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# NEWSLETTER

Canadian Japanese Cultural Centre

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## President's Report:

Summer is passing by quickly. The Buddhist Temple hosted their first ever "Obon" and it was a great success! Select Martial Arts Programs continue throughout the summer months. Judo, Kendo Iaido and Beginners Yoga. We are planning morning Beginners Yoga for the Fall, Tuesday and Thursdays are being considered from 10:30- 11:30 am. The Sunday afternoon Movie matinee has been anticipated on the second Sunday of the month so come out and enjoy the friendship along with a movie. I believe "ICHI" the female blind swordsman and "The 13 Assassins" are scheduled.

The Fundraising Committee continue to meet to discuss strategic planning and we are preparing for our quarterly Fundraising Dinners for the Fall. So make sure that you get your tickets early for the ever popular Japanese Dinner Night. We will have a new Japanese Language teacher for this fall. We would also like to welcome Tak Yano as our part-time office secretary. Barbel has now taken over the day to day bookkeeping duties and she is doing a great job. We would like to thank Joyce Wall for her mentoring and many years of expertise, and we will count on her sharing of her knowledge with Barbel.

The Keirokai group met at Spring Sushi and it was unfortunate that the Boat Cruise did not generate the minimum numbers as needed. Those present enjoyed lunch at Spring Sushi and I hope that those present had a good time. Unfortunately I was away in Vancouver at the time but I heard that those present also went back to the Centre to watch and enjoy a movie.

My congratulations to the following Judoka from our Centre: Alex Radoman took a Bronze Medal at the recent Para PanAm

Games VI in Colorado Springs. National Medalists from our Hamilton Judo Academy were: Madison Arner Silver U18 -70kg. Steve Lampman a volunteer Judo sensei won Silver in the Master middle weight division at Nationals. Daniel Rincon took a Silver Medal in the U15 -42kg. category and Zoe Forsyth took a Bronze medal in the U18 -70kg. female category. Madison is the first alternate to compete in the World Junior Judo Championships in August. Thank you to sensei Herman from the Judo Academy for volunteering as coach in Vancouver.

As we prepare for our Open House in September I have begun communications with the office of the Consulate General of Japan in Toronto. My new contact Nobi Nakamura replaces Mr. Kato who helped us last year with many exciting activities. We wish Mr. Kato the best and our friendship will continue. For this year we are trying to bring back the ceremonial Shrine as well as the Japanese Folk Dancers who were so popular last year. Yukata dressing for the girls and women was also very popular. We hope that our very own Odori group will be able to participate as part of our programming as well. So expect JAPAN DAY activities for children and families along with our Open House to be entertaining and exciting for everyone in the family. Bring your friends,

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### In Memoriam

Our sympathies to families and friends of:

Irene Uchida  
Yoshio (Muni) Harada

## Events Calendar

Second Sunday Afternoon Movies  
Movies to announced.

September 8th

October 13th

November 10th

December 8th

Open House/Japan Day

September 15, Sunday @10 am-3 pm

Last day to apply to run for the CJCC  
Board of Directors

September 15 @ 3:00 pm

Fundraising Luncheon

October 27, Sunday 12:00 Noon in the Small  
Gym

Slots and Trots

November 9, Saturday

Monthly Fund Raising Dinner

November 16, Saturday at 6:00 pm

Hamilton CJCC Annual Meeting

Sunday November 17 @ 1:00 pm

Christmas Bazaar

December 7 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS for the CJCC Board of Directors

We are accepting nominations for people to apply to join the board of directors. The deadline for the application is September 15, 2013 at the end of the business day (3:00).

Please contact the Centre, to get an application, as well as a letter explaining why you wish to join the board and what you can do for the Centre. If you cannot submit this in writing in time please phone the centre @ 905-383-5755 or email to [hcjcc@bellnet.ca](mailto:hcjcc@bellnet.ca) to inform us of your intentions to run for a position.

Volunteering at the CJCC.

Applicants must be willing to volunteer at the CJCC, accept a portfolio, and carry out the duties associated with that portfolio. Working as a team player for the betterment and success of the Centre and having the interest and success of the Centre supersede their own personal views are required of all applicants.

### 子供日本語サークル (Kids Japanese)

ゲーム、歌、読み聞かせ、工作などを通じて、日本語の上達をめざします。

毎回の内容は、参加家族で作りに上げていきます。お父さん、お母さん、御協力下さい。

時：毎月第2日曜日 10:30 - 12:00

コース開始日：特にありません。どの月から参加してもらっても結構です。

場所：Hamilton Canadian Japanese Culture Centre  
45 Hempstead Drive, Hamilton, Ontario, L8W 2Y6

参加費：HCJCC メンバーシップ (1年間1家族\$35) + 月\$5

対照年齢：3才から5才レベルに照準を当てています。(あまり厳格とは言えません)

その他：日本語を話すお家の方の付き添いが必要です

問合せ：タカツ ミカ ([jpclubinhamilton@hotmail.co.jp](mailto:jpclubinhamilton@hotmail.co.jp))

### Kids Japanese

A self organized study group.

Children will develop their Japanese language through various activities such as game, song, storytelling and craft. The contents will be created by the participating parents.

Organizer: Mika Takatsu

([jpclubinhamilton@hotmail.co.jp](mailto:jpclubinhamilton@hotmail.co.jp))

Time: 2nd Sundays of each month, 10:30 to 12:00

Starting Date: n/a. Children can start any month of the year.

Fees: HCJCC family membership (\$35 per year) + \$5 per family per class

Age: 3-5 years old

Other: Children have to be accompanied by a family member who is able to use Japanese



National Association of Japanese Canadians

# 25<sup>th</sup> Redress Anniversary Banquet

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2013  
JAPANESE CANADIAN CULTURAL CENTRE  
6 Garamond Court, Toronto

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: ART MIKI  
SPECIAL GUESTS: JOY KOGAWA,  
JUDGE MARYKA OMATSU AND MORE  
SILENT AUCTION  
ENTERTAINMENT  
CATERER: TAK YOSHIDA

TICKETS: \$60.00  
COCKTAILS: 6:00 pm

To reserve your tickets please contact: 416-516-1375  
or email: redress25@gmail.com

Sponsored by the Greater Toronto Chapter NAJC

Donations to Operations since the last Newsletter

In memory of Donald Wall:  
Karen Tsuji and Brian Miller

In memory of Kay Honda:  
George and Theresa Funamoto  
Stony Nakano  
Joseph and Mary Umetsu  
Chiyoko and Cecil Mahabir  
Sue Nakagawa  
Yumiko Takeda

In memory of my husband, Tosh Hashimoto:  
Kim Hashimoto

In memory of Tosh Hashimoto:  
Robert and Andrea Boitor  
Mrs. T.Kathleen Kawai

In memory of Yoshio (Muni) Harada :  
Ayako Kondo  
Tsutomu Nakano

In Celebration of 60 years of Marriage:  
Congratulations! Sam and Shirley Sonoda  
Married June 20, 1953

Keirokai donations:  
Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Noma

Amy Glazar  
Tad and Kay Suzuki  
Masako Uchida  
Pat Ikeda  
Ed Itakura  
Yosh and Aya Tonogai  
Kay Otaguro  
Chiyoko Mahabir  
Carol Katsura  
Joyce Wall  
Jim and Terry Suenaga

General Donations:  
Sue Nakagawa

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neighbors and family. There will be food, martial arts demonstrations, Yoga, the **Japanese Children's Group**, registration for various Programs, our NAJC sisters and more. Please come out and support your Canadian Japanese Culture Centre of Hamilton.

Best Regards,

Mitchell Kawasaki

President.



2013 Keiro Kai

## Fund Raising Report

Dear friends and members, I hope you have endured that awful heat and the violent summer storm without any ill consequences. Despite the severe weather conditions I wish all had a most relaxed and joyful summer holiday!

With September coming around the corner we look forward to another term of activities with more programs and curriculum to be added at the Cultural Centre. So once again, we must begin fund raising. The driveway and Parking Lot fund raising, set with a goal of \$69,999 last fall has met rather disappointing results so far. Having to rely on the diminishing number of supportive members, fund raising of any kind becomes more difficult as the years go by, however we hope to have the continuing support of our members and colleagues.

Since we started this Driveway fund raising campaign with my initial donation of \$1,000, I am pledging another \$1,000 to the fund to be donated by December of 2013. May I be so bold as to request a definite pledge of whatever you may feel comfortable to donate to this cause, to be honoured within the year? I shall try to have a pledge form made available to everyone as soon as possible.

I humbly beg your positive response with much appreciation and thank you on behalf of the fund raising committee.

-Jim Suenaga Fund Raising Chair

### Hamilton Family Foot Care Clinic

Christopher S. Hourmouzis D.Ch  
Chiroprapist/Foot Specialist

595 Upper Wellington St.  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L9A 3P8

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## Koyu-Kai Seniors Club KOYUKAI 60+ Seniors Group News

September 16th, 2013 1:00 p.m., will be the first autumn Koyu-kai meeting with a variety of BINGO Games and refreshments. Bring your friends who are 60+ and enjoy the friendly atmosphere, hear related newsy items and an afternoon of fun until 3:30 p.m.  
George Masuda (Chair)

### Donations to Fund Raising

In memory of Toshiko Kaiura:  
Koji & Ruth Honda

In memory of Kay Honda:  
Joyce Wall  
Carol Katsura

In memory of Phyllis Honsberger:  
Koji & Ruth Honda

Driveway Fund Donation:  
In memory of Tosh Hashimoto, Kay Honda and Donald Wall:  
Jeff and Alana Naganobu

General Donation:  
Koyukai 60+

In memory of Kathleen MacLennan:  
Koji & Ruth Honda

In memory of Kathleen Oncea:  
Koji & Ruth Honda



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## 2013 Hamilton JC Community Picnic

The weather was wonderful for the 23rd annual picnic. Winning a Watermelon in the Suika Wari was a great challenge.

We would like to congratulate Brian Honda for winning the Jellybean Jar guessing contest.

We would like to thank the following people for their donations:

Ed Itakura  
 George and Pat Ikeda  
 Tad and Kay Suzuki  
 Stony Nakano  
 Carol Katsura  
 Joyce Wall  
 Harry Kayama

We would like to thank the following people for volunteering to make this picnic a success:

Nancy Bouchier  
 Marlene Frazer  
 Joyce Hirasawa  
 Doug Ikeda  
 Jim Kajiura  
 Pauline Kajiura  
 Carol Katsura  
 Patti Simpson  
 Tom Simpson  
 Joyce Wall  
 Shoji Yano  
 Tak Yano

We hope to see all who came out and many more next year.



# Fund Raising Luncheon

October 27, 2013—12 noon

At the CJCC Small Gym

Foo Ho, has now closed and we will be having the Luncheon at the Centre. It will be a catered Bento Box lunch.

We are very privileged to have Joan Itoh-Burke to come and speak to us about her Japanese experience.

Joan Itoh-Burk was born in New York City and became totally immersed into Japanese society when she married the first son of a large land-owning family in Japan. For the thirteen years of that marriage, she lived in an enormous Meiji era house on the rice plains in Niigata. During the 1970s, Joan Itoh-Burk wrote a weekly column for The Japan Times called "Rice Paddy Gourmet." A collection of her half-diary, half-recipe essays evolved into the popular *Rice Paddy Gourmet* book. Of this book, James Cavell wrote to her: "It's a lovely book and you're a lovely writer."

*One Chrysanthemum* is Burk's first novel, inspired by her love of Japan and the Japanese culture. For the last twenty-five years, she has been living with her Canadian husband in South-Western Ontario.

We are trying to get some copies of the book, please inform the Centre if you would like a copy by September 30, the cost will be \$20 for a signed copy. It will be first come first served with the books

Tickets: \$60.00 per person with a income tax receipt of \$45.00

For ticket information: Call CJCC @ 905-383-5755

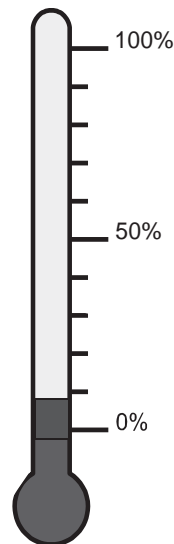
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Our Fundraising drive continues; our rear parking lot is in need of repair and resurfacing.

This is due to natural wear and tear. Asphalt does wear out with time and unfortunately we are due to repair it. We wish to be proactive with the repairs before there are any hazards that may lead to an injury.

## CJCC Driveway Drive



GOAL: \$69,999

This type of work is expensive; of the quotes received our \$69,999.99 goal will just cover these costs.

We are asking for your generous support for the Centre, we have a fund-raising "Thermometer" at the front door to show our progress. We currently sit at \$3, 657.00.

Personal and Corporate donations will be gladly accepted. Thanks for your continued support.



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## Hamilton Buddhist Temple

September 29, Sunday  
11:00am Higan-e/Shotsuki  
service. The service will be led  
by Bishop Tatsuya Aoki of  
the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist  
Temples of Canada.



October 13, Sunday 11:00am  
JSBTC Day/Shotsuki

**Namo Amida  
Butsu**

November 10, Sunday 11:00  
Shotsuki services

December 8, Sunday 11:00 Bodhi Day/Shotsuki  
services

Sangha Craft Times: August 19, September 15,  
October 27, November 24, December 15  
[www.hamiltonbuddhisttemple.wordpress.com](http://www.hamiltonbuddhisttemple.wordpress.com)

All Are Welcome!

[Now located at the CJCC](#)

Kawasaki Rendokan National Judo  
Tournament in Vancouver B.C. and  
Para PanAm Games VI in Colorado  
Springs

We wish to congratulate all of the  
competitors who travelled to Vancouver to  
participate in the National Judo  
Championships held in Vancouver B.C. at the  
Olympic Velodrome. The following from the  
Kawasaki Rendokan medalled.

Silver Medal  
Madison Arner U18 -70kg.  
Steve Lampman Master Middle weight.  
Daniel Rincon U15 -42kg.  
Bronze Medal  
Zoe Forsyth U18 -70kg.  
Coaches:  
Sensei Herman Vermeiren  
Sensei Mitchell Kawasaki

Para Pan Am Games VI Colorado Springs  
Bronze Medal  
Alex Radoman -90kg.

National Head Coach:  
Sensei Mitchell Kawasaki

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Dinner: 3:30pm - 10:30pm (Mon-Sun)

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# CJCC Open House and Japan Day

September 15 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Please join us for Fun, Food and Entertainment

## Demonstrations

Aikido

Iaido

Judo

Karate

Kendo

Tai-Chi

Odori Dancing

Yoga

Go

Ikebana

Activities for Children

Japanese Food



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All are Welcome! Please invite your friends!