

J T A M J O U R N A L

Fall 2005 Edition

JTAM Membership Dues

The deadline for membership dues is October 15th. Remember that to bring teams to Japan Bowl you must be a paid member of JTAM and complete at least one task! Please fill out the attached membership registration form and send it to Karen Kaczmarek no later than October 15th. No late dues will be accepted!

Japan Bowl 2006

With the help of Jane Ozanich and CJS, Japan Bowl 2006 will be held in Ann Arbor again on Saturday, March 18th, 2006. There have been some changes to the format of this year's Japan Bowl that you should be aware of.

We have decided to hold Japan Bowl on March 18th to coincide with the annual Japan Culture Festival sponsored by U-M's Japan Students' Association. So, there will not be organized cultural events taking place during and between competitions at Japan Bowl. This will allow us to focus on the competitions themselves in the morning and then make the afternoon available for teams to visit the festival.

There will still be poster, cultural display, and T-shirt contests as well as vendors at Japan Bowl. There will also be a cap on the number of teams that can compete this year. More details about this will be sent with the registration pack. Last, the cost per team was raised to \$35 for the first team and \$15 for each additional team. The registration packets will be mailed by late November with all the changes and details outlined.

In the meantime if you have questions please contact Japan Bowl Chair, Jane Ozanich at the Center for Japanese Studies. Her e-mail is jozanich@umich.edu.

Japanese Teachers Association of Michigan (JTAM)

Membership Application 2005-06

Membership is open to current/future teachers of Japanese at all levels of Michigan schools and others interested in the promotion and development of Michigan Japanese programs.

Membership Benefits include:

- * Newsletter (*JTAM Journal*) and professional development activities/networking
- * Participation in JTAM-sponsored activities, such as Michigan Japan Bowl

To join:

Please return this completed form **by October 15th**, with a check made payable to: **JTAM**, to:

Ms. Karen Kaczmarek, Treasurer
19050 Canterbury Livonia, MI 48152
(Telephone: 248-473-9479)

Name: _____ School: _____

Home Address: _____ School Address: _____

Phone/fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Membership Category: (check one)

_____ Individual Member (JTAM and NCJLT - \$25/yr.)

_____ Student Member (JTAM only - \$10/yr.)

ID#: _____ at _____ University

The JTAM Journal:

The JTAM Journal will be sent via e-mail only starting this fall. If you previously received the journal by mail or have a new e-mail address, please list your e-mail address below: _____

I agree to help complete the following task(s) for Japan Bowl* (rank your top 3 preferences):

_____ mailings (invitations, rules, etc.)

_____ competition set-up

_____ refreshments for judges & volunteers

_____ clean-up

_____ prizes, gifts, & trophies

_____ registration/check-in

_____ event photos/videos/publicity

_____ other:

*If you prefer to work in a cluster of teachers/coaches from your area, please indicate which geographic cluster: _____ Lansing _____ Garden City _____ Ann Arbor/Ypsi _____ Utica/Clarkston _____ Livonia/W.Blmfld. _____ Battle Creek/Kzoo _____ other:

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