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The KUFSA Volleyball Tournament 2013

By Md Tariqul Islam (Tariq), Bangladesh

This year KUFSA organized their first sports event, "KUFSA Volleyball Tournament 2013", which was held on 7th June at ITO campus gymnasium. Eight teams comprising of International and Japanese students participated in the tournament.

The teams were selected based on first-come first-served basis from the online registration process. The participating teams were; I spike you, ASKU, Rouge Wine, Los Panchos, V4fun, Forever Youth, Bikou Fighter and FUK48. Each team was consisted of at least 6 players (3 males and 3 females); a maximum of 8 players were accepted. Each team was encouraged to have diverse nationals in their team. This year, players from more than 20 countries participated in the tournament. It was a league style tournament where teams were randomly divided into 2 groups and the two top-ranked teams of each group were qualified for semi-final match. The Bikou fighter and V4fun made it to the final round.

The final match was very competitive and exciting, too. There were a lot of killer spikes and amazing blocks moments. Bikou Fighter played very well throughout the tournament but the team effort played by V4fun ended the game. **V4Fun** became the new champion of KUFSA Volleyball Tournament 2013 and got the champion trophy along with gold medal to each of their team members. On the other hand, the runner up team, Bikou Figher, was given Silver medal to each of their team members. In addition, both teams received nice gift hamper. Moreover, all players were given the participation certificates.

All teams showed good sportsmanship during the tournament especially in obeying referee's decisions. All referees also showed

their better judgments and patience. In the presentation ceremony, Kobatasan from ISC along with Sports section's coordinator of KUFSA (Maryam E. Rezagah) presented the champion trophy, medals and certificates. Adeyemi Francis Gabriel, KUFSA president, announced this year's winners. The tournament was ended with a group photo. It was a very successful tournament with full of enjoyment, fun, and happiness. KUFSA looks forward to see more participation in their next sports events.

V4FUN, the champion

By Dong Dao Dzung, Vietnam

The **V4fun** team, the winning team for this year's KUFSA Volleyball Tournament, has a lot to say about their team name and their experiences in the tournament. The winner has not only expressed that they played volleyball for fun as their name would suggest, but also explained that their team name means much more than that, which practically sum up their experiences in the games. For them, V4Fun also means that volleyball is for free, for fighting, and for friendship.

Volleyball for free

All teams were free to join the KUFSA Volleyball Tournament 2013. The activities were made enjoyable to make our student life more significant and interesting. In the tournament, we were also free to choose members from different cultures in our hopes of gaining victory over ourselves.

Volleyball for Fighting

The games were a competition, but it doesn't mean that the most skillful team would be the champion. Teamwork and tactics were important factors that determined who the winners were.

Volleyball for friendship

From start to finish, we could see everyone shaking hand, talking and laughing. This was such a good chance for people to build camaraderie among players. As what KUFSA would always remind in their activities: interact with other people as much as possible.

Volleyball for fun

It was a sure fun event for everyone. It might not be the tournament for professional athletes, but it has definitely provided the volleyball-lovers a venue to meet and play for fun. At the end of the day, all of the players won because of a day well spent.





Information from International Student and Researcher Support Center

外国人留学生・研究者サポートセンターからのお知らせ

現在住んでいる家から引っ越しをする時

Important Points when moving out from your apartment/dormitory.

日本での生活を終えて帰国する時や別のアパートへ引っ越しをする時には、いくつかの手続きが必要です。退去ルールが守られない場合には大きなトラブルに発展することもあります。ルールをきちんと守り各自責任を持って行動しましょう。『立つ鳥後を濁さず』です！

You should keep in mind for some important points below when you move out to go back to your home country or to move into the new place. If you do not follow the rules, you may get into big trouble. Please keep the rules and behave well as a member of Kyushu University. "A bird does not foul the nest that it is about to leave."

【1】現在住んでいる家から引っ越しをするときには、少なくとも1カ月前までに不動産会社

(家主)・公的住宅の管理事務所に知らせて、退去の手続きを始めましょう。

When you move out, please be sure to notify your real estate agent (landlord) or the management office of your public housing at least one month in advance, and start making arrangements for moving out.

【2】電気、ガス、水道等、それぞれの営業所などに連絡して、契約の廃止、料金の清算手続きなどを済ませましょう。

Contact electrical, gas, and water company and begin the necessary procedures for termination of contract, adjustment of payment and more.

【3】転居する際には、必ず学生係窓口に行って知らせ住所変更届を提出してください。

You have to inform and submit a notification for change of address to the student affairs office when you move out to new accommodation.

【4】部屋に物を残さないでください。自分の責任で片付けること。

Please **DO NOT** leave your possessions in your room. You should take responsibility for clearing them away by yourself.

【5】掃除の際、バケツやホースなどで床に水をまいて下の階に漏れてしまい、損害を与える事故が多発しています。掃除の時には雑巾などを使って水拭きしましょう！

Water leak accidents frequently occurred and caused damage to downstairs rooms by directly watering the floors with bucket and hose for cleaning room. Please wipe the floors with damp floor cloth when you clean your room.

【注意事項】

×契約者(学生本人)以外の者(知人や友人等)と届出なしと一緒に住んではいけません。

×契約者(学生本人)以外の者(知人や友人等)に部屋を貸してはいけません。

×家賃を滞納しないでください。必ず期限までに支払いましょう。

×You must not live with others without permission, or sub-lease the room.

×There is no exception for these, regardless of how temporary the arrangement may be.

×You must pay your rent within the term of payment without arrears.



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DISASTER DRILL TRIP IN MOMOCHIHAMA

By Sarah Tognet, France

On last 25th of May, KUFSA organized a trip to Fukuoka Disaster Prevention Center in Momochihama, Fukuoka. This one afternoon trip was an opportunity for the international students registered to experience disasters with simulators and to learn how to manage them.

Kyushu University buses were provided to bring the registered people from some Kyushu University campuses to the Center. When all the participants gathered to the Disaster Drill Center, two groups were created. The group I was in started with the earthquake simulator. On it, we could experience a 7-magnitude-earthquake. When it was my turn and the simulation started, I was really surprised by how shaky was the ground. No doubt for me! This experience was really useful to realize how destructive can be an earthquake. After that, I entered, with other international students, in a small closed room where we could experience strong wind. This was also an interesting experience. To finish on the natural disaster, we watched a short movie that showed us the destruction caused by these disasters. After these natural disasters, we could practice on how to find are way out of a smoky building and how to put out a fire. Both were good experience for me because it was the first time.

All along of these practices, some members of KUFSA staff were translators. I really appreciated it because I was able to understand more things than if I had went alone.

After the disaster drill, the traditional KUFSA group picture and a small drink offered by KUFSA, we went for sight-seeing. Each person could choose between Fukuoka Tower and Momochi beach, which I chose. On the sand, even though the day was so hot, we played a runny game. The game was a mixed game between Rugby, Basketball and Frisbee... I think... But this was really fun and I sympathize with people. When the others came back from Fukuoka Tower, we took another group picture, and then returned to our campus.

This trip was a great afternoon for me. I learned more about disasters and how to manage them, and at the same time I met new people. I really recommend people to go to this Center. It is a good opportunity and it is free. On this day, I also discovered how great the atmosphere is during KUFSA's events. I will definitely join the next events.

The Student Committee for Internationalization of Kyushu University

By Ekenechukwu Okafor, Nigeria

The imperative to remain at the forefront of its teaching, research and service missions has prompted universities around the globe to embark on internationalization and Kyushu University is not left out in this move towards a fully internationalized education.

In line with the Kyushu University's guidelines for internationalization, the Student Committee for Internationalization of Kyushu University, SCIKyu, was setup under the G30 Implementation Council in 2011. The objectives of the committee include to promote interaction between Japanese and foreign students through

students' initiatives and to serve as an avenue for students to express their opinions and make proposals to the university on matters concerning the university's internationalization, especially as it affects the students. The committee presently consists of four teaching members and twenty-one student members from diverse nationalities and with overseas scholarship experience.

In this academic year, SCIKyu has come up with various plans and proposals geared towards the achievement of their objectives. To promote camaraderie and cultural exchange

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between Japanese and foreign students, a bi-weekly Language Partnership Program (LPP) and camping adventures at one of the famous camp sites on Kyushu island are some of the activities that the committee is organizing this year. In this session, LLP was first held on July 4, 2013 on Ito Campus and was attended by about twenty students. The up-coming version will be held on different campuses of the university. Do not miss these opportunities to make new friends and improve your language skills.

One of the imperatives of internationalization of Kyushu University and a responsibility being shouldered by SCIKyu this year is the improvement of information dissemination to foreign students to keep them well abreast of beneficial activities and programs of the university. In line with that, a catalog of clubs in the university is being compiled and will be

published to bring the clubs and their activities to a better limelight for foreign students to join.

We welcome opinions and suggestions from students on any issue concerning internationalization of Kyushu University. Hook up with SCIKyu and stay in touch with us on **Facebook**. www.facebook.com/pages/SCIKyu/469241026463691?fref=ts

Up-coming events:

Language Partner Program – October 2013 to March 2014

 www.facebook.com/pages/Language-Partner-Program/451309878261800?fref=ts

Kyudaisai (in collaboration with KUFSA) - November 22 and 23, 2013
Camping – March 2014

TOFU! Is not so simple

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By Helen Litiany, China

One day I heard from one of my Japanese friends that there is a very good Tofu restaurant called Umenohana. She told me that it was so delicious that the Tofu there made her day. Since then I had always wanted to go there, but somehow I couldn't. Finally today, I got the chance to go there. One of my classmates from my high school went to visit me from the US. I directly took her there, and then I got my えええ! story here.

It was a traditional Japanese style restaurant. We need to take off our shoes when we get in. We were well-served by the professional waiters in everything. After that, our food came. I knew it would be somehow delicious, but I didn't expect too much. And then I was totally blown away by the varieties of delicious Tofu dishes. I had never thought Tofu could be cooked in such colorful ways; boiled Tofu, fried Tofu, Tofu salad, sesame Tofu, Tofu desert and so on. What's more, they all brought out the characteristic good tastes in Tofu and they had a very smooth texture. I was surprised and touched by the exquisite and thoughtful ideas in the Tofu dishes. I could feel how the owners and cooks in the restaurant devote their heart and soul to create the new menus. I respect their pursuit in high quality food, and their caring for customers. Later on, I searched for the restaurant on the internet, and found that their companies set responsibility, hospitality and teamwork as their core values.

Japan has always been a country that is famous for their carefulness in details. Their products with high quality have a good reputation all over the world. This time, I felt them in food. If they could exert their good serving attitudes in daily food, they utilize them in every product. For foreign students like me, enjoying the local food has always been an important part in studying abroad. Through food, we come to know the country and come to like the country. The Umenohana restaurant I talked about was a little bit expensive, but from my personal view, it's worth experiencing. Hope we all have a great time in Japan, enjoying all kinds of Japanese food while learning about their culture.





NAGASAKI trip with KUFSA

By Wasu Mekratanaworakul, Thailand

Nagasaki trip with KUFSA was a **blast**. I could never ask for a better combination of places we visited this time. This trip was at the end of June, it was on Sunday, which is perfect for traveling during the weekend. One-day trip is really convenient for students like us, since we can only manage to escape from school for a day or two. This time, there were **more than 80 of us foreign students on the trip**. Even though we are from different countries, different continents, everyone is so friendly. Though being in the bus for a long time was something I didn't like, everything on the bus was so pleasant; I mean there were so many candies and snacks provided. This is true that food will always delight you somehow. We also had many activities during the ride to Nagasaki, such as quizzes and games. I have been to Nagasaki before but not the same place as we went this time. This town **Sasebo** gives a very unique impression. The building architecture is mixed with Japanese and Western atmospheres. We first visited the famous church. We were kind of climbing a mountain to get to the place. Many kids were also there at the same time, so we were chatting with those Japanese little kids for a while. After that we had lunch up on the valley that can see **99 islands**. Have you ever heard of 99 islands? If not, you should now head to the Internet booth and check it out! This place locates in Sasebo, Nagasaki prefecture, we all went there and got on the cruise. **Yes! The cruise**. Well to be honest it looks more like a pirate ship but above all that luxury ship, it was a very enjoyable ride, even for me who gets motion sickness easily. Everyone was so excited being on board and taking pictures with a stunning island panorama view from the deck of the ship. Fortunately, we also have ISC officers with us, they always help us out with Japanese communication and guide us around the destination. On the way back, nobody was complaining about the long walk that we took to get to each place, yet we had fun together walking and chatting along the way. We got back safely at the KyudaiGakkenToshi station in the evening and that is the end of the trip. This is just a little part of my wonderful memory about this KUFSA trip. I made many friends and had so much fun seeing new places. I hope everyone can join this trip, especially those who never go with KUFSA. **Lastly, thank you everyone for making this event happened and I will be waiting to see you guys on the trip again soon.**

