



President's Message: Terrie Matsumoto

Happy November! The 2026 holiday season is upon us! Whether you're hosting, traveling, visiting or all three, the holiday season is a very busy time of year. Amidst all of the holiday hoopla, there is the rare opportunity to be able to spend special time with family and friends - some you only see once a year.

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NEWSLETTER

MARYSVILLE BUDDHIST CHURCH



How Do You Become a Kaikyoshi Minister?



Rev. Yuki Sugahara

usually hold their Hoonko services at different times so that people can also attend Hoonko at the head temple and are encouraged to make a visit there. For us in the United States, however, traveling to Japan in January is not always easy, so many of our temples hold Hoonko around the same time as the traditional anniversary (in either lunar or modern calendar) of Shinran Shonin's passing.

This year, I have been given the opportunity to return to Japan four times. Actually, my fourth trip is still coming up. This month, as part of a five-year plan of Nishi Hongwanji, Kaikyoshi ministers serving in overseas districts are being invited to Japan to speak with people working at the Hongwanji headquarters and with students at our affiliated Buddhist schools, including Chuo Bukkyo Gakuin, Ryukoku University,

and the Graduate School of Ryukoku University. Fortunately, I was selected as the first speaker for this program and invited to Japan in November, the month of Shinran Shonin's traditional memorial day.

I was asked to speak about "The Reality of the North American District." However, as I learned more about the program, I realized that many people do not even know how someone becomes a Kaikyoshi in the first place. So, as part of my preparation for these lectures, I thought I would write about how one becomes a Kaikyoshi, especially when coming from Japan.

First, to become a Jodo Shinshu minister, we receive Tokudo ordination. Before receiving Tokudo, there are certain requirements, such as memorizing the Shoshinge and learning the basic teachings of Jodo

Shinshu. Tokudo makes us ordained ministers, but in order to become the resident minister of a temple, we must also obtain a qualification called Kyoshi. This requires further training and examinations, including learning more advanced chanting and how to officiate at various services and ceremonies. Because a Kaikyoshi carries responsibilities similar to those of a resident minister of a temple, a person must hold the Kyoshi qualification before becoming a Kaikyoshi. In simple terms, you first obtain the qualification necessary to serve as a resident minister in Japan and then receive additional training to serve overseas.

The word *Kaikyoshi* literally means a "person sent to open the way for the Dharma," particularly overseas, and a Kaikyoshi is a minister

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November 21 is the anniversary of the passing of our founder, Shinran Shonin, according to the traditional lunar calendar. The Otani-ha, commonly known as Higashi in the US, observes Hoonko in November according to the lunar calendar, while our Hongwanji-ha observes Hoonko in January according to the modern calendar.

However, this refers to the observance at the head temples. Local temples



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President's Message

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I do see these as special moments because you just never know what lies ahead. When you're in the moment, please make the most of those special opportunities with family and friends.

There is much occurring during these last couple of months that we would very much like your input on or your participation in: 2027 MBC Board of Directors Elections, 2027 Membership Drive, 2027 Holiday Greetings, 2026 Mochi Project, and the 2027 New Year's Party. Please read on for further information and please make note of the deadline dates.

Please take care during this holiday season and remember to stop, pause, close your eyes and breathe! Gassho, Terrie

2027 MBC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS Submit ballots by December 4th

Ballots were sent out to the MBC members on September 23rd. Please fill out the ballot and submit your ballot by December 4th. If you are a dues-paying member and have not received a ballot, please notify the office at 916-743-6426 or email office@MarysvilleBC.

org.

2027 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE November 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027

Become a member of the Marysville Buddhist Church and help support our temple's activities, the business operations, and the upkeep of our temple. We welcome everyone of all ages. The 2027 Membership form is included in this Newsletter OR you may submit your Membership online at MarysvilleBC.org. Become a Sustaining Member and receive the benefits of a complimentary New Year Party Lunch, and also includes the donations to the five major Buddhist services: Hanamatsuri, Gotan'e, Obon, Hoonko, and Bodhi Day. Becoming a Sustaining Member helps ensure the future financial stability of the Marysville Buddhist Church. We are in our 119th year and would like to be able to celebrate our 125th year in 2032! Please seriously consider becoming a member of our beloved temple.

2027 HOLIDAY GREETINGS Submit by Friday, December 4th

2027 is just around the corner! If you would like to wish members and friends of the temple a very Happy New Year, just fill out the Holiday Greetings form in

this Newsletter along with a \$10 donation and submit it to the church in the enclosed envelope or submit your Holiday Greeting online at Marysvillebc.org by December 7th.

2027 MBC NEW YEAR PARTY Submit reservation forms by Monday, January 11, 2027

The Marysville Buddhist Church New Year's Party is on Saturday, January 23, 2027, at 12:00 p.m. at the MBC Annex Hall. All members and friends of the temple are invited to attend! The entertainment will be provided by Matrix Reloaded comprised of our very own Kenny Uyemoto, Mike Koga, Phil Nakamura and Mike Catano. We will also be offering, once again, sushi appetizers with Kenji Colton Tokunaga.

Please see the attached New Year's Party flyer in this Newsletter for more information. Reservation orders must be received no later than Monday, January 11, 2027. You may submit the enclosed Reservation Form or you may place your reservation order online at MarysvilleBC.org.

SPECIAL NOTE: There will be no assigned seating. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m.

Request for DONATIONS - 2027 New Year Party Raffle Baskets

If you would like to donate an item for the New Year Party Raffle baskets, please contact the church office at 530-743-6426 or email the church at office@marysvillebc.org. Also, if you have baskets that you would like to donate, those will also be very much appreciated.

MBC Nov. Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday -
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

CLOSED - Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2026

- Veteran's Day Holiday

Thursday & Friday, Nov. 26 & 27, 2026

- Thanksgiving Holiday

Weekly Guided Meditation

Wednesdays at 9:00 AM Pacific Time
Hosted online via Zoom

Join the Buddhist Churches of America each Wednesday for a free online guided meditation led by Rev. Marvin Harada.



These weekly sessions offer a welcoming space to pause, breathe, and reconnect with the present moment through Buddhist mindfulness and meditation practice.

Whether you are completely new to meditation or have an established practice, all are welcome. Each session will include gentle guidance, silent meditation, and reflections rooted in Shin Buddhist teachings that encourage compassion, gratitude, and inner awareness.

Meditation can help cultivate calm, clarity, resilience, and a deeper connection with ourselves and others. Through regular practice, we learn to meet life with greater openness, balance, and appreciation for each moment.

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81859478933?pwd=vy0OX4Jai1LDIPmGbxqAJtVAnDuNbc.1>

Meeting ID: 818 5947 8933
Passcode: 898828

Hoyukai News

Hello Hoyukai Members,

We hope you are doing well and are enduring the unusually warm weather this early autumn. Hopefully, much cooler temperatures are on the way.

Our summer luncheon was held Thursday, August 13th at the Olive Garden Restaurant, in Yuba City. Those in attendance gathered to enjoy the delicious Senior Menu entrees, and had a wonderful time seeing one another, catching up upon life's daily news.

We wish to thank everyone for attending, to Darlene and Kiyoko for coordinating the luncheon arrangements, and to the Board members who helped. A BIG thank you goes out to our generous members and guests who donated items, obtained the gift cards from our local businesses, and brought treats for the popular raffle drawing. And, thank you to our local businesses who support our organization. Winners of the raffle drawings were:

- \$25 Applebee's Bar & Grill Gift Card – Dorothy Nishimatsu
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- Card – AJ Tomita
- \$25 Casa Carlos Gift Card – Carol Nishimoto
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- \$25 Chili's Gift Card – Dan Fukushima
- \$25 China Moon Gift Card – Debbie Uyemoto
- \$25 China Moon Gift Card – Roy Fukushima
- \$25 Starbucks Gift Card – Jackie Basa
- \$25 Target Card – Elberta Feller
- \$30 Cold Stone Ice Cream Gift Card – Richard Ow
- A Raley's Gift Card – Gini Yoshimura
- \$10 Cash Award Each – Terry Matsumoto & Mike Tomita
- A Candle Each – Dorothy Nishimatsu, Suzanne Nakashima, Kenny Uyemoto & Linda Ishigaki
- Goodies – Ernie Low
- A Gift Bag Each – Cinda Low, Darlene Inouye & Jeffery Coleman
- A Portable Table Fire Pit – Yosh Nishimoto
- A Bag of Rice – Sat Ishigaki
- Cookie Tree Cookies – Dave Sparks

- Insulated tumbler – JoAnne Sparks
- A Sugarless Cherry/ Pumpkin Pie – Dorothy Nishimatsu & Henry M
- Chocolate Muffins – Barbara Lovell
- Strawberry Filled Croissants – Dorothy Nishimatsu

On another note, Craig Nakagawa recently stepped down from his leadership role. Craig's leadership will be missed and his connections to the community when soliciting donations. Thank you very much Craig! In the meantime, Kiyoko Shimamoto offered to resume the presidency role. Thank you Kiyoko for stepping up!

This year's Annual Bonenkai Year End Luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, December 10, 2026 at the Tasty Buffet, at 11:30 am. The Tasty Buffet is located at 840 Gray Avenue in Yuba City. So, please mark your calendar to attend the upcoming luncheon. Our phone committee (Darlene and Kiyoko) will be calling all of our members. Stay healthy everyone and we will see you in December!

In Gassho,
Darrell Naruto
Secretary

Pond and Garden

October Notes

BY JIM EDGMAN

We have had a spot just West of the sprinkler house that has been damp for about 1 ½ weeks. I thought it was just run off from the sprinklers. It turned out to be something different. I dug the spot up and about 1 foot down there was a 2 ½ inch PVC line. It runs from the city water supply to maintain a constant water height and ties into the main 1 ½ inch return line that goes into the waterfall. This line goes to the horizontal pipe to the pond and was leaking. I was able to block it until I got parts to repair it. The cause was

roots that caused the pipe to separate. Once I had the parts to do the repairs, I shut the pump down and drained the water line so a repair could be done. It took about 5 hours of bailing, however, and there was still some water flow from the pipe. It looked like it might be siphoning from the pond so I decided to do the repair wet! After doing the repair, everything seemed to be ok so I waited a while for it to dry out and gave it a final check before filling it. Everything works now!!

Our Kingfisher was here today and I have not seen him in about 3 weeks.

I have changed the routine for feeding the Koi. The majority of the Koi get 2 handfuls of food to pacify them while I feed the one Koi on the West side. Then the rest of the gang get their regular feeding. Once they are finished they all go over to the West side and help the one Koi finish any

left over morsels. That moves the one from the West side and she socializes with the others for a while.

Our Doves have been regular visitors lately.

I was in the pond tending to Taro Island and got a good look at the one Koi there. She has a small hole in her head close to its left eye. I will keep monitoring it and hopefully our Kingfisher does not have anything to do with it.

Pond Donations:

Cinda Low, \$1,000.00, In Memory of Judy Toy Stock

Kawada Family, \$40.00, In Memory of Takashi Kawada

Nishimatsu Family \$10.00, In Memory of William Nishimatsu

Thank you!

Everything is OK!

In Gassho

Jim

Rev. Yuki

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sent out by the Hongwanji. Kaikyoshi ministers also have a special wagesa, or ministerial stole, that only Kaikyoshi are permitted to wear. The minister's own name is written on it, and it bears the official seal of the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha. So when I say that a Kaikyoshi is "sent out by the Hongwanji," I do not simply mean a minister who happens to work at a temple overseas. A Kaikyoshi is officially recognized by the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha and sent out to serve in that capacity. For me, this special wagesa is one visible symbol of that recognition.

Does this mean that the Hongwanji looks through all the ministers in Japan, finds someone who might make a good Kaikyoshi, and says, "You! Go to the US!"? Not quite.

As of 2025, there were 30,529 registered ministers in the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha. That is a lot, isn't it? It would be almost impossible for the Hongwanji to simply choose someone from among all those ministers. Instead, today, ministers who wish

to become Kaikyoshi apply on their own for the Kaikyoshi training program held at the Hongwanji and for the International Ministerial Orientation Program, commonly known as IMOP, which is held primarily at the Jodo Shinshu Center in Berkeley, California.

In the past, Ryukoku University had a program called the Kaikyoshi Course, which served as an important place of training for people in Japan who hoped to become Kaikyoshi. Because of this, many of the Kaikyoshi ministers who came from Japan in earlier generations were graduates of Ryukoku University. My uncle, who later established a temple in Matsudo City, Chiba Prefecture, also wanted to become a Kaikyoshi. However, he told me that at the time there were no openings at overseas temples. It is hard to imagine that today...

Strictly speaking, however, completing these programs does not guarantee that you will become a Kaikyoshi. If the Bishop of the Buddhist Churches of America at the time decides, "We don't need this person," then you are not going to be hired.

When I attended and completed IMOP, the Bish-



Bishop Ogui

op was Bishop Ogui. At the end of IMOP, I had an interview with him. I went into the interview very nervous, thinking that my future might be decided right there. But Bishop Ogui asked me just one question: "Are you planning to go back to Japan?"

I told him that I was not. After that, the "interview" basically turned into a time for me to listen to stories from his own experiences. (Haha!)

After completing IMOP, I was allowed to return to Japan and begin the visa application process. At that time, I had to wait about a year for my visa. I wonder how long it takes today. Maybe it is faster. Maybe it takes even longer.

In order to obtain a visa

to work in the United States as a religious worker coming from Japan, you need to have a place of employment already arranged. In my case, it had already been decided that I would serve at Buddhist Church of Florin. So I waited in Japan until my visa was approved, and once I received it, I moved to the United States.

Looking ahead, advances in AI may greatly reduce one of the biggest challenges Kaikyoshi from Japan have traditionally faced: the language barrier. If that happens, perhaps we will see more Kaikyoshi coming from Japan. It may also become easier for people from the United States to go to Japan to study the Dharma and then return to serve here. AI certainly comes with many issues and concerns, but this is one area where I am a little hopeful about what it may make possible.

In any case, becoming a Kaikyoshi is certainly not easy, but I believe it is very rewarding. I hope that more Kaikyoshi ministers will be trained in the years ahead and that they will help Jodo Shinshu Buddhism continue to grow and flourish in the United States.

Gassho.



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SPECIAL DONATION (Monetary):

Kawada Family – Pond Fund
Cinda & Ernie Low (IMO Judy Toy Stock) – Pond Fund & Hoyukai
William & Suzanne Nakashima – General Fund

Kahn Kochi – Fall Higan Service
Nishimatsu Family (IMO William Nishimatsu) – Pond Fund

SPECIAL DONATION (In-Kind):

Pearl Fukumitsu – greeting cards
Shayne Edwards (IMO Masako Edwards) – Japanese Vintage Items

DANA IN ACTION -

Pond & Garden: Thank you to Jim Edgman for garden & pond upkeep & cleanup during the month of September.

Fall Ohigan & August & September Shotsuki Service, September 20, 2026 – Thank you to Sensei Keith Kato for officiating the service, Kahn Kochi for chairing the service, Pat Uyemoto for playing the organ, Katie Strauss for

the slideshow of August & September Shotsuki names. Thank you to the following for providing treats & refreshments after the service:

Carol & Don Tsukimura – kobucha
Terrie Matsumoto – muffins & curry
Dorothy Nishimatsu – candies & origami baskets
Kahn Kochi – rice & cookies
Janis Tokunaga – fujinzuke
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NOVEMBER SHOTSUKI HOYO

The **November** monthly memorial service will be observed on **Sunday, November 1, 2026** at **1 p.m.** officiated by **Rev. Matt Hamasaki**.

Deceased & Relationship

Tamayo Furodo
Rikihei Yokota
Yasohachi Komatsubara
Aki Matsumura (M)
Nayo Ishimoto (GGM)
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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.

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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NOVEMBER 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 MBC Board Meeting 10:30 a.m. November Shotsuki Hoyo & Hoonko Service 1:00 p.m.	2 Office Hours 10:00-12:00 p.m.	3 JACL Board Meeting 2:00 p.m.	4 Office Hours 10:00-12:00 p.m.	5	6 Office Hours 10:00-12:00 p.m.	7
8	9 Office Hours 10:00-12:00 p.m.	10	11 Veteran's Day Holiday Office Closed	12	13 Office Hours 10:00-12:00 p.m.	14
15	16 Office Hours 10:00-12:00 p.m.	17	18 Office Hours 10:00-12:00 p.m.	19 Newsletter Crew 9:30 a.m.	20 Office Hours 10:00-12:00 p.m.	21
22	23 Office Hours 10:00-12:00 p.m.	24	25 Office Hours 10:00-12:00 p.m.	26	27 Office Hours 10:00-12:00 p.m.	28
29	30 Office Hours 10:00-12:00 p.m.					

DECEMBER 2026

December 1 – JACL Board Meeting December 6 – Bodhi Day & December Shotsuki Hoyo Service 1 p.m. MBC Board Meeting 10:30 a.m.

December 17 - Newsletter Crew 9:30 a.m. December 25 – Christmas Day: Office Closed

December 31 – Joya-E & End of Year Service 11:00 a.m.

BCA Member Survey

We want to hear your thoughts

We would like to invite you to participate in a brief survey to share your thoughts and perspectives regarding the Buddhist Churches of America (BCA). The purpose of this survey is to better understand awareness of BCA programs and services, along with your perception of the value BCA provides to local temples and sangha members, and opportunities to strengthen communication and engagement.

Your feedback is important and will help guide future efforts to support temples, ministers, and sangha members across our organization.

We invite you to complete this anonymous online survey using the link below. We expect the survey will take approximately 5 minutes to complete.

Scan the QR Code to Complete Survey



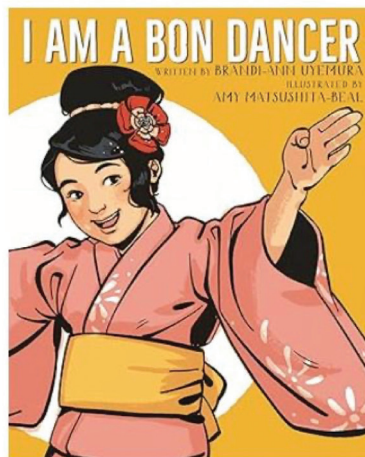
Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts and help shape the future of our Buddhist community.

In Gassho,

Gayle Noguchi
Executive Director
Buddhist Churches of America



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Happy New Year!

Come to the 2027 New Year's Party!

**All Marysville Buddhist Church Members and Friends
of the Temple are invited to join us.**

Date: Saturday, January 23, 2027

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Place: Marysville Buddhist Church Annex Hall
125 B St, Marysville, CA 95901

MENU

Sushi Appetizer

Choice of Prime Rib or Chicken

Green Salad Green Beans Rice Dessert

ENTERTAINMENT

Matrix Reloaded featuring Kenny Uyemoto, Tom Koga, & Phil Nakamura, Mike Catano

RAFFLE BASKETS

\$10 for 10 tickets; \$20 for 25 tickets; \$30 for 40 tickets (Purchase on day of event.)

LUNCHEON COSTS

Prime Rib: \$30 for Members; \$35 for Non-Members

Roasted Chicken: \$25 for Members; \$30 for Non-Members

Luncheon cost for Sustaining Members shall be complimentary.



Mail-In Order form or Order Online, or more information at MarysvilleBC.org

Luncheon Orders must be received no later than Monday, January 11, 2027

*There will be **NO ASSIGNED SEATING**. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m.*

If you have any questions, please call the church at (530) 743-6426 or email
office@MarysvilleBC.org.

2026 HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Anyone wishing to be included in the New Year's greeting in our January 2027 Newsletter should submit your names by **December 7, 2026** with a \$10.00 donation.

Please fill in the order form below and return it to the Marysville Buddhist Church office.

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Phone No. _____

Names to be listed:

Please make checks payable to the **Buddhist Church of Marysville.**

We thank you and appreciate your continued support.

2026 HOLIDAY GREETING AMOUNT DUE: _____

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Buddhist Church of Marysville

2027 MEMBERSHIP FORM

For the Calendar Year: 2027

Deadline: March 31, 2027

NAME: _____

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
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ADDRESS: _____

Street	City	State	Zip Code

BIRTHDATE: EMAIL:

PRIMARY PHONE NUMBER:

SPOUSE or PARTNER

NAME: _____

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
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MEMBERSHIP DUES

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Senior Couple	\$250.00
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(One or both age 80 & over)

Sustaining Membership Single	\$300.00
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_____ Sustaining Membership Couple	\$600.00
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Scrip Coordinator
Phone Number: (530) 673-6627

Apparel	%	Qty	Total	Restaurants	%	Qty	Total
American Eagle \$25	10%		\$	Applebee's \$25 & \$50	8%		\$
Gap/Old Navy \$25 & \$100	14%		\$	Burger King \$10	4%		\$
Lands End \$25 & \$100	16%		\$	Carl's Jr. \$10	5%		\$
Department Store	%	Qty	Total	Chili's/Maggiano's/On the Border \$25 & \$50	11%		\$
JCPenney \$25*** & \$100***	5%		\$	Chipotle Mexican Grill \$10 & \$25	10%		\$
Kohl's \$25* & \$100*	4%		\$	Denny's \$10	7%		\$
Macy's \$25*** & \$100***	10%		\$	Domino's \$10 & \$25	8%		\$
Discount Store	%	Qty	Total	Dunkin' Donuts \$10 & \$25	3%		\$
Marshalls \$25 & \$100	7%		\$	IHOP \$25	8%		\$
			\$	Jack in the Box \$10	4%		\$
Ross \$25	8%		\$	Outback Steakhouse \$25 & \$50	8%		\$
Target \$25 & \$50 & \$100	2.5%		\$	Panera Bread \$10 & \$25	8%		\$
Walgreens \$25 & \$100	5%		\$	Papa Murphy's Pizza \$10	8%		\$
Walmart/Sam's Club \$25 & \$100 & \$250	2.5%		\$	P.F. Chang's \$25	8%		\$
Entertainment	%	Qty	Total	Pizza Hut \$10	8%		\$
Cinemark Theater \$25	4%		\$	Red Robin \$25	9%		\$
Gas & Auto	%	Qty	Total	Red Lobster \$25	9%		\$
Arco \$50	1.5%		\$	Starbucks \$10	7%		\$
Arco \$100 & \$250	1.5%		\$	Starbucks \$25	7%		\$
Chevron \$50 & \$100 & \$250	1.5%		\$	Subway \$10 & \$50	6%		\$
Grocery	%	Qty	Total	Taco Bell \$10	5%		\$
Food MAXX/SaveMart \$25 & \$100	2%		\$	Wendy's \$10	4%		\$
Raleys/Bel Air \$25 & \$100	4%		\$	Specialty Retailer	%	Qty	Total
Safeway \$25 & \$100	4%		\$	Ace Hardware \$25 & \$100	4%		\$
Home Improvement	%	Qty	Total	Amazon.com \$25 & \$100	2.5%		\$
Home Depot \$25 & \$100	4%		\$	Barnes & Noble \$10 & \$25 & \$100	9%		\$
Lowe's \$25 & \$100	4%		\$	Bath & Body Works \$10 & \$25	13%		\$
Pets	%	Qty	Total	CVS Pharmacy \$25 & \$100	6%		\$
PetSmart \$25	4%		\$				\$
Sporting Goods	%	Qty	Total	Michaels \$25	4%		\$
Bass Pro Shops \$25 & \$100	9%		\$	See's Candies \$25 Gift Card	9%		\$
Big 5 \$25	8%		\$	Staples \$25 & \$100	5%		\$
Cabela's \$25 & \$100	11%		\$	Total Amount due		\$	
Foot Locker \$25	9%		\$				

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UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

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Sunday, November 1, 2026 - 1:00 p.m.

November Shotsuki & Hoonko Service
Rev. Matt Hamasaki, Officiating Minister

Saturday, November 14, 2026 - 1:00 p.m.

JACL BENEFIT MOVIE "Yojimbo"
MBC Annex Hall

Sunday, December 6, 2026 - 10:30 a.m.

MBC General Meeting - Social Room

Sunday, December 6, 2026 - 1:00 p.m.

December Shotsuki & Bodhi Day Service
Rev. Yuki Sugahara, Officiating Minister

Thursday, December 31, 2026 - 11:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve Service & Otoki
Rev. Yuki Sugahara, Officiating Minister

January 10, 2027 - 1:00 p.m.

January Shotsuki Service

Saturday, January 23, 2027 - 12:00 p.m.

MBC New Year Party

MARYSVILLE JACL BENEFIT MOVIE



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