



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Greetings!

I want to thank everyone for pitching in and making such a successful picnic. Events as large as the picnic would be impossible to throw if it were not for all of the volunteers that help. I would like to give special thanks to Dennis Potamites, our Sergeant at Arms, who shows up every year at the picnic site at dawn to set up. By the time the picnic officially starts, he has already been there longer than most of you will stay! Thank you to everyone that donated time, money and prizes. I hope that everyone had a good time.

I am very excited and looking forward to attending the 5th Uchinanchu Festival. My husband Christian, my mother Nobuko Gonzales and my youngest daughter Nikki are all going as well! Christian and Nikki have never been to Okinawa, and are also very excited. Nikki will visit an Okinawan elementary school as part of the Okinawan Government program "Learn about Uchinanchu Around the World."

I wish everyone a safe and healthy autumn.

Paula Schmidling

はいたい！

7月のピクニックは大成功に終わりました。このイベントは皆さんの手助けが合って成り立ち成功を収めました厚くお礼申し上げます、特にデニス POTAMITESU さんには毎年ピクニックのセットアップから片付けまで、会員が集まる前にやってくれています。有難う御座いました。他にも寄付や献金、景品など皆さんからのご協力有難う御座いました。皆さん楽しい一時を過ごせたとおもいます。

私は第5回世界ウチナーンチュ大会に参加するのを今から楽しみにしています。大会には夫クリスチアン、母のぶこゴンザレス、そして末娘のニッキーも一緒です。

クリスチアンとニッキーは沖縄へは初めて行くのでとても楽しみにしています。ニッキーはウチナーンチュ大会のプログラム「Learn about Uchinanchu Around the World」で沖縄の小学校にも行く予定です。

皆さんどうぞ安全で健康的な秋をお迎え下さい。

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