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President Taro Tonegawa

Club President Theme 「Return to the starting point and support Kawagoe YMCA.」

Vice President Atsuko Matsukawa

Treasurer Kimiyo Yoshida

International President: A. Shanavaskhan (India)

Secretary Katsusaburo Yoshino

Theme: Together for a better world

Slogan: Arise and Shine

Asia Pacific Area President Joan Wong (Hong Kong)

Theme: Make a big impact!

Japan East Region Director Kohei Yamada (Utsunomiya)

Theme: Determine the direction of Y's Movement.

Kantotobu Director Goshiro Yamamoto (Kawagoe)

Theme: We may be small, but we are not helpless.

August Scripture

It was you who set all the boundaries of the earth;
you made both summer and winter.

Psalm 74:17

July Attendance (July 20th)

Attendance 8 Participants 80%

Kawagoe Club Activity Plan for 2024-2025

President Taro Tonegawa

1. President's Theme

Return to the starting point and support Kawagoe YMCA.

2. Goals for this term

(1) Think with the YMCA staff about what we and they can do to support the Kawagoe YMCA's activities.

(2) Support the development of youth volunteers.

(3) Continue and develop activities with IBCs.

3. Others

Kawagoe Club July monthly meeting report

Taro Tonegawa

The kick-off meeting of the Kawagoe Club for the 2024-2025 club year was held at the Saitama YMCA Kawagoe Center on Saturday, July 20, 2024.

At the beginning of the meeting, Mr. Yamamoto gave a speech as the immediate past president, looking back on his one-year term as president. Mr. Yamamoto will continue to play a major role as the Governor of the Kantotobu District.

Ms. Keiko Tonegawa also gave her greetings after her role as Asia Pacific Area President, thanking the club members for their support.

The meeting was characterized by a lively discussion, with the main topic being the schedule of events for the 2024-2025 club year. The details of the discussion were distributed to all club members, ensuring everyone was informed and up-to-date. Only the main points are restated here. Honorifics are omitted below.

- Regular meetings will be held on the 4th Saturday of the month in principle
- Hold the 25th-anniversary meeting of the Kawagoe Club. Organize an executive committee. Chair: Keiko Tonegawa; Committee members: Atsuko Matsukawa, Vice President; Katsusaburo Yoshino, Secretary; Kimiyo Yoshida, Treasurer; Taro Tonegawa, President. The committee will consider the date of October 19 or 26.
- We will organize a bus trip for elementary, junior high, and high school students in the Clover Class and others. Katsusaburo Yoshino and Kyoko Kawai are in charge.
- Participate in Earth Day Kawagoe 2025, March 9 (Sunday), 2025
- Participate in a charity run on Monday, November 4, 2025.
- We subsidize 11,000 yen registration fee for the Youth Volunteer Leaders Forum participants from the Beniaka Fund.
- Support the Clover Club Summer Vacation Program.

*August 1 (Thu) **Taro Sensei's Science**

Experiments: Taro Tonegawa

*August 2(Fri) **Let's go to the cinema:** Kimiyo Yoshida

*August 3 (Sat) and 7 (Wed) **Small Atelier:** Hisayo Arai

* **Support for the Watching-over-children Program:** Kawagoe Center's open days increased due to the increase in programs and registrants at the Kawagoe Center following the closure of the Saitama YMCA Urawa Center. Consider Y's support of YMCA operations.

Information:

Small Atelier Special Event

Details are on the flyer.

You don't have to live in Kawagoe City to participate. Please publicize this event to your acquaintances.

Date: August 7 (Wed) 10:00-12:30 Kasumigaseki, Kawagoe City

Kakuei shopping street, 4-22-13 Kita, Kasumigaseki, Kawagoe City mibunka 2F

Content: Teaching Poster Painting

Instructor: Hisayo Arai

Contact from YMCA

Kawagoe Center will be closed from Saturday, August 10, to Friday, August 16.

Upcoming Events

August meeting

Date: August 24 (Sat.) 14:00-16:00

Kawagoe YMCA

Contents: Budget discussion, 25th anniversary meeting, Purchase of monitoring camera, support for watching over children, etc.

The annual schedule for subsequent years is attached, Please refer to the attached "2024-2025 Kawagoe Y's Schedule of Events 20240722.pdf".

From the International stage

"Keiko's Monthly Briefing of YMI/ASP"

Participating in the 74th International Convention.

Keiko Tonegawa

My husband and I are attending the International Convention in Chiang Mai, Thailand (8/8-8/11). Today, after the opening ceremony, keynote address, and reception hosted by the Immediate Past International President, I am back in my room writing this report.

Due to COVID-19, two international conventions have been canceled last four years since the 2018 convention in Yeosu, Korea. Last year's centennial convention in Taiwan was exceptional. So, this is the first international convention in four years, with over 500 participants from 30 countries, 57 from Japan in total in both the Japan East and West Regions. Wing Ping Chou from Hong Kong, whom we introduced in the March issue, is also in good health. Unfortunately, there were no

participants from our IBCs. Because of my varied experiences as a BF Representative, International Council member, and Asia Pacific Area President, I have been able to reunite with many old Y's Men and Y's Women at international gatherings, and it has been a series of hugs and handshakes. In addition, I have recently been to many Zoom meetings, where I have had the pleasure of meeting for the first time people whom I had never met in person.

We also met many new people, and the nearly 100 business cards we brought with us have already run out.

One of the features of this convention is that it is not an international convention but an international festival, and its contents include not only the usual inauguration of the international president, keynote speeches, and report by the international secretary general, but also elements of fun and games. Tomorrow, there will be "Fun Games," in which 500 participants will be divided into 25 teams to compete in 25 games and compete for points. After that, there will be a peace concert, a Bollywood dance class (we have a Bollywood dance instructor among our Indian members!), followed by a fashion show of ethnic costumes.

Anyway, we are enjoying the internationality and fellowship of the Y's Men's Club to the fullest, and we will report the details at our regular meetings.



(Photo Description) Past International President Jacob Christensen officiated at the inauguration of Mr. Shanabhaskan of India as International President. (From right to left: Past International President Christensen, International President Shanabhaskan and his wife, Immediate Past International President Ulrik Lauridsen and his wife, International Secretary General Joos and his wife)

YMCA Report

< Toaster Class >

In July, we had a river play at the Hanno Riverbank. The children played with friends and leaders, splashed water on each other, caught fish, made a stone enclosure, and enjoyed the fullness of summer.



Taro Tonegawa will conduct “Teacher Taro's Science Experiment” on August 1.

Kimiyo Yoshida is a chaperone for the “Let's Go to the Movie Theater” on August 2, and Hisayo Arai conduct the “Small Atelier” program on August 3 and 7.

Here, I would like to introduce the August 1st event briefly.

Eight students, six from the first through sixth grades and two high school students, participated in the workshop. The high school students were able to assist us with experiments.

The content was a combination of hands-on experiments related to the force of floating (buoyancy), designed to engage even elementary school students in practical learning.

The students enjoyed making the floaters and moving their hands in the experiments. I was surprised that the 6th grader, who is interested in science, knew the solution of adding a large amount of salt from the beginning and was able to explain it in his own way even though he did not know the terminology. It was a fun time for the instructor.

<Clover Club>

We have been holding a memorable summer vacation program since July 22. This year, with the cooperation of Y's Men's Club members, we offer various programs, including science experiments, art, movie viewing, a trip on the Toden Arakawa Line train, water slides, insect hunting, finger painting, and more. We hope the children will be able to deepen and broaden their interests. We also wish the children would “Discover, Connect and Get better,” by interacting with Y's Men's Club members, friends, and leaders.



<Dynamic Summer Oregon>

This program took place for the first time in 5 years. The group departed safely on July 27th and is now participating in camp activities and will return home on August 11th.

“Even if we are far away, we will be friends who wish for peace and protect it.” We hope that this program will be a work to create a peaceful society.



<Clover Summer program>

Taro Tonegawa

Saitama YMCA Kawagoe Center will hold 17 programs under the title of the “Clover Summer Vacation Program” from July 23 to August 9.

The programs include bowling, water slides and other physical activities, crafts, painting classes, English test preparation, a visit to the National Museum of Nature and Science, and many other activities. Y's Men support this program by using their specialties.

手をぬらさずに卵を取り出そう

- どうしたら、水の中から、手をぬらさずに卵を取り出せるでしょう。
- つかえるのは、写真にあるものです。
- トング、スプーン、ストロー1本、はし1本、食塩です。



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浮く力の大きさは？ アルキメデスの原理

- 液体につかったものには、ものが押しのけた液体の重さと同じだけの浮く力（浮力）がはたらきます。
- 「ものが押しのけた液体の重さ」は、ものの体積と同じ体積の液体の重さです。
- だから、浮力はものの体積が大きくなれば大きくなり、小さくなれば小さくなります。

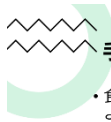
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重さ(比重)の違う液体の浮力

- 水と油を入れたコップを用意します。
- おなじ体積の水と油では、水の方が重く、油の方が軽くなります。これを「油の比重が小さい」といいます。
- このコップに、こしょうの殻、マカロニの破片、つまようじを切ったもの、を入れるとどうなるでしょう？
- ヒントは、おしのかた液体の重さだけ浮く力(浮力)がはたらきます。



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手をぬらさずに卵を取り出そう 答え合わせ

- 食塩を溶かした食塩水は、おなじ体積の水より重くなります。(比重が大きくなります)
- 食塩をたくさん入れてとがして、濃い食塩水を作ります。
- 卵の体積は変わりませんが、おしよけた食塩水の重さが水より大きくなるので、浮力が大きくなります。
- 卵が浮いてきたらトングで取り出します。



the time of the atomic bombings in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, August 6th and 9th, so I prayed for nuclear abolition and world peace at home on both days.

Kawagoe YMCA has prepared and implemented many special programs during the summer vacation to make it a memorable summer for children. Please enjoy a memorable summer and prepare for a fruitful, artistic, sporting, and appetizing fall. (KY)

<Mr. Taro's science experiment> (By Haruna Kinoshita, YMCA)

The children were absorbed in listening to Mr. Taro's story. Some of them commented, "It was good to know something I didn't know (3rd grade boy)," and "It was fun (1st grade). One of the parents who came to pick up the children said, "I was looking forward to today. You did a lot of experiments. Thank you very much. The children were thrilled with the results.

The children were happy to take home the plastic bottles and floats they used in their experiments.



(Editor's note)

Thanks to the invaluable contribution of Mr. and Mrs. Tonegawa. This issue of "Bell of Hope" is once again filled with rich and insightful content. Their meticulous proofreading has significantly enhanced the quality of our publication. I would like to express my deep appreciation to both of them for their contributions and proof reading.

In Kawaguchi City, where I live, there was a public announcement encouraging people to pray silently at