

# Meet Our Runners!



**The Culver City Sister City Committee has coordinated several opportunities to meet and cheer on our Kaizuka City, Japan marathon runners!**

## **Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>: Arrival:**

Come to LAX and greet our runners as they arrive from their long journey from Kaizuka, Japan. Tom Bradley Terminal, arrival 11:50 am. AA flight 8439 – operated by JAL.

## **Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>: The Marathon**

Cheer the runners on at one of our two cheering sections along the Marathon route. At Mile 18, park at Beverly Hills High School and walk up to Little Santa Monica Blvd and join the Culver City HS Cross Country team. Or at Mile 20, park south of Santa Monica and meet at the corner of Sepulveda and Santa Monica to join the El Marino Elementary School cheer section!

## **Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 6 – 8:30 pm: Meet-and-Greet**

Our Annual "Meet-and-Greet", this year is a Potluck at the Winslow's home on 11074 Rhoda Way in Culver City. Bring a dish, talk with the runners, meet former marathon participants, meet other CCSCC members. Everyone is invited. Easy parking too!

## **Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>: Culver City Council Meeting 1:00 pm:**

Marathon runners Rie Minamida and Hiro Ishihara will receive certificates of recognition from the Mayor and City Council. Culver City City Hall, 9770 Culver Blvd.

## **Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 – 8:30 pm: Menchie's Yogurt**

Part casual-mixer, part fund-raiser, bring your friends and family to Menchie's Yogurt on 5622 Sawtelle Blvd, to chat with our runners, and enjoy yogurt. A part of your purchase supports the CCSCC!

## **Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, LAX 10:30 am, approx.**

Help send off our runners, and wave sayonara as they head back to Kaizuka with smiles, gifts, memories and new friends. AA flight 8414.

## **TRACK THE RUNNERS DURING THE RACE**

Track the runners using the LA Marathon Runner App....enter their names and follow them and cheer them during the race

## The Runners

### **From Kaizuka, Japan**

**Rie Minamida**  
**Hiro Ishihara**

### **From Culver City**

**Jessica Dorsey**  
Represented Culver City sister city of Kaizuka, Japan at this year KIX Senshu Marathon in Osaka, Japan and winner of the Women's Division

### **Iyob Tessema**

Represented Culver City sister city of Kaizuka, Japan at this year KIX Senshu International Marathon in Osaka, Japan

### **2018 LA Marathon Participants**

**Rie Minamida** – Kaizuka, Japan  
**Hiro Ishihara** – Kaizuka, Japan

**Iyob Tessema** competing in his 24<sup>th</sup> consecutive LA Marathon

### **Also...**

**David Winslow** – Culver City, CA  
2017 Senshu Marathon runner,  
fourth consecutive LA Marathon

**Faheem Chunara** - 2017 CCHS graduate, CCHS Cross Country member – running LA Marathon for the first time