

Japan America Society of Minnesota



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3/11 Kizuna 2017 Event on Remembering

On Monday, March 27, JASM in cooperation with the St. Paul Nagasaki Sister City, hosted an event to commemorate the Sixth Anniversary of The Great East Japan Earthquake and to learn more about what has happened in Tohoku since that time. The program was held in the Boardroom at Macalester College. Shiori Konda-Muhammad, who grew up in Sendai, Japan, and moved to Minnesota in 1999, shared the story of her experience with the earthquake, and its effects on her family. When her hometown was hit by the 2011 Tohoku Earthquake and Tsunami, she went back to Japan to support her family, and worked with an American disaster relief group. She currently works as a Registered Nurse, and lives in St. Paul, MN with her husband and two children.

The event opened with remarks from Clint Conner, JASM board member who served as emcee, followed by Shiori Konda-Muhammad's presentation. There was then a performance and sing-along of the piece "Hana wa Saku" by Mumin. Richard Stahl, Honorary Consul of Japan, expressed thoughts on remembering Tohoku. Mr. Shinichiro Nakamura from the Consulate-General of Japan in Chicago then spoke about his experience. Ayako Birch and Jim Masterlark of Atkins Co. reported on how the recovery of the damage of a Fukushima nuclear power plant is being handled. JASM would like to thank Shiori Konda-Muhammad for sharing her experience, and for our gracious host: Macalester College. Additional thanks to the St. Paul Nagasaki Sister City for their help with this important program.

High school students from all over the nations — including three excellent teams representing Minnesota (Eastview High School and Shakopee High School) — will meet in Washington D.C. for the 25th National Japan Bowl on April 6th-7th, 2017. The winners of the 2017 J-Quiz were: Cheryl Lee, Ignatius Pham, Brielle Pineda (Level 2, Shakopee High School); Amelia Li, Matthew Runnels, and James Fuller (Level 3, Eastview High School); Taha Rizvi, Dana Flores, Cat-Thy Trinh (Level 4, Eastview High School). Students will also be able to explore the magnificent capital of the nation in addition to the competition.

The National Japan Bowl is an academic competition that challenges high school students' proficiency in Japanese language as well as knowledge of Japan. Competitors are also invited to participate in a variety of cultural activities in addition to the Japan Bowl. On April 8th, the students will visit the Sakura Matsuri that will take place on the streets of Washington D.C.. These events not only serve to familiarize students with Japanese culture and language, but also strengthen the long-standing connection between U.S. and Japan through the next generation.

Last year, students reported that "Although it was a little overwhelming, overall it was a very fun and engaging experience" and students felt energized to advance in their Japanese studies.

J-Quiz Winners Get Ready for the National Japan Bowl Challenge

This year's students wrote the following comments:

"It was very challenging, but at the same time, incredibly interesting to study for J-Quiz. It had its stressful points, but overall it was a great learning experience. What made it successful this year, I think, was that my team really went all-out, especially in the last round, where speed and daring were the key to success. We'll just have to continue with that attitude while studying for Japan Bowl and during the competition itself, for which we're studying hard every day. Of course, we couldn't have made it this far without the help of our teachers, so I really want to thank them for helping make this a reality. It's daunting to think about facing students from across the country, but I'm sure we'll have an even greater time at nationals, and I hope to make it a wonderful experience."

- Taha Rizvi

"It really was an honor just to be able to participate in J-Quiz.

Our sensei and our practices really helped prepare us for the competition. The Japan Bowl makes me nervous because we will be competing against teams from across the country, but I'm also excited to learn more about Japanese culture from practice, the competition, and from watching other teams. Our team will practice together every week, but I know my team will be studying individually as well. The chance to participate will be an amazing experience and I'm sure it will be one our team will never forget."

- Ignatius Pham

"I didn't think I would have been able to win J-Quiz this year because of my busy schedule but what made it successful was I studied diligently when I had the opportunity to and I tried to use Japanese almost everyday in some way. I am looking forward to the upcoming National Japan Bowl and the challenges it will bring to our team because we will be able to grow immensely in the process."

- Amelia Li

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The winning teams of 2017 J-Quiz meet at JASM office

J-Quiz Response Cont.

"I was super excited to win J-Quiz! This is my last year to participate, so I'm grateful to be able to compete in D.C. I am studying a lot in hopes of placing at the National Japan Bowl. Win or lose, I will enjoy this amazing opportunity."

-Dana Flores

"I didn't expect that we can make it to the nationals but we did it!! It was successful because we were very interested in Japanese. We are very excited and we are studying hard! There are so many new things about the historical part. I think this experience actually helps my Japanese skills a lot by learning more than normal classes. I definitely feel that National Japan Bowl is harder than J-Quiz and I also feel very nervous!! There will be so many students like us and we don't know how good they are. But we will do our best and still it's very meaningful that we made to the Nationals!!"

- Chaelyn Lee

"To be able to be a part of the National Japan Bowl in Washington D.C. has been something that we as a team have always dreamed of being able to do, and now that we finally have this chance it's time for us to get serious and show everyone what we're capable of. This will be the grand finale concerning Japanese for our final year here at Eastview High School as graduating seniors, and we will show the nation what we've accomplished thus far."

- Cat-Thy Trinh

"I am very excited to compete in the National Japan Bowl! I never really thought that I would ever get this opportunity, but I was able to because of my team. Now that we are going, we really have to study twice as much. And I hear that some of the teams are actually really challenging. So wish us luck, and thanks for reading!"

- James Fuller

"Our win at the regionals has motivated us to have a go at a tougher challenge. And so, we're grateful for the opportunity to travel to D.C. and to compete in the National Japan Bowl competition. Currently, we're working to expand our knowledge on the multitude of topics, a seemingly endless effort. All said, we're happy for the chance to improve and test our knowledge of Japanese language and culture."

- Matthew Runnels

"Overall, I think J-Quiz was very cool: it was an honor to be able to participate in this great experience! I admit that it was a little pressuring at first, but in the end, it was fun. The dynamic of my team really worked out. My squad was really cool and I enjoyed being with them! In addition, by helping and teaching us a lot, I think our teacher was a key point in making our team successful."

For the upcoming Japan Bowl, I guess we have to study more intensely and give it our all! Honestly, I'm a little anxious for the upcoming Japan Bowl since it's the real deal, and a lot of people will be coming. Otherwise, I'm very excited for the Japan Bowl and what's to come!"

- Brielle Pineda

Host a Japanese Foreign Exchange Student!



The South Metro Minneapolis Evenings (SMME) Rotary club is sponsoring a Japanese high school student for the 2017-2018 school year through the Rotary North Star Youth Exchange program. The student will attend either Jefferson or Kennedy High School in Bloomington.

We are looking for three host families to host the student for approximately 3.5 months each between August 2017 and July 2018. This is an exciting opportunity to help a student have an unforgettable year abroad and for you to learn more about Japanese culture.

If you are interested in hosting, please email or call Shannon McCormick, the Youth Exchange Officer -
smpmccormick@gmail.com

925-360-1274

To learn more, please visit the Youth Exchange website:

www.northstaryouthexchange.com

SMME Rotary: www.smmerotary.com

Membership News

Thanks to the following Renewing JASM Members:

Richard Kushino
Keiko Olds
Darryl and Yukiko Magree

Thanks to the following New JASM Members:

Michael Vann
Hirokazu Nagai
Chelsie Willett
Ayaka Kreezsinger

Thanks to the following Renewing JASM Corporate Members:

Kobe College Corporation – Japan Education Exchange
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Minnesota Trade Office
Saint Paul Saints Baseball Club
Tomodachi
JK's Table

Harukaze 2017 - 80's Japanese Pop Star Coming to Twin Cities



June 7th, 2017
Doors Open at 7:00 PM
Performance at 7:30 PM

Hamline University
Sundin Music Hall
1536 Hewitt Avenue, B1801
Saint Paul, MN 55104

The Japan America Society of Minnesota hopes to serve as a bridge between the peoples of the United States and Japan through a high quality annual performing arts. The annual event will be held on Wednesday, June 7th 2017 in Sundin Hall at Hamline University. This year we are honored to have Japanese pop star and current Jazz Pianist Senri Oe, performing his jazz piano album. This event is sponsored in part by Delta Airlines. Please save the date for an unforgettable concert.

The Japan America Society of Minnesota hopes to celebrate cross-cultural experience by presenting an artist who built a successful pop career in Japan and started a new musical journey as a jazz pianist in the United States.

JASM Member: **\$15**
 Non-JASM Member: **\$20**
 Students, Pre-K through High School : **\$10**
 6 and under: **\$5**

JASM is honored to be part of his new musical journey and provide Jazz music to the community.

Check out the JASM website for more information and to purchase tickets.

Please thank our members with your support!

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Corporate Membership Spotlight: Nagomi Ya Senior Living



Since 2007, Nagomi Ya Senior Living has been serving the Japanese and Korean senior community as a health care facility. Just last month, Nagomi Ya opened another home in Maple Grove. Currently there are 14 beds in total at the Apple Valley and Maple Grove homes. Each house are equipped with safety features like any other nursing home but with a typical home environment.

Nagomi Ya community is dedicated to enriching the lives of the residents every day with signature services to those who value their freedom and independence as well as their cultures. But they also need services provided to them with the highest level of quality care, and value. They offer housing and care options for those who

require assistance with daily activities such as and not limited to dressing, bathing, and administration of medications. Nagomi Ya also creates a personalized plan of care that reflects each resident's specific service needs and preferences. The residents enjoy services delivered by caring, compassionate professionals, and families enjoy peace of mind knowing their loved ones are getting the attention that they need.

For more information on Nagomi Ya Senior Living and their news and events, please visit their website at <http://nagomiya.us/News.php>. JASM is very thankful to Nagomi Ya for being apart of our organization. Nagomi Ya is managed by James and Hanako Jeong.

(This information was taken from <http://nagomiya.us/Home-Page.php>)

森の池 (Mori no Ike), the Japanese language program of Concordia Language Villages, is now accepting applications to teach in our summer language immersion program for young people ages 7-18, in beautiful northern Minnesota. Candidates who can teach Japanese arts such as kendo, karate, ikebana, tea ceremony and ceramics are particularly encouraged to apply at hr.cord.edu.

- **Summer dates are June 19-August 13.**
- **Minimum of one-week commitment, up to five weeks.**
- **Salary commensurate with experience and cultural expertise.**
- **Limited travel-expense reimbursement is available.**

For more information, please visit:
www.ConcordiaLanguageVillages.org/Staffing

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Corporate Roundtable: Minnesota as a Destination for Tourists from Japan



Corporate Roundtable in 2016 with JETRO

The Japan America Society of Minnesota will be hosting their first Corporate Roundtable of the new year! The Corporate Roundtable is a quarterly event which features local and visiting speakers with extensive experience in the Japanese market. This month, we will be having Doug Killian of the Mall of America and Shiro "Don" Katagiri of Kiku Enterprises as our speakers in a panel discussion featuring "Minnesota as a Destination for Tourists from Japan."

The event will be held at Gray Plant Mooty on Wednesday April 19th, 2017. Registration will open at 7:30 AM and the program will begin at 8:00 AM. The Japan America Society of Minnesota hopes to see you there!

Check out our website for more information and to sign up!

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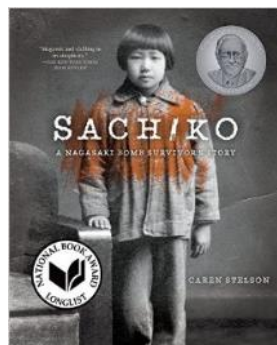
Gray Plant Mooty
80 S 8th St #500
Minneapolis, MN
55402

Wednesday, April 19th
7:30 AM Registration
8:00 AM Program

\$ 15 JASM Member
\$20 Non Member
\$7 Students (with ID)

Tom Haeg's Book Review

Sachiko: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor's Story; Caren Stelson, Carolhoda Books; 2016, 144 pages; \$20.



Whatever happened to me must never happen to you.

- Sachiko Yasui

In the early morning hours of August 9, 1945, a United States B-29 bomber, carrying in its belly a plutonium atomic bomb equivalent to an explosive force of 21,000 tons of TNT, took off. Destination: Kokura, a Japanese industrial city. The command: release cargo at target and end World War II. But the skies over Kokura were completely overcast. If the Kokura destination failed, the pilot was ordered to the default location. Nagasaki.

Sachiko is a narrative non-fiction account of a Nagasaki six year old girl surviving the war, the bomb and loss of family, -only to find herself entrapped in a catatonic fit induced by her painful memories of squalor. We learn that her reticence was neither unique nor unusual. There were several reasons why the survivors were reluctant to share or broadcast their experiences. For example, during the post-war Occupation of Japan, Allied Supreme Commander, Douglas MacArthur, generally censured such talk to maintain pacification efforts. And, there was an unwritten, self-induced understanding among the *hibakusha*, -atomic bomb survivors, to eschew shame by not drawing attention to their condition. On the other hand, notwithstanding these political and cultural phenomena, for over 75 years the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan gathered, recorded and preserved the testimony of thousands of similarly situated *hibakusha* so that the "world will never forget."

Stelson brilliantly reminds us that Sachiko's silence ended like a cicada nymph, "...in the light of the sun, ... step out of their thin shells, dry their wings, and sing their summer song." It was August 1995, the fiftieth anniversary of the bomb. The Occupation was over. The Cold War was history. Sachiko's only other remaining surviving family member, her mother, recently died of leukemia. Sachiko was supposedly the last family witness to the horror. And five decades of shame were enough. It was finally time for Sachiko to tell her story. So, in a hotel lobby near the Nagasaki Peace Park, Sachiko Yasui stood, -for the first time, in front of a muted sixth-grade audience and their parents who were there to hear her oral history as she lived it for 50 years. Yet the speech perhaps was more remarkable for what was omitted rather than uttered. No allusion of spite. No hint of vindictiveness. No mention of malice. "And when you grow up, remember to tell my story. Have your children tell my story and their children and theirs..."

Sachiko is a riveting, historical account of an eye witness to history as told in a soft yet vibrant tone. Sachiko Yasui is now 83 years of age. Since 1995 she has traveled Japan, Canada and the United States to lecture at universities and conduct radio and television interviews to promote world peace. Caren Stelson is a Minneapolis resident, author and teacher.

-Tom Haeg

2017 Mondale Scholarship Applications

Attention to all students studying Japanese language and culture! Do you want to study abroad in Japan? **The Japan America Society of Minnesota will be accepting applications for the 2017-2018 academic year Mondale Scholarship in June!**

JASM will award the Mondale Scholarship to Minnesota undergraduate students enrolled in Minnesota colleges and universities who want to broaden their knowledge of Japan through a combination of study and travel. JASM will offer up to \$4,500 in scholarships for the academic year. The selection committee has the discretion to award up to four \$1,000 scholarships or three \$1,500 scholarships. **Applications must be postmarked or emailed no later than Monday June 19th, 2017.**

Applicants must:

1. Complete application form (available online)
2. Send official college/university transcript(s)
3. Earn a cumulative GPA 3.0 or higher
4. Send two letters of recommendation
5. Write an essay that addresses why you want to study and travel in Japan and your goals for this experience
6. Send a copy of the letter of acceptance from the intended program of study in Japan
7. Have a program length of one month or longer

The selection committee will review all applications and select finalists for interviews. These interviews will be held in the JASM office in mid-July, 2017.

For more information and required application materials, please visit www.mn-japan.org



Japanese Speech Contest in Chicago



The Consulate-General of Japan in Chicago sponsors a Japanese language speech contest in order to promote studying Japanese in the Midwest every year. This is held on the fourth Saturday of March, in the auditorium of the Japan Information Center. This year four students from the

University of Minnesota will be participating. Their speech rehearsal was held in Folwell Hall the last Wednesday before the contest. The students gave excellent speeches and answered questions from their teachers and classmates. The actual contest was held in Chicago on Saturday, March 26th.

Students commented their thoughts and feelings as they prepare for the contest:

“スピーチコンテストに出たことはありません。少し緊張していますが、勇気を出して頑張ります。I have never been in a speech contest before. I'm slightly nervous, but I will muster up the courage and do my best.”

-Eric Campbell (Second Year Japanese Student)

“日本語弁論大会に出るのは、自分への挑戦なので、日本語の勉強と同じように頑張ります！To participate in the Japanese speech contest is to challenge myself, so I will do my best as hard as studying the Japanese language!”

- Feng Xiong (Third Year Japanese Student)

“日本語のスピーチコンテストは日本語を勉強している学生にとって、いい経験だと思うので、頑張ります。I think that the Japanese speech contest will give a good opportunity for those who study the Japanese language, so I will try whatever possible to make it successful.”

- Eva Yau (Third Year Japanese Student)

“日本での経験をみんなに伝えることができうれしいし、他の人のスピーチを聞くことも勉強になると思うので、とても楽しみにしています。I am excited to be able to present my experiences while I was in Japan. I'm also looking forward to learn from the stories of others.”

- Sane Sletten (Fourth Year Japanese Student)

A Thousand Journeys, One Home: Asian Pacific Heritage Day

Japan America Society of Minnesota invites you to come to the Minnesota History Center as they are hosting an event for Asian Pacific Heritage Day on **Saturday, April 22, 2017, from 12:00pm until 4:00pm.**

The Minnesota History Center is having an event in order to celebrate friendship, diversity, and unity among the Twin Cities Asian Pacific communities. It will be an event to help connect with one another and with other communities as they highlight traditions in their culture. This will include a chance to make a dragon puppet, a rakhi friendship bracelet, and learn what it takes to become a Chinese lion dancer in a special workshop and

parade. This event will feature not only Japanese organizations, but Chinese, Indian, Hmong, and Vietnamese representing their communities. We hope to see you there!



**MINNESOTA
HISTORY
CENTER**

**Minnesota History Center
345 W. Kellogg Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55102**

**Saturday, April 22, 2017
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Event included with museum
admission**

Japan's Fiscal Year and Sakura



The first day of April is an important day for the Japanese people. It marks the beginning of not only the governments fiscal year, but also schools begin in April, new employees begin their jobs, and many more. April is the season of sakura as their

blossoms. When the blossoms are fully bloomed, it represents new beginnings and optimism. Sakura blooming is related to the fiscal year as it coincides with each other but also to offer hope and new dreams to students and employees as they venture into their first day. As the sakura blossoms are fully bloomed, it represents the limitless possibilities of the future.

Nihonjin-kai Yard Sale in June

Minnesota Nihonjin-kai is a fun place for who miss Japanese language, including long time resident / and or even has citizenship. (Like myself. USA citizen 50+ years. No problem in English life, but...) We have simply good time get together chatting in Japanese and feast over potluck foods. When time to go home, you check out Japanese Books from over 40,000 – DVD over 4,000. are Choose from.(completely no charge) Please tell your friends about this. Now we are planning to have annual yard sale in late June. We are collecting items for sale, when you do spring cleaning of home and find salable items, please consider donating to us. We are happy to come pick them up.

Yoko Breckenridge (612)839-0008 Mobil.



Monthly event is 2nd Monday noon. Nihonjin-kai Potluck Lunch Table. Feast on homemade Japanese foods



Nihonjin-kai has No membership fee. We completely operate from event sale profit



Yard sale, Lantern Festival sale, JASM New Year party, Handmade Japanese greeting card sale



Bring your Family and friends. In 2016, we had near 100 people joined on Afton Clues.

**We Thank You
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Your Donations**

**Nihonjin-kai is held at
4231 Bloomington Ave S. MPLS. MN 55407**



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JASM Reaches Out to Sister Cities International Organization in Duluth

On Wednesday, March 15th, a group of Duluth Sister City International leaders, Wendy Ruhnke, Helen Smith, Connie Moeller and Gale Kerns, met with Ben van Lierop,



to discuss mutual activities in promoting international relationship building in Duluth and the northland. Part of our Minnesota Outreach Initiative, JASM is seeking ways to serve as a resource to support the Duluth-Ohara-Isumi relationship that has existed for over 25 years.

This summer junior high students from Ohara-Isumi City will be hosted by families in the Duluth and in the fall, a delegation from Duluth will make a visit to Ohara-Isumi. The exchanges are key to developing stronger ties between the international communities. JASM will provide information about Japan to encourage cross-cultural understanding and prepare Duluth citizens to travel to Ohara-Isumi. JASM looks forward to supporting the exchanges and helping to plan events in the Duluth area that will encourage greater participation by the Duluth Japan related community in Duluth.



TOMODACHI IS SEEKING AN ASSISTANT MANAGER!

Looking for a fun part-time job with advancement opportunities and incentives? Pop culture toy store TOMODACHI is looking for a dedicated, responsible assistant manager with sales and customer service experience. An outgoing, cheerful and sales-driven attitude is a must, as is the ability to work well independently and in a team environment. Knowledge of/interest in pop culture, toys, kawaii and Asian culture is definitely a plus, as is an imaginative, creative spirit!

DUTIES INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

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Job perks include store discounts as well as cash bonuses for meeting sales goals. There are also resume-building opportunities to execute creative ideas and gain marketing experience through your job with us — we are very arts driven and love to come up with new, unique ways to engage our audience.

TO APPLY: Submit your resume to info@tomodachi.us OR visit our website to download an application at www.tomodachi.us/contact-us and either return via e-mail or at either of our store locations.

Advertise in the Tsushin!

Advertisement Rates

Style	Size	Cost/issue
1/4 page	5 x 3.5 in	\$50.00
1/2 page	5 x 7.5 in	\$90.00
Full page	10 x 7.5 in	\$150.00
Classified	80 character line	\$10/ line (min. 2 lines)

Ad production and design available in both Japanese and English for an additional charge. Deadline for completed ads and classifieds is the 20th of every month.

**Questions? Contact
the JASM Office
Tel: 612-627-9357
jasm@us-japan.org**

Japan America Society Calendar

April

April 19th: Corporate Round Table
April 22nd: Asian Pacific Heritage Day
at MN History Center

June

June 7th: Harukaze

Japanese Speaking Club

The Japanese Speaking Club is an informal meeting place for those wishing to practice Japanese. We encourage those just beginning the language as well as native speakers to gather at the **Espresso Royale Café** in Downtown Minneapolis to meet new people, discuss experiences in Japan, or simply to speak Japanese. Come when you can, leave when you must.

Date/Time: Every Saturday at 3:00 p.m.

Place: Espresso Royale Café
1229 Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55403



For more information, visit www.meetup.com and search for the key words "Japanese speaking club"

月例日本人会のお知らせ

毎月日本語図書館で日本人会の昼食会 (Monthly Nihonjin-kai) を行っています。電話などでお誘い合わせの上、お友達やお知り合いとご一緒においで下さい。可能の方はどうぞ料理を1品ご持参願います。ミネソタ州在住の日本人達で良い事を考え、ご馳走と日本語で楽しい時間を持ちましょう。

日程：毎月第2月曜日正午より

場所：日本語図書館

(4231 Bloomington Ave S., Minneapolis, MN 55407)

また、毎週土曜日午後2時から、日本語図書館のお手伝いしてくださる方の集まりがあります。是非ご参加ください。この図書館には、漫画や宗教誌約25000冊や約2500本のビデオDVDがあり、希望者にはセルフサービスで日本人会と同じく無料で貸出しています。お問い合わせは下記までどうぞ。

Yoko Breckenridge

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Nihonjin-kai monthly meeting is on the 2nd Monday, at noon, at 4231 Bloomington Ave S Minneapolis, MN 55407

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Support our mission and become a member!

1. Go to mn-japan.org
2. Click on 'Membership' at the top
3. Select your membership type and read the benefits and instructions.

You can also become a member using your smart phone!

Japan America Society of Minnesota

- ☐ Membership Application ☐ Change of Address
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Name _____

Name (2nd adult of a household membership) _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

ZIP _____

E-mail _____

Phone _____

I would like to make an additional tax-deductible donation of _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

(Please make checks payable to JASM)

Individual Membership

Patron.....	\$1,000+
Sustaining.....	\$500+
Contributing.....	\$100+
Individual	\$30
Student/Senior	\$20
Household	\$50
(2 adults plus children under 18)	

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通信

Tsūshin
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The Japan America Society of Minnesota is a non-profit, non-political association engaged in bringing the peoples of Japan and the United States closer together in mutual understanding, respect, and cooperation. Through programs and interchange, it endeavors to promote an appreciation of cultural, educational, economic, public, and other affairs of interest to both peoples. Membership in the society is open to individuals, corporations, and other organizations interested in furthering its programs.

The Japan America Society of Minnesota is a member of the National Association of Japan-America Societies.



J-Quiz Winners Studying for National Japan Bowl



Rehearsal at the UMN for Speech Contest



3/11 Kizuna Event



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