



# The Newsletter

JAPANESE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OF HAWAII



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## President's Message – Ivan Nakano

会長挨拶

As your president, the first few months of 2017 has been an exciting cultural experience that truly makes me appreciate our Hawaii Island community.

As a guest of the Urasenke Hilo Association, we participate in the Hatsudate, New Year's Tea Ceremony and it provided me a total awe inspiring perspective on preparation and enjoying tea.

We had the opportunity to host and enjoy the company of the Chuo University Baseball Team from Japan at the Hawaii Japanese Center with a spaghetti dinner.

It has been a heartwarming experience on having the opportunity to participate in the Shinnenkai Celebrations of the various Kenjinkais in our community such as Fukushima Kenjin Doshi Kai, Yamaguchi Kenjinkai, and Hawaii Shima Niigata Kenjinkai. Hawaii Shima Kumamoto Doshi Kai is celebrating their 90th anniversary and East Hawaii Hiroshima Kenjinkai is celebrating their 50th anniversary. They all have their unique history and the food experience has been superb.



We also had the opportunity to participate in the farewell banquet for Dr. Nobuo and Mrs. Miyako Arimoto of the Subaru Telescope. He was a key catalyst that made Subaru become a part of the Hawaii Island Community.

In the month of April we will host the Shibukawa delegation in their participation with the Merrie Monarch Festival and parade. I believe this year will mark the 20th year for the Merrie Monarch Festival celebration that is held in Shibukawa.

In the month of May, 2017 we have our 4th Annual Nikkei Kigyō Recognition Banquet. This year we are honoring Dodo Mortuary, Inc. founded in 1898 and The Seaside Restaurant founded in 1921.

The JCAH can only be successful with the support and participation of its members. We encourage all of you to come and join us for 2017. So far, it has been a Cockle Doodle Doo Year.

Thank you.

## JCAH Scholarship

奨学金

JCAH is offering two \$1500 scholarships to high school seniors whose interest is primarily in Japanese studies and who intend to pursue a degree at a college or university in the United States or Japan. Post-secondary students formerly from the Big Island may also be considered. Preference is given to an



applicant whose parent or guardian is a member in good standing of the JCAH.

Honorees last year were Jennifer Taniguchi and Mayuko Yoshida. Scholarships were also awarded to Runa Ikeno, Keith Nerida and Fred Visaya, Jr., all of whom are former recipients.

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### Event Calendar

- May 13 – Chigiri-e Class
- May 19 – Nikkei Gikyo Banquet
- Sept. 19 (Tentative) – Kenjinkai Friendship Golf Tournament



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Scholarship applications are available online: <http://jcahawaii.org> or by email: [jcahawaii@yahoo.com](mailto:jcahawaii@yahoo.com)

Application must be postmarked on or before April 14, 2017 and mailed to JCAH, 714 Kanoelehua Ave.,

Suite 202, Hilo, HI 96720 or by email: [jcahawaii@yahoo.com](mailto:jcahawaii@yahoo.com)

Committee members are Karen Maedo, Carolyn Mizuno and Janet Fujioka.



Council member Aaron Chung installing officer.



JCAH Officers and Directors 2017-2018.



Shibukawa delegation with Na Hoku Hanohano winner Mark Yamana at the 20th anniversary celebration of Shibukawa and County of Hawaii sister city relationship.



**Shinnen Enkai and Installation at Hilo Hawaiian Hotel on January 21, 2017**

**Hakubi WASHI CHIGIRI-E 2017 CLASS SCHEDULE**  
 (Instructor Lily Nakao from Oahu)

**May 13**

**10 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Culture & Arts Dept. (Hilo Armory bldg.) 28 Shipman St., Downtown Hilo**

For more info, contact: JCAH at 969-6437 or [jcahawaii@yahoo.com](mailto:jcahawaii@yahoo.com)



Consul General Misawa at our Shinnen Enkai



Presidential transfer from Jan Higashi to Ivan Nakano



Welcome new members who joined since last newsletter

- Laurie Higashi & Mark Schumacher
- Diann Horita
- Kenji & Michelle Kuroshima
- Ella & William Maneely
- James & Tonya Ozone
- Kyle Usui
- Roy Yamamoto