



MOUNTAIN VIEW BUDDHIST TEMPLE

February Highlights

- **2/4 Sun, 10:00 am**
Shotsuki Hoyo Service
11:00 am
Japanese Language Service
- **2/5 Mon, 7:00 pm**
Tannisho Study Class
- **2/10 Sat, 5 pm - 8 pm**
YBA Spaghetti Dinner & Bingo Fundraiser
- **2/11 Sun, 10:00 am**
Nirvana Day & Pet Memorial Service
Guest Speaker:
Bishop Kodo Umezu
- **2/14 Wed, 7:30 pm**
Temple Board Meeting
- **2/25 Sun, 10:00 am**
Boy & Cub Scout Sunday Service

“In with Fortune! Out with the Devil!”

Recently, I've seen demon masks on display in Japanese grocery stores. They are used in a unique observance in Japan called **Setsubun**, which occurs every February 3rd. One of its events is the Bean-Throwing Ceremony, or **tsuina**, when people throw handfuls of roasted beans at anyone wearing demon masks to drive them out of the house because demons dislike these beans. Tsuina was adapted from ancient China where the imperial court of Emperor Mommu introduced it in 706 to drive away evil spirits and deities.



By Rev. Yushi Mukojima

During this lively ceremony, we yell out, “In with fortune! Out

with the devil!” But what actually is the demon that is so disliked that it must be driven away? Of course, it usually refers symbolically to impurity, misfortune, illness, and so on. But when we consider the teaching of Buddha, we begin to realize that the demon is closer to us than we might expect. Then who is the demon? Actually, it refers to me.

These annoying demons hide in the world of darkness in the depths of our minds: the hungry ghost with its insatiable greed, the

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Nirvana Day Service – Sunday, February 11 at 10:00 am

Nirvana Day is the day to reflect on our great founder, Sakyamuni Buddha, who passed away at age 80, on February 15 in India over 2500. The word Nirvana is the Sanskrit that means the state of the flame going out. In Buddhism, flame or fire represents our blind passions or ego that cause us worry and suffer. In other words, Nirvana means the state in which the flame of all of these blind passions is extinguished and ultimate enlightenment is attained. When we refer to the death of the Historical Buddha, or to the flame of his life going out,



Rev. Koko Umezu, BCA Bishop

we call it "Complete Nirvana" or "Great Extinction." It means eternal peace of mind.

For this special service, the Mountain View Buddhist Temple will have as the guest speaker Reverend Kodo Hiromichi Umezu, BCA Bishop.

Rev. Kodo Umezu was born in Fukuoka Prefecture, Japan. He received his B.A. from Ryukoku University in Kyoto in 1973, and his M.A. from the Institute of Buddhist Studies in Berkeley in 1976. After arriving in the United States in 1973, Rev. Umezu served at the Fresno Betsuin Buddhist Temple until 1976. He served in the U.S.

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Mountain View Buddhist Temple

Religious Planning — February 2018

February 4, 2018, Sunday, 10:00 am — Shotsuki Hoyo

11:00 am Japanese Language Service



February 5, 2018, 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.



February 11, 2018, Sunday, 10:00 am — Nirvana Day & Pet Memorial Service

Nirvana Day: Observe the passing of the historical Sakyamuni Buddha into Nirvana

Guest Speaker: **Bishop Kodo Umezu**

Minister's Assistant Certificate Ceremony for **John Arima**








February 18, 2018, Sunday, 10:00 am — Sunday Service



February 25, 2018, Sunday, 10:00 am — Boy & Cub Scout Sunday Service




	Shotsuki Hoyo Service		O-asaji (Morning Chanting) - 9:00 am		Study Class - 7:00 pm
	Adult Discussion - 11:00 am		Dharma School - 11:00 am		

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

Tamae Nagatsuyu Sept 23, 1940 - Dec 29, 2017

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

Namo Amida Butsu




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 \$4 for two 1-lb pkgs or \$2 each

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“In with Fortune! Out with the Devil!” (cont’d)

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fighting spirit with its anger and jealousy, and the demon of wrong view who, in its ignorance, lacks better judgment because of selfishness. When these spirits rise from our minds, we ourselves become the very devils we fear.

Saichi Asahara, a superior Nembutsu person from Shimane Prefecture who passed away in 1932, asked an artist to paint his portrait with devil’s horns on his head. He truly awoke to himself as a “devil.” He left us many poems, so I would like to introduce some of his work.

- *How I regret and pity myself with my devil’s horns of the wrong view. However, I am so grateful for Amida Buddha who embraces me just as I am. Namu Amida Butsu.*
- *When I think about my polluted mind, I have nowhere to go except hell. How shameful I am. Namu Amida Butsu.*
- *When I am at my last mo-*

ment, I begin to see the evil consequences of what I had thought and what I had done. How terrible it is.

Shinran Shonin called us foolish beings. He explained foolish beings in great detail in his “Notes on Once-Calling and Many-Calling”: *Foolish beings: as expressed in the parable of the two rivers of water and fire, we are full of ignorance and blind passion. Our desires are countless, and anger, wrath, jealousy and envy are overwhelming, arising without pause; to the very last moment of life they do not cease, or disappear, or exhaust themselves.*

The more we look deep into our mind of darkness, the more we are able to see ourselves as shameful and terrible. Hell is certainly where we should dwell. However, the Primal Vow of Amida Buddha was established just to save us foolish beings.

Saichi Asahara wrote as follows: *If there were no foolish beings who are selfish, shameful, and full of blind passions, the Pure Land of Amida Buddha would not*

have been established. The Pure Land was created because we are here. I rejoice that I, a shameful person, am embraced in the light of compassion just as I am. Joy means just this. How joyful I am for Amida’s favor. Namu Amida Butsu.

We foolish beings are always selfish and, really, don’t know what we would do if faced with causes and conditions. The teaching of the Nembutsu is here to make us see our true selves and to put us straight. When we recognize, with the light of Amida Buddha’s wisdom, the evil that hides in our mind of darkness, what we feel is shame and self-reproach.

At the same time, we are reminded that Amida Buddha established a supreme vow to lead us to the world of the Pure Land only because we are shameful people who possess the terrible mind of a demon. So, when we truly accept that Amida Buddha’s compassion can save us, then we are completely embraced in the mind of delight.

Saichi Asahara wrote, *When I think about Amida Buddha’s favor which cannot truly be repaid, the only thing I can do is to try to behave and to work towards the welfare of people and society.*

In this Dharma message, I introduced some poems written by a superior Nembutsu person, Saichi Asahara. You may have been surprised at how deep his self-reflection is. Yet they were the honest words of a person who truly embraced the light of Amida Buddha’s wisdom.

Well, at home this February 3rd, we will again hold a Bean-Throwing Ceremony. Wearing a demon mask, I will perform an important role as a father—playing the part of the demon, getting pelted by roasted beans and running out. I hope my kids won’t throw the beans at me with all their strength as they usually do: it really hurts!

In Gassho,

Nirvana Day Service (cont’d)

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Navy from 1976 to 1980. He then served at the Los Angeles Homba Hongwanji Buddhist Temple and Buddhist Church of Oakland before being appointed to serve as the Executive Assistant to the Bishop in 1996.

In 2005, Rev. Umezu was appointed as the Interim Director of the Center for Buddhist Education at the Jodo Shinshu Center in Berkeley, California, and went on to serve as Director from 2006 until 2012.

On April 1, 2012, Rev. Umezu was appointed as the 14th

Bishop of the Buddhist Churches of America. He was re-elected to a second term as Bishop on March 5, 2016. Rev. Umezu also serves as Chancellor of Institute of Buddhist Studies.

Please join the Sangha at this special service.

Minister’s Assistant
Certificate Ceremony

for

John Arima

Join us at the Nirvana Day
Service to congratulate John

マウンテンビュー仏教会「回向」 二〇一八年二月法話

— 鬼は外！ 福は内！ —

駐在開教使 向嶋謙史

最近、日系スーパーで鬼のお面が商品棚で見られるようになりまして。日本では、毎年「正月三日」に「福分」として、鬼のお面をかぶった人達に、鬼が嫌う豆を投げつけて鬼退治をするという風習があります。この「豆まき」は、古くは中国から伝わった風習で、「追儚」と呼ばれ、悪鬼や厄神を追い払う行事として七〇六年に文武天皇の宮中で初めて行われたといわれています。

さて、豆まきのお決まりの掛け声といえは、「鬼は外！ 福は内！」ですが、この嫌われ、追い払われる「鬼」とは、一体何者でしょうか。もちろん一般的には穢れや災い、厄病など邪気といわれるものを指すのですが、仏さまのみ教えに出遇ってみると以外に身近なところにいるのが分かります。ではその「鬼」とは誰のことなのでしょう。それは正しくこの私自身のことなのです。

私の心の奥底に広がる闇の世界に、この厄介者の「鬼」が息を潜めて蠢いています。貪りの心(貪欲)の絶えない餓鬼が潜んでいます。怒りや嫉みや股立の心(瞋恚)の絶えない邪鬼が潜んでいます。理非の区別のつかない、自分の損得だけで物事を判断する愚かな心(愚痴)の邪見の鬼が潜んでいます。これらの「鬼」が事ある毎に顔を出し、この私そのままだが「鬼」になるのです。

一九三三年に往生された妙好人・浅原才市さんは、自身の肖像画に二本の角を描かせました。自らを「鬼と

自覚されたのです。そしてこう歌われています。

きたなさまや わしのころのきたなさまや じごくのくげんは これでわかるぞ あさましや あさましや あさましや なむあみだぶつ なむあみだぶつ (わが心の汚さを思えば、地獄しか行き場のないこの私。あさましい事でありませぬ。南無阿彌陀仏)

おそろしや しめるだんまつまには おそろしや わが業力で できた鬼が見えます。おそろしやおそろしや おそろしや (わが臨終の際にはおそろしや、私が思ってきた事、仕出かした事によつて作り出した鬼が見えてきます。おそろしや)と。

親鸞聖人はこのような私達を、「凡夫と呼ばれ『一念多念証文』の中では、凡夫について次のように詳しく説明されておられます。「凡夫といふは、無明煩惱われらが身にみちみちて、欲もおほく、いかり、はらだち、そねみ、ねたむころおほくひまなくして、臨終の一念にいたるまでとどまらず、きえず、たえずと、水火二河のたとえにあらはれたり」。

まことに心の闇を覗けば覗くほど、あさましくも恐ろしい、私達であることに気づかされます。地獄こそ一定住みかこの私です。しかしながら、このような凡夫だからこそ救わずにはおれないと思いで建てられたのが、阿彌陀仏のご本願なのです。

才市さんは、さうしてこう歌います。

あさましがないならば みだの浄土は できんの浄土を (罪深いこのあさましい煩惱いつはいの凡夫がいなければできなかつた弥陀のお浄土、あさましいこの私がいるゆえに、こしらえてもらつたお浄土なのです)

よろこびは つみをつきぬけ ひかりかがやく

わんぎとは「このごとくおんうれしや なむあみだぶつ」(限りなくあさましいこの私)が、そっくりそのままお慈悲の光に包み込まれている喜び、歡喜とはこのことですよ。弥陀のご恩のなんと嬉しいことでしょう。南無阿彌陀仏)

私達凡夫は常に自己中心の存在であり、ひとたび縁がもよおせば何を仕出かすかわからない存在です。そのような私のあり様を知らせ、正して下さるのがお念仏のみ教えなのです。阿彌陀仏の智慧の光に照らされて、私の心の闇に潜む鬼に気づくとき、そこに起きてくるのは、己をあさましいと恥じる「慚愧」の心ではないでしょうか。

しかし、それと同時に、そうした鬼を飼っている「あさましいこの私」であればこそ、救わずにはおれないと誓つて下さった阿彌陀仏のお慈悲の心に気づかされて、私はすつぱりと、「歡喜」の心に包み込まれるのです。才一さんは歌います。

法にむくしごとが ひとつある わが身つしむころが しごとよ (報いても報いきれない阿彌陀さまのご恩を思うとき、この私にできることといえは、少しでもわが身を慎んで、世のため、人のために生きることではないでしょうか)

今月は、浅原才市さんの詩をたくさん味わって頂きましたが、妙好人と呼ばれるお方の自己内省の深さに大変驚かれたことと思います。しかし、これぞ正しく阿彌陀仏の智慧の光に出遇つたお方の正直なお言葉なのです。

さて、今年も、二月三日の節分の日、私が鬼役となつて子供達から大量の豆を投げつけられるという大役を全うしなくてはなりません。子供達も少しは力加減をしてくれればいいのですが…。



**Mountain View Buddhist Temple
Dharma School Taiko Fundraiser
Sunday, February 4**

Take Out Lunch Fundraiser

Pick-up right after service 11 am - noon

Please send orders to Ashley Uyehara at

taikocoord@mvbuddhisttemple.org

Order due date: Sunday, January 21

Name:

Phone Number:

Email:

Quantity	Item	Price (tax included)		Item Total
	Wasabi Caesar Salad- Fresh Diced Romaine Hearts, Croutons, Parmigiano-Reggiano and a Wasabi Caesar Dressing	\$3.30		
	Sesame-Soy Ahi Poke- Diced Ahi Tuna, Red Onion, Cucumber, Lomi Tomatoes, Funkake Nari, Wakame Seaweed Salad, Crispy Rice, and Sesame-Soy Dressing	\$12.00		
	Spicy Salmon Poke- Diced Salmon, Shallot, Pickled Cucumber, Lomi Tomatoes, Wakame Seaweed Salad, Crispy Rice, and Spicy Mayo	\$12.00		
	Tonkotsu Ramen- Braised Pork Belly, Corn, Green Onions, Spinach and a Soft Boiled Egg	\$12.00		
	Shoyu Ramen- Shimeji Mushrooms, Enoki Mushrooms, Corn, Green Onions, Spinach and Roasted Garlic Oil	\$12.00		
	Spam Musubi- Seared Spam, Soy Glaze, Funkake Nari and Rice, Wrapped in Nari	\$3.30		

15% of sales will be donated to the MVBT Dharma School Taiko Group

Grand Total

Please make checks payable to: MVBT Dharma School Taiko

Notes:

BWA Activities

CONDOLENCES

BWA is saddened by the passing of **Mrs. Tamae Nagatsuyu**. Our sincere condolences to the Nagatsuyu family for their loss. Tamae-san was an active member of BWA and will be greatly missed.

LUNCHEON BY GIRL SCOUTS

On January 13, BWA members were guests of the Girl Scouts at a delicious luncheon given us. It was very impressive as all the girls from the youngest participated in preparing and serving the meal.

CD BWL CONFERENCE

BWA is busy planning and preparing for the Coast District Buddhist Women's League Conference on March 17, 2018. We expect to be hosting 140 to 150 attendees from six CD Temples. Our English guest speaker will be **Rev. Candice Shibata** from the Buddhist Church of Florin and our own Sensei, **Rev. Yushi Mukojima**, will be the Japanese guest speaker. We will also be having three fun workshops.

JOIN BWA

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

NEXT MEETING

Saturday, February 17, 2018, at 9:00 am in the YBA Hall.



YBA Activities

SPAGHETTI DINNER

YBA's annual Spaghetti Dinner and Bingo fundraiser is right around the corner! Please save the date for Saturday, February 10. We hope to see everyone there, and thank you in advance for all of your support!

View Buddhist Temple. Everyone had a great time playing volleyball and participating in competitive games. The members also cut and braided old t-shirts into pet toys as a donation for our community service project. Many members and advisors slept overnight in the Hondo and participated in the morning's service.

CDYBL HOLIDAY PARTY

Twenty-nine members from the Coast District YBL chapters attended the CD Winter Activity on January 6-7 at the Mountain

In Gassho,
Maddie Matsumoto
2017 - 2018 YBA President

YBA Spaghetti Dinner & BINGO

Saturday, February 10, 2018

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<h3>150 Club News</h3> <p>Our New Year winner for January is Kristy Nakano.</p> <p>Thanks for participating in the 150 Club!</p>	<h3>Toban & Echo Schedule</h3> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Toban</th> <th>Echo Article Deadline</th> <th>Echo Print Date</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>FEB</td> <td>Zones 13 & 1</td> <td>N/A</td> <td>N/A</td> </tr> <tr> <td>MAR</td> <td>Zones 2 & 3</td> <td>Feb 16 (Fri)</td> <td>Feb 21 (Wed)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>APR</td> <td>Zones 4 & 5</td> <td>Mar 16 (Fri)</td> <td>Mar 21 (Wed)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Please note the revised article deadline, printing dates and email submission process. This will provide time to layout and production. Thank you.</p> <p>Email all articles to echo@mvbuddhisttemple.org</p>		Toban	Echo Article Deadline	Echo Print Date	FEB	Zones 13 & 1	N/A	N/A	MAR	Zones 2 & 3	Feb 16 (Fri)	Feb 21 (Wed)	APR	Zones 4 & 5	Mar 16 (Fri)	Mar 21 (Wed)
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Boy Scouts Troop 87

The entire Temple membership is invited in thanks for its support over the years for our Eagles, and for prospective Scouts to see what it is all about!

Boy Scouts of America
TROOP 87
 cordially invites you to attend the
Eagle Scout Court of Honor
 for
**Jimmy Sato,
 Charlie Bonini,
 and
 Paul Young**
Sunday, March 4, 2018
12:00 Noon
Mountain View Buddhist Temple
BBQ Luncheon to follow

Honored Guests: MVBT Community including former and current Troop 87 scouts, leaders, parents, and supporters.
Everyone is welcome!

RSVP: eagleRSVP@troop87.us
Questions: Jean and Jeff Sato 650.465.3366

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Dharma School News

Happy New Year to Everyone!

Thank you to all the Dharma School parents and teachers who helped on the Mochi Tsuki and *osoji*.

Last month, new Dharma School students were introduced and received *onenjus*. Any new student who wasn't at the service, please feel free to contact Curt Fukuda to receive your *onenju*.

MVBT Taiko is holding take-out lunch fundraiser with Island Grinds on Sunday, February 4. Menu items include ramen, poke bowls, and spam musubi. Lunches are pre-order only, and orders are due before or on January 21. Pick-up will be available on February 4

after Sunday Service from 11:00 am to noon in Sangha Hall.

Looking forward to a wonderful year.

**In Gassho,
Curt Fukuda
Dharma School Superintendent**

DONATIONS

Donations are gratefully acknowledged:

**Randy & Debbie Sato
Connor's Birthday**

**Jeff & Janice Lee
Joey's Birthday**

**Todd & Ashley Uyehara
Trevor's Birthday**

**Jon Wakimoto &
Karen Bunya
Jenna Wakimoto's
Birthday**



December Birthdays

Dharma School



MVBT Girl Scout Troop #60736

DAISY

The Daisy girls are earning their Daisy petals - so far they've earned the Blue Promise Center and the Green Petal (Use Resources Wisely). They start each meeting by practicing the Girl Scout Handshake and Sign, and reciting the Girl Scout Promise, followed by a fun activity to learn about that meeting's Petal, and end it with a snack!

JUNIOR

The Juniors have been working on their Junior Aide patch by working with our Daisy girls. They've led a class session, worked

with them on learning the Girl Scout Promise and taught them a song. The Daisy girls enjoyed working with the older girls and look forward to the next time.

SENIOR

The Seniors worked on cleaning and organizing the Sangha Hall pantry as part of their efforts to "give back."

They are working on hosting a Kahlua Pork & Curry Rice fundraiser after the Ohigan service on March 18.

AMBASSADOR

Our Ambassador came out

during *osoji* to clean up the GS Closet in the Sangha Hall.

TROOP

The troop was busy planning and preparing for Girl Scout - BWA Luncheon that was held on January 13. We enjoyed our annual luncheon and spending time with the ladies of the BWA.

Girl Scout Cookie Sales will run from January 29 through March 4. We will have our first booth sales after service on Sunday February 4 in the YBA Hall.






Girl Scout Fundraiser

MVBT Girl Scout Senior scouts will be having a takeout lunch fundraiser for the Sangha on Sunday, March 18. This is a great opportunity for Ohigan seminar participants to have lunch before-

hand. Enjoy delicious homemade Kalua Pork or Curry Rice. Each lunch is \$7, and is by preorder only. Forms are in the back of the Hondo and can be turned into Joan Aoki or the Girl Scout mail

slot in the office by March 4. Thank you for your support.

MVBT Girl Scout Troop 60736 Seniors



Kahlua Pork and Curry Rice Takeout Fundraiser March 18, 2018

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Kahlua Pork Lunches: ____ x \$7.00
Curry Rice Lunches: ____ x \$7.00
Total: _____

Please turn in this form with payment (cash or check payable to GS Troop 60736) to Joan Aoki or the Girl Scout mail slot by March 4th.
Thank you for your support!



ABA News

Thanks to everyone who supported and attended the ABA-hosted Dharma Services in January. It's always exciting to begin the new year with well-attended Dharma Services.

Our annual New Year's Dinner and Entertainment will be held on Saturday, February 3 at Michael's on Shoreline in Mountain

View. Look for photos of the festivities in next month's ECHO.

DONATIONS

Donations are gratefully acknowledged:

June Yusa

Henry Yusa's Memorial Service \$20

Irving & Marilyn Ozawa..... \$130

**With Gassho,
Jean Shimoguchi
ABA President**

Donate to the Upcoming Services

Support Your Temple

Nirvana Day & Pet Memorial
Spring O-higan / Hanamatsuri / Hatsumairi

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

Seniors Activity Group

Wishing everyone a Happy and Healthy New year, today and the years to come.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 15, Thursday. We will have **Sterling Makishima**, our Temple President, speaking to our Senior Group about "scam." We can't have enough information given to the many different scams going on. They seem to attack the seniors and make them the victim. Let us be aware. Please plan to join us, with lunch included. Mark this date on your calendar.

March 15, Thursday. We will have movie time. Enjoy the movie with your friends with lunch included. Coming Events:

April 18, Wednesday. A day trip to Cache Creek Casino is planned. Mark this date on your calendar and don't be left out. More information will be provided. Signups begin February 1. Call **Chuck Uyeda**.

May 16, Wednesday. We have rescheduled the Angel Island Trip with **Doug McConnell**. Please

mark these dates on your calendar to enjoy these fun activities planned for you. Signups begin March 1. More information will be provided.

COOKBOOKS FOR SALE

The Senior Cook Book is still available in the Temple office or from any of the committee member. A perfect gift for the coming holiday, the person that has everything. Price: \$18.

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

9:00 am 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 and different crafts. Please support Debbie with any ideas in craft for our upcoming events.

9:00 am to 10:00 am. Line dancing with **Naomi Ariyama** instructing with **Reiko Tsuchida** and **Toshiko Uyehara** assisting.

10:00 am to 10:45 am, Join **Kinji Ushiba** with the "Sing Along Group."

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

SUGGESTION FOR NEW 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: **Allan Nara, Chuck Uyeda, Rich Endo, Dennis Tsukagawa, Carolyn Sakae, Kimi Nishimura, Miyo Takegami** or **Aiko Sugimoto-Miyamoto**.

SENIOR HOURS

Every Thursday,
9:00 am - 12:00 noon

Light refreshment of coffee, tea and desserts are always provided. Everyone is welcome to join us to share new ideas and to make new friends.

In Gassho,
Aiko Sugimoto-Miyamoto

**Senior
Activities
&
Crafts**



**Register for
Hatsumairi
by
Friday,
April 6, 2018**

Hatsumairi Infant Presentation — Sunday, April 15, 2018

ATTENTION NEW PARENTS

April 15, 2018 at 10:00 am.

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,**

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.

below and mail it to the Temple by **Friday, April 6, 2018.**

Rev. Yushi Mukojima
Resident Minister

Please fill out the application

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, April 6, 2018 to the Mountain View Buddhist Temple, or email the information to Rev. Mukojima (ymukjima@gmail.com)



MOUNTAIN VIEW BUDDHIST TEMPLE MAJOR EVENTS AND GATHERINGS FOR THE YEAR 2018

January 1	New Year's Day/Shusho-e
January 7	Shotsuki Hoyo Service
January 14	Hoonko Service
January 28	Temple, BWA & ABA Installation
January 28	Temple Annual Meeting
February 4	Shotsuki Hoyo Service
February 10	YBA Spaghetti Dinner
February 11	Nirvana Day / Pet Memorial Service
February 25	Boy Scout Sunday Service
February 23-25	BCA National Council Meeting
March 4	Shotsuki Hoyo
March 11	Girl Scout Sunday Service
March 18	Spring Ohigan Service
April 1	Shotsuki Hoyo Service
April 15	Hanamatsuri & Hatsumairi Services
April 28-29	FDSTL Conference
May 6	Shotsuki Hoyo Service
May 13	Gotan-e Service
May 20	Chicken Teriyaki
May 27	Alta Mesa Memorial Day Service
June 3	Shotuski Hoyo Service for June & July
June 10	Graduation Service
July 8	Kangi-e Obon Hatsubon Service
July 21-22	Obon Bazaar Festival
July 22	Obon Odori Service
August 19	Sasaki Golf Tournament
September 9	Shotsuki Hoyo Service for Aug & Sep
September 9	DS Cabinet & YBA Installation
September 16	Fall Ohigan Service
September 30	Sangha Day Picnic
October 7	Shotsuki Hoyo Service
October 21	Bishops' Memorial & ABA Memorial Service
November 4	Shotsuki Hoyo Service
November 11	Esshinni-ko / Kakushinni-ko / Lady Ohtani Service
November 18	Eitaikyo Service & Keiro Kai Luncheon
December 2	Shotsuki Hoyo & Bodhi Day Service
December 9	Mochi Tsuki
December 16	Osoji (clean-up)
December 31	Joya-e Year End Service

*Events subject to change in Year 2018



February 10, 2018

Dinner: 5:00-7:00 pm

Bingo: 6:00-8:00 pm

MVBT Sangha Hall

The Mountain View Buddhist Temple YBA (Young Buddhist Association) will be hosting our annual Spaghetti Dinner. The proceeds from our Spaghetti Dinner funds religious and social activities throughout the year that provide opportunities for YBA members to experience the Dharma together. We appreciate any and all support you can give, including donated goods or services and monetary donations. Please come out and enjoy a wonderful evening! (Take-out also available.)

Please pre-order if possible as this allows us to plan and give you the best Spaghetti Dinner possible. If you have any questions please contact Evan Tsukahara at (408) 741-5960 or evan.a.tsukahara2000@gmail.com. Thank you for supporting the Mountain View YBA.

*In Gassho,
Evan Tsukahara
Spaghetti Dinner Chairperson*

To Pre-Order Dinners (Deadline February 1, 2018):

- Fill out the order form below
- Submit payment and pre-order form in the self-addressed envelope or drop off in the MVBT office
- *Checks should be made out to the: MVBT YBA
- **We follow a ticketless system, so no tickets will be distributed

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Please Check One: Eat In: [] Take Out: []

	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Total</u>
Adult Dinners:	_____ x \$10.00	\$ _____
Child (10 and under) Dinners:	_____ x \$6.00	\$ _____
Bingo Cards:	_____ x \$5.00	\$ _____
Additional Donation:		\$ _____
Total Amount Enclosed:		\$ _____

February 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 **February** Shotsuki loved ones are:



Bill Ichiro Asada	Matsuyo Idehara	Tsuneo Nishimura
Tom Fukuda	Rev. Ryumei Iguchi	Edward Okamura
Hatsugoro Fukushima	Tatsuhiko Ikebe	Kimi Okubo
Ben Furuichi	Francis Ikenaga	Jane Okumura
Thomas Gishi	George Tadashi Ishimaru	Frank Sakino
Yusaku Haruta	Kay Hisako Ishizawa	Kiyoshi Sawamura
Nabei Higa	Jiro Iwata	Zensaku Shishido
Chiyo Higuchi	Kazuo Kato	Mary Somen
Tomiuemon Hiramoto	Jack Kawamoto	Rodney Togashi
Chiyoko Hirohata	Chiyeko Matsumoto	Ruth Yamatoda
Jeanette Hirota	Frank Matsumoto	Haruo Yamaji
Maureen Hojo	Matsutaro Matsumoto	Toshio Yamaji
Shuichi Hori	David Toshio Matsuo	Mildred Yamanaga
Henry Isamu Hoshi Jr.	Shigeki Murai	Tsutomu Yamanaga
Henry Hideo Hoshi	Akiko Nakagawa	Kenneth Yasuda
Clara Hoshida	Niro Nishimoto	



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**



FEBRUARY

Monthly

Memorial

Service

Sunday

**February 4,
2018**

10:00 am

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.

2018 is the memorial year for those who passed away in:

1st Year Memorial	2017	3rd Year Memorial	2016	7th Year Memorial	2012
13th Year Memorial	2006	17th Year Memorial	2002	25th Year Memorial	1994
27th Year Memorial	1992	33rd Year Memorial	1986	50th Year Memorial	1969

march 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 8:00 am Senior Activities and Crafts 6:00 pm Taiko - Adults	2	3 8:00 am Boy Scouts - JLTC Training 3:00 pm Girl Scouts Father Daughter Dance
4 10:00 am Shotsuki Hoyo Service & Dharma School 12:00 pm Miroku 12:00 pm Taiko - Kids 12:00 pm YBA General Meeting	5 6:30 pm Girl Scouts 7:00 pm Tannisho Study Class	6 6:00 pm Taiko - Adults 7:00 pm Cub Scouts	7 6:00 pm Boy Scouts - Troop/Parent Meeting 7:30 pm Temple Choir	8 8:00 am Senior Activities and Crafts 6:00 pm Taiko - Adults 6:30 pm Girl Scouts - Padma class	9 7:00 pm ABA General Meeting 7:30 pm Fuji Club	10 9:00 am BWA Meeting
11 10:00 am Girl Scout Sunday & Dharma School 12:00 pm Taiko - Kids	12 6:30 pm Girl Scouts Padma Study Session	13 6:00 pm Taiko - Adults 7:00 pm Cub Scouts	14 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop Mtg. 7:30 pm Temple Board of Directors Meeting 7:30 pm Temple Choir	15 8:00 am Senior Activities and Crafts 6:00 pm Taiko - Adults	16 CDBWL Conference Prep 5:00 pm Girl Scouts	17 CDBWL Conference 3:00 pm YBA
18 7:30 am Girl Scouts (Seniors) 10:00 am Spring Ohigan Service & Dharma School 12:00 pm Spring Ohigan Seminar (1:00 - 3:00 pm) 12:00 pm Taiko - Kids 3:00 pm Cub Scout Pinewood Derby	19 11:00 am Senior Group Meeting 6:30 pm Girl Scouts	20 6:00 pm Taiko - Adults 7:00 pm Cub Scouts	21 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop Mtg. 7:30 pm Temple Choir	22 8:00 am Senior Activities and Crafts 6:00 pm Taiko - Adults 6:30 pm Girl Scouts - Padma class	23	24
25 10:00 am Sunday Service & Dharma School 12:00 pm Dharma School Teacher's Meeting 12:00 pm Taiko - Kids	26 6:30 pm Girl Scouts Padma Study Session 7:30 pm RPC Meeting	27 6:00 pm Taiko - Adults 7:00 pm Cub Scouts	28 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop Mtg. 7:30 pm Temple Choir	29 8:00 am Senior Activities and Crafts 6:00 pm Taiko - Adults	30 9:00 am BWA Chirashi Prep	31 12:00 pm Boy Scouts ECH

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Upcoming Events

March 4, 2018, Sunday

Shotsuki Hoyo

March 11, 2018, Sunday

Girl Scout Sunday Service

March 17, 2018, Saturday

Coast District BWL Conference @ MVBT

March 18, 2018, Sunday

Ohigan Service



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- ◆ *Save the Temple the cost of assembly, supplies and postage*

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