4:00 pm — Sunday Service



	Shotsuki Hoyo Service		O-asaji (Morning Chanting)—8:30 AM
	Adult Discussion—11:00 AM		Dharma School—11:00 AM



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150 Club News	Toban & Echo Schedule			
Our special winner for the month of March is Phyllis Chan . Congratulations Phyllis! We are grateful to all those who participated in the 150 Club. Thank You	Toban	Echo Article Deadline	Echo Print	
	APR	Zones 12 & 13	N / A	N / A
	May	Zones 1 & 2	Apr 8 (Fri)	Apr 13 (Wed)
	June	Zones 3 & 4	May 13 (Fri)	May 18 (Wed)
Please note the article deadline, printing date and email submission process. This will provide time for layout and production. Thank you. Email all articles to echo@mvbuddhisttemple.org				

I Heard Sakyamuni & Amida Buddha Calling Me (cont'd)

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ship of about 500 because I had never worked alone at such a big Temple. After accepting the reassignment, I admit I was filled with remorse over having to leave the San Diego Sangha and plagued with anxiety over how I would be greeted by the Mountain View Sangha.

During this time of great internal conflict, Bishop Umezu encouraged me to have an interview in Mountain View in March, so that I could visit both the Temple and its Sangha.

Rev. Koyama, the Mountain View resident minister at the time, picked me up at the airport and we had dinner with his wife and some members. After dinner, we went to the Temple where I was shown into the YBA Hall for the interview. But when I saw about 15 people – Board members and representatives from each organization waiting for me there – I instantly got even more nervous.

During the interview, I told them honestly my sincere thoughts and anxiety about problems my English ability might cause. I expressed doubt that I was up to being their resident minister.

To tell the truth, I don't remember very well what we talked about during the interview because I was so nervous. But I do remember clearly what each person there told me at the end of the interview. Mr. Bob Imai, the Temple President at that time, said, "Let's grow together!" Mr. Richard Endo said, "Don't be

afraid. Just come!" BWA president Mrs. Reiko Murakami said, "The BWA is your mother. Don't worry about anything," and so on. I was deeply grateful to hear such warm and encouraging words from all of them.

Later when I had a meeting with the San Diego Board executive members, they assured me, "It is really hard for us to lose you. But you should accept his request because the Bishop has a mind of his own. You should go without being concerned about us." They encouraged me though I was in such distress about my situation.

I had not been able to make a decision because of my anxiety and conflicted feelings. But the words from the San Diego Sangha eventually sent me out towards the new challenge: "Go without being worried about anything," and the words from the Mountain View Sangha that welcomed me: "Just come without being concerned about anything," enabled me to quell my anxiety and gave me the encouragement that I needed to accept the new challenge as a BCA minister.

The moment I made up my mind to take a new step, I remembered the calling voices of Sakyamuni Buddha and Amida Buddha that appear in the parable of "Two Rivers and a White Path," written by Shantao (613-681), one of Jodo Shinshu's seven Pure Land Masters.

The parable tells of a traveler whose life is threatened by ruthless bandits and vicious animals

chasing him. He desperately tries to escape them, but is blocked by a huge river of water and a huge river of fire raging before him. At the point where the two rivers meet, he sees a narrow white path, extending far beyond to the other shore. The traveler, who has no confidence that he could walk this narrow white path without being consumed by either water or fire, stands frozen with fear. But at that moment, he hears the voice of **Sakyamuni Buddha from the shore behind him calling, "Take this path without hesitation."** As if in response, he also hears the voice of **Amida Buddha calling from the other shore: "Come forward without fear or worry."** Guided by both Sakyamuni Buddha's voice urging him forward and Amida Buddha's voice calling him ahead, the traveler steps firmly onto the white path, moves forward resolutely and reaches the other shore. There he is welcomed warmly by his many friends and from that point on lives with peace of mind. This is the gist of the parable of "Two Rivers and a White Path."

This story shows the steady way that leads to the world of the truth, so that those of us who are consumed with the flames of blind passions in the world of delusion can overcome life's anxieties and suffering with a profound feeling of security in the Nembutsu, represented by Sakyamuni Buddha and Amida Buddha's calling voices. Back in 2013, frozen with fear and indecision, I felt as if the San Diego

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"Go without being worried about anything"



"Just come without being concerned about"

I Heard Sakyamuni and Amida Buddha Calling Me (cont'd)

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Sangha's voice urging me, "Go without hesitation," and the Mountain View Sangha's voice assuring me, "Come without anxiety," were the voices of Sakyamuni Buddha and Amida Buddha. I still remember clearly how their loving voices touched me deep in my heart and gave me great peace of mind.

Looking back, I deeply appreciate Bishop Umezu, who gave me the challenge of a new opportunity as a BCA minister; the San Diego Sangha members who took good care of me and my family for eight long years and encouraged me to move forward with confidence; and the Mountain View Sangha members who welcomed us warmly and unconditionally. I was so fortunate to work with

such wonderful people in San Diego and now I am really grateful that I am able to serve the Mountain View Buddhist Temple with confidence because of the loving support of its members.

In Gassho,

Annual Chicken Teriyaki Fundraiser — Sunday, May 15



Please remember these key dates:

- May 4,** Wednesday....Preliminary count due
- May 8,** Sunday..... Final count due
- May 11,** Wednesday....Chicken Cleaning & Turn in all money & all tickets
- May 14,** Saturday.....Chicken Cooking
- May 15,** Sunday..... Picking the bentos & Pick up

Our 2016 Chicken Teriyaki Fundraiser will be held on Sunday, May 15, 2016. Tickets have already been distributed to the Zone Chairs.

To all Temple members, affiliated organizations, friends, and non-affiliated organizations like Nakayoshi Gakko and Tri-City, we ask for your assistance once again this year to help make this Temple fundraiser a success. On behalf of everyone in Zone 3, we would like to thank the entire Sangha and our many friends for their kind support.

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Richard Endo – Zone 3
2016 Chicken Teriyaki Chairperson

MVBT Girl Scout Troop #60736

The Girl Scouts have been busy with cookie sales this past month. Thank you to everyone who has supported us by buying cookies.

The Girl Scouts are in-charge of March Sunday Services, and Girl Scout Sunday will be on March 20.



マウンテンビュー仏教会「回向」 二〇一六年四月法話

— 二尊の呼び声 —

駐在開教使 向嶋謙史

先月、サンディエゴ仏教会に涅槃会と婦人会会員退任法要の講師として家族と一緒に訪てきました。駐在中に大変お世話になった多くの門徒さんとの久しぶりの再会は大変喜びました。また、サンディエゴを離れて二年半が経つのですが、日曜学校の子供達の成長には随分驚かされました。特に仏育の子らの身長が私とほぼ変わらないくらい伸びているのです。私が初めて赴任した頃、彼らは私の腰ほどしか背丈がない何ともかわいらしい子供だったのですが、今ではすっかり声変わりもして、声だけでは誰が話しているのかわからないほどです。立派な青年に育った彼らを大変嬉しく思うと同時に、改めて子供の成長の速さに驚かされたことでした。私達の訪問を温かく迎えて下さった門徒の方々に心から感謝致します。

改めて思い返してみますと、今から三年前の一月に梅津総長からマウンテンビュー仏教会への赴任のお話しを頂きました。正直、八年間お世話になったサンディエゴ仏教会を離れることに抵抗がありましたし、ましてや、マウンテンビュー仏教会という大きなお寺でやっていく自信が全くありませんでした。それ以降、サンディエゴの門徒さんへの募る未練と、新しいお寺で門徒さんを受け入れてもらえるのだろうかという不安でいっぱいの日暮しでした。

そんな中、梅津総長から、三月にマウンテンビュー仏教会でインタビューを受けて、どういうお寺か実際に自分の

目で確かめてきなさいと勧められました。当時マウンテンビュー仏教会の駐在開教使だった小山先生に空港まで迎えに来て頂き、先生ご夫妻と数名の門徒さんと共に夕食を済ませてから、仏教会に行きました。そして、インタビューの為にAホールに通されたのですが、そこには理事会役員と各会の代表者の約十五名程の方々がずらりと並んで私を待ち構えておられ、一気に緊張が増したのをよく覚えていました。

インタビューの際、自分の英語力不足で門徒さんに迷惑をかけてしまうのではないかと、浅学非才の自分では当仏教会にはふさわしくないのではないかと、今まで抱えてきた自分なりの正直な思いと不安を思い切って伝えました。

正直、緊張しすぎてインタビューの内容をあまり覚えていないのですが、最後に一人ひとりの方から頂いた言葉は今でもはつきりと覚えています。当滞り理事会会長だった今井氏からは、「先生、一緒に成長しましょう」、「遠藤氏からは「何にも恐れることないですよ。思い切つてうちに来なさい」、婦人会長の村土夫人からは「婦人会は先生のお母さんです。心配しないでですよ。等々の何とも温かく、身に余るお言葉をたくさんの方々から頂きました。

更に、後日、サンディエゴの理事会役員数名と会合を開いた時、皆口を揃えて、「先生が離れることはつらいことだけれども、総長の考えがあつてのことだから引き受けなさい。私達のことを心配することなく行きなさい」と、悩みに悩んでいた私の背中を押して下さいました。

不安と葛藤に苛まれて決心のつかなかった私を、サンディエゴ仏教会の門徒さんの「心配しないで行きなさい」という送り出す言葉と、マウンテンビュー仏教会の門徒さん達の「心配しないで来なさい」と

いう迎えて下さる言葉が、私の不安を全て取り除き、開教使として新しい道に進む大きな勇気を頂きました。

そして、新たな一歩を踏み出す決心をつけた時、ふと「河白道の譬えにでてくる二尊の呼び声を思い出したことです。それは、一人の旅人が、後方から盗賊と猛獣に生命を狙われ、逃げ惑い、そして、目の前に水の大河と火の大河に遭遇しますが、その境目に向こう岸まで続いている細い白道を見つめます。しかし、その道を渡りきる自信のない旅人は恐怖と不安で立ち尽くしてしまいます。するとその時、旅人は、「ためらわずその道を進めよ」というこちらの岸の積尊の呼び声と、それに呼応して、彼方の岸から「安心してその道を進めよ」という阿彌陀仏の呼び声を聞くのです。その言葉に導かれた旅人は、ひたすら信じて一心不乱に白道を歩み、無事に向こう岸について、多くの友人に迎え入れられ、安穩な暮らしを送つたというお話です。

「河白道」の譬えは、煩惱にまみれた私がお念仏（尊の呼び声）と共に人生の不安や苦悩を乗り越えながら、真実の世界に向かつて安らかに力強く生き抜いていく道が説かれているのですが、サンディエゴの門徒さんの、「ためらわず行きなさい」、マウンテンビューの門徒さんの「安心して来なさい」という声が、まるで二尊の仰せのように心に響いて深い安らぎに包まれたことを今でもはつきりと覚えています。

開教使として新たなチャレンジをする機会を与えて下さった梅津総長を始め、八年もの長い間お世話をして下さった上に、快く送り出して下さったサンディエゴの門徒の皆さん、そして、このような私を快く受け入れて下さったマウンテンビューの門徒の皆さんに改めて深く感謝申し上げます。

合掌

MVBT Chicken Teriyaki Fundraiser — Sunday, May 15

Major Work Activities Schedule

KEY DATES BELOW

May 10, Tuesday

9 am Bring down barrels from stage and wash

May 11, Wednesday

6 pm Clean chicken – All affiliated organizations & members
ALL OF YOUR HELP NEEDED. Dinner will be served

May 13, Friday

8 am Make tsukemono – BWA
 7 pm Bag fortune cookies — YBA

May 14, Saturday

6 am Start cooking chicken
 8 am Pack tsukemono and wash oranges
 12 pm Dharma school prepares lunch for cooking crew

May 15, Sunday

6 am Pack rice
 7 am Start packing chicken
 9 am Ready for pickup

May 15 - Sunday

**2016
 Chicken
 Teriyaki
 Fundraiser**

**Please help
 where you can**

*Thank you and
 For further information,
 Please contact
Richard Endo
**Zone 3 Chicken Teriyaki
 Chairman***

CPR/AED Training Class

Sunday, June 5 in the YBA Hall, 1:30 - 5:30 pm

Registration required by Sunday, May 22

**RSVP: Eileen Fujikawa, 408-996-0845,
 fujikawabachan@gmail.com**



Open to Temple members and members of affiliated organizations on a first-come, first-served basis.

If you were trained in 2014 or earlier, you need to get recertified. If you were trained last year, but you can't remember anything, you should take another class. You can never be "over-trained"!

The training fee is \$68/person and class size is limited to 12. Make checks payable to "MVBT-ABA" with a note "CPR/AED class."

ABA will provide a light lunch, so that you can attend the morning Sunday Service and stay for the class.

For information, contact Eileen Fujikawa

The ECHO

YBA News

Thank you to everyone who came out to support the YBA at our annual Spaghetti Dinner on February 13. Thank you to **Jordyn Sato** for planning and coordinating the dinner. We hope that you all enjoyed your spaghetti and Bingo!

On March 19, Mountain View will be sending a total of 24 delegates to the Bay District YBL Con-

ference, and we are all excited to see what workshops and fun activities are planned for the conference!

BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER CANCELLED

We have decided not to have our Japanese Breakfast fundraiser this year as previously reported. Due to a scheduling conflict our

committee decided that it would be best to cancel because there were no other available dates.

**In Gassho,
Devon Matsumoto
YBA President**

ABA News

FUN OUTING

In March, the group saw a play entitled "Tokyo Fish Story" in

Palo Alto. The comic drama about a struggling Sushi Master trying to preserve ancient artistry.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

To celebrate the coming of spring, ABA will take a trip to see the Bouquet of Arts at the de Young Fine Arts Museum in San Francisco on Thursday, April 7.

To honor our ancestors, we will be cleaning up Alta Mesa Cemetery (near the area where the annual Alta Mesa Community

Memorial Day Service is held) on Saturday, April 16.

**In Gassho,
Sterling Makishima
ABA President**



Final resting place of many Temple members and friends. Also, Steve Jobs, David Packard & Tennessee Ernie Ford.



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BWA Activities

CDBWL CONFERENCE

BWA members accompanied by Rev. and Mrs. Mukojima and family attended the Coast District Buddhist Women's League Conference in Salinas on March 12, 2016.

The guest speakers were **Rev. Yoshiko Miyaji** and **Dr. Jimmy Eitoku**, a pharmacist. The conference was very lively, with activities of line dancing and Tai Chi. They had crafts for those unable to do the physical activity.

GIRL SCOUT LUNCH FOR BWA

On March 19, 2016 the Temple

Girl Scouts had a wonderfully delicious luncheon for BWA. The girls did the cooking and did a fantastic job! We truly feel thankful for their caring about our BWA.

CHIRASHI FUNDRAISER

Our members are selling tickets for our Chirashi Fundraiser. It will



be pick-up only on Sunday, April 3, 2016, from 11:00 am to 2 pm in

the Sangha Hall foyer. The cost is \$5.00 per ticket.

DONATIONS

With gratitude, donations received:

**In Memory of Husband,
Muneo Masaki
Mrs. Toshiko Masaki**

NEXT MEETING

Saturday, April 16, 2016,
9:00 a.m. in YBA Hall

Buddhist Women's Association



MVBT New Members and Welcome Luncheon

The Mountain View Buddhist Temple warmly welcomes the following new members who joined between March 2015 and March 2016:

Zone 3

Lily Kawafuchi

Zone 5

Jill Fajardo
Paul Harada &
Michelle Nishina

Zone 9

Jean Omokawa

Zone 10

Bryan & Kelly Matsumoto
Sadao & Yemi Yamamoto

The Temple will formally welcome these new members and their families at the **Sunday Service on April 17** with a luncheon following the service. The luncheon will be at the Su Hong

restaurant in Palo Alto starting at 12:30 PM. The cost will be \$15 - \$20 per person.

All Temple members are welcome to attend.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Welcome New MVBT Members

on

**Sunday,
April 17**

Donate to the Upcoming Services

Hanamatsuri, Gotan-e & Obon (Kangi-e)

*Use the MVBT online donation "DONATE NOW," or
send a check to the Temple office*



Register for
Hatsumairi
by **March 31**

Hatsumairi — Infant Presentation — April 10, 2016

ATTENTION NEW PARENTS

The Mountain View Buddhist Temple would like to invite you and your child to the annual **Hatsumairi Service** (Infant Presentation) held during the Hanamatsuri Service. This special

service will be held on **Sunday, April 10, 2016 at 10:00 am.**

The ceremony introduces your child to the Sangha and welcomes him/her to the Dharma. The Najjin (or altar) symbolizes the truth that is embodied within the human experience.

Please contact **Rev. Mukojima** by **Tuesday, March 31, 2016.**

E-mail : ymukojima@gmail.com

Phone ; (650) 964-9426
(Temple office)

Dharma School News

HAWAII EXHIBIT

Dharma School hosted the "Approaching the Sacred – Japanese Buddhist Temples in Hawaii" exhibit on Sunday, March 13 and was well attended by our Sangha. Thank you to **Joy Morimoto** for coordinating this on behalf of Dharma School and to **Carol Hayashino** of the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i for sponsoring the exhibit. Thank you also to guest speakers **Drs. George & Willa Tanabe** for sharing their photographic exhibit with our Temple and the community. A big thank you to **Curt and Richard Fukuda, Bob and Devon Matsumoto, Chris Downey, Sophie Lee, Kyle Tatsumoto, Brent Izutsu, Eric and Amy Arakaki, Dennis Tsukagawa** and **Steve and Reiko Tsuchida** for helping with the set-up and cleanup for the exhibit. We hope everyone enjoyed the talks and learned a little bit about the history of the Hawaii temples.

Dharma School also hosted a Hawaiian food fundraiser the same day as the exhibit. Thank you to everyone for your generous support of our fundraiser and thank you to caterer **Poke N' MO** for preparing the ono food and contributing 15% of the sales back to our Dharma School.

HANAMATSURI

Hanamatsuri Service is on Sunday, April 10. Please let your Dharma School teacher know if you will be in attendance for the Hanamatsuri service, luncheon and program. The Dharma School classes will be providing entertainment as part of the program.

Also, Dharma School is in charge of the Hanamatsuri luncheon, so we will be asking families to provide a salad for the lunch and help with set-up and cleanup. Please be on the lookout for an email from Dharma School on this help with details.

FDSTL CONFERENCE

There will be no Dharma School class on Sunday, May 1, as the Federation of Dharma School Teachers League conference is being held that weekend, April 29-May 1, in Sacramento. However, the MVBT Dharma School will be hosting "Sunday Sundaes" on May 1 for anyone that comes to MVBT for service that day.

DONATIONS

Gratefully acknowledged.

Jeff & Janice Lee
Jill's birthday

Stacy Nakamura & Gail Satake-Nakamura
Rossten's birthday

In Gassho,
Debby Inenaga
DS Superintendent

April 10
HANA-
MATSURI

May 1
SUNDAY
SUNDAE'S

April Shotsuki Hoyo (Monthly Memorial Service)

The Shotsuki (Monthly Memorial) Services are conducted and sponsored by the Temple in memory of the past members and their family 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 **April** Shotsuki loved ones are:

Harry Fujii	Kazuko Makishima	Akiko Satake
Shigeru Fujii	Tokiyo Maruyama	Hiram Sera
Ichihai Furusho	Ryu Masaki	George Shimamoto
Juzaburo Furuzawa	Kiwa Matsuba	John Shimizu
Rev. Russell Hamada	Ryuichi Miyamoto	Tom Shimoguchi
Tanejiro Hirano	Emi Morishima	John Shinseki
Dorothy Horino	Fuji Nakano	Taichiro Sugimoto
Robert Hoshida	Jishichiro Nakano	Jeffrey Swartwood
Hikomichi Hoshino	Kenjiro Nakashima	Ko Tachibana
June Ichikawa	Henry Nishimura	Amy Takaki
Toshiko Ikebe	George Okashima	David Takegami
Tojiro Ishimaru	George Omori	Heidi Terada
Shizuko Iwata	Ochiyo Omori	Megan Yang
Shigehito Kashima	Junpei Ozawa	Koichi Yamashita
Akira Kato	Henry Ryu	Tsune Yonemoto
Hatsuye Kato	Margaret Sakino	Tsuneno Yoshida
Setsuo Kuboyama	James Sakuragi	

April
Monthly
Memorial
Service

Sunday
April 3, 2016

10:00 a.m.

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. Mukojima.

E-mail ymukojima@gmail.com
 Phone (Temple office) **(650) 964-9426**

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Memorial services allow us to pay homage to loved ones who have passed away. In our Jodo Shinshu tradition, family members hold a service at certain intervals following a relative's death to express gratitude for and acknowledge their continuing influence in our lives. If you wish to schedule a memorial service for a loved one, please call during weekly office hours.

2016 is the memorial year for those who passed away in:

1st Year Memorial	2015	3rd Year Memorial	2014	7th Year Memorial	2010
13th Year Memorial	2004	17th Year Memorial	2000	25th Year Memorial	1992
27th Year Memorial	1990	33rd Year Memorial	1984	50th Year Memorial	1967

The ECHO

Seniors Activity Group Activities

Senior Activities & Crafts

SENIOR HOURS

Every Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
Light refreshment of coffee, tea and desserts are always provided. Everyone is welcome to join in to share new ideas and to make new friends. We want to continue to grow.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

April 20, Wednesday: A day trip is planned to the Disney Museum, the Presidio Café with lunch, and the Military Intelligence Service Historic Learning Center. Temple members and non-Temple members can sign up. The price is \$90.00 including tip. The Senior Activities is subsidizing some of the cost. We will meet on the Temple grounds at 8:30 am and depart at 9:00 am. We will return

back at 5:00 pm. Please sign up by calling **Chuck Uyeda**.

May 11 & 12, Wednesday & Thursday: This is the scheduled Reno Trip. Sign up March 1 by calling **Chuck Uyeda**. Price \$87.00 including tip.

COOKBOOKS AVAILABLE

Only \$18.00

The Senior Cook Book is still available at the Temple office or from any of the committee members.

KNIT WITH DEBBIE

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Debbie Kitani has been very helpful with the Senior Craft Class every Thursday morning, showing the ladies many new ideas in knitting.

LINE DANCING

Thursdays, 9:15 AM-10:00 a.m.

Line dancing with **Naomi Ariyama** instructing and **Reiko Tsuchida** and **Toshiko Uyehara** assisting.

SING ALONG plus EXERCISE

10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Join **Kinji Ushiba** with the "Sing Along Group."

10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

With the Sing Along, an upper body exercise as you sing along is lead by **Julie Ushiba**. What better way to start your day, with a light exercise.

In Gassho,
Aiko Sugimoto-Miyamoto

Your Zone Town Hall Upcoming Soon

- ◆ Mingle with other members in your zone
- ◆ Learn about the Temple's General Fund
 - Both Expenses & Income
- ◆ Ask your questions about your Temple & get answers
- ◆ Your Zone Chairperson will be contacting you soon
 - ◆ Please come!



Sarana Kieshiki Affirmation Ceremony

On Sunday, September 18, 2016, the Mountain View Buddhist Temple will sponsor a special Kieshiki (Sarana Affirmation) Ceremony. The ceremony will be held in conjunction with the Temple's 55th Anniversary.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE? The Kieshiki is an individual's affirmation to follow the Buddha's Path. There is no age restriction for the ceremony. Socho Kodo Umezu (Bishop of the Buddhist Churches of America) will have the privilege of conducting this meaningful Kieshiki ceremony for our Sangha.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF KIESHIKI AND THE CEREMONY? At the time of the Kieshiki, each participant takes refuge and affirms (Kie) the Three Treasures: the Buddha, the Dharma (Teachings), and the Sangha (Community). The Buddhist name, or more correctly the Dharma Name (Homyo), is then presented. The Buddhist name is given to a Jodo Shinshu priest at Tokudo, the first ordination. For individuals, it is given during the Kieshiki. If one has not received a Buddhist name during one's life, then one is given at the time of one's funeral.

Sometimes the ritual is called the Okamisori (Hair-shaving ceremony). It is a simple ceremony in which the basic ritual is the symbolic shaving of the head, recalling the act of Siddhartha when he resolved to enter the spiritual path of life, as well as the time when Shinran entered the monastery at the age of nine. When this service is conducted by the Gomonsu (Chief Abbot of the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha), it is called the Kikyoshiki (Confirmation Ceremony). Only the Gomonsu, or in special cases a selected representative, can conduct these services.

WHAT IS THE BUDDHIST NAME OR DHARMA NAME? For the Kieshiki, Socho Umezu has extended an invitation to have you consult with me on the selection of a Buddhist name.

The Buddhist name is composed of three kanji (Chinese characters): *Shaku* 釋 and two Buddhist terms. The word "Shaku" is used as an abbreviation for Shakyamuni, in reference to the historical Buddha. And, "Shaku" is given to you as the title that represents the Buddha's disciple. For the second character, please advise me on the form of one character (kanji) selected by you. Example characters are on the next page. The third character will be chosen by me.

APPLICATION. There is a registration fee of \$50 per person for MVBT members. The fee for non-MVBT members is \$75. The registration deadline is August 15. Please fill out the form on the following page and mail it to the Temple along with your payment.

If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Temple for more information (650) 964-9426.

I look forward to your participation with the Kieshiki ceremony.

Gassho,

Rev. Yushi Mukojima

MOUNTAIN VIEW BUDDHIST TEMPLE
APPLICATION FOR SARANA KIESHIKI AFFIRMATION CEREMONY

September 18, 2016

Application Deadline is August 15, 2016

Name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy): _____ Male / Female (circle one)

Email: _____

Name of parent of guardian (for applicants under 12 years): _____

Homyo (Kanji): _____ Reading: _____ Meaning: _____

Enclosed fee: MVBT Member \$50 Non MVBT Member \$75

Signature of applicant: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____
(if applicant under 12 years)

Choose kanji and indicate choice on Application for Sarana Kishiki Affirmation Ceremony

行 Gyo Practice	賢 Ken Wise	超 Cho Transcend	力 Riki Power	喜 Ki Joy	源 Gen Source	広 Ko Wide	定 Jo Settled
暁 Gyo Dawn	顕 Ken Reveal	明 Myo Bright	隆 Ryu Flourish	雅 Ga Elegance	悟 Go Enlightenment	順 Jun Adaptiation	浄 Jo Pure
玉 Gyoku Gem	全 Zen Complete	命 Myo Life	龍 Ryu Dragon	園 En Garden	護 Go To Protect	正 Sho Right	誠 Jo Sincerity
弘 Gu Broad	善 Zen Good	無 Mu Non or Emptiness	因 In Cause	王 Oh King	嚴 Gon Solemn	生 Sho Live	心 Shin Mind
空 ku Sky	尊 Son Esteem	門 Mon Gate	雲 Un Cloud	往 Oh To go	光 Ko Light	清 Sho Clean	良 Ryo Good
薰 kun Fragrance	諦 Tai Manifest	聞 Mon Hear	恵 E Bless	応 Oh Accord	考 Ko Piety	勝 Sho Superior	蓮 Ren Lotus
月 Getsu Moon	大 Dai Large or Great	唯 Yui Only	慧 E Wisdom	華 Ke Flower	好 Ko Like	照 Sho Brighten	和 Wa Peace or Tranq
見 Ken See	知 Chi To Know	勇 Yu Brave	恩 On Indebtedness	嘉 Ka Elate	幸 Ko Happiness	聖 Sho Holy	山 San Mountain
建 Ken Build	智 Chi Wisdom	楽 Raku Pleasure or Joy	遠 On Far	元 Gen Origin	香 Ko Incense	証 Sho Clarify	讚 San Praise
志 Shi Will	澄 Cho Clear	愛 Ai Love	悦 Etsu Glad	満 Man Fullfillment	説 Setsu Expond	完 Kan Complete	教 Kyo Teachings
慈 Ji Compassion	哲 Tetsu To Clarify	安 An Peace	一 Ichi One	名 Na Name	宣 Sen Propagate	感 Kan Sense	敬 Kyo Respect
実 Jitsu Real	道 Do Way or Path	阿 A A of Amida	縁 En Condition	妙 Myo Admirable	泉 Sen Spring (Water)	勸 Kan Invite	経 Kyo Sutra
秀 Shu Excel	得 Toku Attain	偉 I Great	円 En Round	信 Shin Shinjin	船 Sen Ship	観 Kan To See	慶 Kei or Kyo Gladness
宗 Shu Essence	徳 Toku Virtue	意 I Intent	白 Byaku White	真 Shin Truth	海 Kai Ocean	願 Gan Vow	響 Go Resound
修 Shu Practice	日 Nichi Sun	英 Ei Superior	平 Hei or Byo Peace	深 Jin Deep	開 Kai Open	紀 Ki Orign	渡 To To cross, ford, ferry
住 Ju Live	忍 Nin Endure	永 Ei Eternal	風 Fu Wind	誓 Sei Vow	鶴 Kaku Crane	寅 Ki Venerable	如 Nyo Thus, Thussness
純 Jun Purity	念 Nen Contemplate	栄 Ei Prosper	法 Ho Dharma	水 Sui Water	覚 Kaku Enlightenment	帰 Ki Return	瑞 Zui Auspicious
淳 Jun Clear	美 Bi Beauty	影 Ei Shade	宝 Ho Treasure	静 Jo Tranquil	学 Gaku To Learn	義 Gi Rightneousness	寂 Jaku or Seki Quiet, Simplicity

may 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 FDSTL Conference @ 10am - Sunday 12pm - Miroku 12pm - YBA General 12:15pm - Taiko - 1pm - Girl Scout	2 6:30pm - Girl Scouts	3 6pm - Taiko - Adults 7pm - Cub Scouts @	4 6pm - Boy Scouts - 6pm - Boy Scouts 7pm - Temple Choir	5 8am - Senior 6pm - Adult Taiko @	6	7 8am - Boy Scouts @
8 8:45am - YBA 10am - Shotsuki 12:15pm - Taiko -	9 6:30pm - Girl Scouts	10 6pm - Taiko - Adults 7pm - Cub Scouts @	11 6pm - Boy Scouts 7pm - Temple Choir 7:30pm - Temple	12 8am - Senior 6pm - Adult Taiko @	13 7pm - Fuji Club @ 7:30pm - ABA	14 Chicken Teriyaki 9am - BWA Meeting 6pm - Boy Scouts -
15 10am - Chicken 10am - Sunday 12:15pm - Taiko -	16 11am - Senior Group 6:30pm - Girl Scouts	17 6pm - Taiko - Adults 7pm - Cub Scouts @	18 6pm - Boy Scouts 7pm - Temple Choir	19 8am - Senior 6pm - Adult Taiko @	20	21
22 10am - Sunday 12:15pm - Taiko -	23 6:30pm - Girl Scouts 6:45pm - Girl Scouts	24 6pm - Taiko - Adults 7pm - Cub Scouts @	25 6pm - Boy Scouts 7pm - Temple Choir 7:30pm - Obon	26 8am - Senior 6pm - Adult Taiko @	27	28
29 9:30am - Alta Mesa 12:15pm - Taiko -	30 Memorial Day Office Closed 6:30pm - Girl Scouts 7:30pm - RPC	31 6pm - Taiko - Adults 7pm - Cub Scouts @	1 6pm - Boy Scouts - 6pm - Boy Scouts 7pm - Temple Choir	2 8am - Senior 6pm - Adult Taiko @ 6pm - Taiko @	3	4 Dharma School 9am - BWA Meeting

Upcoming Events

April 3, Sunday

BWA Chirashi Fundraiser

April 10, Sunday

Hanamatsuri & Hatsumairi Services

May 8, Sunday

YBA Mother's Day Brunch

Gotan-e Service

May 15, Sunday

Chicken Teriyaki Fundraiser

May 29, Sunday

Alta Mesa Memorial Day Service



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