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Paul Igasaki named EEOC vice chair, awaits confirmation

The Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) applauded the White House announcement that President Clinton will name Paul Igasaki to be vice chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC).

JACL National Director Randy Senzaki said, "JACL is proud that the president will select another JACL leader to serve in his administration. Igasaki will bring a wealth of experience to an agency sorely in need of new leadership."

JACL Washington, D.C., Representative Karen Narasaki added, "Igasaki is highly regarded by the civil rights community in Washington, D.C., and around the country. His ability to bring groups together and to formulate sound policy



IGASAKI

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Bio: PAUL IGASAKI

CURRENT POSITION: Executive director, Asian Law Caucus, San Francisco

EDUCATION: B.A., Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.; J.D., University of California, Davis.

PREVIOUS JOBS: Asian funding director, U.S. Senate campaign, Rep. Robert Matsui (D-Calif.); liaison to Chicago's Asian American community for Mayor Harold Washington.

ACTIVITIES: co-chair, Civil Rights Committee, ABA's Section on Individual Rights; member, ABA Coordinating Committee on Immigration Law; member, Executive Committee, State Bar of California Legal Services Section; board of directors, National Legal Aid and Defenders Assn. JACL: Former Washington, D.C., representative; 3-term president, Chicago Chapter; vice president, Florin Chapter.

Civil rights leader, JACL pioneer die

Two individuals who were well known in the Japanese American community died recently: Dr. Walter H. Judd, known for his civil rights work, and Mary Yatabe, one of the pioneers of the organization.

Judd, a Minnesota Republican congressman from 1942-1962 and a prewar medical missionary in China, died of cancer Feb. 13 in Mitchellville, Md. According to Etsu Maseoka, Judd was a champion of equality in naturalization and immigration since the days when she and her late husband Mike opened the JACL Washington office in 1946.



JUDD

Judd, associated with other JACL legislative objectives, was known as a Far East expert.

After the war, he established overseas recovery programs, pushed legislation opposing racial bars in immigration and naturalization law, which became incorporated in the Walter-McCarran Act of 1952.

Surviving are his wife Miriam, three

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1994 JACL convention calendar

Salt Lake City, Aug. 2-8

Special events

● **Old Timers Luncheon:** Aug. 4, Thursday. Get-together with old friends atop the newly refurbished Joseph Smith Memorial Building, formerly the Hotel Utah.

● **Topaz Pilgrimage:** Aug. 7, Sunday morning. Visit to the Topaz Relocation Camp site and museum in Delta, Utah by bus where a program and ceremony are planned.

● **Mormon Tabernacle Choir Broadcast:** Aug. 7, Sunday morning. Conventioneers will be special guests at the morning broadcast of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir heard across the country. It is held in Temple Square.

● **Golf Tournament:** Aug. 2-3, Tuesday and Wednesday. Compete in a two-day tournament, men/women flights by handicap, also one day formats, major prizes and awards, tee prizes, skill prizes, lunch and carts included, two courses two days. \$100 for JACL members and \$110 for non members.

● **Tennis Tournament:** Wednesday, Aug. 3, a social tennis tournament at the Liberty Park Tennis Courts. Men's doubles, women's doubles, mixed doubles. \$10 per person

Other boosted activities

Salt Lake Area Bus Tour: See the Great Salt Lake and Bingham Open Pit Copper Mine and other attractions in the Salt Lake City Area. **Free Walking Tour:** Tour at your own pace. There are free maps available for you to design your own tour of the many attractions near downtown. **Salt Lake City Tour:** Visit the many historic Salt Lake City and Old Mormon Trail sites near downtown. **Wendover Gambler's Tour:** Take a bus trip to the casinos in Wendover, Nev. This one-day round trip costs \$11. Shopping There is

ample opportunity to shop at Crossroads Mall, connected to the Marriott, ZCMI Center, and Trolley Square. **Bryce, Grand Canyon, Zion, and Shakespearean Festival Tour:** 4 days/3 nights, Aug. 7-10, experience the incredible nature of three national parks with a visit to the renowned Shakespearean Festival in Cedar City, Utah. **Yellowstone, Grand Teton Parks Tour:** 3 days/2 nights, visit two of the most famous national parks where you will experience America's wild nature and scenic view points.

Registration information

Regular convention registration: The regular Convention Package admits delegates and attendees to all business sessions and workshops.

The Package also includes the Welcome Party Reception, Western Barbecue, Awards Luncheon, Sayonara Banquet, and the Youth Luncheon for youth delegates.

Daily registration will be available for specific convention events and activities. Register before June 25 and save.

Hotel reservations: Hotel

reservations can be made by calling 800/345-15K1. Be sure to identify yourself as a JACL conventioneer.

Hotel registration forms will be included in the mailing to be sent in April.

Cancellation policy: No telephone cancellations can be accepted. A letter of cancellation MUST be postmarked no later than June 30, 1994, in order to qualify for a full refund. There will be no partial refunds if a registrant does not attend all functions.

Information: Shake or Momo Ushio, 801/272-7447 or Floyd or Irene Mori, 801/572-2287

JACL: LEGACY OF GENERATIONS

Deadlines

May 1, 1994 (90 days prior to convention)

□ **Resolutions/Constitution & By Law Amendments:** Optional, non-binding review of proposed resolutions and proposed amendments due to Resolutions and Amendments Committee Chairperson c/o JACL National Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA, 94115.

□ **Official notice of National Council Meeting** to be distributed by National Headquarters.

□ **Nominations:** Filing forms from candidates for National Office due to JACL Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA, 94115.

□ **Awards and Recognitions:** Nomination forms for JACLer of the Biennium, Japanese American of the Biennium, Edison Uno Civil Rights and George Iwasaki Chapter Citizenship Award due to JACL Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA, 94115.

June 1, 1994 (60 days prior to convention)

□ **Nominations:** Candidates for national office to be announced in the Pacific Citizen by the Nominations Committee.

Candidate profiles

Candidates for national office will be profiled in Pacific Citizen in a question and answer format, with the same questions addressed to all participants.

If JACL members have any specific questions that they would like included in this format, please send them to: Pacific Citizen Candidates Forum, 2 Coral Circle, #204, Monterey Park, CA, 91755.

□ **Budget:** Proposed biennial budget to be distributed to District Councils and Chapters from National Headquarters.

□ **Resolutions:** Proposed resolutions due to Resolutions and Amendments chairperson.

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Calendar

Hawaii Honolulu

Sat. March 26—442nd's 51st Anniversary service, 9 a.m., National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific; 6:30 p.m. dinner, "Talk to me, Dad" theme; Pacific Ballroom, Ilihai Hotel. Information: Jennifer Baker, 442nd Veterans Club exec. sec., 808/949-7997 or 849-1539 fax.
NOTE—Dr. Kenneth Mortimer, pres., University of Hawaii and chancellor, UH-Manoa, speaks at the Punchbowl; Warren Haruki, pres., GTE-Hawaiian Tel. son of the late Hiroshi Haruki, 442nd and member of 232 Engineers/Band chapter, dinner emcee.

Northeast U.S. Washington, D.C.

Through April 10—"The Wash." play by Philip Kan Gotanda, 8 p.m., the SWO Theatre, 14th and P St. NW; box office 202/332-3300. NOTE—Stars Nobu McCarthy.
Philadelphia

Sat. March 26—Philadelphia JACL installation, 6:30 p.m., Ocean Harbor Restaurant, 1023 Race St., Philadelphia, 11-course Chinese dinner, information Bill Kishi, 215/587-9613. NOTE—Bruce Yamashita, speaker.

Michigan Detroit

Sat. March 26—Detroit JACL installation, 6 p.m. cocktails, 7 dinner, Holiday Inn-Southfield, 26555 Telegraph Rd., south of I-696. Information: Mary Kamada 313/622-7617. NOTE—Washington JACL representative Karen Narasaki, guest speaker. John Takemoto, '94 chapter president.

Minnesota Twin Cities

Sun. March 20—Twin Cities JACL sukiyaki dinner, noon-6 p.m., Union Congregational United Church of Christ, 3700 Alabama Ave. South, St. Louis Park. Information: Tom Hara 612/420-9562. NOTE—Fund-raiser features Asian gift bourse.

Indiana Indianapolis

Through April 10—Photo exhibit, "Children of the Detention Camps, 1942-45," Children's Museum, 3000 N. Meridian St. Information: Charles Matsumoto 317/888-8505

Idaho Boise

Through April 1—"In This Great Land of Freedom: the Japanese Pioneers of Oregon" exhibit, Idaho State Historical Museum, 610 N. Julius Davis Dr., Boise; information: 208/334-2120. NOTE—Organized by Japanese American National Museum.

Utah Salt Lake City

Sat. April 16—JACL Mt. Olympus Fund-a-Rama, 6:30 p.m., Central High School.

Arizona Phoenix

Sun. March 27—JACL Arizona picnic, 11:30 a.m., Ramada 9, Saluaro Ranch Park, 59th Ave., north of Glendale Community College.
Sun. April 24—JACL Arizona scholarship awards banquet, 6:30 p.m., Holiday Inn, 2532 W. Peoria, Phoenix; information: Kathy Inoshita, 602/937-5434.

Nevada Las Vegas

Fri.-Sun. April 22-24—Poston III Re-

union, Flamingo Hilton Hotel; information: 641 E. Kip Patrick Dr., Reedley, CA 93654. NOTE—Friday mixer. Saturday dinner, Sunday brunch.

California Sacramento Valley

Sat. Sun. April 23-24—Sacramento Rebels Youth Organization 12th annual invitational basketball tournament. Information: Ken Miyao 916/446-2689; Janet Okino 916/422-7211. NOTE—Open to Asian high school athletes, men and women teams in 8 divisions, tournament dance and social for parents and coaches. Teams expected from Northern, Central and Southern California.

San Francisco

Sun. April 10—Nikkei Widowed Group meeting, 2-4 p.m., information: Elsie Uyeda Chung 415/221-0268, Yuri Moriwaki 510/482-3280.
Sat. April 30—Asian American (bone marrow) Donor Program casino night benefit, 7 p.m., San Francisco Fisherman's Wharf and Cannery, 3d Fl. Leavenworth-Columbus. Information: Carol Gillespie, AADP, 510/523-3366, 800/519-DONOR. (Site and Date changes)

San Jose
Thurs., March 24—San Jose Singles regular meeting, 7 p.m.; guest speaker Tom Vaughan on investments, 8 p.m. Issei Memorial Building, 565 North 5th St.

Thurs. March 31—Panel discussion, "Civil Rights Today," led by Dr. Stephen Fugita, 6 p.m. San Jose Museum of Art, 110 S. Market St. 408/294-2787. NOTE—Joining Fugita, director of ethnic studies at Santa Clara University, on the panel are Susan Hayase, Dale Minami and Sue Tokushige.

Sat. April 9—Tom Crouch lecture, 3 p.m. San Jose Museum of Art, 110 S. Market St. 408/294-2787. NOTE—Curator of the Smithsonian's exhibit, "A More Perfect Union," speaks on "When the Constitution Failed: the Japanese American internment episode."

Fresno-Central Cal
Mon. April 11—Fresno City College lecture by UC Berkeley Prof. Ronald Takaki, 7:15 p.m., City College Theater, tickets 209/442-4600.

Manzanar

Through June 10—25th annual Pilgrimage to Manzanar National Historic Site, 11 a.m. Information: Manzanar Committee, 1566 Curran St., Los Angeles, 90026, 213/662-5102; Oasis Garden Club 619/377-5366. NOTE—Program includes dedication of Blue Star Memorial Highway marker in cooperation with Oasis Garden Club and Caltrans to honor 100/442nd Regimental Combat Team and U.S. Army MIS. Conceived by the National Council of State Garden Clubs, the Blue Star markers are posted along Federal highways as memorials to those who served and are serving in the U.S. armed forces.

Los Angeles-Orange

Through June 10—On view: "Connections 2," J. Paul Getty Center, 401 Wilshire Blvd., 7th floor gallery, Santa Monica. Information: 310/458-9811 x 4172. NOTE—Local artist Nobuo Nagasawa, who teaches at CalArts, exhibits her "Mappamundi: Geopolitics of Fear."
Closing April 1—Amy Hime's "Tokyo Bound" Fridays 8 p.m. performances, Zephyr Theater, 7458 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles; box office 213/852-9069.
Fri. March 18—Opening of "Strength and Diversity: Japanese American

Women 1885-1900," produced by the National Japanese American Historical Society/Oakland Museum, on national tour developed for circulation by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service; Gene Autry Western Heritage Museum, Griffith Park, Los Angeles.

Sat. March 19—"Strength and Diversity: Japanese American Women 1885-1900," 2 p.m., Gene Autry Western Heritage Museum, Griffith Park, Los Angeles. Information: 213/667-2000 ext. 317. NOTE—Panel discussion with Carey Caldwell, Chizu Iiyama, Mai Nakano, Rosalyn Tonal.

Sun. March 20—Book party for Nobuko Iinuma, 2 p.m. JANM, information 213/625-0414. NOTE—Author of "Takamine Jokichi and His Wife" and "Wife of Hideyo Noguchi."

Wed. March 23—Japan America Society, 6-7:30 p.m., UC Irvine's Plumwood House, RSVP 714/850-4335. NOTE—Harumi Kamekawa, JETRO-Hitachi Chemical Research Center director of public publications speaks on "A Woman's Perspective on Working with Japanese Men."

Thurs. March 24—Japan America Society, 11:30-1 p.m., Hyatt Regency, 17900 Jamboree Blvd., Irvine; RSVP 714/850-4335. NOTE—James P. Miller of Parsons Corp., soeats job "Pacific Rim Hazardous Waste: Issues and Implications."

Fri. March 25—"Cold Tots" improv, 7:30 p.m., JANM, 213/625-0414.
Sat. March 26—Asians for Miracle Morrow Marches retreat, 8:30 a.m., Griffith Park Visitors Center, 4730 Crystal Springs Dr., Los Angeles, 213/665-5188; RSVP March 21, fax 213/667-3141. NOTE—Linda J. Wong, keynote speaker, 9:30 a.m.

Thurs. March 27—Asian American Advertising and Public Relations Alliance one-day session on "Power of Asian Persuasion," 8 a.m.-evening reception, Radisson Wilshire Plaza Hotel, 3315 Wilshire Blvd., information: American Marketing Association, 800/654-8262; RSVP via fax 818/363-4127. NOTE—William Wong, Oakland Tribune and Asian Week columnist, luncheon speaker.

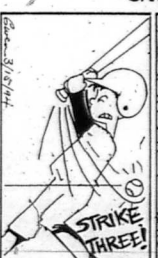
Sat. April 9—JACL San Gabriel Valley Day at the Races, Santa Anita Infield Picnic area #7 (use Parking Lot 6); RSVP April 2, Dora Uejima, 566 E. 5th St. Azusa, CA 91702, or ESWJCC 818/960-2566. NOTE—Proceeds for chapter scholarship fund.

Sat. April 9—"Breaking the Glass Ceiling" conference, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., JACCC, 244 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles; information: Asian Pacific Legal Defense & Education Fund, Glenn Yoshida 213/241-5296. NOTE—Registration fee includes bento lunch.

Asian American talk presented by Takaki April 4 in Chicago

A Different Mirror: Asian Americans In Our History, an address by Prof. Ronald Takaki, director of Asian American Studies at the University of California, Berkeley, will be presented Monday, April 4, at DePaul University. The event, part of the university's spring quarter theme, *A Many Windowed House: The Asian Pacific Experience in America*, will be held at the Schmitt Academic Center, 2320 N. Kenmore, Chicago, at 7:30 p.m.

Small kid time



Gwen Muranaka





IN-SIGHT

LILLIAN C. KIMURA

Fair housing from our perspective

Earlier in the year, I was invited to participate in the National Fair Housing Summit sponsored by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The summit was patterned after the Economic Summit which President Clinton held prior to his inauguration. A scheduling conflict precluded my participation but I was fortunate to secure Gen Fujioke of the Asian Law Caucus to speak on JACL's behalf. Our thanks to Gen for his presentation which I am pleased to share with you in this space.

"On behalf of the Japanese American Citizens League, of which I am a member, and the Asian Law Caucus, where I am a staff attorney, I thank you for this opportunity to share some concerns about fair housing policy from an Asian/Pacific American perspective."

"For over 50 years, JACL has sought to remove discriminatory barriers to housing. JACL fought to eliminate California's Alien Land Law which denied the right to own property to Asian immigrants. JACL marched with Dr. King to support fair housing laws. JACL and the Asian Law Caucus firmly support the enforcement of fair housing laws for all persons today."

"Regarding Asian Pacific American concerns, given the limitation of time I restrict my remarks to three items from a longer list of concerns: language access, security against violence and community building strategies."

"First, language access is a basic and obvious fair housing concern for Asian/Pacific Americans. In San Francisco, for example, over a quarter of all persons over the age of 18 speak an Asian or Pacific Islander language. Of these, a third of all persons 18 to 64 years of age speak little or no English. Two-thirds of those over the age of 65 do not speak English. Given these realities, language appropriate services is a fundamental access issue. Government assisted housing should be required to accommodate language needs or they will exclude many Asian/Pacific Americans and others from participation."

"A second critical issue of con-

cern is security against violence. An example of one family's experience may illustrate how this is a fair housing issue."

"A few years ago, the Truong family, refugees from Vietnam, moved into a public housing complex in the southern portion of the City of San Francisco. The project was then and is now predominantly occupied by African Americans. In order to integrate the project, HUD had required the local housing authority to channel the projects more Asian/Pacific Americans."

"On the first day the Truong family moved in, persons of the neighborhood shouted obscenities at them and told them to move out. Mrs. Truong was spat on by her neighbors. Rocks were sent through their windows. The first English word they learned were, 'F---ing Chinaman.' Within the first few weeks, bullets were fired into the house. At one point or another all the members of the family were assaulted."

"When we went to the housing authority to intervene and relocate the Truong family, the response was that the situation was not their responsibility. We were told to call the police."

"We then filed a Title VI and Title VIII complaint with the local HUD office. Over our objections, the local HUD office would not investigate the matter. They would only refer the case to the FBI to be considered for criminal investigation."

"But this is not an effective approach. Some of the people throwing the rocks at the family were 11 and 12 year old children. Putting them in jail was not the answer. The African American residents at the project had long suffered conditions which led to the sort of despair, frustration and anger which was described by Rev. Ben Chavis two days ago. The solution needed to address the causes for that despair and anger."

"Moreover, the violence not only targeted Asians. My office is now representing a number of African American women who have also been victims of violence. Sexual harassment is also a serious problem at the projects and one which is often overlooked."

"We need to approach the issue of integration in a broader way. This leads me to my final point, i.e. of the need for community building."

"Providing housing needs to be seen not only as a question of putting brick, stones and mortar together. Integration in housing needs to be viewed not merely as moving different colored bodies around. Making an integrated community is not like chemistry, putting 30% of this population together with 20% of another and 40% of another."

"Integration must be viewed as a social process. It means bringing people across racial, cultural and language barriers to share a community of interests. But we need to recognize the existence of differences in order to begin to build bridges to cross them."

"This is not as impossible a challenge as it may sound. There are already many organizations based in the African American, Asian and Latino communities which work with youth, the jobless and those in need of services. We do not need to create new structures from scratch. We should build upon the experience those organizations offer. Rather than requiring competition between these groups for funding as in the CDBG process, HUD should encourage collaboration and cooperation to bring them together. For example, while maintaining the integrity of the separate entities, African American, Asian/Pacific and Latino youth programs should be assisted in collaborating to bring the youth of our communities together."

"There is need to rebuild our communities, not only in a physical sense but more importantly in a social sense. Only by building community across racial lines, by encouraging cooperation over competition and common interests over differences, will we accomplish the true purposes of the Fair Housing Act."

"That's thirty or now."

Kimura is the JACL National President. Her IN-SIGHT column appears regularly in Pacific Citizen.

JACL-OCA co-sponsor leadership conference

The Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA) and the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) jointly held a leadership conference from Feb. 27 through March 2 in Arlington, Va., for 28 Asian American leaders.

The participants came from all parts of the country to converge at the Arlington Hyatt Hotel. From a Nebraska firefighter to a California journalism student, they came from a variety of states and occupational fields, but most of them were officers of their local JACL or OCA chapters. They were briefed on current policy issues by several Asian American political appointees, including Ginger Lee, general counsel of the Department of Commerce; Dennis Haysashi, director of the Office of Civil Rights at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; and Stuart Ishimaru, acting director of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. Other speakers included Ralph Nease, executive director of the

Leadership Conference on Civil Rights; Wade Henderson, director of the NAACP Washington, D.C. Office; and Charles Kamasaki, vice president of the National Council of La Raza.

Lillian Kimura, JACL National president, stated, "I am very pleased with the high quality of the participants. Their enthusiastic participation and willingness to work together will strengthen the voice of Asian Pacific Americans across the nation."

George Cha, OCA New England chapter president, noted that "The (conference) points out the importance of coalition building, especially for our (Asian American) agenda. It made me realize, that the political process takes an inordinate amount of effort and an inordinate amount of time."

Participants also had a chance to meet several Asian American members of Congress, including Sen. Daniel Akaka (D-Hawaii), Congressman Norman Mineta (D-

Calif.), Congressman Robert Matsui (D-Calif.), and Congressman Jay Kim (R-Calif.). The four-day conference also included workshops on how to effectively use the media and how to respond to hate crimes.

Valerie Yoshimura, a board member of the Detroit Chapter, JACL, said that "While the 'personal is political,' I have learned that the 'political is personal.' Personal contact, personal anecdotes, personal interests, and personal rivalries all intersect to influence the legislative and political process in subtle ways."

Ginny Gong, OCA national president, commented, "This is a historic moment for OCA and JACL. This joint leadership conference has brought us to a new, official level of interaction, of grassroots leaders building working relationships that we would like to see continued in the future. The conference is an example of how coalitions can be effective and beneficial for Asian Americans."

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West Valley lineup

The West Valley Chapter, JACL, recently installed officers for 1994. From left, Dr. Ray Uchiyama, president; Keiko Kawahara, treasurer; Nori Kondo, first vice president; Jayne Matsumoto, corresponding secretary; Lillian Okuno, second vice president and Ed Kawahara, recording secretary.

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Personally speaking



HASEGAWA

Civil rights post

A statewide plan for integrating public schools in the state of Connecticut is the goal of California-born **Jack Hasegawa**, 49, until last October, the director of Dwight Hall, a community service center for students at Yale University. He is the sole employee hired by the state Department of Education to implement the law, "an act improving educational quality and diversity." Almost 80% of students in the cities are black or Latino, while in the suburban districts 90-95% white. The process officially begins this month to have local boards propose how to contribute to regional plans to integrate public schools.

Names in the Military

U.S. Air Force Major **Wayne Y. Koide**, an Air Force Academy admissions liaison officer in the San Francisco Bay area, returned from USAF Academy conference on minority enrollment, pointing out their program is not to increase for sake of numbers "but the program is looking for qualified young men and women seeking a challenge and who wish to develop communication and leadership skills." The appointment to the Academy is for four years, full tuition and board valued at \$252,000 with a guarantee of employment upon graduation.

Takeshi "Tug" Hanami of Caldwell, Idaho was appointed by

VFW National commander **George R. Cramer** to the VFW national hospital committee. The Nisei veteran is a member of the Caldwell VFW Post 3886.

Business bytes and briefs

Nearly 1,200 homeless and the poor, men, women and children were treated to holiday meals at the Torrance Marriott Hotel and Torrance Holiday Inn in December—an idea conceived in 1991 by **Willie Tokiuchi**, American Honda vice president of corporate community relations, who had read about the theft of \$4,000 worth of donated children's clothing from the Salvation Army warehouse. "The luncheon was so successful then that we decided to do it again this year—only bigger." The American Honda-sponsored luncheon program was coordinated by the Salvation Army with assistance of volunteers from the *Daily Breeze*, the two hotels and American Honda. American Honda president **Koichi Amemiya** commented: "I'm grateful that we were able to reach out and share with those in need... particularly during the holiday season."

In Silicon Valley, Digital Microwave CEO **Michael Michigami**, 47, who slashed costs and focused on efficiency in making and marketing wireless communications systems, was being credited for reviving the San Jose firm's Nasdaq stock, which had plunged from its all-time high of 34 1/2 in 1990 to its low 5 1/2 at the end of '92 and back up to its '93 high of 29 3/4. He is a Wharton School MBA with varied experience in high-tech management, including San Antonio-based Datapoint Corp.

Ross F. Kawamoto, a Glenview, Ill.-born Sansei, was promoted vice president of American Marrazzi of Dallas, Texas. He is the son of the late Isamu S. and Martha (Okamura) Kawamoto,

Phoenix, Ariz.

Yumi Sera, Fowler-born journalism graduate from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, and fluent in Japanese who taught conversational English to employees of major Japanese firms in the U.S., has joined the Lake Forest (Orange County)-based Hahn Communications an account executive in advertising and writing.

Service club leaders

A community activist, Selma-born graduate of the Palmer College of Chiropractic West in 1984, **Dr. Larry Teutsui** of Fresno is president of East Fresno Kiwanis Club, whose theme is "Children: Priority One." His parents, the Tak Teutsuis, are longtime Selma JACLers.

The \$10,000 grand prize in '93 Alhambra Rotary Club charity was won by retired Montebello and South-Central Los Angeles florist **Echo Goto**, now of Alhambra, which she called "pennies from heaven." She is vice president of the commissioners, Martin Luther King Jr. General Hospital Authority. She was the first woman president of the Southeast (L.A.) Rotary and ran for Congress on the GOP ticket in 1982. Echo's steadfast efforts as board chairperson of Kedren Community Health Center (old site of Wrigley Field, 41st and Avalon Blvd.) culminated in naming the building, the Goto Place. Kedren runs one of the largest Head Start programs in the state, according to Echo. She is also a past president of the Florence and Firestone Area Chamber of Commerce, an area which was in the center of the 1965 L.A. riots.

"Personally Speaking" contributors include: **Eileen Kato**, Seattle PC Liaison; **Tom Nakao**, Renton, Wash.; **Roy Iwata**, Chicago; **Mo Marumoto**, Washington, DC; **Masako Kobayashi**, Katsuniteguchi, Los Angeles.

Sakaguchi named to United Way Allocation Board

George Sakaguchi of the St. Louis Chapter, JACL, has been selected to serve on the St. Louis United Way Allocation Board which designates which organizations will receive funds.

Sakaguchi is the first Asian American to serve on the board of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

He has also served on the Stra-

tegic Planning and Marketing and Disaster Services Committees of the Bi-State Chapter of the American Red Cross in Missouri and Illinois.

In addition, he is an advisor for the Coro Leadership Training Program and is a consultant for the Anti-Defamation League's World of Difference Programs.

Sakaguchi was governor of the

Midwest District Council in 1984-85 and has served on several JACL national committees.

In 1994 he was elected first vice president of the 750-member Metro St. Louis Senior Golf Association and is responsible for arranging the 25 tournaments that the members play during the summer months.

Tomio Moriguchi honored by Washington House

The Washington state House of Representatives unanimously voted to adopt a resolution honoring Seattle business and community leader **Tomio Moriguchi**.

Moriguchi was recently appointed to the board of directors for the Seattle Branch Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

The House resolution praises Moriguchi for his long-time civic and political involvement in the Japanese American community. The resolution was jointly sponsored by Reps. Pat Thibadeau

and Cal Anderson—both Democrats from Seattle.

Moriguchi is the chief executive officer of Uwa-jimaya, Inc.,

which owns two Asian grocery stores in Seattle and Bellevue. He is also a founding member of the Japanese American Chamber of



MORIGUCHI

Commerce.

Tomio has long been an influential civil rights advocate," Thibadeau said. "He testified during the Japanese American Redress hearings. He also helped organize and raise funds for the Seattle Keiro Nursing Home for the Japanese American elderly population. His dedication to his community runs very deep."

Moriguchi has been recognized for his activism by both the local chapters and national Japanese American Citizens League.

Legacy Fund outperforms major market indices in '93

The Investment Committee for the JACL Legacy Fund announced at its annual meeting Feb. 11 that the fund outperformed the major market indices in 1993.

"The firm of Nakagawa and Wallace of New York managed the funds and gave us a total return of +10.75% versus the Standard & Poor's 500 Index at +10.05% and the Lehman Broth-

ers Int. Term Index at +8.26," said Beth Renge, chairwoman of the JACL Legacy Fund. "The performance was outstanding considering the conservative investment guidelines for the fund," Renge added. "I would personally like to thank each committee member for their time and commitment in reviewing the results on a monthly and annual basis for the Legacy Fund."

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Opinions



From the frying pan

BILL HOSOKAWA

More books on who we are

If the U.S. public doesn't appear to be paying any special attention to Asian Americans, the same cannot be said of academicians. They seem to be spending an enormous amount of time and effort in studying Asian Americans—poking into their thoughts and actions, dissecting their psyches, analyzing their habits—and publishing the findings.

I didn't realize the extent of this scholarly activity until I received a copy of Dr. Laura Uba's book titled *Asian Americans: Personality Patterns, Identity and Mental Health* (The Guilford Press, New York, N.Y.). The book is about 300 pages, and 31 of them are devoted to citing references—listing stuff others have written on the subject—an obligation in any scholarly work.

That amounts to more than 500 different citations. This reveals a staggering amount of investigation by scholars in a relatively obscure field of human behavior, an astonishing amount of time in analyzing findings and writing reports, and not least, a huge investment in effort by Dr. Uba who evaluated all that published material before writing her own contribution to the scholarly literature.

What sorts of behavior patterns did Uba find? Well, for example, parents of Asian

American families tend to teach their children to control the expression of emotions more than parents in other American families. "Japanese American families rely on indirect and nonverbal communication more than Euro-Americans do and frequently communicate through gestures, facial expressions, intonations and speech volume than through direct statements."

One reason that Asian American parents supervise their children more closely than many Asian American parents are not comfortable about physically or verbally expressing love for their children. Hugs, kisses, and declarations of "I love you" fly in the face of traditional Asian American values that emphasize restraint of emotion, she reports.

On the other hand, comparisons of Sansei and Euro-American mothers have found that Sansei mothers diapered, touched, carried, lulled, cuddled, and played with their babies more than Euro-American mothers did.

Another recent book on the same general subject is *Generations and Identity: the Japanese American* (Ginn Press) by Dr. Harry Kitano, the grand guru of Japanese American sociological studies who holds an endowed chair in that area at UCLA.

One might think that the Japanese American story has been pretty well worked to death. In fact, Kitano says this new book is built upon his first book titled *Japanese Americans: The Evolution of a Subculture*, first published in 1969. But he has brought history up to date and includes many personal experiences which make it well worth reading.

The theme that runs through the book is summarized in his final chapter: "One constant issue when analyzing the Japanese American experience is the diversity within the group, even though there may have been some common experiences that have, on the surface, created strong bonding patterns."

Despite some shoddy proof-reading by the publisher, Kitano's expertise in his field makes this a worthy addition to the literature of a people. If you don't know who you are and why, this little volume may help explain how an "unassimilable minority" was converted by a wave of concentration camps into a "model minority."

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



East Wind

BILL MARUTANI

Student relocation: Part II

IN LAST WEEK'S column, I related some of my experiences leaving a concentration camp (Tule Lake) in the fall of 1942 to attend Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell, South Dakota, where I restarted my freshman year. I say "restarted" because a year earlier, I was enrolled at the University of Washington (Seattle) until uprooted in the spring of 1942 because of Lt. Gen. John L. DeWitt's order aimed at all Nikkei, citizen as well as resident aliens, living along the West Coast. Initially we were shipped down to the so-called assembly center of "Pinedale" (near Fresno) from whence we were shipped to Tule Lake (Newell, Calif.). In passing, I'm reminded that in actuality, I was in yet another barbed-wire camp, making the total three. I'll come back to that a bit later in this column.

First, back to D.W.U. in Mitchell, S.D. THE FOLLOWING SUMMER of 1943, my college mate Tom Sembe and I laid plans to seek employment to replenish much-needed finances. We headed for Chicago by riding a caboose hooked on to a train-load of cattle for the markets. I don't

recall just where we boarded a caboose, whether it was in Sioux Falls, S.D. or Sioux City, Iowa. The point of it is that it was free. Every shipment of cattle is entitled to have an overseer, to check on the animals' condition, water, feed, etc. Such overseer was entitled to passenger coach-ticket for the return trip. Tom and I each managed to wangle a trip ultimately ending up in Milwaukee, Wis., for the summer of 1943.

However, that summer I might have ended up back in Tule Lake.

BEING UNCERTAIN about the job market for that summer of '43, especially for an ex-inmate of a concentration camp, I had sought to make a visit back to Tule where my parents remained confined. I wrote to the W.R.A. (War Relocation Authority) for leave to enter Tule for such purpose. And what was the W.R.A.'s reply? Their response was that I could make application to be "readmitted" to the Tule camp. Readmitted? That sounded more like a permanent return rather than just a visit. Which takes me back to that "third" barbed-wire camp.

IN THE SPRING of '42, I was attending

classes at University of Washington. While a number of Nikkei had already been rounded up and sent to camp, my situation seemed to fall between the cracks: while living in an all-white community ("Broadwood" I think it was called) where I was working for board and room, my legal residence was elsewhere. Near Puyallup, Wash., was one of those "assembly centers," this one being called "Camp Harmony." (Yes, the name sounds seductively pleasant.) Having friends and neighbors there, I hitch-hiked from Seattle to Puyallup to visit. I walked up to the guarded gate to the camp and asked the sentry to let me in. After a bit of persuasion, he granted my request and I entered and mingled with the inmates.

After visiting, I walked back to the same gate and—most fortunately—the same sentry was still on duty. He let me out.

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

Letters

Reader's views on hyphenated Americans

Recently I read an interesting article written by a Dr. (Daniel) Boorstin who has earned the distinction of Librarian of Congress Emeritus. I totally agree with him when he stated that people who claim to be a hyphenated American is un-American; that Americans must all learn to cooperate and support one another and thereby establish a sense of community.

America was founded and nurtured on such grandiose ideologies. What disappoints these aspirations however are the conditions of people—ordinary citizens who feel that perhaps by discriminating or resorting to discredit others they can somehow tip the scale of competition in their favor. It is through these kinds of misconceptions and ignorance that cause their victims to become hyphenated Americans.

Hyphenated Americans therefore are political entities who feel they must identify themselves as a group to show strength for their own common interest. Hyphenated Americans can also claim and identify their cultural heritage. That's nice. However I'm not certain whether this is a form of self-defense or a need to share with others. The danger though is that hyphenated Americans express themselves such that they are perceived as showing allegiance or loyalty to a foreign country.

If JACL is to accomplish anything in the future, it must be in the area of education and a commitment to work together with others in our various communities. We must expand ourselves to others. We must continually show that Americans come in many different sizes, shapes and colors; that we all share the same struggles and aspirations in life as other Americans.

We are all Americans—make no mistake about that!

Ray Uchiyama

president, West Valley Chapter, JACL

Let's resolve conflict, move on to important matters

As an old, long time JACL member, I am concerned about the name-calling and harsh words between the National Board and the P.C. I thought we had settled the issue of the independence of the Pacific Citizen Board in previous conventions. I support that position, and appreciate the openness of the P.C.

The National Board and local chapters need to tackle the problems of finance and membership, as well as attend to major issues such as attacks on immigration, hate crimes, multicultural education (the Asian American studies programs in the colleges as well as inclusion of the history of minority).

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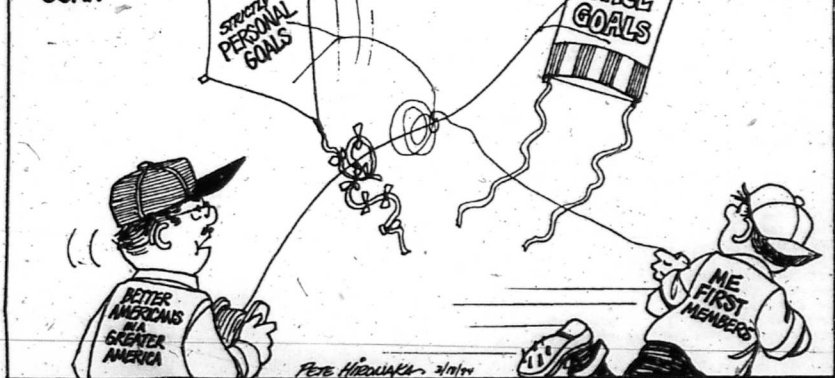
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WHEN EGOS SOAR



IGASAKI

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will be important assets to this administration's efforts to turn EEOC around."

Igasaki is the executive director of the Asian Law Caucus, the nation's oldest Asian Pacific American legal advocacy organization, and serves on the Board of the National Asian Pacific American Legal Consortium.

Before joining the Asian Law Caucus, Igasaki served as JACL's Washington, D.C., representative and as a member of the Executive Committee of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, where he worked on issues such as the Civil Rights Act of 1991, immigration reform, education discrimination, redress and employment discrimination.

Igasaki has also served as co-chair of the Civil Rights Committee of the American Bar Association, co-chair of the Legislative Committee for the Legal Services Section of the State Bar of California.

MARUTANI

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LOOKING BACK from today's perspective, I cannot but marvel at the carefree chutzpa of a youthful mind. If that guard had barred this Nikkei from walking out, or had he been replaced by another guard, I would have ended up in confinement sooner than expected. And, too, I cannot help wonder what would have happened to that guard if his superior had learned that he had let "one of them" enter the camp and then leave.

THAT FALL of '43 I returned to D.W.U. until drafted into the Army in '44. Earlier, I had volunteered for duty and was tentatively accepted (Navy) until I produced my birth certificate, whereupon I was summarily rejected. The unjustified 4-C classification imposed upon us Nikkei delayed military service.

The story can be told hundred-fold as many as there were other Nikkei who were beneficiaries of the Student Relocation Program.

LETTERS

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ties in the elementary through senior high schools), the impact of the trade conflict between the United States and Japan, etc.

I had meant to write sooner to praise Mei Nakano for her excellent columns, including the interview with Ishmael Reed in the New Year's edition. What a surprise to see her latest writing on multiculturalism characterized by Mr. Beekman as "rambling and irrational."

He criticizes the use of the term "Japanese American" because it is looked on with mistrust by other Americans. If we called ourselves "American Japanese" or plain "American" we still would be seen as not white, not a "typical" American. What Mr. Beekman ignores is the history of racism in the United States. It's not a matter of semantics.

There is much discussion of "multi-cultural education" in our schools. The simple fact is that by the year 2020 some of the states, and many of the cities will not have a white majority. We need to promote an understanding of the culture and history of minority groups so that all Americans can appreciate the diversity of our people, and learn to live with one another.

When I was growing up in San Francisco before World War II, I never learned about any minority groups and knew very little about

Japanese American history and culture. I think it imperative that our children and grandchildren learn their history which includes our perspective.

I do appreciate Western culture, and know that I am American in my life style and thought processes, my reaction to events, etc. This is especially apparent when we visit our relatives in Japan, whom we dearly love. But we also have a rich Japanese heritage and the term American must include more than people of European descent and their history and culture. "Allored" Americans (Beekman's term) also have contributed greatly to the development of our country and needs to be recognized as such.

The problem lies not in what we call ourselves, but in the attitude of people who do not understand or want to deny minorities equality and respect. I recommend Dr. Ron Takaki's excellent book, *A Different Mirror: A History of Multicultural America*.

Chizu Toyama

NCWNP District JACL
Women's Concerns CommitteeTime for reconciliation
by leadership

It is time for understanding and reconciliation by the JACL leadership. Referring to the Feb. 22, 1994 edition of the *Rafu Shimpo* concerning the Day of Remembrance program held in Los Angeles on Feb. 19, I feel compelled to bring to the attention of the top leadership of the JACL the story of Jimmie Omura, the former editor and his then unpopular stand on behalf of the Heart Mountain draft resisters during WW II.

In defending the Fair Play Committee of the resisters, he was the recipient of the National Coalition for Redress/Reparation Fighting Spirit Award at the program. Omura, on receiving the award, said he is unable "to forgive the JA until they apologize to the JA community" for their opposition to the Heart Mountain Fair Play Committee and Omura in resisting the draft while being denied constitutional guarantees.

With the benefit of historical hindsight and the wisdom that comes with it and a clear understanding of the circumstances surrounding the Heart Mountain draft resister issue and Omura's role, it is not time for the JACL to grant him the respect he deserves and reconcile differences of the past with him? If indeed, Omura was the victim of unfair and injurious treatment by the JACL as he claims, an apology will demonstrate not only an admission of a past wrong but also the maturity of the organization.

Most of the JA community understands the courage and conviction that motivated the resisters incarcerated in Heart Mountain along with their families and the price they paid for their position, including the serving of long jail terms. In view of what we now know, we need to praise their actions and those of Jimmie Omura.

The JACL is faced with too many divisive internal issues that polarize the membership, needs to better represent their constituents and red themselves of issues that weaken the organization and their leadership in the Japanese American community. Let's do what's right.

Ike Hatchimonji

Torrance, Calif.

Editor's note—James Omura, apparently, has overlooked the National JACL Convention resolution unanimously passed in 1990 at San Diego, recognizing the loyalty of Nisei draft resisters during WWII who acted out of their belief that America's fundamental principles based on con-

stitutional rights deserved to be upheld... and were willing to make significant sacrifices to uphold their beliefs of patriotism in a different form from those who sacrificed their lives on the battlefields; and that they, too, deserve a place of honor and respect in the history of Americans of Japanese ancestry." The JACL further expressed its regrets of "any position of bitterness caused by its failure to recognize this group... and further resolves to educate our own community and the public that loyalty is not necessarily demonstrated in any singular form but can be manifested in other praiseworthy and admirable acts..." Text of 31 Res. 13, "Recognition of Draft Resisters" introduced by Seattle JACL, appears in the convention minutes, page 78.

Says PC is 'conspiring
to subvert' JACL

I am in receipt of the Feb. 18-24 issue of the *Pacific Citizen* newspaper and to say that I am disappointed with the continued printing of internal issues between the PC and any National JACL entity would be an understatement. After personally attending the PSWD reception for Randy Senzaki and the National Youth Conference I cannot believe I attended the same events as was reported by your staff.

The PC's Feb. 4th reporting on the Randy Senzaki reception was an outrage. Ron Wakabayashi's comment about the PC was totally taken out of context and alluded the readers to believe that the purpose of this event was to discredit the PC. The purpose of the event was to introduce JACL members to Randy Senzaki as reported by the *Rafu Shimpo*, an independent newspaper. They reported the facts of the event as I remembered it and even mentioned my name. The truth of the matter is, very little was said about the PC, in fact Ron's comments on the PC must have been so brief that did not hear him mention the PC. This gross distortion of the facts is a travesty.

Your Feb. 18th report of the National Youth Conference was very unflattering for such a successful event with over 200 youths including non-members attending. I personally found the conference to be more inspiring than any JACL event I have ever been to. The way you report, or failed to fully report on, regarding National JACL events has lead me to believe that you are conspiring to subvert the organization you represent.

Your efforts to discredit the JACL has been very successful, so successful that the PC has become an impotent publication for attracting members. I have heard from several JACL chapter presidents that they cannot use the PC for publicity when approaching potential members. Your contorted reporting of events and abasement of anyone who is critical of the PC is uninspiring and would probably dissuade any potential new member. Continuation of this will undermine any membership drive and cannot be tolerated.

All internal problems should remain internal. I trust that the PC staff as well as PC Committee members are competent enough to handle their grievances through protocol. So far, from what I have been reading, this has not happened. I find it reprehensible that as alternative the PC uses its own publication as a forum to continue its case ad nauseam. I protest being held captive to receiving such a publication. If it were possible, I would submit that you cancel my subscription and apply the balance of my dues to something more worthwhile, such as Youth or Membership Programs.

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Abe, Tatsuo, 89, Berkeley, Jan. 25; Fukushima-born San Bernardino grocer and community leader, survived by son Sherman (Tokyo), daughters Kathleen Greene, Anna Schum, 8 g.c., sister Fumi Shishido (Jpn).

Akahoshi, Ida T., 78, West Los Angeles, Jan. 16; Los Angeles-born, survived by sons Robert, Michael, daughters Patricia Slater, Susan Mahoney, 8 g.c., sisters Helen Umazawa, Celis Takemoto, Itsuko Furuta, Hisako Fujikuni.

Childs, George S., 78, Orange, Calif., Dec. 31; prewar USC dental college student, Poston camp youth leader, past Cleveland JACL president, returned to Orange in '51, longtime adviser of Orange County JAYs who raised funds for Japanese garden at Santa Ana Civic Center Plaza, retired in '84 as dental lab owner, taught ESL to youth at El Modena Community Center, survived by wife Fumi, daughter George Yuesyung, 2 g.c., brother William, sister Mary Kakutani (Jpn).

Epuss, George, 80, Dayton, Ohio, Dec. 21; Puyallup, Wash.-born, survived by wife Jeanette (Sagara), daughter Carole, 1 g.c., sister Lily Yamasaki (Houston).

Ehama, George R., Spokane, Jan. 28; survived by wife Sue, sons Les (Orlando), Scott (Bellevue, Wash.), daughter Elizabeth (Denver), mother Sayo (Seattle), sister Mary Hisayasu, brothers Roy Akijima, Bob Akijima (San Francisco).

Hamebata, Yasumoto, 75, Glendora, Jan. 15; Kagoshima-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by wife Uki, sons Eiichiro, Takafumi, daughters Atsuko, Utao Takemoto, Chizuko, 7 g.c., sister Ryoko Kodama.

Hanemoto, Michiye, 78, Auburn, Jan.

11; Auburn-born, survived by brothers Mike Shintaku (West L.A.), George and Joe (San Francisco), sister Shizuko Matsuda, in-laws Grace Kagiwara (Sacramento), Mamoru Hanamoto (Jpn), Kathryn Hanamoto (Sacramento).

Handa, Ann A., Los Angeles, Jan. 12; San Francisco-born, survived by husband Taki, daughters Helen Akijima, Cathy Ann Handa-Martin (Redding), 3 g.c., sisters Ruby Shimizu, Mary Sab, in-laws Sam Handa (San Diego), Dr. Yoshio Handa (Madison, Wis.), Helen Fujimoto, Florence Hinaga.

Ichikawa, Hazel Y., 87, Torrance, Jan. 21 (s.v.); Hawaii-born, survived by 6 sons: Robert, Sam, Maharu, Jimmy, George, Fred, daughter Frieda Kuma, 22 g.c., 13 great-g.c., brothers Wally, Raymond Matsuda, sisters Shizue Sakahashi, Akiko Baba, in-laws Masano Sakuma, Nancy Matsuda (all Hawaii).

Ichijima, Mickey N., 76, Pacific Grove, Dec. 31; of cancer, Monterey-born community past Monterey Peninsula JACL president, 1000 Club life member, Rotarian, City of Pacific Grove Beautification Committee and church leader of One of the First English-speaking elders (of El Estero Presbyterian Church), survived by wife Yoshiko Edith, son Dr. John K. (Danville), daughter Dr. Mitsuko Ichijima Stolz (Santa Monica), Dr. Yoshie Ichijima Wooding (San Francisco), 3 g.c., brothers Joseph (Rockville, Md.), Jimmie (Salt Lake City), Paul (Salinas), Harry (San Jose), sister Kazuo Oishi (Kailua).

Ishai, William "Bill", 81, Seattle, Jan. 8 (s.v.); Seattle-born WWII 52nd FA BN survivor, survived by wife Rose, daughter Irene Koizumi, 6 g.c., 6 great-g.c., sister Mae Setsuda.

Imada, Kanama R., Rowland Heights, Calif., Jan. 12; Seattle-born, survived by wife Fumiko, son Keith, daughter Patricia

Miho, brother Mitsuru (Chicago).

Ishimaru, Haruo, 78, Mountain View, Dec. 23; survived by daughter Jackie Gachera (Cupertino), Eric (Bellflower), 2 g.c. (Corrected).

Kamiya, Hannah E., 74, Los Angeles, Jan. 25 (s.v.); Livingston-born, survived by sons Arto (North Carolina), Randy, daughter Joanne, brother Mamoru Masuda, sister Aiko Hoshino, 5 g.c.

Kawase, Missa, 85, Las Vegas, Dec. 19; Hawaii-born and longtime Chicagoan, survived by wife Helen, son Robert, daughters Ruth, Joan, Lynn, Carol, 11 g.c., 5 great-g.c.

Kobayashi, Shikeno, 97, Los Angeles, Jan. 16; Yamanashi-born, survived by daughters June Takeuchi, Yoko Yamanaka, sons Jack Y., David K. Kobayashi, 10 g.c., 11 great-g.c., Kozumi, Rei, 85, Chicago, Jan. 3; survived by husband Seiichi, sons Herbert, Woody, daughter Lily, 6 g.c., 1 great-g.c.

Kubi, Bob Eiji, 63, Fountain Valley, Jan. 19; Lodi-born, survived by wife Sachiko, sons Keith, Kevin, daughters Tamara Spataro, Joji Walker, 9 g.c., brother George, sisters Masako Ono, Asaye Nakamura, Frances Ichi, Sharon Kubota.

Maryko, 77, Los Angeles, Jan. 22; San Francisco-born, survived by son Makoto, daughters Chiye Shinto, Sayo Suzuki, Yoshiko Takehara, 5 g.c., brother Jozaburo Hatanaka, in-law Grace Hatanaka.

Murakami, H. Tokujiro, 93, Temple City, Jan. 10; Wakayama-born, survived by wife Florence, sons Mitsuru, Ken, David, daughter Naomi Boyd, many g.c. **Nakadate, Shoji** G., 76, Whittier, Jan. 17; Montebello-born 442nd veteran, survived by son Grant, daughters Janet Stampf, Michelle Pagan, 5 g.c., in-laws Alice and Clara Nakadate.

Nakai, David Y., Spokane, Oct. 9; survived by sister Lily Shiosaki, brother James (Fremont, Calif.).

Nakama, Harry T., 65, Los Angeles, Jan. 10; Hawaii-born, survived by wife Hifumi, daughters Stacie, Lori, mother Clara Nakama.

Nakanishi, Kaoru, 64, Culver City, Jan. 24; Hiroshima-born, survived by wife Noriko, sons Mitsuki, daughter Akemi, sister Kazuko Nakanoichi.

Nakatsuru, Toshiro, 75, Los Angeles, Jan. 17; Los Angeles-born WWII veteran, survived by wife Mae, brother Shigeki, sisters Midori Tanamachi, Sakaye Nakatsuru, Misako Fukushima.

Oyama, Mitsuru, 95, Los Angeles, Jan. 8; Kumamoto-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by daughter Fumiko Iida, Oyama, 3 g.c., 4 great-g.c.

Sadakane, Masuo, 76, Anaheim, Jan. 7; Los Angeles-born WWII veteran, survived by wife Tomiko, son Glenn, daughter Sharon, brother Nozomu, in-law Sara

Sadakane.

Shishido, Harold, 60, Torrance, Jan. 21; Maui-born Korean War veteran, survived by wife Shirley, sister Pat Dorsey (San Diego), in-laws Clarence Anso Jr. (Monterey), Ikuo Kurosawa (Hawaii).

Takeda, Utsuro, 87, Burbank, Jan. 7; Hiroshima-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by 5 sons Hiroshi (Penn Valley), Roy (Chicago, Wyo.), Jamie (Santa Maria), Bill (Makoto), (Dante), Richard M. (Sherman Oaks), 7 g.c., 7 great-g.c.

Tamaki, Matsuko, Los Angeles, Jan. 21; survived by son Marvin, daughter Aileen, 2 g.c., 4 sisters.

Tanaka, Frank T., 82, Monterey Park, Jan. 31; Fresno-born, survived by wife Masako, son Val, daughter Hideko Izuno, 4 g.c., 2 great-g.c., sisters Imeno Tanaka, in-laws William Tanaka, Miyoko Iwata.

Tanaka, George S., 84, Lakewood, Jan. 16; Hawaii-born, survived by wife Fumiko, son Lee, 2 g.c., 2 great-g.c., sister Yukiyo Otoguro (Hawaii).

Tanimoto, Teru, 82, Chicago, Jan. 17; Hiroshima-born, survived by nephew Goro Oki.

Tanioka, Haruko, 78, Beverly Hills, Jan. 27; Hawaii-born, survived by son Robert, Dennis, daughter Violet Kuraki, many g.c.

Terachi, Fusae, 77, Los Angeles, Jan. 5; Hawaii-born, survived by son Ben, daughter June, 2 g.c., brothers Paul (Maryland), Hiroshi Ishimoto (Jpn) and sister Toshiko Sato (Hawaii).

Tomota, George, 87, Gardena, Jan. 27; Stockton-born WWII veteran, survived by wife Sachiko, sons Lane, Alan, daughter Debra Low, 7 g.c., brother Dale, sister Mariko Smith (Salinas).

Ueda, Hiroshi Wm., 71, Spokane, Dec. 12; Toppish-born self-employed grocer and supermarket employee until retirement, survived by wife Margaret, son Curtis, daughters Jane, McKinney (Fairfax, Va.), Shannon Nutt (Palmdale, Calif.), 5 g.c., sister Shige Norikane.

Uyeda, Masato, 79, Gardena, Jan. 17; Selma-born, survived by wife Shizue, sons Glen, Udo, daughter Paulette, 2 g.c.

Wakamatsu, Uta, 105, Spokane, Jan. 9; Kagoshima-born, survived by son Norio, 3 g.c., 3 great-g.c., 1 great-great-g.c.

Watanabe, Tsukumo, 72, Los Angeles, Jan. 9; Hawaii-born WWII veteran, survived by wife Mitsuko, sons Wayne (Strat, Oregon), 2 g.c., brothers Frank, Noriyasu, sisters Kiyoko Watanabe, Yoshiko Kawano, Thelma Pacheco, Jitsuko Hashimoto, Mary Watanabe.

Yamaguchi, Kohane, 91, Los Angeles, Jan. 7; Kochi-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by sons Hideo, Sadaki, George, Dr. Kazutoshi Mayeda, daughter Dorothy M. Inouye, many g.c. and great-g.c.

Yamamoto, Kimiko, 89, Gardena, Dec. 30; Hawaii-born, survived by sons Chic, Harry K. 6 g.c., 11 great-g.c., brothers Al, Bob and Sam Takayoshi, sisters Masako Kawabe, Kate Murakami, Aiko Yoshimura, Yukino Palaco.

Yamanaka, Susumu, 78, San Gabriel, Jan. 1; La Puente-born, survived by wife Yuriko, sons Kenneth, Oran, 3 g.c., brothers Bob, Yoshio, Masao, sisters Shizu Higashida, Tsuruko Nishida (Jpn), Yukiko Yamanaka (Jpn).

Yanagihara, Mitsuye, 89, Chicago, Dec. 14; Hiro-born, survived by brother Charles Iwanaga.

Yoshimoto, Haruo, 77, Fowler, Dec. 19; Fowler-born, survived by wife Shizuko, sons Kenneth, Ronald, Bryan, daughters Janice, Arlene Keithley, 8 g.c.

Yoshimura, Victor N., 53, Los Angeles, Dec. 18; LA-born, survived by wife Yosie, son Brett, sister Evelyn Iwakasi, stepmother Kikue Yoshimura, stepbrother Ben Yamada, in-law Waseko Kiyoko Yachi Kama, Lily Sugino, Eiko Moriyama.

Yuzuki, Frank H., 87, Monterey Park, Jan. 25; Hiroshima-born, survived by wife Kyoko, daughters Alyce Nakamura, Clara Ninomiya, Jane, 5 g.c.

LEADERS

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daughters, seven grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Yatabe, 91, died Friday, March 11, at the Swedish Covenant Hospital. She was the widow of Dr. Tom T. Yatabe, founder of the Fresno American Loyalty League in 1923, the same year he and Mary were married. The funeral was scheduled for March 17 at Drake Funeral Home.

Past national JACL president Shig Wakamatsu said, "With her passing, the JACL has closed the chapter on the pioneers and founders of the organization in the 1920s. During the WWII era, she accompanied her husband on the many speaking tours in the East and Midwest paving the way for hundreds of evacuees leaving the camps and also served as his office secretary in the early months of the JACL Midwest Office."

Dr. Yatabe predeceased her in November, 1977. Surviving is her son, Dudley and family, 1633 Harding Rd., Northfield, IL, 60098.

CONVENTION

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