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## JACL needs to set priorities, Uyehara tells CCDC group

Understanding a changing world is critical; speaker tells members

Stories and photos  
By HARRY K. HONDA  
Editor emeritus

FRESNO—She's been paying close attention to JACL for decades. More recently, she tuned into what attendees of the 1992 national JACL convention were saying, and since then at district and chapter functions. So campaigner Grayce Uyehara, best known for her work in redress and the Legacy Fund, has a pretty good fix on this organization. And what she sees now is the need for the young leadership of JACL to set meaningful priorities and to understand the changes inherent to the demographic revolution facing the United States.

The postwar Philadelphian was keynote dinner speaker at the 1993 installation of 10 Central California District Council chap-

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GRAYCE UYEHARA

## 4 district women honored

FRESNO—Four longtime JACL members were honored by the Central California JACL District Council as their Women of the '90s during the annual installation dinner Nov. 13 at the Fresno Airport Holiday Inn. They were city councilwoman June Fukawa of Delano, retired school teacher Martha Kajiwaru of Livingston, active community worker and leader Barbara Taniguchi of Fresno and retired librarian-housewife historian Yoshino Hasegawa of Sanger.

CCDC Governor Larry Ishimoto of Visalia said the honorees have served "as role models, not only as women, but as distinguished members in their community."

Delano's Woman of the '90s, June Fukawa has been elected

to the Delano city council since 1984, was on the city planning commission a decade earlier (1971-81), and serves on the board of directors of the Association of California Cities Allied with Prisons, Delano's task force for eastward development and Sister City committee. She served as Delano JACL president, on the Kern County grand jury, honored by the PTA, Buddhist Churches of America for public service and National JACL with the silver pin.

Fresno's Woman of the '90s, Barbara Taniguchi, has been with JACL since the late 1950s from West L.A., through St. Louis to Fresno after she married Dr. Izumi Taniguchi in 1960. Cited as one of the "main

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## Spokane Chapter files suit against local Democrats

Because of discriminatory actions—and subsequent inactions in addressing the problem—the Spokane County Democratic Party, the Democratic Party of the state of Washington, and individual party officials are scheduled to be named in a federal complaint by the Spokane Chapter, JACL, and other parties.

It was almost a year ago when the conflict grew out of an alleged racist remark made by a Democratic Party official in referring to an Asian American. In the ensuing months, Spokane Chapter, JACL, members' efforts to resolve the issue were met by what they believed to be intimidation and stonewalling by officials of the state and county Democratic Party officials.

At press time, JACL officials at a scheduled Nov. 16 press conference in Seattle announced the civil complaint, to be filed in a federal court. Among the causes of action the suit alleges are that the Democratic party on the state and county level discriminated and retaliated against the individuals due to their ethnicity.

The individual plaintiffs are Terri Anderson, Susan Strauss, Debbie Abrahamson and Ed Thomas Jr., all officials in the



DENNY YASUHARA  
Taking court action

local party who said they have suffered ostracism and retribution from the party because they raised the issue of racism; and Denny Yasuhara, Spokane Chapter board member, and the chapter itself.

The incidents began in November, 1992, when Marge Davis, Spokane County State committee woman, used the word "Chinks" during a meeting of the executive board of the Democratic Central Committee. In February, 1993, Betty Drumheller, state party vice chairwoman, used a racial gesture during a heated discussion with Spokane Chapter

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## Others linked to five Sacramento firebombings

While Richard Campos, 18, was arraigned Nov. 10 on 14 felony counts stemming from the five racially motivated bombings in Sacramento, his lawyer said that other older white supremacists are respon-

sible for tossing the firebombs, reported the *San Francisco Chronicle*. A pre-trial hearing was set for December 6.

The police now acknowledge that they are looking for other suspects in the firebombings, whose targets included the home of Councilman Jimmy Yee and the office of the Sacramento Chapter, JACL.

"Police have several suspects under investigation, and we don't know where we'll reach at the end of the road," said Les Brown, deputy district attorney. "We have evidence (Campos) is deeply involved. Exactly who threw the firebomb or whether he and somebody else did it is still under investigation."

The *Chronicle* reported that evidence found at Campos' home included cloth identical to cloth used in an unexploded Molotov cocktail found at the site of the bombing of a state agency.

Campos is being held as a juvenile but the district attorney's office is confident that he will be tried as an adult. He turned 18 the day after he was arrested for the crimes.

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ALL ABOARD—New IDC officers are, from left, Seichi Hayashida, treasurer; Jeff Miami, governor; Larry Grant, 2nd vice governor; and Hid Hasegawa, 1st vice governor.

## IDC: Hold off reorganization, keep *Pacific Citizen* as it is

The Intermountain District Council, at its district meeting held Oct. 16 in Jackpot, Nevada, passed resolutions to table the structural reorganization proposal until the national convention in 1994 and also recommended that no changes be made to the constitution and by-laws regarding the *Pacific Citizen* or its board of directors.

In making the resolutions, IDC cited the "volatile situation" in JACL stemming from the Sept. 25-26 national board meeting in San Francisco.

"By far what was of most concern to the district council was the action taken by the National President in asking for the resignation

of the PC board chair at the National Board meeting Sept. 26," said Randy Harano, former governor, IDC.

"It would seem that until this volatile situation is resolved, structural reorganization should be put on hold as well."

On *Pacific Citizen*, IDC passed a resolution supporting the current structure of the PC and recommended that no changes be made to editorial policy or governing structure.

"We are looking forward to a lively discussion and the opportunity to make JACL an even better organization that reflects the wishes of its membership," said Harano.

## D.C. site proposed for monument to Nikkei in WWII

A park with a view of the U.S. Capitol and the Supreme Court is the first choice for the location of a monument honoring the patriotism of Japanese Americans during World War II announced the Go For Broke National Veterans Association (GFB NVA).

"This site was chosen for several reasons, foremost of which is the direct linkage between the U.S. Congress and the Supreme Court in the events that so affected all our lives in World War II," said William Marutani, president, GFB NVA. "Moreover, there was a consensus among focus group participants in San Francisco, Honolulu and Washington, D.C. for this site."

The site, located on Constitution Avenue and Maryland Avenue, NE, must be approved by three independent bodies—the National Capital Memorial Commission, Commission of Fine Arts, and National Capital Planning Commission.

The original idea to build a memorial was made by the late Mike Masaoka at a GFB NVA meeting in 1989.

Both houses of Congress adopted a bill for the creation of a memorial honoring Japanese American patriotism during World War II in October, 1992, and stated that no federal funds would be provided for the creation of such a monument.

The GFB NVA Foundation, a tax-exempt organization, will be responsible for raising the funds and for designing and building the monument.

## JACL asks for continued investigation

JACL leaders applauded the arrest of Campos and pushed for continued investigation into the firebombings in Sacramento.

"We want to commend the Sacramento Police Department, the FBI, and the Department of Justice for their progress on this case," said Randy Senzaki, JACL national director. "However, as reports are unclear whether the suspect acted alone, we would urge that continued efforts be made in the investigation to en-

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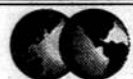
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### Indiana Indianapolis

Fri-Sun, Feb. 18-20, '94—JACL Mid-west District session.

### Wisconsin Milwaukee

Fri-Sun, Nov. 19-21—Milwaukee Folk Fair, JACL food, handicraft and exhibit booths at MECCA. Hours: Fri. 5-10 p.m.; Sat. 11 a.m.-11 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Tickets, Information: Ed Jonokuchi 414/672-5544; Sat. Nakahira 414/463-4013.

Sun, Feb. 6—JACL inaugural party (details to be announced).

### Washington Seattle

Sun, Nov. 21 and Dec. 5—Seattle Kokon Taiko beginners' workshops, 1-5 p.m.; Information and registration \$30; Information: Stan Shikuma, 206/725-1676. NOTE—Open to anyone 18 years up. Sun, Dec. 5—JACL Lake Washington Christmas installation dinner, West Coast Bellevue Hotel, 116th NE, south of NE 8th. Information: Shox Tokita 206/641-6512.

Through Sun, Dec. 12—Wing Luke Asian Museum exhibit, "Snapshot: Our World, Our Children;" Permanent exhibit: "One Song, Many Voices" on history of Asian communities in state, 407-7th Ave. S.; closed Mondays. Information: 206/623-5124.

Sat, Jan. 22—JACL Seattle chapter installation, Red Lion Hotel, Sea-Tac Airport.

### Oregon Portland

Through Jan. 16—JANM exhibit: "Japanese Pioneers of Oregon," Oregon Historical Society, 1200 SW Park Ave., Portland. 503/222-1741. Thu. admission free to seniors over age 60. Monthly lectures, all Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 18—"Memories, Visions and Realities [with Hood River Issue]," Dr. Linda Tamura; Dec. 9—"Spacious Dreams [of growing up in Hood River]," Dr. Lauren Kessler, Dr. Homer Yasui; Jan. 13—"Between [Minidoka] Camp and Home," Dr. Robert Sims.

### Utah

#### Salt Lake City

1994: Aug. 3-6—33rd Biennial National JACL Convention—Downtown Marriott Hotel. Information: Floyd Mori; conv. chair, 801/572-2287.

### California

#### Sacramento Valley

Sat, Feb. 5—JACL annual Florin Time of Remembrance, Buddhist Hall. NOTE—Preparation meetings on 2nd Weds, 7:30 p.m., Al and Mary Tsukamoto home, 9132 Doc Bar Court, Elk Grove, 916/665-6747; exhibit of educational material to remember EO 9066 will be on display two weeks prior at Elk Grove School District board meeting room, Educator's morning workshop to precede evening program at Buddhist hall.

#### San Francisco

Fri-Sun, Nov. 19-21—Shizen Youth Dance Theater, "Horizons of Internment: Multimedia, Multi-generational youth dance performance," 8 p.m. Fri-Sat, 2 p.m. Sun, TheaterArtaud, 450 Florida St. (at 17th St), San Francisco. Tickets: JCCNC 415/567-5505. NOTE—Judith Kajiwara, artistic director; partial funding from San Francisco JACL, Zellerbach Family, Calif. Arts Council.

Sat, Nov. 20—Cherry Blossom Festival hosts Kanojo fashion show, 11-4 p.m., Miyako Hotel, San Francisco; free. Information: 415/333-7758.

Sat, Nov. 20—Nisei Ski Club dance,

live music of Cultureshock, Miyako Hotel, San Francisco. Tickets information: Dotson Louis 415/2834, Christine Leong 415/967-8678.

Thu-Sat, Nov. 25-27—"Meet You at Evergreen" Reunion of San Francisco Nihonmachi's Youth Clubs of the '50s; Club colors of the Arbeses, Barons, Cardinals, Celts, Dhananas, Dots, Gales, Juniores, Links, Protos and Stinkers to festoon the JACCNC Gym. SAT—7-11 p.m. dinner-dance with George Yoshida's 17-piece orchestra. Information: Nob Fukuda 415/221-8295.

Sat, Dec. 4—JACL San Francisco annual spaghetti crab feed, 5-8 p.m., Christ United Presbyterian Church, 1700 Sutter St., San Francisco; proceeds for JACL Legacy Fund, information: Yo Hironaka 415/751-1267. NOTE—Tickets at Paper Tree or remit check, \$15 per person, payable to S.F. Chapter, JACL, to P.O. Box 22425, San Francisco 94122-0425. Sun, Dec. 5—Nisei Widowed Group meeting, 2-4 p.m.; Information: Elsie Uyeda Chung 415/221-0268, Yuri Moriwaki 510/482-3280.

Sat, Dec. 18—Nikkei Singles Holiday dinner-social, 6 p.m.-12m, JCCNC Gym, 1840 Sutter St., San Francisco. Information: 415/567-5505.

#### Peninsula

Sat, Dec. 4—Nisei Ski Club Holiday Ball, potluck, silent auction, dance instructions, Palo Alto Buddhist Temple. Ticket information: Judy Nakaso 510/528-6564, Jackie Maruhashi 408/298-3940.

Fri, Dec. 31—JACL Sequoia New Year Eve's dance, 7 p.m. social hour, 8 p.m. dinner, Holiday Inn, Palo Alto. Information: Hiroko Yoshida 415/854-1392.

#### Eastbay

Sun, Dec. 5—JACL Berkeley/Diablo Valley joint installation dinner, 4:30 p.m. no-host cocktail, 5 p.m. dinner, Wan Fu Restaurant, 1375 N. Broadway, Walnut Creek. NOTE—Guest speaker: Michael Yamaguchi, U.S. Attorney of Northern California.

Till Jan. 2—"Visions of the Dharma," films and programs, University Art Museum and Pacific Film Archives, 2626 Bancroft Way, Berkeley; information 510/642-5186.

#### San Jose-Monterey

Sat, Dec. 4—JACL West Valley mochiutsuki, two shifts, lunch & sale limited to participants only; information: Aiko Nakamura 408/378-8877, Ray Uchiyama 408/867-0255.

Fri, Dec. 31—JACL West Valley-Next Generation, New Year's Eve dinner-dance, San Jose Athletic Club; contact: Matsu Chastain 408/379-2594.

#### Stockton

Tue, Dec. 14—JACL Stockton election, 7:30 p.m., Union Bank, Stockton.

Sat, Dec. 18—JACL Stockton community Christmas party, 4:30 p.m., Stockton Buddhist Church social hall, 2820 Shimizu Dr., Stockton.

#### Los Angeles-Orange

Month of Nov. 12 - Dec. 19—Tokyo Illustration Now" exhibit of contemporary Tokyo artists and illustrators, JACCNC Doizaki Gallery, 244 S. San Pedro St., Little Tokyo, free. Information: 213/628-3895. NOTE—Hours: Tue-Fri noon-5 p.m., Sat-Sun 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Sat, Nov. 20—Designing Weavers Guild show, 10 a.m.-4, Ruskin Club, 800 S. Plymouth, Information: 213/666-5664.

Sat, Nov. 20—Lecture on Washi: "Paper-making by Hiromi Paper International," 2 p.m., JANM, 369 E. 1st St., Little Tokyo, 213/625-0414.

Sun, Nov. 21—St. Mary's YPF Christmas boutique, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 961 S. Mariposa Ave., Information: 213/387-1334.

Fri-Sat, Nov. 26-27—Combined South Bay organizations' fashion show extravaganza by Kanojo, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Torrance Gateway Holiday Inn, 19800 S. Vermont Ave. Information: 800/404-

2250. NOTE—Hosting groups are: Gardena Buddhist Church, South Bay Optimists, Gardena Friends of Richard, Continuing Education for the Widowed, North Gardena United Methodist Church.

Sun-Mon, Nov. 28-29—East San Gabriel Valley JCC charter to Las Vegas.

Thu, Dec. 2—JACL Marina Christmas potluck party, 6:30 p.m., Burton Chase Park, Marina del Rey, information: Alice Mito 310/324-0582. NOTE—Bring your favorite dish.

Fri-Sun, Dec. 3-5—International Asian Expo business conference, Anaheim Convention Center, 800 W. Katella Ave. Information: 800/621-5002.

Fri-Sun, Dec. 3-5—International Asian Expo '93, Anaheim Convention Center. Registration, exhibit reservation and information: 310/474-8471.

#### Southern California

Through Dec. 31—Cultural exhibit: "Sendai and its People," Riverside Municipal Museum. NOTE—Sunday Lectures at 2 p.m. Nov. 21, Associate curator Gloria Gornick, L.A. Craft & Folk Art Museum.

Sat, Nov. 20—Asian Business Assn.-San Diego chapter banquet, 6 p.m., Le Meridien Resort, foot of Coronado Bridge, information 619/338-8688, Sabine Seck 619/544-1384.

Sun, Nov. 21—JACL San Diego/Union of Pan Asian Communities classic film: "Kagemusha" by Kurosawa. 2 p.m., Kiku Gardens, 1260 Third Ave., Chula Vista. Information: Kiku Gardens 619/422-4951.

## JACL

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sure that all those involved are brought to justice."

Senzaki, who was at the Nov. 10 arraignment of Campos, said it is important for JACL to have a presence at such hearings. "We want to have a visible presence. The way I feel about it is that an attack against one chapter is an attack against the entire membership of JACL."

The national director said he is working with the Sacramento Chapter to develop material, including a video, to help all chapters know what to do in the event of an emergency such as the firebombing.

Underscoring the continued threat of hate crime, Lillian Kimura, JACL national president, said, "While this arrest brings with it a sense of relief, there is still important work that lies ahead to address the disturbing increase in hate crimes occurring across the country."

"To send an effective message against these crimes of hate, the legal system must adequately prosecute and sentence the perpetrators."

## For the record

• In the Nov. 5-11 edition of *Pacific Citizen*, it was reported that the Canadian Liberal Party won 40% of the 295 seats in the House of Commons election of Oct. 25. The correct percentage is 60%.

• In the Nov. 5-11 scholarship section, Amy Ann Kimura of Phoenix was incorrectly identified as a member of the San Francisco Chapter, JACL. She is a member of the Arizona Chapter.

## Small kid time



Gwen Muranaka





## IN-SIGHT

BY LILLIAN C. KIMURA

### Committee updates

Much of the work of JACL is done by small groups of volunteers and staff making recommendations to the National Board for action. Some ad hoc groups have been organized to work on particular issues. One of these is a group on Health Care Reform Issues. Dr. Toaru Ishiyama of the Cleveland Chapter has agreed to be chair this ad hoc work group. Because health care reform is imminent, we felt it was important for JACL to assess the effect of reform on our membership. Currently, there are 5,000 members enrolled in the California Blue Shield Plan and 2,000 in Wohlers Catastrophic Major Medical Insurance plan. The group's task will be 1) to analyze the effect of President Clinton's plan on JACL's health insurance benefits, 2) to analyze the substance of the proposed legislation and make recommendation as to what position, if any, JACL should take, 3) to assemble materials to assist our members in understanding the president's proposal, and 4) to develop and recommend programs which will help JACL retain members who have joined primarily for health insurance.

To date, I have recruited as members Grayce Uyehara of Philadelphia Chapter and Ellen Nambu-Otsuji of the Florin Chapter. John Yasumoto of the JACL Blue Shield Plan has been contacted to serve. Karen Narasaki and Clay Harada will provide staff support.

Richard Okabe of Salt Lake City has been asked to look at what it will take for JACL to establish an electronic network to hook all our chapters together for instantaneous communication. Until this can be achieved, the minimum we need at headquarters is a fax number for each chapter.

Patricia Ikeda Carper of Cincinnati has replaced Lucy Kishiue as chair of the ad hoc group on image and identity. Hats Aizawa of San Francisco, Larry Scheetman of Chicago and Betty

Waki of Houston have thus far been appointed to that group.

Although many of the organizations in the 30th Anniversary March on Washington Coalition have taken a position on NAFTA, JACL has avoided doing so. I have asked Bill Kaneko and his Civil Rights Committee to review the issue and make a recommendation as to our stance, if any.

The ad hoc group on *Pacific Citizen* met by telephone conference call on Nov. 11. On the line were Lucy Kishiue, acting chair; Cathy Yasuda, IDC; and John Nakahata, EDC, from the PC Board; Sharon Ishii-Jordan, MPDC; Bill Kaneko and me from the National Board with Randy Senzaki and Carole Hayashino from staff. PC editor Richard Suenaga and Bill Yoshino, Midwest regional director, were unable to be on the call but will continue to work with the group. The group is preparing its work plan which will be shared as it is developed.

Chapters should expect to have a busy 1994 as all of these task groups will be wanting input from the members as they proceed on their assignments. The target date for any recommendations will be prior to convention in August.

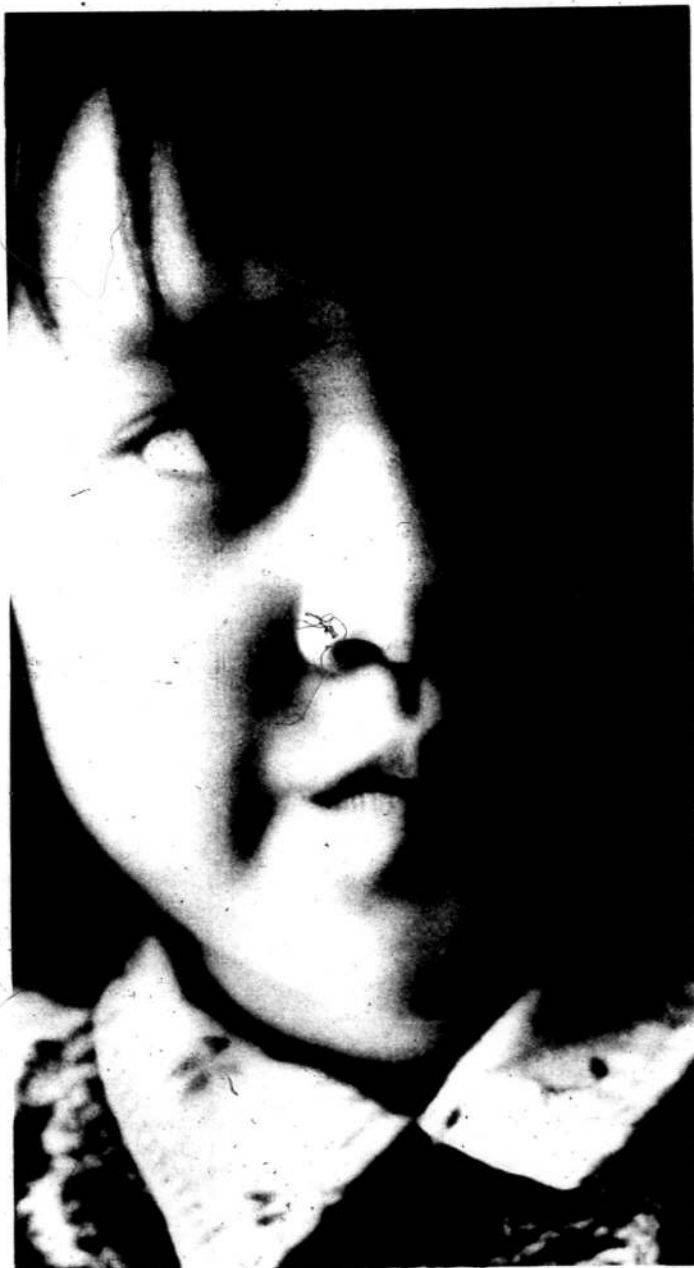
After receiving input from all the districts, the organization structure committee is finalizing its report for distribution in early 1994. It will consist of the recommended changes, the rationale, the fiscal impact and the necessary amendments to the Constitution/bylaws. The changes will be voted on at convention.

Some committees are programmatic in nature. One which does its work quietly and efficiently is the Committee on Atomic Bomb Survivors, chaired by Ken Nakano of Lake Washington Chapter. From June 16 to July 14 the ninth medical examination of Atomic Bomb Survivors of Hiroshima and

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## A Case Of Secondhand Smoke Victim

# Mary. Six Years Old. Pneumonia.



Mary has become quiet. Breathing difficulty, coughing, and fever all have taken away her innocent and lovely smile. When will she recover?

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California Department of Health Services

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## Short takes

### Foreign-born Asians double in California

Showing the dramatic changes in the makeup of the Asian Pacific Islander population in California, the Asian and Pacific Islander Center for Census Information and Services (ACCIS) reported that foreign-born Asians living in California have more than doubled in 10 years.

ACCIS reported that two-thirds of Asian Pacific Islanders in California were born overseas—the largest percentage compared to 46% for Hispanic and 8% for whites.

Within the various Asian groups, ACCIS found that the Japanese population has the lowest foreign-born proportion, while the Laotian population had the highest at 83%. Overall, other Southeast Asian groups also had a high proportion of people born overseas with the Cambodian at 81% and the Vietnamese at 80% foreign born.

At the same time, the study found that many of these immigrant households do not have someone over 14 who can speak English with proficiency making them "linguistically isolated." The 1990 Census reveals that 69% of Hmong, 65% of Laotians and 60% of Cambodians are linguistically isolated. The study also showed that one-third of Japanese households are linguistically isolated.

"While the findings of this analysis might not be a surprise to those serving the community, they do confirm the need for culturally sensitive service delivery to the emerging and diverse Asian and Pacific Islander populations," said Clarissa Tom of ACCIS.

### Anti-smoking efforts poor in AP community

Nationwide anti-smoking efforts in the Asian Pacific American community are poor, according to Dr. Moon S. Chen, editor of the *Asian American & Pacific Islander Journal of Health*.

"If tobacco control were a subject in school, a failing grade would be assigned for the tobacco control efforts targeting Asian/Pacific Islander Americans," said Chen.

Chen, a professor of preventative medicine at Ohio State University's College of Medicine, said that knowledge among Asians of the dangers of smoking is low. Efforts to educate Asians began

three years ago, while warnings have appeared for the general population for almost 30 years with the Surgeon General's report on the link between smoking and lung cancer.

At the same time, Chen said that California is ahead of the nation in its anti-smoking programs aimed at the various Asian communities. "It is now more critical than ever for our communities and the public health sector to educate smokers as well as non-smokers about the health hazards and consequences of tobacco use," said Anh Le, Tobacco Education coordinator for the Vietnamese Community Health Promotion Project, UCSan Francisco.

"Tobacco companies are intensively advertising in our communities, targeting Asian/Pacific Islander Americans more than any other ethnic group—especially through outdoor tobacco billboards and in-store promotional advertisements."

### Chapter joins 'same sex marriage issue' force

The Hawaii Supreme Court, in the *Lewin v. Baehr* decision, recently ruled the state of Hawaii must have a good reason to deny a marriage license to a woman marrying another woman.

The Honolulu Chapter, JACL, board of directors voted Sept. 20 to join the coalition in support of the decision which held prohibition against same-sex marriage violates the equal protection provisions of the state constitution.

"This was not a quick and unanimous vote," explained Allieyn C. Hilda, chapter president, as the issue had been discussed at three monthly board sessions, considering the wide range of personal opinions, wondering about the views of the general membership. "In the end, we felt that the issue of same-sex marriage was a civil rights issue." It was reminded that inter-racial marriages were illegal as late as 1967.

In its statement, the chapter declared the Supreme Court decision "to be an essential step in the direction of a more enlightened and human society." Allowing same-sex couples to legally marry will enable them to establish stable and open relationships and enhance their ability to make positive contributions to, and participate in the community, the statement explained.

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## CCDC short takes

### New 1994 chapter officers installed

The installation of chapter officers was conducted by Larry Ishimoto, CCDC governor:

Clovis—Eugene Shimizu; Delano—Ben Nagatani; Fowler—Kevin Nagata; Fresno—Debbie Ikeda; Livingston—Merced—Christopher Masuda; Parlier—Bill Tsuji; Reedley—Stan Hirahara; Sanger—Kiichi Tange; Selma—Shoji Nakashima; and Tulare County—Kathy Ishimoto.

Among the guests present were the mayors of Delano and Sanger.

### CCDC welcomes its 10th chapter

Livingston-Merced, a prewar Northern California chapter which is closer geographically to CCDC's base of operation at Fresno than to San Francisco, where the NCWNP regional office is situated, intends to become the 10th chapter of Central California District Council, CCDC Gov. Larry Ishimoto revealed.

The bylaws need to be amended as Merced County, where the chapter is located, is designated as part of the Northern California-Western Nevada-Pacific District Council.

### Six scholarships presented

Another highlight of the annual

CCDC installation dinner is recognition of scholarships presented during the year. Recipients for 1993 were:

Christine Kataoka (Reedley High), Kiko Miyahara Memorial; Maia Fujisawa (Reedley), Matsuye Okada Memorial; Vivian Stagnoli (Fresno-McLane), Union Bank; Cynthia Sakata (Fresno-Hoover), Issei Memorial; Ryan Hashimoto (Fresno-Bullard) Tom Shimasaki Memorial; and Ryan Suemoto (Reedley), CCDC-JACL.

The CCDC scholarship fundraiser featured a grand prize of two business-class round trip tickets to Japan, courtesy All Nippon Airways.

### Five members awarded JACL silver pins

For outstanding service and leadership for 10 continuous years at the chapter level, the National JACL presents its Silver Pin with a recognition certificate co-signed by the national president and national director to members who are nominated by their chapters.

Five honorees were cited at the CCDC installation dinner: Sadawo Yonaki and Takashi Kono of Delano JACL; Deborah Ikeda; Franklin Ng and Robert Shintaku of Fresno.

### Elisa Kamimoto leaves CCDC post

Elisa Kamimoto, JACL regional director of the Central California



ELISA KAMIMOTO  
Thanking friends and colleagues

District, has resigned to assume a staff position with the Japanese American National Museum at Los Angeles.

Kamimoto, who worked for a Fresno museum before joining JACL, expressed her thanks to chapter members and said that she will still be working with the Japanese American community and JACL in her new position as an education specialist at the museum.

She will be sorely missed, past CCDC governor Ken Yokota acknowledged during the annual CCDC installation dinner Nov. 13. Among the major projects during her tenure was the Fresno Fairground Project with Dave Masumoto and the Fresno museum.

—HARRY K. HONDA

## WOMEN

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cornerstones" of the Fresno Chapter, JACL, she has fulfilled almost every capacity in the chapter including the presidency with-out fanfare, which was her style—shunning spotlight and publicity. The Fresno Chapter said it was "delighted to have this opportunity to honor this most extraordinary lady—a person who is never hesitant in offering her services and expertise in getting jobs done."

Livingston-Merced's Woman of the '90s, Martha Kajiwara, has been a JACL member since 1941, a UC, Berkeley, graduate who had organized pre-school classes for 3- and 4-year-olds at Amache during the war years, and who taught for 25 years with the Livingston School District.

She remains steadfast in JACL and community work including serving as a docent at the local Japanese American museum, as a resource speaker in classrooms and who was instrumental in building the Pioneer Hall which the chapter helped build.

She also assisted Kesa Noda in writing "Yamato Colony," a local Issei agricultural history.



OUTSTANDING WOMEN—Honored at the recent CCDC meeting were, from left, Yoshino Hasegawa, Barbara Taniguchi, June Fukawa and Martha Kajiwara.

Sanger's Woman of the '90s is Yoshino Hasegawa. She worked with the Sanger branch of the Fresno County public library from 1967-75, and directed the San Joaquin Valley Japanese American Project for the county library in 1979 that included a three-volume history, "Success Through Perseverance: Japanese Americans in San Joaquin Valley" with photographs and bibliography.

During the '80s, she served on the NEH grant application review

panel in Washington, continued to write local histories about Japanese Americans as well as her hometown Sanger pioneers, and briefly assisted KEEP—Kiyosato Education and Experiment Project—in Yamanashi-ken as translator-interpreter in the fall of 1988.

The respective spouses should be recognized here: Joe Fukawa, Dr. Izumi Taniguchi, Buichi Kajiwara and Peter K. Hasegawa.

## PRIORITIES

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ters Nov. 12—About 120 were present.

Casting an eye to the future, Ueyehara felt that "National JACL doesn't need to take every issue that comes along" and tying in CCDC's evening's tribute to the Women of the '90s, she said that "women in the JACL family can manage whatever the goals in the same manner as the Issei women had during our lives."

She openly wondered whether JACL was losing "our sense of priorities." Environmental problems facing America should now be of direct concern to Japanese Americans and perhaps JACL, Ueyehara advised. New skills will need to be learned; here the men and women can work together and

make decisions, she counseled.

For internal consideration, she noted National JACL must determine statistically the makeup of its organization by gender, occupation, income and educational levels. Major social changes of single-parenting and two-income families should also be counted. That has never been done, it was recalled. This knowledge would be important to JACL in terms of identity and goals, she said.

Ueyehara, who has been involved with JACL since was a teenage oratorical contest winner before the war, further added that "we, old folks, are worth a fortune of information."

Recognition was paid to the Selma and San Luis Obispo Chapters, JACL, for having exceeded its Legacy Fund quota, and to Central California, JACL, Dis-

trict Council for having surpassed 50% of its quota. Clovis, another CCDC chapter, was acknowledged for reaching 80% of its quota.

"Let's give it another try," she encouraged the chapter representatives at a pre-dinner session. "and not give up," Ueyehara said.

Individual effort by CCDC leaders, including Mae Takahashi and Fred Hirasuna, was acknowledged in Ueyehara's talk covering the current JACL Legacy Fund campaign.

Ueyehara also paid tribute to the wartime record of Nisei soldiers and their campaign as veterans toward passage of the Japanese American Civil Liberties Act of 1988.

Efforts of others in the successful redress campaign were also enumerated.

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## Opinions



## From the frying pan

BILL HOSOKAWA

## Entertainment emissary

When a college student named Shoji Tabuchi decided to seek fame and fortune in the United States two and a half decades ago, Japan lost a potential business executive and America gained a top-flight entertainer. That was a good deal. Japan has plenty of very able businessmen and wouldn't feel the loss of one more, while Americans have an endless need for talent that sends them away smiling, humming and feeling good about themselves.

That is what Tabuchi is doing these days as star and owner of the Shoji Tabuchi show, the premier attraction of Branson, the amazing little resort and country music center in southern Missouri close to the Arkansas border. In the three years since he opened his own 2,000-seat theater, Tabuchi has been hailed as "King of Branson."

That's impressive. His competition includes the likes of Andy Williams, Wayne Newton, the Osmond Brothers, Mel Tillis and numerous lesser lights. Tabuchi sells out 13 performances a week with a two-and-a-half hour show that features dancers, vocalists, a 17-piece orchestra, and his own repertory, singing and amazing fiddling wherein he switches effortlessly from Mozart to hoe-down and back again, sometimes with the violin held atop his head.

Tabuchi on-stage makes gentle fun of his Japanese origins. After he came to the States, he tells his audiences, he spent 11 years with Cajuns in Louisiana and blames that for his accented English. The audience roars in laughter.

It's the warmth of Tabuchi's personality as much as his musical talents and showmanship that makes him such a favorite. Alternately funny and serious, his personality projects in a way reminiscent of Victor Borge, the Danish pianist-comedian. Tabuchi's audience loves him and he returns that love. At intermission he appears off-stage to sign autographs and pose for pictures with teenagers and little old ladies from Wisconsin, Texas and Pennsylvania.

At show's end he likes to go out on the parking lot and board tour buses to shake hands and thank the folks for coming. Now a lanky six-foot-one, Tabuchi was a 7-year-old living near Osaka when he was

enrolled in a Suzuki violin class. He was studying commerce in college when Roy Acuff brought his country music show to Japan. Tabuchi heard the haunting sounds of "Listen to the Mocking Bird" and he knew what he had to do.

While his father Shigeru, a Nihon Rayon Co. executive was out of the country, Tabuchi with his mother's support left for the U.S. with \$500 in his pockets and another \$100 hidden in his shoe. For an unknown to break into music wasn't easy. In San Francisco he waited tables in Japanese restaurants and polished cars while waiting for a break. He spent two years as a hospital orderly in Kansas, served a hitch as a medic in the U.S. Army, picking up playing dates wherever he could.

Four years ago he launched his own show in a rented theater in Branson. He had the right formula—warmth, familiar music, wholesome humor, nothing dirty. Three years ago he built his own theater on a then-remote hilltop site. Today it is surrounded by motels and restaurants catering to Tabuchi's customers. Branson has

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## Letters

## Takes issue with Taniguchi statement

Neal Taniguchi makes a mockery of the terms "responsible" and "ethical conduct" in his article of 10/29-11/4.

In his particularly mean-spirited diatribe against the editor of PC, he flails about with a number of innuendos (a well known diversionary tactic) and unsubstantiated charges against the editor and the paper—all of which necessitated a response. The busy editor can better spend his time, I'm sure, than to have to refute, as he did, point by point, those attacks.

I was personally insulted by the charge that persons who wrote in support of the PC were somehow "solicited" by the editor. As far as I know, the charge is patently false and demands an apology. In making that charge, the writer demeans the forum medium that letter-writing and op-ed articles provide for the rank and file. It also callously disregards the time and effort that these writers expend to express their opinions.

I think that the membership has heard all it wants to hear in this rancorous debate and is ready for conciliation. But in that process (which I understand will be undertaken by an ad hoc committee) I think we need to underscore the issue of how best the PC can serve the membership—not the National Board, not itself, not any individual entity of the JACL. I haven't been counting, but it seems to me that the membership has spoken, and it has expressed overwhelming support for the manner in which the Pacific Citizen has operated under the stewardship of editors Suenaga, Honda and Muranaka.

Mei Nakano

Sebastopol, Calif.

## Kimura not extravagant in her duties, reader says

Near the end of her recent column on the events of the September National Board meeting, Ms. Peggy Liggett seems to impugn President (Lillian) Kimura's record concerning travel expenses and a sponsored co-chair. Whether this was Ms. Liggett's intent or not, I do not know; however, for other readers who similarly interpreted the passage and do not know the president personally, I would like to state that Ms. Kimura is the last person that I would ever accuse of either being extravagant at the organization's expense or being in any way self-promoting or self-aggrandizing.

In my time around the N.Y. Chapter, no other member worked harder or ever dis-

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## Voices

By BETTY WAKI

## Jap Road: then, now—and the future

In 1992, chapter member Sandra Nakata alerted us to the existence of a Jap Road in Fannett, Texas, outside of Beaumont in Jefferson County, and a Jap Lane, outside of Vidor in neighboring Orange County. Both areas are approximately 90 miles from Houston. We agreed to become actively involved in a campaign to remove the word, Jap, from the street names. The Houston Chapter, JACL, is still committed to changing the names despite intense opposition from local residents and apathy from a few JACLers who regard this as a "non-issue." No member of the Houston Chapter has voiced opposition to our involvement; and, to my knowledge, there is no group called Nikkei Texans active in this area who have allegedly challenged our efforts.

For years, local residents of Jefferson and Orange Counties referred to these two country roads, which led to farms owned by Issei immigrants, as the roads to the Japs. Eventually, the roads became just Jap roads to the locals. In the 1970s, Jefferson County commissioners lifted the name from the vernacular to official status as Jap Road on maps and county documents. Later, Orange County commissioners named their

road Jap Lane to differentiate from nearby Jap Road.

The older residents of Fannett speak with affection for their Issei neighbors. It is difficult for JAs to believe that people could refer to their friends as Japs; but the respect they felt for their Japanese neighbors was genuine and sincere. In the South, it is a common practice to be on friendly terms with an individual—yet refer to him as a "boy," a "Jap" or other equally offensive terms. Educating white society to the offensive nature of these terms has been a slow and painful process. Common usage and acceptance of racist labels by locals has led to the resentment of "outsiders" who point out the inappropriate and harmful effects of these words.

African Americans in Texas have achieved this consciousness raising after strenuous effort. Once, Nigger Bend, Nigger Hill, and Nigger Creek were official place names in Texas listed on maps and public documents. In 1991, the Texas Legislature changed these place names to reflect the surnames of the residents who had settled the area. This legislation was passed over the objections of local white residents who claimed the names of these sites honored

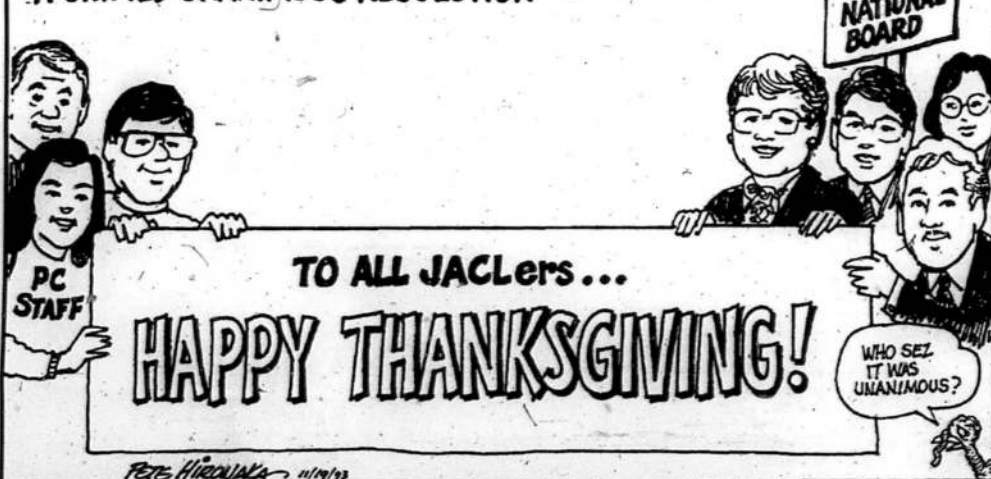
their black pioneers and changing the names would be changing their local history.

Our situation is the same in Fannett and Orange County. We are tempted to ask residents, if you liked the Japanese so much, why couldn't you remember their names? Why do you call them Japs? Surely, you realized that this was an offensive way to refer to strangers, much less to your friends? Ironically, the cross street of Jap Road is Burrell Wingate Road, named for two white families of Jefferson County. Local residents do not see the disparity of this act. They insist that Jap Road honors the Mayumi brothers who farmed the land. They do not understand that identifying the ethnicity of the Mayumi brothers with the word, Jap, does not honor their memory. They do not see that Jap Road does not honor the Mayumis as Burrell Wingate Road honors the Burrell and Wingate families.

These deeds were done without malice. The roads' names reflect the prevailing attitudes of the era. But does this mean the names should remain unchanged? Opposi-

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## JAP ROAD

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tion from the local communities is deep because they feel any change would be an admission that their forebears were racist. To change the names would be an indictment of their attitudes toward people of color. As fiercely independent people, they do not want changes forced upon them.

Japanese Americans do live in these communities. Although all of them admit that Jap is a racist term, not all support changing the names of the roads. Some have refused to comment, living by the credo that many other JAs follow: "the nail that sticks up will be pounded down." Following the "nail philosophy" has proven to be sage advice to those living in an isolated and hostile area. Some JAs do not want to upset their communities in a sincere concern for their neighbors. Others have adopted the attitudes of the white community and believe that even though Jap is a slur, it is not directed toward them. Because Asians have been treated as "honorary whites" in the South, many do not want to risk that tenuous accommodation they have enjoyed. They see themselves as "whites" who have nothing in common with other JAs. They, too, see us as outsiders who want to change the society in which they have been allowed a semi-privileged status. Speaking out or acknowledging the controversy might remind the white community, and themselves, that they are not white and put them in a comparable status with other minorities and newly arrived Asians.

Readers may wonder how these JAs can endure the indignity of being known as the "Japs of Jap Road." They avoid using the street names and use the State Highway or Farm to Market road numerical designations. They forget the three camps in Texas where their grandfathers were interned during World War II. They ignore the hostile legislation which forbade citizenship, legal marriages, or land ownership to their ancestors. Should we drop our campaign because some of these JAs say they do not mind living on these streets? We cannot. Someday, these JAs may not be living on the roads, but the name will still be there. They may have become accustomed to living with the word, the larger community that the word Jap is acceptable. Despite the protests of local residents, these names cannot be allowed to remain.

Residents of the roads cannot claim ignorance of the word, Jap, as a racist slur. After hearing stories of internment, the 442nd, and discrimination, they cannot ignore the pain the word inflicts upon JAs. We do acknowledge that the naming of the roads was not racist; but, refusing to change the names is racist. Changing the

Jap, but most JAs have not.

Sandra Nakata and I are third generation Texans. We understand both sides of this controversy. We have never called the people of Fannett or Orange County racists. Nor do we regard them as irredeemable bigots. I love being a Texan and understand the feelings of my neighbors. The JA attitudes I've described are the attitudes of my own family and longtime JA residents in this area. I am proud of my state; but, I do not gloss over the unfortunate prejudices of our Southern heritage. And, I do not condemn individuals for reflecting the prejudices of their society.

During this past year, Sandra Nakata has endured the worst kind of harassment. Sandra has been demonized by the locals who see her treatment as deserved because she stirred up controversy. We do not think residents of the roads were responsible for these frightening acts. But, they have blamed the victim and absolved themselves of any responsibility.

These incidents should prove to them that racism and the residue of war and hatred lie just below the surface for many outside the insulated confines of their communities. People who never knew the Issei farmers of long ago are capable of violent acts and irrational insults. Allowing the roads to remain unchanged legitimizes those prejudices. Government sanctioning of the road names further encourages these prejudices.

As these small communities have grown, the outside world encroaches into their protected isolationism. Nightly commercials for businesses on Jap Road have brought the word, Jap, into hundreds of area homes. Street signs and billboards carry the message to thousands of motorists. Therefore, this issue is not confined to these small communities or isolated groups of people. We cannot allow this message to be sent into names would not be a repudiation of the integrity and tolerance of their ancestors. Changing the names would recognize that Texas is a diverse, multi-cultural society. By changing Jap Road to Mayumi Road and Jap Lane to Kishi Lane, these communities could truly honor the pioneers who contributed so much to our state and correct an oversight without losing face.

We will continue to work toward our goal of changing the road names while dealing with compassion for the residents of those roads.

Waki is president of the Houston Chapter, JACL.

## SUSPECT

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The charges of attempted murder, stemming from the bombing of Yee's home, if Campos is tried

as an adult, carry a maximum sentence of life in prison.

Sacramento County District Attorney Steven White said there was evidence to conclude that there was an intent to kill the Yees during the October 5 bombing. "The bomber contacted the victims' residence very shortly before the bombing occurred to ascertain that the victims were in the house," said White. The firebomb was thrown through the front bedroom window but was extinguished before it could cause serious damage, and no injuries occurred.

Michael Brady, Campos' attorney, said that he had information that others were responsible for the firebombings and that he had given the information to the police.

Brady said he has a description of a suspect, but not the name. In hopes of possibly saving his client from attempted murder charges, the lawyer said he has hired a bounty hunter to track down the other suspects.

He described his client, Campos, as a white separatist, but that his ideology was "fuzzy." As examples, Brady cited the fact that Campos' adopted father is Latino as was his former girlfriend.

## HOSOKAWA

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

## LETTERS

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played a more earnest sincerity for volunteering than Ms. Kimura has. She always has treated her volunteer commitment to JACL seriously, and that she turned the occasion of her retirement into an opportunity to extend her commitment to JACL underscores this point, I believe. Whatever one thinks of her actions as president, there should be no disputing or impugning Ms. Kimura's motives. I, therefore, found Ms. Liggett's choice of words unfortunate and hope my interpretation of them was not her intent.

David Stephan  
Flushing, N.Y.

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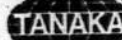
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## Obituaries

**Arimura, Ken, 79, Watsonville, Aug. 19;** Watsonville-born; survived by wife Mutsuko, daughter Chieko Arimura. **Dairiki, Grace T., 81, Sacramento, Sept. 23;** Fresno-born, survived by son Thomas, 3 g., 1 great-gc, predeceased by husband Thomas last May 22.

**Fujii, Masashi, 76, San Jose, Sept. 22;** Sacramento-born, survived by wife Chiyo, sons Henry, Fred, Ben, 1 gc., brothers Richard, Ted.

**Fujimoto, Joe, 70, Las Vegas, Oct. 24;** Watsonville-born WWII veteran and mechanical engineer for Nevada Power, survived by wife Yaeko, daughter Eunice (Atlanta), brother Tiara, sisters Rae Yamamoto, May Matsumoto, Rose Miyaji, Lily Matsumoto (all Calif.).

**Fujita, Henry Gunji, 86, San Jose, Oct. 16;** survived by wife Miyuki, son Hank, daughters Ginko Takagi, Saneie Snider, 8 gc.

**Goto, Arata G., 71, Sacramento, Sept. 25;** Stockton-born, survived by wife Teruko, sons Kenneth, Mark, 1 gc., brother Kaoru, sister Tsugino Oto.

**Hayama, Sumiko, 71, Vacaville, Aug. 29;** Martinez-born, survived by son Donald, daughter Marilyn Foreman (Fairfield), 2 gc., brothers Joseph Nakanishi (San Jose), Shig (Ohio), sister Shiz Miyake (Ohio).

**Hirano, Eddie Kaoru, 87, Reedley, Oct. 20;** San Francisco-born, survived by wife Shizuko, daughters Amy Lum, Jane, Lorraine Iwo, son Robert, 7 g., 1 great-gc.

**Hirose, Masaru, 93, Campbell, July 22;** Kumamoto-born, survived by 4 sons Kazuki, Yoshinobu, Raymond, Steven, 6 daughters Fumie Fujikawa, Michio Handa, Chiyomi Idemoto, Shirley Honda, Ann Nishijima, Akemi Hirose, 29 gc., 18 great-gc., and predeceased by wife Hatsume, sons Yoshid, Kazuto and daughter Nancy Takayama.

**Honda, Kenji, 83, Sunnyvale, Sept. 17;** San Jose-born, survived by son Kenneth, daughter Doris Yokomizo, 7 gc., 7 great-gc., brother Minoru.

**Ichikawa, Masano, 101, Sunnyvale, Sept. 25;** Hiroshima-born, survived by sons Akira, Tom, Buster, James, Dr. Ben, Dick, daughters May Ichikawa, Rose Kubuka, 15 gc., 15 great-gc., **Iwahara, Mas, 80, Richmond, July 12** [surname corrected]; Alameda-born, survived by wife Yuki, sons Kenneth, Michael, daughters Janice Macken, Kathleen Oda, gc. and great-gc., sister Shigeko Koga.

**Kawamoto, Kikunobu, 85, Loomis, July 26;** Hiroshima-born, survived by wife Miyuki, sons Gunichi, Takeshi, Matsuo, daughters Kawae Miyata, Sadako Kudo, 4 gc..

**Kurosaki, Hiroshi, 71, Sacramento, Sept. 14;** Sacramento-born, survived by brother Kinji, Tad. (Livingston) Fred (Nevada), sisters Ayako Morimoto (Cressey), Hisae Sakakihara (Watsonville), Fumi Takuma.

**Mura, Sachiko H., Berkeley, Aug. 23.** **Miyake, George K., 80, Berkeley, July 24;** survived by wife Ida, sons Michael, Takeshi, daughter Martha Chang, 1 gc., brother Toshio (Jpn.).

**Nagasawa, Kenji, 81, Sacramento, July 25;** Sacramento-born, survived by brother George, sister Emiko Nagasawa.

**Nakashima, Tsuyoshi, 86, Sunnyvale, July 24;** Okayama-born, survived by wife Ayako, sons Yoshio, James, daughters Lucy Nomura, Amy Teramoto, 8 gc., brothers Tomio Nakata, Toshichi Mimura (Jpn.).

**Nekoba, Megumi, 89, San Francisco, Sept. 7;** survived by wife Chiyo.

**Shiozaki, Tadeo, 75, Richmond, Aug. 18;** Guedalupe-born, survived by wife Shizue, daughter Jean Chan, 2 gc., brother Jack, in-law Toshiko Shiozaki, Masaharu Konishi.

**Shishido, S. Taro, 77, Buena Park, July 11;** Hawaii-born, survived by wife Lois, son Sidney K. brothers Mitsuo (Hawaii), Roy Y. (Arizona), Tsuneo, sisters Hanae Miyake (Hawaii), Chidori Ueda (Hawaii), Setsuko Yamashita.

**Sugimoto, Somo, 92, Chicago, May 4;** widow of former publisher of Chicago Shimp Kohachiro, survived by daughter Fujiko Kitagawa (Potomac, Md.), daughter Karen predeceased her on May 1.

**Tademaru, H. Yoshio, 85, Chicago, July 28;** Hawaii-born, survived by wife Hanako, daughters Helen Ideno, Sharon Mukoyama, son Eugene, 6 gc., sister Chiyo Fukui (Canada), brother George (Jpn.).

**Takata, Tows, 96, Parlier, Sept. 7;** Hiroshima-born, survived by sons Tom, Jim, daughters Emi Yamamoto, Ysami Komatsu, Peggy Okada, 17 gc., 22 great-gc.

**Takayama, George H., 73, Dinuba, July 15;** Munson, Calif.-born, survived by wife Lillian, 4 daughters Helen Hamaoka, Diana Alejo, Doris, Wilma, 6 gc., 2 brothers Joe, Frank, 3 sisters Ruth Oda, Alice Shinmoto, Mae Shishido, sister-in-law Yukiye Takayama.

**Tanemachi, Cary H., 49, Huntington Beach, July 31** of lung cancer; Rivers, Ariz.-born, survived by wife Reiko, son Jonathan, mother Yaeko Tanemachi, brothers Don, Glenn, sister Linda Kishiyama, in-laws: father and mother John and Kay Fujikawa, sister Lily Nakayama.

**Terasawa, Faith M., 93, San Francisco, July 30;** 1924 graduate of UC Berkeley, early member of Japanese YWCA, longtime employee of American Bible Society and daughter of the Rev. Barnabas Terasawa, founder of many Christian churches in Japan and U.S. and founder of Japanese Benevolent Society; survived by sister Lily Kobayashi (Brighton, Colo.).

**Tsushima, Yoshito, Denver, Aug. 9** (service), survived by wife Mikazu, daughters Miyeko Newhouse, Naomi Takase, Sheri Bannecks, Peggy Longa, Christine Yameda, son Donn, brother Harushi.

## 442 RCT's Pershing Nakada dies

**CHICAGO—Pershing Nakada, 75, a native of Nebraska, died Oct. 6** following a long illness. He was captain of the 232nd Combat Engineers, one of the original Nisei officers in the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. Survived by wife Kiyo, daughter and two sisters, he will be interred at Arlington National Cemetery, according to the Chicago Nisei Post 1183, American Legion, of which he was a longtime member.

## SUIT

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member Chris Marr at a meeting of the county affirmative action committee. Since then, the suit alleges that there has been little action to address the situation by the Democratic party and retaliation against officials within the local party who have spoken out against the actions of Davis and Drumheller.

In San Francisco, Randy Senzaki, JACL national director, supported the suit, saying, "We were shocked when we first heard of the gestures used by certain Spokane County Democratic party officials this past year. However, what has been even more outrageous is the hostile response of the Spokane County Democratic Party and the lack of leadership shown by the Washington State Party."

The national director went on to praise the efforts of Strauss, Thomas, Anderson and Abrahamson and the Spokane Chapter, JACL. "Our Spokane Chapter has pressed hard for a satisfactory resolution, meeting many times with local, state and national Democratic party officials," Senzaki said. "Unfortunately, the party has shown itself to be unwilling or unable to remove those officials who fail to uphold the values of the Democratic party."

Prior to the complaint, there was a call by the Spokane Chapter and others for the resignation of Davis and Drumheller. Among the remedies the complaint seeks is the decertification of the Spokane County Democratic Central Committee as an official recognized political organization; implementation of affirmative action within the party; corrective action to address the "racially hostile environment" and compensatory and punitive damages.

## IN-SIGHT

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Nagasaki residing in North America was conducted in four West Coast cities. Ken reports that there were 549 participants, some of whom are second generation Hibakushas. More needs to be known about the effects of radiation on the second generation. This program began in 1977 initiated by the Hiroshima Prefecture Medical Association for the purpose of providing the survivors physical and psychological assistance. At another time, more should be written about the important service being provided to the atom bomb survivors. We thank Ken Nakano for his long time commitment to the project. That's thirty for now.

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