



President's Message: Terrie Matsumoto

Happy May! I hope this finds everyone in good health and spirits! Please enjoy and appreciate all that we are able to enjoy. The first three months of this year have brought about many changes to some of our temple members and friends.

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NEWSLETTER

MARYSVILLE BUDDHIST CHURCH



Ages 9, 13, and 15...



Rev. Yuki Sugahara

strong perfume. It was so intense that little by little I started to dislike going to lessons. Around that same time, in third grade, I joined the school marching band and began playing the trumpet, so I eventually quit piano altogether.

At 13, I was in my first year of junior high school. For the first semester, I attended the local school where most of my elementary school classmates went. But my father changed jobs—from working at the Hongwanji headquarters to Principal at a high school—so starting in the second semester, I transferred to a different junior high school in the same city. Instead of joining the band, I played basketball. I ran about 10 kilometers almost every day and practiced hard for the tournaments.

But in Japan, junior high club activities usually end in the summer of the third year. By the time I turned 15, my basketball days were over, and I had just started playing bass guitar after being invited by a friend. I had listened to classical music, pop, and rock growing up, but the first time I heard heavy metal, it really shocked me. Since then, I've listened to all kinds of music—but even now, I still find myself going back to heavy metal.

So why did I begin by talking about these ages? Because 9, 13, and 15 were also important turning points in the lives of key figures in Jōdo Shinshū.

Shinran Shōnin, the founder of our tradition, entered the monastic

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Hello from Japan!

HELLO FROM Japan!
Based upon the original exhibition at Children's Museum of Manhattan

May 16th - August 22nd
at the Sutter County Museum
1333 Butte House Rd., Yuba City
W-F 9AM-5PM, Sat 12PM-4PM
Admission is FREE!

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF MANHATTAN
SUTTER COUNTY MUSEUM
CHILDREN'S DISCOVERY MUSEUM OF SAN JOSE

Say **Hello from Japan!** come explore the streets of Tokyo at Sutter County Museum's new temporary family. Visit the Harajuku district, a peaceful Shinto shrine, & discover kawaii culture. Sing karaoke, order bento boxes, & make a wish in a wishing well. Experience the blend of high-tech fun & timeless traditions. Come play with us!

Hello from Japan! will be on display at the Sutter County Museum beginning May 16, 2026 through

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Rev. Yuki

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path at age 9. It is said that Hōnen Shōnin—whom we refer to as the original master—began preparing for ordination at age 9 under his uncle, entered Mt. Hiei at 13, and was ordained at 15. Shinran Shōnin composed a verse on impermanence at just 9 years old, and Hōnen Shōnin was considered such a prodigy that by the age of 13 to 15, his teacher reportedly said, “There is nothing more I can teach him.”

Some of you may think, “That must have been so difficult—leaving their families at such a young age.” But Shinran Shōnin lost his mother around age 6, and his father left home to become a monk. Hōnen Shōnin is said to have lost his father—either at age 9 due to political conflict, or after his ordination—and his mother also passed away sometime after he left home.

In either case, both of them experienced the loss of their parents at a young age.

If they had been able to grow up peacefully with their families—learning court music or enjoying aristocratic pastimes—perhaps we would never have encountered the teaching of the nembutsu as we do today. When we think about it this way, even the things we now take for granted may be supported by someone’s deep sorrow or great sacrifice.

In his major work, the *Kyōgyōshinshō*, Shinran Shōnin explains what is known as the “transition through the three vows.” These are the 18th, 19th, and 20th Vows—often called the three vows related to birth in the Pure Land. Shinran Shōnin describes his own path as transition from the way of self-powered practices (the 19th Vow), to self-powered nembutsu (the 20th Vow), and finally, through the guidance of Hōnen Shōnin, entering the

path of Other Power nembutsu (the 18th Vow).

Looking back on his life, Shinran Shōnin came to realize that even his earlier self-powered efforts were part of Amida Buddha’s working—guiding him toward the path of Other Power. Perhaps this is something that applies to our own lives as well.

As I mentioned before, this year marks 30 years since my ordination. It has also been 24 years since I received the qualification to become a resident minister in the Hongwanji tradition, and I am approaching the 25-year milestone. At the same time, it has been 25 years since my mother passed away.

Shortly after my mother’s passing, my father encouraged me to pursue that qualification. Perhaps he himself was struggling with the sudden loss, or perhaps he felt the need to prepare the next minister as soon as possible. If my mother had

still been alive, I might never have taken that path. I might never have come to the United States as a minister. And if that were the case, I would not have met all of you.

When I reflect on this, I feel that each event and encounter in our lives arises from truly inconceivable causes and conditions. Even my mother’s passing may have been part of Amida Buddha’s working—guiding me to live the life of the nembutsu.

Of course, loss is painful and difficult. But now, I am able to receive even that experience as a deeply meaningful connection. I believe that each of you has also experienced moments that changed your life. Perhaps those moments, too, became the conditions that led you to encounter the teaching of the nembutsu.

I hope we can continue to walk each day, treasuring the connections we have been given.

Gassho

President’s Message

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We have had dear friends pass away which have profoundly affected the lives of family and friends; and we have had medical occurrences that have also affected the lives of our members and their families. Some of which are temporary and some that have permanently altered their lives. In both cases, these occurrences occurred in the blink of an eye, changing their lives in the here, now and days to come. You just never know what lies ahead; therefore, please remember to take the time to stop, appreciate, and enjoy being in the present

with your loved ones.

Welcome to New MBC Board Member

At our last Board Meeting on March 22nd, Janelle Sasaki was nominated and elected as an MBC Board Member at large for 2026. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to welcome Janelle to our temple family. Although Janelle has resided in Japan for the past 15 years, she continued to be a member of MBC and provided her support from afar. She currently resides in Honolulu, HI and continues to support MBC by representing MBC at the BCA National Council Meeting this past February, assisting us in pricing for the Japanese Vintage Sale, and by attend-

ing our Board Meetings via Zoom. We look forward to having Janelle a part of the MBC Board and a part of the vision for the future of our temple. Welcome aboard, Janelle!

Cemetery Visits - Sunday, May 24, 2026

9:30 a.m. - Sierra View
10:30 a.m. - Sutter

This year we will be making visits to Sierra View and Sutter during the Memorial Day weekend on Sunday, May 24, 2026. Accompanying some of our Board Members will be Rev. Kelvin Mark who will perform a short service. We will have an obutsudan set up for those who wish to offer incense, and we will also have osenko (incense sticks) for you to place on

your loved ones sites.

Upcoming Service - Sunday, May 3, 2026

Our next monthly service will be held on Sunday, May 3, 2026, 1:00 p.m. Rev. Yuki Sugahara will be the officiating minister. We will be observing the May Shotsuki and Gotan-e service. Gotan-e is the service to celebrate the birthday of Shinran Shonin, the founder of our sect of Buddhism: Jodo Shinshu Buddhism. All are welcome to attend the service and refreshments following the service. Look forward to seeing you all there!

Please take care Until we meet again...

In Gassho,
Terrie



CONDOLENCES

The Marysville Buddhist Church would like to extend their deepest condolences to the families of **Earle Hardy who passed away on February 15, 2026** and **David Nakao who passed away on March 23, 2026**

Korematsu v. United States
A Reenactment & Community Program
May 12, 2026
 Sutter County Superior Court
 1175 Civic Center Boulevard
 Yuba City, CA

Program Schedule
Welcome Remarks
 12:00pm The Honorable
 Fitzgerald A. Javellana, Judge of the Superior Court
Film Screening
 Mr. Tanimoto's Journey
 12:00 – 12:30pm Courthouse, 1st Floor
 Refreshments provided
Conversation with Jim Tanimoto
 12:30 – 12:45pm Story sharing, Q&A, and discussion
Short Play: Korematsu Trial Reenactment
 1:00 – 1:30pm To be held inside a courtroom to be named
Break
Presentation of Proclamations
 3:00pm Board of Supervisors Meeting
 (Yuba City Council Chambers at City Hall,
 1201 Civic Center Boulevard (across the street from the courthouse))

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

Pond and Garden

March Notes

BY JIM EDGMAN

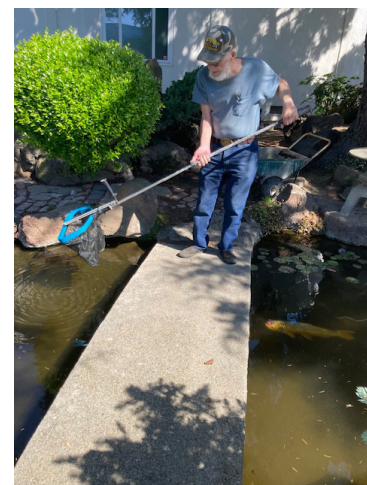
Our Kingfisher was here this morning. I haven't seen him in a while. One of our Doves is also here and he seems quite busy. I almost thought he was going to come up to me, but he is back up in the tree now.

I made an attempt to clean the waterfall. I got some of it, but the string algae is holding on too hard. I'm going to have to wait until conditions are working with me. I have managed to get 4 carts of muck out; however, I have curtailed that project for now as I need to mend the muck net. It needs to be flushed out after every use, but you can never get everything. The net is attacked by some kind of organism which eats holes in it, and just to sew it doesn't work. I'm thinking of cutting an old sock and overlaying the large holes until I can get a couple more nets.

That didn't work. The sock was too absorbent and muck got trapped behind it. I did manage to get 1 more cart of muck out, but that project is on hold until I can get the proper replacement nets!

We have a few Lilly blooms. The pads are still in the process of forming. Yesterday we had a group of Blackbirds checking things out. They are gone now but I assume they will be back with a whole bunch of their buddies.

I went to Gaiser Pets to see Jeff. He helped me tremendously with the pond years back when I



first took it on. He gave up on his pond years ago as it took up too much of his time. I was hoping he could come up with replacement nets for the mucker that I originally purchased from him. The answer was no. That company no longer carries them. He did find another ultra fine net on the internet at Amazon, and I purchased 2 of them. They are designed to slip on to swimming pool skimmer poles, but I was able to modify our muck pole to accept them. The nets were only rated for 17 pounds but should now stand 40 pounds. Over the years I've gotten to where 20 pounds is totally acceptable. It looks good and should work fine. I'll find out in a few days.

It's early evening and I am hosting the Girl Scouts. It is a touch windy and a lot of Pine needles are in the pond. The pond looks like it is struggling. By all rights, it should have the next larger size pump, however, that would involve more work.

Once the sun gets lower in the sky and the pond gets shade everything seems to relax and the Koi get more active.

Everything is OK
 In Gassho
 Jim

2026 Obon Festival Update

BY TERRIE MATSUMOTO, CHAIRPERSON

Teriyaki Chicken & Teriyaki Tofu Box Dinners

Attached to this Newsletter is the 2026 Obon Festival Flyer and Order Form. Once again we will be offering two types of box dinners: Teriyaki Chicken and Teriyaki Tofu. The cost for this year will be \$25 per box dinner. You can place your order by filling out the form and mailing it to the church or you may pay online at Marysvillebc.org. Prepaid orders only will be reserved. Others are first come first served. **ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2026.**



Volunteers Needed

If you helped out at last year's Obon, you will be contacted by myself or Jackie Basa who will also be assisting with this year's volunteers. If this will be your first time and if you would like to lend a helping hand on any of the following days, please let Terrie know by emailing the Marysville Buddhist Church at mvslebc@gmail.com or by phone at 530-743-6426. Any day and any amount of time will be appreciated. We have a wide variety of activities that will be suitable for anyone's abilities.

- Saturday, June 20th - 8:00 - 1:00 p.m.
- Thursday, June 25th - 9:00 - 1:00 p.m.
- Friday, June 26th - 10:00 - 1:00 p.m.
- Saturday, June 27th - 8:00 - 4:00 p.m.
- Sunday, June 28th - 8:00 - 12:00 p.m.

NOTES:

- We are in need of dishwashers, dryers, and runners on all days listed.
- We are also in need of more people to barbeque the chicken on Saturday, June 27th from 2:00 - 4:00p.m. and/ or 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Obon 2026 Raffle Fundraiser

Obon Raffle Tickets were mailed out on March 25th to all MBC members and friends. We are asking for your help in selling the raffle tickets. Raffle tickets are \$5.00 each. All proceeds will go to the MBC General Fund. The Raffle Ticket Drawing will take place during the Obon Dance intermission on Saturday, June 27th, around 7:45 p.m. You do not need to be present to win. If you would like more raffle tickets, please contact the church office by email mvslebc@gmail.com or by phone at 530-743-6426. This year's cash prizes are as follows:

- 1st Prize: \$500.00
- 2nd Prize: \$250.00
- 3rd Prize: \$100.00

MBC May Office Hours

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday -
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Monday, May 25th - Office
Closed for Memorial Day**

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.

Bon Dance Practice Dates:

**Tuesday, June 16, 2026
Thursday, June 18, 2026
Tuesday, June 23, 2026
Thursday, June 25, 2026**

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. for all 4 practice days

Hello from Japan

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August 22, 2026. Admission is FREE so bring the whole family for this unforgettable experience. Visit the Sutter County Museum at 1333 Butte House Road, Yuba City on Wednesday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm & Saturdays 12:00pm-4:00pm.

Hello From Japan! is an

exhibition from the Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose, based on the original exhibition at the Children's Museum of Manhattan. Support for this exhibition was generously provided by the Sutter County Children & Families Commission, with additional public programming support from the Marysville Japanese American Citizens League.

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



Volunteers have transcribed 8,000 Nikkei farm records. See example below (published with family permission).

Code	State	City, Sacramento
State Oper. #	1942-1943	1942-1943
Address	1942-1943	1942-1943
County	1942-1943	1942-1943
Size of land	1942-1943	1942-1943
Value	1942-1943	1942-1943
Operator	1942-1943	1942-1943
Product	1942-1943	1942-1943
Notes	1942-1943	1942-1943

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 Jose, 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!

MBC Japanese Vintage Sale



The MBC Japanese Vintage Sale held on March 28th & 29th was a very successful event! We received so many wonderful donations from members and friends of the temple. A heartfelt thank you to all those who have donated their family treasures for this event. Many of your treasured items found loving homes. All of the proceeds went into the General Fund which helped fund the repair and upgrade projects of the temple facilities. Keep an eye out for future MBC Japanese Vintage Sale opportunities!

A huge thank you to all of the volunteers for making this such a successful event! Thank you for all your help with setting up, unpacking, sorting, dusting, displaying, pricing, greeting, selling, cashiering, packaging, wrapping, boxing and clean up!

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| Jackie Basa | Darrell Naruto |
| Pennie Bissell | Dorothy Nishimatsu |
| Joanne Devine | Vivian Nishimatsu |
| Kevin Devine | Michelle Rodriguez |
| Scott Itamura | Janelle Sasaki |
| Lysa Kinoshita | JoAnne Sparks |
| Kahn Kochi | Katie Strauss |
| Len Lipnisky | Betty Tanimoto |
| Gary Matsumoto | Bob Tokunaga |
| Terrie Matsumoto | Janis Tokunaga |
| Marc McBee | AJ Tomita |
| Kimi Nakamura | Carol Tsukimura |
| Phil Nakamura | Don Tsukimura |

A very special thank you to the following:
 • Bob Tokunaga for setting up the Square Handheld for all



credit card and cash transactions. Thank you to Katie Strauss, Jackie Basa, and Scott Itamura for also helping with the set up and operations of the Square Handhelds during the two-day event.

- Janelle Sasaki who helped tremendously with the pricing and description of various Japanese items, many of which were of special value.
- Katie Strauss for designing the great Vintage Sale flyer and for the publicity of the event.
- JoAnne Sparks, Carol Tsukimura, AJ Tomita, and Pennie Bissell for sorting through, displaying, and pricing ALL (of which there were many boxes!) the yukatas, kimonos, obis, zori's, and all of the accessories.
- Kahn Kochi and Rev. Tim for pulling out and setting up the Obtsudans and accessories.



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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.**

Received from March 1, 2026 to March 31, 2026

In Memory of (IMO)

IMO: Seiji Iwamura

The Iwamura Family

IMO: Shizu Honda

The Nakamura Family

IMO: Ichi Nakamura

The Nakamura Family

IMO: Joe Minoru Nakamura

The Nakamura Family

IMO: Bob Fukumitsu

Fumi Fukumitsu

IMO: Cliff Fukumitsu

Fumi Fukumitsu

IMO: Sakaye Takabayashi

Fumi Fukumitsu

IMO: Mika Fukui

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IMO: Kuniyoshi & Fusaji Yokotobi

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OBON 2026

Robert Galligan & Associates -
Obon

UA Local Union 228 - Obon

SPECIAL DONATION (Monetary):

Mitsuko Yokotobi - General Fund

Daniel & Bird - General Fund

Nishimatsu family - Pasta Making

Class

Dr. William & Suzanne Nakashima
- General Fund

SPECIAL DONATION (In-Kind):

Sharon Koga - Vintage Sale

Elberta Filer - Vintage Sale

Lynette Guevara - Vintage Sale

Tony Dughi - Plywood

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Bridal Dress

Mizuye Hatamiya - Vintage Sale

Kenny Wada - Vintage Sale

Rev Tim Castle - Vintage Sale

Linda Matsumoto - Vintage Sale

Rose Emry - Vintage Sale

Lysa Kinoshita - Vintage Sale

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

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Lynn Yoshimura

Tony Dughi

Dr. William & Suzanne Nakashima

Ben Igawa

Jacqueline & Jose Basa - New

Members

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

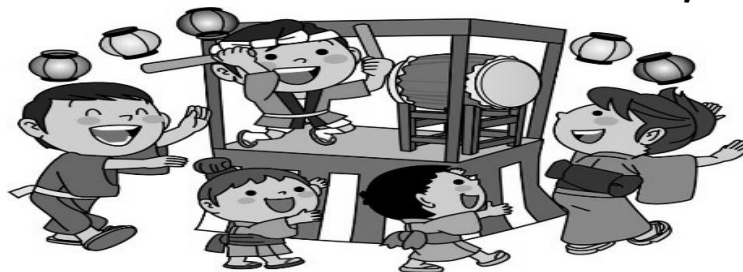
Don & Carol Tsukimura

Gary & Terrie Matsumoto

Ray & Jane Fukui

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Marysville Buddhist Church Obon Festival 2026 * SATURDAY, JUNE 27th



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 4:00 p.m. Hatsubon & Obon Service
- 5:00 p.m. Temple Tour
- 5:00 p.m. Dining Hall Open - Shave Ice, Soft Drinks, Water & Beer
- 5:30 p.m. Game Booths for Kids
- 7:00 p.m. Obon Odori/Dance
- 7:45 p.m. Entertainment by *Koyasan Spirit of Children's Taiko Group*
- 8:15 p.m. Obon Odori/Dance Finale

TERIYAKI BOX DINNER FUNDRAISER

Teriyaki Chicken or Teriyaki Tofu, Green Beans Aemono, Cabbage Tsukemono, Rice, Orange Slices, and Dessert

Enjoy the dinner and fellowship in the Church Annex Hall or have the dinners as "Take Out".

Donation: \$25.00 each

Prepaid dinners only will be reserved. Others are First Come First Serve.

Orders must be received no later than Tuesday, June 16, 2026

Pick-Up Times

Pick up times: 3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.

Please pick up your order at the time you have designated on the order form.

Box Dinner Pick Up will be CLOSED from 4-5 p.m. for the Hatsubon/Obon Service.

For your records, enter your pickup time here: _____ p.m.

No. of Teriyaki Chicken _____ Teriyaki Tofu _____

Donation: \$25.00 each Amount Paid _____ Check # _____ Cash _____



Limited Quantities! Order Early! Order by June 16th!

Fill out the form below and mail it to the Marysville Buddhist Church OR order online at MarysvilleBC.org

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

Cut & keep the top portion for your records & return the bottom portion to MBC.



OBON FESTIVAL 2026 * SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026

Teriyaki Chicken/Teriyaki Tofu Box Dinner Order Form – **Orders must be received no later than June 16th**

Number Box Dinners: Chicken _____ Tofu _____ \$25.00 each Total Amount Paid _____
Cash _____ Check # _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Phone No. _____ Email: _____

Pick-Up Time: 3:00 p.m. _____ (No Pick-Up 4-5:00 p.m.) 5:00 p.m. _____ 5:30 p.m. _____ 6:00 p.m. _____

Please make check payable to the: **Buddhist Church of Marysville**
P. O. Box 1462
Marysville, CA 95901

MAY SHOTSUKI HOYO

The March monthly memorial service will be held on **Sunday, May 3, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.** officiated by Rev. Yuki Sugahara.

Deceased & Relationship

Tetsuji Tagawa (GGF)
Kurakichi Nakamura
Kinuno Tanimoto
Shizuye Yokotobi (M)
Tatsuzo Yoshimoto (GGF)
Kinu Yoshimoto (GGM)
Asakichi Yamaguchi (GU)
Denjiro Hatamiya (GF)
Akira Fukushima (B)
Mantaro Sakamoto (GF)
Isaku Okinaka (GF)
Kamekichi Maruyama (GF)
Tomitaro Ota (GF)
Kazu Itamura
Nami Hatamiya (GM)
Yoshito Wada
Kanekichi Okimoto (GF)
Tama Yoshioka
Tatsu Nakahara
Akijiro Yoshimoto (GF)
Matsuyo Okano
Yukuno Takeuchi (GM)
Miuchi Nabeta (GF)
Jitsuichi Suzukawa (GF)

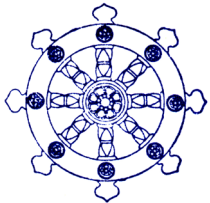
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Gayle Broce
Nakamura Family
Tanimoto Family
Komatsubara Family
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Roy Hatamiya
Karen Fukushima
Kenny Komatsubara
Mary Watanabe
Toshiye Kawamura
Clem Z. Ota
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Roy Hatamiya
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Laurie Misaki
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Irene Nabeta-Yee

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Haruno Kimura
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Takayo Fujimitsu (GM)
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Teruko Matsumura (M)
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2026 HATSUBON SERVICE TO BE OBSERVED



Hatsubon Service is a very special service to honor the deceased at the time of the first Bon or nii-bon after death. The Marysville Buddhist Church Hatsubon Service will be observed Saturday, June 27, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. for the following persons who were all dedicated members and friends of the Marysville Buddhist Church. All family and friends of those listed below are welcome to attend this Hatsubon Service.

Harumi Oki
Gregg Nakao
Kiyome Okikawa
Roy Kiyoshi Tagawa
Irene Itamura
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Mae Kakiuchi
Brad Battley
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MAY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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					Office Hours 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	David Nakao Celebration of Life 12:00 p.m.
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Gotan-E Service & May Shotsuki Hoyo 1 p.m. - Rev. TBD MBC Board Mtg 10:30 a.m.	Office Hours 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	JACL Board Meeting 2 p.m.	Office Hours 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Girl Scout Troop 94 Meeting 5:30 p.m.	Ireicho: Book of Names Set Up 9:30 a.m. Office Hours 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Ireicho: Book of Names 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Office Hours 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Korematsu v. US 12 pm Sutter County Courthouse	Office Hours 10:00 am – 12:00 pm		Office Hours 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Natsu Matsuri "Hello From Japan" 12 pm Sutter County Museum
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Office Hours 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Newsletter Crew 9:30 a.m.	Office Hours 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Girl Scout Troop 94 Meeting 5:30 p.m.	Office Hours 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Cemetery Visits Sierra View 9:30 a.m. & Sutter 10:30 a.m. Reb. Kelvin Mark	Memorial Day Office Closed		Office Hours 10:00 am – 12:00 pm		Office Hours 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	
JUNE 2026						
June 7 – Eshinni & Kakushinni Service & June Shotsuki Hoyo 1 p.m. MBC Board Mtg 10:30 a.m.						
June 27 – Obon Festival - Hatsubon/Obon Service 4:00 p.m. & Obon Odori 7:00 p.m.						

Donations

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- Robert & Lynne Myers
- Pat Uyemoto
- Pearl Fukumitsu
- Darrell Naruto
- Haruko Arent
- Fumi Fukumitsu
- Janet Nakagawa
- Robert & Lillian Hatamiya
- 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

DANA IN ACTION

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

March Shotsuki & Ohigan Service:
Thank you to Rev. Yuki for officiating the service and to Rev. Ai Hironaka for being our special guest speaker. Thank you to Kahn Kochi for chairing the service and thank you to Katie Strauss for the March Shotsuki names PowerPoint. We would also like to thank the following people for providing refreshments following the service.

- Kahn Kochi – Butadofu (Pork Tofu), Rice & Cookies
 - Terrie Matsumoto – Cucumber Tsukemono
 - Namiko Sugahara – Japanese Senbei
 - Nishimatsu Family - Chocolates
- NEWSLETTER CREW**
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MBC Ireicho Event Schedule

May 9, 2026, 10am-5pm

Join us for activities planned for our MBC Ireicho event. Plan to spend time with us before or after your appointment. Even if you don't have an appointment, join us!

9:45am: Check-in Begins

10am Event Begins

- Appointments Start
- Kansha Project with Amanda Kim (until 1pm)

12pm Jim Tanimoto

- Presentation and Q&A
- Jim Tanimoto's Happy 103rd Birthday Cake

10am-5pm Activities

- Refreshments and light meal
- Meet the author of the Ireicho, Duncan

Ryuken Williams

- Sign the Japanese American Government Camp Reporting Poste Sponsored by JACL, Richard Arent

- The Kansha Project. Staff to provide historical family farm information

- Internment Displays by our members

- Tule Lake and Amache videos

- Origami Crane folding. To be delivered to Tule Lake and Amache pilgrimages

- Photo Booth. Take home a memory of the day

5:00pm Appointments End