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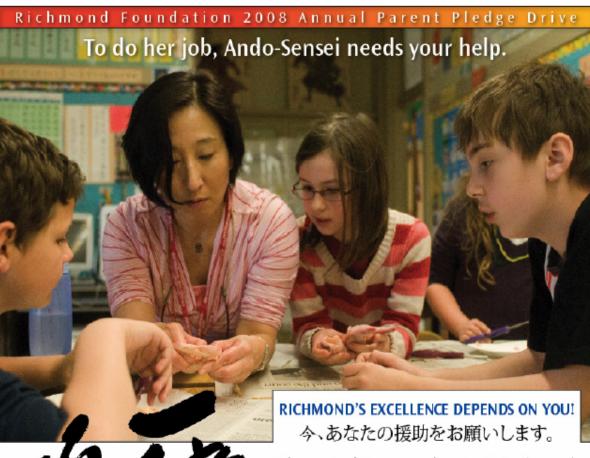
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"Mixed grades will have a severe impact on students' academic growth next year for sure. All the teachers in Richmond are VERY dedicated and willing to sacrifice their own time to give the best practice, developed over the past 20 years, to our students. In case we need to adopt 4th and 5th grade mixed grade classes due to the lack of adequate funding to add another teacher to 4th or 5th grade level, we must let something go— it could be Japanese language, Math & Science, English & Social Studies? We want our students to learn as much as possible in their school day. Foundation needs donations from our Richmond families. Please give any amount today." ~ Ando Sensei

Together we can do it!

Issho ni
Ganbarou!

Without your support, we will not be able to fund all four 4th and 5th grade teachers. Please donate \$295 to the Annual Richmond Foundation Parent Pledge Drive now.







Richmond Foundation 2008 Annual Parent Pledge Drive

RICHMOND'S EXCELLENCE DEPENDS ON YOU!

今、あなたの援助を お願いします。



- You send your children to Richmond to give them an above average education... this requires an above average participation.
- Richmond has smaller class sizes and lower student: teacher ratio than other schools because you fund an extra teacher every year.
- Every year, Richmond Foundation asks all families to give the equivalent of one's month's K tuition. We all paid this every month in kindergarten...we can do it just once this spring too.
- We need every family to donate \$295 to reach our goal to fund one teacher. Any size gift, big or small!
- This year, if we do not reach this goal, our 4th and 5th grade will have to combine.
- For ongoing and in-depth information about the Richmond School Foundation's efforts, please read the shinbun every week at www.richmondjmp.org/ newsletters.html, keep your eyes out for listserve mailings, and talk with Richmond Foundation representatives.

The entire staff supports this effort!

Our 4th grade Japanese teacher Ando Sensei says: "Mixed grades will have a severe impact on our students' academic growth next year." Please give one month of K tuition (\$295.00).

Participation from every family matters!

Together we can do it! Issho ni Ganbarou!



Donation form on reverse side.

Richmond Elementary School – Japanese Immersion Program Richmond Foundation Donation Form

There are three simple ways to give – (1) personal check or (2) online by credit card or (3) using credit card from you can mail in. Use whichever way works best for you. And remember your donation is tax deductible.

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Thank you very much for supporting our terrific program!

RICHMOND PARENT PLEDGE DRIVE - THANK YOU DONORS!

"An investment in knowledge pays the best interest." Benjamin Franklin

The Richmond Foundation would like to gratefully acknowledge the many parents, families, friends, staff and businesses who have generously contributed their money, time, and effort to the Richmond Parent Pledge Drive. Every effort has been made to list all contributions accurately from July 1, 2007 thru the beginning of this week. We continuously update this list each week. It is up to date as of May 7th, 2008. If, however, an error has been made, please accept our apologies and notify Tim Gooding (timjgooding@aol.com). Also if you would like to be removed from the PSF (Portland Schools Foundation) mailing list please e-mail Tim as well.

Thank you Richmond Community! You are helping keep our school exceptional!

NAME

Ando, Takeshi & Atsuko

Anonymous

Amano, Shigeki & Kaora

Andrews, Mike & Mueller, Jacqueline

Barber, Duane & Brackbill, Lise

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Gefroh, Julie & Brian Gibbs, Gregory & Kyoko Golden, John & Lull, Laura

Goldfarb, Teresa

Gooding, Dale & Claudia

(grandparents)

Gooding, Tim & Tam, Sara

Green, Veronica

Gregor, Jennifer & David Grimm, Peter & Lauren Gunderson, Cindy & Artie

Hagg, Daniel Hardy, Jeff & Yuko Heming, Karie Hinkle, Stephanie

Hoesly, Fred & Mae (grandparents)

Hrastar, Chas & Kathy

Hutson, Kim

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Jones, Clinton & Keiko Kaliszewski, Jeanne and Joe Kennedy, Shelly & Yackley, Eric

Kisinger, Michelle Klinger, Dustin & Mary Knutson, Jami & Jonathan

Kott, Gregory & Richardson, Bonnie

Kott, Phyllis (grandparent) Leffel, Ryan & Ridenour, Dawn

Little, Jody & Stephen
Luers, William & Katie
Malone, William & Catherine
Matsumura, Andrea & Martin
Matsushima, Meg & Matt
Matsushima, Yoji & Martha
Mays, Sally & Head, Robert
McGee, Mikael & Jolene
Miyaishi, Tomoaki & Marie

Mark

Olenich, Mark & Harumi Osborne, Barbara & Hart, Jon

Paisner, Jonah

Peters, Doug & O'Brien, Colleen

Munro, Suzanne & McGranaghan,

Pifher, Jim

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Potter, Amanda & Gutmann, Steve Powers, Morgan & Kai, Mary Ptasinski, Emily & George Reents, Brad & Yoshiko

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Shapiro, Manya Shawen, Richard

Sherrill, Carrie & Coonradt, Pete

Sinclair, Anne & Robert

Skiles, Paul

Skoog, Ann & Erik

Slyman, Jean (grandparent)

Slyman, Mike & Cathy

Smith, Douglas & Fujiwara, Ritsuko

Smith, Tim & Paula

Stephens, Sarah (Dinner Voila) Shaw, Skip & Renshaw, Barb Sweet. Shannon & Robert

Taber, Ruth Reitz (great-grandparent)

Tam, Reba & Milton
Thomas, Rand & Amy
Thorp, Micah & Nicole
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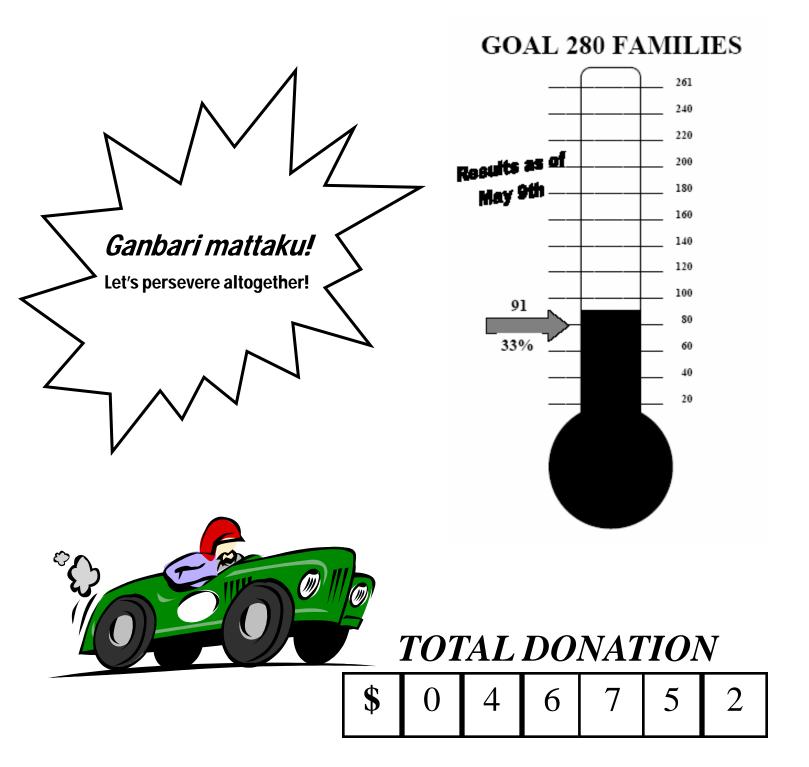
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Richmond Foundation Results



Introducing the Intern Class of 2008-09



Naoko Iwasaki

Grade/Class: 1st grade with Mishina-sensei

Teacher Training: Kobe Shinwa Women's University; BS in psychology with certification

to teach Japanese language

Hometown: Kobe, Japan

Professional Goal: to be a teacher of Japanese language in her hometown of Kobe

Hobbies & Interests: walking, hiking, travel, sports of all kinds, photography and painting

with watercolor



Landon Arisu

Grade/Class: 1st grade with Uchida-sensei

Teacher Training: Sapporo International University; BS in elementary education

Hometown: Sapporo, Japan

Professional Goal: to be an elementary class-

room teacher of Japanese

Hobbies & Interests: cooking, baking, travel,

playing the piano and tennis

Prior Portland Visit: spent six weeks in Port-

land in 2006

Special Note: The next three pages give you a glimpse of the new Richmond interns for pre-school through grade 3. Currently, grades 4-5 do not have full-time interns, but this will change as early as next week. Here's how:

- The intern at Grant High School will spend one-half of each day at Richmond and eliminate her support for Grant's beginner's Japanese course which serves the general school population, not JMP students. This change will begin in the next few weeks.
- Kindergarten interns will move to grades 4-5 in September when new bilingual aides are hired to serve kindergarten.



Maiko Handa

Grade/Class: PreK

Teacher Training: Tokyo Seitoku College; BS in pre-school

and kindergarten education

Hometown: Saitama City, Japan

Professional Goal: to be a an early childhood classroom teacher and improve her understanding of immersion education

Hobbies & Interests: play the piano and flute, origami paper

folding



Fumi Kodama

Grade/Class: PreK

Teacher Training: Kobe Shinwa Women's Univer-

sity; BS and MS in education

Hometown: Okayama City, Japan

Professional Goal: to be a an elementary classroom teacher and improve her understanding of immersion

education

Hobbies & Interests: basketball and dance



Miyuki Sano

Grade/Class: 3rd grade with Hirahara-sensei

Teacher Training: BS in education from Miyagi Univer-

sity

Hometown: Miyagi, Japan

Professional Goal: to be a an elementary classroom

teacher of English language

Hobbies & Interests: international travel, study of English



Aya Yamanouchi

Grade/Class: 2nd grade with Mogi-sensei

Teacher Training: Reitsumeikan

Hometown: Kyoto, Japan

Professional Goal: to be a an elementary classroom teacher of English

and Japanese

Hobbies & Interests: play the piano, calligraphy and travel throughout

the world

Mika Ido

Grade/Class: Kindergarten with Yoshida-sensei

Teacher Training: Kobe Shinwa Women's University

Hometown: Kobe, Japan

Professional Goal: to be a an elementary classroom teacher of English

and Japanese

Hobbies & Interests: cooking and going to the movies





Sayo Kondo

Grade/Class: Kindergarten with Amy-sensei

Teacher Training: Bunkyo University

Hometown: Kyoto, Japan

Professional Goal: to be a an elementary classroom teacher of Eng-

lish and Japanese

Hobbies & Interests: dance, volleyball, swimming, reading books

and seeing movies

Photography exhibit by M. Nakamura, Richmond parent, on display at the Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center May 9– Aug. 31

To honor and pay tribute to Oregon Nisei Veterans, Motoya Nakamura, a photographer for *The Oregonian*, created five special portraits of 442nd RCT veterans John Murakami, Roy Maeda, Joe Onchi, Art Iwasaki, and Kazuo Fujii for the article "Fighting Prejudice on Two Fronts" (*Living*, Sunday, November 7, 2004). Please join us for an exhibition of these important and artistic photographs. Motoya's vision and masterful technique created memorable works of art that honor and pay respect to these, and all, of Oregon's Nisei veterans. Accompanying the exhibit will be special artifacts from the Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center collection.

The 442nd Regimental Combat Team of the U.S. Army served with distinction during World War Two. A Japanese American unit, the 442nd RCT was the most heavily decorated unit for its size and length of service in U.S. military history. Soldiers enlisted or were drafted, many from internment camps, and served their country with distinction, many fighting in heavy combat in the European theater while their families were incarcerated in the United States. Members of the 442nd were liberators at Dachau concentration camp in Germany. Members of the MIS, the Military Intelligence Service, served in the Pacific theater as translators and interrogators. The Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center is proud to honor and celebrate the contributions and service of all of the Oregon Nisei Veterans who served their country with honor and extraordinary bravery.

"The motto of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team was 'go for broke.' It's a gambling term that means risking every-



thing on one great effort to win big. The soldiers of the 442nd needed to win big. They were Nisei - American-born sons of Japanese immigrants. They fought two wars: the Germans in Europe and the prejudice in America...

"The 442nd Regimental Combat Team was the most decorated unit for its size and length of service, in the entire history of the U.S. Military. The 4,000 men who initially came in April 1943 had to be replaced nearly 3.5 times. In total, about 14,000 men served, ultimately earning 9,486 Purple Hearts, 21 Medals of Honor and an unprecedented eight Presidential Unit Citations."

Photos: John Murakami, Roy Maeda, © Motoya Nakamura/The Oregonian

About the artist: Motoya Nakamura was born in Nagoya, Japan, and came to the United States two decades ago after falling in love with J.D. Salinger's *Catcher in the Rye*. He saved money by teaching windsurfing ("because I do not have to wear a tie") and enrolled in the School of Journalism at the University of Missouri where he studied documentary photography. He has been working as a newspaper photographer ever since: "Working for newspapers gave me tickets to unknown worlds everyday."

In 2000, Motoya joined the staff at *The Oregonian*, and lives in Portland with his wife and two sons. The article produced in 2004: "Fighting Prejudice on Two Fronts" published his photographs of Oregon Nisei veterans:

"I, as a new wave of Issei, started this project to document and know the Japanese-American history in the first hand. The complexity of the Japanese-American history during WWII overwhelmed me to the point when I could not take it sometimes but people's courage to face it touched me tremendously at the same time. Most of the Japanese-American WWII veterans belonged to the US Army 442nd Regimental Combat Team that were widely acknowledged to be the US Military's most decorated unit for its size and length of service. I believe that my duty as an Issei photographer is to record and honor their courage in the most difficult time in Japanese-American history for the future generation."

— Motoya Nakamura

Exhibit hours: Tuesday - Saturday 11 am to 3 pm, Sundays noon to 3 pm. Admission is \$3 (free for Friends of the Legacy Center).



We are pleased to host our Third Annual Spring Festival which is sponsored by Richmond PTA. This family event celebrates the Japanese Magnet Program in Portland by inviting and educating the community in a full day of contemporary and traditional Japanese Activities, Food, Music, Demonstrations and Performances along with participation from representatives of citywide Japanese organizations. Drawing on Richmond School's strong ties to Japan and to Portland's Japanese community, the event will provide a rich and authentic array of offerings. Local Japanese restaurants and churches will be represented at the Festival which will provide a wide selection of sweet and savory foods.

The Japanese Magnet Program is now in its 18th year and we want to share with the broader community the cultural experiences and friendships we have developed over these years. We are delighted to enter Spring with a Portland festival that will be fun for children, families and participants of all ages. There is no admission fee for the Festival. Small participation fees will be charged for some of the activities.

please inquire about:
sponsorship opportunities
volunteer opportunities
vendor booths (hard goods & food)
exhibitor & demonstrator booths
performance slots

..... and back by popular demand, our Iron Chef Competition hosted by Mr. Junki Yoshida!

For more information, contact Meg Matsushima at 503.335.7777 megmatsushima@comcast.net -or- Kim Tanada at 503.804.9991 ktanada@verizon.net.

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News from Richmond's Parent Teacher Association

Kristina Kallen Kim Tanada Mika Obara Sonciray Bonnell Yoko Sato

President Vice President Treasurer Secretary Special Events

School Board/District Communication

We still have no word from our school district response letter sent last Friday, May 2. As soon as we receive a response, we will notify you. Thanks for your continued support!

Healthy Meals Committee/Recyclable Cafeteria Trays

With all the events, activities, and district involvement at Richmond, our Healthy Meals Committee has been at a stand still for a few months and we would like to reenergize this committee. Fortunately, Julie Gefroh, first grade parent, has been working with AmeriCorps volunteer, Cassidy Sullivan, to get Richmond involved in a pilot program for recyclable cafeteria trays beginning in the fall. We really appreciate Julie's followthrough and dedication to making Richmond move toward becoming a green school. Thanks Julie and all the members of the Healthy Meals Committee for hanging in there during our lull.

PTA Secretary Position Open/Assistant Treasurer Filled

Our PTA board met on Tuesday night and our faithful, dedicated secretary, Sonciray Bonnell, has decided to run for Vice President. That leaves the position of secretary open. If you are interested in this position, please contact Kristina Kallen at kmk456@comcast.net. Also, first-grade parent Michelle Fusak has offered to run for Assistant Treasurer. Michelle and Mika will be great partners and we are so excited to have her join the team!

ZAKKAYA is accepting donations of the following items to be sold at our Spring Festival.

1. Gently used children's clothes for special occasions

Just drop them off in the box in the volunteer room.

2. Tiny toys

Just drop them off in the box by Rich Coffee ladies.



3. Crafts, artwork

Contact Emi Avondstondt (<u>emiandlaur@msn.com</u>) for details.

Arrangements must be made 1 week prior to the festival. No reimbursement for the material cost.

Baked goods (cookies, pastries, etc)

Contact Emi Avondstondt (<u>emiandlaur@msn.com</u>) for details.

Arrangements must be made 1 week prior to the festival. No reimbursement for the ingredients cost.

Rich Coffee Update



Rich Coffee made over \$750 during April.

All proceeds go to Richmond Foundation.

Thank you, hot cocoa drinkers and muffin eaters!

Fresh Fruit Muffins baked in the morning Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

right by the volunteer room

Emi Avondstondt, Etsuko Austin, Sachiko Nishikido

Buy Coffee in compostable bags to Support Richmond's Elm Trees

Richmond school's 20 American Dutch Elm trees need to be inoculated every 3 years to resist Dutch Elm Disease which can kill the beautiful trees that shade our school grounds. During inoculations in June of 2007, we used 800 microinjections of a fungicide recommended by foresters to protect our trees. The cost per injection was \$3.50 for a total of \$2800. For the next round of inoculations in 2010, prices and shipping costs are expected to be slightly higher.

To raise money for the inoculations, Save Our Elms, a 501c(3) non-profit, partners with Portland Roasting to sell delicious, freshly roasted coffee to the Richmond community. \$4.60 from every bag of regular coffee sold allows us to buy approximately 1.31 microinjectors. (Save Our Elms gets \$5.05 from every bag of decaf coffee, too!) The coffee is delicious, environmentally friendly and costs \$10/pound for regular and \$11/pound for decaf. When you finish your coffee, you can remove the metal tie and put the bag in your compost or bury it in the ground.

If you haven't tried the coffee yet, ground regular coffee is available for purchase in the office. The price is \$10 /pound (checks made to Save Our Elms, please.) You can look in the coffee basket on Patsy's counter for the variety you like and either give your money to Patsy or place it in the box marked "Save Our Elms" on the office front wall. I place orders every Thursday morning at 8 AM for whole bean, decaf, and additional ground coffee. For an order, please fill out an order form (some are usually available on the table in front of the office or on Richmond's website) indicating your coffee choice and whole bean or ground preference and attach payment. (Please note decaf coffee costs \$11.00 a pound.) Coffee from orders will be available in the office by the next afternoon and it will be held in Patsy's coffee drawer just for you. Patsy can retrieve this for you; she is a great supporter of this program. We accept donations as well.

Portland Roasting descriptions:

Totals

All coffees for Richmond are our Farm Friendly™ Direct coffees because as important to us as the quality of our coffee is our social responsibility. We strongly believe that we can make a positive difference in the coffee world through direct, socially responsible coffee sourcing. We pay growers a premium for their coffee with 100% of the premium going to farm and community projects. All of these projects are designed to give back directly to the farmers - furthering the long term sustainable infrastructure.

Ethiopian – Kochere: This coffee is part of Project H.O.P.E., which stands for Hope and Opportunity for the People of Ethiopia. We are helping build a much needed community center for the Ethiopian farming community of Kochere to provide a common meeting place for educational purposes, as well as a vital medical dispensary for the people of Kochere.

French Organic - Certified organic; dark roast

(new) Tanager's Song – an organic blend (Central American and Indonesian certified shade grown coffees), silky-rich and full-bodied with a caramel-like finish.

(new) Papua New Guinea - a single varietal that is passive organic.

Farm Friendly Direct, SWP (Swiss Water Process) French Decaf - directly sourced, chemical free, dark roast.

Farm Friendly Direct, SWP (Swiss Water Process) Morning Decaf - directly sourced, chemical free, light roast.

Please put orders with your checks (made out to SAVE OUR ELMS) in the Save Our Elms mailbox in the school office or contact Mary Klinger at (503) 234-5147 or dustin-mary@comcast.net. For orders submitted by 8:00 AM Thursday, coffee will be available in the office by Friday afternoon. THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!

Save O	ur Elms Coffee Order Form	Date		
Name	Phone	or email		
Coffee	Ground	Whole Bean	Totals	
Ethiopian - Kochere	Olouliu	WIIOIC DOGII	\$10/lb x	lbs = \$
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French Organic				· .
Tanager's Song			\$10/lb x	lbs = \$
Papua New Guinea			\$10/lb x	lbs = \$
SWP French Decaf			\$11/lb x	lbs = \$
SWP Morning Decaf			\$11/lb x	lbs = \$

CALENDAR FOR MAY 9- JUNE 10, 2008



Sat. May 10 Asia Fest at the Oregon Convention Center, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Sun. May 11 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!!

Portland Public Schools

Japanese Magnet Program

Mon. May 12 4th grade field trip to Champoeg State Park, 8:45 AM-1:45 PM

Scrip order day

Wed. May 14 Practice for the Rose Parade, 2:15-3:15 PM

Fri. May 16 Scrip pick-up day

Wed. May 21 Practice for the Rose Parade, 2:15-3:15 PM

Thurs. May 22 Safety Patrol Picnic at Oaks Park

TAG parent meeting at PPS Central Office (501 N. Dixon) at 7-8:30 PM,

Topic: TAG 101 for New Parents

May 24-26 Camp Westwind—Family Retreat sponsored by Oya No Kai

Tues. May 27 Oya No Kai Board meeting at 6:45-9:00 PM at Mt. Tabor

Wed. May 28 Practice for the Rose Parade, 2:15-3:15 PM

Sat. May 31 Spring Festival at Richmond 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Mon. June 2 Scrip order day

Wed. June 4 Junior Rose Festival Parade—Richmond walkers at gathering spot by 12:45 PM (see details on previous page in this issue of the Shinbun)

Thurs. June 5 Art Night & Taiko Concert by Richmond 5th graders at 6:30-8:00 PM

Fri. June 6 Scrip pick-up day

Mon. June 9 FIELD DAY!!!

Tues. June 10 LAST day of school for 2007-08

RICHMOND JAPANESE IMMERSION

Richmond office hours are
7:30 AM—4:00 PM
To reach Patsy Burke, Secretary:
503-916-6220
pburke1@pps.k12.or.us

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