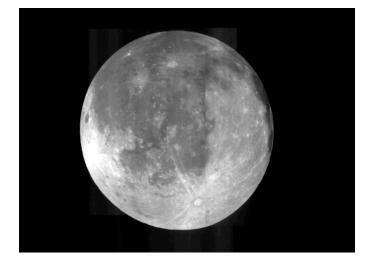
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Tsukimi Moon Viewing

JASV Moon Viewing Potluck Party Saturday, October 8, 6:30 PM Dorset Park, South Burlington

Tsukimi - A Moon Watching Party (Saturday, October 8)

JASV will host a potluck Tsukimi moon viewing on Saturday, October 8, from 6:30 PM until 9:30 PM at or near the Cairns arena in South Burlington's Dorset Park, at Swift and Dorset Streets,600 Swift St, South Burlington for the moon viewing. Bring a snack to share, and we'll watch the moon grow - and maybe even catch a view of an **aurora, satellites, or other astronomical treats. (Google map:** http://g.co/maps/c8cj2

Nihongo - Japanese Language Classes begin October 4th and 6th.

The Japan-America Society of Vermont (JASV) is happyy to offer Japanese language lessons. Beginning Japanese Language Classes, Levels 1 and 2, will be held on the campus of St. Michael's College and start on October 4th (Tuesdays, Level 2) and October 6th (Thursdays, Level 1), continuing for 10 sessions. There will be a break at Thanksgiving week. Class time is 7:00-8:30 p.m. The fee for the course is \$195. (A special discount is available for students who have one or both of the texts or would like to continue with their previous kana learning method.) For registration contact: Larry Solt, [l.solt (at) burlingtontelecom.net] For more information visit the JASV language page -http://jasv.org/language/

Japanese Film Series (4 evenings)

Organized by Japan Foundation's New York office, this year's film series is devoted to introducing young female actresses from the film released in the 2000's: Harmful Insect, Kamikaze Girls, Yunagi City Sakura Country and One Million Yen Girl. The remaining films are "Harmful Insect," October 12; "One Million Yen Girl," October 26, and "Yunagi City, Sakura County," November 9. All screenings are free and open to the public. For more information contact Judy Olinick, olinick@middlebury.edu (802) 443-5532.

Bakuretsucon (October 20 - 23)

Bakuretsucon at the Hampton Inn and Conference Center, Colchester, Vermont (I-89 Exit 16) is a fan based anime convention, featuring everything an anime fan could look for: Vendors, Artists Alley, Panels, Workshops, Hall Cosplay Contest, Cosplay Chess, Import Video Games, Guests, Game Shows, Board Gaming area, a Japanese Cafe, Manga library, and more ... http://bakuretsucon.org/

"One day Consulate Office"

(Friday, November 5, 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM) The Japanese Consulate General in Boston will be offering a "One day Consulate Office" in the JASV office on Friday, November 5, from 10:30 am until 1:00 pm. This visit provides a very helpful and convenient way for Japanese citizens to conduct official business and chat with the Consule General. Several of the forms that may be needed are available at the bottom of this page, see below. (Google map: http://g.co/maps/qcz94)

Vermont International Festival (Friday to Sunday, December 2-4, 2011)

The Vermont International Festivaal, a celebration of crafts and cultures, with food, dance, & music from around the world, will be held at the Champlain Valley Exposition, Route 15/Pearl Street, Essex Junction, Vermont. The Festival runs the whole weekend, with a special school program on Friday, December 2. For more details, see the website at vermontinternationalfestival.com or visit their Facebook page at http://tinyurl.com/45x6mpd

In the News: Douglas Brooks, Boat Builder

The Japan Times for Saturday, September 17th, has a feature article on Vermonter Douglas Brooks and his work with traditional craftsmen throughout Japan to preserve traditional boat-building arts. The article can be found at http://goo.gl/GteGX The article highlights his work on the Okinawan sabani. More information about Brooks can be found at www.douglasbrooksboatbuilding.com.

Resources Recent Books on Japan

McKinsey and Company, *Reimagining Japan, The Quest for a Future That Works*. 80 Global Insights. VisMedia, San Francisco, 2011. More than 80 essays dealing with the questions facing Japan and, consequently, the rest of the world. ISBN-10: 1-4215-4086-X

Quakebook.Org, 2:46 — Aftershocks: Stories from the Japan Earthquake, A Twittersourced charity book about how the Japanese Earthquake at 2:46 on March 11, 2011 affected us all. Enhanced Editions, 2011. Available via Quakebook.org for free download (PDF, Amazon Kindle, B&N Nook), or in paperback.

Jeff Kingston, Editor, *Tsunami: Japan's Post-Fukushima Future*, an ebooked produced by Foreign Policy Magazine, published by The Slate Group, a Division of the Washington Post, New York, 2011. Available as a free PDF at ForeignPolicy.Com, or as a Kindle book at Amazon.Com. Proceeds from the sale of the book go to the Japan Society's Tsunami Relief Fund.

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.

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