

# THE RICE PAPER



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TWIN CITIES CHAPTER OF  
THE JAPANESE AMERICAN  
CITIZENS LEAGUE

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## HELP WANTED

**HELP WANTED:** Margo Liefstedt, a speech therapist, is looking for a volunteer to visit a Japanese American

resident in an assisted living community in Minnetonka. The resident has an interest in connecting with a volunteer who would be willing to visit with her every once in a while to allow her to stay connected to the Japanese American Community as there are no other Japanese American residents living there. If interested, contact Margo at 507-351-4705.



## SAVE THE DATE!

JACL picnic will be held on  
Sunday, August 11



## Twin Cities Buddhist Association

Service Schedule 2013

Sunday services are held at 10:00 am at the  
Midtown YWCA

2121 East Lake Street, Minneapolis, MN

*Please check in at the front desk and the staff will direct you  
to the room.*

April 28

June 16

July 21

September 15

November 10

Find more information at: [www.tcbuddhist.org](http://www.tcbuddhist.org)

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## FESTIVAL OF NATIONS VOLUNTEERS

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**The Festival of Nations is coming up, Thursday, May 2 through Sunday, May 5!**

We will be having a sales booth as in previous years and are bringing back the origami and ribbon fish demonstration booth this year too. We are trying out a new layout to have the demonstration booth combined with the sales booth. This will make it easier to shift volunteers between the booths and hopefully help bring in more customers.

This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we appreciate all of your help. We are looking for volunteers for the following jobs and times:

### Sales People Description:

Add up purchased items, take cash and make change without a cash register, and restock display tables. Items for sale include decorations, toys, crafts, kitchen items, and other trinkets.

### Demonstrator Description:

Teach kids and adults how to make a simple origami dog or cat, or a medium frog or crane. Instructions and materials for these projects will be provided. This is a great opportunity for younger members to learn teaching and communication skills.

### Thursday, May 2

- 8:00-12:00 3 Sales people 2 Demonstrators
- 12:00-3:00 3 Sales people 1 Demonstrator

### Friday, May 3

- 9:30-2:00 3 Sales people 2 Demonstrators
- 2:00-6:00 3 Sales people 1 Demonstrator
- 6:00-10:00 3 Sales people 1 Demonstrator

### Saturday, May 4

- 10:00-2:00 3 Sales people 1 Demonstrator
- 2:00-6:00 3 Sales people 1 Demonstrator
- 6:00-10:00 3 Sales people 1 Demonstrator

### Sunday, May 5

- 10:00-2:00 2 Sales people 1 Demonstrator
- 2:00-6:00 3 Sales people 1 Demonstrator



All volunteers will be given an admission ticket and a parking pass for the day.

If you are interested in volunteering, please let Jenny Olsen know which day, time slot, and job you're interested in.

[jenny.monchichi@gmail.com](mailto:jenny.monchichi@gmail.com)

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Submitted by Jenny Olsen

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RICK SHIOMI

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The chapter sponsored an exclusive event, inviting members to attend a special meet and greet with play director Rick Shiomi followed a showing of the play, *Yellow Fever*, at the Guthrie Theater. Guests had the chance to learn about Mr. Shiomi's background and insights into the play that was originally written nearly 30 years ago. Thank you to all of those that were able to attend and support Rick on his latest venture!



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## OBITUARY

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### Obituary - Fujiko Sugimoto Kitagawa

Mrs. Kitagawa was born May 1, 1923, in San Francisco, California. Her education at University of California at Berkeley was interrupted when Japanese Americans were sent to detention centers. She later attended Heidelberg College (Ohio) until she married the Reverend Daisuke Kitagawa. They lived in Minneapolis, Minnesota; Chicago, Illinois; Leonia, New Jersey; and Geneva, Switzerland.

Fujiko served as Executive Secretary to the Executive Vice President, United Church Board of World Ministries, in New York, until 1996, first with Reverend Dr. David M. Stowe and then with Reverend Scott S. Libbey. She moved to Chevy Chase, Maryland, to be near her growing grandchildren after retiring. She then moved to Tucson, Arizona, in 2009, to be near her son.

Fujiko is survived by her son, the Reverend John Kitagawa (Kathy); grandchildren, Katie Lantzsch (Jake), David Berlin, and their father, Jeffrey Berlin.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, January 12, 2013, at St. Philip's in the Hills Episcopal Church, in Tucson, Arizona.

Messages of condolence may be sent to Reverend John Kitagawa, c/o St. Philip's in the Hills Episcopal Church, 4440 N Campbell Ave Tucson, AZ 85718, [johnkitagawa@comcast.net](mailto:johnkitagawa@comcast.net).

At the family's request, memorial gifts can be made to St. Philip's Church. Gifts also can be made to Global Ministries, 700 Prospect Avenue East, Cleveland, Ohio 44115-1100.



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