

2017 HAWAII KOTOHIRA JINSHA HAWAII DAZAIFU TENMANGU

January



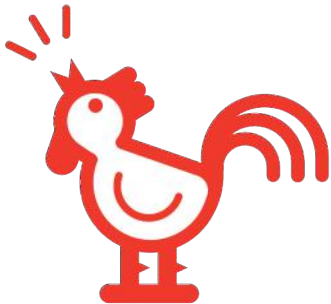
The beginning of every New Year brings with it the opportunity to make a new start. Part of the exhilaration that accompanies every Shogatsu is the optimism that starting over is possible and the belief that new beginnings can create new and successful outcomes.

Year of the Red Fire Metal Chicken

The Chicken/Rooster year will see the improvising of difficult situations. Rooster years straighten-up and put life back into order, including re-building, reconstructing and beginning from scratch.

Forgotten thoughts may re-emerge and people from your past may re-appear.

In the realm of health, take care of your nervous system and emotional well-being as we may experience extremes in emotions.



Chicken is the sign of dawn and awakening. This year, success can only be achieved with hard work, effort and patience. Laziness, on the other hand, may result in missed opportunities and unemployment.

Rat: Finish what you begin. 2018 is not a good time to make drastic changes. Females will come to your rescue this year.

Ox: Overall a great year but exercise caution with games of chance. Stay away from the ocean, lakes, rivers and beware of metal (Knives, cars, etc)

Tiger: An emotionally and financially satisfying year with improvements in career. Safeguard your investments.

Rabbit: A year of obstacles and challenges. Do not make hasty financial decisions. Stay focused and balanced.

Dragon: Act on new ideas and accept every invitation to grow your business. Nervous and respiratory systems require care.

Snake: Increase in income and promotions are on their way. Love is in the air - widen your social circle.

Horse: Complications with family. Be sure to clarify misunderstandings both at home and at work. Don't shirk your responsibilities.

Sheep: Will feel physically and emotionally drained throughout the year. Persevere and success awaits in 2018.

Monkey: Refrain from impatience and impulsiveness. Not a good year for interpersonal relations and your health. Things are not always what they seem.

Chicken: A trying period but out of adversity, emerges strength and the kind of wisdom which only comes through experience. Keep a Chicken year or Ox omamori with you.

Dog: Anxiety and tendency to worry reach a climax. Changes will take place in your life that will set the stage for future progress.

Boar: Cut ties with complex relationships and other emotional baggage. Be careful with finances. Care for the elderly members of your family.

MAHALO for your donations

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Mahalo to Mike Lee for fabricating two *shaku* out of curly koa.

Shaku is a flat scepter of Chinese origin, which is used in Japan and also historically in China, Korea, Vietnam and Okinawa.

The *shaku* was a part of a noblemen's formal attire which eventually evolved into a religious instrument used by Shinto priests.



An exclusive Marathon Finisher's omamori was given to hundreds of JAL Pak clients who participated in the Honolulu Marathon on December 11.

This is the 4th year that the shrine collaborated with JAL Pak to create an event-specific omamori.

The omamoris were consecrated in a ritual by Rev Takizawa on December 2.

MAHALO Volunteers

Pre-Hatsumode 12/26 - 30

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Kai Igarashi
Pam Igarashi
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Arthur Isa, Jr
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Diane Ogasawara
Stuart Pang
Gary Shinsato
Linda Shinsato
Val Tsutsumi

Hatsumode 12/31 - 1/1

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Chad Enoki
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Danny Song
Yuko Takahashi
Gail Tamashiro
Nelson Tamashiro
Naomi Teramoto
Sharon Toma
Val Tsutsumi
Richard Yoshinaga



The shrine participated in the annual JCC Ohana New Years Festival on Sunday, Jan 8 at the Japanese Cultural Center. The New Year's 'Ohana Festival was a great way for the community to come together and celebrate the Year of the Rooster in 2017.

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Bryson Goda
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Mike Lee
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Shinken Naitoh
Kristen Nakamura

Scott Nakamura
Diane Nishida
Jay Sakashita
Pauline Sakashita
Val Tsutsumi



Air travel has become as familiar to many as travel by car or sea voyage.

The annual Japan Airlines Hawaii blessing was performed on January 6



Congratulations to Shin Marcus Naito Magpayo on his 1st birthday.

A long distance blessing was performed for the New Jersey native by Rev Takizawa on December 25.



The shrine and our Stars & Stripes Omamori was featured on a TV program "Kaminuma Takada no Kugizuke" starring Emiko Kaminuma and Junji Takada which aired on Jan 8 on Yomiuri TV.

You can view the Japanese language only program on YouTube : <https://youtu.be/8rWpKayDrj4>
The shrine is mentioned from 9:34 ~ 11:19

Sagicho - burning of the old omamori



Sagicho - burning of the old omamori was held on Sunday, January 15 from 1 pm.

Sagicho is an ancient ceremony originating in the 11th century to express appreciation to and purify by burning old *omamori* and ofuda.

Vinyl covers, metal and plastic decorations were painstakingly removed from the omamori to minimize toxic fumes.

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Bob Harada
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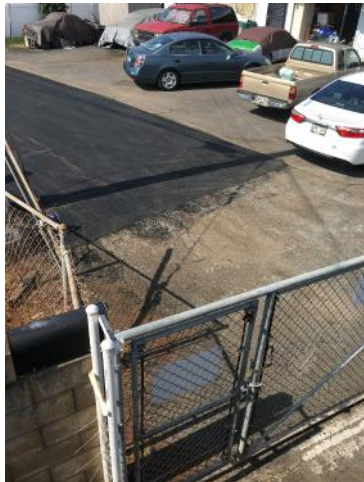


MAINTENANCE

- 12/23 Power washing
- 12/24 Repairing Olomea gate
- 12/26 Cleaning of the shrine gutters
- 12/26 Trimming trees
- 12/27 Power washing hall
- 12/29 Adjusting shrine lights
- 12/30 Cutting bamboo and pine
- 1/8 & 1/14 Carpet cleaning

MAHALO

Bob Harada Mike Lee
 Craig Nishida Rudy Santiago



Kama Lane was identified as a degraded and unsatisfactory road by the City & County of Honolulu Department of Design and Construction in 2013.

Repaving began 1/5 and was completed on 1/13 but stopped about 10 ft short of the shrine's property line?!? Although the portion in front of the shrine was scraped - without a coat of asphalt, it's just a dusty combination of dirt, gravel and old asphalt grindings.

Want to know if your street is scheduled for repaving? Paste the pdf link below for a full listing of scheduled repaving projects:

www.honolulu.gov/rep/site/ddc/Street_List_Web_Layout_Report_20170106.pdf

CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

- 12 1 pm
Kanreki Group Blessings
- 2 pm
Yakudoshi Group Blessings
- 3 pm
Tsukinamisai Monthly Service

MARCH

- 5 3 pm
Sake Appreciation Festival
- 11 & 12 10 am ~ 4 pm
Honolulu Festival

APRIL

- 2 3 pm
Tsukinamisai Service
- 8 1 pm
Festival prep
- 9 3 pm
Spring Thanksgiving Festival