

# The Fort Worth Japanese Society

## Newsletter

Sep - Oct 2013 [www.fwjs.org](http://www.fwjs.org)

### Lighting up the Fort Worth Skyline

July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks display was a gift  
from our sister city, Nagaoka Japan.

#### Our Mission:

To foster Japanese and American understanding by providing an opportunity to learn about Japan, it's people, language and culture.

# September Luncheon

Sunday Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> from 12:30PM at the Yamagata Center

Program: Haiku presentation. Michael Moore, our resident haiku expert, has been teaching and writing about haiku for many years. He will help us write our own haiku to save as a keepsake.

Luncheon: Japanese Curry Rice. \$12 for adults, \$8.00 for children 8-12, children 7 and under free.

**Reservations are needed for the lunch.**  
**RSVP by Monday Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> to Nobuko Foshee at 817-738-4524**  
**or email to [inquiries@fwjs.org](mailto:inquiries@fwjs.org)**



# October Luncheon

Sunday Oct 20<sup>th</sup> from 12:30PM at the Yamagata Center

Program: Kalkidan Alemu, the Fort Worth student who received Toy Komatsu's scholarship to attend the Nagaoka Sister City Exchange program will talk about her experiences. Kalkidan is originally from Eritria and Somalia so her perspective will be very interesting. Also speaking will be Lorraine Bretthauer or Jaime Morris who were teachers accompanying the group.

Luncheon: Obento. \$12 for adults, \$8.00 for children 8-12, children 7 and under free

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# Fall Festival in the Japanese Garden

## Volunteer and have fun!

Use the sign-up sheet at the front desk by the entrance the Yamagata Center or contact the lead person for each activity below. Provide your name, mobile phone number and email.

Origami – Irene Koscal 817-294-4633 [kibblecho@aol.com](mailto:kibblecho@aol.com)

Calligraphy – Wes Noles 817-847-5821 [nolesjw@charter.net](mailto:nolesjw@charter.net)

Japanese Games – Elishia Flowers 817-534-6236 [ebflow@yahoo.com](mailto:ebflow@yahoo.com)

Kimono Dress-up – Haruko Herness 817-560-8761 [haruko@flash.net](mailto:haruko@flash.net)  
(Show times are not continuous so check with Haruko for volunteer times)

Kamishibai – William Winston 817-370-2343 [williamswinston@yahoo.com](mailto:williamswinston@yahoo.com) (Show times are not continuous so check with William for volunteer times.)

Society Info table – Harvey Yamagata 817-737-9166 [harvey.yamagata@sbcglobal.net](mailto:harvey.yamagata@sbcglobal.net)

### Volunteer Dates and Times

Sat. 11/2 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon

Sat. 11/2 12:00 Noon to 2:00PM

Sat. 11/2 2:00PM to 5:00PM

Sun. 11/3 11:00AM to 1:00PM

Sun. 11/3 1:00PM to 3:00PM

Sun. 11/3 3:00PM to 5:00PM



## 日本人会会報

### 長岡フォートワース姉妹都市協定25周年記念祝賀会

7月4日の独立記念日に合わせ、約70名の方々が長岡市からフォートワースを訪れてくださいました。7月3日には、ボランティア30名がストックヤード内のExchange通りを、お神輿を担いで練り歩きました。パレードの後には、25周年を迎えた姉妹都市協定を更新する式典が催されました。Cowboy Hall of Fameで開催された昼食会にて、フォートワースのプライス市長と長岡の森市長の両市長が姉妹都市の更新書類に署名をしました。

フォートワースの独立記念日のお祭りは、我がだんどこ太鼓のパフォーマンスで幕を開け、それに続き素晴らしい花火が打ち上げられました。独立記念日に打ち上げられた花火のうち2/3は長岡市からの贈り物でした（長岡市は国際的に有名な花火の生産地です。表紙の写真をご覧ください）。

フォートワースと長岡の両市は、このようなイベント開催時における日本人会会員や、その仲間たちの働きに、毎度のことながら感心しています。長岡市からの訪問者をアシストして下さった皆さん、お神輿パレードに参加下さった皆さん、ありがとうございました！

### 西田ヒデさん、Shaderすみこさん、訃報

#### **西田ヒデさん 1915年4月28日-2013年7月14日**

西田牧生さんのお母さま、ヒデさんが98歳で永眠されました。ヒデさんは、1923年に起こった関東大震災を経験され、第二次世界大戦中の東京大空襲、戦後、灰と化した日本を再建設する間の苦しい時代を生き抜かれました。ご主人亡き後はアメリカに移住され、2009年までご子息の牧生氏と暮らされました。フォートワースに在住中は、特に茶道の経験を生かし、我が日本人会に大変貢献してくださいました。西田氏は、ヒデさん追悼献金をされています。

#### **Shaderすみこさん 1937年11月19日-2013年7月22日**

すみこさんは、山口県で、藤井よしおさんときみこさんの間に誕生されました。山口県のカトリック女子高校を卒業後、1960年2月17日に福岡県にてRonald Shader氏と結婚されました。彼女はご主人のロナルドさん、ご令嬢ステファニーさんとそのご主人のブラッドレーさん、ご子息トッドさんにお孫さんたち、曾孫さんたち、そして日本在住の妹さん、えいこさんとみつこさんを残して亡くなりました。日本人会のお友達はすみこさんの生前を思い、悲しいことと思います。日本人会にはすみこさんを偲んでの献金が送られて来ています。

### 7月例会

7月14日の例会では七夕を祝い、参加者たちはたこ焼きに焼き鳥、おにぎり、ざる蕎麦といった日本の食べ物に舌鼓を打っていました。余興は織り姫と彦星の七夕物語再演でした。

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## **8月テキサスレンジャーズ球場に於いての日米親善ナイト**

テキサスレンジャーズは、8月14日に日本とアメリカの親善を祝う試合を行いました。その夜は、日米の国旗を並べて掲げ、佐々江賢一郎大使の始球式で試合が開催されました。先発の予想はできないので、残念ながらダルビッシュ有投手を見ることはできませんでしたが、試合はレンジャーズがミルウォーキーブリュワーズを5対4とギリギリのところまで退けました。

## **日本人会親睦夕食会**

8月17日土曜日、二度目となる親睦夕食会をMK寿司にて開催し、約20名の会員が集いました。参加者たちは食事とおしゃべりを楽しみました。次回の親睦夕食会開催レストランは未定ですが、お知らせをお待ちください。

## **今後予定されているイベント**

### **マキノ庭園展示会 - 於BRIT (Botanic Research Institute of Texas)、9月7日より11月30日まで**

この催しは、二つの機関による交換展示会で、わが日本人会は、9月7日土曜日のグラウンドオープン時に、どんどこ太鼓や着物ファッションショー、折り紙、書道、茶道、お琴の演奏といった数々の日本文化紹介を織り交ぜて、余興的要素を提供します。グラウンドオープニングを見逃された方々には、展示は11月30日まで引き続きありますので、どうぞ足をお運びください。

### **9月の例会 - 9月22日（日曜日）午後12時半より山県会館にて**

プログラム：俳句のプレゼンテーション。マイケル・ムーア氏が俳句の作り方をご指南くださいます。

昼食：日本のカレーライス。

### **10月の例会 - 10月20日（日曜日）午後12時半より山県会館にて**

プログラム：トイ・コマツ奨学生による長岡市交換留学の経験談。

昼食：日本のお弁当。

### **日本庭園秋祭り - 11月2日（土曜日）および11月3日（日曜日）**

日本人会は、折り紙、書道、紙芝居、日本のゲーム、着物の着付けなど、日本の伝統的文化を紹介します。楽しい経験ができるボランティアの機会も多々ご用意しています。ボランティアのサインアップシートは山県会館のフロントデスクにありますので、どうぞ奮ってご参加ください。アクティビティの連絡先は、別欄をご覧ください。

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## その他のアクティビティ

### どんどこ太鼓

練習は、毎週日曜日、山縣会館にて午後6時～8時半です。 詳細は、Cosbyあさこさんまで（817-737-6581）。

### 日本舞踊

毎週月曜日午前11時～午後1時、山縣会館にて。 詳細は、Greeneてるこさんまで（817-294-2224）。 指導は、みやもとけいこさんです。

### 日本語クラス

クラスは山縣会館にて開講されます。 新しく受講される生徒さんには、レベルテスト（読み、書き、会話、聴解）を受けていただきます。 子どもクラスは月曜日のみ4時45分～5時半。 大人クラスは月曜日/木曜日（未定）の午後6時～7時半です。 2013年秋学期および2014年春学期の開講予定は、ウェブサイト（[www.fwjs.org](http://www.fwjs.org)）をご覧ください。 申し込み、受講料（大人クラス、子どもクラス）に関しては、Registration & Tuitionのページをご参照ください。

### くるみ人形

現在、会員17名。 月に二度集まって、優雅な人形作りに専念してみませんか。 水曜日の午前10時～午後2時（9月4日、18日、10月2日、16日、30日）に山縣会館にて。 詳細はFosheeのぶこさんまで（817-738-4524）。

### 図書館

くるみ人形または太鼓の時間にご連絡ください。

### さくらコーラス

詳細はElaine山縣さんまで（817-737-7600）。

## Society News

### Nagaoka – Fort Worth Sister City 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

Over the Fourth of July holidays, about seventy visitors from Nagaoka, Japan, came to visit Fort Worth. On July 3<sup>rd</sup>, thirty of us participated in carrying the Mikoshi down Exchange Avenue in the Stockyards. This was followed by a ceremony renewing the sister city relationship, which is now in our 25<sup>th</sup> year. Both mayors, Price of Fort Worth and Mori of Nagaoka marked this event at a luncheon held in the Cowboy Hall of Fame.

Fort Worth's July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration was opened by our Dondoko Taiko Drummers, which was then followed by a fantastic fireworks display, of which nearly two-thirds were a gift from Nagaoka (Nagaoka is world famous for fireworks – see our newsletter cover page).

The cities of Fort Worth and Nagaoka are always impressed by how our Society members and friends join in to help during these events. Thank you all for volunteering to assist our guests and participate in the Mikoshi parade!



Mikoshi Parade in the Stockyards



Mayors renew relationship



Taiko Drummers with the mayors

### Remembering Hide Nishida and Sumiko Shader

#### Hide Nishida - April 28, 1915 to July 14, 2013

Hide, the mother of Makio Nishida, passed away at the age of 98. She lived through the Great Kanto Daishinsai of 1923 (関東大震災), through the World War II bombings of Tokyo, and the hard struggle of rebuilding Japan from its ashes. After her husband passed away, she moved to the U.S. to live with Makio until 2009, at which time she returned to her homeland. While she lived in Fort Worth, she was active with the society, particularly enjoying sharing her expertise in the Japanese tea ceremony. The Nishida's have made a donation in memory of Hide.



Hide Nishida

#### Sumiko F. Shader - November 19, 1937 to July 22, 2013

Sumiko was born in Yamaguchi, Japan, to Yoshio and Kimiko Fujii. She graduated from Girls Catholic High School in Yamaguchi. Sumiko married Ronald Shader on Feb. 17, 1960, in Fukuoka, Japan. She is survived by her husband, Ronald Shader; daughter, Stephanie Roehl and husband, Bradley; son, Todd; a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren; sisters, Eiko and Mitsuko of Japan. She will be missed by her many friends in our society. The Society has received donations in memory of Sumiko.



Sumiko Shader

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## Society News – continued

### July 14<sup>th</sup> Luncheon

We celebrated the Tanabata festival at our luncheon on July 14<sup>th</sup> and what a treat it was for the many that came. We feasted on takoyaki, yakitori, onigiri and zaru soba. Entertainment was our kamishibai theater re-enacting the Tanabata folk story of the star-crossed lovers.



Akiko and Sophia Sonnemann  
making takoyaki



Mikako Imai preparing  
batter for takoyaki



Nigiri , yakitori & cucumber sunomono  
prepared by Julia Dunaway with  
assists from Alex Stokes & Sonya Cole

### August Dinner-Get-Together

On Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, about twenty of us met for our second Dinner-Get-Together, this time at the MK Sushi restaurant off of Western Center Blvd. Everyone had a great time and many friendships continued to be built. We haven't selected our next restaurant yet, but look for our announcement soon.

### August 14<sup>th</sup> Japan-American Friendship Night at Texas Rangers Ballpark

The Texas Rangers again celebrated the friendship between the U.S. and Japan by displaying the two flags side by side and inviting the Japanese Ambassador, Kenichiro Sasae, to throw in the first pitch. You can't predict who will pitch any given game, so we didn't have a chance to see Yu Darvish, but most importantly, the Rangers edged out the Milwaukee Brewers 5 to 4.



Japanese Ambassador Sasae throws in the first pitch



Ambassador with Rangers Mascot



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Makino Gardens Exhibit at Botanic Research Institute of Texas Sep 7-Nov 30**

This is an exchange exhibit program between these two organizations and the Society will help make the exhibit more entertaining by providing various Japanese cultural demonstrations for their grand opening on Saturday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> such as Taiko drummers, kimono fashion show, origami, calligraphy, tea ceremony, koto, dancing and other Japanese cultural traditions. Try to attend the opening if you can, and if not, try to visit the exhibit which will continue until Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>.

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Luncheon: Japanese Obento

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There will be lots of fun opportunities to volunteer to demonstrate origami, calligraphy, kamishibai, Japanese games, kimono dress-up and other Japanese cultural traditions. Sign-up sheets will be at the front desk at the Yamagata Center. See other article in this newsletter on the festival and who to contact for various activities.1

## **REGULARLY SCHEDULED FORT WORTH JAPANESE SOCIETY ACTIVITIES**

### **DonDoko Taiko Drummers**

Practice is every Sunday, 6pm-8:30pm at the Yamagata Center. For more information contact Asako Cosby 817-737-6581. Join the group for fitness, fun, and performances.

### **Japanese Classical Dance**

This group meets every Monday, 11am-1pm, at the Yamagata Center. Please contact Teruko Greene at 817-294-2224 for more information. Mrs. Keio Miyamoto is the instructor.

### **Japanese Language Classes**

All classes will be at the Yamagata Center. New students will be evaluated and placed in the most appropriate class for their proficiency level in written, spoken, and heard Japanese. The children's classes will be 4:45pm-5:30pm on Mondays only. Adult classes are 6pm-7:30pm on Mondays and Thursdays.

Schedules for 2013 Fall Semester and 2014 Spring Semester are posted on our website at [www.fwjs.org](http://www.fwjs.org). Please visit the Schedule page for complete schedule. Also, please check out Registration & Tuition page (adult/children's) for tuition information and application form.

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## **REGULARLY SCHEDULED FORT WORTH JAPANESE SOCIETY ACTIVITIES**

### **Kurumi Ningyo**

Join the 17 members who meet twice a month to work on these elegant works of art. The group meets on Wednesdays, 10am-2pm, and will meet on Sept. 4 and 18 and Oct. 2, 16 and 30 at the Yamagata Center. Contact Nobuko Foshee at 817-738-4524.

### **The Japanese Society Library**

Our library is open during the Kurumi Ningyo classes and DonDoko Taiko practices.

### **The Sakura Chorus**

For more information, contact Elaine Yamagata at 817-737-7600.

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Summer Day Camp ~July~



Cooking 料理  
Clay Art 粘土工作  
Lunch Time 給食  
Games ゲーム



Created by Kumiko Porter

Japanese Game Night ~August~



Thank you for joining us for the Japanese Class Special Summer Events.

**Reminder**

If you wish to remain enrolled for the next semester,  
beginning on September 16, 2013; your tuition must be paid in by  
August 31, 2013.

More details

[https://sites.google.com/site/fwjapaneselanguageschool/  
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**MEMBERSHIP FORM for 2013**

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I would like to receive my newsletter by (check one):

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I would like to be notified of coming events by (check one):

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If you will let us know what activities are of interest to you, such as Japanese Dance, volunteer at our the Fall and Spring Japanese Garden Festival, etc., let us know. Also, if you wish, let us know your age range and we will let you know what activities might be of interest to you. Your comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mark (x) in front of the classification you are joining.

\_\_\_ Family Membership \$40.00

\_\_\_ Single Membership \$30.00

\_\_\_ Associate Membership (Students) \$20.00

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Optional: Membership dues do not cover all expenses such as maintaining our building which facilitates all our activities. These expenses are augmented by donations and fund raising events. If you wish to make a donation at this time, please mark (X) in front of the level of donation.

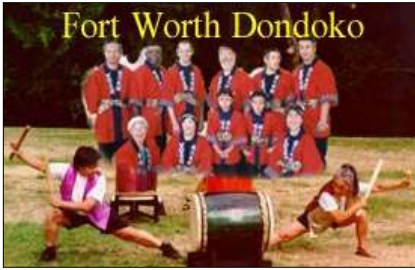
\_\_\_ Maple \$10.00 - \$49.99

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Donations will be recognized in our newsletter. The Fort Worth Japanese Society is a not-for-profit organization and contributions are tax deductible.

# Society Activities



- **Dondoko Taiko (Drum Group):** Practice every Sunday 6:00 to 8:30 PM. (Contact: Asako Cosby)

- **Classical Japanese Dance:** This is a relatively small group meeting at the Society every Monday morning from 11:00am to 1:00pm. The instructor is Mrs. Keio Miyamoto, an accredited master of Fujima School. If anyone is interested in Japanese dances, please come and join us. The group enjoys dancing with other Fort Worthians at the spring and autumn Japanese Festival. (Contact: Chiga Oi)



- **Chorus:** 1st or 2nd Sunday practice of Japanese Songs. (Contact: Elaine Yamagata)



(Students practicing calligraphy at our language school demonstration)

**Japanese Language Class** meets Mondays 6:00-7:30pm. for adults and 4:45-5:30pm for children (must be over 3 years old). Very reasonable tuition. (Contact: Mikako Imai)

- **Library** is open Sunday from 6:00pm-8:00pm during Taiko Drum session and every other Wednesday from 10:00am for about 2 hours during Kurumi Ningyo workshop.



- **Kurumi Ningyo** meets 10:00am-2:00pm every other Wednesday. (Contact: Nobuko Foshee)

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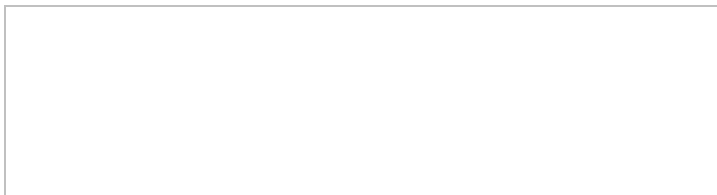
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## SAVE THE DATE

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