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FAIR PLAY—Sitting on the Aug. 27 panel discussion sponsored by the Southern California Japanese American United Methodist Caucus and the JACL PSWDC were, from the left, Peter Irons, PSWDC Gov. J.D. Hokoyama, Frank Emi, Mits Kochiyama, Art Emi and George Uyeda.

Initial Redress Notices Being Mailed to Those Aged 90 and Up

SAN JOSE—Rep. Norman Y. Mineta (D-Calif.) announced Aug. 31 that the Department of Justice's Office of Redress Administration (ORA) is in the process of notifying approximately 1,300 individuals of their potential eligibility for compensation under the Civil Liberties Act of 1988, Public Law 100-383.

These individuals, who are aged 90 and above, will be the first to receive eligibility notices from ORA. The first 500 notices were mailed by ORA on Friday, Aug. 25. The remaining notices in this first group are expected to be in the mailstream shortly.

"The timely beginning of the notification process is very encouraging news, and offers a clear indication that the ORA will be able to promptly dis-

burse all funds appropriated for the compensation process for Fiscal Year 1990, which will begin on Oct. 1," Mineta said.

The Civil Liberties Act of 1988 authorized an individual compensation payment of \$20,000 to each of an estimated 60,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry who had been interned by the U.S. government during the WWII. The act was signed into law on Aug. 10, 1988.

"We have now celebrated the first anniversary of the historic enactment of the Civil Liberties Act. Unfortunately, and despite ORA's progress, the appropriations needed to implement the law fully are lagging," Mineta explained. "The House has now acted

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Japan Military Build-up Wrong, Speakers Note

HONOLULU—Japan should ignore those who say it should assume a larger role in defending itself, two speakers said at the U.S.-Japan Relations in the 1990s symposium at East-West Center on Aug. 27.

James Kelly, former special assistant for National Security Affairs to President Reagan, said forcing Japan into a more assertive power role would work against America's interest in the long run. He acknowledged some are arguing Japan is no longer entitled to de-

fense assistance because of the trade imbalance.

Koichi Kato, a member of the Japanese Diet, noted the issue is hotly debated, despite the fact that its constitution and the U.S.-Japan Security Treaty permit Japan to have only the capability to defend itself. One solution, he said, for Japan was to strengthen its defense through economic cooperation, peace-keeping operations and non-military measures that would ensure the stability and prosperity of the region.

NEWS IN BRIEF

American Legion Reject Anti-Redress Pay Motion

BALTIMORE—The anti-redress appropriation resolution, No. 259, presented by the Washington State delegates this past week (Sept. 2) at the national American Legion convention here, was rejected at the subcommittee meeting of the Internal Affairs Resolution Commission. Illinois past department commander Larry Besson had assured Art Morimitsu, Illinois delegate and active Chicago JACLer that the anti-redress resolution would never reach the convention floor. Besson, co-chairman of the resolutions commission, introduced and pushed the Illinois resolution successfully at the 1984 national American Legion convention at Salt Lake City, which recognized the injustice of interning American citizens of Japanese descent and the tremendous patriotism of Japanese Americans during WWII. Morimitsu chairs the National JACL veterans affairs committee, and is a member of the JACL-LEC board and the Mid-America chairman for Go For Broke National Veterans Association.

Tule Lake Camp Inmates to Address JACL Forum

SAN FRANCISCO—The Golden Gate JACL Chapter is sponsoring a public forum in which several former Tule Lake inmates will present their reasons for being there. Following their presentations, the forum will be opened for questions from the audience. The forum is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 27 at the Masao Satow Building, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco. The public is invited.

HEART MOUNTAIN'S FAIR PLAY COMMITTEE:

So. Calif. JACLers Throw Spotlight on Nisei WWII Draft Resistance Movement

By George Johnston

LOS ANGELES—An offer from the *coram nobis* legal team to represent Japanese Americans convicted of conspiracy to violate the selective service act during WWII was made by Peter Irons at a panel discussion sponsored by the Pacific Southwest District of the JACL before a packed second floor conference room of the JACCC.

The public forum, held Aug. 27, was titled "Understanding the Fair Play Committee and Draft Resisters During WWII." It was held to educate PSWDC JACL members and the general public about the draft resisters, the Heart Mountain Fair Play Committee (FPC) and the position the WWII-era JACL took toward them.

The panelists were Irons, an attorney and legal historian who worked on the *coram nobis* legal cases; Frank Emi, FPC member; and Mits Kochiyama of San Jose, a draft resister. J.D. Hokoyama, governor of the PSWDC, moderated the panel.

Charges of "disloyalty" by wartime JACL leaders towards draft resisters have long been sore point, according to draft resisters and their supporters. According to Irons, however, the heart of the issue was what an individual's obligation to the government is during wartime if one is involuntarily confined in a penal camp.

"Do you have a responsibility to obey the law like everybody outside the camp was expected to if you were presumed by virtue of being behind barbed wire of being disloyal to this country?" he asked. "The vast majority of those who refused service were in fact loyal citizens," stated Irons.

Loyalty Questionnaire

Irons said that in his view as a non-participant, outside observer, and historian, the situation created bitter animosity. This was evidenced by editorials that appeared in the camp newspaper, the *Heart Mountain Sentinel*, edited by Haruo Imura, which advocated cooperation with the draft, and the Denver-based *Rocky Shimo*, which was edited by James Omura, which felt that the government had no right to draft persons illegally imprisoned.

One of the catalysts to the intense feelings that arose was the "loyalty questionnaire." Irons said, "Those of you in the camps at the time remember the order to fill out these forms which asked (questions 27 and 28), 'Are you willing to serve in a combat role in the U.S. Army?' and secondly, 'Do you give unqualified allegiance to the U.S. government and fore swear any allegiance to the emperor of Japan?', which is a classic 'catch-22' because if you are a loyal American citizen, how can you fore swear any allegiance to the emperor that you never had? And, if you did fore swear the allegiance, then by definition you couldn't be a loyal citizen, so you were caught in the middle."

'No-No Boys' Vs. Resisters

Although there were no representatives of this group in the panel, those who answered "no" to both questions were dubbed the "no-no boys." At the 1988 National JACL Convention, the Seattle Chapter asked that the JACL apologize for its stance during WWII toward the no-no boys. After an emotional debate, it was decided to defer the resolution until the 1990 JACL convention so that an informed decision could be made with the results of an investigation.

A flyer clarifying the difference between the no-no boys and the FPC draft resisters was available at the forum. According to the handout, those who answered "no" did so as a gesture of defiance at the governments actions toward Japanese Americans, or because of family obligations. Also according to the flyer, however, most of the FPC resisters answered "yes" to both questions.

According to Irons, about 10,000 of the 75,000 of the adults ordered to fill out the questionnaires answered to "no" to one or both of the questions, or qualified the answers in such a way that the government considered them disloyal.

Fair Play Committee

The Fair Play Committee (FPC) was begun at the Heart Mountain camp by Kiyoshi Okamoto in late 1943. The committee's existence created a conflict in the camp between the JACL leadership, which Irons said controlled both the *Heart Mountain Sentinel* and the camp governing bodies established by the WRA (War Relocation Authority), and the resisters.

The government eventually indicted 85 people from Heart Mountain and most were sentenced to serve time in federal prison. The convictions were later sustained by a court of appeals.

Irons, who said he was "proud to be a card carrying member" of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), expressed his displeasure with its wartime stance. Okamoto wrote a letter to Roger Baldwin, then director of the ACLU, asking for support for the FPC; the ACLU refused.

Quoting Baldwin's response, which appeared in the April 15, 1944 *Heart Mountain Sentinel*, Irons said, "Men who counsel others to resist military service are not within their rights and must expect severe treatment." There is some indication, at least in Richard Drinnon's (author of *Keeper of the Concentration Camps*) research, that Baldwin was asked to write this letter by Mike Masaoka, who was then in Salt Lake City at the JACL Headquarters.

Duress

In the Heart Mountain trial, Judge T. Blake Kennedy did not recognize that duress was a major factor in the actions of the resisters, according to according to Irons. Judge Louis Goodman, however, in the ruling of *United States v. Masaaki Kuwabara*, a similar case involving 26 resisters from Tule Lake, ordered the release of the resisters.

"What Judge Goodman recognized, and I think properly, is that the decision to resist was created by duress. Whether or not the resisters would or would not have served if they had been out of camps, if there had been no internment, is a moot point, because in fact they were being held under duress." Irons pointed out that this was also because of a lack of due process of law.

In his closing remarks, Irons noted how in the 45 years since the internment, the redress movement accomplished a great deal, including the overturning of convictions in the WWII Supreme Court cases of Gordon Hirabayashi, Fred Korematsu and Minoru Yasui, due to the work of the *coram nobis* legal team.

Stating that the JACL wouldn't have to take a position on the draft resisters unless it comes up at the 1990 JACL convention, Irons announced that the same team of attorneys which represented

Hirabayashi, Korematsu and Yasui, has agreed to represent any of the draft resisters should they wish to try and have the criminal convictions resulting from the draft resistance cases removed. Irons said that despite the fact there was a presidential pardon in 1948 for all those convicted of draft offenses in 1942, (260 resisters from all the camps), it didn't wipe out the criminal convictions still on the books. He also said it would be up to the JACL whether or not to support this action.

Emi's Turn

Frank Emi was the next speaker, and he gave some background on the history and formation of the Fair Play Committee. Saying that volumes had been written about the internment experience, he noted how very little had been done to document the draft resisters situation. As a result, he said, "Most Sansei and some younger Nisei are totally ignorant of this phase of the internment."

"We felt that the application of the draft in these concentration camps was not only unreasonable and unjust but legally questionable," said Emi of the FPC. The committee eventually passed a resolution which read, "We, members of the Fair Play Committee, hereby refuse to go to the physical examination or to the induction . . . in order to contest the issue."

Seven members were subsequently charged with conspiracy to violate the selective service act, and aiding, abetting and counseling others to resist the draft. They were Okamoto, Emi, Paul Nakadate, Sam Horino, Ben Wakaye, Minoru Tamesa and Guntaro Kubota. Of those, only Emi and Horino are alive today.

James Omura was also indicted as a co-conspirator for publishing articles and editorials in the *Rocky Shimo*. "He should never have been indicted," said Emi, who then criticized the Pacific Citizen of the time, as well as the *Heart Mountain Sentinel*, for their "scathing editorials" criticizing the FPC. Although Omura was acquitted because of his First Amendment defense, the seven were sentenced to 40 years in federal prison. The Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals overturned the convictions after 18 months.

Kochiyama Speaks

Mits Kochiyama, a Korean War veteran, began by acknowledging his respect to Nisei veterans who served in the armed forces, as well as dissidents, and all Japanese Americans who were put into camps during WWII. "How each reacted to injustice and discrimination is now a part of Japanese American history. Some reacted with super-patriotism, some through constitutional issues and the majority reacted with patient resignation."

Kochiyama emphasized that he answered "yes" to both question 27 and 28 in the loyalty questionnaire. "I signed question 27 with a 'yes' but wrote down that I would serve only if my constitutional rights were returned to me . . . but we (the resisters) were labeled unpatriotic by the wartime JACL."

Later, Kochiyama also referred to a visit made by Min Yasui and Joe Grant Masaoka (a brother of Mike Masaoka) where they attempted to change the draft resister's minds before their trial. "It was all right for Min Yasui to challenge the government and to fight for his constitutional rights, but it was wrong for us to do so."

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Kadohata's 'Floating World' Garner Critical Acclaim

By J.K. Yamamoto

Hokubei Mainichi

BERKELEY, Calif. — The author of the critically acclaimed novel *The Floating World* says that she did not anticipate the praise now being heaped upon her.

When the book was first published, "I thought I was going to get pounded or something. I was scared," said Cynthia Kadohata, who gave a reading the week of Aug. 13 at Cody's Books.

What happened was the exact opposite. Her story of a Japanese American family moving from town to town in the '50s and '60s has garnered favorable reviews from the *New York Times*, *Time* magazine, the *Washington Post*, *New York Newsday*, *Publishers Weekly* and *Kirkus*, among others.

Kadohata said she was not sure why the book was so well received, but noted that readers "sometimes like things that are about something they haven't heard of, so maybe that was part of it. Some people might think it's exotic, although I didn't think of it that way. I want them just to look at it as (being about) people."

The story's narrator is Olivia Osaka, who in one passage describes the family's lifestyle: "We sometimes traveled in the Pacific states with one or two other young Japanese families, heading for jobs the fathers had heard of. We



CYNTHIA KADOHATA

moved often for three reasons.

"One was bad luck—the businesses my father worked for happened to go under, or the next job we headed to evaporated while we were in transit. Also, it could be hard even into the '50s and '60s for Japanese to get good jobs. Nothing was ever quite the position my father felt he deserved.

"The third reason was that my parents were dissatisfied with their marriage, and, somehow, moving seemed to give vent to that dissatisfaction. It was always hard to leave our homes, but once we started traveling, a part of me loved that life."

Kadohata said the book is autobiographical in the sense that she traveled a lot as a child. "I was born in Chicago and then we moved to Georgia and Arkansas, back to Chicago, then to Georgia and Arkansas again. We stayed in Arkansas for a few years, then we went to Michigan, then we went to Chicago for a few years, and then to Los Angeles, where I went to high school.

"After college, I lived in L.A. for a while, then I moved to Boston and Pittsburgh. Now I live in New York. So I've lived all over . . . I don't feel like I belong anywhere, really."

But when asked if the Osaka family represents her own, she quickly replied, "I would never say that. My parents would kill me."

The family includes a temperamental grandmother whom Olivia regards as "evil." The family history is a bit offbeat; Obaasan has had three husbands and Mr. Osaka, though not Olivia's biological father, married Mrs. Osaka when she was eight months pregnant.

While Kadohata's mother, who "doesn't like fiction," has not read the book, her father has. "He asked me, 'The father—it's not me, is it?'" I said, "No," and he said, "Good."

The Floating World started out as separate short stories, she said, "I had been writing short stories and sending

them to the *New Yorker* and getting them all rejected. Finally they took one, and all the stories I wrote after that were the same characters. Then I got an agent . . . he suggested I do a novel instead of connected short stories."

Once the stories had appeared in the *New Yorker*, there was no difficulty in getting the book published.

Kadohata has not heard any reactions to the book from the Japanese American community, but said, "I wish I had, because that would be the most important reaction to me."

As for what she was trying to convey through the novel, she said, "I didn't want to be overtly political, but I did want to say that it was really hard for Japanese after the war."

Part of the book depicts the grueling work of chick-sexing at hatcheries—an occupation once dominated by Nisei. Olivia and her co-workers sleep for a

few hours on the premises and then go right back to work.

The fact that references to the internment are almost nonexistent in the book reflects the author's upbringing. "Actually, my parents sort of avoided talking about it, and then I had to ask them. Even today I have to pry it out of them . . . I'd sort of like to write a non-fiction book someday about all of the issues that were sort of oblique in the novel."

In her immediate future is another short story in the *New Yorker* about a girl whose mother has become a born-again Christian and a novel "that takes place in Los Angeles. It won't be the same character (as Olivia), but it'll probably be a similar character."

Kadohata added that she would like to get a newspaper or publishing job in New York—or she may continue her "floating world" existence and move back to Los Angeles.



OKAMOTO VOLUNTEER AWARD—Misao Hayashi receives a check made out to Yu-Ai Kai for \$1,000, part of the Kay Okamoto Volunteer Award. Presenting the check is Greg Marutani, president of the San Francisco Chapter of the JACL.

Hayashi Presented Okamoto Award

SAN FRANCISCO — Misao Hayashi has been selected the first recipient of the Kay Okamoto Volunteer Award. Hayashi was chosen from a select group of six nominees. According to Steve Okamoto, one of the selection committee members, "It was a very difficult selection to make because the other nominees also have very extensive and diverse volunteer histories."

While her major emphasis has been in the Japanese American community, specifically at Yu-Ai Kai, the San Jose Seniors Program, Hayashi has been involved as a volunteer with the Red Cross, and the YWCA. "Her resume seemed to reflect the diversity of activities, similar to those of our mother," Okamoto added and went on to say, "The committee was also impressed by the fact that her children are very active in their local communities, following the example set by their mother."

The purpose of the Kay Okamoto Volunteer Award is to recognize individuals who exemplify the word "volunteer." "Many times those who are the directors of programs serving the community are recognized for their leadership," Greg Marutani, president of the San Francisco Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League stated, "but it also takes the commitment and support of the volunteers who

will respond to the request to teach a cooking class to Japanese newcomers, make the personal visits to those in the convalescent home, open their home up for exchange students, work at the Blood Bank, write newsletters, serve actively on the boards of the non-profit organizations; Mrs. Hayashi is such an individual. We were very pleased to find there are many individuals who are serving their communities the way Kay had done for so many years."

The announcement was made on July 26 at the Hamilton Senior Center in San Francisco where the seniors were celebrating their 33rd anniversary and which had been one of the major volunteer efforts of Kay Okamoto since the center's inception. Okamoto had served as the volunteer coordinator every Wednesday for over 30 years until her death in 1987. Her husband, Takeo Okamoto, along with his two sons Alan and Steve, were present at the presentation.

A check in the amount of \$1,000 was presented to Hayashi made out to Yu-Ai Kai which was the organization she designated to be the recipient of the monetary award. A personal gift was also presented to Hayashi. Proceeds from both awards were derived from a trust established by the Okamoto family with the San Francisco Chapter of the JACL.

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Here are Yasir Arafat's actual words to Chinese Communist Party General Secretary Jiang Zemin, translated from the Beijing People's Daily:

阿拉法特的賀

新華社北京九月二十七日電 中共中央總書記江澤民於九月二十七日上午接見巴勒斯坦解放組織總書記阿拉法特。阿拉法特在會見中，就當前國際形勢、中阿關係以及阿拉伯世界局勢等問題，與江澤民進行了廣泛、深入的交換意見。阿拉法特對中國人民在維護國家主權和領土完整方面所表現出的堅定決心和勇氣表示欽佩。他強調，阿拉伯民族解放鬥爭是正義的，必須得到國際社會的廣泛支持和援助。阿拉法特表示，他將繼續為實現巴勒斯坦人民的自決權和建立獨立國家而努力奮鬥。江澤民對阿拉法特的講話表示理解和支持，並表示中國將繼續在國際事務中發揮積極作用，為維護世界和平與穩定做出貢獻。

"On behalf of the Arab Palestinian people, their leadership, and myself, I express the warmest, most sincere congratulations to you, dear comrade, on your appointment to General Secretary of the Communist Party of China, and take this opportunity to express extreme gratification that you were able to restore normal order after the recent incidents in People's China. I wish you, close friends, more progress in your endeavor to achieve the hopes, goals, aspirations, stability and security of our friends, the Chinese people."

How can anyone expect Israel to place its future in the hands of those who praise wholesale murder?



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"SHARED DREAMS"—The Asahi Restaurant and Tavern, opened by Kiichi and Tamo Mayeda in 1935, was one of many small Japanese businesses in the thriving Nihonmachi or Japantown area of Seattle before WWII. This photo is featured in "Shared Dreams: Images of the Asian and Pacific American Experience in Washington State."

'Shared Dreams' Exhibit Opens in Seattle

SEATTLE — A photo exhibit depicting the history and contributions of Asians and Pacific Americans opened Aug. 30 at the Wing Luke Asian Museum in the International District.

The exhibit, titled, "Shared Dreams: Images of the Asians and Pacific American Experience in Washington State," is sponsored by the Washington Centennial Commission and consists of 89 photographs—both new and old—spanning over 100 years.

"Many of the photos have come from private collections and have never been part of a public display," said project coordinator Ron Chew, former editor of the *International Examiner*.

Chew, a multicultural program coordinator at Seattle Central Community College, said the project depicts the individual and group achievements of Chinese, Japanese, Filipinos, Koreans, Southeast Asians and Pacific Islanders.

The display includes photos of a Chinese community dragon boat festival in 1936, Japanese loggers at Camp

McMurray in 1909, Filipino warbrides in Seattle, a Samoan champion boxer, the opening of the first Vietnamese restaurant in Seattle, a Tongan children's day celebration, and Asian sports teams.

The freestanding photo display will be featured at the Wing Luke Museum through Oct. 15, then travels across the state to schools, libraries and community centers.

The exhibit will be on display at the Evergreen State College in Olympia during the month of November, and the Auburn Public Library during December. Project photographer Dean Wong visited community and family events across the state to shoot original photos for the display. On the research team were Doug Chin, Ruby Macadangdang, Gail Nomura, Kamol Sudthayakorn, Steve Sumida, David Takami, Velma Veloria, Wong and Sally Yamasaki.

For more information contact Chew at (206) 624-5305 or 587-6924.

Portland Memorial Garden Project Gains Momentum

By Bob Shimabukuro

PORTLAND, Ore. — During Portland's Day of Remembrance ceremonies in 1979 at the Livestock Exhibition Center in February, Portland landscape architect Bob Murase was so moved by the proceedings that he wondered about the possibility of a memorial being housed at the Exhibition Center.

Ten years later, Murase's dream of a monument to the people who were incarcerated in 1942 is being realized on a much grander scale than he ever imagined: plans for a garden memorializing the Japanese American experience in Oregon were announced July 23. (See photo in P.C.)

Approximately 150 persons crowded into the House of Louie banquet room to hear Murase, along with Henry Sakamoto, chair of Oregon Nikkei Endowment, poet Lawson Inada and Portland entrepreneur Bill Naito talk about the importance of the Japanese American Historical Garden.

The project, which was introduced to the Portland City Council in December 1988, was to have its final design review Aug. 9.

Policy on Memorials

Naito, who is the fund-raising chair for the Garden, said that the public hearings for the project last year took much longer than either he or Murase had ever dreamed. People had to be con-



Photo By Homer Yasui

SOME FROM ONE—Participating in the Oregon Nikkei Endowment (ONE) are, from the left, Joe Wahl, Portland JACL Chapter president, director and v.p. of ONE; George Hara, dinner m.c.; Henry Shig Sakamoto, director and president of ONE; and Matt Masuoka, director and treasurer of ONE.

vinced that a memorial to "celebrate the return of Japanese Americans to Portland after the war" was a good thing. Others thought it was "too heavy" a subject for a memorial, said Naito. Then someone discovered that the city had no policy on memorials, so a city-wide policy on memorials had to be drafted, he added.

It took the city five months to come up with the policy. According to Naito, monuments must now stress universal themes and have "enduring value," have a location with "historical significance," and have sponsors who will "set up an endowment for maintenance [of the project] forever more."

While all the other requirements have been met (except for the final design review), the Oregon Nikkei Endowment, an umbrella organization, is soliciting \$500,000 necessary to fund the maintenance of the garden. Sakamoto, chair of ONE, said it was formed because there was a need for an umbrella group which would provide continuity for long-term Nikkei projects. It was incorporated May 2 of this year.

In Waterfront Park

The garden, designed by Murase, will occupy the north end of Portland's Tom McCall Waterfront Park, just a few blocks from where Portland's Japan Town that once housed over 90 businesses. Murase, who also has an office in Seattle, said that while planning for the garden started about five years ago, it was only about a year-and-a-half ago that the waterfront site became available.

Murase and Naito agreed that the site on the West bank of the Willamette River is one that would attract millions of visitors a year, especially during Portland's Rose Festival.

George Hara remembered the days before the war fondly, noting the variety of shops present, from manju, tofu and fish stores to bath-houses, restaurants and inns.

Community Spirit

Naito, in relating the historical significance of the site, added that the spirit of the community was destroyed by the internment. Referring to his days at Washington High School, Naito said, "We were all personally humiliated. [One student] didn't come to school for three, four weeks after Pearl Harbor. [The Garden] will make us feel better... maybe we will have created the first memorial to civil rights."

When completed, the garden should be an impressive memorial indeed. That was the assessment of poet Lawson Inada who predicted that the garden would become the envy of every major

city in the country. He reminded those present, as others had done, that this memorial would have great visibility and would be seen for "a long, long time."

One hundred cherry trees, a functional amphitheatre, natural boulders and a rough-hewn stone "story wall" are among the striking features of the proposed garden. The design of the wall, which will bear a series of engraved panels that tell the history of the Japanese people in Oregon, and "will itself be representative of our experience," said Murase.

A few isolated boulders, followed by small clusters of boulders, precede the wall itself. These boulders represent the very first immigrants, who gradually built the tightly-knit community whose history is described verbally in the panels and visually by the wall itself.

Also addressing the guests were movie producer Bob Colesberry and director Alan Parker of *Come See the Paradise*, a Hollywood movie about the Japanese American internment being filmed in Portland.

Parker, who directed the controversial *Mississippi Burning*, told the crowd, "The more we come to know all of you, the more we realize the responsibility we have to all of you. To many of us it is not just a movie, it is your life. All of your help and advice in preparation has been a moving experience."

Parker added that while the movie would not last as long as the Garden would, (his film) would be seen in 50 countries, and he promised that the movie would be first screened in Portland.

Donations and information requests should be directed to: Oregon Nikkei Endowment, P.O. Box 3458, Portland, OR 97208.

More English Teachers in Japan to Be Invited

TOKYO — About 2,000 college graduates under the age of 35 will come here in 1990 to teach English and other languages under a government-sponsored Japan Exchange and Teaching program (JET), the *Japan Times* reported in late August.

There were some 1,300 instructors at the end of July from seven countries: U.S., Canada, Britain, Australia, New Zealand, France and West Germany. The exchange program was started in April, 1987, with teachers staying in Japan for a year.

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Nikkei Summit in 1990 San Diego

A few weeks ago at the JACL Tri-District convention in Chicago, National JACL President Cressey Nakagawa proposed a "Nikkei Summit" in connection with the National JACL convention in 1990. As he outlined it, the summit would be a gathering of some 50 outstanding Nikkei who would be invited to speak their minds on a wide variety of issues affecting Japanese Americans.

The summit is an idea with great promise, particularly since it would include men and women not ordinarily linked with JACL or, in some cases, the Japanese American community. Yet they have distinguished themselves as thinkers and doers, and JACL and the Japanese American community would benefit by inviting them to share their thoughts and concerns.

The community, in its broadest sense, has suffered from intellectual in-breeding as some of its most talented products have concentrated their skills in mainstream America. The summit would call them back to their roots to stimulate, to provide perspective, to inspire as well as criticize.

The summit has potential to be an exciting exercise in airing new ideas out of which useful and important programs may develop, not only for JACL but the entire Japanese American community. To a great extent the success of the summit would depend on the thought and care put into its preparation. That process should be pursued with all possible dispatch.



MOSHI MOSHI

JIN KONOMI

Eigo Ryūgaku

There is a *ryūgaku* boom on in Japan. In 1987, 57,848 young men and women went abroad to study, a three-fold increase in five years. The numbers break down as follows:

America . . . 29,429 England . . . 6,089
China . . . 4,027 France . . . 2,528
West Germany . . . 2,053

A goodly number of those who came to America are on the so-called *Eigo Ryūgaku*. Gaining fluency in English is usually the sole professed purpose in coming to America.

How well are they doing? The complete report is not yet in. But the news weekly *AERA** (12/13/88) has an illuminating story of how some students currently in New York are carrying on, based on interviews with three of them and visits to their schools.

Two males, 20 and 21, attend an English school in the suburbs. The school has 110 foreign students divided into nine grades. In the second lowest grade are 11 students, of whom seven are Japanese. On the day of the reporter's visit three were absent. The woman teacher asked one Japanese: "Have you ever had tonsillitis?" The Japanese was stumped. Another Japanese sitting next to him looked up in a dictionary and told him: "*Hentōsen dayo*." He said: "*Ah, sōka*." The reporter thought that the episode set the tone of the atmosphere in the class.

Nine Japanese enrolled in the school at about the same time have become a coterie. On weekends

usually they go to Manhattan, dine at some Japanese restaurant, and end up in some disco. When recently one of them went back to Japan, they gave him a farewell party at a sushi bar. The share of the check for each came to considerably over \$100.

Their tuition is \$720 per month; dormitory charge is \$655 per month. Each has monthly spending money of \$1,000.

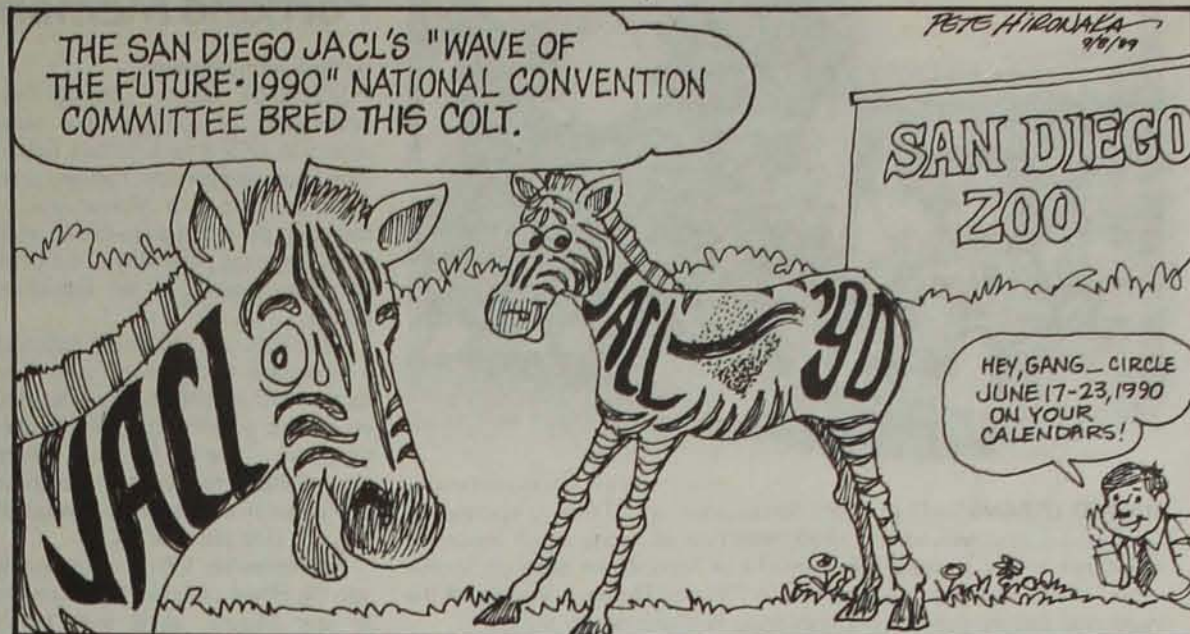
One girl, 22, attends the two-year auxiliary college of the New York University where foreign students seeking admission to the university are being given drills in English. Of the 900 students 31% are Japanese. At the dormitory her roommate is Japanese. She spends her off-campus time in the exclusive company of other Japanese students. When the reporter visited one class where nine of the 17 students are Japanese, only two were attending.

Her tuition and dormitory charge come to \$9,000 per year. The girls have between \$2,000-3,000 to spend per month. They dine in Japanese restaurants, go on motor trips using rental cars, and buy clothes.

One of the interviewees seems to have some second thought about coming to America. He realizes that wanting to become fluent in English is too indefinite a motivation. To get serious about English, one must have a definite goal, such as a specific major subject, or specific school. Or else one ends up by just fooling around.

"Every day I say to myself I'll buckle down starting tomorrow," said the other male student. "But the dormitory is full of Japanese. I don't know how to make friends with an American."

The girl said: "In Japan friends



FROM THE FRYING PAN

BILL HOSOKAWA

Student Exchange

The word from Japan is that parents are becoming worried about sending their teenagers to the United States for schooling.

Welcome to the club. They should be worried. We're worried, too, and not because of freak incidents like the shooting of a 16-year-old Japanese student in San Jose, Calif., or the traffic deaths of several others.

We're worried because what began several decades ago as warm-hearted ventures in cultural exchange have degenerated into a little-supervised, highly commercialized industry that has tarnished ideals and disillusioned participants on both sides of the ocean.

The exchanges began as projects of reputable organizations like American Field Service and service clubs like Rotary International. Opportunities for

going abroad were based largely on merit. Teenagers were housed with adoptive families who volunteered their hospitality and treated the visitors like their own children. Youngsters fortunate enough to be chosen had unforgettably warm cultural and human experiences.

These exchanges were such a good idea that the inevitable happened. So many Japanese youngsters wanted to spend time in the U.S. that entrepreneurs moved in. They offered an American experience for a fee and well-to-do Japanese families found the idea attractive. Inevitably, some of the youngsters were the kind of kids who the parents figured might benefit from being kicked out of the house and, without loss of face, being put on their own in a different environment.

And so they came without being properly briefed on what to expect, or what would be expected of them. For some, even their English was suspect. For many it was a traumatic experience, and it was equally traumatic for the host families who had volunteered their hospitality as a gesture toward international understanding and didn't realize what

they were getting into. Many were shocked to learn the youngster, having paid good money, expected service befitting paying guests.

When it became increasingly difficult to find volunteer hosts the hustlers and their American agents offered to pay any family that would take in a student. Thus impressionable young Japanese were sent off to little more than unsupervised boarding houses. What happened was inevitable. The Japanese tell horror stories about high school students who were left to their devices and existed primarily on hamburgers from fast food outlets, of neglect and even rape.

Some Japanese are demanding that the U.S. police the situation. The reality is that we have trouble enough without looking out for the welfare of foreign youngsters whose parents trustingly place them in the hands of money-hungry agents. No country has a monopoly on predators and if anyone is to blame, it is the parents who either are so heedless of their children's welfare, or incredibly naive about the realities of the world.

Meanwhile, what is happening should be of vital concern to Japanese Americans. Regulation—perhaps through tighter immigration service controls—may be difficult and unpalatable, but it may be the only way to save what started as a noble experiment in international understanding from being totally curdled by greed.



JACL NATIONAL DIRECTOR

BILL YOSHINO

An American Promise

On Sept. 23, the National JACL will sponsor a corporate fundraising dinner at the Hyatt Hotel on Union Square in San Francisco.

The dinner program will highlight the contributions of various national organizations and institutions during the ten-year redress effort. A significant part of the redress campaign was devoted to building a broad-based national coalition supportive of the legislation—the purpose being that this effort had to be expanded into the American mainstream and consciousness in order for it to prevail.

The effort to build this coalition began in the late 1970s with efforts to pass legislation to establish the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians. It continued through the introduction of redress legislation in three separate sessions of Congress until the legislation was finally passed. The success of this effort can be attributed to the national network of JACL chapters that worked in their local areas to secure the support of community organizations, local branches of national organizations, churches, local and state governmental entities, unions, civic organizations, veteran's organization and many more.

On Sept. 23 we will highlight the contributions of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, the Anti-Defamation League, the American Jewish Committee and the San Francisco

Chronicle. The event is entitled "An American Promise." While the event focuses on recent past accomplishments, it should also be viewed as part of the continuing effort to work with other organizations on issues of common concern in the future.

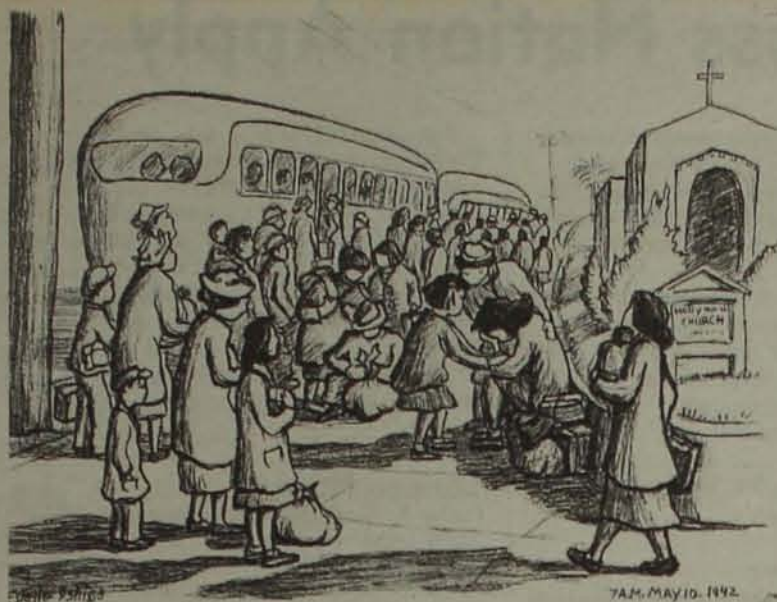
Another aspect of this event is that we will be focusing on the corporate community as the major source of financial support for the dinner. The funding base for the JACL has always resided in its membership. This organization will continue to rely on its membership as the major source of its revenue; we must begin, however, to seriously consider outside sources of funding as a means to generate resources. Currently, JACL has less than a handful of corporate members. We hope and we will encourage the corporations who sponsor the dinner to also become corporate members of JACL. It is a membership category that we must aggressively pursue.

An American Promise is also an event where we will be asking for the support of community organizations and individual chapters. It is an opportunity to be supportive of the national organization. It is true that the National JACL derives its strength from its network of districts and chapters. The effectiveness and influence of the JACL as an organization is greatly hampered unless it is vital and progressive at the national level. We call on your support to help provide for a vital, active national organization.

FOR THE RECORD

The P.C. will correct all errors occurring in its news columns. If you find a problem with a story—an error of fact or a point requiring clarification—please call the news desk, (213) 626-3004.

*AERA is an acronym for *Asahi Extra Report and Analysis*. It means era in Latin. Obviously patterned after *Time* or *Newsweek*, it bears a strong resemblance, although in the biased view of this ex-Japanese, it seems a better magazine overall. The first issue was in May, 1988.—j.k.



DAYS OF WAITING—Above is an example of a sketch by Estelle Peck Ishigo, the subject of a new film by director Steven Okazaki.

Directed by Steven Okazaki

New Film Tells Story of Estelle Ishigo

SAN FRANCISCO — *Days of Waiting*, a new film by Steven Okazaki, tells the story of Estelle Peck Ishigo, who was one of the few Caucasians to be incarcerated along with 110,000 Japanese Americans by the United States government in 1942.

A gifted artist, Ishigo documented her experience with hundreds of sketches, paintings and photographs. Refusing to be separated from her Nisei husband, Arthur, she followed him into the camps and spent three and a half years behind barbed wire in Pomona, Calif. and Heart Mountain, Wyo.

Polls Show Americans Rate Japanese Economic Threat Over U.S.S.R.

HONOLULU—Opinion polls show that Americans worry more about the economic threat from Japan than the security threat from the Soviet Union, according to speakers addressing this concern at a symposium at East-West Center Aug. 24, which was co-sponsored by the *Yomiuri Shimbun* and East-West Center.

Former Defense Department aide Ellen L. Frost of United Technological Corp. listed in her paper three proposals that have been made to attack America's stubborn trade deficit with Japan:

(1) Reduction of trade barriers and anti-competitive practices; (2) establishment of a Pacific Rim Community, similar to the emerging European Community; (3) "managed trade," giving Japan the choice of reducing its exports or increasing imports without sector-by-sector haggling.

C. Tat Ratcliffe, president of International Business Information Inc., Tokyo, said that the "main challenge for the U.S. is to regain its manufacturing competitiveness." Japan's trade surpluses have been due to an ability to apply technology to manufacturing consumer products, he added.

Eiji Umene, adviser to Nippon Steel, said he foresees a "rocky road ahead" and urged "sincere and earnest dialogue to remove mistrust and distrust."

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Okinawa Stone Finally Mounted in Wash'n Monument

WASHINGTON — In a ceremony at the base of the Washington Monument Aug. 4, a memorial stone of polished coral from the people of Okinawa to the people of the United States was quickly installed at the 310-foot level near a stone from the state of Washington—fulfilling a mission that was entrusted 135 years ago to Commodore Matthew C. Perry.

It was in 1854 that Perry had received a stone for the monument from the Kingdom of Okinawa during his Japan expedition.

The stone replaced the one that was lost, which had arrived during the 25-year construction period of the monument. Most of the gift stones were installed between 1848 and 1936, which visitors can see today by walking up the 897 steps in the company of a ranger. Four years ago, a Japanese visitor discovered the Okinawa Stone was not in the monument.

Eight women of the Okinawa Kai of Washington performed a welcome dance at the ceremonies. Ten junior high students from Okinawa were presented the bright yellow National Park Service caps and pins.

Attorney's Convention Set for Nov. 10-12 in S.F.

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The National Asian Pacific American Bar Association will sponsor the first national convention for attorneys of Asian Pacific ancestry in San Francisco, Calif. on Nov. 10 through Nov. 12.

The conference will be held at the University of San Francisco campus and will feature guest speakers, panel discussions and break-out sessions for the attendees. It will also afford the attendees an opportunity to meet with representatives of national corporations and network with attorneys from across the United States. Speakers will include Asian Pacific American leaders from national, state and local levels.

The convention chairman is Hoyt Zia of San Francisco, and corporate counsel for Motorola, Inc. The steering committee is composed of Justice Harry Low of the California Court of Appeals, Superior Court Judge Ken Kawaichi of Alameda County, Jerry L. Chong of Sacramento, Madeline Chun, Kevin Fong, Mike Lee of San Francisco and Ed Oshika of San Jose.



Photo by Stanley Kaneshiki

SEABROOK BANQUET—Over 100 persons attended the Seabrook JACL Installation and Graduates Recognition Banquet on June 17. Officers pictured above, left to right: Esther Ono, 2nd v.p.; Misono Miller, 1st v.p.; Ellen Nakamura, pres.; Carol P. Nagao, rec. sec.; Irene Kaneshiki, corr. sec.; Charles T. Nagao, alt. del.; and Lenore Wurtzel, treas., and Harbinger editor. Not in photo: C. Scott Nagao, official del.; Peggy Fukawa, historian; Gregory D. Ono, ex officio.

Seabrook Installs Officers Honors Grads

By Lenore Wurtzel

SEABROOK, N.J. — Ellen Nakamura was installed as the 43rd president of the Seabrook Japanese American Citizens League at its Annual Installation and Graduates Recognition Dinner held at the Centerton Country Club on Saturday, June 17. Other members of the 1989 cabinet include:

Misono Miller, 1st vp; Esther Ono, 2nd vp; Carol P. Nagao, sec.; Irene Kaneshiki, corr. sec.; Lenore Wurtzel, treas.; C. Scott Nagao, off. del.; Charles T. Nagao, alt. del.; Peggy Fukawa, hist.; Gregory D. Ono, ex officio. Bd. of Dirs.: Emi Kaneshiki, Fusaye Kazaoka, Kanoko Masatani, Mike Minato, Chester Nakai, K. Ray Ono, Sunako Oye, Ted Oye, James Yamasaki, Sharon Yoshida.

The oath of office was administered by Thomas Kometani of the New York Chapter and then governor of the JACL Eastern District Council. The high point of the evening was the keynote speaker, National JACL President Cressey H. Nakagawa, whose speech was entitled "The Future—Our Need for JACL," in which he eloquently presented facts and reasons for an active JACL organization.

Other highlights of the evening included remarks from National JACL Director Bill Yoshino and recognition of graduates and presentation of chapter scholarship awards by Chester Nakai. The graduates were:

Eighth Grade—Anne H.R. Mukoyama, Kevin M. Nakai, Ken Ooka, Gregory Sabla, High School—Dawn M. Masatani, Ryan A. Nakai, A. Akemi Ooka, Jeffrey P. Sabla, College or University—Janis G. Hashimoto-B.A., math/secondary education, Eastern Col-

lege; Todd A. Wakai, B.A., English Lit., University of Delaware; Wesley A. Yokoyama, B.A. political science, Haverford College.

The four scholarship winners were:

Mary C. Nagao Memorial Scholarship (Tie)—Ryan A. Nakai and A. Akemi Ooka; Seabrook JACL Scholarship (Tie)—Dawn M. Masatani and Jeffrey P. Sabla.

The chapter also recognized the 1989 Seabrook JACL Good Citizenship Award recipients. They were David E. Morrissey, Bridgeton High School; Ryan A. Nakai, Cumberland Regional High School; and Steven E. Kaneshiki and Jennifer L. Terrigno, Woodruff School.

Recognitions Chair Esther Ono presented a plaque to K. Ray Ono for his six years of dedicated and faithful service to the Seabrook Chapter as treasurer.

The National JACL Creed was read by A. Akemi Ooka. Two very colorful Japanese dances were performed by the Seabrook Minyo Club under the direction of Sunako Oye. The Rev. Rebecca MacDonald from the Seabrook Buddhist Temple gave the invocation and benediction and greetings were given from the Honorable Bruce T. Peterson, mayor of Upper Deerfield Township. Toastmaster for the evening was Dr. Richard Ikeda.

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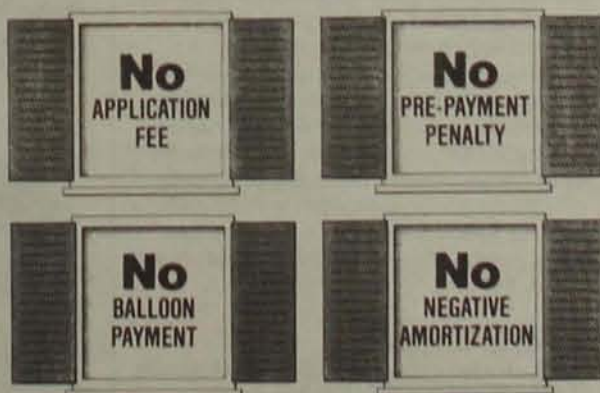
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Wendy Nakashima, CMN.

(Abe and Esther Hagiwara Award \$2,000.) New York, N.Y.; Harvard University School of Public Health, Maternal-Child Health, major.

"Knowledge was a venerable commodity. It came wrapped in a Ph.D. That was the legacy of postwar America. The one unforgivable item not subject to internment or limited to race."

Wendy Nakashima, a former internee, has overcome amazing obstacles in her pursuit of a Ph.D. After internment, her mother reared Wendy and her older brother by herself. "Jobless, propertyless, unskilled and sold out, my family has survived. More than survival, however, has become another generation's task, my task." At age 35, she earned her B.S. in Nursing and at age 41 she earned her Master's in Midwifery from Columbia University. For the past ten years she has worked as a licensed midwife in New York City, serving the needs of low income families. Now at age 48, she is pursuing a doctoral degree in public health at Harvard University.

Tireless in her work with those less fortunate, Wendy has been instrumental in implementing prenatal care and assistance programs with the State of New York. She is currently working on a research project which has the potential of earning recognition as a contribution from the Japanese American Community interned during World War II. "Certainly this recognition is motivation in itself, however, I must admit that most of all, I am simply driven to do it."

Marianne L. Seto

(Aiko Susanna Hiratsuka Memorial Performing Arts Scholarship \$2,000) p: Thomas Akiyoshi Seto, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Marianne Seto is a serious student of modern dance and has studied at the Jose Limon Foundation in New York City. A talented dancer,



she has won numerous awards, including a full scholarship to study and perform at the 1988 American Dance Festival. Marianne has also completed an internship with the Bill Cratty Dance Theatre and danced professionally in the world premiere of two new works. She received positive reviews for her performances in the *Village Voice* and the *New York Times*.

In addition to her intensive dance studies, Marianne maintained an almost perfect grade point average in her college preparatory studies at E.R. Murrow High School. She has taken additional courses in English and her essay on her father's experience during the internment was published in her school's literary magazine.

Marianne also has a strong interest in science and has completed independent study courses in molecular biology and immunology.

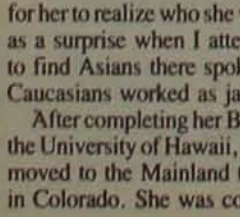
She will attend Brown University in the fall and she hopes to continue her studies in dance, science and the humanities.

Stella Kinue Manabe

(Professor Sho Sato Memorial Law Scholarship \$1,000) Hillsboro, Ore.; Lewis and Clark Northwestern School of Law.

As an "anthropologist by education and a humanist by inclination," Stella Kinue Manabe has been interested in studying and understanding the rules by which cultures and subcultures live so that she may apply that knowledge in the service of others.

A Sansei, her family returned to her grandfather's homeland after the war. She spent much of her childhood in U.S. Department of Defense Schools in Okinawa which made it difficult



for her to realize who she was ethnically. "It came as a surprise when I attended college in Hawaii to find Asians there spoke with accents and Caucasians worked as janitors and waitresses." After completing her B.A. in Anthropology at the University of Hawaii, Stella and her husband moved to the Mainland to work as archeologists in Colorado. She was contemplating a career in

teaching. "But as fate would have it, I spent the last 11 years on the Mainland during which employment in the 14th Judicial District Attorney's Office in Colorado exposed me to criminal law and associated women's issues."

In addition to her intensive work at the D.A.'s office, Stella became actively involved with community groups. She volunteered her time to work on a women's support team which provided counseling and instruction to victims of battering and sexual assault. She then went on to become a founding member of the Krummhorn Women's Resource Center, an educational organization which provides support to women in rural Colorado. Stella also found time to work with Developmentally Delayed and Learning Disabled students at the county youth center.

Presently Stella and her husband reside in Oregon where she serves on the Employee Relations Board of Washington County and on the steering committee of the Oregon Multicultural Workgroup, an organization which deals with substance abuse issues.

A former associate describes her as "selfless, and caring, the ultimate team player... and one of the hardest working individuals I have ever known. Currently Stella attends Northwestern School of Law at night and spends her days operating a word processing service at her home where she is accompanied by her 20-month-old son, Derek.

Deanne Kitamura

(Thomas Hayashi Memorial Law Scholarship, \$2,500) Fresno, Calif.; UCLA.

Deanne Kitamura is excited by the prospect of studying law this fall at UCLA. She hopes to pursue a career in public interest law to help Asian Americans and women.



"Japanese Americans may no longer be an economically disadvantaged group, but we are a social minority. Various forms of discrimination still affect us."

At Pomona College, Deanna majored in Government. During her undergraduate years she developed an interest in her Japanese heritage and took additional courses in Asian studies. As a junior, she attended Nanzan University in Nagoya and learned much about herself as a Japanese American and as a feminist.

With her strong interest in community and campus affairs, Deanna was actively involved with groups which addressed women's issues, Asian American concerns and trans-Pacific cultural exchange. A talented violinist, Deanna also volunteered her services as a music counselor to various groups.

A Weitzman Scholarship recipient, Deanna has recently completed her post-baccalaureate studies in Japanese at CSU Fresno.

Maria Michiyo Gargiulo

(Henry and Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Creative Arts Scholarship \$5,000.) Hollywood, Calif.; The American Film Institute.

"It is absolutely imperative that we make films with something to say..." Maria Gargiulo has been described as an uncommon filmmaker. "Her documentary films reflect values often forgotten in our present commercial culture—values such as social conscience and respect and tolerance for others."

She has produced, written and directed several award winning documentaries on such diverse topics as environmental concerns, medical ethics, neo-natal care and teenage sex education. Her documentary on the history of Seattle's Chinatown was aired nationally on PBS. Maria also produced and edited *Choices*, an Emmy award winning documentary on teenage runaways.

Maria was an outstanding student in Stanford's graduate program in film and communications. Last year she moved from Seattle to Los Angeles to attend the American Film Institute to study the art of dramatic feature films. She is currently working on developing a film on *Takarazuka*, a Japanese theater troupe that is "part Japanese opera, part Las Vegas revue, part-musical comedy and all-female."

Valerie Suzawa.

(Nisaburo Aibara Memorial Graduate Scholarship \$1,000.) Providence, R.I.; UC Berkeley, Biochemical Engineering major.

Valerie Suzawa's interest in science began in middle school and continued right on up through high school where she took "as many courses as I could fit into my schedule..." Her excitement about science has flourished in college and she has received numerous awards for her work as an undergraduate student in chemical engineering at

Stanford University. These awards include the American Institute of Chemical Engineering Annual Award for Scholastic Achievement, Dow Chemical USA's Outstanding Junior Chemical Award and Stanford's Frederick Emmons Terman Engineering Award.

According to her professors, Valerie has a great interest in the ethical issues associated with technology. Her future goal is to gain "a greater understanding of the human, ethical and social aspects of science and technology" and she plans to integrate the concerns and approaches of the humanities with her studies in biochemical engineering. In September, Valerie will attend graduate school at Berkeley.

Ellen Somekawa

(Henry and Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Graduate Scholarship \$5,000.) Philadelphia; Twin Cities JACL; Univ. of Pennsylvania; History major.

"From my own experiences, I see that history can be a powerful tool for empowering people who have been marginalized from mainstream



American culture; for this reason I am studying to earn my Ph.D. in U.S. social history."

Ellen Somekawa currently works as the director of the Asian American United Youth Center in Philadelphia, while she works on her M.A. in History at the University of Pennsylvania. She has been

described as sensitive, intelligent and tireless in her work, "an outstanding role model for our Asian youth in a city where the drop out rate for Asian youth is well over 50%." She has worked on the development of an Asian American History Outreach Program for the public schools and is currently developing an oral history project which will be worked on by both the youth and the elderly in the community.

Lynn H. Otsu

(Sumitomo Bank of California Graduate Scholarship \$1,000.) Diamond Bar, Calif.; So. Calif. American Nikkei JACL; Cal State University, Pomona; Education major.

After receiving her B.A. in Psychology from UCLA where she graduated Magna Cum Laude, Lynn Otsu pursued a teaching career. During her



three-year tenure at Evergreen Elementary School she developed the visual and performing arts program and was selected to serve on the Evergreen Child Study Team to assist students with exceptional needs. She also helped to design a new math assessment program for several school districts.

Lynn has also been active in the JACL and helped to create the Southern California American Nikkei chapter. She has served as Education Chairperson since the chapter's inception.

Lynn is attending Cal-Poly Pomona, working towards a master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction. She hopes to study the achievement patterns of Japanese American students.

Dorothy Birsic

(Henry and Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Graduate Scholarship \$5,000.) Boston, Mass.; Downtown Los Angeles JACL, Harvard Graduate School of Business and Fletcher Graduate School of Law and Diplomacy (Tufts University), M.B.A. and Asian Foreign Policy major.

"As the political, economic and cultural bonds between the U.S. and its Asian neighbors continue to grow, it is imperative that we be prepared to accept and understand those beliefs, backgrounds and customs different to our own."

After completing her first year at both Harvard Graduate School of Business and Fletcher Graduate School of Law and Diplomacy, Dorothy Birsic will attend a summer seminar in Hokkaido, Japan. Following the completion of her M.B.A. and her M.A. in Law and Diplomacy, she hopes to return to Los Angeles to work in a business position where she can promote U.S./Japan relations.



Birsic received her B.A. from the USC Department of Journalism where she graduated Magna Cum Laude. She was a Fulbright Scholar at Belgrade University, Yugoslavia, a Rotary Scholar at Sydney University, Australia and has served as a media consultant for both the 1984 Winter and Summer Olympics. In addition to her academic activities she has been active in various Asian organizations in Los Angeles and Boston, and is currently a volunteer ESL tutor for Asian immigrants for the Refugee Immigration Ministry in Boston.

Loriene Honda

(Union Bank of California Graduate Scholarship \$1,000) Monterey Park, Calif.; Johns Hopkins University, International Diplomacy major.

Loriene Honda has been described as one who "possesses a very powerful sense of compassion" and displays "an admirable willingness to act confidently on her convictions."



As a freshman at Pitzer College, Loriene Honda organized a five college symposium featuring historical and contemporary issues relevant to the World War II internment of Japanese Americans. For Loriene, "It was inspiring for me to see how by exposing others to the

important public policy issues such as this one can enhance intercultural understanding and thus convert societal attitudes in a positive manner."

As a junior she participated in a study abroad program and attended the University of Surrey, England. She was participant in the community action committee and became actively involved in Asian communities in England.

Loriene received her B.A. in psychology from Pitzer College and will attend Johns Hopkins University to pursue her masters in International Diplomacy. In addition to her academic and community activities she enjoys playing basketball and has participated in JACL-sponsored basketball leagues and tournaments for the past 11 years.

Naomi Hisako Iizuka

(Henry and Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Graduate Scholarship \$5,000.) Oakland, Calif.; UC San Diego.

Currently Naomi Iizuka is pursuing a career as a playwright in the graduate program at UC San Diego. For Naomi, "Writing plays translates into



writing which is seen, heard and felt viscerally." Her play "Monkey Story" has been described as "... especially compelling, with a boldly and intelligently constructed dramatic situation through which the play addresses, in a powerful way, issues of violence and domination in a larger context of national and economic

struggle."

Naomi received her B.A. in Literature from Yale College where she graduated Summa Cum Laude. As an undergraduate she was active in the Asian American Students Association and various other community service organizations. She has been described as one who shows a "lively and humorous responsiveness to others, as well as a keen eye for the telling detail."

Kristopher Kallin

(Henry and Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Graduate Scholarship \$5,000.) Jamaica Plain, Mass.; New England JACL; Harvard Medical School.

After graduating from USC with a B.A. in psychology, Kristopher Kallin then pursued his interest in international development by entering the Peace Corps where he taught science and provided health care counseling to secondary students in Zaire. "My comprehension of personal interaction across many and wide cultural gaps, of life and health, and of suffering and death expanded tenfold. This minor but intense expedition opened my eyes to the importance of public health and welfare in the international community."

Kristopher was deeply affected by this experience and became committed to giving help to those who are underprivileged. After serving his two years in the Peace Corps he conducted research at the U.S. Naval Medical Research Unit in Cairo, Egypt. He is currently attending Harvard Medical School and his future goal is to combine both international medicine and medical research and hopes to someday practice medicine in Japan.

Profiles: National JACL Scholarship Awardees

Brian Miura

(Magoichi and Shizuko Kato Memorial Graduate Scholarship \$600.00.) San Francisco, Calif.; UC San Francisco, Medical School.

At the age of 7, Brian Miura's father enrolled him in a judo class. He concedes that in his first four years of competition he rarely won a match,

for even though he competed in the lightest weight category he was 25 pounds lighter than his opponents. However, through countless hours of practice, he overcame this adversity and with perseverance worked to develop the speed and technique to win his first trophy by the age of 12. He went on to win three regional

titles, one national title and a second place in international competition by the end of high school.

In overcoming his obstacles and achieving his goals, Brian came to understand "that hardwork and perseverance were the essential ingredients in aspiring all of my aspirations". He enrolled in pre-med classes at UC Berkeley, where he was graduated with departmental honors in Neurobiology in 1988. And in 1985 and 1988 he represented UC Berkeley at the National Collegiate Judo championships.

In addition to his academic, campus and athletic activities, Brian volunteered many hours in the emergency room at Oakland Children's Hospital and coordinated Nutrition Awareness Week at UC Berkeley.

Maya Kato

(The Rev. John Yamashita Memorial Graduate Scholarship \$1,000.) Culver City, Calif.; Gardena Valley JACL; UC San Francisco School of Medicine.

Through her 11 years of involvement in gymnastics, Maya Kato learned to "set priorities and subordinate other interests in pursuit of a primary goal".

She achieved her primary goal and was a member of the U.S. National Women's Gymnastics Team from 1981-1983. Her current goal is to become a physician and this fall she will attend medical school at the University of California, San Francisco.

As a premed student at UCLA Maya

found that an athletic career parallels a physician's career in many ways. "Both careers require a devotion to excellence with integrity and perseverance". She enrolled in Honors Collegium courses and graduated with departmental and college honors.

In addition to her academic activities, Maya logged many hours as a hospital volunteer and observer, participated in the Hippocrates Society, and tutored remedial students.

Julie Kubota

(Henry and Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Graduate Scholarship \$5,000.) Sacramento, Calif.; UCLA, Social Work major.

Julie Kubota feels especially strong about the rights of the developmentally disabled and has worked as a teacher, counselor and respite worker for developmentally disabled children and adults.

She plans to attend UCLA this fall to pursue a graduate degree in social work.

Julie gives credit to her family members who worked to overcome both economic and emotional hardships as sources of inspiration for her work. "These hardships only

strengthened our family's commitment to live our lives fully. Through it all, we grew in closeness and in our promise to each other to do the best we could." She credits her brother and sister for providing positive role models for her to pursue a career in a helping profession and gives special credit to her mother. "Her resolution for us to *gambatte* has deeply affected my life."

Despite her circumstances, Julie worked to put herself through UC Davis where she was elected to be a member of two honor societies: Golden Key National Honor Society and Alpha Kappa



Delta, International Sociology Honor Society. She graduated with honors in 1988 and received her B.A. in Sociology.

Yasuko Fukuda

(Chiyoko Tanaka Shimazaki Memorial Graduate Scholarship \$1,000.) Rochester, Minn.; San Francisco JACL; Mayo Medical School.

Yasuko Fukuda currently attends the Mayo Medical School and has chosen to conduct her junior year research at the Radiation Effects

Research Foundation in Hiroshima, Japan. She hopes that this experience will provide her with skills to effectively work with those in the Japanese community at a future time.

In the past, Yasuko has been actively involved with the Japanese American community in San Francisco and San Jose.

She has volunteered many hours to work with both youths and seniors at Christ United Presbyterian Church, Kimochi Home, San Jose Yu-Ai Kai and assisted and participated in various Cherry Blossom Festival events.

In addition, Yasuko was a volunteer at UCSF Medical Center and Pacific Presbyterian Hospital and tutored other students as well while completing her undergraduate studies at UC Berkeley. She received her B.A. in Microbiology/Immunology and Oriental Languages (Japanese) in 1982.

Jil Uchishiba

(Kyutaro/Yasuo Abiko Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship \$1,000.00.) Morgan Hill, Calif.; Gilroy JACL; Whitworth College, International Studies and Communication major.

"It has become imperative for my generation to take upon our conscience the plight of the Third World and further the tolerance of unique

ideologies, religions and beliefs that make our human race diverse. It is important for us to understand the struggles and triumphs of history as well."

Jil Uchishiba credits her clear sense of values to her experiences in working groups both in the community and on her campus. A straight A

student, Jil has utilized her strong organizational and writing skills to become an effective leader in various campus activities.

She is a vital member of the Asian American Students Club and helped to organize Whitworth College's Asian American Awareness Week. Currently she developed an anti-racism workshop for Whitworth's Intercultural Council and this fall she hopes to declare a double major in International Studies and Communication.

Yoko Irie

(Henry/Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship \$5,000.00.) Forest Hills, N.Y.; New York JACL; Harvard-Radcliffe, Biology major.

Yoko Irie is a gifted young woman who believes in sharing her talents and knowledge with others. As a freshman at Harvard University, majoring in

biology, she maintained a 4.0 grade point average, sang in the Harvard Radcliffe chorus and volunteered her time to tutor in Japanese to other Japanese American students.

"Having studied the Japanese language culture and history for 11 years, I believe that one of my roles on campus is to share this

knowledge and understanding with others."

Trilingual, she also volunteered her time to work a bilingual classroom in Boston's Hispanic community and participated in a multicultural fair for elementary students. "Sharing jokes with these children in Spanish and watching them learn a new English word are memories that will remain forever special to me."

Yoko Irie sees herself as "a small bridge among the different peoples that make up our society" and hopes to combine her abilities in both the sciences and foreign languages into a career as a multilingual physician.



Jojiro Takano

(Dr. Thomas Yatabe Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship \$750.00.) Berkeley, Calif.; St. Louis JACL; UC Berkeley, Economics major.

"I have always taken pride in being Japanese American. My Japanese heritage is as essential to my sense of identity as my American upbringing."

I feel privileged that I have two cultural perspectives from which to draw my values and beliefs. Jojiro Takano attends UC Berkeley and plans to take a double major in economics and Asian studies. Continually active in campus and community activities, he has also sought involvement in the Japanese American com-

munity, and is both an active participant and leader of such groups as the JAYS, Asian Pacific Council, East Bay Asian Local Development Corporation and UC Berkeley's Tomodachi Club. An exemplary student with a near perfect GPA, Jojiro hopes to apply his knowledge of both Japanese and American cultures in "working towards fostering a symbiotic relationship between two nations."

Miriam Murase

(Sam Kuwahara Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship \$1,000) San Francisco, Calif.; San Francisco JACL; UC Berkeley, Japanese major.

A major goal for Miriam Murase is to become "completely bilingual and bicultural." As the first recipient of the San Francisco Cherry Blossom

scholarship, Miriam participated in the annual Cherry Blossom Festival in Osaka, Japan. She extended her stay and continued her studies in Japanese at Sophia University in Tokyo.

Miriam has indeed proven her "bicultural abilities" in both her academic and extracurricular activities. She has participated in

various Asian American student activities on the UC Campus and worked one summer as a JACL student intern at National Headquarters. Last summer, Miriam worked for Barbara Boxer, U.S. Representative for the 6th District and currently she is a student intern in the office of Chikara Higashi, member of the Japanese Diet.

She has been described as one of only a few American students who makes a conscious effort to truly immerse herself in Japanese language and culture. Her career goal is to "teach Japanese studies at the university level in hopes of educating Japanese Americans, as well as other Americans about the richness and beauty of Japanese language, history and culture."

James J. Kumpel

(Saburo Kido Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship \$750.00.) West Hempstead, N.Y. New York JACL; Cornell University, Industrial and Labor Relations major.

The highlight of James Kumpel's 1988 Congressional internship was to attend the House of Representatives' debate on the redress bill, brief

his congressman and witness the bill's passage. "For four years, I wrote letters to congressmen and editors of various newspapers, spoke before history classes and community organizations, distributed petitions and presented films... This experience showed me that individuals, through organized efforts, can

make a difference."

James credits the success of the redress movement for shaping his interests and perspectives. Currently he attends the School of Industrial and Labor Relations at Cornell University where he has taken courses in economics, civil rights and international law. In addition, he has been taking intensive coursework in Japanese language and culture.

James notes "as the protectionist fever of Congress stirs anti-Japanese feelings, the background that I have been developing in Japanese language and culture becomes more relevant than ever."



Highly active in extracurricular activities, James is the vice president of student government and is the treasurer and education chairman of Cornell's Asian American Coalition. He has lead workshops on such topics as "The Model Minority Myth, Interracial Dating, and Asian American College Admissions".

During his past summer breaks from school, he has served as an legislative aide for New York State Senators John Dunne and Congressman Raymond McGrath and worked as a lobbyist for low income housing.

Thomas Patrick O'Toole

(Sumitomo Bank of California Undergraduate Scholarship \$1,000) Oakland, Calif.; San Francisco JACL; UC Berkeley, Political Economy of Industrialized Societies, major.

Thomas Patrick O'Toole extended his undergraduate studies at UC Berkeley an additional year to study Japanese language and history. This fall he will participate in Berkeley's Education Abroad Program and will attend Sophia University in Tokyo. "I hope through cultural immersion, to create an object mirror in which I can examine myself, even as I absorb Japanese culture."

Thomas has been described as one who has the tenacity and determination to overcome obstacles in order to reach his goals. During his first two years at Berkeley he took care of his younger brothers, worked full time in the campus police department and maintained a full academic schedule. He has also been active on UC Berkeley's judo and karate team. In his senior year, he founded a new undergraduate publication *Weds: The Berkeley Journal of International Economy*. Thomas has also written articles for Berkeley's Asian Students Journal and is a member of the Japan Foundation.

Denise Yamamoto

(Henry and Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship \$5,000) Oxnard, Calif.; UC Berkeley, Japanese and Economics major.

Denise Yamamoto is actively searching out the origins of her family's cultural traditions. She has done countless interviews with her grandparents about her family history, but concedes "Somehow I was able to gain enough information to earn A's on those papers, but I sense that the missing pieces of these fragmented family stories are available only through a single experience—to live and study in Japan."

An excellent student and an active member of the Konko Church of Los Angeles, this fall Denise will participate in UC Berkeley's Study Abroad program and will attend International Christian University in Japan. "I have the utmost confidence that upon my return from Japan, the roots of my heritage will lie deep and strong within me, along with a renewed sense of the importance of being a Japanese American."

Vivian Umino

(Sam S. Kuwahara Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship \$5,000) Seattle, Wash.; Seattle JACL; Yale University, English/Theatre Studies major.

Vivian Umino is currently serving as one of our JACL National Youth Representatives. In 1988, Vivian was chairperson of the Exhibits Committee at the JACL National Convention, which was held in her hometown, Seattle.

In addition to her work with JACL, Vivian is also active in her school through Yale's Minority Recruitment program and currently serves as chairperson of the Asian American Students Association. Presently she is working to develop a Japanese American students group at Yale which she hopes will educate others on cultural heritage of Japanese Americans.

Vivian is also active in her church and community and volunteers her time to tutor recent Asian immigrants through Asian Community Services.

Creative and expressive, Vivian is a gifted writer and musician and has participated in Yale's Chorus, Chamber Orchestra and Bach Society. In addition to Vivian's other talents, she is also an accomplished artist and has had her work published in Yale's quarterly magazine.



Profiles: National JACL Scholarship Awardees

Courtney Teru Goto

(Union Bank of California Undergraduate Scholarship \$1,000) Sacramento, Calif., Sacramento JACL; Mills College, Political, Legal and Economic Analysis major.

"What sets Courtney apart from many young people her age is her depth of commitment to areas of her life from which she has benefitted. . . ."



Active in her church, school and community, Courtney Goto has effectively demonstrated her strong leadership skills and in the future she hopes to pursue a career in public administration.

Courtney is extremely active in her church and has organized conferences that have addressed the issues and concerns of Asian American youths. She has served as the president of the Asian American Youth Caucus of the United Methodist Church and presently she is a member of National Commission on the Status and Role of Women in the United Methodist Church. "By representing Asian American women, I hope to continue helping the Asian American Caucus define its role in the church."

A legislative congress representative at Mills College, Courtney is also busy working with other student leaders to make changes in the school's policy and administration "Don't worry, my life isn't all business related", writes Courtney. In her spare time, she reads, relaxes or goes to Berkeley with her friends.

Rebecca Nakamura

(Colonel Walter Tsukamoto Memorial Freshman Scholarship \$500) p: Akira/Sakie Nakamura, Chicago, Ill., Chicago JACL.

Rebecca Nakamura's work has been described by her teachers of being of "superb quality, with interesting twists. . . . A National Merit Finalist and Valedictorian of her senior class, Becky's wit and enthusiasm has earned her the affection respect of her fellow classmates.



Becky is an outstanding student and has received honors for her work in district and State science competitions. Although she enjoys the academic challenges

of the sciences she has also been involved in such diverse activities as the school's yearly dramatic productions, yearbook and varsity tennis team. She was president of her school's Asian Club and has received numerous *yūto* honor awards at her Japanese school's speech contests.

This fall she will attend Yale University where she hopes to continue her studies in molecular biology.

Miles Okino

(Union Bank of California Freshman Scholarship \$1,000) p: Minoru/Edith Okino, Belmont, Calif. San Mateo JACL.

A complete list of Miles Okino's achievements and awards would require a special edition of this paper. Miles is recognized as a leader in his



community and his school by his peers, co-workers and teachers. Vice-president student body, captain of the varsity track team, asst. scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop 700 (top troop in the San Mateo Peninsula District), president of CSF and the Asian Club, Bay District president of the Junior Young

Buddhist Association, star of the school's annual musical production . . . the list goes on and on. Miles is also involved in the San Mateo Japanese Youth Organization and is a two time winner of the Western Region JACL Outstanding Athlete Award.

And if that isn't enough, in addition to all of his campus and community work, Miles has maintained a 4.0 grade point average and has taken advanced placement courses in several subject areas. His principal describes him as "a well rounded young man with total command of his future". After returning from a summer in Japan, Miles will attend UC Berkeley to major in Chemical Engineering.

Robert Irie

(Majiu Uyesugi Memorial Freshman Scholarship \$750) p: Shinazo/Masako Irie, Forest Hills, N.Y. National JACL Associates.

"Brilliant, perceptive, outstanding. . . . Top notch. . . ." Robert Irie has definitely left a lasting impression with his teachers at New York's



Stuyvesant High School. His teachers also unanimously agree that Robert is a young man with a strong set of principles and note that "his academic brilliance was further enhanced by his genuine concern for others".

A gifted student, Robert's studies have extended beyond the normal high school classroom. Through honors programs he has taken various courses in math and science at both Long Island and Columbia universities. In 1988, he attended the Research Science Institute for Academically Talented Students in math and science where he worked on a special project in electrical engineering. He has taken advance placement courses in a variety of subjects and has attended Japanese school on the weekends for the past 12 years.

Active in a variety of extracurricular activities, Robert has also volunteered to work in Beth Israel Hospital for the past two years during his weekends and summer vacations. He will attend Harvard University in the fall and will major in electronic engineering.

Angela Okajima

(Masao and Sumako Itano Memorial Freshman Scholarship, \$1,000). p: Tokimune and Tomiko Okajima, Bayside, N.Y. JACL.

Proud of her Japanese heritage, Angela has studied Japanese language and culture for ten years and has been an active participant in New York City's Japan Day Parade and Japan Culture Festival. She has also served as the Japanese editor of her high school's multicultural publication, *Magnus*.



Angela was a straight A student at Cardozo High and completed honor courses in English, Math and American History. Last summer

she attended Cornell University for advanced placement courses in English literature.

Angela has been described as "a powerful contributor to her school and community" and one who is most adept in getting other people to contribute their time for the projects at hand. She has been an active participant in various extracurricular activities at her school and has volunteered much of her time to work as a Candy Stripper at Deepdale General Hospital. A talented musician, Angela was also a key performer in her school's jazz band.

This fall Angela will attend Columbia University and in the future she hopes to further her studies in Japanese by participating in a study abroad program in Japan.

Meath Misumi Bowen

(Giichi Aoki Memorial Freshman Scholarship \$500) p: Robert/Naomi Bowen, Anchorage, Alaska.

Meath Misumi Bowen is an outstanding student. A National Merit Scholar, her list of achievements is long and impressive. She has been accepted to Princeton University through its Early Action Admission program and hopes to major in history and the humanities.



Perhaps what distinguishes Meath from other students is her gift for the written word. An accomplished writer, she has received much recognition and various awards for her literary

work. In addition, she has utilized her strong writing skills to write and edit her school's award winning literary magazine. Meath has also edited a newsletter for the American Ex-Prisoners of War for the past three years.

Here, in its complete entirety is the personal essay Meath Misumi Bowen submitted to the National JACL Scholarship Committee:

Perhaps I am an anachronism. I prefer Monet to Warhol, Stravinsky to Michael Jackson, reading Faulkner to watching MTV, and in these preprofessional 80's, I plan to attend Princeton University, where I have been accepted through Early Action Admission, and major in history and the humanities. To me, history is an exciting story of remarkable people and events: daring men and fearless women, scoundrels and heroes, great achievements and wretched failures. I believe it is essential for people in a free society to have knowledge of history—a sense of the past—in order to know what to defend and what to change. I also believe if we thoughtfully study how men and women of the past dealt with life's enduring problems, we will be better prepared when those same problems confront us.

I view myself as a practical idealist; I believe in and defend principles of justice and truth, but I don't expect the world to change overnight. Most important, I am a hopeful person. I learned my credo of hope from my Issei great-grandparents and my Nisei grandparents who for years, along with their families, endured the privations of racial discrimination in Hawaii. Despite those grim years, they went on to live productive and hopeful lives. William Faulkner wrote that "man will not merely endure: he will prevail."

Because of the example of my grandparents' lives, I share Faulkner's hope for the human spirit. Despite grievous problems facing our planet, I believe man will prevail. My hope may not make one whit of difference to the world, but it makes a world of difference to me.

Adria Lynn Imada

(Tak Moriuchi Memorial Freshman Scholarship, \$1,250). p: Warren Yasuo and Dorothy Emi Imada, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Adria Imada is an exceptional student whose persistent desire to learn does not stop with the report card. "The key to her success lies not in



mere talent which she has in large measure, but in the effort she exercises in analyzing a question and probing for evidence". For four years she has been actively involved on the Punahou School speech and debate team and has achieved the National Forensic League's degree of honor. She is also highly interested in international relations and has served as president of her school's Amnesty International chapter.

Adria has received numerous awards in several academic subjects English, history and Asian studies to name a few. "I have not only focused on humanities but have pursued learning in the math and science realms as well. They're all too interesting". She has also been involved in a multitude of campus and community activities.

Adria has been studying Japanese for 12 years and participated in a foreign exchange program at Keio High School in Tokyo. She has received early acceptance to Yale University and will pursue a double major in English and International Relations with a special concentration in Japan and East Asian studies and English.

Akemi Ooka

(Tak Moriuchi Memorial Freshman Scholarship, \$1,250). p: Masaaki/Diane Ooka, Willingboro, N.J., Seabrook JACL.

Throughout high school Akemi Ooka has been involved in a myriad of extracurricular activities at Willingboro High School. Akemi seeks out



leadership positions and in her own words "enjoys the challenge of additional responsibility and I like having someplace to go or somewhere to be all the time." Playing six instruments, she has performed in her school's concert and marching band and was drum major for two years. She has

been active in student government and in various campus activities, volunteered her time to visit nursing homes and schools and has participated in a peer tutoring program.

Her academic achievements are equally diverse and Akemi has completed honors courses in Latin, English, math and science. She received an award as the top ranking senior in her county and was also named a Garden State Distinguished Scholar.

Akemi, who noted on her application that she lives more than 50 miles away from the nearest Asian community, has sought out ways to become actively involved. She has recorded an oral history of Japanese American internees and has even served as waitress at the annual Seabrook JACL dinner.

Her future goal is pursue a career in International corporate law and Akemi will attend Princeton University this fall and will major in East Asian Studies.

Junko Kaji

(Kenji Kasai Memorial Freshman Scholarship \$1,000) p: Yasuhiko/Yayoi Kaji, Toledo, Ohio, Cleveland JACL.

Multi talented Junko Kaji has been studying violin since the age of three. She has been a finalist in numerous national competitions and in 1988



she was the youngest member of the American-Soviet Youth Orchestra, which performed nationally in the U.S. and USSR.

In addition to her artistic achievements, Junko has received numerous awards and state recognition for her scholastic achievements in both English and science.

A thoughtful and reflective individual, she has utilized her writing talents to work on her school's paper during all four years of high school and in her senior year served as its editor-in-chief. Junko has been described as one who has a genuine interest and concern for others and has volunteered many hours to assist various community organizations.

Junko received early acceptance to Harvard-Radcliffe and hopes to major in psychology.

Naomi Lam

(Southpark Japanese Community Freshman Scholarship, \$1,000) p: Gerard/Shizuka Lam, Oakland, Calif.

"The courage and perseverance that enabled my parents to survive and build a comfortable life for us amazes me and inspires me to strive for



excellence" writes Naomi Lam, the eldest daughter of a Chinese immigrant father and a Japanese immigrant mother. A straight A student at San Leandro High, Naomi has gained recognition for her dedication to her work in both her academic and community activities. She is a National Merit Scholar and this year she

received National Council of Teachers of English's Achievement Award in Writing.

Her teachers have described Naomi as a person with "a high degree of personal integrity, a helpful and cooperative attitude and a genuine sensitivity to the needs of others". Naomi has given much of her time to volunteer in a local hospital and is a leader in her church's youth group. "My three years of work experience at our church's Summer Day Camp program gratified my desire to help those newly arrived in the U.S. We provided affordable child care to immigrant parents."

Naomi will attend Stanford University this fall. She hopes to pursue a career in pediatric medicine.

Aoy Virginia Tomita

(Mitsuyuki Yonemura Memorial Freshman Scholarship \$750) p: Nobuya/Taeko Tomita, Mentor, Ohio, Cleveland JACL.

She has swum across the Amazon River, explored Mayan and Inca ruins, climbed mountains in Japan and Peru, and camped on an



Alaskan glacier. . . . Aoy Tomita has led an adventurous and exciting life. Independent and open-minded, she has had a wide range of interests and hobbies. Athletically gifted, she lived in Brazil for two years to study acrobatic dancing and competed in the National Junior Olympic gymnastic competition at age 12. She also enjoys expressing herself artistically through artwork and playing the piano. Aoy has studied Japanese for seven years and has shared her knowledge of Japanese dance and art with her school and community.

Aoy is active in her church. "I've seen the differences and similarities of various cultures, and have seen the very rich and have worked for the very poor." She has been active in her community through her work with the Baptist Youth Group and has also helped to build houses for the disadvantaged with the United Methodist Appalachian Service Project. A straight A student with a 4.1 grade point average, Aoy will be a pre-med student in the fall at Princeton University.

Over \$70,000 Distributed This Year in 39 Awards

Campus-Community Leadership Revealed as Important Keys

By Hiroshi Uyehara

THIS YEAR the National Scholarship Committee had the difficult task of selecting the final 39 JACL National Scholarship recipients from a field of nearly 350 outstanding and deserving applicants. As we reviewed the applications, we were overwhelmed by the high level of academic excellence and involvement in extra-curricular activities.

In the overall scholarship competition, many of the applicants had outstanding academic records and had received various academic honors from their schools, colleges and universities. The 1989 Scholarship winners were selected for their academic achievements in diverse fields and for their commitment and leadership in campus and community activities.

Active participation and leadership were the key factors in determining the recipients of this year's scholarships. The winners had served as officers in student government, team captains in sports, editors of their school's publications and were active organizers of student groups such as MADD, Amnesty International and various Asian Student groups.

In their communities, the winners learned Japanese language and culture and they participated actively in churches, temples, boy scouts, JACL and other groups that addressed Asian American concerns. In addition, many of this year's award recipients, volunteered countless hours in nursing homes, hospitals, senior and handicapped centers and worked in tutoring programs on and off campus.

EQUALLY IMPRESSIVE are the academic achievements of this year's scholarship winners. This year most of the applicants and recipients had near 4.00 grade point averages. Many of the Freshman Scholarship winners are National Merit Finalists and have received state or national recognition for their academic achievements in various academic subjects. In the undergraduate and graduate levels, they advanced from their Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, dean's lists in highly competitive schools to achieve National and Fulbright Scholars, to become a MCAT instructor, to write two plays, and to contemplate a computer model of the brain. Two are pursuing double majors, two are bilingual and two are trilingual.

Each of the five members of the Scholarship Committee reviewed the applicants individually. The Committee met over four times before making their final decision. Amongst the awardees were 29 women and 10 men, or three-to-one ratio riding on the crest of a national trend. Although pressed for time, the committee fell into the swing of the evaluations and actually began to enjoy reviewing the many applications, buoyed up by the high quality of achievement and honors, a precursor of a bright future for these young people. We, the committee, felt richly rewarded through this experience.

The 1989 JACL National Scholarship Committee members were:

MIKO HORIKAWA, librarian in a private school;
JANE NOGAKI, MA, former English teacher, environmental grassroots activist, member of the League of Women's Voters and mother of two college-age students;

RUSS ENDO, Esq., Assistant City Solicitor, Philadelphia, member of AFSC Board and a budding poet.

HERBERT HORIKAWA, Ph.D., Director of Student Counseling, Temple University.

HIROSHI UYEHARA, engineer (retired), National Scholarship Committee Chairperson.

SAN FRANCISCO—JACL's national scholarship program continues to grow in size and the amount being distributed. This year, a total of 39 awards have been made with amounts ranging from \$500 to \$5,000 for a total of \$70,600. Last year, the total amount was \$54,000 for 37 awards.

The California-chartered banks, Sumitomo and Union (formerly California First), have restricted awards to California residents.

Several other awards have preferences to be honored as requested by the donors.

The 1989 scholarship awardees are:

Freshman Scholarships

Masao & Sumako Itano (\$1,000 ea): Gayle Isa, Sherman Oaks, Calif.; Angela Okajima, Bayside, N.Y.; Tak Moriuchi (\$1,250 ea): Adria Lyn Imada, Honolulu; Akemi Ooka, Willingboro, N.J.; Kenji Kasai (\$1,000): Junko Kaji, Toledo, Ohio; South Park Japanese Community (\$1,000) Naomi Lam, San Leandro, Calif.; Dr. Takashi Terami (\$800, preference to student interested in math or science): Jeff Koshi, St. Louis, Mo.; Majiu Uyesugi (\$750): Robert E. Irie, Forest Hills, N.Y.; Mitsuyuki Yonemura (\$750): Aoy V. Tomita, Mentor, Ohio; Giichi Aoki (\$500, arts, science or music preference): Meath M. Bowen, Anchorage, Alaska; Col. Walter Tsukamoto (\$500, political science or socio-political economics): Rebecca Nakamura, Chicago; Gongoro Nakamura (\$500): Ronald B. Inouye, New York, N.Y.; Sumitomo Bank of Calif. (\$1,000, a Calif. resident with business, banking, accounting, economics or international trade preference): Douglas K. Sugimoto, Sacramento; Union Bank (\$1,000): Miles S. Okino, Belmont, Calif.

Undergraduate Scholarships

Saburo Kido (\$750, JACL member preference): James J. Kumpel, Cornell University; Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe (\$750): Jojiro Takano, UC Berkeley; Kyutaro & Yasuo Abiko (\$1,000, journalism or agriculture preference): Jill N. Uchishiba, Whitworth College; Henry & Chiyo

Kuwahara (\$5,000 ea): Yoko Irie, Harvard-Radcliffe; Denise Y. Yamamoto, UC Berkeley; Sam S. Kuwahara (\$1,000 ea, agriculture or related field preference): Vivian Umino, Yale; Miriam Y. Murase, UC Berkeley; Sumitomo Bank of Calif. (\$1,000, a Calif. resident with business, banking, accounting, economics or international trade preference): Thomas P. O'Toole, UC Berkeley; Union Bank (\$1,000): Courtney T. Goto, Mills College.

Graduate Scholarships

Henry & Chiyo Kuwahara (\$5,000 ea): Dorothy Birsic, Harvard Graduate School of Business / Fletcher Graduate School of Law & Diplomacy; Ellen Somekawa, University of Pennsylvania; Kristopher Kallin, Harvard Medical School; Naomi Iizuka, UC San Diego; Julie Kubota, UCLA; Nisaburo Aibara (\$1,000) Valerie Suzawa, UC Berkeley; Chiyo Tanaka Shimazaki (\$1,000, medical or cancer research preference): Yasuko Fukuda, Mayo Medical School; The Rev. John Yamashita (\$1,000): Maya Kato, UC San Francisco School of Medicine; Magoichi & Shizuko Kato (\$600, medicine or theology preference): Brian R. Miura, UC San Francisco School of Medicine; Sumitomo Bank of Calif. (\$1,000, a Calif. resident with business, banking, accounting, economics or international trade preference): Lynn Otsu, Cal-Poly Pomona; Union Bank (\$1,000): Lorie Honda, Johns Hopkins University.

Special Scholarships

Henry & Chiyo Kuwahara Creative Arts (\$5,000): Maria Michio Garguilo, American Film Institute, Hollywood; Aiko Susanna Hiratsuka (\$2,000, performing arts freshman or undergraduate); Marianne L. Seto, Brooklyn, N.Y.; Law—Thomas T. Hayashi (\$2,500): Deanna R. Kitamura, UCLA Law School; Law—Sho Satow (\$1,000): Stella Manabe, Lewis & Clark Northwestern School of Law; Abe/Esther Hagiwara Financial Aid (\$2,000): Wendy Suzuko Nakashima, Harvard University School of Public Health.

DR. KIYOSHI SONODA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ADDED

Application Timeline for 1990 Process

SAN FRANCISCO — The Japanese American Citizens League announced the addition to the 1990 JACL national scholarship program the Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda Memorial Scholarship which will be awarded to a graduate student in the field of dentistry.

The late Dr. Sonoda, a graduate of USC School of Dentistry, practiced in Los Angeles throughout most of his professional life. During the war years he was forced to evacuate to Gila River War Relocation Center, Arizona. In 1946 he was inducted into the army where he served as post dentist at the Presidio of Monterey.

Dr. Sonoda had been an active member of JACL since 1948. He was a past president of the West Los Angeles chapter and served on both regional and national JACL committees. Along with his wife, Mitsu, he was a charter life member of JACL's One Thousand Club.

A longtime member of the Southern California Japanese American Dental Society, a life member of the American Dental Association, Dr. Sonoda was also a life member of Optimist International, a charter member and president of the Little Tokyo Towers Board of Directors.

Any JACL member, their children, or any American of Japanese ancestry may apply for the Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda Memorial Scholarship and the other JACL scholarships. The deadline for applications is April 1, 1990.

Amount of the award was not indicated in this announcement.

Application Procedures

Students who plan to be enrolled full time at a college or university during the Fall of 1990 are encouraged to apply for the 1990 JACL Scholarship and Awards Program. For information, contact the scholarship chair of your local JACL chapter, or write to: JACL Scholarships/Awards Program, JACL National Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA 94115.

Ronald Bryce Inouye

(Gongoro Nakamura Memorial Freshman Scholarship \$500) p: Ronald/Linda Inouye, Scarsdale, N.Y., New York JACL.

Ronald Inouye Jr. has received numerous prizes and awards for his outstanding work in math and science. Bright, inquisitive and dedicated in his pursuit of knowledge, Ronald especially enjoys the creative process of finding the solutions to problems.

Well-liked and respected by his classmates, Ronald's support and "all around consultation" is often sought out by his peers. He has served as an motivator, arbitrator, cheerleader and manager on a variety of student projects and activities. Ronald has also been a leader and "problem solver" in his non-science activities as well. He is an Eagle Scout and currently serves as the president of his church's youth group.

Ronald plans to major in physics at Stanford University this fall and hopes to apply the problem solving process uses in physics to his studies in both the sciences and the humanities.

Jeff Koshi

(Dr. Takashi Terami Memorial Freshman Scholarship \$800) p: Donald/Katherine Koshi, St. Louis, Mo., St. Louis JACL.

"He is self-motivated to the point that his example often motivates those around him."

Jeff Koshi is an extraordinary student. A National Merit Scholar with a 4.6 GPA, he has received numerous awards and state recognition for his studies in math and science. In 1988 he won the Atlantic/Pacific math contest.

A leader in a variety of school activities, Jeff has been most active in his school's honor societies and has also volunteered

his time to tutor fellow students through his school's tutoring club.

Jeff has been also active in the Japanese American community. He has been involved in the JAYS and JACL for four years and currently serves as JACL's Midwest District Youth Representative.

Jeff will attend California Institute of Technology in the fall. He hopes to major in physics.

Gayle Isa

(Masao and Sumako Itano Memorial Freshman Scholarship \$1,000) p: Albert/Hazel Isa, Sherman Oaks, Calif., San Fernando Valley JACL.

"It's crushing to realize the idea which pervades the school system: you don't need to understand just memorize it."

Gayle Isa, star of her school's top California Academic Decathlon team. A brilliant, gifted student, who possesses a long list of academic achievements, Gayle has been acknowledged as one who actively seeks out information and knowledge. Even her teachers consent that "she speaks and writes her conscience, even when she may be very much the iconoclast."

Although she possesses near-perfect SAT scores and a 3.97 GPA Gayle writes, "It's tiring to hear, over and over, that the person I am doesn't matter, and that the only things that count are the test scores and grades I get". A gifted writer, she has served as chief editor of her school's newspaper and yearbook and has received recognition from the L.A. Journalism Teachers Association. Gayle has also been involved in various extracurricular activities, ballet, gymnastics, speech and debate ... and has served as a Board Member of Amnesty International and was the president of Grant High School's Youth Community Services Group.

This fall Gayle will attend Swarthmore College. She hopes to pursue a career in teaching. "Looking around me too often all I see is apathy and the faces of those who simply do not care. I would like to inspire them so that they would be able to think and rejoice in thinking".

THE CALENDAR

ATHENS, GA.

■ Present—Oct. 15—"Fields of Indigo and White: The Shibori Kimono of Japan," the Georgia Museum of Art, University of Georgia in Athens campus. Hours: M-S, 9 am-5 pm; Su, 1-5 pm. Free. Info: 404-542-3255.

BOSTON

■ Oct. 27—"In Celebration of Vision," the 10th anniversary of the Asian American Resource Workshop, S. Westin Hotel at Copley Place. Cocktail party: 6 pm. Dinner: 7:30 pm. Info: 617-426-5313.

CHICAGO

■ Sept. 15-Oct. 8—David Henry Hwang's *F.O.B.*, a comedy presented by the Angel Island Theatre Co., the Centre East Theatre, 7701 N. Lincoln, Skokie. Th-S, 8 pm; Su, 7 pm. Admission: \$10. Th & Su; \$12, F & S. Info: 312-472-6550.

DELRAY BEACH, FLA.

■ Present—Oct. 1—Buddhist and Shinto Talismans of Japan, the Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd. Info: 407-496-0233.

LOS ANGELES AREA

■ Present—Sept. 17—"Reconstructed Realms" recent acquisitions of the Long Beach Museum of Art's video collection, LBMA, 2300 E. Ocean Blvd., Long Beach. Includes work by Rea Tajiri, others. Info: 213-439-2119.

■ Present—A *Taxing Woman's Return*, cinema 1, Little Tokyo Cinema, 333 S. Alameda. Admission: Adults, \$7; senior citizens, \$5; children, \$3. Info: 687-7077.

■ Sept. 9 & 10—Premiere of *Hannah Kusoh: An American Butoh*, Doizaki Gallery, JACCC, 244 S. San Pedro St. Reservations necessary. Hours: W, 8 pm; Th, 2 pm. Info: 213-680-3700.

■ Sept. 10—Nikkei Widowed Group meeting, Su, 1:30 pm, JACCC Pioneer Center Social Hall, Rm. 4-B, 244 S. San Pedro St. Guest Speakers: Mary Lou Ramirez, field rep, Montebello Social Security office & Meejari Chan, New York Life. Info: 213-324-5194.

■ Sept. 11—"KSCI to Eye," 7:30-8 pm, M, KSCI-TV 18. Topic: Koreatown Festival.

■ Sept. 15-21—*Sanshiro Sugata & Sanshiro Sugata Pt. II*, cinema 2, Little Tokyo Cinema, 333 S. Alameda. Admission: Adults, \$6; senior citizens, \$5; children, \$3. Info: 687-7077.

■ Sept. 15-Oct. 14—"Contrast," an exhibition of artwork by Mary Ichino and Armin Muller, MOA Art Gallery, 8554 Melrose Ave., W. Hollywood. Artist's reception: F, Sept. 15, 7-9 pm. Regular hours: M-F, 10 am-6 pm; S, 10 am-3 pm; closed Su. Info: 213-657-7202.

■ Sept. 15-Oct. 28—"Crossing Cultural Boundaries," various multi-ethnic exhibits including Asian American and Asian topics, sponsored by the Woman's Building, 1727 N. Spring St. Info: 213-221-6161.

■ Sept. 15—"Lane Nishikawa: Solo Performance," 8 pm, F, Doizaki Gallery, JACCC, 244 S. San Pedro St. Admission: \$10. Info: 213-680-3700.

■ Sept. 16—"Just for Laughs: Asian American Comedy Night," S, 8 pm, Doizaki Gallery, 244 S. San Pedro St. Host: Rodney Kageyama. Features Cold Tofu, Yoshio Be, Peter Chen, Chima. Admission: \$10. Info: 213-680-3700.

■ Sept. 16—Session II Public Speaking Workshop single session, presented by LEAP (Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics), S, 3-6 pm. Instructor: Warren Furutani. Tuition: \$40. Deadline: Sept. 12. Info: J.D. Hokoyama, 213-485-1422.

■ Sept. 20 & 27 and Oct. 4, 11, & 18—Session II Public Speaking Workshop, presented by LEAP (Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics), each Wed., 6:30-9:30 pm. Instructor: Warren Furutani. Tuition: \$150. Deadline: Sept. 12. Info: J.D. Hokoyama, 213-485-1422.

■ Sept. 21—"100 Days After Tiananmen Square: An Assessment of Its Impact on Trade & Commerce," Th, Sheraton Grande Hotel, 333 S. Figueroa St. Presented by the Foreign Trade Association of Southern California. Reception: 11:30 am. Luncheon: Noon. Speaker: Dr. Wellington Chan, professor, East Asian history, Dept. of History, Occidental College. Reservation: \$35; non-members, \$30. FTA members. Parking: \$6. Info: 213-627-0634.

■ Sept. 22—"Autumnfest '89," JACCC, 244 S. San Pedro St. Info: 213-628-2725.

■ Sept. 24—C.A.C.A. annual picnic, Su, Barnes Park, 400 S. McPherrin Ave., Monterey Park. Info: 818-308-0410 or (both 213) 394-8177 or 664-4349.

■ Sept. 25-Dec. 11—"Traditional Japanese Architecture and Interiors," part of a 12-part UCLA Extension series, every M, 7-10 pm, Rm. 211, 10995 Le Conte Ave., Westwood. Fee: \$295. Instructor: Kaichi Kowana. Info: 213-825-9061.

■ Sept. 26—"Takigi Noh," (Noh by torchlight), JACCC Plaza. Info: 213-680-3700.

MONTEREY, CALIF.

■ Sept. 29, 30 & Oct. 1—Poston II Reunion, Doubletree Hotel. Activities: Tour of the Monterey Bay Aquarium, golfing, Fri. night mixer, Sat. Night Banquet, Sayonara Brunch. Info: 408-372-1354.

NEW HAVEN, CONN.

■ Sept. 30-Oct. 1—"On Apathy and Activism: What Next?," a conference on Asian American student activism presented by the Yale Asian American Students' Assoc., Yale University. Info: 203-436-1963.

NATIONWIDE

■ Sept. 15—"Looking East," 10:30 pm, F, Discovery Channel. Episodes also shown 2:30 am T and 11:30 am W.

NEW YORK

■ Sept. 20—Marimba recital by Japan's Mutsuko Taneya, 8 pm, W. Weill Recital Hall, Carnegie Hall. Tickets: \$10. Info: 212-966-2190 or 516-569-4738.

■ Sept. 17-Nov. 5—"From Bleakness . . ." an exhibit featuring the art of Mine Okubo, Henry Sugimoto, Takashi Tsuzuki & Koko Yamamoto, the Gallery at Hastings-on-Hudson. Municipal Bldg., Maple Ave. Hours: W-W, noon-5 pm. Oct. 1: Screening of *The Color of Honor*, 2:30-4 pm, the Masters School Theatre, 49 Clinton Ave., Dobbs Ferry, NY. Oct. 15: Internment, redress symposium, with Tom Kometani & Grant Ujifusa, 2:30-5 pm, the Masters School Theatre, 49 Clinton Ave., Dobbs Ferry, NY.

ORANGE COUNTY, CALIF.

■ Sept. 16—Wintersburg Presbyterian 1989 Annual Food Festival, 3-9 pm, S. Wintersburg Presbyterian Church, 13711 Fairview Ave., Garden Grove. Foods: Hawaiian style huli-huli chicken, chow mein, teriyaki chicken, teriyaki beef sticks, fried wonton, sushi & fresh fruit. Also features Asian cultural exhibits, dances, raffle, etc. Info: Tom Wado, 714-633-7607, Mike Hatchimonji, 213-865-5622.

■ Oct. 1—Orange County Sansei Singles 3rd annual picnic, T. Winkle Park, Costa Mesa, near the Orange County Fairgrounds. Info: (both 714) Grace, 496-7779 or June, 528-7837.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

■ Sept. 25—Dinner meeting of the East Bay Nikkei Singles, 6:30 pm, M, Lantern Restaurant, Oakland Chinatown.

■ Sept. 27—Showing of *The Color of Honor*, 6:30 pm, W. Western Addition Branch Library, 1550 Scott St. at Geary. MIS vet Tom Sakamoto will speak following show. Free. Info: 415-346-9531.

■ Oct. 14—"Sansei Live," a fundraiser for Kimachi, Inc., S, Gift Center, Brannan & 8th Sts. Sponsor reception: 6 pm, Sansei Live: 7 pm-1 am. Info: 415-922-2924.

SAN JOSE

■ Sept. 9—Aki Matsuri Bazaar Japanese Fall Festival, 1-6 pm, S, 566 N. 5th St. Foods: Sushi, sashimi, beef & chicken teriyaki, yaki soba, manju, buttered corn on the cob, home-made baked goods. Info: 408-295-0367.

SEATTLE

■ Present—Oct. 15—"Shared Dreams: Images of the Asian and Pacific American Experience in Washington State," a photo exhibit and publication, Wing Luke Asian Museum, 407 7th Ave. S. Info: (both 206) 624-5305, 587-6924.

■ Sept. 23—"Annual Sukiyaki Dinner," 4-7:30 pm, S, Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church, 3001 24th Ave. S. Sponsored by the Seattle First Hill Lions Club, proceeds to the scholarship fund. Tickets: \$5, adults; \$4, seniors & children 10 and under. Tickets, info: Glen Furuta, (both 206) 453-2092 (d) or 323-7729 (e).

STOCKTON

■ Present—Oct. 15—Exhibit on the Rohwer, Ark. camp, the Haggin Museum, 1201 Pershing Ave. Hours: 1:30-5 pm, T-Su; closed M. No admission charge. Info: 209-462-4116.

VICTORIA, B.C.

■ Present—Oct. 5—One-man exhibition featuring origami by Daniel Wayne Nakamura, the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria, 1040 Moss St., Victoria, B.C., Canada. Info: Dr. Barry Till, curator, 604-384-4101.

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THE NEWSMAKERS



DR. TAKAO SHISHINO

■ Takao Shishino, O.D., Los Angeles optometrist for 35 years, was elected chairman of the So. Calif. College of Optometry board of trustees last month. He has served on the board since 1972. The Venice-Culver JACler completed his optometric studies with a B.S. degree in 1950 at UC Berkeley and a Master of Optometry degree in 1951. Shishino is active in professional and community groups, a longtime resident of Culver City, and maintains his office with his partner Randall W. Yumori, O.D., at the Marina Eye Care Center.

DRAFT RESISTANCE

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In conclusion, Kochiyama said, "Let us study redress for a moment. Just about all of the issues incorporated in redress are what the resisters cried out for during their trial. Wartime JACL opposed these same issues but were smart enough to take over redress at the opportune time. Redress proves that wartime JACL was wrong in not opposing the government and not fighting for their constitutional rights during the evacuation and incarceration . . . I ask in all sincerity that wartime JACL leaders acknowledge their wartime mistakes against the Heart Mountain resisters and the FPC leaders."

"We have to remember also that people like Earl Warren, John McCloy, Karl Bendetsen and Gen. DeWitt all stubbornly refused to admit their wartime mistakes. Will wartime JACL leaders suffer the same fate?" he asked.

Questions

A variety of questions from the audience were then fielded by the panelists. Asked if he could document the statement that Mike Masaoka directed Roger Baldwin of the ACLU to refuse to support the FPC, Irons answered with a quote from Roger Daniel's book *Concentration Camps USA*. "A letter from project director Guy Robertson, the Heart Mountain camp director, to Dillon Myer implies that the JACL Salt Lake City Headquarters may have requested Baldwin to send this letter," and there's a citation to letters from Robertson to Dillon Myer, April 8, 17 and 29, 1944 in the WRA collection of the library at Berkeley."

Irons added, "It does not say that this was Mike Masaoka, but as Mike Masaoka was the only staff member in Salt Lake City at the time, by process of elimination, one can deduce that if in fact Robertson was right, then that was responsible for Baldwin's letter." (Editor's note: According to Harry Honda, JACL Headquarters may have been attended to at that time by wartime JACL President Saburo Kido and acting national secretary Teiko Ishida. Mike Masaoka had volunteered for the 442nd in January 1943 and was completing training at Camp Shelby, Miss. in the spring of 1944. The unit was shipped out in June 1944 for Europe.)

Irons added that research for his book *Justice at War* showed that Masaoka was in close contact with Baldwin. Although Baldwin, according to Irons, was personally "very sympathetic" to the draft and curfew resisters, the national ACLU Board was against them, and he therefore had to carry out the policy of refusing any assistance.

"Were Joe Masaoka and Min Yasui trying to pressure you on behalf of the JACL or the FBI or both?" was another question, to which Kochiyama

answered, "I believe that from talking to the resisters that talked to Min Yasui, he was representing the JACL and later, when the National Archives opened classified documents, it was written that he and Joe Masaoka represented the JACL."

Another audience member asked how Min Yasui differentiated between his case and the case of the Heart Mountain draft resisters, who he wanted to cooperate with the government. Kochiyama said he didn't know how Yasui could take that stance; Irons then told of an explanation he said Yasui gave when Irons asked the same question a few years ago.

"His explanation was a little bit vague, but it was that basically he challenged the curfew before there was an evacuation and he felt that it discriminated against him on the basis of his race and ancestry. Of course at the time, Min was a reserve officer in the U.S. army and had attempted to report for service and was turned away."

"He went to the jail in Cheyenne to try to talk people out draft resistance because by that time the evacuation had

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to appropriate \$50 million for Fiscal Year 1990, more than doubling the president's request and enough to compensate 2,500 survivors. But we must do more."

"ORA has done a marvelous job at locating more than 55,000 potentially eligible individuals and requested \$500 million for the compensation program in 1990. The Senate is now expected to act on its appropriations legislation early next month," Mineta added.

"I remain committed to the principle that if the United States is to keep faith with the letter and spirit of the Civil Liberties Act, the compensation program must be funded as expeditiously and as fully as possible. I will continue to work towards full funding of the redress program," Mineta concluded.

■ **BUSINESS BRIEFS:** Gary Shiohama has resigned as assistant chief deputy to L.A. county supervisor Mike Antonovich to assume a position with former city councilman Arthur Snyder's law firm . . . Alan Tamayose was promoted vice president-treasurer of Honolulu Roofing Co., a subsidiary of an Australian corporation, the Watkins Pacific . . . Robert Kakiuchi was named U.S. Bank of Washington's vice president-manager of human resources division.

■ Ken Kuniyuki, 16, of Torrance (Calif.) High School won a \$3,000 scholarship in the finals in the Citizen Bee. He finished third in the nationwide competition in Washington conducted in June. By coincidence, one of the oral questions selected asked of him, a Sansei, was to imagine that he was an American citizen of Japanese descent at the end of World War II. "It was at first hilarious. I tried to make a joke out of it" by striking a thoughtful pose. Kuniyuki was asked what chance he would have of successfully challenging the internment of Japanese Americans. He answered correctly that he would not prevail because of the Supreme Court decision that upheld the internment.

■ Pearl Yamashita, was featured in *Newsweek* magazine (July 10 issue) as an "everyday hero" as been creating opportunities for the retarded at Heleman Plantations in back of the Dole Pavilion near Honolulu for almost 10 years. Today, some 60 retarded participants are being educated, trained and given a chance at a normal life by working together with non-retarded people—in the vegetable garden, dining hall, gift shops or assembling small consumer products, Yamashita explained of the program started in 1980 with volunteers. Some of her clients are working at the Schofield Barracks mess hall setting tables and serving food, earning as much as \$7.20 per hour.

■ Carol Kondo, 59, of Federal Way, Wash., identified by authorities as one of the main beneficiaries of a \$1.8 million illegal geoduck harvesting operation, received a 30-day sentence June 27 from King County Superior Court Judge Steven Scott, who then converted it to community service. She also agreed to pay \$275,000 in civil penalties and stay out of fishing industry for three years except as a wholesale seafood dealer. Investigators said the former waitress got into geoduck marketing about 1975, was responsible for developing the Japanese and other markets for what were illegally harvested clams. She was one of the three co-defendants, Mark Pearce and Richard Myers, who were also sentenced . . . The Washington state supreme court in Olympia June 29 overturned, 7-2, a ruling by King County Superior Court Judge Richard M. Ishikawa in a burglary attempt case. Ishikawa had erred in telling a jury it could infer that an attempt to break into a building—even by kicking at a door—was intent to commit burglary.

■ Two Seattle journalists, Frank Abe of KIRO Newsradio 71, and Lori Matsukawa, morning news anchor for KING-TV, were recognized by the Western Washington chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists at its May 13 award dinner. Abe won second place in investigative reporting for his series, "Japanese American Collaboration in Their Own Incarceration," reflecting on Mike Masaoka's activities as a JACL leader during WWII. Matsukawa was cited for her being nominated by the Academy of Religious Broadcasting for "No-No Boys," a news story on the move to have JACL apologize for its alleged actions towards Nisei draft resisters in the WWII concentration camps.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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1989 Holiday Issue Notice

The Holiday Issue advertising kits are being completed by the staff for distribution soon after the Labor Day weekend. It will consist of basic instructions, Bulk Rate Card No. 12 (the rates are the same: \$12 per column inch, \$5 per one-line greetings, \$840 for one page, \$1,170 for a pair of pages), insertion orders of ads which appeared in the last Holiday Issue for renewals, and a supply of blank forms for new orders.

The deadlines are: Nov. 1—Bulk Rate Space. Nov. 15—Ad Copy. Nov. 30—Final for All Ads and Stories.

The Holiday Issue will be printed on the Tuesday prior to Christmas Day.

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JCCCNC Awards Nikkei Community 'Heroes'

SAN FRANCISCO — Sachio Nanami, representing the Consulate General of Japan, was introduced by toastmaster Yori Wada at the Fourth Annual Awards Dinner of the Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California (JCCCNC) held Aug. 19.

Nanami congratulated the six honorees for their volunteerism in contributing many hours of their time for the sake of the community. He also thanked those who contributed to the increasing understanding of Japan and the U.S. through their strong sense of ethnic and civic pride.

Six Honorees

Ruth Asawa, recipient of the Cultural Award, was introduced by her long-time friend, Phyllis Matsuno. Matsuno recalled that it was 16 years ago when she first met Asawa, who was instrumental in integrating art into the San Francisco school curriculum. In 1968, Asawa established the Alvarado Art Workshop, which physically transformed the school environment with various art projects. The project eventually expanded to 60 elementary schools. Matsuno called Asawa, a visionary, prolific, and selfless artist.

Chizu Iiyama, recipient of the Community Award, was introduced by Mei Nakano, a co-worker in several women projects. Using an imaginary slide show as a background, Nakano highlighted Iiyama's years of active involvement in civil and human rights, spanning over 30 years. Upon retirement from early childhood education, Iiyama continues to contribute to women's causes, redress, and other civil rights issues. As a special gesture, a floral lei was presented to her by Stephanie Miyashiro.

Jeffrey K. Mori, recipient of the Community Award, was introduced by Kaz Maniwa who recalled that two years ago he introduced the other half of the dynamic duo, Sandy Mori, at the Second Annual Awards Dinner. Mori, who has been the director of JCYC for the past 16 years, has helped many young people through their formative years. Maniwa, a friend of 20 years, remarked that Mori's greatest asset was his ability to relate to all people, races, and ages. He then offered his own tongue-in-cheek accolade to Mori by saying, "If he didn't smoke, drink, gamble, or swear, Jeff would be the Mother Teresa of Nihonmachi." Mori, in his acceptance remark, stated that after receiving awards from the Mission, Chinatown, and Western Addition communities, he was very moved to be honored this time from his own community.

George Okamoto, who received the Community Award, was introduced by

George Sakai. Sakai spoke of the honoree as one who shared his time, talent, and resources for the sake of the community, a man who personified generosity. Okamoto's generosity derives from his desire to return and share what the community enabled him to achieve. Okamoto in his acceptance remarks, stated that JCCCNC has now become a reality and that the Center is the heartbeat of the Japanese American community. Okamoto expressed the hope that the Japanese corporations would begin to become involved in local issues just as they are embarking on the broader issues through the United Way.

Ben Takeshita, recipient of the Community Award, was introduced by last year's awardee, Tony Yokomizo. Yokomizo referred to Takeshita as a man who is holding two full time jobs, one as office manager of the Richmond Employment Development Department and the other as president of the Japanese American Services of the East Bay. Takeshita, who uses his bilingual skill in his profession and community service, strongly believes in volunteerism. He challenged the future generations of Japanese Americans to look into the community to offer volunteer service to those who are in need.

Kazuyoshi Miyazaki, recipient of the Special Recognition Award, was introduced by Steve Doi, who credited Miyazaki for establishing relationship and linkage among the Japanese American community, the Japanese business community and the community at large. Miyazaki, an early supporter and major donor of JCCCNC, flew back to San Francisco from his new post in Nagoya for the dinner. Miyazaki stated that the Japanese companies have not fully been sensitive to the needs of the community. However, he noted that the trend has gradually changed and now a noticeable number of Japanese firms are involved in educational and charitable projects. He hoped that more corporations would become involved. He ended his remark by giving credit to the early Japanese pioneers who through their hard work and sacrifice have achieved success to which the Japanese businesses are benefiting.

Wada, upon the conclusion of the presentations, recognized the presence of former award recipients. They were Sox Kitashima, Sandy Mori, Dr. Clifford Uyeda, Philip Gotanda, Dr. Yoshie Togasaki, Tony Yokomizo, Dale Minami, and Yukio Sekino.

As a closing remark, Charles Morimoto, executive director of JCCCNC, presented the update report of the center's community hall gymnasium building program which will be completed this fall. He reminded the guests that \$400,000 has yet to be raised for the project.

The closing benediction was offered by Rev. Seishin Yamashita of Berkeley. Charing his year's Awards Dinner Committee was Yo Hironaka. The proceeds from the dinner will be used for the operation of the center.

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DEATHS

Midori Fukuzawa, 92, naturalized Issei pioneer of Santa Barbara, Calif., died Aug. 18. She is survived by s Frank (Los Angeles), d Yoshiko Asakura, Barbara, Florence Nakamura, Martha Tanji, Frances Kozaki, 10 gc, 8 ggc, 2 gggc.

Minoru Genda, 84, former Japanese naval officer who master-minded the air attack on Pearl Harbor, died of heart ailment Aug. 15 in Tokyo. After the 1952 U.S.-Japanese peace treaty, he was commissioned a major general in the Japanese Air Self-Defense Force, retired in 1962 with President Kennedy awarding him the U.S. Legion of Merit medal for his work as air force chief of staff, and pursued a career in politics. In 1969, he lectured in the U.S., which drew protests from veteran groups, though warmly greeted by his listeners. In his first talk at Annapolis, Genda said the key was torpedo attack planes to hit the fleet. In years before the war, pilots in the Japanese navy wanted to prove that they could defeat battleships, much as Gen. Billy Mitchell did in the old Army air force.

Kimi Hayakawa, 91, of Pasadena died Aug. 24. A naturalized citizen from Nagano-ken, she is survived by s George, Toshio, Kazuo, and 5 gc.

Bessie Toda Igarashi, 71, of Los Angeles, a prewar star athlete at Belmont High School, died Aug. 19 at Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital. The Wyoming-born Nisei is survived by d Karen Woodward, s Robert, 1 gc, br Lloyd and Jack Toda.

Yoneji Ito, 89, of Sacramento died Aug. 26 at Mercy Hospital. A native of Mie-ken, he is survived by w Yoneko, sis Fumie Ito (Japan) and nephews Tom, Dick and Rodney Ito.

Frank Koichi Iwami, 76, Tooele, Utah resident, died Aug. 16 at a Salt Lake City hospital. A prewar Salinas resident, he is survived by w Yoshiko, s Reed, d Judy Shaw, br James, Wilbert, Noboru, and 6 gc.

Frank Minoru Kishimoto, 80, Meneta-born Kibei who was raised in Yamaguchi-ken, died Aug. 24. Surviving are w Teru, d Michiko, Ayako Fujita and 2 gc.

Kiyomatsu Kobayashi, 103, Japanese Canadian pioneer, died July 4 at Raymond, Alta., General Hospital. A Shiga-ken native, he came to Canada in 1918 to work in the sawmills, was interned at a road camp in Thunder River, B.C., and then joined his sons Kiichi and Kihai in Alberta. Also surviving are d Hatsue Tanaka, Kinu Tamura (both Japan), 16 gc, and 20 ggc. His wife predeceased him in 1980.

Tsuma Sanada, 99, Gardena, died Aug. 22. She is survived by s Edward, 2 gc, 3 ggc.

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Aki Ohno of West Los Angeles stated that he will head a delegation from Los Angeles. Tad Hirota, past National 1000 Club chairman, assured he will head a delegation of 1000 Clubbers to San Diego from San Francisco.

Eddy Jonokuchi, 1000 Club chairman of Milwaukee, promised he will not only have a skit of Milwaukee, but he will head a delegation from the Midwest. Dr. Tom Tamaki of Philadelphia, presently the chairman of Mike Masaka Fellowship Fund, says he will not only head a delegation of 1000 Clubbers but will arrange a skit at San Diego on the 17th.

"So, let's all get our time schedule set so all of us can make our debut," Sakamoto encouraged.

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been completed and he felt that it was a matter of good public relations that the internees support the government and the military and that it made them look disloyal and unpatriotic if people resisted. Anybody who knew Min knew that he was a very complex person and probably there were a lot of different motivations for the different stands he took.

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Kochiyama later said, "I think that reconciliation of all Japanese Americans, whatever way we think, is in order. If wartime JACL acknowledges its wartime mistake, there could be a reconciliation."

Hokoyama concluded the forum by thanking Paul Tsuneshi, a former district governor, Miyo Senzaki, a PSWDC Board member, and John Saito, PSWDC regional director, for putting the panel together, as well as thanking the three panelists for their participation.

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• Annual Spaghetti Feed Dinner Dance, Sat., Sept. 23, Florin Buddhist Hall.

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• Screening of *The Color of Honor*, 3 pm, Sat., Sept. 16, Kiku Gardens, 1260 3rd Ave., Chula Vista. Free. Comments following the film by Paul Kuyama, formerly of the MIS. Info: Mitsuo Tomita, 619 589-3072.

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