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NEWSLETTER

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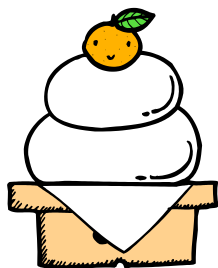
Eden Japanese Community Center (EJCC)
710 Elgin St. | San Lorenzo, CA | 94580

EDEN ATHLETIC CLUB and the COMMUNITY

It's Mochitsuki Time!!

Saturday, December 10

Eden Japanese Community Center



Mochi, or rice cake, is essential to the Oshogatsu or New Year's celebration. The pounding of steamed mochigome or sweet glutinous rice to make mochi is called Mochitsuki. In earlier times, both in Japan and within the Japanese-American community, friends and family would gather together to pound the New Year's mochi. Mochitsuki is an all day event, which requires many hands, long hours, and physical labor, but it is also a time of fellowship and socializing. This is part of our community service for the benefit of the Issei and Nisei in our community, and we ask all of our members to participate in it.

The EAC Mochitsuki will be Saturday, December 10, 2016. Please watch your email box, as we will be sending out the preferred shift forms in the next few weeks. The mochitsuki work shift schedule will be finalized and distributed early December via e-mail. If you cannot work your assigned shift, please make arrangements to trade with someone else as soon as possible and notify Aaron Corley of any changes at 562-787-2636 or aaronishere@yahoo.com. Your help and participation is rewarding and greatly appreciated!

Mochi orders are due by Dec. 4th. Any EAC family wishing to submit an order should email it to EdenMochi2016@yahoo.com, call 562.787.2636 or mail to 29717 Holiday Street, Hayward, CA 94544. Payment for mochi orders will be collected at the time of pick-up.

Mochi will be provided in two- and three-pound packs. Since we will be producing approximately 1,000 pounds of mochi, we can accept orders no larger than 10 lbs. max per family and any additional mochi requests will be on our waiting list. This means that when our pre-orders have been filled, and there is extra mochi at the end of the day, you will receive a call that you may buy more. For reference, we can look up in our records how many pounds you purchased in the past – just call! Orders may be picked up at the Eden Japanese Community Center between 3:00pm – 6:00pm on Saturday, December 10th. **If you're unable to pick up the mochi on the day of the mochitsuki, the mochi will be frozen and arrangements can be made to pick up the mochi at a later date.**

2016-2017 Season Tip Off Celebration!

Our exciting new season begins as we celebrated with a presentation of our teams over a delectable dinner!

B Boys

Rikiya H
Kai C
Takumi C
Ben F
Brandon G
John S
Renzo T
Coach: Kevin Valerio
Asst Coach: Greg K/Jason S
Manager: Leelind Gee

C Gold Boys

Connor D
Devyn G
Alexander L
Bryant L
Ryu N
James S
Ethan W
Coach: Erik Nakamura
Asst Coach: Humphrey Gee
Manager: Pam Kato

C Silver Boys

Alexander F
Evan G
Tennkou G
Seiji L
Tatsuzo K
David M
Kori M
Nicholas W
Coach: David Fruin
Asst Coach: Vic Koga
Manager: Tomomi White

C Silver Girls

Kristen B
Kaylee C
Corinne D
Alisa J
Maggie L
Michelle L
Kotomi S
Marina T
Kaitlyn Y
Coach: Elvis Chan
Asst Coach: Brian Lee
Manager: Janice Yee

D Gold Boys

Kaijiro K
Justin L
Matthew L
Kai N
Collin N
Colby O
Nathan Y
Ryan Y
Coach: Tony Lee
Asst Coach: Ben Peters
Manager: Jecina Ng

D Gold Girls

Elena C
Emily C
Kaelyn G
Brionna L
Cynthia L
Lauren S
Katie T
Kayla W
Coach: Roger Lee
Asst Coach: Jake Lee
Manager: Wendy Tan

D Silver Boys

Kai E
Ayden L
Matthew L
Leo P
Kiyoshi S
Maxwell S
Isaac W
Coach: Genro Sato
Manager: Elisa Feng

D Bronze Girls

Tessa C
Miku G
Emilyn H
Gabrielle H
Momoka J
Carrie L
Courtney S
Sofia T
Mizuki W
Coach: Dean Seiji
Manager: Ruth Corley

E Gold Boys

Joshua B
Francisco F
Ian H
Michael L
Liam L
Kai S
Coach: Sid Hsu
Asst Coach: James Schneider
Manager: Janet Tai

E Silver

Sam B
Logan D
Maximillian F
Connor T
Kurtis L
Dominic N
Hiro N
Brandon N
Coach: Alain Nakamura
Asst Coach: Greg Tanaka
Manager: Jecina Ny

E Bronze

Dominic C
Xander C
Genevieve H
Desiree S
Devin T
Skyler W
Katelyn W
Spencer W
Coach: Kyle Tanamachi
Asst Coach: Vince Huie
Manager: Jessica Wong



EAC Basketball Scholarship Award

The Eden Athletic Club is pleased to sponsor its annual EAC Basketball Scholarship Award for graduating high school seniors. We encourage all eligible students to apply for this \$500 cash award.

Scholarship Eligibility:

- All applicants must be a graduating high school senior during the year of his/her application submission.
- Male applicants must have played basketball for 4 or more years with the Eden Athletic Club.
- Female applicants must have played basketball for 2 or more years with the Eden Athletic Club.

Applications shall consist of:

1. High school transcripts. Unofficial copies and photo-digital copies are acceptable.
2. A two-part essay written by the applicant that contains the following information:
 - Part 1 should describe what the applicant learned while playing basketball with the EAC.
 - Part 2 should describe the applicant's goals and objectives during the next stage of his/her life.

Applications will be reviewed by the EAC Board of Directors, which will determine the winner. Applications can be submitted electronically to edenad.eac@gmail.com, aaronc1999@aol.com, or mailed to the following address:

Athletic Director
Eden Athletic Club
P.O. Box 264
San Lorenzo, CA 94580

Applications must be **received by November 30, 2016**. Good luck!

COMING SOON



EAC Coaches Meetings:

- EBYAL - Nov 5th 1-3pm Buddhist Church of Oakland
- EB GAL - Nov 5th 9-11am Buena Vista United Methodist Church in Alameda

EAC Board Meeting

November 16 7:30 pm
Eden Japanese Community Center

2016-2017 Season Begins

December 3-4

Mochitsuki Setup

Friday, December 9
Eden Japanese Community Center

Mochitsuki

Saturday, December 10
Eden Japanese Community Center

EAC Board Meeting

December 21 7:30 pm
Eden Japanese Community Center

Winter Break

December 19 - January 1, 2017

Practice and Season Resumes

January 2, 2017

San Mateo JYO 27th Annual Jamboree

January 29, 2017

SF Associates Jamboree

February 4, 2017
San Francisco City College

Eden Athletic Club Jamboree

March 2017



EDEN ATHLETIC CLUB WEBSITE

For practice schedules, gym locations, newsletter, and league info, go to www.EdenAthleticClub.org

Eden is on Facebook !



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

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

We welcome anything you would like to share with the Eden Community and have posted in next month's newsletter, please send to ChrisKitWong@gmail.com by the 25th day of the month for publication to the following month. Thank you!

Eden Basketball Gym Schedule

November 2016

	11/4/16	11/11/16	11/18/16	11/25/16
Bancroft**	7-8:30: DBS, DGG 8:30-10: BB	7-8:30: DBS, DGG 8:30-10: BB		NO PRACTICE HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!
John Muir**	7-8:30: EB, EG 8:30-10: CBS, CBG	7-8:30: EB, EG 8:30-10: CBS, CBG	7-8:30: ES, EB, EG 8:30-10: DGG, CBS, CBG	
Fred Korematsu High**	7-8:30: DGB 8:30-10: DBG, CGS	7-8:30: DGB 8:30-10: DBG, CGS	7-8:30: DGB, DBS, DBG 8:30-10: CGS, BB	
San Lorenzo High (East gym)	8-10: DADS	8-10: DADS	8-10: DADS	
McKinley	7:00-9:00: ES	7:00-9:00: ES		

Practice schedule is subject to change due to gym availability. Your team's manager will notify you of any changes.

Coaches:

EB: E-Bronze – Kyle Tanamachi
 ES: E-Silver – Alain Nakamura
 EG: E-Gold – Sid Hsu
 DBS: D-Boys Silver – Genro Sato
 DBG: D-Boys Gold – Tony Lee
 DGB: D-Girls Bronze – DeanSeiji

DGG: D-Girls Gold – Roger Lee
 CBS: C-Boys Silver – David Fruin
 CBG: C-Boys Gold – Erik Nakamura
 CGS: C-Girls Silver – Elvis Chan
 BB: B-Boys – Kevin Valerio
 DADS: Dad's Club

****RULES regarding the use of John Muir, Bancroft and Fred Korematsu: 1) No street shoes allowed—only athletic shoes. Absolutely no spiked heels on the court. 2) NO food is allowed in the gym. Please be sure to wipe up any spills and pick up any bottles after your practice or game.**

We must stress how important it is to follow the rules if we are going to continue to be allowed to use these gyms. Thank you!

Bancroft Parking: Gym is located at Bancroft and Callan Ave. Additional parking can be found across the street from the school. The driveway is on Callan Ave.

San Lorenzo High East Gym – Use the parking lot entrance on Ashland Ave. to access SLz High's East Gym. Turn right at the end of the parking lot and the gym will be to your left. You can park alongside the gym on the blacktop.

Fred Korematsu High School Gym is located at the corner of E. 14th St and 138th Ave. Street parking is available.

If you have any problems or concerns with the gyms, please contact Karen Sakai at (510) 867-5100 or at both@the-sakais.com.

GYM LOCATIONS

Bancroft Middle School

1150 Bancroft Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577

(Additional parking can be found across the street from the school. The driveway is on Callan Ave.)

Fred Korematsu High School (FTK)

2200 Bancroft Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577 *The gym is located at the corner of E. 14th St. and 138th Ave. Street parking is available.*

John Muir Middle School

1444 Williams St., San Leandro, CA 94577

McKinley Elementary School

2150 E. 14th St., San Leandro, CA 94577

San Lorenzo High East Gym

50 East Lewelling Blvd., San Lorenzo, CA 94580

(Use the parking lot entrance on Ashland Ave. to access the East Gym. Turn right at the end of the parking lot and the gym will be to your left. You can park alongside the gym on the blacktop.)

GYM RULES and SAFETY

- Due to insurance/liability issues, only EAC players are allowed on the courts.
- Children who are not Eden players must not be left unattended in the gyms.
- Climbing and playing on the bleachers or gym structures is prohibited.
- Refrain from eating and drinking beverages (except water) inside the gyms.
NO food is allowed in the gym. Please be sure to wipe up any spills and pick up any bottles after your practice or game.
- **No street shoes allowed**—only athletic shoes. Absolutely no spiked heels on the court.

Everyone's adherence to these rules will ensure the EAC's continued use of these gyms.

Thanks for your cooperation!

WHAT IS JAPAN'S THANKSGIVING?

Written by Hashi @ tofugu.com

OK, obviously Japan doesn't celebrate the same Thanksgiving that we do in America; America's Thanksgiving is a cornucopia-filled holiday with a lot of traditions unique to the good ol' US of A.

But even though Japan doesn't have Thanksgiving the same way we understand it in the US, Japan still has a Thanksgiving holiday right around the same time. It's

called *kinrōkanshahi* きんろうかんしゃひ 勤労感謝の日 勤労感謝の日, or Labor Thanksgiving Day, and it's a national holiday.

It has the same roots as Thanksgiving here in the US – it was once a fall harvest festival, but has since changed in meaning. Nowadays, Labor Thanksgiving Day is a holiday celebrating workers in Japan.

How can you compare American Thanksgiving Day and Japanese Labor Thanksgiving Day? What's the same and what's different? Let's take a look:

HOW IS JAPANESE THANKSGIVING THE SAME?



BEING THANKFUL

Both American and Japanese Thanksgiving days both, obviously, focus on giving thanks. In America, it's more about giving thanks in an abstract sense – giving thanks for the things that have happened to you, the people in your life, etc. – but in Japan, it's a lot more specific.

In Japan, Labor Thanksgiving Day is about being thankful for workers who do their job and do it well. Sometimes you literally thank those people — school kids sometimes make thank you cards and gifts for municipal workers like police, firefighters, and hospital workers.

NATIONAL HOLIDAY

In both countries, Thanksgiving Day is a national holiday. In the US, the president "pardons" a turkey, there's a huge parade in New York City, a lot of businesses are closed, and government services are mostly shut down.

In Japan, it's not quite as festive, but still very much a national holiday. Most businesses are still open on Labor Thanksgiving Day, but government services are closed down. There are little celebrations all over the country, but none with the spectacle of the celebrations in the US.

HOW IS JAPANESE THANKSGIVING DIFFERENT?



NO TURKEY

Sorry Japanese people, but you don't get enormous, heart-attack inducing feasts the way us Americans do. On the plus side, turkeys needn't fear the annual genocide they face here in the US.