



President's Message: Terrie Matsumoto

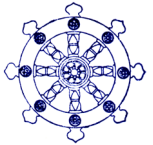
Happy July! By the time you get this Newsletter, the season of Summer will be rolling along. May and June were filled with end of school activities, promotions, and graduations of all levels. Congratulations to all for completing another school year filled with accomplishments and achievements!

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NEWSLETTER

MARYSVILLE BUDDHIST CHURCH



The Kaidan Meguri (Journey Through the Ordination Platform Passage) at Zenkōji



Rev. Yuki Sugahara

yesterday. Since I do not walk nearly as much in the US, it actually seems quite healthy.

As expected, jet lag woke me up completely around 3 a.m., so I thought I might as well use the time to write this reflection.

Yesterday, we visited Zenkōji in Nagano Prefecture. It is said that Shinran Shōnin stayed there for one hundred days and offered pine branches each time he visited the temple. Because of this tradition, the statue of Shinran Shōnin there depicts him holding a pine branch in his hand.

Did everyone try the *Kaidan Meguri* (Journey Through the Ordination Platform Passage)? Hikaru and I went together, and it was truly pitch black. We could not see anything at all. We had no sense of the

structure inside, and if our hands were not touching the wall, we would not even know where we were. At the same time, there were many people inside, and movement would often come to a stop. Apparently, many visitors come seeking blessings because touching the lock located along the path is said to assure birth in the Pure Land.

However, as a Jōdo Shinshū priest, I could not help but see it from a different perspective. In complete darkness, without the guidance of the wall, we do not know where we are or even which direction we are facing. This is precisely the condition of us ordinary beings, lost in delusion. And what guides us through that darkness is the calling voice of *Namo Amida Butsu* from Amida Buddha.

In a few days, we will visit Yoshizaki Gobō in Fukui, a temple established by Rennyō Shōnin. Rennyō Shōnin spread the teaching through letters, and among them is a letter known as "On the Sleeves of Amida," which contains the phrase: "with the feeling of clinging tightly to the sleeves." Advancing through the darkness while relying only upon the wall felt very much like a small child being led by a parent's hand, clinging tightly to the sleeves of Amida Buddha while being guided toward birth in the Pure Land. And because that guidance is present, our birth in the Pure Land becomes certain.

At the very end, when I finally saw the light at the exit, I deeply felt how pre-

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May was filled with a couple of first for our temple. On May 9th, we were so fortunate to have been able to host the Ireicho: Book of Names event at our temple. On May 24th, we held our Memorial Day Cemetery Visits for the first time in a long while. Both were memorable days and both were days of remembrance of loved ones.

MEMORIAL DAY CEMETERY VISITS

On May 24th, we held our Memorial Day Cemetery Visits to Sierra View and Sutter cemeteries. Thank you to Sensei Kelvin Mark for officiating services at a couple locations at Sutter and thank you to Gary and Terrie Matsumoto for setting up the obutsudan at Sierra View. We would also like to extend our appreciation to Scott Itamura, Kahn Kochi, and Pat Uyemoto for their assistance at Sutter Cemetery. Thank you to all members and friends who joined us at Sierra View and at Sutter cemeteries.



Lunch following Sutter Cemetery, left to right: Scott Itamura, Gary Matsumoto, Kahn Kochi, Sensei Kelvin Mark, Pat Uyemoto, Terrie Matsumoto.

IRECHO: BOOK OF NAMES

May 9th Ireicho: Book of Names event was truly a day to remember. What an emotional, memorable, and heartfelt day it was. Thank you to the Ireicho Committee for accepting us as part of their national tour and for providing our members and friends such a memorable day and one that will not soon be forgotten. Thank you to Jackie Basa and Joanne Erceg for initiating the process of bringing the Ireicho to Marysville and for all of the coordination and communication with all of the participants and their

appointments. Thank you to the MBC Board of Directors who provided all of the support and logistics to make this special event possible.



Left to right: Lorna Fong, Grant Tsugawa, Joanne Erceg, Karen Kano, Rev. Duncan Ryken Williams, Sunyoung Lee, Jackie Basa.

There were approximately 102 participants of which 15 were camp survivors. Those who participated in stamping the Ireicho: Book of Names were able to create a card with the list of names that were stamped as a memento to take with them. In addition, each of the camp survivors were interviewed and their voices recorded as they shared their stories.



We were very fortunate to have a special guest speaker, Mr. Jim Tanimoto, who shared his story of the "No No Boys". We had members of the Placer Buddhist Church as well as other members and friends who came just to hear Mr. Tanimoto share his

story. At 103 years old, his 30 minute talk was truly remarkable. We extend our appreciation and gratitude to Jim Tanimoto for sharing his story and for being a very special part of this event.



We also celebrated two very special birthdays! Louise Nishikawa who turned 103 in February and Jim Tanimoto who turned 103 in June! What an honor it was to be able to celebrate such a rare milestone!. A very Happy 103rd Birthday to Louise Nishikawa and Jim Tanimoto!



It was a day of reunions of family and friends. Friends who have not seen each other in such a long time and family who have traveled far and near to be together for this special day to honor and remember loved ones. The joy and happiness of this rare opportunity to be able to see, hug and enjoy each other's company for a moment in time was priceless..

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The Marysville Buddhist Church would like to extend their deepest condolences to the families of **Masako Edwards who passed away on May 8, 2026**

Reminder: Alarm System

Our temple now has an alarm system in place. ADT has installed door alarms and motion sensors throughout the premise of our temple. Please contact the Church Office at 530-743-6426 if you wish to have access to the church premises.

Rev. Yuki

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cious and reassuring light truly is. As I experienced the *Kaidan Meguri* (Journey Through the Ordination Platform Passage), I found myself thinking that even this experience alone is capable of conveying the teaching of Jōdo Shinshū.

In any case, it was my first experience ever being in a space where absolutely no light could be seen, and it was a fascinating experience.

Gassho

Pond and Garden

July Notes

BY JIM EDGMAN

There is a baby Blackbird sitting on a rock by the pond. I've been watching the mom making trips and feeding it. Gosh, that seems like a big-time chore.

Today there are baby Blackbirds everywhere! There are 2 of them peeking out of one of the small trees hollering at their mom. I'm starting to think about feed-

ing the parents to help them out, so, I've started doing that.

This morning I'm watching our Kingfisher bird fishing. He's quite adept as his neck is able to stretch out quite a distance.

I swept and mucked the pond the other day and pulled out another cart of muck. That's 10 so far! There's still more in there but not quite another cart full.

Our Sago Palm bloomed this year. I'm only remembering 4 times before; however, it could be more. I looked at what it says on the rock by the tree, and it has been 22 years since Gil and I went to

Frank's to get it. I've clear cut all the fronds, but still have the debris field from the blooms to clean. That looks like it is going to take a ladder to do as it has gotten quite tall.

I just managed to scare our Kingfisher, but he didn't fly far and nobody chased him.

The water clarity in the pond is extremely good. I have been adding distilled vinegar which probably helps.

Other than being behind on everything... Everything is OK In Gassho, Jim

Was your family farming in 1942? Kansha History might have a record of the farm

Volunteers have transcribed 6,000 Nikkei farm records. See example below (published with family permission).

Code				State: Co.: Sacramento				
Evee. Oper.: HAYASHI, Jaku Kazuo				Sub. Oper.: SKINNER, C. C.				
Address: PO Box 115 Parkview				Address: Rt. Box 2240 Sacramento				
Tenure: Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Part-owner <input type="checkbox"/> Mer. <input type="checkbox"/> Tenant <input type="checkbox"/>				Tenure: Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Part-owner <input type="checkbox"/> Mer. <input type="checkbox"/> Tenant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Size of tract: 26.44 No. tracts in farm: 1				No. evasue tracts in farm: 1				
Acreage owned: 26.44 Leased: - Total: 26.44				Acreage owned: - Leased: 26.44 Total: 26.44				
Acreage in crops: 1.9 Acre: 20 OS: 45				Anticipated crop acreage: Acre: OS:				
Type of farm:				Type of farm:				
Crop	E.O.	S.O.	Crop	E.O.	S.O.	Crop	E.O.	S.O.
Artichokes			Garlic			Tomatoes		Plums
Asparagus			Lettuce			Apples		Pumpkins
Beans			Melons			Apricots		Wax
Cabbage			Onions			Pigs		Other
Cantaloupe			Pears			Grapes		Sweet Beans
Carrots			Peppers			Grapfruit		1
Cauliflower			Shiitake			Lemons		10
Celery			Spinach			Oranges		10
Cucumbers			Strawberries			Pears		
Structures: Dblgs./Barns/ Poultry hove. Greenhouses. Stores Other Sausage, Pumpkins, Sheds								

If you would like us to search for and bring your family record to the MARYSVILLE BUDDHIST CHURCH on May 9, please complete the form at: www.tinyurl.com/searchkansha

Or use this QR Code.

About Kansha History

Kansha History is a community-history project led by Nikkei farmers, descendants and supporters. Our mission is to 1) Connect people to their family stories, 2) Appreciate the full contributions of Nikkei Farmers and 3) Increase community control over our stories and data. Our motto is "Every Record is a Precious Human Story."

Over 200 Kansha History volunteers have transcribed records of 5,674 California Nikkei farms and are working on Washington and Oregon now. We have hosted events in Florin, Sacramento, Placer, Walnut Creek, San José, Irvine, Poston (AZ), Reedley and Salinas. We have returned 400+ records to descendants. Our fiscal sponsor is Community Partners, a 501(c)3 nonprofit, Tax ID: 95-4302067.

Visit us at www.kanshahistory.org!

DIAL THE DHARMA

800-817-7918

To hear Bishop Harada's message.
Press 1 for English, 2 for Japanese or 3 for Spanish.

President's Message

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There was one special touching moment that we were able to be a special part of. A couple of the Ireicho committee members, Lorna Fong and Grant Tsugawa, were walking around looking at all of the camp items that our members brought to share with everyone. They noticed a duffle bag on top of a chest of drawers that had the name "K. Kano" on the bag. They thought of one of the other Irei Committee members who had the same name, "Karen Kano", They showed Karen the duffle bag and she looked up the serial number that was on the bag and it turned out to be her father's grandfather's duffle bag he had in camp!



This bag was in one of the drawers of the chest that belonged to Scott Itamura's father. There were 3 bags in the drawer and one of the bags belonged to his father and the 2nd one belonged to a relative of his but he had no idea who the 3rd bag belonged to. He decided to display that bag in hopes that maybe someone would know who it belonged to and lo and behold it belonged to a relative of one of the Ireicho committee, Karen Kano! This very special duffle bag found its way home to the Kano family!

Also in attendance was the Kansha History Project headed by Amanda Kim and Steven Suwabe. They filled over 40 requests to locate and print out farmland for our members and friends of the temple. Requests are still available anytime. For more information and to submit a request visit www.kanshahistory.org



The Kansha people, left to right: Steven Suwabe, volunteer helper Quentin Basa, Amanda Kim



Thank you to all the volunteers who helped in various aspects of the Ireicho: Book of Names.

Patty Arakaki
 Steve Arakaki
 Haruko Arent
 Richard Arent
 Jackie Basa
 Oggie Basa
 Quentin Basa
 Callum Devine
 Scott Itamura
 Lysa Kinoshita
 Kahn Kochi
 Len Lipnisky
 Marc McBee
 Gary Matsumoto
 Samantha Matsumoto
 Irene Nabeta-Yee
 Kimi Nakamura-Rodriguez
 Darrell Naruto
 Dorothy Nishimatsu
 Michelle Rodriguez
 JoAnne Sparks
 Betty Tanimoto
 Wilson Tjhia
 Carol Tsukimura
 Don Tsukimura
 Adelle Wapple
 Ron Yoshimura
 Gini Yoshimura

Thank you to all those who contributed all the delicious food that was offered throughout the day for all to enjoy. Much appreciation to (My apologies if I missed anyone else who brought treats.)

Oggie Basa - Chicken Katsu
 Jackie Basa and Joanne Erceg - Onigiri
 Terrie Matsumoto - Curry Rice, Asian Salad, Somen Salad
 Kahn Kochi - Rice
 Carol Tsukimura - Asian Chicken Salad
 Suzanne Nakashima - Strawberries
 Patty Arakaki - Various Senbei
 JoAnne Sparks - Coffee Cake, Cookies
 Jackie Basa - Various morning treats and snacks
 Samantha Matsumoto & Wilson Tjhia - Cold drinks & water
 Marysville Buddhist Church - 2 Birthday cakes, green tea, coffee

Thank you to all those who have shared their photos with us. Some of the photos are included in this Newsletter. If you have photos of the Ireicho event and would like to share them with us, please email the photos to the Church's email address: mvslebc@gmail.com. We will add them to our special Ireicho: Book of Names photo album.

There were so many connections made at this Ireicho event: connections to the past, connections between long-time friends, and connections between family both past and present. There were connections made between all volunteers, the Ireicho Committee, and all of the participants. There was also a connection between our temple and all who were involved in this Ireicho event - from the participants, the volunteers, and the coordinators. A heartfelt thank you to all our members and friends who came from far and near to be part of this very special event at our temple. It was wonderful to see all of you, and we hope to see you all once again sometime soon!

Domo arigato! Please take care. Until we meet again....

In gassho,
 Terrie



MBC July Office Hours

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday -
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**Office Closed - Monday, July 6, 2026
- 4th of July Holiday Weekend**

If you wish to stop by the church, please do so during those hours. Please contact the church at 530-743-6426 and let us know what day and time you would like to stop by. Please park on the 2nd street side of the church and enter through the Social Room door.

More Photos from the Event



NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT FAMILY CONFERENCE



FUN: Friendship, Understanding, Nembutsu

OCT 10, 2026

**REGISTRATION &
INFORMATION**

**Buddhist Church of Stockton
2820 Shimizu Dr
Stockton, CA 95203**

**9am - 3pm
Reg Link Coming Soon**

Donations Gratefully Acknowledged

The Marysville Buddhist Church gratefully acknowledges the following donations received. For any corrections or omissions, please call the Church at (530) 743-6426 or email office@MarysvilleBC.org. **Thank You.**

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IMO: Sakaye Takabayashi
Robert & Lillian Hatamiya

IMO: Natsuyo Tsukimura
Don & Carol Tsukimura

IMO: Aetna Kadoi
Lynette Guevara

IMO: David Nakao
Lynette Guevara

IMO: Natsuo Nakashima
Louise Nishikawa

IMO: Seiji Iwamura
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IMO: Yoshi Kawasaki
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Louise Nishikawa

MEMORIAL DAY

CEMETERY VISITS

Don & Carol Tsukimura

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SPECIAL DONATION (Monetary):

William & Suzanne Nakashima - general fund

The Nishimatsu Family - pond fund

Mitsuko Yokotobi - general fund

Patty Arakaki - newsletter

Ben Igawa - Fujinkai & Hoyukai

Stefanie Yoshizuka - Obutsudan

Joanne Erceg - Japanese Vintage

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Sale

SPECIAL DONATION (In-Kind):

Kim Moore - Japanese vintage items

2026 MEMBERSHIP

We would like to extend our gratitude to the following for their continued support of the Marysville Buddhist Church. Your membership contribution is greatly appreciated!

- Amy Iwamura
- Herbert Nakatsu
- Kay Cockrell
- Louise Nishikawa
- Joe & Sharman Kobayashi
- Lynette Guevara
- Roy Fukushima
- Dan Fukushima
- Gary Takeuchi
- Stefanie Yoshizuka
- Ben Igawa
- Stacy Hayano - New Member
- Adelle Wapple
- James & Pamela Edgman
- Carol Lauher
- Robert Nakamura
- Nora Kodama-Winkler - New Member
- Shirley Sasaki
- Ronald & Virginia Yoshimura
- Frank & Michiko Hatamiya
- Len Lipnisky & Marc McBee
- Dorothy Nishimatsu
- Sara & David Yoo - New Member
- Janelle Sasaki
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- Peggy & Ken Kabayashi

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- Patricia Rutkowski
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- Gary & Frances Nakamura - New Member

- Ann Nakata
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- Kazuo Kakiuch
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- Yoshimi Yokohari
- Michael & Feliz Nakashima
- Lysa & Jon Kinoshita
- Lynn Yoshimura
- Tony Dughi
- Dr. William & Suzanne Nakashima
- Ben Igawa
- Jackie & Jose Basa

2026 SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP
Thank you to the following members for their MBC Sustaining Membership. Your continued support into the future is truly appreciated!

- Bob & Janis Tokunaga
- Don & Carol Tsukimura
- Gary & Terrie Matsumoto
- Ray & Jane Fukui
- Bub & Lynne Myers
- Pat Uyemoto
- Pearl Fukumitsu
- Darrell Naruto
- Haruko Arent
- Fumi Fukumitsu
- Janet Nakagawa
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- Jim Tanimoto
- Lorene Wong
- Kahn Kochi
- Jean Matsui
- Joanne & Kevin Devine
- David & Sharon Chinn
- George & Kashiwa Hatamiya
- Mitzi Inouye Nakashima
- Larry & Kay Matsumura
- Clayton Keikilani Elderts
- Gladys Sasaki
- Scott Itamura
- Joann Kuroda - New Member

DANA IN ACTION

Pond & Garden: Thank you to Jim Edgman, Scott Itamura & Gary Matsumoto for garden & pond upkeep & cleanup during the month of April.

Gotan-e & May Shotsuki Service held on Sunday, May 3, 2026: Thank you to Rev. Yuki Sugahara for officiating the service; Kahn Kochi for chairing the service; and to Katie Strauss for the power point of May Shotsuki names. Thank you to those who contributed to the refreshments following the service:

- The David Nakao Family - chicken, beans, & potatoes,
- Kahn Kochi - Chocolate Chip Cookies
- Carol Tsukimura - Somen Inari Sushi

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Who to Call



WHO DO I CALL?

Contact the Sacramento Buddhist Church at 916-446-0121 in order to request ministerial assistance regarding family emergencies such as the passing of a family member. Please leave a detailed message including your name and number, and someone will return your call as soon as possible.

Contact the Marysville Buddhist Church at 530-743-6426 for normal business needs or basic information. Please leave a detailed message including your name and number, and someone will return your call as soon as possible.



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 213-453-2469 or 800-310-5274
 Designate proceeds to Buddhist Church of Marysville

JULY SHOTSUKI HOYO

Because there will be no July Monthly Service, the July Shotsuki Service was combined with the June Shotsuki, Hatsubon and Obon Service which was held on **Saturday, June 27, 2026**. Even though there will be no July service, we have included the July Shotsuki names for those who would still like to contribute in memory of their loved ones.

If you notice that there should be changes made to the Sesshu Family (family of the deceased) and Relationship to the Deceased, please notify MBC by emailing office@MarysvilleBC.org or send a note in the enclosed return envelope. Your assistance in maintaining an updated list of Shotsuki names and families are very much appreciated.

Deceased & Relationship

Manpei Shingu
Heshichi Toyoda
Shizuo Kurihara
Shige Miyasaka
Yutaka Heya
Sono Toyoda
Hideko Oki (Sis)
Seichi Iwamura
Masaru Honda (U)
Sakaye Hiraoka
Kamejiro Takeshita (GF)
Yoshio Yokota (U)
Waka Tagawa (GM)
Torahiko Iwanaga
Okayo Kadoi (GM)
Timothy J. Tokuno (B)

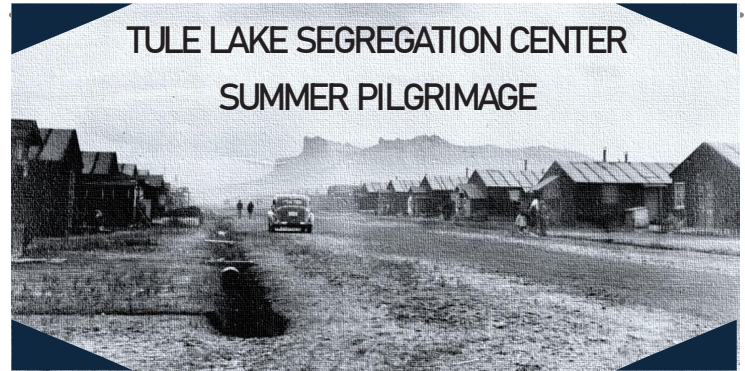
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Chiyo Ota (GM)
Teiso Itamura
Shizuo Yoshimura (GF)
Riye Oshita (GM)
Wasa Yoshikawa
Tojiu Takamoto (GM)
Ryozo Oji
Kikuno Ishimoto (GM)
Aiko Tokunaga
Motoyasu Wada (F)
Nobuyuki Yamasaki (Sn)
Tatsuji Fujimitsu (GFL)
Hayato Mukai
Tani Yokohari (M)
Shinayo Kono
Rui Toribara
Yasukichi Abe (GF)
Takako Takeuchi (A)
James Heya
Joe Yasuda (U)
Yasuye Hasegawa (GM)
Chiyeko Raper

Sesshu Family

Shingu Family
Shimamoto Family
Kurihara Family
Nakamura Family
Heya Family
Shimamoto Family
Amy Tanaka
Iwamura Family
Nakamura Family
Nakamura Family
Jim Tanimoto
John Tanabe
Akio & Roy Tagawa
Iwanaga Family
Lynette Guevara
Steve Tokuno & Michael Tokuno
Shimamoto Family
Clem Z. Ota
Itamura Family
Lynne Yoshimura
Harold Nakatsu
Yoshikawa Family
Valorie Chinn
Oji Family
Shelley Glines
Tokunaga Family
Yasuo Wada
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Nakano Family
Yoshimi Yokohari
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Yutaka Nakatani
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Dolly Fukumitsu (MIL)
Dawn Mizokawa Fernando (Sis)
Helen Manji
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Karen Fukushima
Joyce Hirai
Ron Yoshimura
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Ronald Yamachi
Lucy Azama
Pearl Fukumitsu
Sasaki Family
Nakatani Family
Kimura Family
Pearl Fukumitsu
Lorene Wong
Manji Family
Castle Family
Nakagawa Family
Rosalia White
Kandace A. Chinn
Gayle Broce
Dean Tokuno
Julie Tokunaga



TULE LAKE SEGREGATION CENTER

SUMMER PILGRIMAGE

JULY 29-31, 2026

VISIT WHAT REMAINS OF THE TULE LAKE SEGREGATION CENTER WITH ESCORT, REV. DR. KAZ NAKATA

TOUR INCLUDES THE TULE LAKE MUSEUM, MEMORIAL SERVICE AT THE JAIL SITE, AND A GUIDED PRIVATE TOUR BY A NATIONAL PARK RANGER.

For more information and detailed itinerary, please contact Rev. Dr. Kaz Nakata:

(213) 787-5894
rev.dr.kaznakata@gmail.com

JULY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			Office Hours 10 am – 12 pm		Office Hours 10 am – 12 pm	Happy 4 th of July!
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
No Service or Board Meeting	Office Closed		Office Hours 10 am – 12 pm		Office Hours 10 am – 12 pm	Sacramento Buddhist Church Obon 7:15 p.m.
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Office Hours 10 am – 12 pm		Office Hours 10 am – 12 pm		Office Hours 10 am – 12 pm	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Office Hours 10 am – 12 pm	Newsletter Crew 9:30 a.m. MBC Board Mtg 1:00 p.m.	Office Hours 10 am – 12 pm		Office Hours 10 am – 12 pm	Brad Battley Memorial Service 11:00 a.m.
26	27	28	29	30	31	
	Office Hours 10 am – 12 pm		Office Hours 10 am – 12 pm	NCDC Meeting 7:00 p.m.	Office Hours 10 am – 12 pm	
AUGUST 2025						
August 2 – No Service or Board Meeting						
August 13 – Hoyukai Luncheon						
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Dorothy Nishimatsu Family – York Chocolates Memorial Day Cemetery Visits held on Sunday, May 24, 2026: Thank you to Sensei Kelvin Mark for officiating the cemetery services. Thank you to Gary and Terrie Matsumoto for setting up at Sierra View. Thank you to Scott Itamura, Kahn Kochi and Pat Uyemo-

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- Meaningful Connections
- Inspiring Discussions
- Fun with Dharma friends
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- WHAT'S NEW IN BCA?**
Hear exciting updates and initiatives shaping the future of the BCA.
- EVENING SOCIAL WITH SENIOR LEADERSHIP**
Enjoy desserts and refreshments while connecting informally with BCA executive leadership and staff.

ENCORE FAVORITES RETURN

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UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

Sunday, June 5, 2026
 NO SERVICE OR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, July 21, 2026
 9:30 a.m. Newsletter Crew
 1:00 p.m. MBC Hybrid Board Meeting
 (In-Person & Zoom)

Saturday, July 25, 2026
 11:00 a.m. Memorial Service for Brad Battley

All are invited to attend to honor and remember Brad Battley. Brad served on the MBC Board of Directors and also served as President of the Board of Directors. Service to be held at the Marysville Buddhist Church.



Sunday, August 2, 2026
 NO SERVICE OR BOARD MEETING