



To Grow with Society

The support of and harmony with members of the local community are absolutely essential for a company's continued existence. Central Glass will continue to build even better relations with every one of its stakeholders, starting with members of local communities and customers, while also growing and improving together with society in order to realize a sustainable society.

51st Central Glass International Architectural Design Competition

Central Glass began sponsoring a competition for architectural design ideas in 1966. Starting with the 10th competition in 1975, it was renamed the Central Glass International Architectural Design Competition to invite entries from overseas. The theme of the 51st competition in 2016 was "Houses to Live with *Fūdo*." There were 188 entries in total, 101 from Japan and 87 from overseas (refer to the back cover for the First Place Prize design). The theme of the 52nd International Architectural Design Competition in 2017 was "Redesigning Urban

Open Space." We live in a time in which we need to pursue economic efficiency and rationality, while simultaneously preserving the natural environment and protecting historical and traditional cultures. As a company that promotes architectural culture, we believe that it is highly meaningful for us to provide occasions to consider a desirable society and environment through this competition. Central Glass takes great pride in our continuing efforts to sponsor this competition over many years.



Presentation by the winner of the competition



Commemorative photo

Chief Judge	Hiroshi Naito (Naito Architect & Associates)
	Taro Ashihara (Taro Ashihara Architects)
Judges	Tadao Kamei (Nikken Sekkei Ltd.)
	Teruo Kobayashi (Obayashi Corporation)
	Kengo Kuma (Kengo Kuma & Associates)
	Yoshiharu Tsukamoto (Atelier Bow-Wow)
	Satoshi Takayama (Central Glass Co., Ltd.)

28th Junior Science Classes

The "Summer Vacation Junior Science Class" is held every year under the auspices of the Summer Vacation Junior Science Class Executive Committee and jointly hosted by the Yamaguchi Industrial Promotion Foundation in cooperation with universities, technical colleges, corporate research institutes, and more. It is held in the hope of showing children with infinite future potential how interesting and fun science can be. In 2016, it was held at 17 venues in Yamaguchi Prefecture in collaboration with 16 related organizations between July 22 and August 28.

Central Glass wholeheartedly agrees with the premise, and on July 28 we held a class at the Chemical Research Center (Ube) in which 20 elementary and junior high school students from Ube City and other cities in Yamaguchi Prefecture

participated. Under the theme of "Experiencing the wonders of heat and light," young researchers played the role of instructor and prepared hands-on experiments that allowed students to experience the heat energy and light energy found all around us. Participants formed small groups and the seats were arranged for all of the children and their parents to enjoy the class. The children engaged enthusiastically in the experiments, asked the instructors questions, and sometimes gasped in surprise while their parents looked on in enjoyment.

We hope to be able to continue hosting these classes in the future to provide opportunities for more children to learn how exciting and fun science can be and grow up with a greater interest in science.



Lesson in progress



Participating children and their parents



Group photo

14th Regional Town Hall Meeting in the Ube District

Four chemical companies located in the Ube District hold an annual regional town hall meeting with local residents. The fourteenth meeting was held on January 21, 2017, in the gymnasium of Central Glass's Ube Plant. Fifty-six people including members of the local government, NGOs, and local residents participated. The four companies involved first offered overviews of their plants and their environmental initiatives. The Japan Chemical Industry Association then gave a presentation on the history of responsible care and activities associated with the concept. Next, the Ube municipal government explained its environmental protection initiatives in Ube City. Following these presentations, the participants were divided into two

groups and held discussions on the topics of "management of chemical substances" and "emissions from plants (air and water quality)." Each group had a lively exchange of opinions, and specific concerns regarding security and the environment were raised, making this a highly meaningful town hall meeting. We will continue our efforts to engage in communication with the residents of the region in order to create a safe and secure plant together.



The 14th Regional Town Hall Meeting

Participation in Ecocap activities

The Volunteering and Charity Committee of the Matsusaka branch of the Central Glass Labor Union is conducting an "Eco-Cap Collection" initiative. This involves collecting used PET bottle caps from each of our workplaces and selling them to a recycler, with the proceeds donated to the Japan Committee, "Vaccines for the World's Children" (JVC).

In FY2016, 114,380 PET bottle caps collected from Central Glass workplaces were delivered to recyclers. The resulting donation was equivalent to the cost of polio vaccines for approximately 133 children. Since the incineration of the same number of bottle caps would release approximately 837.9 kg of CO₂ into the atmosphere, the initiative also contributed to a reduction in CO₂ emissions.

A cumulative total of 632,620 bottle caps have been col-

lected by the Eco-Cap Collection initiative since its start in 2009. Converted into the cost of polio vaccines, our donations are equivalent to vaccines for approximately 735 children.

Through the activities of its Volunteering and Charity Committee, the Matsusaka branch of the Central Glass Labor Union will continue to actively support children in need around the world.



Bottle caps collected for donation

Volunteer Roadside Cleanup

The Ube branch of the Central Glass Labor Union conducts a variety of volunteer activities in order to contribute to the local community. One of these is the "Volunteer Roadside Cleanup" conducted every April during the first training period for new union members. The Ube Labor Union organized this initiative for the seventh time in 2016 (the first was in 2010). The cleanup is conducted along public roads and residential streets, and in parks around the Ube Plant.

The purpose of this initiative is to allow newly recruited members from all over Japan to become more familiar with the place where they will live, and to foster an awareness of the deep ties between the company and the local community.

The activity was called off in April 2016 because of rain, but given its importance as a CSR activity, it was rescheduled



The cleanup

to the second training period for newly recruited members in July. The temperature was above 30° C, but the volunteers were happy to work and have the opportunity to communicate with local residents, and their expressions were filled with satisfaction when they saw the pile of trash that they had collected through their hard work.

The Ube Plant Labor Union will continue to fulfill its CSR commitments by conducting activities in which all employees can participate and collaborate.



A cleanup by new employees