



Japan-America Society of Central Ohio
セントラルオハイオ日米協会

Special points of interest:

[Columbus Area "One Day Consulate" for Japanese Nationals: Deadline for Renewing Passports Postponed](#)

May 19 - July 17, 2009
[Atsuko Tajima - Transformations at Dublin Art Council Gallery](#)

July 19, 2009 12:30-1:45
[Class: Keeping them Alive— Bonsai](#)

Asian American Community Services: [Family Support Program](#)

[Volunteers needed at JASCO and IJS](#) please print and complete or Contact our office at jasco@osu.edu.

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JASCO Pulse

Newsletter Date: June 23, 2009

JASCO's Annual Golf Outing Fundraiser May 19, 2009 Was a Great Success!!

The weather was perfect for JASCO's 11th annual golf outing on May 19, 2009.

See the Golf Outing summary

See pictures of the event

Skill Shot Prizes Sponsor:
Barbara Richardson, Realtor

Putting Green Contest:
The Ohio State University
Staybridge Suites Dublin
Sushi Bistro Masa Restaurant

2009 Sponsors

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Second Place Team Award:
GBQ Partners, LLC

Third Place Team Award:
Chubb Group of Insurance Companies

Individual Hole Sponsors from 2009:

- Staybridge Suites of Dublin/Columbus
- City of Dublin
- Corna-Kokosing Construction Co.
- Honda R&D
- Honda of America Mfg., Inc.
- National City now part of PNC
- Schottenstein Zox & Dunn Co., LPA
- Schneider Downs
- Travelers Global Partners
- Nipponkoa Insurance
- The Ohio State University
- Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, LLP

Company Golfing in 2009:

- Corna-Kokosing Construct Co.
- GBQ Partners, LLC
- Honda of America Mfg., Inc.
- National City now part of PNC
- Plante & Moran PLLC
- PricewaterhouseCoopers
- Schneider Downs
- Tokio Marine Management, Inc.
- Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP
- Wells Fargo Insurance Services
- Achloché HR
- Travelers Global Partners
- Nipponkoa Insurance

JASCO and JETRO co-sponsored an informative and timely seminar May 28, 2009

On May 28, 2009 JASCO and JETRO Chicago hosted a seminar entitled:

Japanese Monozukuri Practices for the Automotive Industry

Enhancing Collaboration Between North American and Japanese Enterprises & Sustaining a Culture of Manufacturing Talent

On May 23, 2009 members of the JASCO Board toured the beautiful Schnormeier Gardens.

These beautiful gardens were created by the dedicated owners Ted and Ann. Please follow the link below to view the garden tour.

Be a JASCO volunteer.

New and exciting projects are always happening at JASCO. You can add great value to JASCO and help many people.

WE NEED YOU!!

Up coming volunteer opportunities

JASCO is developing a community directory to help newly arriving Japanese in central Ohio. Please lend your expertise to our project - it will benefit many people.

Office help - JASCO always has work around the office you can help with.

Passport programs - Many organizations are very interested in Japan and would like to learn more about the culture. You can help by presenting various programs to kids and adults. Some topics include Origami, Calligraphy, tea ceremony, Instrumental,

Origami passport program at Upper Arlington library - JASCO needs someone interested in doing a program with 5-6 year olds teaching them to do a simple origami. If this sounds interesting to you please call JASCO at 292-4002.

In each PULSE we would like to introduce our non-Japanese speakers to some Japanese words.

Japanese Phrases for May

五月 (Go gatsu)

This Japanese word refers to May. “五” refers to “five” in number and “月” means “moon” or “month” so May in Japanese literally means “the fifth month”.

ゴールデンウィーク (Gōruden Wīku)

The above Japanese phrase refers to “Golden Week”. **Golden Week** is the period from the end of April through May 5 that includes Showa Day (4/29), Constitution Memorial Day (5/3), Green Day (5/4) and Children's Day (5/5). These holidays, one after another, combined with a weekend amount to a week's vacation from work and school.

こいのぼり (Koi-nobori)

“Koinobori” in Japanese refers to carp shaped wind socks. Japanese households who have been blessed with boys set up “carp banners” from April to May 5, and they celebrate Children's Day on May 5. This traditional celebration was originally for boys while the celebration for girls is held on March 3. Parents' wishes for their boy(s) to be healthy and strong are symbolized in the carp which swim against the strong currents of waterfalls. Carp banners fly against the sky all across Japan for about a month long period. A typical *koinobori* set consists of, from the top of the pole down, a pair of arrow-spoked wheels with a ball-shaped spinning vane, a flying-dragon streamer that looks like a windsock, a black *koinobori*, a red *koinobori*, and a blue *koinobori*.

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JASCO's Tea Ceremony June 11, 2009

See pictures of the event

On June 11th at the Upper Arlington Public Library Yumiko Passalacqua along with the other members of her tea ceremony group performed for the Upper Arlington Public Library's Animanga Group. This group consists of young people interested in Japanese Culuture. ThiWeek Community newspaper quotes Ms. Passalacqua as saying, "In Japan we have the expression "Ichi Za Konryu" which translates as the unity created between the host and guests through the tea ceremony. We were grateful to experience this feeling with your youth group."

About the Ceremony

Japanese Tea Ceremony is a traditional way of preparing and serving powdered green tea, called "matcha." The entire process is an incredibly precise and exact art form from the initial ritual cleaning of the tea bowl, whisk, and tea scoop in the presence of the guests, through the actual making of the tea, and then the serving of it. It continues after with a thin tea as the first tea is thick and then finishes with the host cleaning all the equipment and allowing the guests to examine it all before leaving.

For more information check out:

www.urasenke.org

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Mission:

The Japan-America Society of Central Ohio (JASCO) is a private, not-for-profit membership association of Americans and Japanese who desire to bring the Japanese and American communities together, promote goodwill through the sharing of knowledge about Japan, and provide a forum for informed discussion regarding the Japan-U.S. relationship. The Japan-America Society of Central Ohio is one of 39 Japan-America Societies located throughout the United States and is a member of the National Association of Japan-America Societies.

使命:

セントラルオハイオ日米協会は非営利の団体であり、その使命は、日米両社会の交流をはかり、日本についての知識を分かち合うことを通して日米友好を促進し、日米関係における諸問題について、より開かれた議論のための場を提供していくことと考えています。セントラルオハイオ日米協会は全米にある39の日米協会のひとつであり、全米日米協会連合に加盟しています。



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