## Hawaii Kotohira Jinsha - Hawaii Dazaifu Tenmangu



Car Blessing was performed for shrine VP Diane Nishida on August 21

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# **CALENDAR**

#### October

- 17 9 am **Prep for Shichigosan**
- 18 9 am 1 pm **Shichigosan**

3 pm Tsukinamisai Monthly Service

23 - 31 9 am - 2:30 pm **Shichigosan** 

#### **November**

- 1 22 9 am 2:30 pm **Shichigosan**
- 3 3 pm

  Tsukinamisai Monthly

  Service

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### **Gokito** Private Blessings



Private Blessings were performed for two sisters on August 22

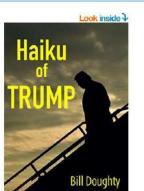


Happy Yakudoshi Birthday!

The 100th Anniversary Festival for Hawaii Kotohira Jinsha will be held on September 27.

The shrine has been closely monitoring the pandemic and although the 100th Anniversary is an incredibly important event for us, we have made the difficult decision to observe the festival without the presence of guests.

As the situation continues to change rapidly our top priority remains the health, safety and well-being of our community while ensuring the continuity of our spiritual mission.





Originally from Japan and traditionally nature based, *Haiku* are poems that can bring out subtle but deep insights in a few words.

For years, shrine friend and Haikuist, Bill Doughty, has discovered unintentional *Haiku* in printed public words. A few years ago, Bill "found" *Haiku* from original papers collected in "The Complete works of Abraham Lincoln."

Bill has recently compiled a book of *Haiku* from the words of President Donald Trump which is available on Amazon Kindle: "Haiku of Trump: The Chasm, Schism and Isms of Donald J. Trump"

## John Wayne at the Shrine

John Wayne (5/26/1907 - 6/11/1979) born Marion Robert Morrison was an iconic American actor and among the top box office draws for three decades.

Wayne lost a football scholarship to the University of Southern California as a result of a body surfing accident and began working for Fox Films. His big break came in 1939 as Ringo Kid in Stagecoach.



John Wayne at the shrine with the Olomea Street main torii in the back

"Big Jim McLain" is a 1952 political thriller starring John Wayne and James Arness (Marshall Matt Dillon on Gunsmoke) as House Un-American Activities Committee investigators (HUAC) hunting down communists in pre-Statehood Hawaii.

The two investigators pursue the suspect all over Oahu and Molokai. There is rare footage of Pearl Harbor before the Arizona Memorial was built.

Pearl Harbor marks the resting place of 1,177 officers and crewmen killed on the USS Arizona during the Pearl Harbor attack on December 7, 1941.

The present memorial was built in 1962, ten years after this movie was filmed. John Wayne and James Arness can be seen paying

their respects to the fallen soldiers on a temporary staging built over the top side of the fire control platform of the USS Arizona.





John Wayne and James Arness standing on a temporary platform over the USS Arizona

Hawaii Kotohira Jinsha appears about 35 minutes into the movie, when John Wayne and James Arness visits the shrine to ask Rev. Ito (Rev. Kinai Ikuma) about Willie Nomaka, a missing Communist party member.



John Wayne and James Arness walking out from the shrine

Several of the people cast in the film were actual Honolulu citizens: Honolulu Police Chief Dan Liu played himself, "Red" McQueen (Star athlete at Punahou and



The shrine in 1952 as seen in the movie

Honolulu Star Bulletin reporter), Kinko Lucky Simunovich (junior heavyweight champion wrestler), Joel Trapido (founded the UH Manoa Department of Drama and Theater), Sammy Steamboat Mokuaki (champion with the 50th State Big Time Wrestling organization), Ralph Honda (then president of Kuakini Hospital, founding member of the Prince Akihito Scholarship Foundation and founder of the Japan-America Society of Hawaii), Akira Fukunaga (founding member of the HJJCC Cherry Blossom festival) and Reverend Kinai Ikuma.

Daniel Siu Chong Liu, the son of Chinese immigrants was the longest serving Chief of Police in the Honolulu Police Department who worked his way up from clerk to Captain before being appointed to the Chief of Police in 1948.



HPD Police Chief Dan Liu and John Wayne in the movie

He established the Police Athletics League (PAL), created many crime prevention programs, improved working conditions and benefits and began the chaplaincy corps and canine corps.

Liu retired from the Honolulu Police Department in 1969 to serve as special assistant for international affairs with U.S. Postmaster General Winton Blount in Washington D.C.



Rev. Kinai Ikuma as Rev. Ito in the movie



This photo taken from the movie shows the old martial arts Renbujo and the Kyudo archery dojo in the area that is now Olomea Street and H-1.

There are no records of Rev. Ikuma as having served at Hawaii Kotohira Jinsha. He was born in 1872 in Japan and was widowed a few years before the filming of the movie. He was an ordained priest and assisted many shrines by officiating at festivals during the war years and was cast in "Big Jim McLain" during Rev. Misao Isobe's absence.

The shrine's Chief Priest Misao Isobe was deported to Japan in 1943 and returned in late 1952 to continue serving at Hawaii Kotohira Jinsha.

The movie premiered at the Kuhio Theatre on August 28, 1952.

See a short clip of the movie on our website under Event Videos or the full movie on YouTube at:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=F\_oJ1KBl\_g



Pictured from the left: John Wayne, Rev. Kinai Ikuma, James Arness

### Maintenance

Graffiti, especially tagging is the visual manifestation of gang presence and is removed immediately by Rev. Takizawa. Gangs usually tag their crew name or moniker to define territory.



Lowering costs by recycling soil from old pots. Soil must first be bagged and left in the sun for a few days to remove pathogens and potential disease. Then its revitalized with nutrients before use.









Mahalo to the Kurashiges for the crowns of the original Maui Gold pineapples called PRI 73-50 originated at UH Manoa in 1973. The present Maui Gold is a hybrid strain of PRI 73-50.

The shrine also received soy bean seeds which were first germinated and planted in pots. Above is a photo of the soy beans at one week. Soy is documented as being grown in China as early as 11,000 BCE.

Theft is a problem for all retailers and alcohol is one of the most targeted products. Many stores place a black security cap on liquor bottles to deter and reduce theft.

Since early September, Rev. Takizawa has been picking up 5 - 6 security bottle caps per day on Olomea Street, presumably left by thieves who have shoplifted liquor.

