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MOUNTAIN VIEW BUDDHIST TEMPLE

March Highlights

- ***3/8 Wed, 7:30 pm***
  Temple Board Meeting
- ***3/12 Sun, 10:00 am***
  Shotsuki Hoyo Service
  11:00 am
  Japanese Language Service
- ***3/13 Mon, 7:00 pm***
  Tannisho Study Class
- ***3/19 Sun, 10:00 am***
  Spring O-higan
  Guest Speaker:
  Rev. Matthew Hamasaki, *Fresno Buddhist Temple*
- ***3/26 Sun, 10:00 am***
  Girl Scout Sunday Service

What Are Two Aspects of a Deep Entrusting Mind?

Recently, we have had very cold weather. Although it is hard for some of us to leave our warm bed at this time of year, for those who love skiing, the winter cold makes them leap for joy. Ski resorts like Lake Tahoe are crowded with those who enjoy winter sports like skiing and snowboarding. Thanks to the snow, they have a great time. However, occasionally news during the winter season is about weather-related disasters.

By Rev. Yushi Mukojima

Just a few weeks ago, I heard that some people lost in snowy conditions in Japan were rescued safely.

I hope that none of you have ever had a life-threatening experience in the snow. But do you know what kind of person has the best chance of survival when lost in the mountains or trapped by an avalanche? According to statistics, the person most likely to survive is one who remains calm and steadfastly awaits rescue without attempting to trek out.

The reason is because during this type of disaster, it is most dangerous to expend all your body's energy. Because of this, trying to move through the heavy snow to get down the mountain is the highest risk behavior. Preserving your strength above all else is most important. That is why those who remain calmly in one place have the best chance of surviving.

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MVBT Girl Scout Troop #60736

GIRL SCOUT MONTH

The MVBT Girl Scout Troop is looking forward to celebrating the founding of Girl Scouts in March. Girl Scouts will be chairing the Sunday Services on March 12, 19 and 26, and will observe Girl Scout Sunday on March 26.

COOKIE TIME

It's Girl Scout Cookie Time! Cookies can be purchased from any Temple Girl Scout. Sales have started and will continue through Sunday, March 5. Cookies are $5 per box ($6 for Toffee-tastic and Girl Scout S'mores).

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26 10am - Sunday Service 12pm - Taiko - Kids @	27 6pm - Girl Scouts @ 6:30pm - Girl Scouts @ 7:30pm - RPC Meeting	28 3pm - BCA NCM Golf 6pm - Taiko - Adults @ 7pm - Cub Scouts @	1 6pm - Boy Scouts - 7pm - Boy Scouts Troop 7:30pm - Temple Choir	2 8am - Senior Activities 6pm - Taiko - Adults @	3 BCA National Council Meeting	4
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Religious Planning — March 2017

March 5, 2017, Sunday, 10:00 am — No Services at MVBT

BCA Eitaikyo Service at San Jose Betsuin @ 10:00 am

March 12, 2017, Sunday, 10:00 am — Shotsuki Hoyo

11:00 am: Japanese Language Service

March 13, 2017, Monday, 7:00 - 8:30 pm — Monthly Study Class

Rev. Mukojima's monthly study class and continuing through June. Class is based on the Tannisho written by Yuien, who was Shinran's disciple.

March 18, 2017, Saturday — Coast District YBL Conference at MVBT

March 19, 2017, Sunday — 10:00 am — Spring Ohigan Service

Spring Ohigan: Higan, meaning Other Shore, is a service conducted in the spring on or about the vernal equinox. The practice of the Six Paramitas is emphasized on this occasion.

Guest Speaker: **Rev. Matthew Hamasaki, minister at the Fresno Buddhist Temple**

March 19, 2017, Sunday, 1:00 - 4:00 pm — Spring Ohigan Seminar

Guest Minister: **Rev. Matthew Hamasaki**

March 26, 2017, Sunday, 10:00 am — Girl Scout Sunday Service

Presentation of the Padma Awards and recognition of Silver Award recipients

Shotsuki Hoyo Service

O-asaji (Morning Chanting) - 8:30 am

Study Class - 7:00 pm

Adult Discussion - 11:00 am

Dharma School - 11:00 am

Komochi for Sale

$1 for 1-lb Komochi

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M-F, 10 am – 2 pm
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What Are Two Aspects of a Deep Entrusting Mind?

(Continued from page 1)

I have seen such terrible scenes in films or dramas many times. But, if I should meet the same circumstance, I doubt I could remain calm because of the fear and loneliness. I think that I would try to save myself by desperately making my way down the mountain on my own. Even after learning that this decision would likely be the end of me, I really don't know what I would do. **How about you?**

What state of mind would we need to simply wait for rescue? There are two important aspects regarding this. First, we must recognize that our physical strength and energy are limited, so no matter how hard we try, we cannot descend the mountain on our own. Second, we must entrust ourselves to the search party by believing in their ability to rescue us. These aspects are most important for us to consider.

The reason I am talking about this situation is because, in reality, we can say the same about ***Shinjin***, or true entrusting, which is the most important concept in Jodo Shinshu teaching. Shinjin also has two aspects of a deep entrusting mind. The first is that, although there are a lot of different ways to attain Buddhahood in this world, it is impossible for us to accomplish any practices on our own. Because of this, we must accept that we cannot attain enlightenment by our limited power. And the second aspect of a deep mind is that we entrust ourselves completely to the power of Amida Buddha's Primal Vow. That is, we firmly believe that his great compassion will save us who are full of blind passions. This is called "Two Aspects of Deep Mind" and it expresses the real state of the Shinjin of Other Power. To put it simply, the state of mind that discards our calculation and leaves everything to the working of Amida Buddha, is Shinjin.

Therefore, facing our mortality on the snowy mountain, the most important thing is how deeply we can believe in the power of the rescue party. Even if we at first believe that we will surely be rescued, as time passes, we might come to question their power and begin to have doubts as to whether the rescue party is truly going to come to our aid. At that point, we may be seized with fear and become reckless. We might be unable to remain calm and instead begin to struggle to descend the mountain on our own. In the end, we would not survive.

I think that this situation is quite similar to Shinran Shonin's teaching, ***"Shinjin is the only way to be saved."*** That is, it is that we must recognize that there is no hope to be saved on our own, and thus we must rely on the vow of Amida Buddha and believe firmly in his inconceivable power.

Just as being trapped alone on a snowy mountain and deciding not to try to trek out on your own seems like an unreliable way to be rescued, there might be some people who feel that simply reciting the Nembutsu is not entirely satisfactory and offers an unreliable path to enlightenment. However, it is a fact that no matter how hard we try to do our best, we who are by nature false and insincere are not able to attain enlightenment on our own.

Of course, Amida Buddha has known deeply how incapable we are on our own power. It is for that reason that Amida Buddha, in his sincere wish to save all suffering beings, sympathized with our helplessness and established the 48 vows in five ***kalpas*** of profound thought. Thus Amida Buddha, with the great working of his wisdom and compassion, assures us: **"Call my Name (Namo Amida Butsu), I will surely save you!"** As Shinran Shonin was fully aware of Amida Buddha's great vow that was established for the sake of the foolish beings full of blind passions, he without doubt was able to entrust himself completely to the power of the Primal Vow and rejoice in the great compassion. That is why he said definitely, "Shinjin is the only way to be saved," and "Only the Nembutsu is true, real and sincere."

Jodo Shinshu, handed down to us by Shinran, is the teaching that sets aside all practices of Self Power and instead asks that we entrust ourselves wholeheartedly to Amida Buddha's Primal Vow. This is for certain the way we can be saved in the Nembutsu, which comes naturally from our lips as our deepest feelings of gratitude.

Whenever you go to the mountains for recreation, have a great time. But please be aware of your surroundings and take care not to get lost. And I sincerely hope that each of us will live a fruitful life each day rejoicing in the true Shinjin as our spiritual support.

In Gassho,

"Shinjin"

Two Aspects

First, although there are a lot of different ways to attain Buddhahood in this world, it is impossible for us to accomplish any practices on our own.

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Second, we entrust ourselves completely to the power of Amida Buddha's Primal Vow.

マウンテンビュー仏教会「回向」
二〇一七年三月法話
― 二種深信って何？ ―

駐在開教使 向嶋諦史

最近めっきり冷え込む日々が続いています。ついつい外出が億劫になりがちですが、スキーを愛する人にとっては、この寒さは期待感いっぱいの心躍る寒さでしょう。今、レイクタホを含め多くのスキー場では、スキーやスノーボードを楽しむ人々で大変賑わっています。皆、雪の恩恵に預かって楽しい時間を過ごしていることと思いますが、しかし、この時期よくニュースで目にするのは雪山での遭難です。先日、日本でも雪山で遭難した人たちが無事に救出されたというニュースを見たばかりです。

皆さんは、そのような恐ろしい経験をしたことはないと思いますが、もし、雪山で遭難した場合、一番助かる確率の高い人は一体どのような行動をとった人だと思いますか？データによりますと、あまり歩かず、じっと我慢強く救助隊が来てくれるのを待っている人だそうです。

実は、雪山で遭難した時、一番大事なことは、体力を消耗してはいけないということなのです。下山しようと歩き回るのは最も危険な行為になります。ですから、体力を温存しながら救助隊が来てくれるのをひたすら待っている人が一番助かる確率が高いというのです。

映画やドラマでそのような場面を何度か目にしたことはありますが、もしも、私が同じような境遇に立たされたら、孤独と恐怖でじっとはしていられないと思います。何とか自分の足で下山しようと無我夢中で歩き回っているでしょう。しかし、それが命取りになるのです。

では、助かるために動かないで我慢強く救助隊を待つためにはどういった心のありようが必要でしょうか。そこには二つ大切なことがあります。一つは、自分は体力も気力も弱く、決して自分の力では下山できないと覚悟すること。二つは、必ず救助隊が大捜索隊をつくって私を助けに来てくれるとかたく信じること。この二つに極まります。

なぜこのような話をしているかといいますと、浄土真宗の要である信心にも同じことが言えるからです。他力の信心にも二つの心のありようがあります。一つ目は、世の中には、仏になるための修行はいろいろあるが、どれも自分の力では成就することはできない。どれほど努力しても凡夫の力では悟りを開くことはできないと覚悟する（機の深信）。二つ目は、阿弥陀仏が大慈大悲心でもって、必ず煩悩具足の私を救い取って下さるとかたく信じ、阿弥陀仏のご本願に全てをお任せする（法の深信）。この心のありようを二種深信といって、一つの信心の両面を表しています。簡単に言いますと、自らのはからいを捨て、阿弥陀仏のおはたらきに全てお任せするという心のありようが信心なのです。

ですから、雪山で遭難した場合、最も大切なことは、私達が救助隊の力をどこまで信じられるかということです。最初は、救助隊が捜索してくれているだろうとは思ってはいても、時間が経つにつれて、その力を信じることができず、「本当に助けに来てくれるのだろうか」と疑いを持ち始めたら、不安と恐怖にかられて、じっと待つことができず、自分で下山しようとしてウロウロすることになり、結局は助からないでしょう。

親鸞聖人が「確実に救われる道は信心一つ」と説かれたのは、正にこれだと思います。つまり、「自分の力ではどうにもならないと覚悟する」、そして「阿弥陀仏の本願力を疑いなく信じ、そのお力に全てをお任せする」ということだったのです。

雪山の中を一人でじっとしているのは何とも心細く頼りないと思うように、阿弥陀仏のおはたらきにお任せしてお念仏を称えることだけでは頼りなく何か物足りないと思われる方がおられるかもしれません。しかし、確実なことは、どれほど努力しようとも虚仮不実の私達の力では決して悟りを開くことはできないということなのです。

だからこそ、そんな無力な凡夫を哀れみて、阿弥陀仏は五劫という長い時間をかけてまで私達を救う道、つまり、四十八願をたてられ、本願を成就されたのです。そして大いなる智慧と慈悲のはたらきでもって、私達一人ひとりに「我が名を称えよ、必ず救う！」とお誓いになられておられます。親鸞聖人は煩悩具足の凡夫のために誓われた阿弥陀仏の大いなる願いに気づかれ、その本願力を信じ、大悲心を喜ぶことができたからこそ、「信心一つ」、「念仏のみぞまことにておわします」ときっぱりと言い切ることができたのです。

親鸞聖人がお伝えくださった浄土真宗は、自力の善根功徳を捨てて、ただ一心に阿弥陀仏の本願に任せきるという教えです。そして心の底からこみ上げてくる報恩謝徳のお念仏を称えていくところに救われていく確かな道があると説いておられます。

さて皆さん、スキーに行かれる際は、決して遭難することのないよう十分に気を付けて、楽しい時間を過ごしていただきたいと思います。それでは、真実信心のお念仏を喜ばせていただきながら日々を大切にお過ごし下さい。

2017 Mountain View Buddhist Temple Board of Directors

2017 MVBT Board of Directors

Congratulations to the 2017 MVBT Board of Directors, who were installed during the Sunday Service on January 29.

President
Sterling Makishima

1st Vice President
Doug Sawamura

2nd Vice President
John Arima

Recording Secretary
Don Fukuma

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Jean Higa

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Steve Tsuchida

Echo Co-Editors
Haruye Hoshi
Steve Tsuchida

MVBT 2017 Board of Directors

Top roll (L-R): Rev. Y. Mukojma, Steve Tsuchida, Don Fukuma, Peter Matsumoto and Bob Yamanaga. *Front roll (L-R):* Haruye Hoshi, Bob Imai, Jean Higa, Sterling Makishima, Doug Sawamura and Eric Arakaki. *Not Pictured:* John Arima, John Arao and Irving Ozawa.

Rev. Michael Endo read this poem in his Dharma Talk at the Nirvana Day & Pet Memorial Services

If a Dog Were Your Teacher

If a dog were your teacher
These are some of the lessons you might learn…

When loved ones come home, always run to greet them
Never pass up the opportunity to go for a joyride
Allow the experience of fresh air and the wind in your face to be pure ecstasy

When it's in your best interest
practice obedience
Let others know when they've invaded your territory
Take naps and stretch before rising
Run romp and play daily

Thrive on attention and let people touch you
Avoid biting, when a simple growl will do
On warm days stop to lie on your back on the grass
On hot days drink lots of water and lay under a shady tree
When you're happy dance around and wag your entire body

No matter how often you're scolded
don't buy into the guilt thing and pout
run right back and make friends

Delight in the simple joy of a long walk
Eat with gusto and enthusiasm
Stop when you have had enough
Be loyal
Never pretend to be something you're not

If what you want lies buried
dig until you find it
When someone is having a bad day
be silent .....
...sit close by.

...and nuzzle them gently.

BWA Actiities

On January 29, 2017, BWA's 2017 Cabinet was installed. The officers are:

President
Reiko Murakami

Vice President
Mitsue Fukuda

Recording Secretary
Marie Ochi-Jacobs

Corresponding Secretaries
Taye Kurashige
Miyo Takegami

Treasurer
Joan Aoki

Historian
Kimi Nishimura

Social Chairperson
Carolyn Sakae

Official Delegates
Reiko Murakami
Toshiko Uyehara

There will be 21 members from our BWA Chapter attending the Coast District Conference in Monterey on March 11, 2017. It promises to be an enjoyable day.

We gratefully accept the special donations from **Alice Ikenaga** and **Tomiko Maruyama**. A special "Thank You" to **Haruye Hoshi** for purchasing flowers and planting them around the Shinran Shonin Monument.

Our Chirashi Fundraiser will be on Sunday, April 16, 2017. Pick-up only will be from 11 am to 2 pm. Tickets will go on sale Sunday, March 19, 2017.

MVBT BWA
Chirashi Fundraiser $6
Sunday, April 16
Pickup Only 11 am - 2 pm

2017 BWA dues are now being accepted ($20).

JOIN BWA

Anyone interested in joining our BWA, contact **Reiko Murakami** at 408-257-0687 or email: reikomurakami@comcast.net.

NEXT MEETING

Saturday. March 18, 2017 at 9:00 am in YBA Hall.

Buddhist Women's Association

MVBT BWA 2017 Cabinet:

Top roll (L-R): Rev. Y. Mukojma, Joan Aoki, Miyo Takegami, Carolyn Sakae. *Front roll (L-R):* Mitsue Fukuda, Reiko Murakami, Taye Kurashige, Kimi Nishimura and Toshiko Uyehara. *Not pictured:* Marie Ochi-Jacobs

150 Club News

We have our February winners for 2017, **Damon and Trevor Uyehara.**

Congratulations and thank you to all the 150 Club participants. With your help we have a successful start to 2017!

Toban & Echo Schedule

	Toban	Echo Article Deadline	Echo Print Date
MAR	Zones 6 & 7	N / A	N / A
APR	Zones 8 & 9	Mar 10 (Fri)	Mar 15 (Wed)
MAY	Zones 10 & 11	April 14 (Fri)	April 19 (Wed)

Please note the revised article deadline, printing dates and email submission process. This will provide time to layout and production. Thank you.

Email all articles to echo@mvbuddhisttemple.org

YBA News

Hawaiian Breakfast Fundraiser In April

Details to be Announced

PAST EVENTS

SPAGHETTI DINNER

Thank you everyone who attended our Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, February 11. We appreciate everyone's support!

YAC SUMMIT

From January 27 to 29, Mountain View sent YBA members **Vicky Shinkawa** and **Michelle Tokutomi** along with Mountain View's four Youth Minister's Assistants, **Hayley Arima**, **Erin Hamasaki**, **Maddie Matsumoto** and **Alex Shinkawa**, to the Youth Advocacy Committee (YAC) Summit at the Jodo Shinshu Center in Berkeley. Past YAC Retreat attendees and other YBA members met up in Berkeley to "get a taste of YAC."

UPCOMING EVENTS

COAST DISTRICT YBL CONFERENCE & MINISTER'S RETREAT

In preparation for the Coast District conference on Saturday, March 18, Coast District Temple representatives met on January 21 at the Mountain View Buddhist Temple to work on workshops. Participants received feedback on the workshops and learned how to enter and exit the onaijin. The theme of the conference is the Disney Pixar movie, ***"Inside Out, What Could Happen?"*** **Alex Shinkawa** is one of the co-chairs for the conference and **Hayley Arima** and **Jordyn Sato** are workshop leaders.

BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

YBA is planning on hosting a Hawaiian breakfast fundraiser in April chaired by **Evan Tsukahara** and **Rossten Nakamura**. We hope you can come support YBA!

In Gassho,
Jordyn Sato
2016-2017 YBA President

ABA News

ABA

MVBT ABA 2017 Cabinet

Top roll (L-R): Rev. Y. Mukojma, Steve Tsuchida, Don Fukuma, Ken Nakano, Lois Okino, Carolyn Murata, Shirley Matsumoto. *Front roll (L-R):* Alice Ishida, Mieko Nakano, July Nakano, Jean Shimoguchi, Joanne Makishima, Reiko Tsuchida, Ann Uyehara and Toshiko Uyehara. *Not Pictured:* Marilyn Ozawa.

.ABA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thanks to all of the members who assisted and participated in the ABA-sponsored Dharma Services in January.

Our Annual New Year's Dinner was held on February 18 (okay, so we were a little late) at Michaels at Shoreline restaurant. Big thanks to **Kathy Fujii** and **Eileen Fujikawa** for organizing another fun evening.

The BCA National Council Meeting will be held in San Jose. ABA members are volunteering and organizing aspects of the Meetings including the registration, golf tournament and dinner at the San Jose Marriott.

Several members will attend a performance of the play "Calligraphy" at TheatreWorks in Palo Alto, on Saturday, March 18.

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In Gassho,
Jean Shimoguchi
ABA President

Seniors Activity Group

COOKBOOKS AVAILABLE

Only $18.00

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

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday March 15:

A highly requested one day trip to Thunder Valley Casino is scheduled. The price is $22, tip included. Members and non members can sign up now. Call **Chuck Uyeda** if interested.

MONTHLY EVENTS

2nd Friday of each month: Monthly walk changed back to Vallco. On the 2nd Friday of each month meet at Vallco near Sears at 10:00 am. Enjoy the walk with your friends. Lunch following the walk is 11:00 - 11:30 am at the Country Inn, 998 South De Anza Blvd, San Jose, across from Home Depot. For more information, call **Julie Ushiba** or **Haruye Hoshi**.

SENIOR CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

We try to have activities for everyone to enjoy. If you can think of anything else to add to our program, please contact any of our committee members.

9:00 am to 12:00 noon: Knitting and different crafts with **Debbie Kitani** showing the ladies many new ideas.

9:15 am to 10:00 am: Line Dancing with **Naomi Ariyama** leading line dancing with help from **Reiko Tsuchida** and **Toshiko Uyehara**.

10:00 am to 10:30 am: "Sing Along Group" lead by **Kinji Ushiba**.

10:45 am to 11:15 am: Chair Exercise as you sing along lead by **Julie Ushiba**. What better way to start your day, with a light exercise.

In Gassho,
Aiko Sugimoto-Miyamoto

Senior Activities & Crafts

Support Your Temple

Donate to the Upcoming Services

Spring Ohigan, Hanamatsuri & Kangi-e / Obon / Hatsubon

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

Dharma School News

Dharma School

PAST EVENTS

The Dharma School had numerous events in the past few weeks.

The first was an Emergency Preparedness Workshop on January 22 in the YBA Hall. The workshop was open to Dharma School

Teachers from local Temples. We had attendees from San Jose, San Mateo and Mountain View. The theme was "Keeping our Dharma School students safe." **Jeff Sato**, a Mountain View Buddhist Temple member and former police officer for the City of Mountain View, and **Jim McClure**, a San Jose Buddhist Church Betsuin member and former firefighter for the City of San Jose, were the instructors. They did an excellent job covering how to deal with medical emergencies, fire, earthquake and active shooters. Thanks to **Debby Inenaga** and **Bob Matsumoto** for organizing the workshop.

The Dharma School Winter Family Fun Night on February 3 featured fun with Silly Olympics. Despite the cold weather and multiple basketball events, the turn out was good. Thanks to **Tony and Joy Kikuta** for organizing the event.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Upcoming will be a take-out fundraising event with Island Grinds Catering Co. (formerly Poke N Mo) on Sunday, March 12. **Debby Inenaga** is working out details with the vendor. Plans are for the food to be available by pre-order only.

And, we'll be introducing the new Dharma School students in an upcoming service on Sunday, February 26.

DONATIONS

Gratefully acknowledged.

Tom & Joyce Tamaru
Evan & Allyson Itow's birthdays

In Gassho,
Curt Fukuda
Dharma School Superintendent

ISLAND GRINDS CATERING CO.

Dharma School Take-Out Fundraiser
Sunday, March 12

Grab some ono grinds guaranteed to broke da' mouth!

- Island Grinds Catering Co (formerly Poke N Mo) will donate 15% of all proceeds to the MVBT Dharma School
- Pre-Orders Only
- Submit orders by Sunday, March 5
  - Email to Debby Inenaga at inenagad@gmail.com or
  - Form to MVBT Office
  - Cash or check to MVBT Dharma School only (you can pay at time of pick-up)

DA' MENU

Wasabi Caesar Salad $3 *Fresh diced Romaine Hearts, Croutons, Parmigiano-Reggiano, and Wasabi Caesar Dressing*

Sesame-Soy Ahi Poke $11 *Diced Ahi Tuna, Red Onion, Cucumber, Lomi Tomatoes, Furikake Nori, Wakame Seaweed Salad, Crispy Rice and Sesame-Soy Dressing*

Spicy Salmon Poke $11 *Shallot, Pickled Cucumber, Lomi Tomatoes, Wakame Seaweed Salad, Crispy Rice and Spicy Mayo*

Tonkotsu Ramen $11 *Braised Pork Belly, Corn, Green Onions, Spinach, Soft Boiled Egg*

Shoyu Ramen $11 *Shimejii Mushrooms, Enokii Mushrooms, Corn, Green Onions, Spinach and Roasted Garlic Oil*

Spam Musubi $3 *Seared Spam, Soy Glaze, Furikake Nori and Rice, Wrapped in Nori*

Hatsumairi Infant Presentation — Sunday, April 9, 2017

Register for Hatsumairi by Friday, March 31, 2017

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 9, 2017 at 10:00 am.**

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

Please fill out the application below and mail it to the Temple by **Friday, March 31, 2017**.

Rev. Yushi Mukojima
Resident Minister

The ceremony includes a pledge by all parents to raise their child according to the Buddhist Teachings, as the first step in establishing a world of stability and peace of mind for their infant. It is a time to share (with your child) the true hopes and aspirations manifested in your hearts and minds.

Child's Last Name_____

Child's First and Middle Name(s) _____

Child's Birth Date _____

Mother's Name _____

Father's Name_____

Address _____

City_____ **State** ___ **ZIP** _____

Phone_____

Email _____

Please return this form by Friday, March 31, 2017 to the Mountain View Buddhist Temple, or email the information to Rev. Mukojima (ymukjima@gmail.com)

March

Monthly

Memorial

Service

Sunday

March 12, 2017

10:00 am

March 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 **March** Shotsuki loved ones are:

Theodore Abe	**Shinobu Maruyama**	**Fumio Okayama**
Robert Arima	**Helen Matsumoto**	**Kinuko Sasaki**
Mine Chikasuye	**Shizuko Matsumoto**	**Rev. Sensho Sasaki**
Alice Asaka Fujii	**Tom Matsumoto**	**Frank Sato**
Satoru Fujikawa	**Akira Morishima**	**Kanesuke Sato**
Kazuo Furusho	**Cynthia Muranaka**	**Brett Sugimoto**
Harriet Hamamoto	**Haruko Muranaka**	**Patricia Yukie Togashi**
Yutaka Hamamoto	**Linda Nakagawa**	**Thomas Takegami**
Sekitaro Hananouchi	**Haruyo Nakano**	**Shimoye Yamaji**
Masao Hayashi	**Harry Nakano**	**Tora Tamaji**
Itsuyo Hori	**Ken'ichi Nakano**	**Yoshikichi Yamaji**
Ronald Hoshiko	**Rokuro Nakano**	**Kazuo Yanase**
Koriyu Kariya	**Komao Nara**	**Torao Yokoyama**
Ruth Kawaguchi	**Shizuko Nishimura**	**Kiriye Yoshida**
Miya Kawamoto	**George Tetsuo Noguchi**	
Hakobu Koyano	**Shigeru Okamoto**	

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**

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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.

2017 is the memorial year for those who passed away in:

1st Year Memorial	2016	3rd Year Memorial	2015	7th Year Memorial	2011
13th Year Memorial	2005	17th Year Memorial	2001	25th Year Memorial	1993
27th Year Memorial	1991	33rd Year Memorial	1985	50th Year Memorial	1968

april 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 10am - Sunday 12pm - Dharma 12pm - Taiko - Kids	27 6pm - Girl Scouts @ 7:30pm - RPC	28 6pm - Taiko - Adults 7pm - Cub Scouts @	29 7pm - Boy Scouts 7:30pm - Temple	30 8am - Senior 6pm - Taiko - Adults 7:30pm - Dharma	31	1
2 10am - Sunday 11am - Dharma 12pm - Taiko - Kids 12pm - YBA General	3 6pm - Girl Scouts @ 7pm - Study Glass @	4 6pm - Taiko - Adults 7pm - Cub Scouts @	5 6pm - Boy Scouts - 7pm - Boy Scouts 7:30pm - Temple	6 8am - Senior 6pm - Taiko - Adults	7	8 9am - BWA Meeting
9 9am - Dharma 10am - Hanamatsuri	10 6pm - Girl Scouts @	11 6pm - Taiko - Adults 7pm - Cub Scouts @	12 7pm - Boy Scouts 7:30pm - Temple 7:30pm - Temple	13 8am - Senior 6pm - Taiko - Adults	14 9am - BWA @ 7pm - ABA General 7pm - Fuji Club @	15
16 5am - BWA @ 10am - Shotsuki 11am - BWA - 12pm - Taiko - Kids	17 11am - Senior Group 6pm - Girl Scouts @	18 6pm - Taiko - Adults 7pm - Cub Scouts @	19 7pm - Boy Scouts 7:30pm - Temple	20 8am - Senior 6pm - Taiko - Adults	21 FDSTL Conference	22 4pm - Cub Scouts @
23 FDSTL Conference 12am - Cub Scouts 9am - Dharma 10am - Sunday 12pm - Taiko - Kids	24 6pm - Girl Scouts @ 7:30pm - RPC	25 6pm - Taiko - Adults 7pm - Cub Scouts @	26 7pm - Boy Scouts 7:30pm - Temple	27 8am - Senior 6pm - Taiko - Adults	28	29
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Upcoming Events

April 9, 2017, Sunday
Hanamatsuri & Hatsumairi

April 16, 2017, Sunday
BWA Chirashi Fundraiser

April 21 - 23, 2017, Friday—Sunday
Federated Dharma School Teachers League Conference

April TBD, 2017, Sunday
YBA Hawaiian Breakfast Fundraiser

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