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## JACL board meeting

Following up on last week's coverage of the March 19-21 Japanese American Citizens League national board meeting in Washington, D.C., Pacific Citizen presents these agenda items:

### National Youth Council

Reporting on this group's activities, Kim Nakahara, chairwoman, highlighted a number of topics at the National Youth Council's (NYC) February meeting.

Among them:

- The NYC now has representation from seven districts but is still seeking a representative from the Pacific Northwest District.

- An NYC brochure, designed by member Joe Takano, has been developed and distributed. It serves as an introduction to the group, as a membership recruitment tool, and an introduction to the organization's ideology.

All 3,000 brochures have been sent to chapters, national headquarters, regional offices, youth representatives and to those attending the "Future of the Nikkei Conference" held October of 1992 in Los Angeles.

Following up on the JACL national board decision to appoint one youth representative to each of the national standing committees, a list of recommendations has been offered for review.

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### Future thoughts

Once the current activities, issues and discussions of the national board were completed, members then began an informal brainstorming session about the future of JACL.

Dennis Hayashi, national director, told the board that by the next biennium, the only activity regarding redress would likely be the funding for the Education Trust Fund.

He then opened discussion on the future focus of the organization. "The definition of civil rights is changing," he said, adding that other big issues are coming before this country, such as health reform. In education, he asked whether the organization should be focusing not just on textbooks but on policies and educational issues such as quotas. In yet another area consideration, he suggested the topic of Asian Americans and affirmative action. All of these,

DENNIS HAYASHI  
Thoughts on the future

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Ken Kashiwara

ABC News, San Francisco Bureau chief and correspondent

Kashiwara has lectured about Asian Americans and the impact of the media around the country. An 18-year veteran with ABC, he has covered major national and international news stories. In 1989, he accompanied American veterans to Vietnam, resulting in a report on *World News Tonight* about three fathers' reunion with their American children, and a one-hour *Nightline* special on veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder. He was one of the last American correspondents air-lifted from Saigon in the final days of the Vietnam war.

He won a national Emmy award for a 20-20 segment in 1986.

ABC newsmen Ken Kashiwara calls for

## Fair reporting of minorities

Speaking to the Detroit Chapter, JACL, veteran broadcaster discusses impact of media on Asian Americans and calls for balanced reporting

By JULIE SASAKI  
Detroit Chapter, JACL

NOVI, Mich.—Asian American journalists hold a tremendous responsibility to provide accurate portrayal of minorities and their communities' perspective in news reporting, according to Ken Kashiwara, ABC News Bureau chief and correspondent, San Francisco. Kashiwara made his remarks to more than 170 attendees at the 47th annual Detroit Chapter, JACL, installation dinner held March 20 here.

Kashiwara, an 18-year veteran of ABC News, said the media has an obligation to report news items but that journalists must attempt to put subjects in perspective and ensure balanced reporting. Stories involving Asians and Asian Americans can be fair and accurate without contributing the "yellow peril" syndrome, which reinforces the notion of Asians and Asian Americans as a foreign threat.

As an example, Kashiwara cited his efforts to seek feedback from local

Vietnamese leaders, as well as local law enforcement issues, during the last year's Sacramento, Calif., hostage situation involving Vietnamese gang members. In his story he discovered that the problem was caused by a few people and was not characteristic of an entire community.

Kashiwara further noted to his Detroit-based audience that while local broadcast news has changed dramatically in areas of large Asian American populations, national broadcast news still only offers six major Asian American anchor people or reporters. He noted that at the time of his hiring for network television nearly two decades ago, he was only one of two Asian Americans at that media level.

He called upon local and national organizations to make a difference by working together to educate the greater public on sensitivity to the

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## All aboard



**LEADERS**—The new Detroit Chapter board are, left photo, from left, Julie Sasaki, membership, newsletter; Gerry Shimura, member-at-large; Toshi Shimura, newsletter; Scott Yamazaki, recording secretary; Emie Otani, president; and Frank Watanabe, scholarships, awards. In right photo are, from left, Mary Kamidori, treasurer; Dave Maxon, human rights; and John Takemoto, vice president.

## Experience counts here

The 1993 Detroit Chapter, JACL, board offers a variety of leadership experience in corporate America, independent business, non-profit organizations, and community service. More than half of board members have worked in the automotive industry in various staff and technical positions.

Ernie Otani, president, is a project engineer in General Motors' North American Operations.

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## On parade



ALLAN BECKMAN

World War II 100th/442nd veterans march down Honolulu streets, March 27, during the group's 50th anniversary celebration. Story on page 3.

## Kristi: Too much fun on tour

It came down to having fun. Entertaining rather than competing. Relaxing rather than being stressed out. That's the way Dr. Jim Yamaguchi of the Fremont Chapter, JACL, described his daughter's decision not to compete in the 1994 Winter Olympics in Lillehammer, Norway.

Kristi Yamaguchi, the 1992 Olympic gold medal figure skating champion, announced March 23 that she would forego the grueling training for another chance at dueling with Witts, Kerrigans and the slew of up-and-coming young skating stars to continue her professional career.

"She's having too much fun," Jim Yamaguchi told *Pacific Citizen*. "The



KRISTI YAMAGUCHI

discussion about the 1994 Olympics have been ongoing. But we'd leave it completely up to her to decide. I think that what she's feeling is that she's having fun as a professional and enjoying that, and that there's a lot more to do as a pro than in going through the rigorous training for the Olympics.

"She enjoys her professional career and she's making the most of it. It's also financially rewarding. (Training for and performing in) the Olympics is a great deal of mental stress."

"I talked to her last night (March 30). She's off to Reno on tour, then down to Los Angeles for a fashion show." ☐

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## Calendar

### Washington Seattle

Tuesday, Apr. 13—Tomo No Kai dine-out, Blue Mac Restaurant, 7299 Perimeter Rd. S., 5 p.m. Cost: \$20, choice of prime rib or salmon, send choice and check to: Yoshi Kaniemi, 4454 54th Ave. S.W., Seattle 98116. Information: Kim, 206/324-0662.

Saturday, Apr. 17—Northwest Asian American Theatre's 20th anniversary gala, Washington Athletic Club, 1325 6th, Seattle, 6 p.m. Cost: \$40, Kong Sun Gits, 6765 King. Speaker: David Henry Hwang. Information: Roger Tang, 206/365-0282 (eve.), 206/544-9663 (day) or Nancy Celos-Nakano, 506/763-4382.

### California

#### San Francisco area

Saturday, April 10—The East Bay Nikkei Singles' 4th annual "Fun and friendly" golf tournament for single men and women, Alameda's Chuck Corica Golf Complex, Jack Clark/Golf Course, 1 Club House Memorial Rd., Alameda, 11 a.m. Entry fee: \$25. Dinner at Bay Fairway Hall, next to golf course, 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$20. Sign up deadline: Mar. 20. Information: Tetsu Yoshizawa, 510/523-5205, or Miller Nakano, 510/223-

5619.

#### San Jose area

Saturday, April 17—Annual bridge/ bowling night, West Valley Chapter, JACL, 6 p.m., chapter clubhouse. Bowlers: \$5; bridge players, \$4; children 12 and under, \$3. Information: Ed Kawahara, 408/241-3489; Aiko Nakamura, 408-378-8877.

Sunday, April 18—Yu Ai-Kai's 14th annual benefit luncheon and fashion show, Red Lion Inn, San Jose. Tickets: \$35. Tickets available now at the Yu Ai-Kai office, 565 N. 5th St. Information: 408/294-2505.

#### Sanger

Sunday, April 25—Sanger Chapter, JACL, is holding its annual picnic at Acacia Lake, 11 a.m. Cost: \$5, per family; registration: plus \$2.50 per person for BBQ steak lunch. Information: Kichi Tange, 209/875-3124.

#### Los Angeles area

Thursday, Apr. 8—Asian Business League's general meeting, Shangri-La, 535 Boylston St., L.A., 6:30 p.m. Speaker: Richard Katz, mayoral candidate. Cost: \$10, members; \$15, non-members. RSVP: Naomi Kuromoto, 213/626-5837.

Through Apr. 16—Occidental College,

Office of Admission presents "We love Harry, and Harry loves photography," the photography of Harry T. Tushima, 1600 Campus Road, Los Angeles, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Information: 213/259-2700.

Saturday, Apr. 17—A reunion of those active in Nisei Week and social activities during the '40s and '50s. Grand Star Restaurant, 943 N. Broadway, Chinatown, 6 p.m. Cost: \$55 per couple; \$28 per person. Information: Em Yamada, 310/506-6058; Fumi Nakano, 213/677-6460; Sue Okabe, 310/327-8202; or Miss Fujisawa, 213/292-8529.

Sunday, April 18—Asians for Miracle Maroon Matches, door drive, Chinese United Methodist Church, 625 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, 12:30-5:30 p.m. No cost to donors (most between 18-55 years old; no weight restriction); information confidential. Information: 213/680-9955; 213/626-3406.

Sunday, April 18—Nikkei Widowed Group, regular meeting, Pioneer Center, Room 4B, Japanese American Cultural and Community Center, 244 So. San Pedro St., Los Angeles, 1:30-4:30 p.m. Speaker: Rev. Tetsuo Uno, "The Meaning of Suffering." Information: Karl Oke, 310/837-7662; June Ichinohe, 618/7169.

## For the record

• In the Jan. 15, 1993 issue of announcing JACL Thousand Club donors for 1992, the Life Trust Member listed in the Pocastello Blackfoot area should have been Ted Imani, and not Fujie Imani.

The following individuals, who appeared as Life Trust Members but who had already purchased a life membership prior to the creation of the Life Trust Endowment, should have been listed as Century Life Members. They are Tom Arima (deceased), Jerry Irai, Natsuko Irai, Heizo Oshima, Dr. Shobei Shirai, and Gerry Shirai.

• The date on last week's Pacific Citizen should have been listed as the March 26, 1993.

## BOARD

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tions Advanced Manufacturing Staff-Scott Yamazaki, recording secretary, is an import car scheduling analyst at Ford Motor Co.'s Body and Assembly Division, while Frank Watanabe, head of Scholarships and Awards, is a recently retired engineer from Ford Motor Co.'s Electronics Division and a 442nd veteran.

Mary Kamidori, treasurer, is a retired accountant from Ford Motor Co. who has also served as president for American Citizens for Justice, a local Asian American civil rights group; and a Jun-

ior Achievement advisor for Ford's Livonia plant. Toshi Shimoura, newsletter editor, has been a leader for numerous community groups, including the Ikebana Society and finds time to tutor high school students.

Julie Sasaki, membership and newsletter editor, serves as a buyer for Rockwell International—Automotive. John Takekoto, vice president, works as a systems analyst with the city of Oak Park, Mich. Dave Maxon, Human/Right Rights, is a patent attorney, and Gerry Shimoura, member-at-large, works as a lobbyist and has served on the board of American Citizens for Justice. ☐

## Conferences

### Employment advice

Strategies for overcoming discrimination in the workplace is the subject of a conference April 17 at Los Angeles City College. Sponsored by the Asian Pacific Legal Defense and Education Fund, the Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance, the Asian Pacific Association of the L.A. Community College District and other groups, the conference will offer legal advice, education and training on current employment concerns for Asian Americans.

Topics for workshops include: An Overview of Employment Discrimination; How to Pursue an Employment Discrimination Complaint; How to Break the Glass Ceiling and How to Promote Asian Political Empowerment and Civil Rights.

Conference participants include: Jimmy Tokeshi, JACL Pacific Southwest regional director; Kathy Imahara, staff attorney, Asian Pacific American Legal Center; Dolly Gee, labor attorney; and Beverly Kam, L.A. City Employees Asian American Association. Speaker at the luncheon is Judy Chu, councilmember and former mayor, Monterey Park.

Cost: \$20. Information: Glenn Yoshida, L.A. Southwest College,

1600 W. Imperial Highway, L.A., CA. 90047; 213/241-5296.

### Leadership training

This national conference in Washington, D.C., sponsored by the Asian Pacific American Heritage Council's (APAHC), is scheduled for Apr. 30-May 1. Highlights from the first day of the conference include a White House signing ceremony in which Bill Clinton is scheduled to officially proclaim the month of May as Asian Pacific American Heritage Month and a V.I.P. tour of the White House.

Several hundred Asian Americans from all fields are expected to attend the conference entitled, "Harmony in Diversity." Keynote speakers include: Sen. Paul Simon (D-Ill.); Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii); Sen. Daniel Akaka (D-Hawaii); Rep. Pataty Mink (D-Hawaii); Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Cal.); Rep. Robert Matsui (D-Cal.); Rep. Jay Kim (D-Cal.); and Rep. Connie Morella (R-Md.).

Other highlights of the conference include: a career fair, awards banquet and workshops on Asian Pacific American empowerment, the glass ceiling, and the media.

APAHC is a non-profit, non-partisan organization made up of vari-

ous Asian Pacific American groups.

Information: Carole Huang, president, APAHC, 703/734-0461 or Roger Rivera, conference consultant, 202/223-9135.

### Riot fallout

What has happened to Asian Americans in the wake of the L.A. riots? The Asian Pacific American Community Research Roundtable (APACRR) will look at the riot's aftermath in a roundtable Apr. 16 at California State University at Los Angeles.

Dolly Gee, labor attorney, will deliver the keynote address and rebuild L.A. board members, Stewart Kwok and Bong Hwan Kim will participate on the opening panel. Other panel participants include: Dr. Eui Young Yu, Dr. Ronald Teukashima, Dr. Eric Schockman and Dr. Nazli Kibria.

In addition, students from the UCLA Graduate School of Architecture and Urban Planning will present findings of a year-long study of the needs of Asian Americans in the areas of housing, employment and small business development.

Cost: \$5, students; \$10, general admission. Information: George Umezawa, 213/343-3383 (CSULA) or Bill Watanabe, 213/680-3729.

## Small kid time



## Gwen Muranaka



ABOVE—100th/442nd veterans emerge from Ala Moana Park, Honolulu, March 27, during anniversary celebration. AT RIGHT—Soldiers of the 100th Infantry Battalion, 34th Division, march in the Velletri area of Italy, May 28, 1944.

## THE 442ND

### 'Lest we forget'

Nearly 3,000 vets gather for 50th anniversary celebration in Honolulu

By HARRY K. HONDA  
Editor emeritus

For the Nikkei, the fabled saga of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team is certainly a personal story with many points of light, pathos and glory. As veterans gathered for the 442nd's 50th anniversary this past week in Honolulu, a grateful nation saluted them, their historic contribution to the war effort and remembered the heroic young men who paid the highest sacrifice.

It is a realization that their motto, "Go For Broke," is a part of the language of today for all of America, not just the Issei, Nisei, Sansei, and Yonsei generations.

Stories of the 442nd have been told and retold, recorded in books and documentaries, yet mindful of the men who have since died with their stories untold.

Here is one brief sidelight view of the 442nd parade into history.

The 100th Infantry Battalion was formed first. Its success in training and in combat assured formation of the larger all-Nisei 442nd combat team. The 100th, which marked its 50th anniversary last year, were Hawaiian Nisei who were in the Army when the war began Dec. 7, 1941.

In Hawaii, the Japanese-Americans in the National Guard and

### 442 exhibit

**WHAT:** Panel discussion, performances by actor Lane Nishikawa of "Uncle Blackie," a tribute to a 442 vet; debut of "American at Heart" video of interviews with 100/442nd vets, photos, memorabilia.

**WHEN:** Tuesday through Sunday, until May 15, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**WHERE:** Presidio Army Museum, San Francisco.

**SPONSOR:** National Japanese American Historical Society (NJAHS).

**INFORMATION:** NJAHS, 415/431-5007; Presidio Army Museum, 415/561-4115.

ROTC cadets from the University of Hawaii who stood watch at the beaches and public utilities were suddenly stripped of their weapons and removed from duty when some Caucasian commanders questioned their loyalty because their parents were immigrants from Japan.

Not giving up, the ROTC group as the Victory Victory Volunteers shunned better paying jobs to dig ditches, build barracks and string barbed wire for the Army. Now convinced of their determination

to serve, the Army brass formed the all-Nisei Hawaiian Provisional Infantry Battalion in May, 1942, consisting of 1,300 members. While training at Camp McCoy near La Crosse, Wis., it was officially named the 100th Infantry; or "One Puka Puka" - one-zero-zero—in Hawaiian.

The 100th landed in Italy in September, 1943, and was attached to the famed 34th "Red Bull" Infantry Division. The 100th had already suffered more than 900 casualties to earn the name, "Purple Heart Battalion," when the 442nd arrived in June, 1944, and became a part of the 442nd in August.

### 'Buddhaheads' vs. 'Kotonks'

When the 442nd began training at Camp Shelby in April, 1943, it was nearly disbanded—not over the question of loyalty—but because there were so many fights between the Hawaiian-born "buddhaheads" and the Mainland "kotonks," recalls Bert Nishimura, then a 1st lieutenant. The greatest "pacifier" was the visit the island soldiers made to the nearby Japanese American internment center in Arkansas and the word got around the "kotonks."

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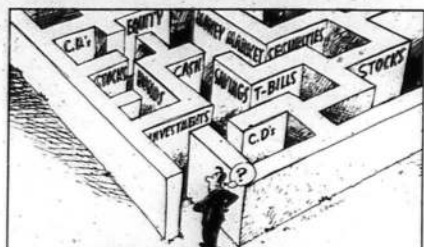
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# Nakano running for California State Senate

By GWEN MURANAKA

Assistant editor  
George Nakano, Torrance, Calif., city councilman and candidate for the State Senate, said that the lack of Asian Pacific Americans in the State Legislature was one of the factors in his decision to run.

"We only have one member in the State Legislature (Assemblyman Nao Takasugi) and in the past 12 years, we hadn't had any. I felt that I could probably do more for Asian Pacific Islanders if I were serving in the legislature," said Nakano, in a Pacific Citizen interview.

Nakano, a Democrat, is running in the 28th District, a newly apportioned district which runs from the Mar Vista area of Los Angeles through Torrance, Wilmington and Palos Verdes Estates.

The city councilman said that originally the new district divided the city of Torrance, which is heavily Asian. "Apportionment is very important. Areas can be split all kinds of different ways. They have to create a new district if there are 50 percent or more of one ethnic group, but Asian Pacific Islanders are more dispersed," said Nakano.

About the issues facing his district, Nakano said, "The number one issue is jobs. We must do everything we can to keep businesses here in the state of California—especially the area where I would be serving, which is the heart of the aerospace industry. We must do everything we can to convert lost defense jobs to non-defense jobs."

The city councilman said that in the Asian Pacific American community, hate crimes remain one of the most pressing issues. "I don't think it's a simple question of law enforcement," said Nakano. While he said that there must be strict laws and punishment for bias crime offenses, Nakano said there also needs to be a broader look at the problem.

"One aspect is education," said Nakano. "We need to teach adults and children to learn how to get along. Another is the whole issue of economics—it's not a simple

## Candidate profile: GEORGE NAKANO

**RUNNING FOR:**  
1994 California State Senate seat, 28th District

**PARTY:** Democrat

**RESIDENCE:** Torrance, Calif.

**CURRENTLY:** Torrance city councilman

**PROFESSION:** Retired assistant principal, Worthington School, Inglewood Unified School District



**EDUCATION:** B.S. math, 1970; M.A. education, 1977; California State University, Los Angeles. **JACL:** Education Committee, Southern California, 1970; vice governor, PSW, 1984-85; founded Torrance Chapter, first president, 1983.

solution. It's one of those issues you need to get different people involved in."

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## Detroit Chapter meeting



**CHATTING**—From left, Linda Oyafuso, Kimie and Toshi Kitahara, and Rick Hom enjoy social hour before dinner at the Detroit Chapter's installation dinner March 20.



**IT'S NOT ALL BUSINESS**—From left, Joyce and Ron Aramaki, Gail Nomura, Emi Sumida, and Stephen Sumida, all of Ann Arbor, Mich., discuss the University of Michigan Wolverine's bid in the NCAA basketball tournament.

## REPORTING

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Asian American perspective. This effort can help create faster progress for Asian Americans in the new room, both on-screen with more anchors for visibility and off-screen as members of management with hiring authority.

Following the presentation, Maryann Mahaffey, president of Detroit City Council, presented a City of Detroit spirit award and proclamation to Kashiwahara, in honor of his work in journalism and Asian American community affairs.

Chapter President Ernie Otani gave special awards for the redress movement to local attorneys Lisa Archer Young and David Maxon. Both were cited for their time and effort to seek reparations for internment camp internees. Otani noted that the awards came at an appropriate time with the close of the redress payments.

Frank Watanabe, head of the Detroit JACL's awards and recog-

nition presented certificates of appreciation to two members for their work. Marilyn Nagano Schlieff, a Garden City, Mich., high school teacher, won her award for work on evaluating the chapter's curriculum project. Julie Sasaki, a Detroit Chapter board member, received her award for leading membership recruitment and retention, including a first-time membership drive.

Guests included Toshiaki Shirai, vice president, Japan Society of Detroit; Yoshihiro Ida, general consulate ad interim, Detroit Office; Rev. Fred Bahad, Chaplain, Huron Valley Men's Facility; and Hank Tanaka, chairman of the 1993 Tri-district JACL Conference and member of the Cleveland Chapter. Jim Shimoura, a Detroit Chapter member and partner at the law firm of Kemp, Klein, Umphrey, & Endelman, served as toastmaster.

The Detroit Chapter, with 200, was founded in 1946 to support Japanese and Asian Americans in southeast Michigan. ☐

## 442

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had a much harder time, realizing they had volunteered for the Army while their families were stripped of constitutional rights and forced to live in the camps. Most Hawaii GIs had left their families safely at home since only about 2,000 people from Hawaii were interned, compared to nearly 120,000 from the Mainland. "From that time on, the local boys started to have respect for the *kotoko*," Nishimura, 74, said. He was acting commander of Hawaii's 3,000 volunteers for the 442nd.

## The Amache volunteer

Ernest Uno, 69, retired YMCA administrator and Hawaii resident for the past 30 years, grew up in prewar Los Angeles, and with his mother and six brothers and sisters were incarcerated at Amache. His father, a community leader, was in another internment camp in Texas when Ernest turned 18, the age when one could volunteer into the military.

"The injustice of our incarceration and ostracism we felt in camp strengthened my resolve to enlist," he recalled. So determined to serve, he tried to enlist twice. He failed the first physical because of a double hernia, returned to Amache for an operation at the camp hospital and was then ac-

cepted. In training and in combat, he remembered the words of his dad (like many Issei fathers who had told their sons):

"If you go overseas and die in combat, I will be very proud of you; if you come home a coward, you would shame the family." Ernest served with Co. 1 and 3rd Battalion Headquarters.

## 'Men of Company F'

Ronald Oba, now president of the 442nd Veterans Club in Hawaii, remembers how his outfit, "Fox" Company, was the first 442nd unit to see action on the morning of June 26, 1944, near the hamlet of Savereto, Italy, all because of "miscommunication." The 2nd battalion (companies E, F, G) was on line to advance, but F did not get word the departure was delayed one hour. "We took off in the dark and the captain thought we had fallen behind E and G because we couldn't make sight contact," Oba said. "Rushing ahead, F Company by mid-morning ran into some Germans including an 88-mm gun, which opened fire. Some boys jumped into a ditch and hastily set up a mortar and lobbed some shells. . . . Just then, a German shell exploded on their position, and one guy got killed and two guys got hurt. But because of their efforts, they got scared and left."

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## Opinions



From the frying pan

BILL HOSOKAWA

## Computers do the writing, too

This column is composed each week on what in the swift-paced world of computers must be the equivalent of a Model A Ford in the automotive realm. Even so, it is a vast improvement over working on a typewriter. The main advantage is that it isn't necessary to strike out unwanted words with XXXXXXXX, or to tear out the sheet of paper and start anew after a disgracefully awkward false start. On a computer used as a word processor, one can clean the screen of unwanted material with one tap on a key and start anew on a clean slate. This is a great advantage on days when words come hard. Like today.

My computer is capable of performing many tasks in addition to processing words. Unfortunately I have never learned to make it perform its many other functions. It works as a kind of plodding plowhorse whereas, with proper commands, it is capable of running races or performing tricks in a circus ring. In that I am unable to compel the computer to utilize all its capabilities, I am not being fair to it. This has concerned me from time to time, but not to the extent that I have tried to learn the necessary commands. They baffle me the same way people who grew up driving a horse and buggy were baffled by the horseless carriage.

All this came to mind the other day when in a newspaper trade magazine I read about two computer programs which can cause a computer to write football and basketball stories based on game statistics. As I understand it, you feed into the computer statistics, written into a computer-generated form by a coach or an official or some spectator, and lo and behold, out comes a perfectly passable, printable story about the game.

This means you don't need a sports writer to squirm and sweat to compose a story about the heroics on a basketball court or football field that caused the Giants to triumph over the Tigers. Just feed some numbers into an Apple Macintosh, for which the software is designed, and it produces a story, probably with all the words spelled right.

This is no longer fantasy. The magazine reports that some 70 weekly and small daily newspapers have bought the software. The electronic sportswriter is a great boon to small papers with limited staffs that have to cover lots of school and recreation league activities.

For the computer wizards, it would not seem to be a long jump from covering football and basketball to developing programs for the Japanese American press. Similar

elements of conflict, controversy, maneuvering and competition for attention, repeated over and over, are as prevalent in the JA community as they are in sports. Patterns of activity in the community are as repetitious as on the athletic field. Given a certain set of circumstances, the knee-jerk reaction is as predictable as the solution to a mathematical equation. Designing a computer program to put this activity into news story form should be duck soup.

Of course the market for such computer programs is limited, the Japanese American community being what it is. But publishers who wish to pursue the idea may contact Zybrairics Software in Rochester, Minn. ☐

**Correction:** In last week's Hosokawa column, the last sentence in the second to last paragraph should have read: "But such actions are particularly hurtful when they affect us Japanese Americans no less than the sensitivities of our fellow Americans who happen to be black."

Hosokawa is the former editorial page editor of the Denver Post. His column appears weekly in the Pacific Citizen.

## Letters

Pacific Citizen encourages and welcomes letters to the editor. Letters must be brief, are subject to editing and those unpublished can be neither acknowledged nor returned. Please sign your letter but make sure we are able to read your name. Include mailing address and telephone number. Fax letters to 213/626-8213 or mail to Letters to the Editor, Pacific Citizen, 701 E. 3rd St., Ste. 201, Los Angeles, CA 90013.

## Appreciates help in sentencing of murderer

The family of Chiyo Kono is greatly indebted to the overwhelming support generated by the Japanese American Citizens League. We attempted to have Judge Gomes sentence Jeremy Brinkley to one of life without the possibility of parole for his burglary, rape, and murder of Chiyo Kono three years ago. Judge Gomes sentenced Brinkley to a 25 year determinate sentence.

We are grateful to Dennis Hayashi, JACL national director, who directed us to Robert Ishikawa, Fresno Chapter president and head of CCDC Civil Rights Committee.

We are especially indebted to Elisa Kamimoto, CCDC regional director, for her unflinching efforts to help the family, to get broad community support, and to be an effective liaison to the judicial system.

The family of Chiyo Kono would like to thank all of you who thought of Chiyo Kono, sent letters, signed petitions, or attended the final sentencing on March 12, 1993.

The numerous articles in the Pacific Citizen helped to raise the consciousness of the community in the pursuit of justice.

Yemi and Ki Nobusada, Monterey, Calif.

Tomiko and Tech Komoto

Selma

Chieko and Kay Umeda

Mountain View

Kazuko Kono

Berkeley

The grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Chiyo Kono

## Still a Japanese American organization

In the March 2, 1993, Pacific Citizen Phil Harris curiously contends that JACL's scholarship policy "is blatantly racist, and there are better ways to achieve the same result."

It does not strike me as unreasonable that JACL scholarships go to children of JACL members (Nikkei or non-Nikkei) and other Japanese Americans. His proposal to extend eligibility to children of JACL "supporters" is fine, but until the membership of JACL sees fit to drop "J" from its name... well, there's a proposal for some future convention.

John T. Kiyasu  
San Francisco

## Supports rights of gays in military

As a civil rights organization one of JACL's goals is to protect the civil rights not just of Japanese Americans, but for all Americans. As a grass roots organization, mandates or calls for action can come from the bottom or the top. There was nothing improper or inaccurate in the report on the front page of the Pacific Citizen. The action taken was at the district level.

It is clear to me that Mr. Horiuchi and the military are out of touch with mainstream America. Are American servicemen so insecure that they feel threatened by homosexuals in the military? For years machismo and sexism have been perpetuated by the military. It was the sexual exploitation of Filipino women by American Servicemen that contributed to the Philippine government (decision to turn down) extensions of the military presence in the Philip-

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East Wind

BILL MARUTANI

## The 522nd F.A. Battalion

AMONG THE UNITS that comprised the famed 100th/442nd Regimental Combat Team—the all Nikkei fighting unit that served in Europe during WWII—was the similarly all-Nikkei 522nd Field Artillery Battalion (522 FA Bn). Little is told of this battalion's involvement in the liberation of the inmates at the Dachau death camps operated by Nazi Germany. My first inklings of the story was from a fellow board member of the Anne Frank Institute here in Philadelphia, a scholar long involved in the history of the Holocaust. Intriguing as the story was, the facts were few and fragmentary at the time.

That was a number of years ago and I heard nothing further, until recently.

THEN LAST YEAR I received firsthand account from a Nikkei veteran of the 522 FA Bn who had taken photographs (with a "liberated" German camera) of what was surely a particularly emotional event. Along with inmates in their striped pajamas, these contemporaneous photographs show distinctly "Buddha-head" and

"kotonk" featured soldiers—these terms being derisive affectionate labels for "Hawaiian" and "mainlander" servicemen. (Looking at helmeted men, it's difficult to distinguish a "kotonk" from a "Buddha-head.")

This presentation took place at the Presidio in San Francisco—ironically in 1942 the headquarters of the Western Defense Commander Lt. Gen. John L. DeWitt.

SINCE THAT TIME, I received a copy of a 1945 article from the Honolulu Star-Bulletin reporting on this dramatic incident. The paper's war correspondent, Lyn Crost, reporting from Germany, wrote of the 522nd which, on its way to Berchtesgaden (Hitler's final stronghold), entered the town of Waackirchen, located south of Munich. There the members of the Nikkei unit were greeted by 5,000 cheering inmates, who just a few days earlier numbered 8,000, some 3,000 having died or been killed by their Nazi guards as they were forced on a 60-mile march in the snow. The guards had fled in the face of the advancing Allied forces.

THOUGH SHORT on rations, the 522nd men shared their food with the inmates—against orders, lest sudden intake of food be deleterious to these starved men. Many of the inmates had been feeding on the flesh of dead animals. The Nikkei servicemen proceeded to "adopt" several of these desperate inmates, two as interpreters and one as a tailor. What wonderful tales these three adoptees could relate if only they are still alive and could be located! Steadily tough in battle as the reputation gained by men of the 100th/442 was, the French liberated by these Nikkei soldiers referred to them as "the gentle soldiers."

Which tells a great deal about the character of these Nikkei men and their cultural upbringing.

THERE WERE OTHER units of the 522 which entered not only the main camp of Dachau but also about a half-dozen of the satellite death camps including Bad Tolz, Munchen, Salzburg and two at Augsburg—also very possibly Landsberg and Lanahut. In fact, several Nikkei POWs were held in

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## Obituaries

Anstard, Shigemasa, 82, Los Angeles, Nov. 5; Los Angeles-born Nisei pioneer, Los Angeles JACL pres. '42, 442nd veteran, survived by wife Tochi, sons Takao, Masaharu, daughter Koko Akashi, brother Jim, 9 gc, 3 great-gc.

Arai, May S., Los Angeles, Nov. 6; Hawaii-born, survived by husband Henry, sons Henry Jr., Victor, Rowena, 5 gc, brother Herbert (Wagato, Wash.), in-laws Christy Asai (John), Tsunayuki Ogawa (John), Toyoko Mizutani (San Francisco), Yoshiko Mizutani.

Emoto, Hisako, 91, Campbell, Nov. 23; Tokyo-born, survived by wife Doris, daughter Nellie, May Kay Nakamura, 5 gc, 2 great-gc.

Fujii, George H., 81, Los Angeles, Dec. 22; Shiga-born, survived by wife Doris, daughter Gary Hanon, sons Wayne, Byron, 4 gc, Fujisawa, June K., Pasadena, Nov. 2; Hawaii-born, survived by son Derrick (Mau), daughters Jean Woo, Tanya, 7 gc, brother Wilfred Inoue (Honolulu), sister Mae Inoue (Honolulu).

Fukuda, Doris Amano, 84, Gardena, Dec. 26; Hawaii-born, survived by husband Ernest, son Dr. Paul, daughters Dorothy Hamai, Mary Jane Mura, Irene Lee, Shirley Fukusato, 10 gc.

Nakata, Yasuko, La Palma, Dec. 22 (Iwano); Lahaina-born, survived by husband Minoru, sons Paul, Edwin, Willard, daughter Gladys Tuguchi, 4 gc, 1 great-gc, brothers Shigeo, Kiyomori and Kiyoshi Nakama (all Hawaii), sisters Elaine Uyehara, Ann Tanouye, Joan Gomochie and Evelyn Kam (all Hawaii).

Shiohama, Rikio, 80, Los Angeles, Jan. 3; San Francisco-born, survived by wife Tadayo, sons Jerome, Michael, daughter Virginia Gin, 6 gc, sisters Irene, Seiko Okubo (Hawaii), Hironaga Hongwari, Myo Yamada, Shizuka Amano.

Suzuki, Taiyoku, 78, Union City, Jan. 11; former Orange County resident, survived by sister Yuki Kawase, brother Kiyoshi Takemitsu.

Toguchi, Chizuko, 78, San Gabriel, Dec. 11; Seima-born, survived by daughters Cindy Mae, Louise, Nagachika, Mary Ann Yamamoto, Jan Ogata, 16 gc, 3 great-gc, brothers Sunao Futa, Hiroshi Futa (Japan), sisters Tomoko Wada, Haruko Hatanaka (both Japan).

Yamada, Ryo, 94, Los Angeles, Nov. 6; Fukushima-born, survived by son Masaharu Sekine, daughters Florence Strigetti, Mary Tokabayashi, Helen Tanta, 11 gc, 12 great-gc, 1 great-great-gc.

Yamita, Kaoru M., 78, East Los Angeles, Dec. 21; Kasei-born WWII MIS vet, survived by son Philip, (North Hollywood), 6 brothers (all Hawaii), sister Koharu Kawamura.

Yasaka, Norino, 86, San Francisco, Jan. 14; Hollister-born, survived by brother Matsuo, Minoru, George, sisters Carrie Ichikawa, Mabel Tokugawa.

Togami, Hideyo Ueda, 95, Fullerton, Dec. 14; Wakayama-born, survived by son Don, daughter Cal O. Oba, daughter-in-law Misao Togami, 5 gc.

Tsuda, Helen K., 90, Los Angeles, Feb. 18; Kumeon-born, survived by husband Kouzue, sons Robert, Eric, daughter Jo Ann, 2 gc.

Ueda, Han Fumi, 94, Los Angeles, Feb. 13; Kanagawa-born, survived by son George, daughter Mary T. Zeck (Milwaukee), 4 gc, 2 great-gc.

Kawachi, Kiyoshi, 83, Los Altos, Feb. 4; Kagoshima-born, survived by son Hiroshi, daughters Fumiko Yamanaka, Kiyoko Tsushima.

Wada, Kazuo, 88, Harbor City, Feb. 20; Wakayama-born, survived by wife Miyoko, son Carl, M. daughters Tsuyuko, Tanaka, Yoko Uchida, 6 gc, 1 great-gc, 1 great-gc, 1 great-gc, Bill Fuji (Yuba City), Shizuko Fuchikawa (San Leandro).

Yamada, Dan M., 79, Seattle, Jan. 2; survived by wife Ruth, daughters Nancy Jang

(Bothell), Janet Matsumoto, Shirley Jorgensen, son Dennis (all Seattle), 6 gc, brothers Hideo (Westminster, Calif.), Masaharu, Kiyoshi, Tetsuaki, Tami, sister Sachie Nakata (all Japan).

Yamane, May M., 81, Alhambra, Feb. 2; Santa Maria-born, survived by sons William, Robert, daughters Emiko Tsuji, Akemi Numata, Mariko, 10 gc, mother Kimiko Nakamoto, brothers Michael, Richard, sister Mildred Igarashi.

Yamashita, Tomiko, 88, West Hills, Calif., Feb. 2; Seattle-born, survived by husband Yukio, sons Rodney, Randall.

Yokogawa, Harumi, 97, Monterey Park, Jan. 24; Osaka-born, survived by sons Tadashi, Nobuyuki, daughter Kazuyo Makabe, 7 gc, 9 gc.



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The man who was killed, Pfc. Kiyoshi Muraena, was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the Army's highest award for valor.

### More: 'Lost Battalion'

During the fierce fighting in the Vosges Mountains that led to rescue of the "Lost Texas Battalion," the Nisei GIs who became combat-breeze compared to thick pine

forests, chilling fog and rain and a stubborn enemy in the Vosges. "You couldn't see the enemy until you were about 50 yards away or less," Oba recalled, "whereas in Italy we were able to see them 300 yards away or more."

The 232nd Combat Engineers, which faced its severest test in the Vosges, cleared roadblocks and mines so that trucks and tanks could move forward. Shig Kawamoto of the 232nd Engineers, a retired Honolulu optometrist, explained the "tree bursts" were the most deadly. Enemy shells lobbed into the forests would

hit the branches first, explode in the air, with hundreds of steel and wood fragments flying down and making slit trenches and foxholes useless until they were covered with logs and dirt.

What has been made into a drama for the Japanese American Historical Society is this saga. More than 200 Texans in the thick forest were surrounded by Germans and unable to break out until a patrol from Company L, led by T/Sgt. Takeo Senzaki of Los Angeles, broke through the Ger-

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## JACL national board meeting

### FUTURE

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Hayashi said, could be viewed in the context of the new administration.

"We need to look at where the organization can make an impact," he said. "Should we consider voter registration and education programs? These are some things to look at. We have an expanding view of what the organization should be."

Lillian Kimura, JACL national president, said that more than 60 percent of Japanese Americans are citizens, but that "we're the smallest group with no heavy influx."

Gracey Uyehara, Legacy Fund chairwoman, said that long-term health care for a greater number of Japanese Americans is and will become an important issue.

Allan Hide, Midwest District Council governor, said that 80 to 90 percent outmarriage rate of Nikkei will mean the organization would have to be more inclusive.

This kind of discussion on JACL's definition and changing role will likely be again discussed at national board meetings.

### YOUTH

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Notification will come from JACL National President Lillian Kimura.

Another important activity of the NYC is its outreach program. According to Nakahara, contacts have been made at the recent "Future of the Nikkei Conference" and with the Asian/Pacific Islander Student Union, a state-wide network of student organizations on California college campuses. More efforts to reach other young people will be ongoing.

The NYC is also developing two new programs: an internship

program at regional offices and a mentor program. Each is in the discussion stage at this point.

The group discussed this year's NYC conference, proposing San Francisco, Sacramento, San Jose, and Oakland as possible sites, and Nov. 6-7 as a tentative date. "People Envisioning Tomorrow," the overall theme for the biennial, is being considered for the NYC conference.

- Proposed topics:
- Promoting positive images of Asian/Pacific Islanders in the media
  - Multi-racial Asians and Pacific Islanders
  - Asian/Pacific Islander Gays, Lesbians, and Bisexuals
  - Family values/understanding your cultural heritage
  - Political empowerment
  - Multi-cultural education/curriculum
  - Public affairs training workshop.

### Education

Teresa Maebori, Eastern District Council governor, updated board members on the Education Committee's workplan as presented in a written report by chairwoman Cheryl Kawaga.

At this point, some chapters have offered their input on the guide, and based on these comments, a revised version will be sent to the Education Committee for review.

The guide will then be previewed at a scheduled tri-district meeting in Cleveland Aug. 19-22. The committee will present a workshop on it at that time.

Ultimately, the goal is to print the guide by August of 1993, Maebori said.

The Education Committee will then schedule a fall meeting to plan strategy for distribution of the guides, along with workshops for chapters.

## Legacy Fund

Chairwoman Gracey Uyehara reported that the Legacy Fund passed the \$4 million mark in January of this year, but added that contributions have recently been slowing down, probably because of the economic problems of this country.

She also pointed out that expenditures to raise that amount, from the fund's beginning in July of 1990 to Dec. 31, 1992, amounted to \$366,139.26.

The fund seeks to raise \$10 million over a five-year period to ensure that future generations will have the financial support to continue the organization's mission.

"In the first year, we raised \$2 million," Uyehara said. "In the second year, we raised \$1.9 million, and it doesn't look good for the third."

In her report, Uyehara says that 20 percent of current JACL members have donated to the Legacy Fund. The average contribution from 1990-1992 is \$656.94.

Thus far, the Cleveland, Mt. Olympus, Philadelphia, Seattle, Selma, and Wisconsin Chapters have exceeded their goals, Uyehara reported. Ten chapters have reached more than 60 percent of chapter goals. They are: Clovis, Detroit, Mile-Hi, Monterey Peninsula, New Mexico, Pocatello-Blackfoot, St. Louis, Salt Lake City, San Luis Obispo, and Twin Cities.

The board then reviewed and approved the \$166,000 Legacy Fund budget for this year. If, however, contributions decline, expenditures of this budget would be minimized, she added.

In the remainder of this year, the campaign will focus on larger donors through personal contact as well as a continued chapter program.

## EAST WIND

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Stalag 7-A near Landsburg, and another Nikkei POW recalls being near Landsburg. This most intriguing bit of wartime history was researched by Hideo Nakamine, 98-401 Pono St., Honolulu, HI 96701. His address is being provided should any reader have additional information for researcher Nakamine's files.

If Nikkei soldiers were involved in liberating Nikkei POWs from Nazi camps, that would be to have been one emotional experience.

THE HOLOCAUST MUSEUM, being established in Washington, D.C., in recognition of and tribute to this all-Nikkei unit's role in liberating Jewish inmates from these Nazi death camps, has sought and acquired the battalion colors of the 522nd FA Bn and placed it on display as part of Jewish history during WWII.

The next time I'm down in our nation's capital, I shall make time to visit the Holocaust Museum. Most assuredly I shall look for the 522nd's proud colors.

After leaving the bench, Marutani resumed practicing law in Philadelphia. He writes regularly for the Pacific Citizen.

## LETTERS

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pine. The military has been above the law for too long. The claim of special circumstances and "in the interest of National Security" was used to incarcerate over 120,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry over fifty years ago.

When you start using labels to categorize people you have taken the first step in taking away their individual rights. It makes it

easier to deny them their civil rights when you discount their numbers and their identity. I hoped that the lessons of redress would not have been forgotten as soon.

Gays do not want special treatment but the right guaranteed to all Americans under the Constitution.

Jon Kubokawa

president, Diablo Valley Chapter, JACL

## 442

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man line. The 100th and 3rd Battalion dug in to form a protective corridor for the Texans to escape on Oct. 3. This month-long campaign was the 442nd's most costly, reducing the regimental strength to half with about 2,000 men in hospitals.

### Holocaust: A Nisei View

Meanwhile, the 522nd Field Artillery left the combat team and was sent north for the sweep into southern Germany toward Hitler's hideout at Berchtesgaden. While there, they stumbled upon one of the Dachau concentration camps and began to liberate the emaciated prisoners in striped pajamas. It was the 522nd research committee in the 1980s that documented their role, as was first reported by the Star-Bulletin war correspondent in spring of 1945 and almost forgotten.

### Cracking the 'Gothic Line'

The men of the 442nd had no idea they were returning, in March, 1945, to Italy. Mission: to crack the formidable "Gothic Line," the German barrier across northern Italy which had checked the Allies for nearly six months. The 442nd penetrated the Gothic Line, reaching the mountainous ridges by night after but a week of planning.

During the same action, Company A's assistant squad leader, Pfc. Sadao Munemori of Los Angeles, who had volunteered from an internment center, single-handedly destroyed at least one enemy machine-gun machine position. Taking cover in a shell crater with two buddies, Munemori was readying for another toss when an enemy grenade hit his helmet and bounced off into the hole. He dove onto the grenade, smothering the blast with his body and was killed instantly but he saved his friends. Munemori was the first and only Japanese American in WWII to be decorated the nation's highest military decoration, the Medal of Honor.

After that, the hills fell one by one. In one pocket of resistance, then 2nd Lt. Daniel Inouye lost his right arm during this, the 442nd's final push. Inouye with Company E took out at least one German machine-gun emplacement on Mt. Nebbione—the last high ground held by the Germans south of Aulita. He was hit once—his arm was shattered by a grenade—but refused evacuation and directed his platoon's assault on the ridge. He also received the Distinguished Service Cross for exceptional heroism.

### The 442nd Legacy

With VE Day (May 9, 1945) and the end of war in Europe, the 442nd was counting its score: some 650 dead and more than 3,600 wounded. Indeed, the most decorated military unit for its size, the 100th/442nd received 148 unit decorations and 15,337 individual decorations—61 percent (9,486) awarded Purple Heart medals for wounds or death in action. The count, of course, indicates some were wounded more than once.

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