



Nanka Yamaguchi Kenjinkai Newsletter



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Join Us at Our Annual Picnic!

Sunday, June 12, 2016

Our annual picnic is coming up fast! We hope you and your family and friends can join us for a fun day in the sun.

When: Sunday, June 12, 2016
(1 week before Father's Day)

Where: George Elder Park
1950 Wilcox (corner of Elmgate)
Monterey Park

Time: 11:30 AM Start

The park is easy to find, has plenty of parking, jungle gyms for the kiddies, and tennis courts (the tennis courts are on a first-come, first-serve basis).

We'll have races for the kids and adults, Karaoke, face-painting, prizes and much, much more!

For those who don't want to cook, Japanese bento lunch boxes are available for purchase. Please put in your order **by Monday, June 6.**



Order Bento Boxes for Picnic Now!

If you prefer a more traditional Japanese bento to enjoy at the picnic, pre-order a bento at \$10 per box. Call:

Japanese Yoshiko Kishimoto (626) 287-8600
English Arlene Nakamura (626) 281-6548

— PLACE YOUR ORDER BY MONDAY, JUNE 6 —

2016 NYK Scholarship Applications



Scholarship applications are **NOW AVAILABLE** to graduating high school seniors who are descendants of Yamaguchi-Ken.

This year's forms are computer fillable which may be a preferable way to complete the documents. The forms can also be filled out by hand.

You can find the scholarship application forms on our Facebook page at [Yamaguchi-Kenjinkai-Los Angeles](#) or by contacting:

Scholarship Chairperson: **Arlene Nakamura**
Email: arlenenakamura@gmail.com
Phone: 626.281.6548

**ALL COMPLETED FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY
JUNE 1, 2016**

The winner(s) will be awarded their scholarships at our annual picnic on Sunday, June 12, 2016. ///

Donation Tickets for Picnic Prizes

Tickets for prizes to be given out at our annual picnic were mailed out to our member body in April. Sales of tickets at \$2.00 each is our annual fundraiser and proceeds help support our events throughout the year. If you did not receive tickets, please let us know.

You'll have a chance to win prizes, including the top prizes of \$500, \$200 and \$100. Winners of prizes must be present, but cash prize winners need not be present.

Tickets must be received **NO LATER THAN MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2016** or bring them with you to the picnic.

Tickets for purchase will also be available at the picnic.

Your support is greatly appreciated! ///

Let us know if you have news to share!
Contact Arlene Nakamura at arlenenakamura@gmail.com
or Aki Vaughn at aki@vaughnlawoffice.com / 562-234-5702.

NYK Member News

Catherine Sanchez, the daughter of **Miko (Igawa)** and **Rick Sanchez**, was recently honored by the Palomares League as one of five students at Glendora High School to receive the "2016 Outstanding Senior" award. To qualify for this prestigious award, students must excel in scholarship, community service, leadership and a variety of extracurricular activities. She is pictured on the right with her high school swim coach, **Janet Pollard**.



Catherine was also honored on May 15th by the U.S. Swimming Organization as one of the top 10 swimmers in California. *Gambare, Catherine!*



Lora Nakamura
with
KTLA5 reporter,
Lynette Romero.

NYK member, **Lora Nakamura**, was recently interviewed on KTLA5's April 29th Morning Newscast as one of the artists participating in the Jackalope Art Fair in Pasadena (April 30th & May 1st).

Lora creates tee-shirts, greeting cards, and art prints with messages of empowerment and reaching one's true potential. The characters are from her book, The Bonsai Babes. Check out her artwork on:

<https://www.facebook.com/thebonsaibabes>

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Like Us on Facebook



Yamaguchi-Kenjinkai-Los Angeles

The Nanka Yamaguchi Kenjinkai Facebook page, created and administered by **Steven** and **Millie Tani**, is not only loaded with information about past and upcoming NYK events, photos and newsletters, but also features the latest news about Yamaguchi, Japan and the Nikkei community. Check it out for more photos from the February 21st New Year's Luncheon. ///

Questions? Suggestions? Comments?

Email us at
Nanka.Yamaguchi.Kenjinkai@gmail.com

Please add this to your email accounts so that correspondence from NYK does not end up in your Spam folder. Write to us if you have any questions, suggestions or requests. Thank you!

NYK Web Site is Up & Running!

Nanka Yamaguchi Kenjinkai has an official web site thanks to NYK Member, **Bruce Thompson**, who is the creator and administrator of the site. The website address is:

<http://yamaguchi-usa.org>

With a web site and Facebook page, Nanka Yamaguchi Kenjinkai will be able to further its reach to current and potential members.

Thank you, Bruce, for your generosity!

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Nanka Yamaguchi Kenjinkai website. It features a navigation bar with links: Welcome, About Us, New Years, Newsletters, and Contact Us. A sidebar on the left includes a map of Los Angeles and the organization's name in Japanese. The main content area contains a table with organizational details:

The Nanka Yamaguchi Kenjinkai is a non-profit organization. It is recognized by law under the 501(c)(3) provisions of the U.S. tax code.	
Start Date	Founded in 1905
Address	Los Angeles, California
Short Description	This association is for those who were born in Yamaguchi Prefecture, Japan, their descendants and those who agree with the ideas of the organization.
Long Description	President - Arturo Yoshimoto Vice President - Millie Tani Secretary - Aki Fukuhara-Vaughn Treasurer - Naomi Suenaka
Mission	To maintain close relationship with Yamaguchi Prefecture and other related organizations. To provide friendship and harmony among the members. To promote mutual assistance and educational support of members, thereby contributing to the public welfare.

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