## Annual Reports - ANNUAL REPORT 2000/01

The board invited the members and friends of the Swiss-Japanese Society to the following events:

Date	Event	Location
28th May	<b>Kendo</b> with Ryuji Ito, demonstration and hands-on teaching	Kantonsschule Enge Zürich
18th June	<b>Exhibition Visit</b> Korea - its early Kingdoms followed by Korean food in the park	Museum Rietberg Zürich
25th June	Japanese Movie  Eki, by Yasuo Furuhata  with Ken Takakura	Kino Camera Basel
02nd July	Japanese Movie  Seigen-ki, by Toichiro Narujima, and music by Toru Takemitsu	Studio 4 Zürich
09th July	Concert  Japanese masterworks  Ueli Derendinger, shakuhachi,  Silvain Guignard, chikuzen biwa,  Jürg Zurmühle, shakuhachi	Historisches Museum Bern
13th July	Concert  Japanese masterworks  Ueli Derendinger, shakuhachi,  Silvain Guignard, chikuzen biwa,  Jürg Zurmühle, shakuhachi	Unternehmen Mitte Basel
16th July	Concert  Japanese masterworks  Ueli Derendinger, shakuhachi,  Silvain Guignard, chikuzen biwa,  Jürg Zurmühle, shakuhachi	Museum Rietberg Zürich
23rd August	<b>Lecture</b> - in English Eidô T. Shimano, Zen-Master	Museum Rietberg Zürich
02nd September	45th General Assembly Guided tours through the monastry's libraries with Pater Lukas Helg, Music Library, with Pater Odo Lang and general library. Vesper with all four organs playing in the church	
01st October	Japanese Movie Za Chûgaku Kyôshi - Lehrerspiele 1992 by Hideyuki Hirayama with Kyôzô Nagatsuka	Kino Camera Basel

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08th October	Japanese Movie Otoko wa tsuraiyo: Shiretoko bojô - Toro-san geht nach Norden, by Yôji Yamada, with Kiyoshi Atsumi	Studio 4 Zürich
05th November	<b>Japanese Movie</b> <i>Gakkô II</i> , by Yôji Yamada	Studio 4 Zürich
18th November	Traditional Sukiyaki-Dinner	Sakura Basel
20th November	Lecture - in German Dr. Urs Schoettli (us) NZZ: Japan an der Zeitenwende	Quartiertreff Enge Zürich
27th November	<b>Cooking Course 1</b> with Atsuko Ikeda, Sushi, Salmon and winter vegetables	Erdgas Zürich
04th December	Cooking Course 2 with Atsuko Ikeda, Sushi, Salmon and winter vegetables	Erdgas Zürich
13th January 2001	New Year's Dinner	Sala of Tokyo Zürich
18th February	Japanesenspiel 2001	Schwyz
30th March	Sukiyaki Dinner Dance with Japanese Ladies' Choir and musical entertainment by A. and E. Fiebig	Belvoirpark Zürich

At the end of March 2001, a total of 528 persons (couples counted as two) were registered members of our Society, 30 more than at the same time the year before. The Society had 20 corporate members. During the period under review, the Board met six times to discuss the activities and the program of our Society. Much to our regret, we had to learn that Mr. Hiroshi Yagura, for reasons of his health, had to tender his resignation. Mr. H. Yagura was for eight years a very active member of our Board, organising many events and helping whenever there was need. We should like to thank him for his friendship and continuous support and send him our best wishes for a fast recovery. The Board is pleased to propose the election of three new members to the Board: Dr. Elizabeth Borner-Mouer, our secretary Mr. Hans Walter Keller and Dr. Werner Koch. Dr. E. Borner and Dr. W. Koch have participated during the last year in the Board's meetings and contributed to our program. Mr. H.W. Keller has been for more than two years our very efficient secretary and should as a member also be in a position to decide about our activities. The Board proposes also to elect Dr. Brigit Bernegger, for many years a very active member of the Board, to be a Co-President of our Society.

The accounts for the year 2000/01 close with a small profit of Fr. 963.-. As mentioned in our last report, the lecture of the Nobel prize winner Kenzaburo Oe at the Tonhalle Zurich and the Dinner at Zunfthaus zur Meisen has been a great success. The income from the sale of tickets was higher than budgeted, allowing us to reimburse our sponsors an amount of Fr.16'984.80; for this purpose a corresponding provision ('Rückstellung') was made. Some of them did, however, not claim the refund and generously put the amount at our disposal for future events. Thus, an amount of Fr.13'904.80 could be added to our

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'Fonds für ausserordentliche Ausgaben'. We thank all sponsors for their generous donations. Also this year, we had important outlays of Fr. 4'646.95 in connection with our newly created Internet-Homepage www.schweiz-japan.ch. These expenses were directly charged to the 'Fonds für ausserordentliche Ausgaben'. New arrangements could be made which will allow us to substantially reduce the future costs of the Homepage. We are glad to state that in the last month of June alone, over 800 visitors visited our Homepage. After the charge for the Homepage, the 'Fonds für ausserordentliche Ausgaben' amounts to Fr.12'760.95.

The Board thanks everyone who has actively contributed to and participated in the Society's activities. Your own ideas and suggestions are always most welcome, as well as your support when it comes to realising them. Simply call or send a fax to us or use the new possibilities offered by our Homepage and E-mail.

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