

Front and center



COMPUTERS NO PROBLEM! — Rotary Exchange Student Saori Nakagawa at Dallas High School has not problem with computers since her father is a computer technician at home in Chiba. (C.M. Denmon Photo)

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Saori Nakagawa, petite, dark-haired senior at Dallas High School, came to the United States from Chiba, Japan, last August as a Rotary Exchange student. She is presently staying with her host American parents, Lee and Nancy Eckert.

Saori is fascinated by the beauty of the scenery in this part of the country and last week was looking forward enthusiastically to a visit to Philadelphia on a Beaver College.

Unable to speak English when she first came to America, Saori has learned not only to speak our language but also to understand it. She has difficulty with some words but when people speak slowly she usually grasps their meaning very well.

"The high school is very large," said Saori. "At home although our school is five stories high, it is not as large as here and we have only one athletic field."

"We wear uniforms in school at home which is good, because no one knows the difference between rich or poor students," Saori said.

The young Japanese girl said that at home there are lots of trains but here she has seen none. She likes to swim and since her mother is a swimming instructor, Saori went swimming quite often. She hasn't gone often since she is here because it is too far to the city and a pool.

Saori is proud of the fact that she was a member of the Dallas High School basketball team this season and said she thoroughly enjoyed it. There are many more sports in the local high school than at home. In Chiba, there was no football and no racquet ball, only soccer and rugby.

Although there are some MacDonald's, Piz-za Huts, Mr. Donut, Wendy's and Dunkin'

Donuts at home, Saori said the daily meals of Americans are different. At home their main food was rice, in the United States it is meat and potatoes. She never saw nortasted bagels until coming to America and they are now one of her favorite foods.

Courses in the school are different, according to Saori because in Japan, the teachers select the students' subjects and students remain in their home room with only the teachers moving from one classroom to another. Their classes are from 8:40 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday and from 8:40 to noon on Saturday. The attend scho7\$ from April to March with vacation time in July and August after their tests. The school term is divided into three semesters.

Saori said that food in the United States is cheaper than at home, especially ice cream and meat. Since living here, she has tasted turkey and deer meat for the first time. At home, they eat lots of fish, chicken, pork, and beef.

Saori enjoys the mountains and valleys here and enjoys skiing. There is no snow where she lives in Japan but she went to the mountains to ski.

The students dress much more casually here than they do in Japan. Saori said at home the students wear skirts not jeans as they do in the school here.

Saori said because of the language barrier in the first few months, she did not make as many friends as she would like to but she has met some and enjoys going to the movies and school dances. She is hoping that someone invites her to the school prom.

When she finishes her senior year, Saori promises to take and pass some entrance tests so she can go to school in America.

"I would like to stay here and attend college, this country is so beautiful," Saori said.

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Mr. Dalmas, who also holds the office of Northeast Regional Vice President of the State organization also reported on meetings held on that level regarding bills ending to the State Retirees. Naomi Evans, Dept. of Health and Ann Doliva, Disability Determination Dept. were welcomed as new members. All State retirees are eligible to join the Pennsylvania Association of Retired State Employees. Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the first ten months of the year at the Embassy Room of the Genetti Motor Inn, Wilkes-Barre, following a 1 p.m. luncheon. All retirees are urged to attend.

Guest speaker was Joan Lenahan, representative of the Internal Revenue Dept., who gave a most informative talk on the current tax laws. A question and answer period followed.

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Tom Bubba, volunteer coordinator for the PA Special Olympics Winter Games, is awaiting the response of colleges and high schools in the Pocono northeast.

He comments, "We had very good preliminary returns from local high schools and colleges with students willing to donate time to volunteer for the Games. However, we can not schedule the students until we receive their volunteer applications forms and parent permission slips, and we have not yet had them returned. My concern is growing as the Games are quickly approaching with Opening Ceremonies on March 8."

The volunteer committee is still very interested in anyone wanting to give some time. For information contact Bubba at 717-424-3429.

The Winter Games are held at Shawnee Mountain Ski Area in Shawnee-On-Delaware, PA and the Ice-A-Rama in Wilkes-Barre, March 8-11.

Bubba concludes, "The people from the surrounding communities volunteering their time for the athletes is what the Special Olympics thrives on, for without their help the Games would not be a success."

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Per Capita Taxes	5,575					5,575.00
Real Estate Transfer Taxes	7,272					7,272.00
Earned Income Tax	62,561					62,561.00
Licenses & Permits	25					25.00
Fines & Forfeits	4,149					4,149.00
Interest, Rents & Royalties	1,300	1,926	15		8,593	11,834.00
Intergovernmental Revenues & Grants	7,190	40,672	251			48,113.00
Charges for Services	2,216					2,216.00
Refund from prior year's expenditures	74					74.00
Interfund Operating Transfers				2,613		2,613.00
Cash Balance at beginning of year	13,217	12,015	0	10	129,073	154,315.00
Total Receipts & Cash	129,654	54,613	266	2,623	137,666	324,822.00
Expenditures:						
General Administration	11,573					11,573.00
Tax Collection	3,904					3,904.00
Public Safety	31,463					31,463.00
Public Works (Highways)	19,376	34,480				53,856.00
Employee Withholding & Benefits & Ins. Prem.	38,131					38,131.00
Interfund Operating Transfers	2,613					2,613.00
Miscellaneous Expenditures				2,613	2,414	5,027.00
Cash Balance at year's end	22,594	20,133	266	10	135,252	178,255.00
Total Expenditures & Cash	129,654	54,613	266	2,623	137,666	324,822.00
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