

Hawaii Kotohira Jinsha Hawaii Dazaifu Tenmangu

MARCH 2018



The annual blessing of Hanayagi Dancing Academy Hawaii Foundation, led by principal and Dance Master Hanayagi Mitsujuro was held on Sunday, February 25.

MAHALO

for your donations

Thomas & Linda Agawa
Bill & Keiko Doughty
Hanayagi Dancing Academy
Hawaii Foundation
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MAHALO for your Sake donations

Dazaifu Tenmangu
Bryson Goda
Arthur K. Isa
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Shinken & Marilyn Naitoh
Craig & Diane Nishida
Yumi Ozaki
Fumiko Sakakibara
Gary & Linda Shinsato
Wayne Takenaka
Masa & Irene Takizawa
Naomi Teramoto



Congratulations to Chad & Kei for the birth of their son, **Kaimana**. Kaimana was born on March 10 at the Queens Medical Center.



Happy March Birthdays !! From left: Bryson, Wayne, Kathy and Diane. Not pictures: Chad

Sake Appreciation Ceremony



Sake, a byproduct of rice has long been a vital part of Japanese culture, especially at festivals, ceremonies and rituals.

Mahalo nui to the many volunteers that helped at the Sake Appreciation Ceremony on 3/4 to acknowledge the gift that alcoholic beverages made from rice are to the world and our lives.



MAHALO

VOLUNTEERS

Bryson Goda
Victoria Hallet
Bob Harada
Stacie Hata
Galen Komatsu
Kell Komatsubara
Milton & Kathy Kwock
Shinken & Marilyn Naitoh
Craig & Diane Nishida
Gary & Linda Shinsato



Shrine Visitors

Dr. Masataka Okamoto and his research team from Fukuoka Kenritsu University, accompanied by Ricky Crum visited the shrine on 2/26.

Dr. Okamoto and students are in Hawaii to research Japanese traditions and religions of the Isseis.



Congratulations **Reverend & Mrs. Mita!** The newlyweds visited the shrine on March 1.

Rev. Mita is the son of Reverend Yoshitomo Mita of Dazaifu Tenmangu and was married on February 25 at Atsuta Jingu.

Rev Mita is presently at Atsuta Jingu in Nagoya but will be serving at Dazaifu Tenmangu next Spring.

Dr. Manako Ogawa of Ritsumeikan University and her research staff visited the shrine on March 12 to donate her newest book - 海の民のハワイ, (Umi no tami no Hawaii) published by Jimbun Shoin.

This book provides fascinating details on fishery emigration to Hawaii and includes some interesting stories and old photos of the shrine.

Honolulu Festival

The shrine participated in the Honolulu Festival on March 10 and 11 with a booth at the Convention Center.

Also participating was *Kataributai*, a multifaceted performance by Cathy Foy and other local performing artists celebrating ancient Japanese creation myths.

Kataributai was sponsored by *Eishokukai*, an organization of



From left: Linda Shinsato, Chief Priest Nobuyoshi Nishitakatsuji, Mrs. Nishitakatsuji

Shinto shrines established to perpetuate ancient traditions and sharing cross-cultural awareness.

Chief Priest Nobuyoshi Nishitakatsuji of Dazaifu Tenmangu flew in from Fukuoka to participate in the festivities as the Chair of the Eishokukai.

Mahalo to **Gary & Linda Shinsato** for volunteering for the event.



CALENDAR

APRIL

- 14 1 pm
Clean up & Prep
- 15 3 pm
Spring Thanksgiving Festival

MAY

- 6 3 pm
Tsukinamisai
- 27 8 am
Shinto Renmei Memorial Day Service

JUNE

- 3 1 pm
Clean up and preparation
- 4 9 am ~ 2 pm
Chinowa for People & Pets

Hanayagi Dancing Academy

Hawaii Foundation

Saver's FUNDrive

Date: March 24 Saturday

Time: 9 am- 12 noon

Place: Shrine parking lot

GOODS ACCEPTED:

- * Gently-used clothing
- * Linens
- * Jewelry
- * Shoes & Fashion Accessories
- * Small household goods
- * Sporting goods

Please sort and bag your donations ahead of time into "soft goods" and "hard goods"

For more info, contact Kris at:
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The shrine mourns the passing of our former Fujinkai president, **Miyono Shimoda** who passed away at her Kalihi home, surrounded by family on February 9 at the age of 96.

Mrs. Shimoda was born in Schofield and owned and operated Master Cleaners in Kapahulu until its closing in the mid 1970s.

We send our heartfelt condolences to her son Gary, daughter Laverne Miyamoto and three grandchildren.

Sachiko Kele, former Director of the shrine passed away in Washington State on August 2017 at the age of 88.

Sachiko was born in Yokosuka where she met her husband Jordan Kele III. They married in 1954 and moved to California in 1958 and to Honolulu in 1961. Jordan and Sachiko owned Chicken Delight from 1961 to 1976.

She is survived by daughter Michiko Earl (Vern) and two grandsons.



Maintenance



Cleanup and preparations for the Sake Appreciation Ceremony was done on Saturday, March 3. MAHALO Nui to the many volunteers who helped to clean and prep for the annual event.

MAHALO Volunteers

Marilyn Naitoh
Shinken Naitoh
Craig Nishida
Gary Shinsato
Linda Shinsato



Mahalo Bob Harada
Painting of the shrine
continues every Saturday