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December 18-20 was three days of training with Motoo Yamakura, Hanshi. Hanshi taught technical aspects of Goju-Ryu Kata, Yakusoku Kumite, as well as Kihon, and Kihon Ido. Additionally, he gave excellent lectures on the use of Ki, Osu, and other pertinent Budo topics.

On December 19th, a Banquet was held in honor of Yamakura Hanshi. Gifts of appreciation were presented to Hanshi. Hanshi later honored some Black-Belt students with promotions/awards as follows: Ed Soliven: Yondan Karate-Do, Shodan Kobudo, Renshi Title Ryan Cruse: Nidan Karate-Do, Nidan Kobudo Mike Reitz: Nidan Karate-Do, Shodan Kobudo Rachel Reitz: Nidan Karate-Do, Shodan Kobudo Lorena Beltran: Nidan Karate-Do Greg Rader: Nidan Karate-Do Christian Rader: Nidan Karate-Do Wayland Louie: Nidan Karate-Do Ted Reitz: Shodan Karate-do Matt Prillwitz: Shodan Kobudo Planning has already started for next years 10th Annual Visalia Karate-do Winter Gasshuku which will include Yamakura Hanshi’s most valued instruction.