



Upcoming Social Events



JASCO Family Fun Events

Members, non-members, families, couples and individuals are invited to celebrate cross-cultural friendship at these fun events designed for any and all!

Kodomo no Hi Picnic Columbus Zoo and Aquarium Sunday, May 7 12:00 p.m.—2:00



Join us for a potluck picnic to celebrate the healthy growth and happiness of children on this traditional Japanese holiday, *Kodomo no Hi* (Children's Day.) Please bring a favorite dish to share with everyone under the Wildside Shelter at the Columbus Zoo and enjoy the animal kingdom with your family and friends. Event fees are free for JASCO members and their families; \$5 for non-members (per family.) Zoo admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$6 for children.



Tababata / Fourth of July Picnic Highbanks Metropark Sunday, July 9

Join JASCO in a belated, cross-cultural celebration of both *Tanabata* (Festival of the Stars) and the Fourth of July at the Highbanks Metropark in Worthington. Please bring a favorite dish to share with everyone, as well as table service and beverages for your family. The fee for the event is free for members and \$5 for non-members (per family.)

Bon Odori Potluck Lunch St. Stephens Episcopal Church Sunday, August 6 12:00 p.m.—2:00



Come and watch traditional Japanese dancing as we celebrate *Bon Odori*, the ancient Buddhist holiday also known as the "Festival of the Dead" that honors our ancestors from both Japan and America! This is a potluck lunch celebration for all ages at the St. Stephens Episcopal Church near OSU. The fee for the event is free for members and \$5 for non-members (per family.)

To RSVP for any of these events, please call us at 614-292-4002 or e-mail us at jasco@osu.edu.

Race for the Cure

Saturday, May 20—8:00 a.m.

Walk or run, laugh and have fun, and join JASCO in helping to raise money for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. The Race for the Cure is an annual 5K event held throughout the United States to raise money for breast cancer research, education, screening and treatment. This is an event for all ages, so bring your kids and get them involved too! Call or e-mail us for more info and join the JASCO team!



Japan-Related Events

Hanamizuki no Kai Japanese Women's Chorus Concert Sunday, May 21, 2006 Church of the Redeemer, Dublin



Hanamizuki no Kai will perform a selection of traditional, children's and popular Japanese songs. Admission is free!

11th Annual Asian Festival Saturday and Sunday May 27—28 Franklin Park

From art exhibits to martial arts demonstrations, the Asian Festival demonstrates the cultural diversity and flavors of the various Asian communities in Central Ohio. Free admission, parking and shuttle. For more information, please see <http://www.asian-festival.org>.