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## OyaNoKai Newsletter

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### 2009-2010 ONK Board

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Members: John Baumgardner, Melissa Gorgon Clark, Kurt Lootens, Teresa Schultz and Alison Walcott

### A Reconciled Budget

Oya no Kai is proud to announce that after a long year, the organization's budget has been reconciled. Many thanks to Julie Nieman for her hard work on this project. We look forward to focusing our time on ways to improve the Japanese Immersion Program. To see the detailed budget, please see the ONK website.

### 2009-2010 Interns

The interns are here. This year there are 11 interns supporting our program. They are:

Chika Koyama	Yuko Kamei	Kazumi Oyu
Nanami Ichimoto	Yuka Amano	Yoko Miyake
Erika Kamata	Maki Hirano	Yukiko Okazaki
Tomoko Koyanagi	Rumiko Kikkawa	

Please introduce yourself to them and help them feel welcome! If you have any questions about the interns, please contact Maya Mori at [maya\\_mori@comcast.net](mailto:maya_mori@comcast.net). If you are interested in hosting an intern, please contact Melissa Gorgon Clark at [mgorgon@yahoo.com](mailto:mgorgon@yahoo.com). Most of the interns are here during the summer. Please consider inviting them to join you family for an outing, dinner or a casual evening at home. This is a great way to show the interns different aspects of American life as well as a good opportunity for you students to practice their Japanese over the summer. Please contact the interns directly. We will be posting their contact information on the ONK website in the coming weeks..

### News from Mt. Tabor

#### Eight grade Reseach Residency

The eight graders had another wonderful trip to Japan. To check out some pictures, visit the exchange website at:

[Research Residency](#)

#### Omiyage Banashi

Everyone is invited to this event where eight graders present the research conducted while they were in Japan this Spring. The event is Thursday, June 4th at 6:00pm in the Mt. Tabor Cafeteria

### News from Grant

Rachel Seeman, a junior at Grant High school was named Rose Princess. Rachel is president of the Junior class , a member of the Grant's National Honor Society, cross-county, swimming and track team.



Congratulations!

### **Seitokai- Grant's Japanese Immersion Student Government- by Nick Budak**

Since November of this year, JIP students from all grades at Grant High School have been meeting in their Japanese classroom on Wednesdays at lunch. Building on the idea of the Oya No Kai, they've created the Seitokai, or council of students - a group dedicated to getting involved in the JIP community from a student perspective at Grant High. Covering a wide variety of JIP experience from freshmen to seniors, the group has representatives from each separate JIP class at Grant, with about a dozen total members. Founded by Grant senior Sean Riley, an active community member, the group's mission is to unite the JIP in high school and promote extracurricular activities that enhance the Japanese language learning process. Recently, they've appeared at Mt. Tabor middle school to encourage students to follow the JIP to Grant, and also at Beverly Cleary school Fernwood campus to teach 3rd graders about Japanese culture. Within the JIP, they organized an effort to make 1000 cranes and take pictures of their classmates holding a "get well soon" banner for a 5-year-old named Kai who recently underwent surgery to remove a brain tumor. In the future, the group is aiming to make themselves heard by the Oya No Kai and Grant administration, in order to offer their opinion on JIP decisions that affect the Grant portion of the JIP. You can contact the members of Grant Seitokai at [grantseitokai@gmail.com](mailto:grantseitokai@gmail.com)

### **Grant Student wins 3rd place in speech contest**

Nick Budak, a junior at Grant High school placed third in the 21st annual Japanese Speech Contest sponsored by the Japanese Consulate. Nick gave an amazing speech about nuclear power. Congratulations, Nick.



### **Camp Westwind**

Camp Westwind filled up in record time. This annual family camp was held on Memorial Day weekend. Many thanks to Jennifer Lootens, Sheryl Keele, Nancy Stone and the many volunteers that made this a successful weekend. We are hoping to have an alternative weekend in the future. If you are interested in helping to plan this event, please contact



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Jennifer Lootens at [jlootens@easystreet.net](mailto:jlootens@easystreet.net)

## 20th Anniversary Celebration Dinner

**Save the Date- November 14, 2009**

To celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Japanese Immersion Program, ONK is organizing a dinner and auction. Details will follow in the coming weeks.

**Sincerely,**

Alison Walcott  
OyaNoKai - Communications Committee

<http://www.oyanokai.org>

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