



## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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### **COMMUNITY INVITED TO MEET JAPANESE DELEGATION**

Delegates from Marquette's Sister City of Higashiomi, Japan are visiting Marquette from September 5<sup>th</sup> through September 12, 2012. The Sister City program has been running since 1979 welcoming delegates into our community to learn and be immersed in a new culture. The Sister Cities program focuses on cultural understanding, international friendship and the sharing of ideas. There will be an open community reception held at the Peter White Public Library's Community Room on September 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. The public is encouraged to meet the Higashiomi Delegation along with their host families, City officials and the Mayor of Marquette. There will be light refreshments provided by the Cocos Restaurant and musical entertainment by *Fourtissimo String Quartet*. Come support the Marquette's Sister Cities Committee welcome the six delegates into our community and culture.

The six Delegates are as follows:

Yoji Ito, a retired computer engineer.

Ai Nakamura, a college student at the Doshisha Women's College.

Mika Shibata, a college student studying Pharmacy.

Tamie Yamanaka, a leader secretary of International Friendship.

Rumi Nakazawa, a City Hall lifelong educator.

Elko Ikeuchi, works in the office of the Women's Association of Rehabilitation Aid.

(pictured below)



Yoji Ito



Ali Nakamura



Mika Shibata



Eiko Ikeuchi



Rumi Nakazawa



Tamie Yamanaka

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City Manager Approval

City Clerk Submission to the Media