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CALENDAR of EVENTS 2014

DATE	TIME	EVENT
April 20 (Sun)		Cherry Blossom Senior Appreciation Brunch \$10 at Kabuki Hotel
May 18 (Sun)	10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Satsuki Bonsai Show
August 23 (Sat)	5:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.	Potluck & Raffle
Sept 10 (Wed)	11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon
Sept 21 (Sun)	10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Bonsai Show
Oct 11 (Sat)	10:30 a.m. - noon	Fall Cleanup
November 15 (Sat)	TBA	Holiday Faire
Dec 10 (Wed)	11:30 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.	Senior Holiday Luncheon



NEWS

- On January 22nd, Officer Stacy Chamberlain spoke to 30+ people about **Identity Theft and Scams** at the San Mateo Gardeners' Hall. Information brochures were distributed in Japanese and English for the attendees. Everyone commented on how much they learned. A few were able to share their experiences of close calls.
- The Northern California Cherry Blossom committee will be sponsoring the annual Cherry Blossom Festival and **Senior Appreciation Brunch**, April 12-13 and April 19-20. The Senior Appreciation Brunch will be held on April 20th at the Kabuki Hotel. The cost for seniors is \$10 and \$25 for non-seniors. If you would be interested in attending the Senior Appreciation Brunch and need transportation, please call the San Mateo Japanese American Community Center at 650-343-2793.
- On May 1, 2014, **Wesley Taoka** will be the new executive director of the San Mateo Japanese American Community Center. Wesley is fluent in Japanese, German and English. He is a San Mateo native.
- I, **Virginia Tanakatsubo**, would like to take this opportunity to thank the San Mateo Japanese American Community Center Board of Directors for giving me the opportunity to work as the executive director for the last seven years. I have enjoyed my tenure and working with the residents of the Japanese American community of San Mateo county. I am stepping down but will be volunteering as the Wednesday receptionist. I am leaving the community in very capable in Wesley Taoka.

REMINDERS

- Free Blood Pressure readings by Volunteer Nurses in the J-A community on the first Wednesdays of every month from 1 p.m.-2 p.m.
- Please help us fill the Second Harvest Food Bank's barrel in our foyer. With the high cost of living in San Mateo County, many families in San Mateo county suffer from "food insecurity." Children need nutritional food to help them do well in school and thrive.
- We recycle aluminum cans, plastic and glass beverage bottles. Please rinse these items before donating. Please help the recyclers by removing the plastic tops from the plastic bottles. If you have questions about what is accepted, please look for **CA CRV** on the back of the beverage container.



THANK YOU

Virginia Tanakatsubo has been a dedicated and gracious Executive Director of the Community Center and has assisted many who have gone to her for guidance. As chairman of the Board of Directors, we thank her very much.

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