

# JASV Chiisai Shimbun Winter 2010

A quarterly newsletter of the Japan America  
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## Upcoming Events

### Winter Events and Matsuri 2011

#### 新年会 **Shin'nen Kai, Sunday January 9**

Join us for a fun filled pot-luck welcome to the Year of The Rabbit (Usagi-doshi) on Sunday, January 9, 2011 from noon until 2 PM. The party will be held at the JASV offices at Fort Ethan Allen.

March 27, 2011. Sunday. JASV Matsuri at the Ross Sports Center at St. Michael's College, Colchester, Vermont. 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

#### 民芸 **Mingei of Tottori**

The very popular Mingei of Tottori folk art exhibit continues its successful tour of Vermont. If you have any chance at all, please visit. This collection is sponsored by Tottori Prefectural Government and co-sponsored by Japan America Society of Vermont.

In January, it will be visiting the Asian Cultural Center of Vermont in Brattleboro. ACCVT is located at 814 Western Avenue (Rt. 9), Brattleboro, VT. Contact: Adam Silver (802) 579-9088. Programs at the Asian Cultural Center of Vermont are supported by the Vermont Arts Council and National Endowment for the Arts.

In February, the exhibit will be visiting the UVM Davis Center, from Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup> through Monday, February 28, in the Litvak Fireplace Lounge. An opening reception, with refreshments will be either Wed. Feb. 9 or Thursday, Feb. 10. This exhibit is in conjunction with the Shadows of the Samurai: Japanese Warrior Traditions at the UVM Fleming Museum which continues through May 11, 2011.

## 鳥取 Tottori Exchange Visit with GATP

Tottori-Vermont Youth Environmental Leadership Program developed by Green Across the Pacific (GAT) continues into its second year. In the program, students from Harwood and Mt. Abe pair with Tottori students to develop plans for affordable, green housing units.

Last March thirteen high school students, two university students and five adults from Tottori, Japan, visited Harwood and Mount Abraham Union High Schools for a program centered on Environmental Leadership. This April, Vermont students will travel to Tottori to continue the projects. The Vermont students will have opportunities to homestead with a Japanese high school student's family, learn about the nature and culture of Tottori prefecture, and visit Tokyo and Kyoto.

To learn about about this program and join in supporting it, students, families and friends at Harwood Union High School may contact Tedin Lange [[lange@harwood.org](mailto:lange@harwood.org)], and students at Mount Abraham Union High School may contact Bruce Babbitt [ [b.babbitt52@comcast.net](mailto:b.babbitt52@comcast.net) ] or Gabe Hamilton [[gghamilton@anesu.org](mailto:gghamilton@anesu.org)]

## Membership Reminder

Just a reminder. JASV memberships run on a calendar year basis and are currently due.

## Board Meetings

Second Wednesday of the month - 6:30 pm  
The JASV board meetings are in the JASV office at 29 Ethan Allen Avenue. Colchester. All are welcome.

**Facebook:** JASV is on Facebook, join our community page at [facebook.com/jasv.org](http://facebook.com/jasv.org) .

## Matsuri 2009 – Sunday, March 27, 2011

We are now in the planning stages for our biannual Matsuri Festival on (Sunday) March 27, 2011 at the Ross Sports Center at St. Michael's College, Colchester, Vermont. The hours are 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

This year will feature several new stage presentations, an expanded food center, participatory booths and demonstrations, as well as special visitors from Tottori ! If you know of a vendor or exhibitor who would like to participate in Matsuri, please have them contact the Matsuri chair, Larry Solt, [l.solt@burlingtontelecom.net](mailto:l.solt@burlingtontelecom.net) .

## Image and Haiku.

The cover: Mori Seihan, Chief Abbot of Kiyomizu writes "Sho", the Kanji of the Year for 2010 (Yomiuri, <http://j.mp/ifGIDX>). The haiku is by JASV member Michiko Oishi ([oishi@comcast.com](mailto:oishi@comcast.com)). She has published a book of haiku (17 syllable) and tanka (31 syllable) poems, entitled *Akasatana Akasakana (Red Fish Alphabet)*:

no hot spring  
here  
but in my bath  
a singing child  
with soft skin

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