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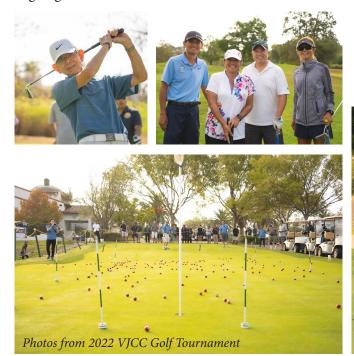
The 20th VJCC Golf Tournament

The VJCC will be holding its 20th Annual Golf Tournament. Yes, 20 years of golf, thanks to our friends and supporters like you.

The tournament will be held at the historic Los Serranos Golf Course on October 14. This course opened in 1925 and, in the past, has been the site of many regional amateur qualifying events. This venue has two courses...our tournament will be held on the South Course.

This year your entry fee will include a breakfast burrito, lunch and all the side pots (longest drive, closest to the pin and straightest drive). Each golfer will receive a "goodie bag" filled with great items from the VJCC and our sponsors.

The VJCC Golf Tournament is an important fundraising event. The VJCC is fortunate to have great sponsors, golfers and friends who have supported this event in the past and we appreciate your support again this year. Money raised from the entry fees, sponsorships, raffle and golf ball roll will go to the ongoing maintenance and renovations of our facilities.





We hope this tournament will bring our community together, where family and friends can enjoy each other's company and support the Venice Japanese Community Center. For those who are unable to participate in the golf tournament, you can support this event by purchasing golf balls for the golf ball roll. The balls will roll down from the upper level of the putting surface to a designated hole. The winning ball(s) are those which fall into the hole, but if no ball(s) go into the hole, then the ball(s) closest to the hole will be declared the winner(s). The winner(s) will receive 50% of the net proceeds raised by the Golf Ball Roll event. Contact your club representative to purchase the golf balls.

We look forward to seeing you at the Tournament.

SAVE THESE DATES

Arts & Crafts Fair Saturday, September 23

VJCC Golf Tournament Los Serranos Golf Club Saturday, October 14

VJCC Clean-up (2nd try!) Sunday, October 29, 8AM

Please check VJCC.com for the latest updates.

Board Visions

Greetings to all! Last year was my first message in this column, and this will be my second and last. At the end of this year, I will be resigning from my long-held position as member of the Board of Directors. I feel very blessed and honored to have served for over 16 years. But, I believe that my tenure has been long enough



for serving as a Director; it is time to depart and let others have the wonderful opportunity to experience this important position in leadership of the VJCC.

Looking back all these years, I am most proud of assisting in a complete revamping of the governance structure of the VJCC. In 2005, then-President Ken Sogabe asked several of us (my performing the attorney role) to serve on an *ad hoc* committee to analyze and restructure the legal interaction between the Board and the Executive Council ("EC"). Our crucial determination was to vest all policy-making and executive-legal authority in the Board and to make the EC a reporting and executing body, subordinate to the Board. The EC's authority and actions, then, are subject to the Board's over-arching power.

To memorialize and legally establish such restructuring, our team worked to revise the key governing document of our Center, namely its Bylaws. The Board and EC formally ratified and adopted the "amended" Bylaws in 2006, and they continue in such form to this date. The VJCC's governing hierarchy then finds: (1) the Board, 1/3 of whom being elected yearly by the VJCC membership to staggered 3-year terms, as the top, policy-making body; (2) [Executive] Officers (President, Executive Vice-President, Board-Secretary, Treasurer and others as needed), being chosen by the Board and elected-ratified to 1-year terms also by the membership; and, (3) the EC, comprising representatives of all affiliated groups, sports teams, classes, programs, etc.

As I leave the Board, I urge everyone to continue to support and remain active in the Center and to consider becoming involved in leadership. All non-profits, like the VICC, must rely upon their members and volunteers to function, survive and thrive. So, please do volunteer and invite your family, friends and colleagues to join and contribute to our Center. We vitally need younger individuals and families, not only to participate, but also to be receptive to trying leadership positions.

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Legacy Tree: August 2023

The VJCC gratefully acknowledges donations and pledges towards the Legacy Tree:

No Legacy Tree Donations in August.

So, I send my fondest hopes and best wishes to the Board, Officers, EC members and all VICC members for the Center's continued success, fulfillment and growth. Good luck in everything you all do for our beloved VJCC! And, as a final sign-off, I've written a limerick-poem to capture some special moments in my long affiliation with the VJCC:

Limerick Upon Board Retirement (Continued on page 3)



"A center to preserve the heritage and perpetuate the Japanese-American cultural experience."

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Board Visions (Continued from page 2) <u>Limerick Upon Board Retirement</u> There once was Director RICH YANG. Began at VJCC with a "bang!" Daughter's team: "the High Tops" – RICH's yelling– non-stop! Just wanted to be part of the gang.

Later on, he co-coached "*the Vipers*" – Son's team was little and hyper! "*Sure-Shots*" leagues were a breeze; But for *RICH*, too many "T's!" To the refs, he was known as a griper!

Next for us were all their Scouting years. Tent-camping outdoors brought some fears. Learned self-reliance, Charity and alliance: And, team work got them through a few tears.

Then, the Center's *Secretary* I became. Postcards were the name of the game. If I dared mis-stamp any, Or postage off a penny: You can guess who would get all the blame!

Some years hence, the Center's *Board* beckoned me. My friends said they want an attorney. Thanks to *KEN*, *BOB* and *JOHN*, I agreed to come on. Sixteen years: it's been quite the journey.

My tenure: more or less, a good run. As Director, had my day in the sun. Time for others to lead, To dream, to succeed. There's still lots of great work to be done.

As I leave, I have few regrets. I've learned much from the folks I have met. Heed my pleas, all who hear: "Volunteer! Volunteer!" The best Center, you all must beget!

My fellow Directors, you're the best! BOB, JACK, DAVE; ERIC, KELVIN; KEVIN, WES; FUSAKO, KEIICHI; SHARON and KAZIE; KEN, JOLYN: thank you all! I am blessed! 皆さん、こんにちは。昨年私は、このコラムに初めてメッセ ージを投稿しました。そして今回が2回目でそして最後の 投稿になると思います。私は、長い間務めてきた、取締役 会のメンバーとしてのポジションを退くことにいたしまし た。私は16年以上もの間、この役職を務めたことは、とても 祝福された光栄なことだと感じています。ですが、理事とし ての在任期間はもう十分であり、VJCCのリーダーとしてこ の重要なポジションを経験する素晴らしい機会を他の人 に与えるために、退任するときが来たのだと思います。

この数年間を振り返ってみて、私が最も誇りに思っている のは、VJCCの統治機構を全面的に見直すお手伝いをした ことです。2005年、ソガベケン会長(当時)は理事会と評 議会(以下「EC」)の間の法的な相互関係を分析し、再構築 するための特別委員会の委員を私たち数名(私は弁護士 の役割)に依頼しました。私たちが決定的に重要だと考え たのは、すべての制作決定と執行・法的権限を理事会に 与え、EC理事会に従属する報告・執行機関とすることでし た。ECの権限と行動は、理事会の包括的な権限に従うこと になります。

このような再編成を具体化し、法的に確立するため、私 たちのチームは、当センターの重要な統治文書である細 則の改訂に取り組みました。理事会とECは、2006年、こ の「改定」細則を正式に批准、採択し、現在に至っていま す。VJCCの統治階層は、以下の通りです。(1)理事会 そ の3分の1は 毎年、VJCCの会員により選出され、任期を ずらして3年とします。(2)[役員]

役員(会長、副会長、理事会幹事、会計など必要)、理事会に よって選ばれ、選出され、1年の任期に批准されました。メ ンバーシップ;(3)すべての加盟グループ、スポーツチーム の代表者で構成されるEC、クラス、プログラムなど。

私が理事会を去るにあたり、私はすべての人にセンターで サポートし、活動し続けることを推進します。VJCCのよう な非営利団体は、会員の方々の積極的なボランティア活 動に頼らないと繋栄していきません。ですので、今後も、ボ ランティア活動に参加し、家族や友達、仲間をVJCCとして は、必要です。そして、クラブに参加するだけでなく、役員や 執行部として活動してくださる方も必要です。

役員の皆さん、オフィサーや、執行部、それから、VJCCの全 ての会員の方々に私の大好きな希望と願いを込めて皆さ んのご多幸をお祈りいたします。これまでVJCCでの長い 間の特別な出来事をいくつか織り交ぜながら、詩(リメリッ ク)を書きましたので、最後に紹介させていただきます。

役員退任におけるリメリック (リメリックは、英語の文章の方でお楽しみください。)

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On Saturday, October 14, 2023, the VJCC will hold its 20th Annual Golf Tournament at Los Serranos Golf Course in Chino Hills. We are excited to experience this new venue which was established in the mid-1920s.

This golf tournament is one of many events held by the Venice Japanese Community Center that allows us to gather with our friends, family, and supporters.

The Venice Japanese Community Center recently had its 100-year anniversary. Along with our mission statement, it is this sense of community which continues to keep our center relevant.

The funds raised by the tournament will be used for future renovation projects.

The success of the tournament is dependent on individual, club, organization, and corporate sponsorships, as well as prize donations.

Sponsors, participants, and donors will all be helping to build the future for the VJCC. We invite you to participate in the VJCC Golf Tournament.



Saturday, October 14, 2023 Los Serranos Golf Club 15656 Yorba Avenue Chino Hills, CA 91709

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To preserve, share and promote the Japanese and Japanese American culture and heritage, and provide for the needs and interests of the Japanese American community through education and instruction.

Last year, for the first time, we held a Golf Ball Roll. Based on the success and feedback from our participants, we decided to do this again.

The cost is \$10.00 per golf ball. At the course, the golf balls will be rolled toward a designated hole. Any ball(s) falling into the hole will be declared the winner(s).

Every paid entry will receive a number that has a corresponding numbered ball to be rolled at the tournament. The ball closest to the pin will be declared the winner in the event that no ball rolls into the hole.

50% of the net proceeds will be split evenly and awarded to the winner(s). Results of the event will be posted on the internet immediately after the event.

Your name and number(s) will be posted on the VJCC website - <u>www.VJCC.com</u> - prior to the Golf Ball Roll event.

Thank you for your continued support, The VJCC Golf Tournament Committee



DATE: Saturday, October 14, 2023 PLACE: Los Serranos Golf Club 15656 Yorba Avenue Chino Hills, CA 91709 (909) 597-1769

- TIME: 6:15 a.m. Registration 7:45 a.m. Shotgun Start 1:00 p.m. Awards Lunch
- COST: \$180.00 includes: Greens Fee and 1/2 Cart Tee Gifts Prize Fund Breakfast Burritos and Awards Lunch Buffet Includes Side Games





4 Person Team Scramble REGISTRATION DEADLINE: August 26, 2023

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ZUMBA FITNESS CLASS

September 2023

Zumba at the VJCC class is scheduled on Tuesdays at 9:00 AM and Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. All levels are welcome.

Walk-in cost is \$6, or 5 class pass for \$25. Learn to be fit while having fun doing it. Membership at the VJCC is required.

Please be advised that Zumba will be on a break from Sept. 12 to Oct. 8, 2023. Classes will resume on Oct. 10 and 11.

Special October events:

Oct. 17 – My birthday class. Come to my birthday Zumba party!

Oct. 31 – Halloween party of course! Come dressed in costume or fall colors.

If you need to contact Leonore, text (310)210-2154. I will receive texts even while abroad.

Leonore Miller

Save the NEW Date!

<u>CLEAN-UP DAY – 2nd Try!</u> Sunday, October 29 starting @ 8am

The Community Center belongs to its members and organizations.

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SENIOR NUTRITION

September 2023

A big thank you goes out to Robert Shiraki who donated a wheelchair, a walker, and a bed rail - all in very good condition. They will all be put to good use by the seniors who are lucky enough to get them so thank you again, Robert!

Please call the VJCC office to inquire whether or not any of these items are still available (they go fast) and we'll get back to you.

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for Senior Nutrition's <u>Fall Bake Sale scheduled</u> for October 30 (yes, the day before Halloween...so treats for adults as well as for the ghosts and goblins who come to your door).

"Fun Friday" Activities:

- \mathbf{Bingo} every Friday at 10:15 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
- ◆<u>Cake Day</u> Celebrate birthdays on the 3rd Friday of every month except December.
- \bullet <u>Bento Day</u> last Friday of every month except December.





<u>The Garden Market:</u> – which is usually held the 1^{st} and 3^{rd} <u>Mondays</u> (May – November) has been temporarily suspended due to the long rainy season we experienced this year. However, if you managed to get your garden in and you have some home-grown vegetables, fruits, herbs, etc. to share, bring them in to any Senior Nutrition volunteer who will put them out for anyone who wants them.

Over the last month, we received some luscious cherry tomatoes and large creamy avocados. Thank you donors! Fresh produce is always appreciated by us all!



The Puzzle Center: Come visit our puzzle center and put in a piece or two to complete this beauty of a puzzle (exercise for the brain!). If completed by September 30, each participant will get a little prize.

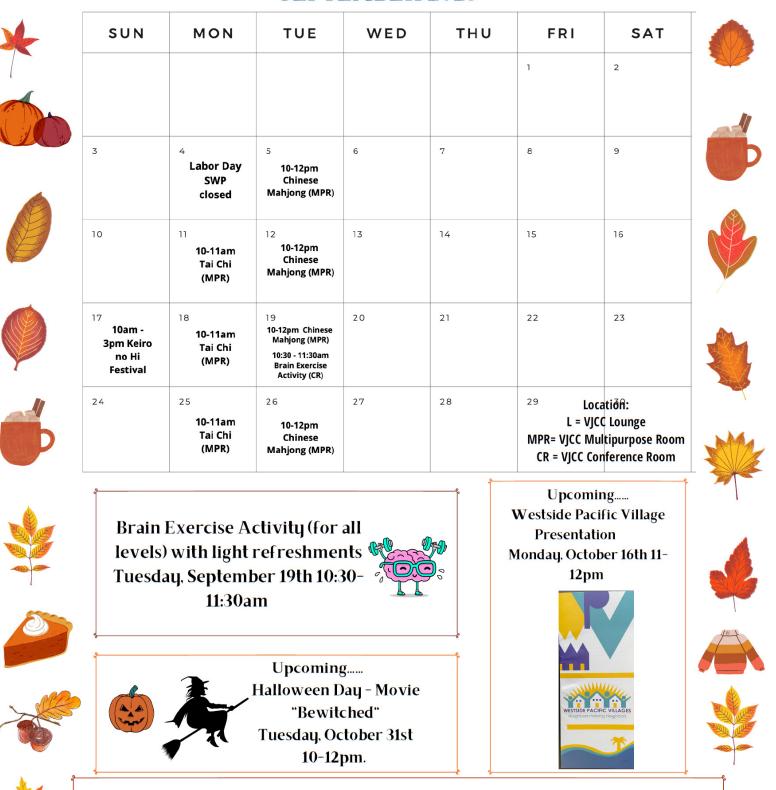






Senior Wellness Program
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All classes and activities are FREE to all VJCC members 60 years and older. Our number one priority is the safety of our participants. All classes and activities still follow strict CDC protocols. e.g., face covering. Participants must be fully vaccinated and had taken first booster shot. Scheduled events can change without notice. Any questions or to RSVP please contact Gayle Hirami @ gayle_hirami@yahoo.com. or call the VJCC office at 310. 822.8555.



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- Sept. 6, Wed. <u>INDIAN CASINO SOBOBA</u> Reservations by mail-in flyer. First come first and space is very limited. Departure Be at the VJCC parking lot by 7:30 am for check-in.
- Oct. 22, Sunday, 12 noon **<u>SANTA MARIA BBQ LUNCHEON</u>** free lunch and BINGO afterwards. Reservation – must send in mail-in flyer to reserve a lunch.
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VENICE KARATE CLUB

September 2023

We hope everyone is doing well! We are heading into back-to-school season, when summer ends but new relationships begin.

From September 22-24, Sensei Seizo Izumiya, 7th Dan instructor of JKA will be visiting from Japan to host seminars and testing in Temple City and Little Tokyo. All ranks and ages are welcome to join for this seminar, which will be the first JKA event our club will participate in since transitioning from the ISKF. For instructions on registering, please contact the club instructors. We hope to see you there!

This month, junior instructor Taiyo Yamaguchi kindly shared his thoughts on Sundome and Kime in Karate:

Sundome and Kime

By Taiyo Yamaguchi Many martial arts are very offensive based and focus on improving techniques to damage or hurt to defeat opponents. However, Shotokan Karate is focusing on self-defense and controlling techniques to defeat your opponents without hurting them. Ideally, we practice to defeat opponents any time, but we can control our techniques and don't need to resort to extreme techniques to hurt an opponent. Yes, Shotokan karate is a martial art and self-defense training, but it also focuses on Budo spirit, which is more about improving techniques and spirit via dojo kun. To avoid injuries during training, Shotokan Karate practice aims to execute all techniques at "Sundome" with "kime".

What is "Sundome"? Sundome is a technique in which you stop your attacks right before contacting your opponent's body, ideally controlling the techniques to "almost or slightly" touching your opponent's body without harm. If you cannot control your techniques, then you need more training to learn control. People with fears in their mind usually execute their techniques too far from the opponent's body, which is also not effective. On the other hand, people who get too excited usually are too close of a distance and cannot control their technique and may hit / hurt their opponent and/or themselves. All techniques need to be controlled and finish at the point with little contact.

Our budo, Karate, requires Kime in your techniques. What is Kime? Kime is a technique that requires executing maximum power at the end of attack or focus in a moment. Relaxing the body until your techniques reach your target distance and almost or slightly touching the body, then focus for a moment and relax again. In many forms of karate, I do not see kime in their techniques. I see they get points for touching or tagging their opponents with Kiai, shut, and their Zaishin, mainly pulling hands. That is not what we are practicing. It is a very small detail, but the Kime shows your karate skills. You must master the skill before you become a black belt student.

How do you practice Sundome and Kime? It is easier than you may think. You need encouragement to not hit your opponents, but demonstrating maximum power at the point of attack. Try your best to get the proper attacking distance and techniques as you aspire to shodan (1st degree black belt). Fortunately, there are many black belts instructors and experienced students who you can practice with. Do not worry about making mistakes, and work on improvement over the course of your training.

The Venice Karate Club meets every Monday and Thursday from 6:00-9:15pm.

Whether you are continuing your training or are interested in starting something new, our Club will always welcome you.

If interested, please contact the Venice Japanese Community Center office for details.



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☆ベニス空手クラブ☆

夏休みが終わり、新学期が始まり、新しい学校生活で張り切っている事かと思います。 9月22日から24日は、日本からJKA(日本空手協会)7段泉谷清三(いずみやせいぞう)師範が来米され、セミナーが開催され、テンプルシティーとリトル東京で空手のテストも行われる予定です。当空手クラブがISKFから、JKAに移行して初めての全ての級と年齢の人が参加するJKAでの行事です。参加申し込みについて詳細は、クラブのインストラクターの方にお問い合わせください。たくさんの方々の参加をお待ちしています。

今月は、ジュニアインストラクターの山口太陽さんが「寸止めと極め」についての考え を書き綴ってくださいました。

寸止めと極め

山口太陽

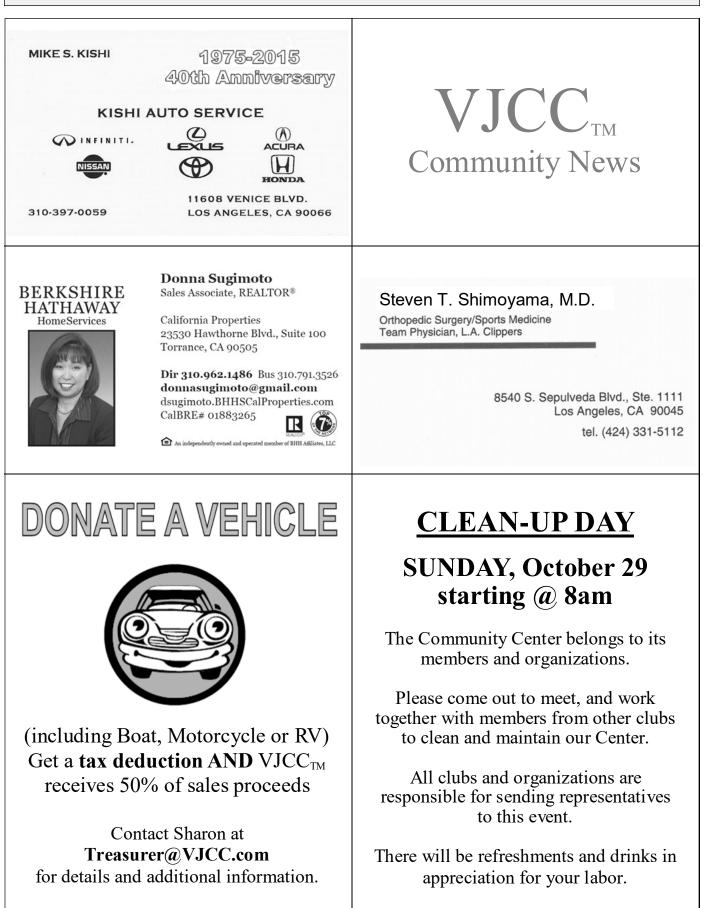
格闘技全般は基本的に相手を倒す事を目標に攻撃をしますが、松濤館空手はお互いに怪我させ ない為の空手を習っています。相手を倒す事が出来るが力を制御する事で相手を怪我させずに 制圧する技術を鍛錬する事を目標としていると思います。松濤館空手は格闘技ではあります が、武道の精神(技と精神を研ぎすますこと)をより大事にしてます。そして鍛錬時に怪我を 減らし長く空手の鍛錬ができる様にする事を大事にしていると思います。松濤館空手は直接打 撃をしない(予定)の寸止めルールを採用してます。

寸止めとは何でしょうか?寸止めとは直接打撃をしない、または直接打撃を当てた場合でも制 御されて相手を怪我させない技術の事で、寸前で止めるという意味です。つまりは相手の体に 当たらないギリギリの位置で止める事が大事とされております。寸止めと言っても皮一枚で止 めれば問題なく、接触時にコントロールをして相手に怪我をさせない程度であれば問題ないと 言われております。技の制御がしっかりできていなければ我々の空手では半人前という事にな ります。恐怖心が有ると攻撃の遠い間合いが遠くなりすぎて、当たらないので有効ではありま せん。近すぎても自分の間合い(自分の力が一番発揮出来る距離)ではないので有効ではあり ません。攻撃目標は相手に当たる寸前です。

我々は武道空手の鍛錬をしています。武道空手はスポーツ空手とは違い、技のコントロールの 中に極めが必要となります。極めとは目標に対して最大限の威力を発揮する技術で、刹那の間 に0%から120%までの力を出だす技術です。力を抜いた状態から自分の打撃が当たる直前に一 瞬の間に入れる力と言ったらわかりやすいかもしれません。スポーツ空手の場合では力を入れ ずに触れても有効打とされています。軽く触っただけでポイントになる事や、しっかりと技術 を見ずに大げさに出される気合と残心(主に引手)だけを見て有効になっている事もあるかと 思います。我々が鍛錬している武道空手はスポーツ空手とは違い、極め等の技術を大事にして ます。極めが出来るか出来ないかでその人の空手技術がわかってしまいますので、黒帯になる 前に極めは出来る様に練習しましょう。

それではどうやって寸止めと極めを身に着けるのでしょうか?それは簡単です。練習時に勇気 をもって打撃を当てる事です。失敗を恐れず相手に当てて冷静に自分の距離を理解する事が大 事で黒帯になる前に色々な失敗をして学ぶのが一番良いかと思います。黒帯の先生や先輩はち ゃんと寸止めと極めが出来るまで攻撃を受けてくれますのでいつでも相談してください。

空手クラブでは、毎週月曜日と木曜日の午後6時から9時15分、多目的教室で稽古を しています。体力づくりを始めたいとお考えの方は、是非、見学にいらしてください。 詳細は、VJCCのオフィスにお問い合わせください。



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Same as Week 1	Same as Week 1 10:00 Watercolor	Same as Week 1	Same as Week 1 T:30 VYC Mtg (2 nd Wed)	Same as Week 1	Same as Week 1 ▼ 7:00 Bonsai (2 nd Fri)	Same as Week 1 3:00 Iaido ▼
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Arts & Crafts

Croft Workshan	Duby Kite
Craft Workshop	
Photo Club	
Watercolor	Ko Yoshida
Boy Scouts	
Scoutmaster	Bill Conroy
Parents' Club	Ted Nishimura
Exercise	
Yoga	Leslie Masuda
Zumba	
Dance	
Ballroom Dance	Gayle Hirami
Hula	Wen-Chia Parker
Japanese Odori	
JACL (Venice/WLA)	John Saito
Japanese Culture	
Bonsai Shig	
Ikebana	Satsuki Palter
Calligraphy (Japanese Brush Wi	riting)
Shodo	
Sumi-e	
Japanese Language	
Gakuen (Youth)	John Brookoo
Adulta (as a 2 nd language)	
Adults (as a 2 nd language)	⊢usako Ogasawara

Martial Arts

Aikido laido Judo Karate Kendo	Harry Mott Trace Nishiyama Ron Sugano
Koto	Eiko Idota
Shigin (Seigin-Kai)	
Taiko (Koshin)	Lori Miyakawa
Ukulele	Kay Kawano
Podiatrist (Dr. Kenneth Teshima)	-
RAP	
Seniors	-
Nutrition	Tina Grammatico
Pioneer Project	Eric Inouye
Senior Wellness Program	Gayle Hirami
<u>Sports</u>	
Basketball (Adult)Chuan Michael C	

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Basketball (VYC)	Kathy Yamashita/Kazie Kame
Pickleball (Adult)	Mil Kurashige/Ken Rosengrant
Volleyball (Adult)	Stephen Fujimoto

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