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HONORING PIONEER JOURNALISTS—Above, Bill Sing (left) of the Los

Angeles Times shakes hands with Bill Hosokawa before presenting him with his award as a pioneer Asian American journalist. Below (left) is P.C. Murante, who accepted the award on behalf of the late Carlos Bulosan and on the right is Louise Leung Larson.

AAJA Dinner

Hosokawa, Other Pioneer Asian American Journalists Honored

By George Johnston

LOS ANGELES - Bill Hosokawa, Louise Leung Larson and the late Carlos Bulosan were honored as pioneer Asian American journalists at the Biltmore Hotel Sept. 9 during a banquet held by the Los Angeles Chapter of the Asian American Journalists Association (AAJA). The banquet, which drew nearly 700 people, also honored Los Angeles AAJA Chapter scholarship recipients and raised funds for future scholarships.

The pioneer journalists portion of the banquet was highlighted with a special slide presentation produced by Visual Communications. Featured first was Bulosan, who died in 1956. He chronicled the lives of immigrant Filipinos in America during the early part of the century, reaching a wide audience with works that appeared in the New Yorker, Harper's Bazaar and Saturday Review. Accepting the award on his behalf was a colleague of Bulosan's, P.C. Morante.

Next was Larson, whose career spanned over four decades. In an era when there were few Asians, let alone women, in the newspapers, Larson interviewed public figures like Albert Einstein and Al Capone. The banquet was the first public appearance for Larson since having a stroke. Her daughter, Jane Larson Overbee, accepted the award and spoke on her mother's be-

Hosokawa was then recognized for his decades in journalism, which included assignments overseas, stints as associate editor and editorial page director of the Denver Post and writing eight books. He is still active in the field, not only as a columnist for Pacific Citizen, but also as the ombudsman for the Rocky Mountain

Early Years During his brief remarks, Hosokawa

Called the banquet "a celebration of the past and a celebration of the future." He then recounted an incident that occurred early in his journalism experience, telling the audience how at the University of Washington, journalism students would spend Spring Break getting practical experience at various newspapers around the state.

"When that time came for my class," said Hosokawa, "I was not included among those chosen to go . . . I asked my faculty advisor why and he said, 'Well, we're afraid the publishers out in the field would not accept you.' Things have changed today.

Scholarship Winners

Earlier in the year over \$10,000 in scholarships were distributed by chapter, with the recipients recognized that evening. Presenting the winners to the audience were Ann Curry, KCBS-TV reporter and chapter schoarship chair; Shelby Coffey, executive editor, Los Angeles Times; Robert Hyland, v.p. and general manager, KCBS-TV; and John C. Severino, president and general manager, KABC-TV. The winners were:

Lori Aratani, Linda Chong, Deirdre Goebel, Guy Gruppie, Juanito Holandez, Jou Huang, Sharon Katsuda, Jung Kim, Tim Min, Greg Nakata, Michael Rocha, Mitsuko Takeuchi, Michael Wang, Esther Won and Wileen Wong.

The evening began and ended with a silent auction and during the program there was also a live auction, kept moving by master of ceremonies Mario Machado. Entertainment during the banquet was provided by singer Lisa Ishibashi and pianist Scott Nagatani. Gifts of appreciation were presented by the chapter to Los Angeles Times writer Bill Sing and KCBS-TV anchorwoman Tritia Toyota, as well as KABC-TV reporter/anchorwman Joanne Ishimine, the current chapter

New Office of Reparations Administration to Administer Redress Payments

By Rita Takahashi

WASHINGTON - The Office of Reparations Administration has been created within the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice to administer the reparations payment awarded by the Japanese American re-

Bob Bratt, administrator of the Office of Reparations Administration, stated that the division-including Assistant Attorney General William Bradford Reynolds, division headwas pleased to get the assignment. Four sections of the Department of Justice had submitted proposals to serve as administrators. The Civil Rights Division received confirmation of the responsibility on Sept. 7.

The Office of Reparations Administration staff includes Bratt; Alice Kale. administrator; Valerie O'Brien, administration attorney; and Jean Chipouras, public relations repre-

Phases Toward 'Reparations'

In a Sept. 9 meeting with the JACL and JACL-LEC, Bratt and Kale out-

By Toko Fujii SACRAMENTO — With about 100

persons in attendance, a reception was

held in California Gov. George

Deukmejian's conference room on

Aug. 31 to commemorate the Aug. 10

signing of federal bill H.R. 442 and

recent enactment of Assembly Bill

Stockton, Calif., author of A.B. 4087,

served as master of ceremonies as rec-

ognition and expressions of apprecia-

tion were extended to the many as-

semblypersons and state senators who

A.B. 4087, which was signed by

the governor Aug. 24, exempts the

monetary reparations awarded by H.R.

442 from state income tax, preserves

supported the state measure.

Assemblyman Patrick Johnston of

JACLers Attend Sacramento Signing

lined the office's three phases toward "reparations," which are to collect data by indentifying individuals eligible for payment, verify an individual's eligibility and to make the payments.

Process for Payment

The office is currently setting up a process for reparations payment. Included in its plans are the following: -A telephone hotline to answer questions about the reparations payment. Beginning on Sept. 19, the hotline will be open from 7 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. and manned by two shifts of staff members. Each shift will consist of four bilingual individuals who can speak the Japanese language.

-A correspondence bank to respond to letters. The bank, which will open Sept. 19, will consist of two shifts of four persons for each shift.

-A question and answer brochure to address central questions that are relative to the reparations issues. The office was expected to complete a draft of the brochure this week

-A special post office box number assigned strictly to receive inquiries to the office. The box number will be

the status of those who are now receiv-

ing state health assistance and allows

spouses of deceased Japanese Amer-

ican state employees who were fired

Speaking on behalf of those honored

from the state Senate were state Sens.

Ralph Dills of Gardena and Cecil

Green of Santa Fe Springs. Assembly-

man John Klehs of San Leandro was

Nakagawa responded on behalf of the

Nikkei attendees at the reception and

Priscilla Ouchida, Johnston's legisla-

tive assistant and National vice presi-

dent of Operations, was also com-

mended for organizing the event on

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National JACL President Cressey

also called on for his message.

in 1942 to file for a \$5,000 award.

assigned by Sept. 19.

-Hiring of staff to fill various positions. Job announcements will be pub-

lished in the future.
Inquiries to Reparations Office

Because the Civil Rights Division's Office of Reparations Administration is now responsible for payments, all individuals should refrain from sending future requests for "eligibility verification" to the National Archives. All direct inquiries and verification notices should be sent to the Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Administrative Management Section, P.O. Box 65310, Washington, D.C. 20035-5310.

The Office of Reparations Administration will keep the public informed about future developments regarding the reparations issue. The office will publicize its information in newspaper. journal, newsletter, television and radio reports.

Through major outreach and cooperative efforts, the office hopes that the Japanese American community will learn what the options are and know how to exercise them.

NCRR Offering Video on Story Behind JA Redress

LOS ANGELES - "Justice Now! Reparations Now!" a 30-minute video which premiered Aug. 27 at the National Coalition for Redress/Reparations (NCRR) celebration in Little Tokyo, is now available from NCRR.

The video tells the story behind the Japanese American fight for redress, from the internment camps to the Aug. 10 signing of the reparations bill by President Reagan. Producer/Director Alan Kondo, who is best known for his editing work on the film Hito Hata, shot the footage of the signing ceremony in Washington, D.C.

The video also includes dramatic clips of testimony by former internees at the 1981 government commission hearings, excerpts of the House and Senate debate on the redress bill, footage of NCRR lobbying teams in Congress during their July 1987 visit and scenes of NCRR activities and programs. The interment is covered largely through the use of still photos

To order the video, send name, mailing address and a check for \$23 to NCRR, 244 S. San Pedro St., Rm. 406, L.A., CA 90012.

JACL to Offer Judo Scholarship in 1990

SAN FRANCISCO — A scholarship encouraging students to study or compete in judo at the college level has ded to the National JACL scholarship program. The Yutaka Nakazawa Memorial Judo Scholarship, which was donated by the family of the late Yutaka Nakazawa, will be awarded by the National JACL each year beginning in 1990.

Applicants will be judged according to academic achievement, community activities and dedication to the sport of judo. As with the entire JACL National Scholarship Program, the scholarship is open to all Americans of Japanese ancestry.

As part of the initiation of the Yutaka Nakazawa Memorial Judo

Scholarship Fund, a special award will be given to a student of the San Francisco Women's Judo Club, Soko Joshi Judo Dojo, at a special ceremony in January, 1989

"The JACL is extremely grateful and appreciative to the Nakazawa family for establishing the judo scholarship," said Fae Minabe, national scholarship chairperson. "The sport of judo is just one of many facets of our rich cultural heritage, and the JACL commends the Nakazawa family's efforts to perpetuate our cultural heritage."

For more information about the Yutaka Nakzawa Memorial Judo Scholarship or about the National JACL Scholarship Program, contact Neal Taniguchi at (415) 921-5225

NEWS IN BRIEF

Fujiyoshi Permitted to Attend Trial in Osaka

HILO - Ron Fujiyoshi has returned to Japan to appeal his conviction as a fingerprint refuser at a Sept. 13 trial in Osaka. The 48-year-old American lay missionary was arrested in 1981 for opposing requirements of Japan's Alien Registration Law. While in Hilo on home leave, Fujiyoshi received a special 15-day visa from Japan's Ministry of Justice, a "moral victory" he attributes to a six day protest he staged in front of the Japanese Consulate in Honolulu and support he has received from various congressmen.

1988 P.C. Holiday Issue Advertising Kits Now Ready for Chapters The 1988 Pacific Citizen Holi-

day Issue advertising kits have been assembled and will be dispatched via first class mail this weekend (Sept. 16).

The kits are being sent to all the chapters. Advertising rates are: \$5 one-liners, \$10 name tag (a new size) and \$12 per column inch for display greetings.

Space reservations are expected to be made by Nov. 15; deadline for all advertising and stories is Nov. 30.

(Announcement of Holiday Issue contributions will be made in the next issue. Watch for it.)



BUILDING IN LITTLE TOKYO-Building committee members of the new Centenary United Methodist Church that is scheduled for completion this month in Los Angeles meet with construction staff. Pictured (from I to r) are Larry Petersen, project superintendent; Tak Shida, project architect; Al Taira, president of Taira Investment Service; Attorney Mark Kiguchi; Rev. George Nishikawa; Kaz Saito, committee chairman; Rev. Hidemi Ito; Mabel Ota; Kiyoshi Ito; George Yamaka; Maria Suzuki and Ann Handa.

Nihonmachi Outreach Committee **Sponsoring Redress Celebration**

SAN JOSE, Calif. - The Nihonmachi Outreach Committee will be sponsoring a program to celebrate the Aug. 10 signing into law of H.R. 442 and to provide information to the Japanese American community about the redress bill. The program will be held Sept. 25, at 7 p.m., at the Buddhist Church Betsuin gym, 640 N. Fifth

Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.). who is expected to speak at the program, will participate in a question and answer session to address concerns about the redress bill's provisions and appropriation.

Gary Jio, committee chairperson, stated, "While this is a celebration because of the recent signing of H.R. 442, it is also a time to plan the steps necessary to ensure that Congress appropriates the maximum amount of money each year so that payment to the former internees and evacuees is accomplished in the shortest amount

"We will have form letters at the program that can be used to urge key congressional leaders to push for the

maximum appropriations."

Along with other community or-

ganizations, the committee participated in the 1981 founding of the National Coalition for Redress/Reparations. The committee's redress activities include sponsorship of annual Day of Remembrance programs, pilgrimages to the Tule Lake concentration camp site, sending grassroots lobbying teams to Washington, D.C. in 1984 and 1987, and organizing letterwriting and mailgram campaigns to help win redress.

Refreshments will be served following the program. For more information, contact Jio at (408) 295-8106 or Richard Konda during the day at (408)

AADAP Gets Grant to Develop KDAAP Task Force

LOS ANGELES - The Asian American Drug Abuse Program, Inc. (AADAP) recently received a \$30,000 grant for development of a Koreatown Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Task Force (K-DAAP).

AADAP plans to develop a commu-

nity based task force of concerned parents, youth, volunteer community service organization and professional human service agencies.

The project's primary objective is to raise community awareness and to mobilize community-wide action to address the prevention of alcohol and drug abuse problems in the Korean community

Both K-DAAP and AADAP are actively seeking funds to meet the task force's goals of providing culturally appropriate services in Korean, train community and youth volunteers to give presentations to various community groups on drug and alcohol prevention, and to begin an extensive media campaign, utilizing local Korean radio-television, cable and community print media.

JA Vietnam Vets Support Keiro with Donation

LOS ANGELES — The Japanese American Vietnam Veterans Dinner Committee recently presented a check for \$32,000 to Keiro Health Services. The donation came from the proceeds of the "Born in the U.S.A." June 2 testimonial dinner saluting Japanese American Vietnam veterans and Vincent Okamoto.

'We were overwhelmed by the showing of community support the dinner generated," stated Tom Okamura who, along with Tom Fujimoto, co-chaired the unique fund-raising event which drew nearly 1,000 people to the grand Ballroom of the Bonaventure Hotel and raised \$125,000.

Okamura went on to convey the committee's appreciation to Keiro Health Services, a co-sponsor of the event, and to the Nisei Veterans Coordinating Council, the 442nd Association, the 100th Battalion Association and the Military Intelligence Service Association of Southern California for their support.

Accepting the veterans' check on behalf of Keiro Health Services was

Edwin Hiroto, the organization's chief executive officer. Keiro will use the funds to establish a memorial wing at the Japanese American Retirement Home in Los Angeles in memory of the late Justice John F. Aiso.

The Vietnam veterans will use their share of the proceeds to erect a monument honoring the 99 Japanese Americans who died and the 15 Americans of Japanese descent who are still missing-in-action in the Vietnam War. Also representing the veterans committee at the presentation were Dennis Ishiki and Jerry Yamamoto who, together, co-chaired the Veterans Outreach Committee.

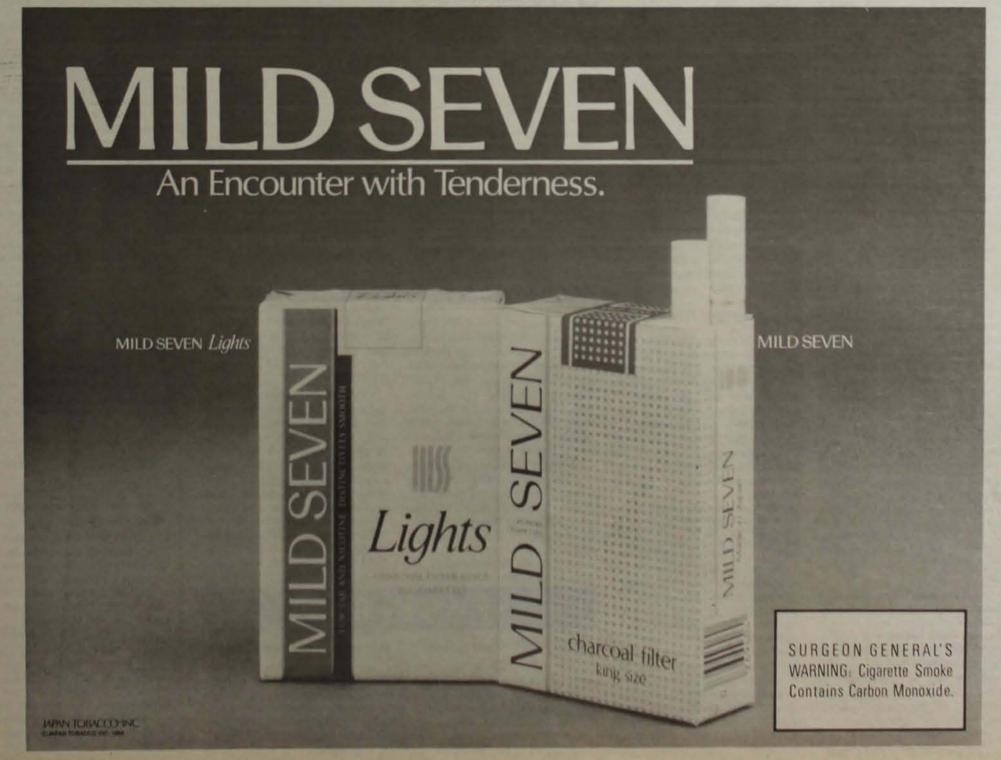
SACRAMENTO

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Those in attendance included Jerry Enomoto, National LEC director, Mollie Fujioka, Northern California-Western Nevada-Pacific district governor; Rudy Tokiwa of San Jose; George Kondo, Northern California-Western Nevada-Pacific regional director; George Matsuoka, Valley LEC coordinator; George Baba of Stockton; Mary Tsukamoto of Florin; Momoko Hatamiya of Marysville; and Choji Nakano and Harvey Itogawa of Sac-



SIGNING CELEBRATION-An Aug. 31 reception at the state capital in California celebrated the recent enactment of H.R. 442, the Japanese American redress bill, and state bill A.B. 4087, which exempts reparations payment of the federal bill from California state taxes. Seated (I-r) are Mallie Fujiaka, JACL NCWN-P district governor; Priscilla Ouchida, JACL National vice president of Operations; and Nancy Takahashi. Standing (I-r) are Lon Hatomiya; Toko Fujii; George Matsuoka; George Kondo, NCWN-P Regional Director, Cressey Nakagawa, JACL National president; and Jerry Enomoto, JACL-LEC National director.



Public Law 100-383: The Civil Liberties Act QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. 1 Who is eligible to receive individual monetary payment from the U.S. Government?

An eligible individual is a person of Japanese ancestry who was living at the time of this Bill's enactment (10 August 1988) and "... who, during the evacuation, relocation, and internment period-(A) was a "United States citizen or a permanent resident alien; and (B) (i) was confined, held in custody, relocated, or otherwise deprived of liberty or property as a result of-(I) Executive Order Numbered 9066, dated February 19, 1942; (II) the Act entitled "An Act to provide a penalty for violation of restrictions or orders with respect to persons entering, remaining in, leaving, or committing any act in military areas or zones", approved March 21, 1942 (56 Stat. 173); or (III) any other Executive order, Presidential proclamation, law of the United States, directive of the Armed Forces of the United States, or other action taken by or on behalf of the United States or its agents, representatives, officers, or employees, respecting the evacuation, relocation, or internment of individuals solely on the basis of Japanese ancestry; or (ii) was enrolled on the records of the United States Government during the period beginning on December 7, 1941, and ending on June 30, 1946, as being in a prohibited military

Persons born in the camps are also eligible for the \$20,000 individual compensation.

"These eligible individuals are often labeled "voluntary evacuees" because they left the West Coast after the mandatory military orders of removal and incarceration, but prior to the establishment of concentration camps.

Q.2 In answer 1 above, it evacuees" are eligible for monetary compensation. What are some specific examples of persons that became "voluntary evacuees"?

Voluntary evacuees include those Japanese Americans who, prior to the issuance of Executive Order 9066, were ordered by the Navy to leave Bainbridge Island, off the coast of the State of Washington, and Terminal Island, near San Pedro, Calif. In addition, some 4,889 Japanese Americans left the West Coast during the voluntary phase of the government's evacuation program between the issuance of Public Proclamation No. 1, on March 2, 1942 and Public Proclamation No. 4 on March 27, 1942. These evacuees were required to file "Change of Residence" cards with the Wartime Civil Control Administration and such cards were tabulated following the mandatory removal and internment of the West Coast Japanese American population. [This "Change of Residence" card will constitute as "enrolled on the records of the U.S. Government."]

Q.3 Which persons are excluded from Eligibility for the \$20,000 individual monetary compensation?

The bill excludes, from eligibility, "... individuals who, during the period beginning on Dec. 7, 1941, and ending on Sept. 2, 1945, relocated to a country while the United States was at war with that country".

Q.4 What happens to the \$20,000 if the Eligible Person passes away before individual payment is made?

Included in this bill are vesting rights (rights involving heirs). Before these vesting rights apply, the individual had to be eligible for payment and had to be alive at the time the bill became law (10 Aug. 1088)

The following list of frequently asked questions and answers regarding the redress law has been prepared for the Pacific Citizen by the JACL/LEC Washington Office. These questions address the provisions related only to persons of Japanese ancestry.

More specific questions or additional questions regarding the Civil Liberties Act (P.L. 100-383) may be forwarded to National JACL, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA 94115, or the Washington JACL Office, 1730 Rhode Island Ave. NW, #204, Washington, DC 20036, for response with a self-addressed stamped envelope, please.

If an eligible person passes away before receiving payment, the monetary compensation"... shall be made only as follows:

(i) If the eligible individual is survived by a spouse who is living at the time of payment, such payment shall be made to such surviving spouse. [Note: 'the 'spouse' of an eligible individual means a wife or husband... who is married to that eligible individual for at least 1 year immediately before the death of the eligible individual']

(ii) If there is no surviving spouse described in clause (i), such payment shall be made in equal shares to all children of the eligible individual who are living at the time of payment. [Note. "a 'child' of an eligible individual includes a recognized natural child, a stepchild who lived with the eligible individual in a regular parent-child relationship, and an adopted child".]

(iii) If there is no surviving spouse described in clause (i) and if there are no children described in clause (ii), such payment shall be made in equal shares to the parents of the eligible individual who are living at the time of payment. [Note: "a 'parent' of an eligible individual includes fathers and mothers through adoption."]

Q.5 What happens to the Deceased Eligible Person does not have any relatives, as specified in Question 3?

The money will remain in the Civil
Liberties Public Education Fund, where
it can be used to sponsor research and
public educational activities, and to publish and distribute the hearings, findings,
and recommendations of the Commission . . [and where it can be used for]
reasonable administrative expenses.

of the Fund Board ..."

Q.6 How will "Redress" monies be administered?

The U.S. Government will establish "... in the Treasury of the United States the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund, which shall be administered by the Secretary of the Treasury... Amounts in the Fund shall be available only for disbursement by the Attorney General [to locate and to pay eligible individuals]... and by the [Civil Liberties Public Education Fund] Board" ["to sponsor research and public educational activities"].

Q.7 Since no more than \$500,000,000 may be appropriated in any one fiscal year, who will receive payments first?

The Attorney General will "... endeavor to make payments... in the order of date of birth (with the oldest individual on the date of the enactment of this Act (or, if applicable, that individual's survivors...) receiving full payment first), until all eligible individuals have received payment in full."

Q.8 What happens to the Money if an individual refuses to accept their \$20,000 payment?

The money will remain in the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund if an eligible individual refuses "in a written document filed with the Attorney General, to accept any payment under this ["Restitution"] section . . . and no payment may be made under this section to such individual at any time after such refusal."

Q.9 When will the first payments be made?

At the earliest, payments can begin during fiscal year 1990—which covers the period of 1 October 1989 through 30 Sept. 1990. First payment will probably begin during the earlier portion of this period.

Q.10 Who is responsible for locating all the Eligible Individuals?

The Act stipulates that "The Attorney General shall identify and locate, without requiring any application for payment and using records already in the possession of the United States Government, each eligible individual."

Furthermore, the Act specifies that the Attorney General must "... attempt to complete such identification and location within 12 months after the date of the enactment of this Act."

Q.11 How will the U.S. Attorney General locate all the Eligible Individuals to offer \$20,000 to each?

The Attorney General (AG), through the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, on Sept. 7 established the Office of Reparations Administration to carry out the payment of funds to eligible individuals as defined under the Civil Rights Act of 1988 (Public Law 100-383).

The office is currently engaged in setting up the payment process, but in the meantime, a number of plans are in the works, including a telephone hotline, a correspondence bank, a question and answer brochure and a special post office box solely for monetary inquiries (Editor's note: See the story on page 1 of this issue of Pacific Citizen for further details).

The new office will publicize this and other new information through a variety of mass media outlets, including newspapers, journals, newsletters, television and radio.

Q.12 The Act says that Eligible Individuals may submit their name, address, and documentation (proof of eligibility) to the Attorney General. If I opt to do this, what procedure should I follow?

If you would like to receive verification of your incarceration or verification that you were a "voluntary evacuee" (who has a "Change of Residence" card on record), write to the following:

Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Administrative Management Section, P.O. Box 65310, Washington, D.C. 20035-5310

When you write to the Justice Department. Office of Reparations Administration, provide the following information:

NAME—Include all names that you or your family used while in the camps. Include nicknames, maiden names, and all of the various names you may have used. If you were a child, include names of parents guardians. Include any other information that would help them identify you.

DATE OF BIRTH

NAME OF CAMP(s) you were in.

ADDRESS you used BEFORE you moved ("evacuated") and the address you moved to (this information is needed if you were a "voluntary evacuee").

It now appears that those who have verification notices can forward them to the above office with your current address.

Q.13 After the Attorney General verifies my Eligibility for payment, what notice will I receive?

According to the mandates in the Act,
"The Attorney General shall, when funds
are apporopriated to the Fund for payments to an eligible individual under this
section, notify that Eligible Individual in
writing of his or her eligibility for payment
under this section. Such notice shall inform the Eligible Individual that—

(A) acceptance of payment under this section shall be in full satisfaction of all claims against the United States arising out of acts described above [Answer 1], and

(B) each Eligible Individual who does not refuse, in the manner described above in [Answer 3], to accept payment under this section with 18 months after receiving such written notice shall be deemed to have accepted payment for purposes of [extinguishment of claims against the U.S. Government, described below [in Question 15].

Q.14 If I accept payment, what implications does that have in terms of future damages I might seek because of the incarceration?

When you accept the \$20,000 individual payment under this Act, you will be agreeing that the payment is "in full satisfaction of all claims against the United States arising out of acts [addressed in Answer 1, above]." Furthermore, if you do not refuse the payment within eighteen (18) months (as described in Answer 11, above) you will also have accepted the payment as "full satisfaction of all claims against the United States arising out of the acts..."

Q.15 Which "Eligible Individuals" are excluded from payment under this Act?

The following provision is included in the Act: "No payment may be made under this section to any individual who, after Sept. 1, 1987, accepts payment pursuant to an award of a final judgment or a settlement on a claim against the United States for acts described in [Answer 1, above], or to any surviving spouse, child, or parent of such individual. . ."

Q.16 Approximately how many will be eligible to receive the \$20,000 individual monetary compensation?

It has been estimated that approximately one half of the "evacuees" and "incarcerated individuals" were still alive at the time the bill was signed into law. Therefore, approximately 60,000 persons are eligible for this payment.

Q.17 Once payment is received, how will the compensation be treated under federal laws?

To clarify how the funds will be treated, the following is included in the Act: "Amounts paid to an eligible individual under this section—

 shall be treated for purposes of the internal revenue laws of the United States as damages for human suffering; and

(2) shall not be included as income or resources for purposes of determining eligibility to receive benefits described in section 3803(c)(2)(c) of Title 31, United States Code, or the amount of such benefits."

Q.18 Once payment is received, how will the compensation be treated under state laws?

How states will treat the "redress" payment will vary from state to state. Some states will pass laws to treat the payment in the same way as the Federal Government (and hence, will not tax the compensation nor use for it for eligibility determination). Others may pass variations of this, or may not pass any laws at all. This is an area where some have expressed a need for lobbying efforts.

Q.19 Who will administer the "research and education" component of this Act?

A Civil Liberties Public Education Fund Board of Directors, composed of nine (9) members, will be established. This Board is authorized to disburse funds only for the following:

"(1) to sponsor research and public educational activities, and to publish and distribute the hearings, findings, and recommendations of the Commission, so that the events surrounding the evacuation, relocation, and interment of United States citizens and permanent resident aliens of Japanese ancestry will be remembered, and so that the causes and circumstances of this and similar events may be illuminated and understood; and

(2) for reasonable administrative expenses of the Board, including expenses incurred . . . "

Q.20 Who will appoint the 9-member Civil Liberties Public Education Fund Board?

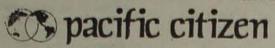
The President of the United States will appoint the nine (9) members, "... by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, from individuals who are not officers or employees of the United States Government."

Initially, the Board members will be appointed to serve staggered terms. Thereafter, the Board term will run three years. Board members may serve for a maximum of two (three year) terms.

The Board Chairperson will be

elected by members of the Board.
The Board is to terminate 90 days after the termination of the Fund and ... all obligations of the Board under this section shall cease."

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Japanese Canadians Due Redress

WHY DO Japanese Canadians consider April 1 their "independence day"?

Because on April 1, 1949—nearly four years after the end of World War II—Japanese Canadians evacuated from the West Coast in 1942 were finally allowed to return from exile in the interior.

The wartime treatment of Japanese Canadians by their government was infinitely more harsh than that experienced by Japanese Americans. Witness:

Between Mar. 4 and Oct. 15, 1942, the government evacuated all Japanese Canadians from a 100-mile-wide strip along the West Coast. Most were herded into the Pacific National Exhibition grounds, a livestock display facility, in Vancouver, B.C.

Many men were separated from their families and sent to inland road camps. Women, children and the elderly were moved to semi-abandoned ghost towns in the mountains of British Columbia to fend for

The property of Japanese Canadians—fishing boats, cars, homes, businesses—was confiscated and sold, and the proceeds used to pay the costs of intermment.

In the spring of 1945, when the war was nearing its end, the government told Japanese Canadians they must move east of the Rockies or to Japan. Some 4,000, half of them Canadian-born, opted for exile to Japan.

The National Association for Japanese Canadians (NAJC) is undertaking a redress campaign not unlike that of the JACL. It seeks an official acknowledgement of injustice, legislative changes to prevent a recurrence, compensation in the amount of \$25,000 for each of the estimated 14,000 survivors, and \$50 million for projects to rebuild the community.

Like Japanese Americans, our Canadian cousins have received substantial public support and encouragement. But successive administrations in Ottawa have stonewalled efforts to negotiate a settlement. NAJC is fighting back with a renewed public education campaign.

JACL's success in winning redress for Japanese Americans should encourage Japanese Canadians to redouble their efforts. Meanwhile, they deserve our complete support. Canada no less than the United States was guilty of a gross human rights violation in the hysteria of war. As a democracy, Canada, too, can clear the record by recognizing the need to redress the wrongs committed against its own people.

Solution to Japan—U.S. Friction

By Akio Morita Chairman, Sony Corporation Mainichi Shimbun

Passage of the omnibus trade bill by the U.S. Congress shows how Americans feel about Japan. Fallout from our enormous economic presence is jeopardizing the bilateral relationship; the antidote is personal involvement by Japanese in U.S. communities.

Japanese companies have exported more than \$350 billion worth of merchandise to the U.S. market over the last five years. Now, on account of the strong yen, many corporations are establishing plants and purchasing real estate in the United States.

Because of the scale of these investments, the mass media are predicting that trade friction will soon give way to investment friction. From Hawaii to New York, an angry reaction to the "buying up of America" has already started

To counter this hostility, every Japanese businessman should be an ambassador, committed to building grassroots friendship in the United States. Amateur diplomats can help alleviate friction between the two countries.

The American image of Japan has been formed mainly by quality consumer products—cars, cameras and radios. There has been relatively little personal contact, but that is changing.

With increased offshore production,

it is no longer a question of making goods here and selling them "over there." Japanese employees are going to the United States and living among Americans.

Our people-to-people envoys will probably be surprised at how little the average American knows about this country. In a recent speech in the United States, the audience gasped when I told them that Iapan buys 70 percent of U.S. beef exports and imports more U.S. goods than France and Germany combined.

Japanese firms used to be concentrated in New York and Los Angeles, but today they are scattered around the country. More than 1,500 Japanese companies have established operations in the United States, and they provide an estimated 200,000 jobs.

Until the 1970s, the Japanese assigned overseas were largely in sales and management, spoke English and socialized easily with local people.

Nowadays, however, engineers and foremen go abroad, often with their wives and children. They are less fluent in English and not accustomed to associating with foreigners. Yet they are suddenly immersed in a different culture.

A family sent to a Tennessee plant, for example, lives in a middle-class neighborhood, uses the community

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FROM THE FRYING PAN

BILL HOSOKAWA

Appropriate Description Needed



Ever since I can remember, the Japanese American press has sought a short, suitable word meaning Americans of Japanese ancestry. The distinction was necessary because of the wide cultural and legal gap between American immigrants and their citizen children. For a while the press tried JAs for Japanese Americans, or AJAs for Americans of Japanese ancestry, but they never caught on.

Nisei, literally "second generation," is now widely accepted. Webster defines Nisei as "a son or daughter of Issei parents who is born and educated in America, and especially in the U.S." That's fine so far as it goes, but the word fails to accommodate subsequent generations of Japanese Americans who are not the offspring of Issei.

There's been an effort to use Nisei in reference to all Japanese Americans, regardless of generation, but that has the weakness of being untrue to its real meaning. Meanwhile, the Japanese American press has come up with Nikkei, meaning Japanese American. That has its problems.

For one matter, it has not received widespread acceptance because it is unfamiliar. For another, it is confusing when written in the English alphabet. Japan's Nihon Keizai Shimbun, a widely circulated daily newspaper whose name can be translated as "Japan Economic Journal," is also known as Nikkei, combining the first syllables of the first two words. Say "Nikkei" to a Japanese and he thinks you're talking about the newspaper.

The possibility of further confusion surfaced recently in a Washington Post story out of Tokyo by Fred Hiatt. It was brought to my attention by old friend Torn Kanno of Bloomington, Minn.

Hiatt's story was about the sons, sons-in-law and grandsons of Japan's postwar power elite who are moving into key roles in politics, business and other fields. Hiatt wrote:

"The phenomenon of power and prominence among the second generation, or nisei, stretches from this season's most popular television show—a samurai drama featuring six offspring of stars as leading actors—to the field of medicine, in which 68 percent of private practitioners plan to pass their clinics on to sons or sons-in-law. . . .

"A third of (Prime Minister Noboru) Takeshita's eabinet members, moreover, are nisei, including his finance minister, chief cabinet secretary, agriculture minister and minister of posts, both of whose parents served in the Diet . . .

"The man in the best position to succeed Takeshita is party secretary Shintaro Abe, son-in-law of the late Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi. Abe, in turn, is grooming his son as a sansei (third generation) politician."

These terms are used correctly, of course, but if they appear more frequently in dispatches from Japan they will only confuse Americans who are just getting used to have them applied to Japanese Americans.

What to do? Should we just accept the inevitability of confusion? Should we drop the generational distinction among Japanese Americans and simply call ourselves Americans? If you have suggestions, Tom Kanno and I would enjoy hearing from you.

MOSHI MOSHI

JIN KONOMI

Worth the Wait



At age 85 I became an American citizen.

The mass ceremony granting citizenship to 189 candidates was held under a lowering sky in the Refugio Park in Hercules, Calif., a small town in Contra Costa County on May 7, 1988. I sat in the middle of the front row facing the bandstand so as to be as close as possible to the speakers. For some reason, people seem reluctant to sit in the front row, so until the last moment I was there alone, hugging myself tightly for the day was unseasonably cold.

Photographers with telephoto lens were clicking away. Knowing that I am not photogenic, I resolutely refused to look their way, waiting for the ceremonies to begin. By the time it began, I was chilled to the bones, shivering uncontrollably.

It is said (very plausibly) that shortly before death, the dying person sees his life in review through his fading consciousness. The claim is based, supposedly, on true experience accounts of those who have "died" and come "back to life." Something like that was happening to me: a big part of my identity of 85 years was about to expire, to be replaced by another. In a manner of speaking, it was going to

be the death of "old me" and the birth of a "new me."

Half listening, I was half reviewing my past. March Fong Eu, California secretary of state, was speaking. . . My grandfather came to America with a dream (so did I). My grandfather met discrimination but he persevered. He finally realized his dream. In a way, I did, too.

After working my way through school without a cent of help from anybody, even staying out for four years to help bail my father out of a crisis, I won Phi Beta Kappa, graduating cum laude from a respectable university—though not too prestigious—and earned a master of arts. For the moment that was the end of my dream, Out of the cocoon of academic life, I went out naked into a world in the severest Depression in history.

Superior Court Judge McGrath of Contra Costa County, the next speaker, welcomed the 189 to this land of opportunities (How often 1 must have heard that phrase. Yet, I must have met many opportunities. I passed all of them by.). The judge was saying how his grandfather came to here 70 years ago and took the very same oath he was about to administer.

I came to America 67 years ago. If things had gone well with me, I might have had a grandson about the judge's age. It was not in my stars to be anything more—just to survive—than a gardener's helper, a produce market roustabout and a few other things no less disreputable.

You may find it hard to believe, but there was no bitterness in me. Regrets? Yes, quite a few; remorse? well, not too many. I took full responsibility for what. I became.

Citizenship promised no second chances. All the material advantages it conferred on other new citizens had no meaning to me. On such basis it still was what I most wanted, and I was happy to receive it.

Even in short clips of episodes in flashbacks, my life was too long to review. As if by providence, the ceremony came to an end as big drops of rain began to fall. My driver, a kindly young lady from the Japanese American Services of the East Bay, and I reached the safety of her car as the spatters turned into a deluge. I heaved a sigh of relief: the long freezing ceremony was over, and I did not get drenched. But more importantly, my long wait for citizenship was finally over.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

JACLers Shouldn't Blast One Another

I wonder how many others noticed the irony in Tom Masamori's letter (P.C., Sept. 9). In the fourth paragraph, if you change "JACL" to "U.S. government," one might suspect that it had been written by Lillian Baker or Howard Garber.

As I understand it, as used in the Seattle Chapter resolution at the recent JACL convention, the term "no no boy" refers to all those who refused to serve in our armed forces during WW2.

Reasons for the refusal were many and varied. Some refused to serve as long as they were being deprived of their constitutional rights. Others refused to renounce loyalty to the Emperor of Japan, a loyalty they never had. This was no trivial point because many feared that if they did renounce loyalty, they would be admitting that they had at one time been loyal to the emperor, thereby justifying their imprisonment.

Others were not U.S. citizens and were not eligible for citizenship. Therefore, if they did renounce loyalty to the emperor, they would have become a stateless person. Still others were "no no boys" simply because their loyalty was with Japan.

Was JACL justified in branding all "no no boys" as traitors? I think not, notwithstanding the hysteria of the time. Did JACL in fact, brand all "no no boys" as traitors? Should JACL now apologize to all "no no boys," including those whose loyalty was with Japan?

I for one agree that this is a complex subject that warrants further study. In the meantime, I think that it behooves us all to refrain from inflammatory rhetoric that could only further divide

GEORGE NAKAGAWA Gardena, Calif.

Outraged By Letter

I am outraged at the letter by Tom Masamori (P.C., Sept. 2, 1988), not at the issue argued but with the manner in which he pursued his argument.

Masamori's letter reads, "The next time you want to shed some tears, do so at the gravesite of a youngster who died so that citizenship for the Issei and redress could become a reality."

That remark, directed at the young woman who spoke at the Seattle Convention, (Editor's note: The person referred to both here and in Tom Masamori's letter is Vivian Umino) is excessive and out of line. The insinuation that she nor anyone with her that day does not feel or care for those who served and were killed in action is in malicious contempt of her character and those who stand with her, including me. Nothing will ever diminish the record of the Nisei veterans. I can not express my anger enough at the insensitivity and the hurt he seems to want to cause. An immediate apology is in order.

Her address was not on behalf of the resolution, it addressed the remarks Mas Watanabe made while reading a statement from the Nisei Veterans Committee in Seattle. In one remark he said, "The No-No Boys were as much an enemy as the Germans and Japanese during World War II."

The deep-seated animosity the Nisei Veterans Committee in Seattle have for the No-No Boys is direct and clear. The right to hate is their business, but not at the expense of equal treatment for others.

Her words addressed how the level of fairness and understanding were disregarded at the expense of that hate. She did not imply that the veterans and dissidents had equal significance but that the dissidents deserved fair judgement.

Masamori's letter said it is difficult to understand that period in history and then asked if we could be so idealistic

after an experience like internment. I believe we can because where the community was in '42 and where it is today is a distance with a wealth of idealism. I believe we can because there are those who fought and died for this country while their families' civil rights were taken away. I believe we can because a young woman spoke for fairness in judgement against those who have the deep respect of the Japanese American community and of the entire nation.

A JACL committee will serve in providing . . . information and in bringing the facts to the forefront. Until that time, we must not pass judgement. People will only suffer in light of that hate. We must think of the community. Most importantly, we must not allow fairness to be denied and pushed aside because fair judgement is all that is wanted

JIMMY TOKESHI National Youth Chair Los Angeles, Calif.

Tule Lake Directory

Regarding Bill Marutani's article (P.C. Aug. 5/12, 1988) on the *Tule Lake Directory* and *Camp News* book, I talked to Harry Inukai on the phone and he said it was still available at the special introductory price of \$27.95; therefore, all those who paid \$29.95 will receive a \$2 refund.

Also it should be pointed out that the book is about Tule Lake before segregation. Those who came to Tule after segregation won't find the book of much interest unless they want it strictly for historical reference.

In addition, Bill Marutani said in his affele that Tule Lake had a population of 18,000. Actually it had a population before segregation, which was the time he was there, of 15,000, composed primarily of a Northern California majority and a Pacific Northwest minority; therefore, in 1942 Tule Lake was the second largest camp after Poston, which was split into three camps, but had a total population of approximately 17,000.

After segregation, Tule Lake grew to 18,000, which was sometime in early 1944, and became the largest of the concentration camps, albeit a segregated one, whereas Poston lost members to Tule and also from people relocating to "the outside." Furthermore, Tule Lake loyals who left the camp because of segregation were not allowed to transfer to Poston—or for that matter to Gila River or Manzanar—for reasons only the WRA knew.

ED SUGURO Seattle, Wash.

Eligibility Question

Now that H.R. 442 has become law with President Reagan's signature, I am writing to ask your advice if I, as guardian of my mentally handicapped sister, age 60, can apply on her behalf for her share of the \$20,000 redress. She was for a number of years confined at Pacific State Hospital and later in community care homes.

I would also appreciate your advice as to the advisability of and procedure for setting up a trust fund to provide her with whatever additional needs such as clothing, etc. she may require.

Thank you in advance for any help you can provide me.

NAME WITHHELD Orange, Calif.

(Editor's note: The following answer to the letter above was provided by the JACL-LEC office.)

Your first question is whether as guardian of your mentally hand-icapped sister you can apply on her behalf for her \$20,000. According to your letter, she was confined to a state hospital for a number of years, later in community care homes.

H.R. 442, (now P.L. 100-383) does not require any application for payment of \$20,000 to eligible indi-

viduals. The United States Government has the names of eligible individuals. The attorney general is to locate the individuals, but these individuals may submit their names, address and documentation to the attorney general's office.

"Eligible individuals" means any individual of Japanese ancestry who is "living on the date of the enactment of this act and who, during the evacuation, relocation, and internment period, was a United States citizen or a permanent resident alien; and was enrolled on the records of the United States government during the period beginning on Dec. 7, 1941, and ending on June 30, 1946, as being in a prohibited military zone" (P.L. 100-383).

From The Evacuated People, A Quantitative Description, published by the War Relocation Authority, the section on "Population Accountability" gives the source of custody of some 120,313 persons of Japanese descent between May 8, 1942 and March 20, 1946. Included in the count are "Institutionalized persons not formally evacuated and persons institutionalized from Wartime Civil Control Administration Assembly Centers and direct evacuation areas who either (1) entered WRA centers prior to October 31, 1942, or (2) were remaining in institutions on this date and were transferred to the general custody of the WRA."

Regarding your second concern on procedure for setting up a trust fund to provide her with her needs, I discussed this matter with Cressey Nakagawa, JACL National president, who is an attorney. He informs me that JACL members of the legal profession will be asked to provide necessary legal assistance to respond to inquiries for information on legal matters related to the enacted redress bill.

Finally, it is important for eligible individuals to realize that the payments will not start, at the earliest, until after Oct. 1, 1989. Congress must first appropriate funds before the attorney general can disburse payments to the eligible individuals, starting with the eldest. The attorney general is to attempt to complete the identification and location of eligible individuals within 12 months after enactment of this Act.

JACL and JACL-LEC will continue to work on redress to ensure that the necessary information is disseminated to the Japanese American community. We will further actively monitor in Washington the appropriation process and the timely completion of the redress act until the provisions have been met.

* Letters to the Editor should be typewritten (double-spaced) or legibly hand-printed and no more than 200 words. A contact phone number and address must be included or P.C. will not print the letter. Letters may be subject to editing.

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hospital and recreation facilities, and enrolls their children in local schools.

Although the factory might have a Japanese name, Tennesseeans regard it as their company and expect Japanese to be good citizens of their community.

In the United States, people contribute time and money to such activities as assisting the elderly and handicapped or helping out in the library. An important duty, community service is as American as apple pie.

is as American as apple pie.

Unfortunately, Japan has no tradition of volunteer work. In the United States, Japanese stick together, isolated from the local community, playing golf and associating only with each other. This clannish behavior makes an extremely negative impression.

Parent companies in Japan are also at fault. Home offices are only interested in higher sales and profits; they don't encourage their Japanese em-

CLIFF'S CORNER

CLIFFORD UYEDA

Redress Campaign: A Brief Review



The redress effort of the Japanese Americans was an unprecedented triumph. Its active national campaign goal was accomplished in less than 10 years.

Redress for Japanese Americans had been considered even during the detention years. The discussions increased in the 1970s. The effective nationally organized effort, however, was not initiated until the JACL National Convention launched a nationwide campaign in the summer of 1978 with the demand for \$25,000 per individual plus a trust fund.

No single individual or an organization, including JACL, can take all the credit. The passage of the redress bill by both houses of Congress (H.R. 442, S. 1009) was the result of dedicated efforts by all citizens who believed that a meaningful restitution was necessary. The importance of the early efforts by the Seattle group to keep this subject in the forefront of Japanese American consciousness cannot be ignored.

JACL realized early, 1977-1978, that the major obstacle it faced was the widely held Nisei fear of public backlash. This fear was circumvented with expressions like: "Cheapening freedom by putting a price tag on it." "Diminishing the grace and realism with which our Issei parents made the best of the impossible situation." "Depreciating the patriotism and the courage with which Nisei fought for America." "Dissipates the good will built by Nisei among our fellow Americans."

Not an insignificant number of Nisei told us that we will be seen as standing outside the halls of Congress with "palms outstretched for a hand out." Some agreed with then Sen. S.I. Hayakawa that this behavior was "beneath our dignity." Clearly the education of the Nisei was the first order of business.

These were the public utterances of many well-heeled Nisei. However, answers to over 4,000 questionnaire forms in the late 1970s revealed that 94 percent of the respondents favored seeking redress. Eighty percent of the respondents were Nisei, and ten percent each were Issei and Sansei. Ninety-two percent had experienced wartime incarceration.

The proposal adopted by the JACL National Council in 1978 called for monetary restitution to everyone actually detained or interned in camps or who were compelled to move from the "exclusion" areas. Payments would go to survivors and heirs of deceased detainees. Persons of Japanese ancestry who were brought over from Central and South America by the U.S. government and interned were included.

The proposal stated that the processing and payment of individual claims will be the responsibility of the U.S. government. A trust fund for the benefit of Japanese American commu-

ployees in the United States to make friends locally.

I always tell men going to the United States to attend PTA meetings as a parental duty and even take time off to participate. When I lived in New York, I came to know many distinguished people through the PTA, They gradually accepted me as a friend and helped me a lot.

Based on my personal experiences, I recently established The Council for Better Investment in the United States within the Federation of Economic Organizations (Keidanren), Japan's largest business organization. Any company with U.S. operations is welcome to participate; it does not have to be a member of Keidanren.

The council will hold seminars in Japan to explain how businessmen can be part of a friendship campaign. We

nity projects, it stated, should be administered by members of a presidential commission, the majority of which would be Japanese Americans.

The great controversy in the redress

campaign came in 1979 when a com-

mission route was chosen—adding another step in the process of seeking redress. The added process was felt necessary in order to educate the American public, the constituents of congressional members who must pass the necessary bill. Some opening of old wounds became necessary. The jurors were the American public who had to hear from the victims.

There were opponents of the commission route who said they preferred an all-out effort for immediate redress.

There were opponents of the commission route who said they preferred an all-out effort for immediate redress, that if they failed their conscience would be clear. They would know they had gone down with the ship ablaze. JACL felt that this was not good enough. The entire group could not be sacrificed for the satisfaction of few individual feelings. The redress committee felt duty bound to obtain a meaningful restitution.

The supporters of the commission route felt that a full examination of the Japanese American incarceration experience could not fail to produce an objective recommendation in our favor. This could become a powerful reason for national support of the redress bill in Congress.

Once the commission began its public hearings, the vigorous grassroots campaign under the capable Sansei leadership of the National Coalition for Redress/Reparations (NCRR) was a crucial factor in the success.

The attempt by the National Council for Japanese American Redress (NCJAR) to seek redress in the courts based on the merits of the case, rather than appealing to public sentiment, was logical. In the preparation of the court case, many new research materials were uncovered which strengthened the case for redress.

In the redress bill passed by Congress, there is an unfortunate change in the eligibility which does not redress many who suffered the most from the wartime incarceration experience. Under the precedent established by the redress bill, however, the U.S. government will think twice before ever again imprisoning a class of people based solely on ancestry and without due process.

The role played by the Nikkei members of Congress was a major one. Without their courage of conviction and untiring efforts, the redress bill could not have succeeded.

The most significant realization for Japanese Americans is that the passage of the redress bill through Congress owes its success to many individuals and organizations. Most of all, the redress campaign's success is due to the willingness of the American people to conclude this case with a reasonably meaningful restitution.

will also survey companies to ascertain their involvement, or lack thereof, in the U.S. communities where they operate.

The council was inspired by the lessons we learned in a campaign a few years ago to abolish unitary taxation in the United States. At the time, I appealed directly to President Ronald Reagan. He was sympathetic, but encouraged me to work for change on the state and local level.

Japanese business leaders formed a special committee to get popular support and convince state legislators that a unitary tax had a negative impact on foreign investment in their states. Many Americans responded, and several state legislatures revised their tax

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Thoughts from the National Scholarship Chair

By FAE MINABE National JACL Scholarship Chair

Having spent days upon weeks with these "kids," I feel I know them all: JEANINE, quiet and shy, whose brilliance has not yet been tested; EDWIN, only 16 but entering Harvard; PAUL, "the bowler"; JEFF, who gives new meaning to the word "leader-ship" ... Collectively, they are National Merit Finalists, student body presidents, orators, and musicians. Ten of the 17 graduated No. 1 or 2 in their class - some of the classes as large as 600 students. Some are class clowns, some are jocks, but all are just

And then there are "my kids" who are already in college and continue to make me proud: JIM, who has fought so hard for Redress; JOJIRO, our ex-JAYs president from St. Louis now finding himself in Berkeley; "gambare" ARTHUR; YOSHIO, the Yalie soccer player; MIRIAM, our future Nikkei congresswoman; CURTIS, from Sanger-to-Harvard; and BILLIBON, the human dynamo from Nebraska who (for wonderful reasons) looks up to his hibakusha father.

Then there are my "perennial students": ISAAC, who must get writer's cramp from explaining all his awards; TIM, who's fightings AIDS from Cleveland to Kenya; LISA, at the Kennedy School; EMILY, who has thrown herself into community service; YASUKO, educating the doctors a the Mayo Clinic about being Japanese; EDWARD, cancer researcher/physician; TERESA, a future Asian American Studies scholar; ERNESTINE, who's been with the Peace Corps in Ghana, KEN, whose legal "voice" will be heard; and NANCI, with a future in the Basic Basic trade

The Creative Bunch

Last, but not least, my creative kids: KAYO, whose films will record the Asian American story so that it will be understood and not forgotten; YUKI, whose music will fill the concert halls of the world; and MARIKO, the artist emerging from her secluded log cabin home to show the world her talent.

Of course, they are not really my kids; I'd never be able to afford their tuition! But they are a part of my JACL family. Although their interests are varied, they express a common bond a mature awareness of their Asian American identity and a strong commitment to the community. We are indeed lucky to be a part of their growth and a part of their future.

Graduating High School Senior Awards

Jeanine Yamanaka

Henry and Chiyo Kuwahara Scholarship (\$5,000)

Parents: Roy and Shirley Yamanaka of Culver City, Calif.

Jeanine lives by the words of Ralph Waldo Emerson, "My life is for itself and not for a spectacle." This gentle and unassuming young woman whose favorite pastime is reading has literally "blown away the competition" with more advanced placement courses (8) than any other candidate and without missing a High School with a perfect aca-demic record, National Ment Finumerous to mention. Although friends say that it takes time to get shout of joy burst from my mouth to know her, she can "crack them as I saw all ten pins fall. I was up" with her subtle sense of humor or articulately and passionate ly debate them on any given point. While active in the Asian Ameri-

can community through her church, Jeanine also finds time to explore her cultural heritage through Japanese dancing. Family, however, is most important to to me her and is reflected in the tremendous affection and respect working on a 300 game. As senior that she shows her parents and class valedictorian of Serra High siblings.

in medicine "for the service I would render others," Jeanine will

Norihiro Edwin Aoki

Mr. and Mrs. Takashi Morluchi Scholarship (\$1,250)

Parents: Katsuhiro and Yayoi Aoki of Belmont, Calif.

Sixteen years old and already accepted to Harvard...Just another "nerd"? Not Edwin! Ok, so he's at the top of the class at Menlo High School and a National Merit Finalist. So he's won prize after prize in math and science. So he's taught computer programming for the past three summers. Ed-

win is not just an academic. He has blossomed into an outgoing, enthusiastic teenager. As a member of the cross-country track team, yearbook editor, sound di-rector for the drama department, part of the music department's Re-view, student body business manager, and tutor, Edwin has found

great satisfacton in hard work and in contributing to the whole. But ture Business Leaders of America, most important to Edwin are the church youth representative to personal interactions which have the Pacific Asian American Minismost important to Edwin are the grown from his activities into tries, and Eagle Scout/patrol long-lasting friendships

Edwin plans to study Science and Society, an interdisciplinary field which will combine his interests in science and human relations. At sixteen, Edwin "looks forward to college as an exciting time of personal growth with many op-portunities for me to contribute."

Paul Michael Momita

Mr. and Mrs. Takashi Moriuchi Scholarship (\$1,250)

Parent: Gwen Momita of San Diego, Calit.

"Thud! A muffled thud was the valedictorian of Venice only thing I heard as the ball traversed down the lane. 'Hook! Hook!' I yelled, hoping to guide nalist, and recipient of awards too the ball with sheer will power. An eternity passed ...

> "Later I realized that it did not matter whether I had thrown a strike or not. I tried my best, and that was all that I, or anyone else for that matter, could do. I decided that as long as I tried my hardest, the outcome would be satisfactory

If life is a bowling alley, Paul is blings. School with straight A's (includ-Presently considering a future ing AP classes), Boy's State finalist, president of his youth fellowship, church council youth reprebe found this fall "quietly" taking sentatve, and captain of the JACL Harvard/Radcliffe by storm. Juniors Bowling Team, Paul's has Juniors Bowling Team, Paul's has plenty of past activities and honors on which he can rest. But he knows the match is not over. Paul will be stepping up to Stanford this fall to give it his best shot. "That," he says, "is all that anyone can hope for."

Jeffrey I. Iwasaki

Masso and Sumiko Itano Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000)

Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Hiro Iwasaki of Salt Lake City, Utah

What distinguishes a young Ja-panese American, National Merit panese American, National Merit Finalist and honors student (3.975 GPA), interested in engi-neering and headed for Stanford University? Leadership potential. Jeff believes that "cooperation brings out the best of every indi-

vidual" and that "one person can tude... make a significant impact." Indeed, his emphasis on fellowship Al Cand personal action have resulted Greek'

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Norihiro Aoki

Jeffrey Iwasaki

Wayne Koizumi











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tive to the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership seminar, Senate President at Boy's State, captain of the debate team, member of the Utah State Executive Council of the Fu-

"One value stressed in our home is personal integrity. I believe that reliability and trust are essential in any situation. Being responsible displays a pride in myself and my work. I believe in working to my fullest potential. I am positive about the future and look forward to the challenges

Wayne Takashi Koizumi

Masao and Sumiko Itano Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000)

Parent: Herbert Shuichi Kolzumi of Chicago,

Wayne is described by one of his teachers as "an artist, writer, musician, scientist, historian, and potential philanthropist. In a class of 46 gifted International Baccalaureate students, Wayne has distinguished himself with students and faculty alike." With awards ranging from National Merit Finalist and Illinois State Scholar to first place in regional math competitions, Wayne has "done it all with ease, flair, [but] with the aim of always doing better.

In spite of his rigorous academic curriculum, Wayne still has time for piano, art class and helping out at his Father's Nichiren Buddhist Temple. He says, "seeing so many people less fortunate than myself, am thankful for what I already have, including parents who care. always tell myself that I should think about others-not just myself—for a society full of self-cen-tered people would be unpleasant and ultimately self-destructive. We must contribute to the progress of humanity, not to its downfall. I want to make a difference.

Headed for Yale this fall, Wayne will probably do just that.

Scott Tamotsu Tsunehara

South Park Japanese Community of Seattle Scholarship (\$1,000)

Parents: Ronald and Christine Tsunehara of Mercer Island, Wash

"Sometimes I wonder, do we live in the 1980's or in the 1950's? No, I'm not talking about the recent resurgence of the 'oldies but goodies' of the '50's, but rather, the striking similarity in attitude... Sadly, most of American society holds some form of racism. Al Campanis...Jimmy 'The Greek' Snyder...the Howard

in his being elected to serve as Beach killings...the names and German-Jewish, Spanish, Portu-Olympus High School representa- places change, but the attitude guese and East Indian mother. lingers . . . Hopefully, in time, ignorance and hatred toward different races and religions will disappear. In the past thirty years, the United States has taken many judicial and legal steps to elimi-nate prejudice. The final change, however, must take place in the mind."—from an Op/Ed piece of The Mercer Hi Times.

Class valedictorian straight A's (including AP classes), Scott has also found time for the Senior Service Club, soccer team, swim team, and water polo. His interest in other cultures has led him to the inner-city of Seattle where he participates in both a Japanese Methodist and a Chinese Baptist youth group. "I learned that my friends differ physically and culturally, but have similar fundamental needs. To provide care equally for people of all colors," Scott plans to study medicine at Stanford

Rachel S. Odo

Kenji Kasal Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000)

Parents: Franklin and Enid Odo of Kallus, Hewali

Rachel describes herself as the daughter of a Sansei father and a

She says, "I grew up in a family that discussed racism in America and our role in adapting to or improving our society. To that end I have undertaken numerous leadership roles in school.

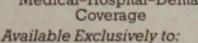
Rachel was born with congenital knee problems that have necessitated the wearing of soft braces from time to time. Although her problem is painful and unpredictable, it has not stopped her from serving as Student Body President. Chairman of a leadership workshop for district elementary school students, President of the Hawaii State Chapter of the National Honor Society, Delegate to the Hugh O'Brien Youth Foundation Conference for future leaders, and much, much more.

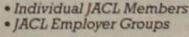
She has been active in community theater, hospital volunteer work, and special education, working with an autistic child. Headed for Harvard, this National Merit Finalist and class salutatorian will work toward creating a meaningful future.

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growth and a part of their future."







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Cheryl Ann Sano

Sumitomo Bank Freshman Scholarship (\$1,000)

Parents: Walter and Chizuko Sano of San Jose, Calif.

"No, Mommy, Daddy! Don't leave me!! This was the first time I would be away from home for such a period of time. I was only thirty minutes away from home, yet I felt as if I were a kindergar-tener going to school for the very first time! Why the heck was I here with one hundred and twenty high school kids from all over the nation who are fifty times smarter than I could ever be? I kept trying to convince myself-Cheryl, you get good grades, you've won awards in speech contests, you want to get into law or politics someday—this program is perfect

At the end of four weeks, I realized that | summer school was the best thing that happened to me so far. I learned to say no to Ollie North for President, that Bork is indeed a dork, and that South African Apartheid should be abolished. But besides learning these things...I found an inner strength that I never knew I had before.

Thus, Prospect High School's student body president and class salutatorian survived Junior Statesmen Summer School This summer's Presidential Classroom and next year's enrollment at Stanford should be a breeze.

Roland Kenji Kawakami

California First Bank

Parents: Taro John and Yuriko Kawakami of South San Gabriel, Calif.

'Of the extracurricular activities I have participated in during high school, being president of our Math Team has been the greatest challenge. Since this is the first year of its existence, I have had to make decisions on when to meet, how to run sessions, and how to raise funds. Nothing can compare to the joys of seeing my ideas at

Not surprisingly, Roland, an-other National Merit Finalist, is interested in engineering which he says "puts creative thought and scientific theories to practical use. My goal is to use my creative thoughts to make products that would raise everybody's standard of living. I would like to head my own business [since it] represents the best method by which engi-

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neered products could reach the people and have the greatest impact. The future holds great promise, and I want to shape it.'

Besides academic endeavors, Roland makes time for Japanese school, piano (he was a Jr. Bach Festival finalist), Asian American community activities, and campaigning for local Nikkei. This fall, expect to find Roland on campus

Patricia Ann Bowlin

Majiu Uyesugi Memorial Scholarship (\$800)

Parents: Dewayne and Terry Bowlin of Lombard, III.

"As a Japanese American, I have felt the sting of prejudice. I watched children who called me chink, 'nip,' and 'jap' grow up to be high school bigots who say. 'I chink I'm right, but I could be wong.' My friends, who have never been victims of racism, still fail to understand how I feel when I hear 'chink' flung into my face. [But] I believe that I am a stronger and wiser person because I have dealt with hatred, ignorance and intolerance.

An accomplished writer, Pat has served as editor of her school pa-

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cation at Stanford in the field of chemical engineering, specializ-ing in pollution control with hopes of having a positive influence on

David Hikaru Nakayama

Dr. Takashi Terami Memorial Scholarship (\$800)

Parents: Rev. Timothy & Mrs. Lois Nakayama of Seattle, Wash.

As valedictorian of Garfield High School with a perfect record of straight A's (including AP courses), and as a National Merit Finalist, David has found that his career interests have changed from Architecture to Business to Engineering.

Having been accepted to Harvey Mudd College (a prestigious Continued on Next Page

Merit Finalist and class salutatoworking with scientists and engineers at Fermi and Argonne na-

country. She has helped to edit and publish two books written by and about teenagers, and has appeared on national television to publicize the books. As a National rian, Pat has spent summers

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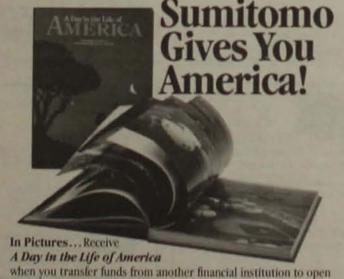
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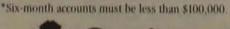
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school of only 600 students focus-ing on math, science and engineering), David now sees his future in science...graduate degrees in aeronautical engineering leading to a job at NASA, or possibly an electrical engineering degree to work for a high-tech corp-

Whatever his academic pursuit, David believes that "It is important to participate in outside activities and especially in community service. Involving myself in the Japanese American community and in the Seattle community as a whole has helped me in establishing my own identity and personality. As Director of the Jackson Place Solar Greenhouse, I find myself in an ethnically diverse, inner-city which has broadened by own experiences.

Laurie Ann Kajiwara

Mr. and Mrs. James Michener Scholarship (\$500)

Parents: Clifford and JoAnn Kajiwara of Cerritos, Calif.

valedictorian of Cerritos High School, Laurie has maintained a perfect record-varying only with an occasional A+ in an honors or advanced placement class. While maintaining a rigorous academic schedule and participating in a variety of clubs and service organizations, Laurie also has time for dance (ballet, jazz and tap) which she has been studying since the age of five.

She says, "Dancing has taught me determination and commitment, as well as how to communicate with others in an artistic way. I have [also] enjoyed reading classic novels for their entertainment and insight, and enjoy writing short stories. Through my interests I have satisfied my desire to create, invent and use my imagi-

Laurie has decided to pursue a career in communications at UCLA. She says, "The media is a part of society that touches virtually all lives in some way or another. My hope is that through journalism or some other form of communication, I will be able to contribute to society, whether it be by informing, shaping and influencing ideas, or entertaining.

Naomi June Matsushima

Mr. and Mrs. James Michene Scholarship (\$500)

Parent: Harry Matsushima of LaSalle, Colo.

An excellent student maintaining a 3.94 GPA at Valley High School, Naomi has received num-erous honors. Whether on the varsity swim team, student council, band, or the busboy/girl crew for the Fort Lupton JACL Chow Mein dinner, Naomi has always demonstrated her willingness to work with others. Best described as dependable, showing perserverance nd initiative, Naomi is highly regarded by friends and teachers.

In fact, Naomi is one of those rare students that make teaching worthwhile. Too often, teachers feel that their lessons fall on deaf ears. Naomi not only appreciates what they do, she has chosen to be one of them. "Being a high school teacher is my future carer goal. Teachers directly and indirectly guide young people into the 'real' world. I have not only learned from my teachers English, history, and mathematics, but also skills in communications, leader-

ship and responsibility. I hope someday to be able to do the same for the students of the future. In this way I feel I could make a difference in the world of tomorrow [by having] a positive effect on the future generations [who will] go on to make life better for all people.

Patti Y. Togioka

Gongoro Nakamura Memorial Scholarship (\$500)

Parents: Johnnie and Marian Togloka of Reedley, Calif.

"As I look around the hospital waiting room, it seems as if time stands still. My father and grandmother are talking together, and my sister is reading a Seventeen magazine. There are a few other families waiting too. I can see the wrinkled foreheads and the distant look in the adults' eyes. The children do not know what is going on or how worried their parents are. I have a hard time understanding what is happening to my mother [as] I am a freshman in high school . . Finally my mother is in the recovery room. These were seven of the longest hours of my life. The surgeons performed a miracle on my mother by repairing the arch of the aorta.

At the top of her class at Reedley High School, Patti has distinguished herself academically as well as through her extra-curricu-lar activities. Whether through band, yearbook cheerleading, student government, community and church activities, Patti has reached out to those around her. "One of the best feelings in the world is knowing you have helped another individual. Although the medical profession can only be reached by a long and challenging road, it is my choice as a career. Patti will be continuing her education this fall at the University of California, Davis,

Mark T. Uyeda

Mitsuyuki Yonemura Memorial Scholarship (\$500)

Parents: Thomas and Eleanor Uyeda of Fulierton, Calif.

"As a Junior Statemen, Mark ran an underdog campaign for the #2 spot in the organization, Lieutenant Governor. Although he had little political experience, he took a small piece of advice and a great deal of determination and good or-ganizational skills, and keenly crafted a strategy that helped defeat a clearly favored opponent. I knew then that he was going to be the type of leader that gets things accomplished."—Program Director of the Junior Statesmen Foun-

Valedictorian at Troy High with all A's (including AP classes), Mark keeps busy with the National Forensics League, Mock Trial, numerous clubs and has been the Orange County Coordinator of Youth for George Bush'

Having spent summers in programs on City, State and National Politics and Government, Mark is well on his way toward his career goal of international business management. He believes "the key to America's future lies in now she will operate within the international community, not how she dominates it."By studying economics and foreign affairs at Stanford, Mark hopes "to have a positive effect on society.













Arthur Yoshii







Curtis Tange



Isaac Kazata



Timothy Uyeki



Yasuka Fukuda

Patricia M. Welch

Glichi Aoki Memorial Scholarship (\$500)

Parent: Yoko Lael (Ozaki) Welch of Philadelphia, Pa.

Patricia has a love affair with science. Since the seventh grade she has been devising science experiments and entering competitions. As a junior, Patricia won a Pennsylvania Science Talent Search which qualified her for the Westinghouse Science Competition. She has participated in summer apprenticeships as a chemistry research assistant at Drexel University, and this summer she has co-authored a paper on her research for the Rheumatology Department at The University of Pennsylvania.

At the top of her class at North-east High School in Philadelphia, Patricia has completed a strenuous academic course including 4th year Latin. However, she also has made time for student government, numerous committees and functions, volunteering for the Special Olympics to work with physically and mentally handicapped children.

Patricia is looking forward to continuing her study of biochemistry at Bryn Mawr this fall, and hopes someday to become a pediatrician. She realizes that it will be a long and hard road, however, she looks forward to the challenge.

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Mariko Wesley

Colonel Walter T. Tsukamoto Scholarship (\$500)

Parents: Tom and Miyoko Ouchi Wesley of Sommes Bar, Calif.

At the age of four, art critics in Japan were describing her as a 'tensai," genius, and an extraordinary talent. Drawing and painting since she was six months old. Mariko decided that she was an artist at age two "when my parents hung some of my paintings in their San Francisco restaurant. Many strangers praised my art [which] gave me the confidence to concentrate on being a serious artist from then on.

Six solo exhibitions later, her professonal artist. works are still not for sale, a decision her parents made to avoid

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The majority of her works have been created while living with her parents in a cabin without electricity, secluded in the Klamath National Forest Her parents, not wanting her to lose her individualism and imagination in a classroom, have handled her education with the help of extension courses. Having received her high school diploma, Mariko has chosen to enter Humboldt State to establish an academic record so that she can enroll in a better art school. "I want to do a kind of art which has never been done before, which will affect the way the people of the world see each other." Her goal is to become a

commercializing on her talent.

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L. Kayo Hatta

Henry and Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Creative Arts Scholarship (\$5,000) Home: Los Angeles, Calif.

Picture Bride, is a fictionalized account "of a 17 year-old Japanese woman, who immigrates to Hawaii as a picture bride in the early 1920s. Arriving with hopes and dreams of life in a new country as a married woman, she is crushed by the realities of a husband [who] is actually 40 years old and not the young, handsome man in the photo sent to her, and life on an exploitative plantation system.

Kayo's 30-minute film is part of her thesis requirement for a M.F.A. in Film Production at UCLA. Her professor states, Picture Bride would be a significant addition to the small number of films which accurately depicts the Asian Pacific experience in

Kayo says, "my interest in film-making developed out of my lifelong interest in painting, photography and creative writing. But the inspiration that keeps [me] moving forward as an artist came from working in the Japanese American community in San Jose and San Francisco after I graduated from college. What my community has given me these past ten years will certainly take me a lifetime to return.

Yuki MacQueen

Aiko Susanna Tashiro Hiratsuka Memorial Scholarship for the Performing Arts (\$1,900) Parents: Peter and Hisako MacQueen of Bethesda, Md.

Yuki, 1988 graduate of Be-thesda-Chevy Chase High School, has been studying violin since the age of four. As winner of the young Soloist Competition (High School Division), she made her debut in 1987 as a soloist with the National Symphony Orchestra at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

She has performed in a variety of youth ensembles including the youth orchestra of the National Guild of Music Teachers at Carnegie Hall. She has also played in various master classes under the instruction of Michael Tilson Thomas and Mstislav Rostropovich. In 1987, she was one of ten Americans to perform in East and West Berlin and Vienna with the World Orchestra of the Interna-tional Federation of Youth in Music. This summer, Yuki joined the World Orchestra in Scandinavia.

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ments for her performance schedule, Yuki has maintained an academic course load of honors and advanced placement classes. She will continue her music training this fall at the Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore, the U.S.'s oldest endowed conservatory of music.

Kenneth Guy Lau

Thomas T. Hayashi Law Scholarship (\$2,000) Home: Pearl City, Hawaii

"The notion of 'voice' has many connotations, numerous enough to justify charting the course of my life by it. In terms of my cultural identity, proper conduct stands on a foundation of respectful and attentive silence, yet what I continually strive for is the courage to stand up, and the forcefulness to be heard

"Most gratifying are the times when I am able to lend 'voice' to the concerns of my fellows [by] concentrating the aims of an organization into a unified 'voice' of activity. The process of good leadership, consists of carefully balancing divergent yet equally per-suasive considerations. It is a skill I nurture and practice at every opportunity.

Moving forward from his bachelors from Claremont College with a double major in Literature and Political Science, Ken, a third generation Asian American of Japanese and Chinese ancestry, will be entering Northwestern University School of Law this fall. "Because of my broad range of experiences, I feel I can effectively speak for an equally broad range of people. Through legal representation, my 'voice' will be their 'voice.

Nanci E. Nishimura

Professor Sho Sato Memorial Law Scholarship (\$1,000)

Home: Takoma Park, Md.

" 'Japanese American' reflects the duality of both my heritage and my personality. At the core, my private sense of self is deeply rooted in my Asian upbringing, embracing its quiet dignity, patience, introspection. At the same time, my public self reflects my American side, as an open, outgoing person. This dichotomy not only reflects [my] being raised in America, but is coupled with having also lived and studied in Japan."

Currently attending Catholic University Law School in Wash-ington, D.C., Nanci is working toward a career in commercial and trade relations with Pacific Basin countries. "Law will be employed

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as a tool to supplement my business experience which includes seven years as a market consultant to major Japanese and American corporations.

I have gained comfort in the notion that on a global scale, I am a world citizen, Japanese American by heritage, continually evolving [via] the multidimensional perspectives and experiences I have gained from travel and study. My goal is to continue to grow as a person, community member, and professional.

Continuing Undergrad Student Awards

James J. Kumpel

Henry and Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship (\$5,000)

Home: West Hempstead, N.Y.

Finishing his second year at Cornell University in Industrial and Labor Relations, Jim has distinguished himself academically by maintaining his standing at top of his class. Named as the 1988 Clem Miller Scholar, Jim was able to intern with Senator Spark Matsunaga for the summer.

Involved in a myriad of activities on the Cornell campus, Jim has served in student government as a freshman representative and now as Vice President. He is a Cornell 'Ambassador," acting as liaison with prospective students, and will be an orientation counselor for incoming freshmen.

Active in Cornell's Asian American Coalition, Jim has helped organize an East Coast Asian Student Union Conference at Cornell for 500 students from 50 schools. After showing "The Color of Honor" and "Nisei Soldier," Jim solicited support from the students to petition their Senators and the President. In addition to his on-campus activities, Jim has lectured at high schools and has written articles on Redress, one of which Senator Matsunaga entered into the Congressional Rec-



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Home: Berkeley, Calif. (originally St. Louis, Mo.0

"Last fall. I crossed two time zones, leaving the safe stable world of the Midwest for an education in the 'Promised Land'—California. The shock was understandably severe. Because I am a Nisei, I have always straddled the line between my parents' Japanese values and my own American view of the world. Since coming to the University of California, Berkeley, my educational goals have shifted from the sciences to busi-

"The question has become What now?' After taking an Asian American Studies class, I am convinced that Asian Americans need to make their presence felt in the American mainstream instead of being satisfied with a low-visibility niche. Business seems to be the best means for me to achieve my full potential and be a leader in the Asian American community.

the Asian Business Association at Berkeley while maintaining a 4.0 GPA. In everything he does, he looks to "succeed by finding the balance of the best of Japanese values and the best of American

Arthur Takeshi Yoshii

Sumitomo Bank Undergraduate Scholarship (\$1,000)

Home: San Francisco, Calif.

"When I was very young, I was first taught the meaning of the Japanese term, 'gambare.' As I continued to further my education at U.C. Berkeley, I faced another challenge that once again required me to remember the times when my parents said, 'Gambari-

The challenge that I faced was the presence of racial discrimination. Although never explicit, [the] hostility toward students of Asian ancestry was confirmed with the revelation of a systematic form of discrimination in the admissions process. In the face of such anti-Asian feelings surrounding the Berkeley campus, I could have easily been discouraged, but I committed myself to doing my part in dispelling common stereo-

Having completed his sopho-more year with a 3.73 GPA, Arthur will declare an accounting/marketing major this fall. "Now that I

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ord upon introduction of the Se- have succeeded in creating my own niche in Berkeley, my confidence has grown to the point where I can share my good fortune with those not as fortunate as I. I intend to return to the place where I grew up as a child (San Fran-cisco's Japan Center) and repay the community in whatever way I

Yoshio Nogami Hall

Saburo Kido Memorial Scholarship (\$750) Home: Lemon Grove, Calif.

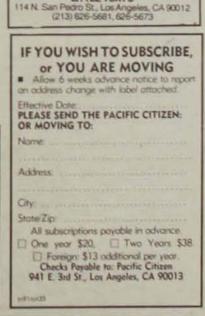
"Leaving the West Coast, home, and my family for the first time was difficult. Yet, I now feel comfortable and secure living at Yale despite times of hardship and loneliness during my first semester. Much of my personal growth I attribute to my involvement in the Yale soccer program, and in the Asian American Students Association (AASA) here on campus.

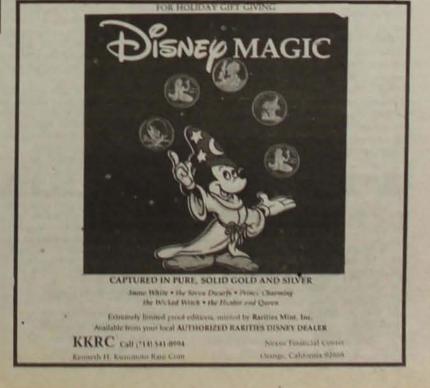
"Coming from an 'integrated high school' where being a minority was rarely a factor, I was stunned to find a definite ethnic separation here on campus. Fortun-This past JAYs president and ately, I only noticed this separa-National JACL Forensics Finalist tion rather than 'felt' it as many of tion rather than 'felt' it as many of has moved on to become active in my Asian friends did. Through AASA, I've come to realize that I possess something extremely special in my ethnicity which now motivates me to crave more knowledge about my background.

> Although too early in his college career to decide on a major, Yoshio is taking a variety of courses and maintaining his standing on the Deans List. With his experiences in college, he says "I've come to depend more upon myself which has increased my growth as an individual and placed me closer to my background.

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SCHOLARSHIP

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Miriam Yuko Murase

Dr. Thomas Y. Yatabe Memorial Scholarship (\$750)

Home: Berkeley, Calif.

"The murder of Vincent Chin, where a Chinese American was mistaken to be Japanese and consequently beaten to death, sent an alarming signal to the Asian American community, reminding us that racism is irrational and does not distinguish between Chinese Americans and native Japanese. It is a common enemy that all Asians and Asian Americans must unite against.

'The Asian American community consists of many ethnic groups, yet we still constitute less than two percent of the national population. With such small numbers in a vast country of countless competing interests, it is imperative that the Asian American community develop a strong unified voice so that our common concerns will be heard. Such a unified voice is necessary, for if there is a single 'Asian American experience it is the shared struggle against racism in America.

Miriam was recently elected Phi Beta Kappa in her junior year at Berkeley with a 3.9 GPA in Political Science. Looking forward, she will continue to pursue experiences which allow her to support the community and lead to her career goal of public service.

Curtis Osamu Tange

Japanese American Citizens League Scholarship (\$500)

Home: Sanger, Calif.

"The world in which we live is a marvelous and wondrous one, encompassing a multitude of ideals, thoughts, dreams and desires. Because of the diversity of our world's inhabitants, the best way to learn is to listen to others around us, each of whom is different, and can perceive things in a new or different light, thus having a clear view of something we cannot even understand.

To find that different perspec-tive, Curtis left Central California for the East Coast and Harvard University. Having completed his second year with honors, Curtis is working toward a double major in Economics and East Asian Studies.

"I am an American of Japanese ancestry. That makes me different from most people in the world. It does not mean that I am better than everyone else, and it certainly does not mean I am worse; just different. This difference binds me to the small group of people like me, a bond I never wish to lose. Yet as I strive to be different, 1 do so not out of shame or rebellion, but [based on the] belief that by diversifying, the group can be come stronger.

Billibon H. Yoshimi

Kyutaro Abiko Memorial Scholarship (\$500)

Home: Scottsbluff, Neb

There is a rumor circulating in the School of Engineering at Columbia University, that two juniors named Billibon Yoshimi are enrolled. "Billibon" finished his computer science major by the end of his junior year while working 40 hours a week, and winning the Outstanding Student Award. "Bill" seems to be the host of every game show on campus, relied on by others to spark interest in even the most dull of events. This Bill was the Asian Coordinator for the Freshmen Orientation Program putting on a most memprable "Dragonfest." His creative and leadership abilities make him one of the most sought after students.

Billibon or Bill attributes his butlook on life to his role model, his father, who as a young man survived the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and eventually made his way to America. "My father's resilience to pain, hardship and loss, and his unquantifiable trait of being Japanese gives me the strength and drive to succeed. He

[has taught me] that the true nature of the Japanese American is not one culture, but the solidification and edification of an entirely new kind of human, the kind which has drive and compassion, the kind that will change the world."

Graduate Student Awards

Isaac Hajime Kazato

Henry and Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Scholarship (\$5,000)

Home: Palo Alto, Calif.

Completing his first year at U.C. Davis School of Medicine, Isaac states, my convictions to go into medicine developed through my childhood ex-periences. I initially had delicate health. By experiencing the suffering that illness causes for both the afflict-ed individuals and their families, I be-came convinced of what precious as-sets life and health comprise.

'My intentions to become a doctor were reinforced through my volunteer experiences at the Over Sixty Clinic in Berkeley. While working with the elderly patients, I found that by listening and conversing with them, I [could] respond to their concerns and comfort them during their medical care.

An exceptional student, graduated Phi Beta Kappa from U.C. Berkeley in Chemistry, Isaac continues to add to his long list of honors and awards. Aside from academics, Isaac derives much enjoyment from playing the pia-no. Whether in the concert hall or in the clinic, Isaac sees himself actively helping people live more healthy and

Timothy Mitsuo Uyeki

Henry and Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Graduate Scholarahip (\$5,000)

Home: Cleveland Heights, Ohio

"I'm a very poor example of the model minority. Sure, I am well educated and work hard at whatever I do, but I am a fighter, and unafraid to speak out. I have travelled independently on a dirt-cheap budget in China, Tibet, Kenya, and Tanzania without knowledge of Mandarin, Cantonese, Tibetan, or Swahili. And I have used my medical school summer vacation to study [the] transmission of AIDS in an extremely economically depressed area of Nairobi, Kenya because it is more widespread in East Africa. Hopefully I did not infect myself, but I believe that you have to take certain risks to learn and to progress in the fight against challenges such as AIDS.

Having completed two years of the program at Case Western Reserve School of Medicine on top of a Masters in Public Policy from U.S. Berkeley, I im says "my personal rewards are not derived from academic success. I have always sacrificed my personal inter-ests in favor of working on projects which I feel are beneficial to the community, the public, or the people. I can't change the world, but i can try to make contributions through medicine, public health, public policy, teaching, writing and community

Lisa Lynn Michiko Sugino

California First Bank Scholarship (\$1,000)

Home: Thousand Oaks, Calif.

A career should be something in which one excels, enjoys doing, and considers important to oneself and society. Meeting the above criteria seems common enough, yet a full 80% of the working population claimed they were unsatisfied with their jobs (Gallup, 1984). Aware of this, I have spent countless hours in career centers, taking aptitude/interest surveys, and talking with the employed, all of which resulted in a strong but rather vague push towards a professional calaw or business

A law career looked stable and sufficient, and my experience inside a growing corporation fueled a longstanding fascination with business. [But] only in government are the numbers so large, the impact so great.

Thus Lisa chose to enroll in the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University to work toward a Masters Degree in Public Policy. Believing that "the public sector surpasses the private sector in the amount of money at risk, the number of individuals affected, and the extent of good yielded. Lisa intends to devote herself to a lifetime commitment to Japanese is my second language public service.

Yasuko Fukuda

Chiyo and Thomas Shimazaki Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000)

Home: Rochester, Minn. (formerly San Francisco)

"In August, 1987, I began my medi-

cal education at the Mayo Medical School in Rochester, Minnesota. After growing up in the Bay Area, the cul-ture shock of life in the Midwest was great. I have never felt so keenly aware of my Japanese ethnicity until now.

"The Mayo Clinic has an interna-tional milieu of staff physicians and patients, but there is no Japanese com-munity. I have not felt any negative response, but do get curious inquiries. Many who have never met a Japanese person before consider me a representative of our entire race, which is a little unsettling. It has forced me to closely examine my heritage and what it means to me.

"It [also] reminds me that few physicians really understand [or] can adequately deal with many minorities. Afer living in the Midwest, I believe that am more compassionate to those of other minorities, and want to assist people in overcoming the cultural dif-ferences that can block effective health care. Bridging the gap [be-tween physician and patient] is one of the goals which I hope to achieve."

Emily Moto Murase

Sumitomo Bank Graduate Scholarship (\$1,000) Home: El Cerrito, Calif.

After graduating with departmental honors in Modern Japanese History from Bryn Mawr in 1987, Emily chose to spend the past year volunteering in the San Francisco Japanese American community for various organizations including Kimochi, the Cherry Blos-som Scholarship Committee, the Asi-an AIDS Task Force, and the World Affairs Council.

She says, "my work at the World Affairs Council has taught me the value of public education, and particularly, the important role that universi-ties play in this process. This lesson has renewed my interest in teaching at the university level. I would like to focus on relations between the United States and Japan, the country from which my ancestors came

In pursuit of a doctors of philosophy degree in international relations, focusing on East Asian Studies within the framework of Political Science. Emily will be attending U.C. San Diego Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies this coming fall. Fully bilingual and bicultural. Emily hopes to draw from the best aspects of both cultures to help her succeed

Edward K. Onuma

Rev. H. John Yamashita morial Scholarship (\$1,000)

Home: Syracuse, N. Y.

"In elementary school, I read a book describing the development of openheart surgery, and the subject so fascinated me that I decided then to direct my interests toward medicine. Not long afterwards, my father was diagnosed as having malignant cancer, and after three years of suffering, he eventually passed away. Witness ingl the devastating effects of this disease firmly committed me to pursue a career in the medical profession.

As an undergraduate at Cornell University, Edward began a senior re-search project which led to graduate level cancer research and his Ph.D. from the State University of New York at Buffalo Now attending medical school at SUNY Health Science Cent-er at Syracuse, Edward hopes to com-bine his medical education with his graduate training to pursue a career in clinical research.

Complementing Edward's interest in medicine has been his deep interest in his heritage. His responsibilities in Cornell's Asian American Coalition led to his forming the Japanese Cultural Society there. Today, he continues to be active in the Japanese Student Association at Syracuse

Teresa K. Williams

Nisaburo Albara Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000) Home: Los Angeles, Calif.

"My mother is a native of Tokyo and my father is from West Virginia. I was raised in a thoroughly bilingual/bicul-tural setting for 16 years in the Kanto Plains area of Japan. However, my offi-cial education has been in English;

"My historical, social, economic, and political world perspectives are inextricably tied to my mixed racial and cultural heritages. While my citizenship labels me an American, I have always been aware of my differences with others who claim this American identity. Thus, I have become sensi-

THE CALENDAR

CHICAGO

Sept. 22-Oct. 30-Midwest premiere of Philip Kan Gotanda's Yankee Dawg You Die, produced by the Wisdom Bridge Theatre. Performance Times: Tues. 7 pm, Wed.—Fri. 8 pm; Sat., 5 & 8:30 pm; Sun., 3 & 7:30 pm. Tickets: \$18—\$24 with dis-counts available for students, seniors and groups. Info: 312 743-6000.

LOS ANGELES AREA

■ Present-Oct. 23—"Containing Beauty: Japanese Bamboo Flower Baskets," UCLA Museum of Cultural History, museum gallery, rm. 2, noon-5 pm. Free. Parking is \$3. Info: 213 825-4361.

■ Present-Oct. 30-"One with Zen: The Art of Hakuo Kano," the Pacific Asia Museum, 46 N. Robles Ave., Pasadena. Opening re-ception, Sept. 10, 2-4 pm. Info: 818 449-

2742. Sept. 17-Oct. 4-Japan Week L.A., held throughout the Los Angeles area. Events include Japanese speech contest, Japanese dance, taiko, films, calligraphy, ceramics, woodblock prints, lectures, bunraku, judo,

orchids, etc. Info: 213 433-2731. ■ Sept. 17-18—"Martial Arts Festival," 11:30 am-6:30 pm, Japanese Village Plaza between 1st & 2nd and Central & Plaza Sts. Styles: Aikido, hwarang do, kali, kendo, kung fu, tae kwon do and vovinam. Free Info: 213 620-8860.

Sept. 21-"Elder Abuse, the Law and Resources," 11:45 am, West Los Angeles Buddhist Church, 2003 Corinth Ave. Cosponsored by the Western Region Asian American Program and the West Los Buddhist Church. Featured Speaker: David Unoura, Info: Emily Takeuchi or Bounphong Phomthavong, 213

Sept. 22-Nov. 20-"Design Tokyo," contemporary Japanese graphic design exhibit, George J. Doizaki Gallery, 244 S. San Pedro St. Tues.—Fri.—noon—5 pm; Sat. & Sun.— 11 am-4 pm; closed Mon. Free. Info: 213

■ Sept. 22—The first meeting of a AADAP (Asian American Drug Abuse Program) sponsored weekly family support group established for Japanese-speaking people with drug problems, 7:30-9:30 pm, Little Tokyo Service Center, JACCC, 244 S. San Pedro St. Info: Tad Horiguchi, 213 293-6284 or the Little Tokyo Service Center, 213 680-3729.

Sept. 24-"How to Do Business in Japan: Practical Guide, 9 am-12:30 pm, Santa Monica College Topics: Negatiation, contracts, use of interpreters, locating decisionmakers, etc. Info: Naginata Associates, 213 452-9214.

■ Sept. 24—"How to Get a Job Teaching English in Japan," 1:30-5 pm, Santo Monica College Info: Naginata Associates, 213 452-9214

 Sept. 25—"Basic Japanese for Business People," 1–4:30 pm, Cal State Dominguez Hill, Redando Beach. Info: 213 516-3741 Sept. 25-"The 11th Annual Festival of the Autumn Moon Open House and Silent

tized to issues concerning race, ethnicity, culture, and class from early on.

Museum, 4:30-7:30 pm, 46 N. Robles Ave.,

benefitting the Pacific Asia

Teresa, a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Hawaii is currently enrolled in the M.A. program in Asian American Studies at UCLA. Her thesis professor, Don Nakanishi, states "she is, without question, one of the very brightest, dedicated, and creative students I have known during my entire academic career...she will be-come a significant contributor to scho-larship on the Asian Pacific American experience in the future.

Ernestine K. Enomoto

Magoichi Kato Memorial Graduate Scholarahip (\$600)

Home: San Francisco, Calif.

"As a third generation Japanese American born and raised in Hawaii, I experienced being a minority in America while never realizing it. Not until 1964, during a trip to the mainland U.S., did I realize that Asians were indeed rare and that white Americans could not readily distinguish me from other Asian nationalities. Later as a Peace Corps volunteer serving in Ghana, West Africa, I became acutely aware of being singled out for my color. In all innocence, Ghanas mistook me for being Chinese, rather than be-

ing Japanese or American.

If 1 experienced any discriminat[ion], it was due in large measure to ignorance rather than intent. For this reason, I strongly believe in education as a vehicle for social change to advocate education over ignorance.

In the fall, Ernestine plans to begin her graduate studies at Stanford in educational administration. "I believe I offer a viewpoint that can contribute to a greater understanding and har-mony among peoples of all colors, [one] that acknowledges the differ-ence of color and grows from it."

Pasadena. Admission: \$25. Festival concludes Oct. 1 with a gala dinner and fine art auction. Info: 818 449-2742.

■ Sept. 26-Dec. 5—"Traditional Japanese Architecture and Interiors," offered by UCLA's Extension's Interior and Environmental Design program. Course fee: \$295. Info: 213 825-9061

■ Sept. 28—"Asian Art in Southern California," offered by UCLA Extension, a 10-session course exploring the rich cultural traditions of China, Japan, Korea, Tibet and India, Westwood United Methodist Church, rm. 203, 10497 Wilshire Blvd. Fee: \$225. Info: 213 206-8503 or write P.O. Box 24901, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

Sept. 29-Dec. 8-"Japanese Woodblock

Prints," a 10-session workshop offered by UCLA Extension, Extension Art Studio, 1450 2nd St., Santa Monica, 7-10 pm. Instructor: Yoshio Ikezaki, Fee: \$250. Info: 213 206-8503

Oct. 3—Joint dinner meeting of the China Society of Southern California and the Chinese Historical Society of Southern California, 6:30 pm 960 N. Broadway, Chinatown. Features speech by Sylvia Sun Minnick, author of Samfow: The San Joaquin Chinese Legacy. Cost: \$10. Send reservation checks to Muriel Eifler, 4526 Alumni Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90041. Deadline, Sept. 24. Info: 213 281-7429.

SACRAMENTO

■ Sept. 24—The 2nd annual fundraiser benefitting the Asian Community Center and the Asian Community Nursing Home of Sacramento, 6-9 pm, at Confucius Hall This year's honoree is Rep. Bob Matsui Tickets: \$50. Info: 916 393-9026.

■ Present_Oct. 9—"Turning Leaves, the Family Albums of Two Japonese American Families," photos from the turn of the century to the present of a Los Angeles family and a New Mexico family, Wing Luke Museum 407 7th Ave. S. Admission: \$1.50: seniors/students, 50¢; free Thurs. Tues.-Fri., 11 am-4:30 pm; Sat., noon-4pm. Info 206 623-5124.

Present-Sept. 29-"If a Pigeon Could Talk," an installation on commercial development in the International District by Susan Sagawa, Wing Luke Asian Museum's artist's gallery, 407 7th Ave. S., Tues.—Fri, 11 am—4 pm, Sat.—Sun., noon—4

pm. Info: 206 623-5124. Present-Oct. 9-The Group Theatre

Company's Northwest premiere of Philip Kan Gotanda's Yankee Dawg You Die, Ethnic Theatre, 3940 Brooklyn Ave. N.E. Tues-Sat., 8 pm; Sun. 7 pm, matinees's, 2 pm. Tickets: Week-nights and Sun., \$12 Fri. & Sat., \$13.50, matinee \$10. Info: 206 543-4327

Present-Oct. 9-Northwest Asian American Theatre presents Love Sutras, a play about modern Asian American romances by Maria Batayola and Chris Wong, Thea-tre Off-Jackson, 409 7th Ave. S., Thurstre Off-Jackson, 409 7th Ave S. Sat, 8 pm, Sun, 7 pm, Tickets: \$10, gen eral, \$7, students/seniors. Reservations 206 340-1049.

■ Present-Oct. 29—"Art of the Samurai," Japanese armor and sword fittings, Hon-eychurch Antiques, 1008 James St., Mon.at_ 10 am-6 pm.

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Sept. 24—Hands-on workshop on family albums with Lynne Horiuchi, project director of the Japanese Family Album Project, Wing Luke Museum, 407 7th Ave. S., 10 om-noon. Cost \$3 members, \$5 nonmembers. Reservations: 206 623-5124.

VACAVILLE

■ Present-Nov. 27—"From Rising Sun to Golden Hills, the Japanese American Ex-perience in Solana County" exhibit, Vacaville Museum. Exhibit includes artifacts. and photographs depicting the Japanese xperience in Solono County from the 1890s to the post WW2 years. Hrs.: 1-4:30 pm, Wed.-Sun. Fee: Adults, \$1; students, 50¢. Wed. free. Info: 707 447-4513.

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■ Sept. 24 &24—"A Delicate Balance of Rights and Powers: The United States Constitution and Japanese Americans," a symposium at the National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution, Carmichael Auditorium, Constitution Ave. at 14th St., NW. Day 1—1 pm, opening re-marks. 1:15–2:45 pm, "Out of Balance: A Heavy Price for Japanese Americans." 3-4.30 pm, "Restoring the Balance: The Un-finished Task." Day 2—10 am, opening remarks, 10:15-noon, "Keeping Our Bolance: Eternal Vigilance. Noon-12:15 pm, closing remarks. 1-4 pm, films. Info: 202 357-2700.

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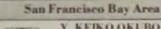
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· Fundraising Dance, Oct. 1, 7 pm-midnight, Japanese Cultural Institute, 16215 Gramercy Pl., Gardena. Music: Taka. Dance Exhibition: David Kawai & Group. Cost: \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. Make checks out to Greater L.A. Singles JACL and mail to Annabelle Lee, 15305 Berendo #19, Gardena, CA 90247. Info: Nikky, 213 426-9571 or Lilly, 714 637-

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• PSW JACL Open House Reception, Oct. 5, 6:30-8:30 pm (tent.), Japanese American Cultural and Community Center, 244 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles. The event will introduce the PSW Board members and its new national officers and will serve as an introduction of JACL to those who are not familiar with JACL. Info: Trisha, 213 822-7470.

SAN FERNANDO

 "55 Alive," a program for drivers over
 50, Sept. 17, 7:30 pm, JAC Center, 12953 Branford St., Pacoima. Presentation by Mable Yoshizaki, assistant state director of AARP, and Kenji Yotsuya. Films, refreshments, Info: Betty, 818 360-9274 or Sono, 818 782-4765.

 "Annual Barbecue," this year celebrating the passage of H.R. 442, Oct. 1, 6:30 pm, 12953 Branford St., Pacoima. Cost: \$5/adults, \$3/children. Info: Hiroshi, 818 360-9902 or Art, 818 997-0266

SAN JOSE

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VENTURA COUNTY

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Dave Y. Nakagawa, a longtime executive with the Pasadena, Calif., Boy's Club, received the National Council of Presbyterian Men's first "Churchman of the Year" award at its national meeting in St. Louis. A Synod representative for Southern California-Hawaii, Nakagawa's leadership and enthusiasm was credited for the resurgence of men's work in the Presbyterian Church, Nakagawa, who was born in Terminal Island, retired from the Boy's Club in 1986.

Dr. Yoshio Nakashima, Dr. Darryl Inaba, Tsuyako "Sox" Kitashima, Motomi Tony Yokomizo, Dale Minami and Philip Gotanda were honored for outstanding contributions to the community and cultural life of Nikkei at the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center of Northern California's annual awards dinner at the Hotel Nikko on Aug. 20. Nakashima, a prominent San Francisco area dentist, was cited for his leadership in the JACL, contributions to the dental profession and involvement in local Nikkei community groups. Inaba, an associate clinical professor at the School of Pharmacy at University of California at San Fran-



cisco, was recognized for service to the community in the area of substance abuse education, prevention and treatment. Kitashima received commendation for her 8 years of work as a volunteer for Kimochi, Inc., and activism in the National Coalition for Redress/ Reparations. Yokomizo, a semi-retired insurance man for New York Life, was cited for his service on the boards of organizations, such as the Japanese American Services of the East Bay. Minami received accolades for his civil rights work, most notably as lead counsel in the Korematsu coram nobis case. Gotanda was recognized for his critically acclaimed plays, such as "Yankee Dawg You Die" and "The Wash."

Glen S. Fukushima and Rose Matsui Ouchi served as faculty at the U.S./Japan Bilateral Session, a conference on U.S. and Japan legal and economic relations which was held Aug. 29 through Sept. 1 in Tokyo. Fukushima, who spoke on "U.S .-Japan Trade Negotiations" during a panel discussion, is deputy assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Japan and China at the Office of U.S. Trade Representative, Executive Office of



Fukushima

the President. Ouchi, executive director of the Criminal Justice Planning Office for Los Angeles, co-chaired a panel on creating a crime-free society. The panel discussed the Japanese experience as a model for the U.S. and other industrial democracies.

► Eddie Jonokuchi, a Milwaukee JACL Life and 1000 Club member and a Mike Masaoka Fellow, was presented the Melvin Jones Fellow Award, the highest honor conferred by the Lions International Foundation for dedicated humanitarian services, on June 10. Jonokuchi, a 28-year Lake Lions Club member, is a past recipient of the "Lion of the Year" award and a former club president.

Dr. Ronald W. Yoshino, a professor of American History at Riverside Community College at Riverside, Calif., recently published Lightning Strikes, a book memorializing the activities of the 475th Fighter Group in the South Pacific arena during WW2. Yoshino, who was commissioned by the group, tells the saga of the men flying the famous P-38 Lightnings against the Japanese Zeros. Born in Livingston, Calif., Yoshino received his doctorate from the Claremont Graduate School. His parents, the William B. Yoshinos, are members of the Livingston-Merced JACL

Emiko Takaki, Lori Tamiko Usui and Stephany Miyuki Ozaki were honored as scholarship recipients at the West Los Angeles JACL Chapter's June 12 scholarship awards luncheon at Burton Chase Hall in Marina del Rey. Takaki and Usui, who are recent graduates of Palisades High School, received the West L.A. JACL Scholarship Award. Ozaki, a graduate of University High School, was presented the West L.A. Auxiliary Taye Isono Memorial Award. Takaki is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tamotsu Takaki, Usui is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Usui and Ozaki is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yukio

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NSCC Convention Activities

By Meriko Mori

SEATTLE - The National Singles Concerns Committee's (NSCC) 1986-88 Biennium report, shared by Chair Meriko Mori before the National Council during the JACL National Convention, related the committee's success in reaching its goals of the last biennium. The goals were to increase awareness and sensitivity to singles concerns throughout JACL and to develop a National JACL Singles program to address issues affecting Japanese American Singles.

The committee also reported that plans for the fourth National JACL Singles Convention, to be held Sept. 1-3, 1989 at the Torrance Marriott Hotel, were progressing well.

Co-sponsors of the convention will include the Greater LA Singles JACL and the Orange County Sansei Singles, with participation from other member organizations of the Southern California Nikkei Singles Coalition: Nisei Singles, We Are One, Megamillion, Marina JACL, San Gabriel Valley Singles, and South Bay JACL Singles.

During the convention, the NSCC held a Breakfast Business Meeting on Aug. 9 in the Haggett Dining Room to discuss its goals for the next biennium. They are to outreach to Sansei and to encourage the participation of other districts in organizing Singles groups and serve on the NSCC. The preparation of a singles committee handbook was also decided.

A workshop, "Going It Alone," was one of the highlights of NSCC's convention activities. Held Aug. 7, the workshop drew about 30 participants hailing from areas such as Seattle, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Portland, Albuquerque and Sacramento.

'Cultural Baggage'

Sharon Maeda, president of Spectra Communications, Inc. and workshop leader, focused on what it is that keeps Asian Americans from being what they really want to be in a relationship. According to Maeda, Asian Americans have a difficult time with feelings, because they carry a lot of "cultural baggage.

Maeda brought out the need for communication and expression of inner feelings in order to develop and maintain satisfying relationships. Her questionnaire of the group showed that most felt their greatest advantage in being single was having freedom, but a disadvantage was finding acceptance in a couples-oriented society.

Maeda also related some non-traditional ways of finding a partner. More discussion continued with participants sharing their experiences and feelings in groups broken down into categories of widowed, divorced, and never mar-

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