History of Dublin-Osaki Sister City Exchange

May 29, 1998 Sister City signing ceremony

August 1999 Junior high school students from Sanbongi visit Dublin

Leader: Hideo Murakami (City Controller)

Chaperone: Toru Tamamizu (teacher)

Members: Natsuko Matumoto, Chika Sasaki, Izumi Abe, Noriko Kano, Shuku

Sasaki, Rie Sasaki

May 2000 Dublin students visit Sanbongi

Chaperone: Joan Brantley (teacher)

Members: Leigh Ann Griggs, Jennifer Belluso, JennaJo Coffey and Jena Clem

August 2000 Junior high school students from Sanbongi visit Dublin

Leader: Eietsu Endo (Section Chief, Sanbongi City Hall)

Chaperone: Yoshiaki Okuyama (teacher)

Members: Masakazu Oba, Yoshitaka Oyama, Naka Saito, Kaori Sasaki, Kanae

Matsui, Miyuki Kuwahara

July 2002 Dublin students visit Sanbongi

Chaperones: Allen Thomas and Carol Evans

Members: Whitney Bass, Lindsay Schafer, Morgan Evans, Katie Lentile, Tommy

Wells

August 2002 Junior high school students from Sanbongi visit Dublin

Leader: Koichi Sasaki (Planning Information Section, Sanbongi City Hall)

Chaperone: Takeyoshi Nikaido

Members: Tomoyuki Kano, Yusuke Yamamoto, Tsubasa Sudo, Yasunori Hayasaka,

Yahiro Saito, Hideaki Hayasaka

March 2004 Sanbongi Mayor Buichiro Sato visits Dublin

Mayor Sato served as Grand Marshall of St. Patrick's Parade

Member: Buichiro Sato (Mayor)

Misao Shoji (Vice Chairman, City Council)

Takahashi Hiromitsu (City Hall)

Fumio Iwata (former YKK AP Tohoku plant manager)

Masakazu Kuwahara (YKK AP Tohoku Plant General Affairs Section Chief)

May 2004 Dublin Mayor Phil Best and his wife visit Sanbongi

August 2004 Junior high school students from Sanbongi visit Dublin

Leader: Akio Kato (Section Chief City Hall)

Chaperone: Nobuhiro Endo (teacher)

Members: Wataru Sudo, Nana Ito, Aya Kato, Yuri Matsui, Mami Sugawara, Kanae

Hayasaka

July 2005 Dublin students visit Sanbongi

Chaperones: Martha Kelley and Pilar Archila

Members: Felipe Archila, Grady Cullens, Daniel Warren, Brittany Knight, Molly

Evans, Lauren Weigel

October 2005 Kindergarten teachers from Sanbongi visit Dublin

Members: Yuriko Takahashi (Sanbongi Kindergarten Principal)

Naruko Tokita (Sanbongi Kindergarten teacher)

March 2006 Sanbongi International Association members visit Dublin

Join St. Patrick Festival

Members: Jin Ito (International Association Chairman)

Noriaki Takahashi (Vice Chairman)

Keiko Takahashi

Hiroshi Saito (City Council member)

Muneo Nigo Kazuko Nigo Shuko Iwabuchi Aiko Kawai

August 2006 Junior high school students from Osaki visit Dublin

Leader: Mitsuo Kudo (City Hall Section Chief)

Chaperone: Tadashi Kono (teacher)

Members: Akane Motomiya, Moe Kudo, Yurina Takahashi, Saki Hayasaka, Miku

Sato, Rika Sasaki

July 2007 Dublin students visit Osaki

^{*}Sanbongi merged into the city of Osaki on March 31, 2006

Chaperones: Mariet Vedder and Mary Chambless

Members: William Moses, Aimee Johnson, Maggie Whittle, Rachel Price, Carla

Metts, Hannah Helton

August 2008 Junior and senior high school students from Osaki visit Dublin

10th anniversary of sister city agreement

Leader: Keiichiro Ito (Superintendent of Schools)

Vice Leader: Jin Ito (International Association Chairman) and Hiromitsu Takahashi

(Osaki City Sanbongi Branch Office General Affairs Section)

Members: Shogo Sugawara, Nao Muramatsu, Nao Koiwa, Mao Nanjo, Aika

Shishido, Reira Sugawara

April 2010 Dublin students visit Osaki

Chaperones: Phil Thacker, Nancy Thacker, Dolores Byrne

Members: Timothy Johnson, Felipe Lleras, Ashley Anderson, Caroline Payne,

Shannon Barr, Sydney Nazerian

* This visit was originally scheduled to take place in July 2009, but was postponed due to an influenza outbreak

March 2012 High school students from Osaki visit Dublin

Leader: Jin Ito (International Association Chairman)

Chaperones: Yasuhide Siga (City Hall Industrial Construction Section)

Rie Shiga (International Exchange Association)

Members: Saki Honda, Kiyoka Endo, Rin Ohashi, Yuna Kadowaki, Haruna Takeda,

Mami Nikaido, Keiichiro Hayasaka

April 2013 Dublin students visit Osaki

Chaperones: Bob Walker and Jackie Walker

Members: Elizabeth Brack, Emily Hatchett, Anamaria Lleras, Julia Nazerian,

Joseph Payne, Caroline Warren

March 2015 High school students from Osaki visit Dublin

Chaperones: Shunichi Sasaki, Jin Ito, Tomoko Hashimoto

Members: Akari Fukuda, Harumi Sasaki, Kenta Fukuda, Hitoshi Imamura, Miho

Kaneko, Aki Kawamukai, Chikara Nishira, Kyoka Saito, Takumi Yoshida

April 2016 High school students from Dublin visit Osaki

Chaperones: Gerald Smith, Janet Smith, Beatriz Lleras

Members: Luke Kolbie, Krista Loyd, Jackson Brack, Emily Harrison, Hannah Edwards, Laura Miller, Camille Hatchett, Payne Davenport, Jordan Moulis

March 2018 High school students from Osaki visit Dublin

Chaperones: Ito Jin (Chairman, Osaki Sanbongi International Exchange Committee); Shishido Jun (Osaki City Sanbongi Branch Office, Regional Promotion Division); Sakai Satoru (Osaki City Sanbongi Branch Office, Regional Promotion Division)

Students: Koide Karin, Sato Kaho, Gambe Myu, Irikoma Kazuha, Kato Honoka, Konno Kanta, Ihara Hijiri, Onodera Noa, Wakami Makino