

JASV Chiisai Shimbun Fall 2010

A quarterly newsletter of the Japan America
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Upcoming Events

Fall Events and Matsuri 2011

September 18, Saturday Evening Pot Luck Moon Viewing Party at Burlington's Oakledge Park, 6 PM - 9 PM. Join us as we spend a quiet evening enjoying the fall moon.

October 21 - 24, Bakuretsucon at the Hampton Inn and Conference Center, Colchester, Vermont (I-89 Exit 16) is a fan based anime convention, featuring everything an anime fan could look for: Vendors, Artists Alley, Panels, Workshops, Hall Cosplay Contest, Cosplay Chess, Import Video Games, Guests, Game Shows, Board Gaming area, a Japanese Cafe, Manga library, and more ...

December 3, 4, 5. The Vermont International Festival runs at the Champlain Fair Grounds in Essex. See the website for a schedule when it becomes available.
<http://vermontinternationalfestival.com/>

March 27, 2011. Sunday. JASV Matsuri at the Ross Sports Center at St. Michael's College, Colchester, Vermont. 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Language Classes:

The JASV will offering a beginners Japanese language class this fall. Additional information, including registration and class details will be available at the JASV website. Or send an email to info@jasv.org .

Mingei Tour

The Tottori Prefectural Mingei Folk Art exhibit will be touring Vermont this fall and winter. It will visit Duxbury (Harwood Union HS in October), Middlebury (Middlebury College Library in November), Brattleboro (Silver Gallery in January), and Burlington (UVM Davis Center in February). Check the jasv.org website for details.

Report: Vermont Group visits Tottori

A group of 10 Vermonters were guests of the Tottori Prefectural Government from August 3rd to 8th to discuss the Tottori-Vermont Student Environmental Leadership Exchange program. The 11 member delegation included representatives from Green Across the Pacific, JASV, participating Vermont high schools (Harwood High School and Mt. Abe High School), and representatives from the Vermont state government.

The visit focused on preparations for two student exchanges as part of a joint Tottori-Vermont environmental education project. Plans are being made for exchange visits in the spring of 2011 - a group of Vermont students will visit Tottori and a second group of Japanese students will visit Vermont.

The group met with Governor Shinji Hirai, Tottori Prefecture, who strongly believes that this intensive cultural experience will be instrumental in cultivation cosmopolitanism and open-mindedness in these young people who will one day be charged with our futures.

In addition to meetings with the Governor, the group met with high school, university, and museum officials.

A similar group from Tottori will be visiting Vermont this October.

A copy of the groups trip report and several commemorative photographs are available on the JASV website and in our Facebook fan page. Additional information is also available at the Green Across the Pacific website (gatp.org) and their facebook page.

Board Meetings: Second Wednesday of the month - 6:30 pm The JASV board meetings are in the JASV office at 29 Ethan Allen Avenue. Colchester. All are welcome.

Matsuri Reminder

We are now in the planning stages for our biannual Matsuri Festival on (Sunday) March 27, 2011. The Matsuri will take place at the Ross Sports Center at St. Michael's College, Colchester, Vermont. The hours are 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

We are now beginning to contact potential vendors. If you know of a vendor or exhibitor who would like to participate in Matsuri, please have them contact the Matsuri chair, Larry Solt, l.solt@burlingtontelecom.net. For those who may wish to perform on our Performance Stage, please contact Yukiko Washio, yukikowashio@gmail.com.

Image and Haiku.

The cover images is from a print by Ando Hiroshige, Maple Trees a Mama, Tekona Shrine and Linked Bridge. The haiku is by JASV member Michiko Oishi (oishi@comcast.com). She has published a book of haiku (17 syllable) and tanka (31 syllable) poems, entitled *Akasatana Akasakana (Red Fish Alphabet)*:

first shiver
forget everything
just stand on the mountain

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