

Record of the Japanese Archaeological Association

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The spring General Meeting was held on May 23 and 24, 2015 at Hachioji Campus of Teikyo University and the fall Convention was held Oct. 17 to 19 at Nara University. Many members attended both. At Nara Convention, a tour was conducted at a university library to which association books have been donated, and a sectional meeting was held on “college education and protection of buried cultural properties” and discussed problems of training future personnel for administration of protection of buried cultural properties.

As for activities of the fiscal 2015 Japanese Archaeological Association, reorganization of the Association rules and enactment of copyright rules were planned. In addition, renewal of the Association homepage was conducted. Also, a poster session by high schoolers was established newly at the General Meeting, considering high schoolers as people who would bear Japanese archaeology in the future. It was decided that the Association will hold an opening session for WAC-8 (8th World Archaeological Congress) in 2016, and presenters and contents were selected. MIZOGUCHI Koji was awarded the Grand Prize, and NAGATOMO Tomoko the Encouragement Prize for the 5th Japanese Archaeological Association Award.

The 10th Open Lecture of the Japanese Archaeological Association was held on March 19, 2016 at Chiran Town, Kagoshima Prefecture, on remains of Kaneyama Suisha (Todoroki Seirenjo). Also, the 9th Four Asian Archaeological Societies Lecture was held on Jan. 9, 2016 at Meiji University on “Asian iron.”

Special Committee for Measures for the East Japan Earthquake will end its activity in May 2016 as it will be five years since the earthquake, and their final report will be published in fiscal 2016. Presentation of excavation results due to excavation for reconstruction was planned and held in Natori City, Miyagi Prefecture and Minami-Soma City, Fukushima Prefecture.

On the preservation problem of Takaosan mounded tomb in Numazu City, “statement by the chairman on demand for preservation of Takaosan mounded tomb in Numazu City, Shizuoka Prefecture” was issued on May 25, 2015 as a road construction plan

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is being progressed. Also, “statement by the chairman on fulfilment of education/research system in Humanities and Social Science” was issued on July 25, as a reaction to a statement by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology, “reevaluation of organization and business in national universities.”