

2018 is an eventful year with social and lifestyle changes. There will be a wide spread sentiment of generosity, selflessness, inclusiveness and a shift towards responding or reacting to situations rather than being active and aggressive. Integrity and honesty will lead to success in 2018.

RAT	issues with health and wealth. Distance yourself from toxic people that drain your energy
ох	a year of challenges and many unforeseen events. Beware of theft and risky investments
TIGER	expenses high, but a good year for new relationships, marriage and new opportunities
RABBIT	year of great opportunities in career and relationships. Enjoy the fruits of your labor
DRAGON	unexpected expenses. Changes in relationships, wealth and health. Exercise tolerance
SNAKE	restructure goals, change direction and reorganize your life to welcome new possibilities
HORSE	roller coater year. Beware of disputes that can lead to legal action or accidents
SHEEP	a somewhat frustrating but healing year. Don't fight it - persevere and go with the flow
MONKEY	stressful year. Beware of misunderstandings and physical injuries. Lots of travel
CHICKEN	difficulty making the right choices. Faced with crisis and obstacles throughout the year
DOG	beware of issues in health, wealth, career and interactions with others. Stay positive
BOAR	keep a cool head and avoid any conflicting situations. Great year for new ventures

Those born in the year of the Dog, Dragon, Sheep and Chicken should carry a Dog year omamori or wear our 2018 T-shirt to alleviate some of the negative energies of the Earth Dog year. You can also display the 12 Zodiac figurines, Shichifukujin figurines or Hamayumi in the EAST corner of your living room to pave the way for a safe and peaceful year of positive energies.

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The shrine participated in the annual JCCH Ohana New Years Festival on Sunday, January 14 at the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii.

The festival is a great way for the community to experience many facets of the Japanese culture.

### **MAHALO** Volunteers

### Pre-Hatsumode 12/26 - 30

Kathy Hamada Kwock Stacie Hata Elaine Komatsu Craig Nishida Diane Nishida Diane Ogasawara Gary Shinsato Linda Shinsato Sharon Toma

#### Hatsumode Prep 12/29

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### Hatsumode 12/31 - 1/1

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### Hatsumode 1/2

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# **Private Ceremonies**











New Year's Eve is a time of cleansing making way for new beginnings.

It is a time to reflect and express gratitude for every positive and negative experiences this past year.

To celebrate the new year with a vibrant spirit, full of unlimited potential - call the shrine for a private ceremony.

### Sagicho - burning of the old omamori

Sagicho - burning of the old omamori was held on January 21 from 1 pm.

Vinyl covers, metal and plastic decorations were painstakingly removed by many volunteers to minimize toxic fumes.

Mahalo Nui to **Kell Komatsubara** for donating a metal plate to place under the drum cans to protect the asphalt.

#### **MAHALO**

Chad Enoki Kei Enoki Bryson Goda Bob Harada Arthur K. Isa Galen Komatsu Kell Komatsubara Marilyn Naitoh Shinken Naitoh Craig Nishida Diane Nishida Dee Shimamoto Staci Shimamoto Gary Shinsato Linda Shinsato Naomi Teramoto



### **Shrine Visitors**

The shrine welcomed Dr. Erik Hammerstrom and his students from Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma on January 17. This is Dr. Hammerstrom's third visit to the shrine.





Fukuoka Prefectural Assembly member, Hiroki Abe visited the shrine on January 15.

Rev. Abe is in Hawaii as part of the Fukuoka Delegation attending the opening ceremony of the 2018 Hawaii Legislative session.

Rev Abe is also Chief priest of the Tsuyuzaki Kotohira Jinja in Fukuoka.

#### **CALENDAR**

#### **FEBRUARY**

1 pm
Kanreki Group Blessings
2 pm
Yakudoshi Group Blessings
3 pm

#### **MARCH**

1 pm
Sake Appreciation Festival Prep

**Tsukinamisai Monthly Service** 

4 3 pm

Sake Appreciation Festival

10 & 11 10 am ~ 4 pm **Honolulu Festival** 

#### **APRIL**

14 1 pm

Festival prep

15 3 pmSpring Thanksgiving Festival

A young male illegally entered the shrine on Saturday, January 20 at approximately 6:51 am.

The Olomea gate was locked but the shrine was open as Rev Takizawa was downstairs in the meeting room preparing to open the premises. He heard a sound upstairs and dashed up the stairs from the back door. The male escaped from the Dazaifu side of the shrine and climbed over the Olomea fence.

Rev. Takizawa ran after him and was able to grab his slippers as he scaled the fence. A police report was filed.

Young male in his teens - 5'5", 115 lbs, dark with black hair, black and white camo cap, blue hoodie.

On Friday, January 19, a white van plowed into a compact in front of him, on Olomea Street. Drivers heading back home found themselves in a backup on Olomea for about an hour.

