

The Bulletin

April/May 2008

Editorial

By Hazel Asamoto

The center of conversation these last few months has been the weather in Cleveland. Our spirits can get gloomy looking at all the snow that has fallen and the melting snow that has created much flooding in some areas.

Now is the time to look at the brighter side, the many activities happening in our Japanese community which include the 2008 JACL Community Reunion, a food bazaar at the Cleveland Buddhist Temple and also the scholarships available to current senior high school students from the Cleveland JACL Chapter and the Cleveland Japanese American Foundation (CJAF).

Your interest and support makes all these events possible. Please take the time to show your support. These events are made available to us by the many volunteers in the community. Make note of the current events schedule listed in this issue.

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Speakers Bureau Report

By Ed Ezaki

Busy, busy, busy! Our speaker's bureau members have been and continue to remain very active throughout northeastern Ohio.

On March 6th, Dr. Roy Ebihara spoke to three classes at Oberlin High School. March 19th Sadie Yamane spoke to a sophomore advanced placement student class at Rocky River High. March 20th John and Betty Ochi followed up on two more of Sara Ziemnick's classes at Rocky River High.

On April 6th, I will travel to St. Brandeis Church in North Olmsted to speak to a group. April 8th Eva Hashiguchi pays a repeat visit to Kent State University to Professor Yuko Kurahashi's Multicultural Theater Group. I believe this is Eva's third or fourth visit. Eva will also travel down to Columbus, Ohio to the Northwood Community Center Artspace sometime in July or August for a Puffin Foundation exhibit entitled "Impounded" featuring photos of Dorothea Lange.

Eva and Betty Ochi will also show their skills on sushi making at a Parma Church in the near future.

Beverly Kerecman and Roy Ebihara will be working this summer covering the "Immigrant Experience".

Also on April 9th, I will travel to Lorain Community College to cover a Race Ethnicity Class for Dr. Yachun Ku.

We are always looking for new members for our Speakers Bureau to share their experiences or speaking talents to help our group. Please call me at 440-234-5565. We will also gratefully accept donations to help continue our efforts to inform the Ohio area of what our generations endured during World War II.

Thank you.

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Looking for past scholarship recipients...send name, year of graduation, address to Aiko Ebihara, 13791 Hale Rd., Oberlin, OH 44074 or email raebihara@aol.com

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Also the Bulletin can be found on the website: www.lkwdpl.org/jacl. The Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) has a voicemail at (216) 556-2277.

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Cleveland JACL Scholarship Program

By Aiko Ebihara

In recent years, the Cleveland JACL Scholarship program has been blessed with more funds thanks to the generosity of many families and friends in memory of their loved ones who were once esteemed members of the Japanese community. There have also been more applicants for scholarships than in the past, which reflects the vital need for assistance to students in these times of high cost of higher education. Cleveland JACL Chapter is grateful to the families and individual contributors to the following scholarships.

- Helen and Shigeru Furuki Memorial Scholarship
- Henry Tanaka Memorial Scholarship
- Tom and Martha Oye Memorial Scholarship
- Tatsuo and Teru Anraku Memorial Scholarship
- Tatsuo and Teru Anraku General Scholarship Fund
- Phil Yasaki General Scholarship I Fund
- Amy Ono Memorial Fund

Memorial scholarship contributions are welcome and greatly appreciated.



CLEVELAND JACL REUNION 2008

Celebrating *61st Year Anniversary and Our Heritage and Ethnicity*

Remembering *20th Anniversary of The Civil Liberties Act of 1988, Our Community Before, Then and Now.*

Honoring *All JA Veterans, Community Members who testified at the Redress Hearings, Contributors to JACL*

- DATE:** Sunday, April 20th 2008
Time: 12:00 – 4:00 P.M.
PLACE: North Olmsted Party Center
29271 Lorain Road
(At corner of Stearns Rd & Lorain Rd.)
Food: Buffet includes Makizushi
Donation: \$16.00 per person (children under 10 \$8.00)

Reservation Deadline April 12th
RSVP to Karen Sodini 440-238-3416 or Hazel Asamoto 216-921-2976

CURRENT EVENTS

Event: Cleveland Buddhist Food Sale

Date: April 5, 2008, 12-7 PM

Place: Cleveland Buddhist Temple
Euclid, OH

Event: 2008 JAACL Reunion

Date: Sunday, April 20, 2008, 12-4 PM

Place: North Olmsted Party Center
29271 Lorain Rd., North Olmsted, OH

Contact: Karen Sodini, 440-238-3416, or
Hazel Asamoto, 261-921-2976

Event: Asian Heritage Month

Date: Monday, May 5, 2008, 12 Noon

Place: Cleveland City Hall

Contact: Asian Pacific American Federation

Event: CARP Meetings

Date: Fourth Thursdays of the month at
12 Noon

Place: Lake Shore Community Center
Euclid, OH

Event: JAACL/CJAF Scholarship Luncheon

Date and time to be announced

Event: CJAF Community Picnic

Date: Sunday, September 7, 2008, 10-6 PM

Place: Brushwood Shelter, Furnace Run,
Summit County Metro Park

Did You Know...

Brandon Asazawa, a sixth- grader at Hershey Montessori School in Concord Township, has been dancing since age 4. He will be competing at the Irish Dance World Championships to be held March 23 to March 29 in Belfast, Northern Ireland. His parents are Sandi and Bill Asazawa and grandson of the late Mike Asazawa.



Billy Matsumoto, a 20 years old, juggler/magician, performs at churches and for the Boy Scouts, and is getting nationwide exposure on numerous TV programs. He is the son of Robert Matsumoto and grandson of Paul and Mitzie Matsumoto.



(Both excerpts are from the News-Herald Sunday, March 16, 2008)

JAPANESE AMERICAN SCHOLARSHIP

The application form for the Japanese American Scholarship is available now until May 1, 2008. A completed application must be returned to the scholarship committee by May 31, 2008.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. A JACL member, or a dependent of a member, or an American Citizen of Japanese descent.
2. A high school graduate and a resident of one of the following counties: (1) Cuyahoga, (2) Geauga, (3) Lake, (4) Lorain, (5) Medina, (6) Portage, (7) Summit; during the year of the application.
3. Has been accepted by a college, university, business/trade school, or any other institution of higher learning, for the coming academic year.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the scholarship awards is to recognize scholastic achievements of graduating students.

The award(s) is sponsored by the JACL (Japanese American Citizens League) and CJAF (Cleveland Japanese American Foundation). The amount of the scholarship will be determined by the sponsors.

APPLICATION FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE FOLLOWING:

Bill Sadataki at (330) 659-3880

Aiko Ebihara at (440) 775-4435 or Email address: raebihara@aol.com

On JACL Website: www.lkwdpl.org/jacl

The committee also wishes to invite all of the current graduates to the Scholarship Luncheon. Please submit names of graduates and their high school to the persons listed above. Time and place of the luncheon will be announced at a later date.

**APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARD(S) BY
THE CLEVELAND JAPANESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE AND
THE CLEVELAND JAPANESE AMERICAN FOUNDATION**

FOR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. Must be JACL members, their dependents or an American Citizen of Japanese ancestry.

2. Must have graduated from a high school and be a resident of one of the (7) following counties: (1) Cuyahoga, (2) Geauga, (3) Lake, (4) Lorain, (5) Medina, (6) Portage, (7) Summit; during the year of the application.

3. Must have plans to attend college/university, business/trade school, or an Institution of higher learning in the academic fall of the year of the application.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the scholarship awards is to recognize the scholastic achievements of graduating high school students.

An award (an amount to be determined by the JACL and CJAF) is given each year.

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS:

Applications are reviewed by a panel comprised of representatives of the JACL and the CJAF.

Each applicant is interviewed by the panel, primarily for the applicant to express his/her views and comments about the written documents submitted in advance.

The panel rates each applicant and selects the scholarship awardees. The decisions of the panel are final.

ENCLOSURES WITH THE APPLICATION:

The following documents shall be enclosed with the completed application form:

1. Official transcripts.
2. Letters of reference from a teacher and/or counselor who knows the applicant. (at least one). Identify name, address and phone number.
3. A personal statement (essay) which includes:
 - a. Reason for applying.
 - b. Interest and goals.
 - c. Views of self, community and the world.

All information and supporting documents must be complete and postmarked no later than the date given in the letter received by the applicant who requests such information: unless subsequent notice of changes have been received by the applicant.

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Date: _____

Name of applicant: _____

U.S. Citizen: _____ yes _____ no

Address: _____

City, State, Zip code: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Parents: _____

JACL Member: _____ applicant _____ parent _____

High School: _____

Rank/Student in class: _____ / _____

G.P.A. (4.0 scale): _____

S.A.T.: V _____ M _____

PLANS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION:

Please list, in order of preference, the schools to which you HAVE APPLIED for admission in the fall year.

	School	Status (pending, accepted, etc.)	Comments
1 st	_____	_____	_____
2 nd	_____	_____	_____
3 rd	_____	_____	_____

What were the reasons for your first preference?

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION:

Scholastic Honors: Please list academic awards and achievements, and the year(s) received. Indicate any awards which are unique to your school.

Comments:

High School Activities: Please list all campus and work activities and indicate any awards given.

Activity

Year

No. Semester

Position Held

Comments:

FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Confidential):

Please estimate your anticipated expenses to attend the school of preference and the anticipated percentage of financial support.

Anticipated total cost to attend the school: \$ _____

I anticipate financial support from the following resources

Parents	_____	%
Grants/Scholarships	_____	%
Personal Savings	_____	%
Student Loans	_____	%
Other	_____	%
TOTAL		100%

Upon completion of this application for scholarship award by the JACL or the CJAF, please read and sign the agreement below.

AGREEMENT

As the applicant for the above scholarship awards, I have read and fully understand the eligibility requirements and information requested.

This application has been completed by me honestly and to the best of my knowledge.

I fully understand that any misrepresentation of information contained in this application may revoke any rights to an award.

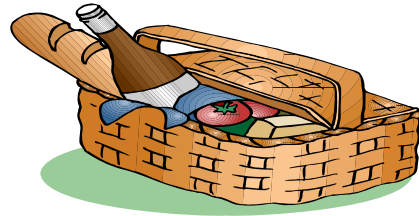
I also understand that verification of enrollment will be required if I receive an award. If for some reason, I do not matriculate at the post secondary school and do not qualify for an award as stipulated, I will forfeit any rights to the award

Signature of Applicant **Date**

2008 COMMUNITY PICNIC

SPONSORED BY THE CLEVELAND JAPANESE AMERICAN
FOUNDATION (CJAF)

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2008



10:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M.

AT

**BRUSHWOOD SHELTER, FURNACE RUN,
SUMMIT COUNTY METRO PARK**

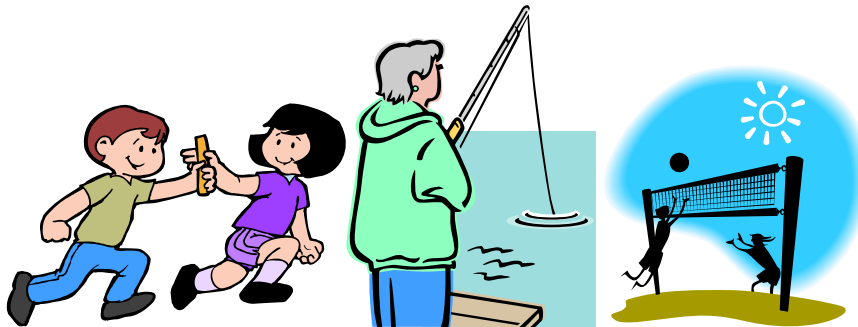
COST: DONATION ON SITE TO CJAF SCHOLARSHIP AND COMMUNITY
SERVICE ACTIVITIES OR SEND TO:

John Ochi, 868 Lander Road
Highland Heights, Ohio, 44143

Bring your family and friends and enjoy the outdoors for a Fun Day at a picnic

Special Attraction: JACL Icho Daiko / Mame Daiko Taiko Drumming Group

Activities: Undo-Dai (Games, Relays, Prizes for children of all ages, eating
(Obento), Hiking, Relaxing, Bring a pole for little fishing, Volleyball



Directions to Furnace Run:

Take I-77 South to the Miller Road Exit. Turn left (East) on Miller Road and continue until Brecksville Road. Turn right (South) on Brecksville Road. You will pass Snowville Road on the left and the Quality Inn on the right. As you pass under the Freeway over pass, immediately on the right is Townsend Road. Turn right (West). The Brushwood Shelter is about ¼ mile on the right.

Recipe of the Month

Steamed Cantonese-style Fish

1 lb. firm white fish (cod, sole, halibut)	2 T. light soy sauce
1 t. sea salt	2 t. dark soy sauce
1 ½ T. finely shredded fresh ginger	1 T. peanut oil
3 T. shredded scallions	2 t. sesame oil

Pat fish dry and cut into serving size pieces. Rub with salt and put into heat proof dish. Put plate into a steamer, or wok, fitted with a rack. Fill with 2" of water and bring to boil. Cover tightly and cook. Flat fish take 5 min; whole fillets take 12-15 min. Remove plate when fish flakes and pour off liquid. Scatter scallions on top, and drizzle with both soy sauces. Heat the two oils until smoking, and pour over fish and serve at once.

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