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NEWSLETTER

Canadian Japanese Cultural Centre

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President's Report:

Spring is in the air and we have started our "Spring Cleaning" at the CJCC.

If you visit the Centre over the next few weeks, you will see that we are currently making a number of renovations and improvements. We are building an office/reception area at the front entrance. This will be more welcoming for visitors and make it easier for people in the office to know who is arriving. In addition, as soon as you walk in the front door, there will be current information on our events, as well as information on the Centre and all of our programs.

Painting of the hallways has also begun. We ask for your patience as this is a very big job and it is all done by volunteers. We hope that you will see the positive changes we are making. More volunteers are always welcomed!

Celebrating 20 years at Hempstead - To celebrate the CJCC's 20th year at our Hempstead Drive location, we are planning a celebration on **Sunday September 20th** in the afternoon. Please save the date! We will have more details soon; please watch the CJCC website for updates.

For this event, we would like to get a number of pictures of members both past and present who helped to found the Centre from the original Onteora days to today. If you can provide the pictures in a digital format that would be great. If you only have photos, we can scan those and get the originals back to you.

Other upcoming events: We have a number of events coming up. Please consider attending them or volunteering if you can.

♦**Saturday, April 18** - The **Sword Viewing and Book Launch** will exhibit a number of very rare Japanese swords that are in private collections. This is a rare opportunity to see these swords and learn from the members of the Japanese Sword Society of Canada.

♦**Sunday, April 19** - **Keirokai**. This event is to honour our Seniors. Patti Simpson and Marlene Frazer are building on the success they had with their excellent program last year. This year promises to be another

enjoyable afternoon.

♦**Saturday, May 2 and Sunday, May 3** - The program **Expo** is a new event to showcase what we do at the Centre and help people plan their fall activities and classes for the entire family. For this, we will have all of our programs out on display. Some of these will offer "hands on" sessions for people to try. Please encourage people to attend who may be interested in any of our programs, from the various martial arts, to Japanese language classes, Go, Ikebana or Odori.

Increasing awareness of the Centre: We have to let Hamiltonians and the surrounding areas know that the CJCC is here and that we have a lot to offer. I recently met with our Ward 8 Councillor, Tom Jackson, and he has put me in touch with the City's Cultural Department. We hope to start participating in more of the City's cultural events. In November, we spent an afternoon at the Sherwood Library demonstrating Karate, Kendo, Iaido and Ikebana. Our Ikebana instructor, Linda Hartley, also had a demonstration at the Burlington Central Public library in March. We hope to do more with other libraries in the future. We need to reach out to the growing community just east of the Centre as well. Many families are moving to the area and we must let them know what a great facility they have so close to their home.

We have excellent, first-class instructors at the CJCC. We are very fortunate to have such a high calibre of instructors ranging from Kimeda Sensei

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In Memoriam

Our sympathies to families and friends of:

Terry Oikawa

Dr Kaney Ebisusaki

Yoshio Hyodo

Events Calendar

"Sword Viewing and Book launch"

Saturday April 18th, 2015: 10:00am-6:00 pm
Sword viewing & book launch (ad on page 5)

Keirokai 2015

Sunday April 19, 2015 @ 2:00 pm
Please fill out form on Page 5 to attend

CJCC Program Expo

Saturday & Sunday May 2-3 10am-2pm
This is a new event to promote all of the wonderful activities we do at the Centre, encouraging people to sign up for Fall classes.

Cherry Blossoms in Burlington

Saturday May 9 1:00pm-2:30pm (ad on page 3)

JCCC Token Kai Meeting

Saturday May 23 3:30-5:00pm (ad on page 7)

CJCC Golf Tournament

Saturday June 27th 9:00 @ Century Pines Golf Course, Dinner a CJCC

CJCC/NAJC Picnic

Sunday August 9 T.B. McQuesten Park

Open House/Japan Day

Saturday September 19th 11:00am-3:00pm

20th Anniversary CJCC at Hempstead Drive

Sunday September 20th afternoon time TBA

Donations to Operations

In Memory of Tamae (Sherry) Ishibashi

Stony Nakano
Amy Glazar
Jim and Terry Suenaga

In Memory of Esther Kuwabara

Silvia Edwards
Frances and Gary Campbell
Jim and Terry Suenaga
Patricia Clever
Marilyn Craig
Gerald Sheff and Shanitha Kachan
W.A.MacDonald Associates Inc

In Memory of Kay and Roy Honda

Nancy Graham

In Memory of Roy Honda

Stony Nakano
Yumiko Takeda
Kimiko Yamashita
George and Theresa Funamoto

In Memory of Don Wall's 3rd Year

Joyce Wall

In Memory of Dad's (Don Wall) 3rd Year Memorial

Tyler, Jennifer and Parker Wall

A Call for old pictures and Stories

April, 2015 marks the 20th Anniversary of the CJCC at our Hempstead Drive home.

We are planning an event on Sunday September 20th to celebrate.

We would kindly request that you submit old photos of the past 20 years, Onteora pictures are welcomed too. Short anecdotes and stories of past happenings and events would be appreciated as well. We need to Celebrate our History as well as move forward! Digital photos are best but we can take old photos and scan them in if needed. Please Drop Photos at the office or email to h.cjcc@bellnet.ca. Please be sure to send a note of who is in the picture & label the pictures so we know who to return them to.

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Volunteers Needed!

The Centre is a non-profit, charitable, volunteer organization and as a result all the work done at the centre, organizing and all of the food prep is implemented by Volunteers.

We can use more help. Please let us know what you can do for us at the Centre. Are you good in the kitchen? Handy with a paintbrush? Construction? If not we accept donations in kind and monetary donations are always graciously accepted.

We need Volunteers for Keirokai, the May program Expo, Open House and all other events.

High School students who are required to have Volunteer hours can easily get the hours they need by helping out at the CJCC.

Please watch for Volunteer sign-up sheets posted at the front entrance. Each event will have a sheet and what we need people to do for the day.

Saturday May 9th Celebrate Spring with the Japanese Cherry Blossom in Burlington

A Free Event at the Art Gallery of Burlington

- ◆ Taiko drumming Do Kon Daiko group
- ◆ Koto performance and hands on Demo by Kiri Koto Ensemble
- ◆ Japanese Dancing by the CJCC's own group Suzuran Odori
- ◆ Martial Arts display by Burlington Shudokan Karate
- ◆ A presentation on the Sakura in Japan & Burlington
- ◆ Complimentary tea, coffee & soft drinks



Donations to Fund Raising

Driveway fund in memory of Tamae Sherry Ishibashi:

Bob and Jane Ishibashi
Brent & Susie Ishibashi
Jeff Ishibashi

Donation to Monthly Dinner:

Joyce Wall

Raffle donation at Monthly Dinner:

Bruce & Marlene Frazer

Koyukai 60 Plus

President's letter Continued...

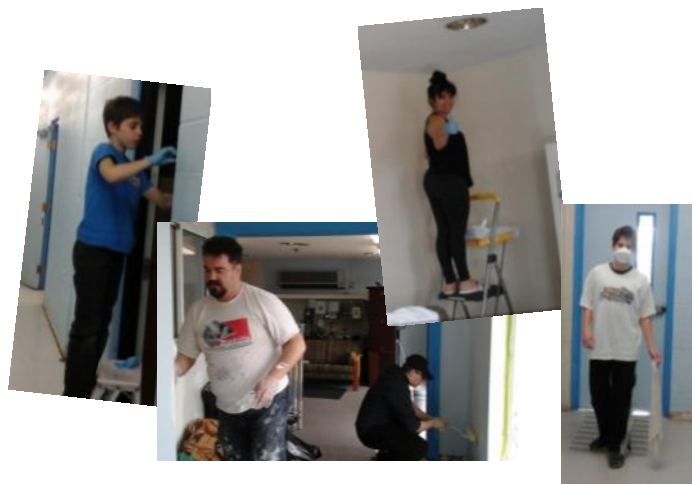
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who is 9th Dan in Aikido, Mattie Sensei who is 8th Dan in Wado-Kai Karate and 4th Dan in Iaido, Kawasaki Sensei who is 7th dan in Judo, and Yamada Sensei who is 5th Dan in Kendo, Derii Sensei is 3rd Dan in Wado Kai karate, Linda Hartley is Level 12 and Professor 3rd Grade Sokakyo in Ikebana.

In closing, my message to you all is please spread the word! The CJCC has great programs and great people involved in them. The more membership and activities we have at the Centre the stronger we will be.

Respectfully yours,

Chris Hourmouzis-Takeda



Your Newsletter is a production of the
CJCC Communications Committee

Submissions can be sent to
h.cjcc@bellnet.ca

Ikebana Equipment Donations

If any members of the center have Ikebana equipment that they no longer use, would you consider donating these to the Centre or selling them to students? The need is for vases, kenzans, (pin holders) hasami, (Japanese floral scissors) and books. Please contact Linda if you have these items [905-548-6013](tel:905-548-6013), ldhartley83@gmail.com.

Fund Raising Report

Happy Spring Everyone!

The fund raising committee is pleased to report that our Fall/Winter series of dinners is finished until the Fall of 2015 and that the last dinner was a sell out. We netted \$892 after expenses for the last dinner. Thank you to Marlene and Bruce Frazer for their donation for the raffle. Their single donation alone raised \$102!

Donations can come in many forms, monetary, gifts of goods and volunteering. They all make a difference to the Centre.

Our new "Grants" sub-committee is working very hard to find new avenues for fundraising for the Centre. If you are aware of any person, organization or Corporation that may be interested in helping us at the CJCC, please, let us know.

We have a number of events coming up, so please support them, Volunteer and donate to them if you can.

Jim Suenega

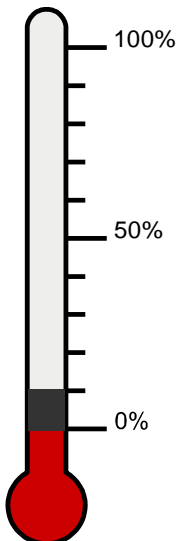
Chair of Fundraising Committee.

Our Fundraising drive continues as our rear parking lot is in need of repair and resurfacing. We are asking for your generous support for the Centre.

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.

This type of work is expensive. Of the quotes received our \$69,999.99 goal will just cover these costs. We have a fund-raising "Thermometer" at the front door to show our progress. We currently sit at \$6,127.00. Personal and Corporate donations will be gladly accepted. Thanks for your continued support. Please forward your donations to the CJCC fundraising committee at the Centre. Please contact the Centre if you have any questions. 905-383-5755.

CJCC Driveway Drive



GOAL: \$69,999

Martial Arts Results

Kawasaki rendokan judo academy CJCC

Select 8 Nationals Montreal

Daniel Kim Gold national champion -55KG U18
Alina Fusch silver -70KG
Kira Fusch silver -63KG

Canada Winter Games Vancouver

Carolina Rincon-Kawasaki silver -48kg
Alina Fusch silver -70KG
Kira Fusch bronze -63KG

Edmonton Mall International championships

Kira Fusch Gold -63KG U18
Kira Fusch bronze senior -63KG

Brazil grand prix international championships Sao Palo Brazil

Alex Radoman bronze -81kg he is training in Brazil in preparation for the Pan Am Games 2015 in Whitby

Peel Open championships

James Choi gold -66 kg U18
William Fogan gold -60kg U18 y/o/g

Tai Chi beginners class returns!

We are please to announce that **Frank Marrazzo** is starting up a new Tai Chi program.

This is focused on beginners or those with less experience. More advanced students are always welcome too!

Mondays and Wednesdays 10:00-am to 11:30 am in the small Gym.

He does request that you have a CJCC membership, that can be arranged through his as well.

Please wear comfortable clothing and a pair of indoor shoes (not street shoes) or bare feet if you wish.

The fee is \$20.00 per month for CJCC Members.

For more information please contact Frank Directly at **905-930-9149**

Pop-Up Picnic Japanese Cherry Blossoms

It's time to think of Spring, The Sakura (Japanese Cherry Blossoms) will soon be in bloom.

There are a number of Cheery trees at Gage Park.

The plan is to wait until they are in bloom and hopefully we will have good enough weather to picnic with the Sakura!

We cannot set a firm date, as it will depend on the blooms and the weather. Watch the CJCC website (hamiltoncjcc.ca) for notification of the event. Please spread the word once it is announced!

The spirit of the "Pop-Up" is that it is spontaneous and informal, a way to enjoy good company and good food in a unique place.

Please note it will not be on Saturday May 9th, we do not want to conflict with the Burlington event mentioned in the newsletter on page 3.

SWORDS VIEWING AND BOOK LAUNCH

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN EXCITING JOINT EVENT
THE JAPANESE SWORD SOCIETY OF CANADA &
THE CANADIAN JAPANESE CULTURAL CENTRE OF HAMILTON
BOOK LAUNCH

“SWORD SMITHS OF THE KONGOBYOE SCHOOL“

THE WARRIOR MONKS OF CHIKUZEN

BY FRED FIMIO & LLOYD FLEMMING

THE JSSC WILL BE BRINGING A NUMBER OF THEIR SWORDS TO PUT ON DISPLAY AND EXPLAIN THE ART AND SCIENCE OF THE KATANA

THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO SEE A NUMBER OF RARE JAPANESE SWORDS.

SATURDAY APRIL 18 AT THE CJCC

SWORD VIEWING & MEET THE AUTHORS

10:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.

COSTS: \$10.00 SWORD VIEWING ONLY (\$5 FOR 12 AND UNDER) TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR



**Canadian Japanese Cultural Centre & Hamilton Chapter: National Association of Japanese Canadians
Invites everyone to attend**

Keirokai 2015 A celebration honouring our seniors

Complimentary tickets for those age 70 year and over
Keirokai Honorees are those who were age 70 in 2014.
Please complete and return to CJCC by April 1, 2015

I will attend the Keirokai 2015 on April 19, 2015.

I require _____ complimentary tickets (age 70 and up)

I require _____ adult tickets age 20-69 \$ 25.00

I require _____ children's tickets under age 20 \$ 15.00

I was born in 1944 or 1945.

I would like to donate \$ _____.

I would like to volunteer to help with this event _____

I would like to volunteer to perform _____

I would like to suggest performers _____

I require help with transportation

Name (s) _____

Phone: _____

email: _____

The Canadian Japanese Cultural Centre, 45 Hempstead Drive, Hamilton, ON L8W 2Y6
For tickets and information, contact us at 905-383-5755

Japanese Language for Kids age 3-5

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 participants.

Organizer: Mika Takatsu

Time: 2nd Sundays, 10:30 to 12:00

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

Age: 3-5 years old

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

子供 日本語サークル

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すサークルです

毎回の内容は、参加家族で作りに上げていきます。

代表： タカツ ミカ

時：第2日曜日 10:30 - 12:00

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

その他：日本語を話すお家の方の付き添いが必要です。

Gourmet Cooking with Chef Ken

We are pleased to announce that Chef Ken LeFebour is able to join us for a series of 5 Gourmet cooking classes as a follow-up to the wonderful class he held in March.

Classes will start on Monday April 27th, Monday May 4, Monday May 11, **Wednesday May 20** (due to the Statutory holiday on May 18) and Monday May 25 all classes will start @ 7:00 pm and run until 9:30ish.

Each class will have an Appetizer, Main and Dessert.

This is a "hands-on" class, where the entire group will participate in preparing, plating and enjoying the meal (sorry you will have to clean up too). You will need to bring a good kitchen knife, cutting board, apron and dish towels. You will be provided printed recipes with each class as well.

\$200 for the 5 classes, this will include food costs.

Please inform us of any food allergies when you sign up.

Please contact the Centre 905-383-5755 or

Jacque Wakabayashi (jfwakabayashi@gmail.com)



Chef Ken of NellieJames.com Gourmet to go. Demonstrating to the group on March 4, 2015

Hamilton Buddhist Temple

Sunday, May 10, 2015 11:00 am Gotan-e/Shotsuki service

Sunday June 21, 2015 11:00am Shotsuki service

July 19, 2015 2:00 pm Obon Service

(please call before July 12 to schedule a grave-side service on Obon)

Sunday September 13, 11:00:am Higan/Shotsuki Service



Namo Amida Butsu

www.hamiltonbuddhisttemple.com

All Are Welcome!

Please RVSP if you plan to attend a service
905-549-4816

Now located at the CJCC



Suzuran Odori

The CJCC's own Suzuran Odori danced at the ICAA dinner at Carmen's banquet centre on March 28th.

The group gave a \$200.00 donation directly to the CJCC operations fund thanks to their honorarium. We wish to thank them for their generosity and for representing the CJCC.

Get the most current news!
<http://hamiltoncjcc.ca/>
"Paypal" coming soon!

JCCC Token Kai meeting at the Hamilton

The Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre Token Kai (Sword Study Group) is holding its May 23rd meeting at 3:30 p.m. in the small gym of the Hamilton Canadian Japanese Cultural Centre. Our speaker is Dr. Christopher Leung. Dr. Leung is the Vice-President of the J.C.C.C. Token Kai, Vice-President of the (JSSUS) Japanese Sword Society of the United States and Vice-President of the (KTK) Kokusai Tosogu Kai (Fittings study group). The focus of our meeting is ORIGAMI – no not cranes and flowers but the papers issued by organizations and individuals that authenticate swords or fittings. People are asked to bring in papered swords and fittings to share with the group.



Canada is fortunate to have a series of workshops presented in Hamilton by Ford Hallam, a master Japanese style metal smith. Ford Hallam has twice won the first prize in the NBSK sword guard making competition in Japan.

After our meeting many of us will be going to restaurant to meet with the Ford Hallam and the students of his workshop. We will have a meet, greet, display and chat that will focus on fittings and koshirae (sword mounts). The cost of dinner will be about \$50.

Members of the Hamilton Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre who want to attend the meeting and or dinner are asked to pre-register with Barry Hennick (President of the J.C.C.C. Token Kai). Please email Barry at barry@hennick.ca



“Stony” Nakano’s 94th Birthday!

Spring 2015 News Update from Hamilton Chapter

It is wonderful to welcome spring! We were able to have our local chapter AGM on March 1, 2015 in the seniors lounge at CJCC. We welcome any member of Hamilton Chapter to attend in the future. We would love to have your input and suggestions.

The national NAJC AGM will be held during redress anniversary weekend in September. This year the AGM will be held in Victoria. We hope to send two members- a delegate and an alternate. Victoria Chapter president is our good friend Mike Abe.

Mike is involved in the research project “Landscapes of Injustice”. The NAJC and Landscapes of Injustice are proud to announce that applications for the Hide Hyodo Shimizu Scholarship are now being accepted.

Valued at \$10,000 the Hide Hyodo-Shimizu Research Scholarship is jointly sponsored by the National Association of Japanese Canadians and the Landscapes of Injustice research project. This scholarship will be awarded to a student who was enrolled full time at a Canadian university in the 2014-2015 academic year. The successful applicant will participate in the Landscapes of Injustice project for the summer of 2015, joining a national team currently researching the dispossession of the property of Japanese Canadians during the Second World War. The successful candidate will have a record of academic achievement, strong interest in and engagement with the history of Japanese Canadians, and a letter of support from a local NAJC chapter.

Applications are due April 16 by 4 pm PST, and should be emailed to Mike Abe, Project Manager, Landscapes of Injustice at mkabe@uvic.ca

Learn more about Landscapes of Injustice at www.landscapesofinjustice.com

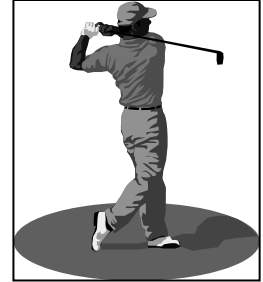
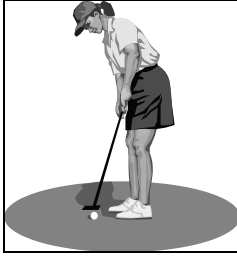
CJCC/NAJC co-sponsored Keirokai is April 19. Thank you for all of your support.

The CJCC/NAJC picnic will be held on August 9, 2015 at T.B. McQuesten Park. The new location is near Limeridge Mall on the mountain and is the home of some of the trees planted by the Sakura Project. If you’re able to go during the sakura flowering you will be able to enjoy their blossoms. If you’re able to attend the picnic please come. There is free parking. Admission to the park is free. Attendance at the picnic is \$ 5.00 and you get a grilled hotdog, drink and a FUKUBIKI ticket. Additional hotdogs are only \$ 1.00 each. Hot ocha is served at dinner. We also serve suika. There are lots of games and prizes. Please plan to attend this year. The location is so convenient!

CJCC Golf 2015

36th Annual Tournament

Saturday June 27th, 2015



Century Pines Golf Course
 592 Westover Rd., Dundas. 905.628.2877
 Golf -- check-in 9:00 am sharp

FORMAT

Enter as: 2 or 4 Person Scramble or Individual Scoring

Dinner – Cultural Centre

45 Hempstead Road, Hamilton, 905.383.5755 4:00 pm cocktails

To Register: Send Cheque and completed form to:

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 905.632.8069
dougi@acanac.net

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Name: _____ Name: _____ Name: _____ Name: _____ Contact Phone #: _____ Email: _____ Alt. Email: _____	<p>Golf and dinner (carts <u>included</u>)</p> Entry type (2 per., 4 per., Ind) _____ Adults _____ x \$100 = _____ Jrs (15 & under) _____ x \$85 = _____ Jrs (12 & under) _____ x \$70 = _____ Dinner only _____ x \$25 = _____ Donation: _____ TOTAL: _____
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* Prize donations of any size are always appreciated. *

VOLUNTEERS

Interested in helping? We would love to have you. Please contact one of the above persons. (Dinner included)

RSVP by June 12th, 2015.

Please make cheques payable to: CJCC
All proceeds from the tournament to the CJCC

Tax receipts will be issued for monetary donations \$20 & above