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Bill targets naturalized U.S. citizens, says group

The Congressional Asian Pacific, the Black and Hispanic caucuses have issued a joint statement opposing provisions of the welfare bill which in their view punishes and harms the health, safety and well being of legal immigrants and discriminates against naturalized U.S. Citizens because they are foreign-born.

Rep. Patsy T. Mink (D-Hawaii), chair of the Congressional Asian Pacific Caucus, said, "The U.S. Constitution was a l w a y s

deemed to be the protector of all persons legally present in the U.S. This provision in the welfare bill is clearly unconstitutional."

Under the Senate bill, even if you are a legal immigrant, because you are a "foreigner" you will not qualify for any health or welfare benefit which is "needs"-based, according to the group.

The Senate bill makes further distinctions between native-born and foreign-born and disallows certain benefits even to naturalized citizens because they are foreign-born, it was noted.

Bill would stop APs from reuniting with families overseas

A coalition of Asian Pacific American groups condemned the House Judiciary Committee for its Oct. 24 vote to prevent Asian Pacific American families from reuniting with their loved ones overseas.

According to a spokesperson, H.R.2202 would make it extremely difficult for parents of U.S. citizens to immigrate, and would repeal the laws that allow for brothers and sisters and adult children to come to the United States. More than half of the adult children and brothers and sisters waiting to come to the United States are Asians and Pacific Islanders.

"The decision to limit the immigration of parents and to close the door on adult children and siblings is devastating to our community," said Karen Narasaki, executive director of the National Asian Pacific American Legal Consortium. "Hundreds of thousands of U.S. citizens who have been waiting patiently for their relatives to immigrate legally, often for 10 or 15 years, are being told that the rules have been changed by members of Congress who pay lip service to family values and that they are just out of luck."

"Asian Pacific Americans and other people of color have been unfairly scapegoated and kept out during other times of anti-immigrant hysteria," said Vicki Shu, spokeswoman for the Organization of Chinese Americans. "As this bill moves to the House floor, we urge all Americans to stand up for immigrants and for the principle of family reunification."



JACL National Board Meeting, Oct. 20-21, 1995

National director hired, barebones '96 budget OK'd

By RICHARD SUENAGA
Editor

SAN FRANCISCO—Herbert Yamanishi of Lansing, Mich., was named executive director of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) by its Board of Directors at the Oct. 20-21, 1995 meeting here.

Yamanishi, executive director of the Michigan Community Action Agency Association, begins his duties Jan. 1, 1996, according to Denny Yasuhara, JACL president. Yamanishi succeeds Karyl Matsumoto, interim national director, who plans to leave office in the first week of December.

The new national director comes to JACL with 25 years of experience in private, nonprofit human service programs and association operation and administration. His responsibilities have included community organizing, policy analysis, grant-writing and fund-raising, research and information gathering, lobbying, conference organization and directing an agency.

Yamanishi was the first chairperson of the Michigan Governor's Commission on Asian American Affairs and was a founder of the Mid-Michigan Asian Pacific American Association. He authored the first Michigan Foundation Directory which is now used as a model for other states.

Yamanishi has a M.S.W. from the University of Denver, a B.A. from Northwest Nazarene College (Nampa, Idaho) and has served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Madhya Pradesh, India. He served as a men-

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COVERAGE—JACL National Board approves 1996 budget, p. 3, releases membership information, pp. 4-7, Legacy Fund report, p. 9.



HERBERT YAMANISHI
New JACL national director

Who was there

Denny Yasuhara, president, Spokane Chapter
Jim Miyazaki, vice president of operations, Wisconsin Chapter

Jonathan Kaji, treasurer-secretary, Gardena Valley Chapter, Japan Chapter.

Barry Saiki, vice president, public affairs, Stockton Chapter

Randy Shibata, vice president, planning and development, New Mexico Chapter

Terry Yamada, governor, Pacific Northwest District, Portland Chapter

Jeff Itami, governor, Intermountain District, Salt Lake City Chapter

Emilie Kutsuma, governor, Mountain Plains District, Mile-Hi Chapter.

David Hayashi, governor, Midwest District, Twin Cities Chapter

Tom Kometani, governor, Eastern District, New York Chapter

Karen Liane Shiba, interim governor, Pacific Southwest District, SELANOCO Chapter

Alan Nishi, governor, Northern California-Western Nevada-Pacific District, French Camp Chapter

Kim Nakahara, chair, National Youth Council, San Francisco Chapter

Kimi Yoshino, National Youth Council representative, Stockton Chapter

Tom Hara, legal counsel, Twin Cities Chapter

Mae Takahashi, chair, Pacific Citizen, Editorial Board, Clovis Chapter

Grayce Uyehara, chair, Legacy Fund, Annual Giving, Philadelphia Chapter

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Veteran's Day tribute

Photo: STONE ISHIMARU



Moment in history

This historic photo shows one of the war crimes trials held in Yokohama in 1946. Japanese prisoners of war (with "P" on their shirts) are seated before the U.S. Army general court martial. Around them are other members of the court, counsels, interpreters and translators.

Many members of the Military Intelligence Service (MIS) were employed at the Manila trials as court interpreters and translators, including Nisei Tad Ichinokuchi and Sho Onodera who served with the U.S. defense counsels.

The MIS Nisei story in World War II will be the focus of a feature in Pacific Citizen's Holiday Issue.

MIS: Vets honored at VJ Day ceremonies—page 10.

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JACL calendar

Eastern

DISTRICT COUNCIL

Sat. Nov. 4—Fall quarterly, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., JAA Community Office, 15 W. 44th St. 11th fl., New York; to reserve lunch: Tom Kometani, EDC gov. 201/582-6559; Lillian Kimura 201/680-1441; or Ron Uba 800/513-8813.

NEW YORK

Wed. Nov. 8—East Coast Benefit reception/art auction, 6-9:30 p.m., Peter Max Art Studios, 37 W. 65th St. 7th fl., New York; RSVP and invitation required, info: Scott Ito 212/249-3816, Ron Uba 800/513-8813; Lillian Kimura 201/680-1441. NOTE—"Celebrating Freedom: 50 Years After" with Yukiko Sugihara, wife of the late Chiune Sugihara; Recognitions of 100-442-MIS and other WWII veterans, and Jewish/Japanese community supporters by National JACL president Denny Yasuhara.

WASHINGTON D.C.

Sun. Dec. 10—Mochitsuki, 2-5 p.m., Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church, 6601 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, Md.; info: Lily Okura 301/530-0945.

Sat. Jan. 20, 1996—50th anniversary celebration; NOTE—Pat Okura, planning committee, 301/530-0945.

Midwest

CLEVELAND

Sat. Dec. 9—Installation dinner, 6:30

p.m., Li Wah Restaurant, Cleveland. Info: Sets Nakashige, 216/842-0443. Speaker: Denny Yasuhara.

Sun. Dec. 10—JACL Youth Christmas party, 2-5 p.m., Euclid Square Mall. Info: Scott Furukawa and Bev. Kerecman, info: Hazel Asamoto 216/921-2976.

DAYTON

Sun. Nov. 5—General meeting, 2-6 p.m., info: Darryl Sakada, pres., 513/298-1252. NOTE—Japanese cuisine, language and customs.

Mon. Nov. 6—Teacher training workshop on Japanese Americans, all 4-7 p.m., Wilmington-Stroop Library, 3980 Wilmington Pike, Kettering; info: Dr. Mace Ishida, coordinator, Univ. of Dayton 513/294-8815. Nov. 8, Dayton/Montgomery Main Library, 215 E. 3rd St., Dayton; Nov. 9 and 13, Muse Machine Headquarters, 126 N. Main St., Dayton.

Sun. Dec. 10—Christmas party. Details to be announced.

Jan. 4-Feb. 14, 1996—Smithsonian's "A More Perfect Union," Dayton Public Library, 3rd and St. Clair Sts. NOTE—A series of afternoon program at 2 p.m. for six Sundays starts Jan. 7; focus on WWII American history and lessons of justice, correcting past errors and the Constitution. Co-sponsored by Dayton JACL, Dayton-Montgomery County

Library and the National Conference (formerly, NCCJ).

DETROIT

Sun. Nov. 12—General meeting, 4-6 p.m., Kyoto Restaurant, 8 Mile Rd. and Haggerty (across Novi Hilton Hotel); RSVP Nov. 5, Mary Kamidori 313/522-7917, Toshi Shimoura 810/356-3089.

ST. LOUIS

Sat. March 2, 1996—JACL 50th Anniversary party, Sheraton Tower, Westport (near the Airport); info: George Sakaguchi, 314/842-3128.

TWIN CITIES

Chapter Board once a month, preceded by potluck dinner; open to any visitor; info: Joanne Kumagai, chapter president, 612/537-8076.

Sun. Dec. 3—Annual Holiday Party for Kids, 2-4 p.m., Como Lakeside Pavilion, 1360 N. Lexington Pkwy, St. Paul; RSVP Nov. 27, Chris Murakami Noonan 612/486-9150. NOTE—A juggling magician, refreshments, visit from Santa and donate a new, unwrapped toy for local nonprofit organization.

NorCal-WN-Pacific

DISTRICT COUNCIL

Sun. Nov. 5—DC fall quarterly, election of six members to board, Stockton; info: JACL regional office, Patty Wada, 415/921-5225.

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Community calendar

East Coast

NEW YORK

Tue. Nov. 14—Community event: "Sugihara: the Japanese Schindler," 7 p.m., Town Hall, 123 W. 43rd St., New York; RSVP 212/840-2824. NOTE—Co-sponsored by New York Japan Society, Holocaust Oral History Project of San Francisco.

Midwest

CLEVELAND

Sat. Dec. 2—Community Christmas party, Euclid Square Mall, Euclid.

DAYTON

Jan. 4-Feb. 15, 1996—Smithsonian Institution's travel exhibit: "A More Perfect Union, Japanese Americans and the U.S. Constitution," Dayton Main Library, 215 E. 3rd St., NOTE—Volunteers from Cincinnati and Dayton JACL chapters are requested to assist.

DETROIT

Ending Wed. Nov. 15—Japan Children's Arts 'travaganza, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 6000 Pembroke, (only Midwest stop of a national tour). NOTE—JACL is seeking hostesses, 313/482-3778.

Arizona

POSTON

Tue. Nov. 7—Memorial Monument Kiosk dedication, 11 a.m., Colorado River Indian Tribe Reservation; info: Frank Iritani 916/395-7944, (Camp I) Nancy Matsuda 213/723-3847, (Camp II) Vi Hatano 916/451-5000, (Camp III) Mas Asakawa 619/453-2739. NOTE—Tue. dinner speaker: Stephen Nakashima, UC Board of Regents, Flamingo Hotel, Laughlin, Nev.

Nevada

LAS VEGAS

Fri. Nov. 17-19—Heart Mountain H.S. Class of '45 reunion, Plaza Hotel, info: Bacon Sakatani 818/338-8310.

California

LOS ANGELES

Sat. Nov. 4—Hawaiian Music and Dance Festival, 8 p.m., Japan America Theatre, tickets: 213/680-3700. NOTE—

Keola Beamer, Ray Kane, George Kahumoku, masters of the Hawaiian slack key guitar, and ensemble of hula dancers under direction of Moana Beamer.

Sun. Nov. 4—Beikoku Shodo Kenkyukai's 30th anniversary exhibit of Japanese calligraphy art, 11 a.m., Doizaki Gallery, JACCC, 244 S. San Pedro St., info: 213/628-2725.

Sat. Nov. 4—East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center dance, 7:30-11:30 p.m., Center's gym, 1203 W. Puente Ave., West Covina. Info: Barbara Shiota 818/810-1509, Toshi Ito 909/861-9676. NOTE—Proceeds toward building fund.

Sun. Nov. 5—JBA Women's Committee charity bazaar, 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m., JACCC, 244 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles; info: Japanese Business Assn. 213/485-0160.

Wed. Nov. 8—National Salute to Japanese American Veterans, L.A. Convention Center, JANM with Dept. of Veterans Affairs, Dept. of Defense, Japanese American veteran and community groups, info: 213/625-0414, outside of L.A. 800/461-5266.

Fri. Nov. 10—Ground dedication, Japanese American WWII Veterans Monument, 10 a.m., Central Ave. north of E. 1st St.; info: JANM, 213/625-0414.

Fri. Nov. 10—Jonathan Sakata, pianist, 8 p.m., JACCC Theatre, tickets: 213/680-3700.

Sat. Nov. 25—Omote Senke Domonkai's 25th anniversary celebration, 1 p.m., JACCC Theatre, all seats reserved, tickets: 213/680-3700.

Fri. Dec. 1—"Kaleidoscope: Reflections from Asian Pacific Artists on HIV and AIDS," 7:30 - 9 p.m., JANM, 213/625-0414; free but RSVP required.

Sat. Dec. 2—Lecture by Professor Lawrence Okamura, "Creating Ethnicity: the Use and Abuse of History," 2-4 p.m., JANM, 213/625-0414; RSVP required. NOTE—Comparing WWII Nisei war experience and assimilation of peoples into the Roman Empire through military service.

SACRAMENTO

Sun. Nov. 5—Trek to the Stars with George Takei, CSU Sacramento, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., North and South Gym; info: tickets 916/278-6595. NOTE: Benefit for Sacramento State's Japanese American collection; Sacramento and Florin JACL chapters among co-sponsors.

Wed. Nov. 8—Asian Bar Association of Sacramento scholarship reception, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Fuji Restaurant, 2422-13th St.; RSVP Jerlin Paik 916/568-1222.

SAN FRANCISCO

Sun. Nov. 5—Nisei Widowed Group meeting, 2-4:30 p.m., info: Elsie Uyeda Chung 415/221-0268, Sam Uchiyama 510/524-0489.

Fri. Nov. 17-19—Asian Women's Health Movement conference, Miyako Hotel; info: Mary Chung, 510/208-3171.

SAN JOSE

Sat. Nov. 18—Japanese American Resource Center (JARC) Winter Crafts Boutique, San Jose Buddhist Church; info: 408/294-3138.

SAN MATEO

grand tier seating and bus transportation; info: May Hamamoto, 415/343-2793.

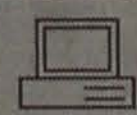
Wed. Nov. 1—Flu prevention clinic, 1 p.m., JACL Community Center, 415 S. Claremont; info: 415/343-2793. NOTE—Co-sponsors: Visiting Nurse Assn., Hospice of Northern California.

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For the record

Two errors occurred in JACL Midwest Gov. David Hayashi's article explaining the American Express program. The incorrect sentence read: "American Express has donated more than \$30,000 to Asian American organizations in the last few years, just within the Twin Cities, Minn., area."

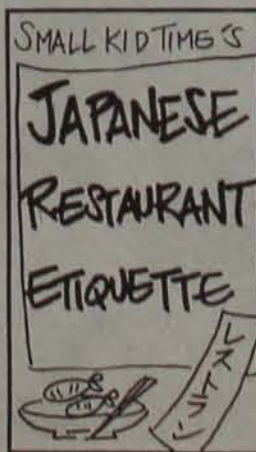
The correct figure is \$50,000. PC also incorrectly identified American Express Senior Vice President Steve Kumagai as a member of the Wisconsin Chapter, JACL. He is a member of the Twin Cities Chapter.



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Gwen Muranaka

JACL Budget

For year ending Dec. 31, 1996

The 1996 JACL budget was approved by the National Board on Saturday, Oct. 21, in general session, following review and recommendations made by the Budget Committee in its meeting on Friday, Oct. 20, 1995.

Board members were told by staff and committee members that the budget was balanced by trim-

ming where possible and by seeking aggressive revenues in the coming year.

Much of the discussion focused on the austerity of the budget which left little room for programs which membership seeks and which helps attract new members.

Nonetheless, the budget was

passed with direction to staff to send out the budget to districts for review and ratification.

The 1995 budget was previously printed in *Pacific Citizen* and a year-end report will be published in January of 1996, according to headquarters staff. Here is the 1996 budget as approved by the National Board on Oct. 21, 1995.

REVENUE	NATIONAL	REGION	DISTRICT	PAC.QT.	TOTAL
Membership revenue	810,000				810,000
Investment income	230,000				230,000
Fund-raising revenue	55,000 ¹				55,000
PC revenues				170,000	170,000
Board fund-raising	29,000 ²				29,000
Donations	65,000				65,000
Total Revenue	1,189,000	0	0	170,000	1,359,000
EXPENDITURES					
Salaries	245,000	270,000		135,000	650,000
Payroll Taxes	22,200	24,300		11,500	58,000
Health Insurance	10,040	15,360		9,600	35,000
Retirement & Fringe Benefits	26,500	19,800		8,700	55,000
Contract Services	22,000				22,000
Awards	1,000				1,000
Dues, Subscriptions, Periodicals	1,500				1,500
Equip. Purchase/Rental/Maint.	5,000			6,000	11,000
Postage & Delivery	22,000			5,000	27,000
Printing & Copying	18,000				18,000
Office Supplies	6,500			3,500	10,000
Telephone	10,000			10,000	20,000
Books & Publications					0
Editorials				3,500	3,500
Advertising				1,000	1,000
Composition/Presswork				58,000	58,000
Circulation & Mailing				116,000	116,000
AV/Photographic Material					0
Allocation to Districts		54,600	15,400		70,000
Meetings & Conferences	5,000			5,000	10,000
National Board Meeting	10,000				10,000
National Convention	15,000				15,000
National Board Member Expense	2,000				2,000
National Committee Expenses	2,000				2,000
Maintenance	15,000				15,000
Utilities	12,000				12,000
Contributions					0
Prepaid Insurance	30,000				30,000
Interest Expense					0
Miscellaneous	5,000			3,000	8,000
Scholarship/Student Aid					0
Unrestricted Programs	10,000				10,000
Personnel Recruitment Cost	2,000				2,000
Commissions				3,000	3,000
Rent & Utilities		16,000		30,000	46,000
Total Expenditures	497,740	400,060	15,400	408,800	1,322,000
Reserve Fund					12,000
Capital Improvements					25,000
Total Expenditures, Capital Improvements and Reserve Fund					1,359,000

1 \$15,000 carryover for 1995;
\$40,000, 1996 campaign

2 Expenses not anticipated to be reimbursed before year end

3 One-time pledge for 1996 only.

DIRECTOR

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tal hygiene specialist in the U.S. Army where he achieved the rank of E-5 and was awarded the Bronze Star for merit. He is also a licensed lobbyist.

In his current position, Yamanishi is head of an association of 30 community action agencies in Michigan, said to be the largest and most diverse human service network outside of state government serving more than 1.5 million people yearly. With a budget of \$400,000, the association obtains and manages federal and state grants, advocates and creates public relations programs and promotes energy conservation and child care programs.

Prior to this position, Yamanishi was field/resource consultant for the Michigan League for Human

Services, in charge of developing relationships with the nonprofit sector and increasing an alternative funding base. Among his achievements there are the authoring and development of the Michigan Foundation Directory and managing a \$300,000 loan fund for nonprofit agencies, and organizing a nonprofit liability insurance pool.

In that job he was also manager of memberships and was responsible for organizing seminars and conferences, as well as for some advocacy and lobbying efforts.

His affiliations include serving as co-chair of the Coalition for Community Concerns, a multi-racial volunteer citizens group "dedicated to advancing peace and harmony in the Lansing area;" secretary and founder, Human Services Association, Workers Compensation Fund; and board member and founder of Governor's

Commission on Asian American Affairs.

In accepting the position, Yamanishi described himself as a person who bridges generations, a Nisei who was born in Tule Lake, Calif., but who grew up more as a Sansei. In assessing his JACL role, he said that he will work toward bringing stability to the organization while helping to make JACL a more relevant organization.

Commenting on the appointment, Yasuhara said, "We are very pleased to announce the appointment by the national board of Herbert Yamanishi as national director. His appointment is a step forward to bringing stability and permanency to national JACL. His qualifications and experience will hopefully sustain the commitment, atmosphere and spirit that has been fostered by our departing interim national director, Karyl Matsumoto."



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JACL board supports Kaji, alleged wrongdoing repudiated

Liggett says move detracts from real issue of financial accountability

The National Board of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) passed a closed session resolution at its Oct. 21-22 meeting in San Francisco supporting Jonathan Kaji in his repudiation of a court pleading which alleged wrongdoing in his capacity as secretary/treasurer.

The resolution, which according to Kaji was passed unanimously, refers to a May 18, 1995, document from attorney Peggy S. Liggett of the Fresno Chapter. In it, Liggett, acting as personal attorney for JACL President Denny Yasuhara in preparatory matters to a personal lawsuit against Michael Sawamura of the Sacramento Chapter, filed documents

alleging that certain individuals "may leave the jurisdiction of this court and absent themselves from this country to secret themselves away from the reach of a subpoena," and further alleging that "All three prospective deponents are closely connected to the JACL National Treasurer who has been criticized for being responsible for the disappearance of a \$400,000 reserve fund and placing the JACL in a deficit of over \$250,000 for the period of 1993 and 1994" and, "that individual resides and works in Tokyo, Japan."

In early October, Yasuhara issued a public apology for the remarks, then Kaji presented the resolution before the board in a closed session. The resolution reads, in part, "Therefore, be it resolved that the National Board of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) publicly supports Jonathan Kaji, National Secretary/Treasurer. Further, that

the JACL National Board publicly repudiates the allegations made by Peggy Liggett in the petition as both false and outrageous and has damaged the image and reputation of Jonathan Kaji as well as the JACL."

In response to the resolution, Liggett said, "This should be recognized as a thinly veiled attempt, principally by JACL Treasurer Kaji to distract and divert the attention of JACL members from the real issues—who is responsible for the financial disaster that JACL currently faces?"

She said Kaji as treasurer is constitutionally responsible to "account for and oversee monies and other assets received or disbursed by the organization and make payments with the approval of the National Board or the National Council." Specifically, Liggett pointed to what she called Kaji's failure to protect JACL assets, "first the endowment funds,

then to allow deficits of \$75,000 and \$187,000 to accumulate constitutes his violation of a fiduciary duty to the organization."

Noting that Kaji has been treasurer since 1992, Liggett said "he has failed to account for the use of \$400,000 in reserve endowment funds, failed to oversee or protect a major JACL asset. This does not suggest he has personally profited but only that by authorizing the expenditures of those funds for general operating costs, he has disregarded the budgets adopted by the National Council."

Liggett said that board minutes do not reflect the authorization of the National Board to spend those funds and "therefore deplete endowment monies donated by loyal JACL members for limited purposes without proper authorization."

"We know he personally did not sign checks for all of his first term and part of his second term be-

cause his name was never on the bank signature cards, contrary to his assertion that Yasuhara removed his name without notice when he called for Yasuhara's resignation on March 18, 1995."

Further, Liggett said that Kaji "failed to monitor the 1993 budget when he reported in September of 1993 that the deficit would be \$75,000 for that year. His signature was not on the bank signature cards during that time."

"He failed to explain how in 1994 the projected deficit would be \$187,000, necessitating the Annual Giving program. I have seen no accounting from him or report of his monitoring efforts to prevent such economic disasters."

Liggett said that Kaji and the board must focus on these financial issues to identify procedures that need to put in place to avoid such problems in the future.

As to the document itself, See RESOLUTION/page 12

ORA announces latest decisions, actions on Redress issues

The Office of Redress Administration, Washington, D.C., has announced its decisions and actions on a number of Redress issues.

In a letter to JACL Interim National Director Karyl Matsumoto, the following points were addressed by DeDe Greene, ORA administrator:

Payments and funding: The ORA plans to continue issuing Redress payments to the oldest claimants approximately once a month. ORA has recently received notification that it is able to access the remaining \$45 million from the initial authorization for the purpose of making Redress payments.

ORA plans to conduct an outreach program over the next sev-

eral months to locate all potentially eligible individuals who may be affected by the Ishida decision, as well as the remaining claimants for whom the agency has historical information but no current contacts. In the Ishida decision, it was decided that children born to volunteer evacuees are eligible for Redress.

Unknown or historical records and outreach: Greene acknowledged Matsumoto and her staff for locating unknown individuals who might be eligible for Redress and those to whom the ORA has lost contact with over the last few years. Greene announced that ORA is still considering new strategies for outreach,

including contacting some of the Japanese American churches for assistance.

The ORA is particularly interested in obtaining those eligible under the Ishida decision. An updated list will be announced in the future, Greene said.

Effects of the Ishida case: The ORA is beginning the process of submitting the draft regulations for review within the Department of Justice and eventual publication in the *Federal Register*. The ORA expects this process to take four to six months. In the meantime, it will begin to review those claims already in ORA hands, which currently is about 900 cases. Over the next several

months, Greene said, claimants will be receiving correspondence from ORA with requests for any additional documentation that may be necessary in finalizing their eligibility determination. Specific comments about the criteria that should be used for eligibility should be proposed during the comment period after the publication of the draft regulation.

Greene reiterated that several groups of individuals are now potentially eligible based on the Ishida decision, including children born in camp to visiting mothers, children born in Boulder to instructors at the Navy Japanese Language School, and children born after their parents' evacuation in Hawaii, once the standards

are established and met.

Proposed regulation for minor relocatees: The proposed regulation to make minor relocatees eligible for Redress is still under review within the department. The ORA assumes that once the regulations are published, the age of majority will be defined as 21.

Japanese Peruvians: The ORA is continuing to work with the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) to have cases reviewed which may have been misclassified, but this will only affect a small number of cases, Greene said. "INS has examined the issue as broadly as it can, and we have no further action to follow in regards to these claims."

1995 JACL Membership Renewals, Jan.-Sept.

Please note that the numbers in the '1995' column reflect only membership payments received Jan. 1 through Sept. 30, 1995. The numbers in the '1994' column are for the same period, January 1 through Sept. 30, 1994. The figures reported here were generated using a report format that was established in previous years.

These numbers do not reflect the total membership for any chapter, but merely the pay-

ments received during this period.

Some chapters, such as White River Valley in PNW, handle their renewals on an annual basis. They sent the bulk of their 1994 renewals in January 1994, but the bulk of their 1995 renewals were received in December 1994. This results in a false low in 1995 because of the double reporting in 1994, though their membership has remained fairly constant. If you feel that your chapter's membership figures are

recorded incorrectly, please check your treasurer's records to assure that your memberships were submitted during the 1995 calendar year.

Another report of current active members per chapter will be published in an upcoming issue of the *Pacific Citizen*. If you have comments, suggestions, or questions about this report before the next report runs, please contact Amy Yamashiro, Membership Administrator, 415/921-5225.

Total JACL membership, 1-3 Q '95

	0	50%	75%	100%	1995	1994	Difference
Total JACL membership					18,625	21,106	-2,481
Districts							
Pacific Northwest					1,262	1,184	-78
Eastern					824	858	-34
Intermountain					637	694	-57
Midwest					1,476	1,604	-128
Central California					1,200	1,328	-128
NCWNP					7,464	8,619	-1,155
Pacific Southwest					5,197	6,010	-813
Mountain Plains					309	390	-81
National Associates					256	419	-39



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131 San Benito County			317%	+	57	18 +39
107 Monterey Peninsula			125%	+	159	127 +32
130 Japan			124%	+	52	42 +10
134 Golden Gate			121%	+	17	14 +3
125 Florin			105%	+	277	263 +14
122 French Camp			104%	+	93	89 +4
123 Gilroy			99%		147	148 -1
106 Contra Costa			97%		527	545 -18
117 Placer County			91%		187	205 -18
102 San Jose			91%		781	838 -77
112 Alameda			90%		141	157 -16
101 San Francisco			89%		830	931 -101
132 Tri Valley			89%		62	70 -8
105 San Mateo			87%		538	618 -80
108 Stockton			87%		306	352 -46
113 Eden Township			87%		270	312 -42
116 Marysville			86%		234	271 -37
111 Berkeley			86%		295	343 -48
118 Sonoma County			86%		215	251 -36
114 Lodi			84%		205	243 -38
133 Solano County			84%		42	50 -8
124 Diablo Valley			82%		137	167 -30
109 Salinas Valley			80%		157	196 -39
104 Sequoia			80%		280	350 -70
128 Marin County			77%		66	86 -20
115 West Valley			74%		253	341 -88
127 Honolulu			74%		130	176 -46
103 Sacramento			72%		554	769 -215
121 Fremont			72%		125	174 -49
110 Watsonville			70%		243	349 -106
129 Reno		68%			45	66 -21
119 Cortez		38%			59	155 -96
TOTAL NCWNP					7,464	8,619 -1,155

Central California

0	50%	75%	100%	1995	1994	Difference
206 Fowler			115%	+	55	48 +7
202 Tulare County			96%		209	217 -8
204 Reedley			96%		126	131 -5
203 Sanger			96%		176	183 -7
208 Selma			91%		69	76 -7
205 Parlier			90%		113	125 -12
201 Fresno			89%		337	379 -42
209 Delano		75%			24	32 -8
210 Livingston-Merced		66%			91	137 -46
207 Clovis		62%			75	121 -46
TOTAL CCDC					1,200	1,328 -128

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315 Pasadena			102%	111	109	+2
316 South Bay			101%	201	199	+2
308 Arizona			100%	264	263	+1
338 High Desert			100%	66	66	+0
310 Downtown L.A.			100%	217	218	-1
318 Carson			97%	62	64	-2
304 San Diego			97%	498	516	-18
324 San Luis Obispo			92%	61	66	-5
334 Greater L.A. Singles			92%	121	131	-10
306 San Fernando Valley			92%	265	311	-26
319 Santa Barbara			92%	87	95	-8
325 Imperial Valley		89%		34	38	-4
311 Hollywood		89%		138	155	-17
322 Ventura County		89%		151	170	-19
328 Las Vegas		85%		47	55	-8
301 West Los Angeles		85%		616	724	-108
313 San Gabriel Valley		84%		172	205	-33
321 Santa Maria		83%		44	53	-9
323 Riverside		82%		98	119	-21
303 Orange County		82%		330	402	-72
327 North San Diego		82%		36	44	-8
335 Torrance		82%		99	121	-22
307 SELANOCO		82%		256	314	-58
336 Marina-SCAN		78%		110	141	-31
305 East Los Angeles		78%		287	370	-83
302 Gardena Valley		73%		320	438	-118
309 Venice Culver		72%		189	264	-75
337 APAN	60%			34	57	-23
314 Wilshire	57%			54	95	-41
330 Progressive Westside		40%		8	20	-12
339 API Lambda		N/A		78	n/a	*
TOTAL PSW				5,197	6,010	-813

Pacific Northwest

0	50%	75%	100%	1995	1994	Difference
404 Portland			146%	208	142	+66
408 Lake Washington			145%	64	44	+20
406 Spokane			143%	194	136	+58
402 Puyallup Valley			116%	126	109	+17
405 Gresham-Troutdale			115%	133	116	+17
401 Seattle			100%	401	402	-1
410 Olympia			92%	23	25	-2
403 Mid-Columbia		85%		78	92	-14
409 Alaska		74%		23	31	-8
407 White River Valley		14%		12	87	-75
TOTAL PNW				1,262	1,184	+78

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Intermountain

0	50%	75%	100%	1995	1994	Difference
501 Salt Lake City			101%	150	149	+1
503 Mount Olympus			95%	101	106	-5
505 Pocatello-Blackfoot			94%	66	70	-4
507 Wasatch Front North			93%	26	28	-2
502 Snake River			91%	200	219	-19
504 Boise Valley		79%		64	81	-17
506 Idaho Falls		73%		30	41	-11
TOTAL IDC				637	694	-57

Mountain Plains

0	50%	75%	100%	1995	1994	Difference
606 Houston			110%	45	41	+4
604 New Mexico			100%	51	51	0
602 Fort Lupton			91%	51	56	-5
603 Arkansas Valley			85%	11	13	-2
605 Mile High		69%		125	180	-55
601 Omaha		53%		26	49	-23
TOTAL MPDC				309	390	-81

Midwest

0	50%	75%	100%	1995	1994	Difference
702 Cleveland			108%	115	106	+9
708 Dayton			100%	47	47	0
706 Saint Louis			95%	96	101	-5
701 Chicago			92%	662	718	-56
703 Detroit			89%	161	181	-20
709 Hoosier			89%	40	45	-5
707 Wisconsin			89%	110	124	-14
704 Twin Cities			88%	170	194	-24
705 Cincinnati			85%	75	88	-13
TOTAL MDC				1,476	1,804	-128

Eastern

0	50%	75%	100%	1995	1994	Difference
802 New York			110%	316	287	+29
803 Seabrook			108%	156	144	+12
805 New England			103%	34	33	+1
801 Washington, D.C.		85%		188	222	-34
806 Southeast		79%		30	38	-8
804 Philadelphia		75%		100	134	-34
TOTAL EDC				824	858	-34

National Associates

0	50%	75%	100%	1995	1994	Difference
901 National Associates		61%		256	419	-163
TOTAL JACL MEMBERSHIP, 1-3 Q				18,625	21,106	-2,481

In memoriam

Longtime JACL staffer
Emily Ishida dies at 72

SAN FRANCISCO—Emily Ishida, a longtime employee at the headquarters of the Japanese American Citizens League, died Oct. 19 in Kunming, Yunnan Province of China during a vacation. She was 72.

According to her sister Frances Morioka, Emily died in her sleep in the early morning hours. Her remains were scheduled to be sent to Ashley McMillan Mortuary in San Francisco on Nov. 1. A service is scheduled for 6 p.m., Wed., Nov. 8, at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco.

Emily, who joined the National JACL secretarial staff in 1976, had served in various capacities, including membership/1000 Club coordinator. She had retired from the JACL staff, but was recalled as a part-time receptionist earlier this year. A moment of silence in tribute to Emily Ishida was observed at the Oct. 21 National Board meeting.

"She always wanted to visit

China," her sister Frances recalled. Emily's daughter Celeste remembered: "Mom's life, overall, was a way of service . . . with a kind and caring spirit; a Girl Scouts leader for over 20 years . . . and was pleased that Sen. (Daniel) Inouye called her 'grandma.'"

A devoted parishioner of Seikō-kai (Christ Episcopal Church), Emily is survived by her sister Frances; three daughters, Yvonne Ishiguro, Celeste Takei, Katherine Watanabe; and seven grandchildren.

She is predeceased by her husband Tadami, brother William and parents William Takeji and Mary Kimura. Because her father was arrested after Pearl Harbor by the FBI and detained in Montana, Emily's mother, a native of Portugal, was able to accompany the children to camp at Tanforan and Topaz. The FBI released Kimura to be with his family at Tanforan.

RIP: Fr. Clement, 88,
national JACL's chaplain

The Rev. Clement Boesflug, M.M., died on Oct. 18 at St. Teresa's Residence, Maryknoll, N.Y., where he was being nursed for several years. He was 88, a priest of 60 years who served in prewar Japan ('34-'39), a chaplain at the wartime internment camps at Manzanar, Poston and Gila River, assigned postwar at Los Angeles and later engaged in Maryknoll Mission promotions in such cities as Philadelphia, Minneapolis and Seattle, where he also joined the local JACL chapter.

Father Clement was known as "national JACL chaplain," following his introduction to JACL at the 1954 national convention at Los Angeles. He attended succeeding conventions, always ready to give an invocation or benediction.

As Downtown L.A. JACL president in 1963, he practically hounded Walter O'Malley, president of the L.A. Dodgers, all year to address the chapter at its Christmas sushi luncheon to an overflow audience. That was the resurgence of JACL in Little Tokyo.

He was recognized as the JACLer of the Biennium at the 1964 Detroit convention for initiating inter-chapter activities in the Pacific Southwest District, making the chapter's Mother Day



REV. CLEMENT BOESFLUG

luncheon an annual affair with Takito Yamaguma, ('64 chapter president) and actively participating in community and legislative matters, civil rights and preaching "National JACL is only as strong as the individual chapter."

Father Clem was a 1000 Club life member, a Downtown L.A. sapphire pin awardee and a neighbor of wartime National JACL president Saburo Kido while they were at Poston II, Block 15. Father was also active with the Japanese American Optimists Club during his 15 years in Los Angeles.

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CONTRA COSTA

Thu. Nov. 9—Chapter bingo, 5:30 p.m., Gilman St. Bingo Parlor, Berkeley; info: Natsuko Irel 510/237-8730. NOTE—Chapter hosts bingo every second Thursday of the month.

Sat. Jan. 20, 1996—Chapter's 60th anniversary celebration, installation dinner. Details to be announced.

JAPAN-TOKYO

Chapter Board on the 1st Tuesday every month (unless it falls on the 1st or the 2nd day), Union Church, info: Ted Shigeno, 0468-76-2431.

Tue. Nov. 28—Election meeting, Union Church, info: Ted Shigeno.

SAN FRANCISCO

Chapter Board on first Tuesdays, 7 p.m., National JACL HQ, 1765 Sutter St., open to all members and public, info: Jeff Adachi 415/922-1534.

Sat., Dec. 2—Annual JACL crab & spaghetti feed, Christ United Presbyterian Church, info: Jeff Adachi 415/553-9318.

SAN JOSE

Chapter Board on 2nd Fridays; '96 Convention Committee on 3rd Tuesdays, info: 408/295-1250.

WEST VALLEY

Sat. Nov. 18—General meeting, elections, pizza. Info: JACL, 408/253-0458.

Sat. Dec. 2—Mochitsuki, all day, West Valley JACL Clubhouse, 1545 Teresita Dr., San Jose; info: JACL, 408/253-0458.

Sat. Jan. 20, 1996—Installation dinner, Villa Felice, Los Gatos. Info: JACL, 408/253-0458.

Central California

DISTRICT COUNCIL

Sun. Nov. 5—Annual CCDC installation banquet, 5 p.m., Anderson's Pea Soup, Selma; info: CCDC Regional office, 209/486-6815.

Pacific Southwest

LAS VEGAS

Sat. Nov. 18—JACL Cultural Crafts Show, North Las Vegas Multicultural Faire. Info: 702/382-4443.

CALENDAR

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STOCKTON

Wed. Nov. 15—Stockton Hall of Fame inducts Masao "Duke" Yoshimura, 7th dan, for lifetime dedication to judo, 6 p.m., no-host cocktail, 7 p.m. dinner, Civic Auditorium. Info: Ted Yoneda 209/478-0374.

HAWAII

Oct. 15 - Dec. 3—JANM traveling exhibit, "The Kona Coffee Story," King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel, Kona; info: 800/367-2111

Opinions



From the frying pan

BILL HOSOKAWA

Freedom for misinformation

You are a Sansei, middle-aging whether you want to admit it not, well established in your profession and with time now to think occasionally about your heritage as a Japanese American.

You are a Yonsei, fresh out of college and starting in a career that was closed by discriminatory barriers to your Nisei grandparents. Or perhaps you are an upperclassman at a prestigious university where your history or sociology courses touch on the Asian American experience.

Whoever you may be, and whatever the reasons, you begin to remember vaguely the stories your parents or grandparents or even great-grandparents told about the "olden" days when they lived and worked in Li'l Tokyo enclaves or on tiny truck farms. And other stories about the Great Migration under military orders into inland concentration camps during that long-ago war between the United States and Japan.

You begin to wish you had paid closer attention to these stories, that you remembered more about them. And now, because you are curious or because you want to write a term paper, you read some of the dozens of books that have been written

about your people. And as you probe deeper, you learn that there is something called the Freedom of Information Act which enables ordinary citizens like you to request documents buried in the archives of government agencies. Agencies like the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Naval and Army intelligence, the War Relocation Authority, and you're curious about what if anything the documents say about your relatives who went through the Evacuation because of suspected mass disloyalty.

So you write to these agencies (although WRA was absorbed by the Interior Department and no longer exists), cite the Freedom of Information Act and ask for documents about specific individuals. Eventually the authorities send you copies of a few documents, poorly reproduced from microfilm and sometimes barely legible.

And what you read will be an astonishing collection of misinformation, unsupported innuendo, and equally unsupported charges of subversion and disloyalty. Here and there a name, obviously that of an informer, will be inked out but in most instances you will find no source for the libel.

Not long ago I saw a 1945 Naval Intelli-

gence report, stamped confidential, which described without attribution various persons identified by name and city of residence as being "a threat to security of U.S.," "reported to be definitely pro-Japanese," "disloyal to U.S." and deceitful and crooked, "many consider him un-American," "regarded as the No. 1 objectionable Japanese." Ad nauseum.

There is no indication who filed this report, or the sources of information used to compile it. This slanderous, unproven information reposes in government archives available to anyone who asks for a copy. The government hands out this material with no disclaimer whatever. There is no statement, not even a hint, that the information in the files was from unidentified sources, nor that history has proven much of it to be false if not malicious. The cruelty lives on, preserved apparently for all time and open for public view. Can anything be more un-American?

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

Letters

Wants JACL to fight for smokers' rights

May I appeal to the JACL, as a civil rights organization, to speak up for the most maligned group in America—cigarette smokers.

First, so-called "experts" (contradict) each other in trial courts. They have the knack of proving anything they set out to prove by biased selection of facts. Former Surgeon General Joselyn Elders' bitter opposition to second-hand smoke (less toxic than smog in our cities), while favoring legalization of drugs (a most degenerative practice), typifies the logic of anti-tobacco fanatics.

Second, Japanese men, who smoke more than Americans, have a life expectancy of 75.9 years, compared to 71.5 for ours. Their workers are more productive despite a total lack of mineral resources. They have much less crime, illegitimacies, drug use, welfarism, lawsuits, and juvenile delinquencies; and their school children consistently outperform ours. Could smoking be so bad?

I've known only one elderly JA who had lung cancer compared with many who died of cancer of the digestive system, some in their 20s and 30s. It may have been due to talc (which contains asbestos), formerly used in polishing rice. Which is more dangerous to one's health? (Just kidding.)

The alternative to smoking is not leading a clean life, but use of other means to withstand the stress of modern living. In Gardena, in past decades, there has been a shocking number of suicides among young people, many on pot or drugs. The lesson should be obvious.

As a creative person and moderate smoker, who consumes less than a carton a month, I hope the JACL will insist that America lives up to the Ninth Amendment of our Bill of Rights, which states: "The enumeration in the Constitution of certain rights shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people."

Mas Odoi

Renton, Wash.

Says clarification needed on Legacy Fund grants

In the Aug. 4-17 *Pacific Citizen*, the grants to chapters from the Legacy Fund are reported. I find the grant to San Francisco puzzling. It does not seem to conform to some of the goals that the other grants contain.

As a contributor to the fund, perhaps someone could clarify this by reiterating the goals of the fund and perhaps some more explanation from the grantors of this particular item.

A. Gorai

Seattle



East wind

BILL MARUTANI

Wai-ro

AS YOUNGSTERS we overheard the Issei speak of *wai-ro*, meaning "bribe, corruption." If any Issei were engaged in "greasing the palm," this Nisei was not aware of it. The Issei, espousing stringent rules of conduct, would not have endorsed or, if any became enmeshed in *wai-ro*, admitted to participating therein. The first time I was confronted with the dilemma was whether to "tip" the sheriff in order to make sure of prompt and effective service of lawsuit papers. The sheriff's office made no demands for tips, but the practice was not uncommon. However, our law office viewed such tipping as ethically inappropriate, and hence no tipping. The sheriff's office invariably processed our filings in a timely and usual manner.

IN MANY COUNTRIES "grease money" is part of the way business is conducted. So pervasive was the practice that an international institution called "Transparency International" was formed to assess the situation and determine the impact upon international trade. A few months ago the institution issued its "Corruption Report" ranking some 41 nations by their honesty. A rating of 10 was best, downward to one being the worst.

So who scored best?

AT THE TOP was New Zealand with a

score of nine. Also in the nine category: Denmark, Finland and Singapore. The lowest, those regarded most corrupt, with scores of three or less: Brazil, China, Indonesia, India, Italy, Pakistan, Philippines, and Thailand. So where were U.S. and Japan? Not very good: U.S. scored 7.79 which was better than France or Japan, but behind Chile and many Scandinavian countries. The U.S. has a law on the books known as "Foreign Corrupt Practices Act" making it illegal to promise or give anything of value to any foreign official. Violations invite penalties as high as \$2 million for companies and quarter million for individuals. Although a defense is available that the law of the foreign country involved permits dispensing of money or gifts, few U.S. companies wish to chance such risk; the cost alone of defending against charges would be a deterrent, even if one were able to exonerate itself.

I WAS SURPRISED that the U.S. did not rank higher, although we ranked higher than the Japanese. Based upon my limited experience in dealing with Japanese shopkeepers whose conduct and promises I found to be impeccable, I'm surprised that the Japanese did not rate among the very top. But then I recall former Prime Minister Kakue Tanaka (now deceased) being charged and convicted of receiving *wai-ro*

of several million dollars from a U.S. aircraft manufacturer. Mr. Tanaka appealed his conviction but before the appeal was decided, the gentleman died. He served no time, and I'm unaware of any regurgitation of the several millions in ill-gotten gains.

SPEAKING OF CORRUPTION among some Japanese politicians, a number of Liberal Democratic Party members have been charged with secretly receiving (sizeable) assets, including stock options at give-away rates from questionable sources. At least one was forced out of the prime ministership because of his involvement. Yet another behind-the-scenes LDP power-broker was found with a huge cache of gold bullion stashed away in his residence, apparently having converted his stock certificates for same, in the mistaken belief that it would make it more difficult to trace the loot.

IT'S AN ANOMALY: The Japanese shopkeeper, meticulous in his integrity, while those who wield the power to rule over him are all-too-often found to be involved in *wai-ro*.

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

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Editorial of the Pacific Citizen

By RICHARD SUENAGA

On being a national director

Before World War II, before internment, before Redress, there was the job of national director. The roots of the job go back to 1940 in fledgling yet lofty fashion in the person of Mike Masaoka, the closest thing to an icon in JACL history. He has always been a hard act to follow but if anyone could it was Mas Satow whose name is acclaimed on the wall in the entry way of headquarters in San Francisco. That pretty much says it all about his reputation and his 26-year stint (1946-72) at the helm with a single staff person, Daisy Satoda.

The job, then, has had history, following, and—what is more—difficulty and complexity.

In protean ways, the job has often been defined by the person in the seat. And sometimes the job has lacked definition and purpose. Some have gone one way or another. Some have gotten lost on unmarked paths.

The world has changed since the days of Masaoka and Satow. In the nineties, JACL is beset with financial troubles and the painful necessity for cut-outs and cut-backs. In choosing another person for this JACL job this past month, members of the Personnel Committee used descriptive words like "vision" and "energy." In assaying the job of national director, Personnel Committee members weren't talking about a Nietzsche super persona or King Kong, but requisitely they were talking about real and demanding skills.

Perhaps not so much Nietzsche as Kipling, who praised the person who could "walk among kings and common folk alike." A director who could deal in one moment

with presidents, governors and board members—and in another, the potluck chair of a local chapter. Who could reign over staff members without raining on their ideas. Who can keep track of paper clips and pencils with one eye and with the other find the keys to corporate doors. Who must juggle people and personalities but never pocketbooks. Who must have feet firmly down to earth while eyes are affixed to that sparkly vision in the firmament. Who knows how to temper that vision with reality—without cancelling out either.

Into this period of refocusing, reorganization and refinancing comes a new national director with much promise, experience and expectation. Herbert Yamanishi brings to San Francisco a sturdy and steady Midwest common sense and a JA background that bridges Nisei and Sansei views—all of it a good mix for these JACL times. Even better, he comes with proven administrative skills and a track record for fund-raising.

He is currently the executive director of the Michigan Community Action Agency Association. "I believe I am the highest ranking Asian American in the 'War on Poverty' programs in the nation," Yamanishi said.

In Michigan, he was the first chairperson for the Michigan Governor's Commission on Asian American Affairs and was one of the founders of the Mid-Michigan Asian Pacific American Association. Both organizations, Yamanishi says, were created in the aftermath of the Vincent Chin murder in Detroit.

He is also the co-chair of the Coalition for

Community Concerns which seeks to foster better relationships and communication among minority communities.

In assessing his new role, Yamanishi said, "I believe JACL was created to secure the social and cultural identity of the Japanese immigrant. The Nisei galvanized issues of civil rights and social justice out of the concentration camp experience. The challenge now is to use that legacy to advance opportunity and justice for the new generations of Japanese Americans and other Asian Americans in this country."

It will be Yamanishi's immediate job to maintain the momentum begun by outgoing Interim National Director Karyl Matsumoto.

Matsumoto accomplished a great deal in a small window of time. Just five months ago, with the former staff gone, she was asked to patch the cracks, fill up the holes and find the missing pieces. Out of chaos, continuity.

Matsumoto came to the job from the nearby San Mateo Chapter. She brought process and procedure and a great deal more. Evident from the beginning was a new and invigorated sense of service and order coming out of headquarters.

The first woman to be a JACL national director, Matsumoto was more than suited for the challenge—and the difficult times at hand. Her resume is unusual. She's served the State Department in Jakarta, Indonesia, as an intelligence analyst. And she was on the fast-track at a Fortune 500 company, Pittsburgh Plate and Glass, before getting drawn into politics as district

representative for California State Sen. Quentin Kopp and legislative aide for San Francisco Supervisor (now Congresswoman) Anna Eshoo. Her private/public sector background, coupled with her non-profit experience has served her well. Along the way, she learned fund-raising as well, including corporate capital campaigns.

Most recently, Matsumoto was project manager and certification officer for Hayden J. Lee Consultants of San Mateo where she reviewed businesses for affirmative action compliance.

But Matsumoto is also known for her community service and JACL roots. She has served on more than a dozen commissions and committees, but her heart belongs to the San Mateo Chapter where colleagues call her "hard working" and "a generous spirit who's smart, passionate and who speaks her mind." The common remark is that she is "the driving force" and "always there."

Matsumoto is scheduled to remain in the job until the first week of December. She has talked about a vacation (Tahiti) or learning something new (helicopter lessons) but likely she will find new causes and new challenges. Most certainly, she will return to the San Mateo Chapter.

And here we are. Hopefully, we realize what it takes to be a national director. We need to thank Matsumoto and we need to get behind and support Yamanishi. Goodbye. Hello. And good luck to both.

It's a tough job, but...

Well, you know the rest...

Suenaga is editor/general manager of Pacific Citizen.

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Update: Legacy Fund, Annual Giving

By GRAYCE UYEHARA
Legacy Fund Committee chair

The October 1, New York Times article, "How to Succeed in Nonprofits by Really Trying," is about John Whitehead, co-chairman of Goldman Sachs from 1976-84. Mr.

Whitehead is giving a \$10 million endowment to the Harvard Business School for the John C. Whitehead Fund for Non-profit Management.

Whitehead's aim is to improve the whole art of managing nonprofit organizations. He states that one of every 10 workers in the U.S. works for a nonprofit organization.

While people who work for nonprofits are fully committed, nonprofit managers lack the skills to make their organizations run effectively.

Whitehead has served on many boards, local boards. From his experience he concludes that in the nonprofit world there is a



UYEHARA

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JACL Legacy Fund: chapter distribution of 1994 earnings

(Based on chapter participation)

SUMMARY RECAP OF ALL DISTRICTS				
Chapter	Chapter Goal	Total Contributions	Percent Of Total	Chapter Distribution
NCWNP District Total	3,934,297.52	1,524,705.99	33.41%	12,757.44
CCDC District Total	500,000.00	305,903.71	6.70%	2,559.54
PSW District Total	2,941,766.80	994,074.91	21.78%	8,317.57
PNW District Total	700,000.00	506,755.15	11.10%	4,240.09
IDC District Total	253,000.00	163,220.00	3.58%	1,365.69
MPDC District Total	150,000.00	129,014.74	2.83%	1,079.49
MDC District Total	700,000.00	641,353.00	14.05%	5,366.29
EDC District Total	400,000.00	298,852.00	6.55%	2,500.54
TOTAL	9,579,064.32	4,563,879.50	100.00%	38,186.65

PSW elects officers; Kawamoto is governor

Staff reports

The Pacific Southwest District at its Oct. 28 district meeting in Las Vegas elected new district officers.

The officers are:

Governor: David Kawamoto, San Diego
Vice governor: Ron Osajima, SELANOCO

Secretary: Karen Liane Shiba, SELANOCO

Pacific Citizen Editorial Board representative: Sam Shimoguchi, Venice Culver

Past governor: Carol Kawamoto, San Diego

At large board members: Mark Greenblatt, Venice Culver; Linda Hara, Marina SCAN; Christine Ishida, Greater L.A. Singles; Gary Mayeda, APAN; Wayne Nagata, Marina SCAN; John Saito, East L.A.; Hiromi Smith, SELANOCO; Terry Terauchi, Gardena Valley and May Yamamoto, API Lambda Chapter.

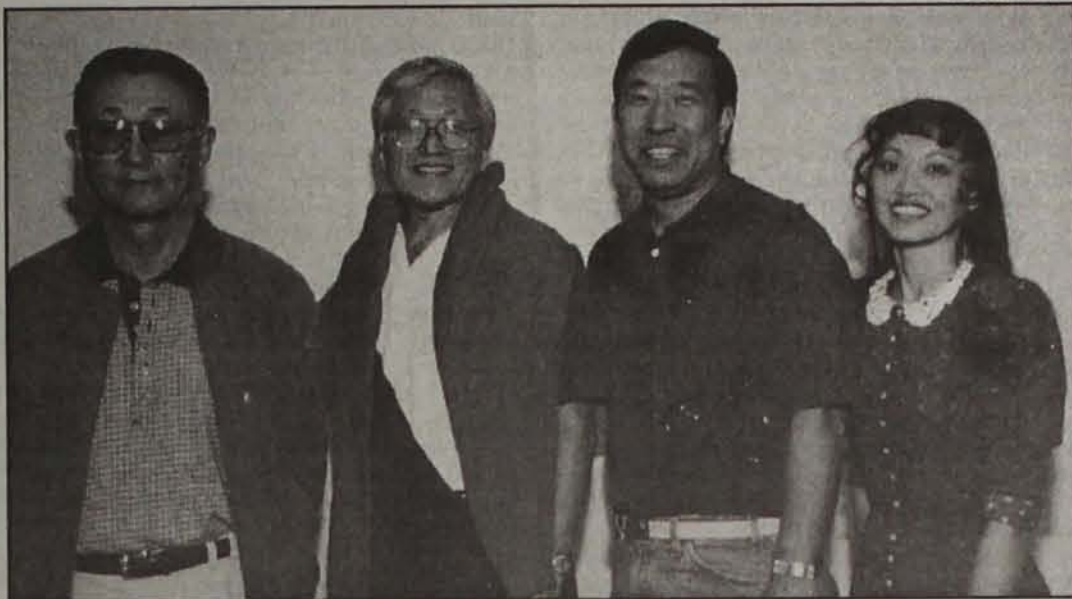
The treasurer position was not filled. The district will appoint a legal counsel and youth representative at a later date. The new officers were sworn by Denny Yasuhara, JACL national president, immediately after the district meeting.

Yasuhara and Karyl Matsumoto, JACL interim national director, answered questions posed by district members. Osajima served as moderator for the question and answer

session. Hosted by the Las Vegas Chapter, JACL, the district meeting was attended by approximately 55 members. In the evening, the Las Vegas Chapter held a teriyaki steak dinner at the Las Vegas Academy.

Dinner speakers included, Yasuhara, George Goto, Las Vegas Chapter, emcee; Ed Wakayama, president, Las Vegas Chapter and Wayne Tanaka, past president, Las Vegas Chapter.

Photo: JEM LEW



ON BOARD—Recently elected officers of the Pacific Southwest District are, from left, Sam Shimoguchi, Pacific Citizen representative; Ron

Osajima, vice governor; David Kawamoto, governor; and Karen Liane Shiba, secretary. Election was held Oct. 28 in Las Vegas.



ABOVE—Wayne Tanaka, past president of the host Las Vegas Chapter, welcomes guests to the Oct. 28-29 PSW meeting in Las Vegas.

AT LEFT—JACL President Denny Yasuhara cuts cake welcoming members to the PSW District Council meeting. With him is Karyl Matsumoto, JACL interim national director. Both officials also fielded questions.

MIS vets honored at VJ Day ceremonies

The nation observed the 50th anniversary of VJ Day and the end of World War II, first at Arlington National Cemetery on Sept. 2 and finally in a Special Joint Meeting of the 104th Congress in the hall of the House of Representatives on Oct. 11 to say Americans will never forget those who served in World War II on the home front and overseas.

For both occasions, retired U.S. Consul Yukio Kawamoto of Springfield, Va., represented the Nisei soldiers in the Pacific theater. A WWII draftee and MIS graduate, he was detailed to Admiral Halsey's combat intelligence team at New Caledonia before joining the 37th Infantry in its Southwest Pacific and Philippines campaigns.

Vice President Albert Gore saluted the GIs domestic and overseas. "We are grateful to Yukio Kawamoto of Springfield, Va., who is here today. During the war, you served our nation with honor as an Army translator in the Philippines. But when peace came, you returned not with fanfare but to care for your parents who had

spent their war years in an internment camp in Utah. While you kept faith with America, some in America didn't keep faith with your family. Today, as a thankful nation, we shall forever be in your debt."

Sen. Daniel Inouye was among the six WWII veterans speaking at the rarely held joint meeting in Congress. The 442nd veteran paid particular tribute to the fallen comrades, the war effort of civilians at home to assure victory and volunteer spirit of ethnic groups in the military.

Kawamoto participated with five other Pacific theater veterans inspecting the troops at Fort Myer with the Vice President at the Sept. 2 ceremonies that began with laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns in memory of those who were killed in the Pacific.

President Clinton has proclaimed the week of Nov. 4-11 as "Week of National Remembrance and Closing of the 50th Anniversary of World War II." Bells around the country will be rung 50 times on Nov. 11 from 11 a.m. to conclude the occasion.

—HARRY K. HONDA

Nisei of WWII Japan, Manchukuo speak out

By HARRY K. HONDA
Editor emeritus

Parts of the "missing chapter" in Nisei history were explored at an Oct. 27 symposium at UCLA by four Nisei who lived in Japan through World War II. Speaking were University of Hawaii professor of history John Stephan and and Yuji Ichioka, author and lecturer in Asian American history at UCLA. The symposium was sponsored by the Center for Japanese Studies, Dr. Fred Nohetler, director.

Ichioka discussed the question of loyalty in Japanese American history and the case of Buddy Kazumaro Uno (1913-1954), Nisei writer who was pro-JACL in the prewar vernacular press and then a "pro-Japan" civilian correspondent attached to the Japanese Army during the war. Regarding the loyalty question, Ichioka remarked that "racism narrowed the Nisei's options during World War II" and that Buddy Uno was "no exception when he took Japan's position and should not be faulted. He can't be branded as disloyal."

Ichioka asked the audience of 150, many of whom were Nisei strandeers, "What is loyalty in a racist society? How can we (have) Nisei disloyalty when we're not accepted by white America?"

To understand Uno in history, Ichioka noted it was not useful to understand the Nisei generation in terms of loyalty vs. disloyalty, "a gray area" that deserves solid academic study as was cited in Stephan's paper on the Nisei in Manchukuo, the puppet state in Manchuria from 1932-45.

Stephan estimated 2,000 Nisei went to Manchuria, the most notable being John F. Aiso, then an attorney for the British Tobacco Co. Stephan believes a number of Nisei in Manchuria in 1945 were captives of the Soviets after the war in the Russian gulags.

The Japanese Kwangtung Army, he noted, had the "obverse of the 442nd RCT" when it organized a separate white Russian refugees unit known as the Asano Brigade. They were refugees of the 1917-18 Bolshevik Revolution.

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lack of management expertise.

Moreover, individuals with business management skills do not always make the best decisions for their organization. He cited his own involvement, along with other businessmen with major corporate connections, with the costly embarrassment last spring when the New Era for Philanthropy filed for bankruptcy in Philadelphia. This shocking news about the giant Ponzi scheme, which caught board members responsible for their institutions' investments reverberated far and wide. The huge losses were suffered by major museums, colleges, orchestras, religious groups and service organizations. Large sums of money invested were lost by these organizations.

Whitehead and Harvard University are not the first to offer educational programs on nonprofit management. Other major universities are doing the same. Whitehead is well known for his insightfulness and his special capacity to not waste time and focus on the problem.

Whitehead's message is that nonprofits face a dual customer problem that is unique. They must work with the clients who will receive their services and deal with the donors who pay for those services with charitable contributions. Thus, a nonprofit group needs to develop special internal measures to know whether its products are appropriate.

With a little more research, there is support for the notion that the JACL leadership needs to spend more time at its board meetings, in order to discuss how we can better manage our organization. All this is in order for the organization to do what it does best, that is to look after the general welfare of the Japanese American community.

Fundraising

Today, for a nonprofit group to succeed, it should be ready to demonstrate relevance, importance and urgency to its clients and membership. The relevance must come from some major public need or problem of today. Moreover, the relevance must connect to the personal interests, loyalties or concerns of its natural constituency.

For two years, I have reviewed the annual reports of the *Chronicle on Philanthropy* and I see that the same organizations with a clear image of their mission and are known to a multitude of faithful contributors, manage to stay on top financially. Some of these "top" organizations are: the Salvation Army, the American Red Cross, Second Harvest, the United Jewish Appeal, the YMCA of the USA, and the American Cancer Society. These organizations are raising more money than the previous year, during a period when other nonprofits are facing cuts in their contributions.

George Trescher, a consultant for the Philanthropic Advisory Service of the Better Business Bureau of New York, notes six standards for nonprofit groups: public accountability — the ex-

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No rate increase in '96, says Blue Shield

All JACL-Blue Shield health plan subscribers in the health maintenance (HMO) and preferred provider organization (PPO) programs will not incur a rate increase in 1996, according to Frances Morioka, administrator.

The program will continue to offer accidental and dismemberment insurance free of charge to subscribers.

"Now is the time to change from the PPO to the HMO or the HMO to the PPO programs in the JACL group," says John Yasumoto, Blue Shield chairman. The request for change should be received at Blue Shield offices by Nov. 10, 1995, or call 1/800/400-6633.

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tent to which charity makes financial records available to donors; how effectively it uses its funds; how truthfully it represents itself in solicitation and informational materials; the fundraising practices of the charity; how well the governing body is (e.g. the governing body meets three times a year with the majority of the members present and no more than 20 percent of that body is compensated for its work); and whether the organizations abide by all applicable laws and regulation. This accountability check-off should become standard for JACL.

One of the smaller, nonprofit organizations which has made tremendous financial advancement the last five years, is the Southern Poverty Law Center

(SPLC) in Alabama. As a human and civil rights organization it was always focused as an almost one issue cause, that is to eliminate hate groups. SPLC tracked the Ku Klux Klan, identifying events and putting out information to its national supporters on a regular basis, while taking as many cases to court as possible.

SPCL added another component to its program, the education of children about tolerance. They added a full complex of staff to develop a complete program, in addition to mounting a full fundraising campaign. Within a short period, due to the quality of their teaching material and monthly newsletter on Teaching Tolerance, the SPLC reported earlier this year that they have an endowment of \$66 million for this program. Schools and teachers are able to receive the teaching kit free of charge.

What can we do about JACL's image and what is our program?

Ben Franklin's warning that is familiar to Philadelphians is "A little neglect brings mischief. For want of a nail, the shoe was lost." A simple, but powerful message to the leadership of JACL.

Otherwise, we may be singing Nat King Cole's last tune, "Once you're dead—Life ain't worth living."

Let us carefully consider what JACL can do to improve its ability to raise funds to sustain the organization. Each one of you selected to lead JACL at this particular time has taken leadership responsibility. What have you done to improve our financial health and what suggestions do you bring to the board meeting?

As your Development Chairperson, I ask you to take the time to discuss this question.

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Ichioka estimated there were from 30,000 to 40,000 Nisei from U.S., Hawaii and Canada in Japan and Asia in 1941, though the 1934 Home Ministry census was only 18,000.

Also speaking at the event was Salt Lake City-born Sen Nishiyama, 84, well known simultaneous translator in Tokyo and a SONY official. He spoke of life in Tokyo from 1934-1946, remembering the fire bombs that killed 100,000 people in March, 1945, and when Occupation came, the Japanese government told their officials to cooperate fully with the United States. "The Japanese were happily surprised by the friendliness of the occupiers," fearing American soldiers might act like the Japanese invaders in China, Nishiyama said.

Los Angeles-born journalist Kay Tateishi, 81, highlighted his year at Heishikan, a school for English-speaking Nisei conducted by the Japanese Foreign Ministry from 1939-1945. The Japanese government's original intent was "to help fit the Nisei into American society," Tateishi explained, "knowing the U.S. Nisei didn't have a chance."

Graduates of the school were assured of a job, where their talents were needed.

Mary Kimoto Tomita, author of *Dear Miye: Letters Home from Japan 1939-1946*, chronicled her turbulent life in Japan. She was aboard the Tatsuta Maru that departed Yokohama several days before Dec. 7, 1941, which had to turn around and return. She had given away her clothes, had no money from home during the war, worked in factories and stayed with friends in Japan. Most of the U.S.-born Nisei women in wartime Japan were employed as clerks by the Occupation, which often expedited their return to the States. As a typist for the Occupation, Tomita spent her free time writing letters—always making a carbon copy that became the source of her book.

Spokane-born Frank Hirata, 69, of West Los Angeles, was a dual national when he went to Japan in 1934 and was finally drafted in 1945. His vivid memories of school in rural Okayama, the martial arts and reciting the stern Rescript of Education was the other side of Hirata, better known for his community service with the United Methodist Church, JACL, Japanese chamber of commerce and most recently with California First (now Union) Bank.

How to conduct a meeting

National JACL offers this series of informational tips to help chapters and districts in facilitating meetings. In this outing:

Length and Number of Speeches

MAXIMUM TIME FOR EACH SPEECH. In a non-legislative body or organization that has no special rule relating to the length of speeches, a member, having obtained the floor while a debatable motion is immediately pending, can speak no longer than 10 minutes unless he or she obtains the consent of the assembly. Such permission can be given by unanimous consent, or by means of a motion to extend the limits of debate, which requires a two-thirds vote without debate.

When a member's time is exhausted, the chair rises and—if the member does not immediately conclude his remarks—calls his attention to the fact by an appropriate signal, or by interrupting him if necessary. If it appears that a minute more will afford sufficient time for the member to conclude more gracefully, the chair can ask unanimous consent to extend the member's time for a short period, or any member can do so.

Rights in regard to debate are not transferable. Unless the organization has a special rule on the subject, a member cannot yield any unexpired portion of his time to another member, or reserve any portion of his time for a later time—that is, if a member yields the floor before speaking his full 10 minutes, he is presumed to have waived his right to the remaining time.* If a speaker yields to another member for a question, the time consumed by the question is charged to the speaker.

A committee chairperson or reporting member is not considered to be debating when presenting or reading the committee's report, but he is bound to obey the assembly's rules relating to debate in any speech made by him or her in support of the motion offered on behalf of the committee.

Number of speeches on the same question per member, per day

Unless the assembly has a special rule providing otherwise, no member can speak more than twice to the same question on the same day—except that in the case of an appeal, only the presiding officer can speak twice (the second time at the close of the debate), all other members being limited to one speech. Merely asking a question or making a brief suggestion is not counted as speaking in debate.

It will be seen from this rule that if debate on a pending motion is continued at the next meeting, and if that meeting is held on the same day, members who have already made two speeches on a question are not allowed to speak on it again without the assembly's permission. But if the next meeting is held on another day, all members have their right to debate entirely renewed with reference to that question.

Under this rule, each debatable motion is a separate question with respect to members' rights to debate it. Thus, if a series of debatable questions is pending and a member has, for example, spoken twice that day while the main motion is immediately pending, he has exhausted his right to debate the main motion; but, even on the same day, he can still speak twice on a motion to postpone the main question indefinitely, and twice on each amendment that may be moved, and so on.

As noted under the rules for assigning the floor, however, a member cannot make a second speech on the same question the same day until every member who desires to speak on it has had an opportunity to do so once. If debate is closed before the member has an opportunity to make a second speech, none may be made.

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DEATH NOTICES: To publish an obituary in a specific issue of Pacific Citizen costs \$15 per column inch. The copy from either the family or the funeral director is recorded as necessary.

The following appear on a space-available basis.

Asakai, Koichiro, 89, Tokyo, Sept. 9 of heart failure; Japan ambassador to U.S. 1957-1963.

Chichibu, Princess Setsuko, 85, Tokyo, Aug. 25; aunt of Emperor Akihito; a diplomat's daughter, she had married Prince Chichibu in 1928, devoted her life to TB prevention since 1939, childless.

Furuzawa, Kiyoshi, 96, Sunnyvale, Calif., Aug. 28; Fukuoka, Japan-born, survived by daughters Mae Kawaguchi, Alice Neishi, sons-in-law Dr. Mitsugi Neishi, Dr. David Fujishige, 10 gc., 6 gc., brother Hidetoshi, sisters-in-law Midori Furuzawa, Hidemi Furuzawa.

Hirata, William K., 89, Chicago, services July 3; Okinawa-born, survived by son Ken, daughters Nancy Higa, Emaline Kaneshiro, 7 gc.

Hishiki, Bessie Y., 75, Los Angeles, Sept. 20; Los Angeles-born retired L.A. school board employee; survived by husband Hiroshi, sister Ruth Brandt, predeceased by daughter Patricia Abrams.

Horita, Yone, Chicago, services Aug. 10; survived by sons Kaz, Tom, Shoji, daughter Shiz Honda, 8 gc., 2 gc.

Ishihara, Shizuyo, 88, Stockton, Calif., Sept. 13; Hiroshima-born, survived by husband Tetsuo, sons Teruo, Toshio, Tadashi, daughter Miyoko Kawamura, in-law Shizuko Ishihara, 12 gc., 13 gc.

Kato, Kazuo, 72, Seattle, Aug. 9; Portland, Ore.-born 442nd veteran, Co. K, Boeing mechanical engineer, instrumental in building Seattle Betsuin's Wisteria Plaza; survived by wife Sumiye, sons Edward, Terry, daughter Louise, gc., brother-in-law Budd Fukel.

Kikuta, Hideo, 81, Fowler, Calif., Sept. 6; Fresno, Calif.-born, Fowler JACL president 1964, survived by wife Alta, son Curtiss, daughter Claire Yamashita, 5 gc., brother Setsuo, sisters Kimie Minami, Hiroko Oki.

Kishaba, Kay, 75, Sacramento, Calif.,

Sept. 6; Sacramento-born, survived by daughter Helen, mother Yasu Sadanaga, brothers-in-law Mack, Kuni, Albert and Henry Kishaba.

Komatsu, Misue, 66, Seattle, July 29; Mosel, Ore.-born, survived by sons Wayne, A.J., daughter Daisy Gregory, 3 gc., sisters Matsuko Nishimatsu (San Jose, Calif.), Kazuko Sunamoto (Gresham, Ore.), Kazuo Sakamoto (Moses Lake, Wash.), Beulah Kawasaki (Renton, Wash.), Frieda Fujikawa (Adrian, Ore.), brother Ray Nakamoto (Vale, Ore.), predeceased by husband Hank, Lake Washington Greenhouse proprietor.

Kubota, John Yoneo, 72, Los Angeles, Aug. 26; Lomita, Calif.-born, survived by son Richard (Davis, Calif.), 1 gc., sisters Kay Kamei, Mary Saruwatari.

Kunihara, Eiichi, 75, San Francisco, Sept. 1; Portland, Ore.-born, survived by sons Mineo, Mark, brothers Hideo, Toshiharu, Toshiaki in Japan.

Kunimura, Tony, 72, Lihue, Kauai, Hawaii, Aug. 28; Koloa-raised 1941Kauai High graduate, 442nd volunteer but was sent home before the unit went overseas because of asthma, helped organize International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union (ILWU) in the 1940s, Kauai county supervisor 1954-62; State House Representative, 1962-82; Kauai mayor (D), 1982-88, patron of the arts; survived by wife Phyllis, daughter Patrice and 5 children from a previous marriage.

Kyono, Ko, 103, El Cerrito, Calif., Sept. 6; survived by son Jordan.

Maeda, Kenzaburo, 89, Clovis, Calif., July 30; survived by sons William, Richard, daughter Pauline Nakagawa, brothers Brian, Thomas, sister Marian Fukuda.

Minamoto, Toshiro, 79, Oakland, Calif., Sept. 16; survived by wife Harue, daughter Taeko Kaplan, sons John, Edwin, 6 gc., sisters Yuki, Soko Umeki, Lou, brother Howard.

Miyamoto, Isamu, 71, Reedley, Calif., Sept. 9; Reedley-born, survived by wife Sanatsu, son Rodney, brother Michio, sister Keiko Mitsuyoshi, brother-in-law Ichiro Okada.

Mizote, George, 75, Chicago, services Aug. 4; survived by brothers Hisashi, Henry, Harry, sister Mitsuko Doris.

Mizuki, Momoyo, 97, Sanger, Calif., Aug. 21; Hiroshima-born, survived by sons Henry, Gakuji, daughters Tsukino, Sachie Kuwamoto, 5 gc., 4 gc.

Mukai, George, 82, Chicago, services July 6; survived by wife Asao, son Raymond, daughters Doris, Peggy Arndt, Susie, 2 gc.

Nakagawa, Phyllis F., 61, Los Angeles, Aug. 8; Honolulu-born, survived by husband Yoshiharu, daughters Cheryl, Melissa Dyo, 3 brothers, 3 sisters.

Nakamatsu, John S., 49, Los Angeles, Aug. 2; Crystal City, Texas-born Sansei, survived by mother Natsue, brother William, sister, Ruby Rumiko Maya.

Nasu, Kinuko, 91, Sacramento, Calif., Aug. 30; Okayama, Japan-born, survived by sons Ken, Takeshi, daughters Yukiko Nagafuji, Toshio Akiyama, Midori Fujii, 13 gc., 8 gc., son-in-law Noboru Tateishi.

Niimi, Masahiro, Chicago, services July 24; survived by sons Kenneth, Robert, Edward, 4 gc.; predeceased by wife Betty.

Nishida, Ichiro, 75, San Lorenzo, Calif., Aug. 17; Wapato, Wash.-born, 45-year employee for Kawahara Nursery, Inc., San Lorenzo; Eden Township JACL president 1971-72, 1976-77, 1982-84, 1990, local Redress and JACL-LEC chair; founding member of East Bay Japanese for Action 1971 merged with East Bay Issei Housing in 1986, named JASEB (Japanese American Services of the East Bay), San Francisco JACL's Kay Okamoto Volunteer Award 1993, Northern California Japanese American Senior Centers president since '89; survived by sister Amy Nagaki, brother-in-law Seiji Hamasaki, predeceased by wife of some 40 years Hamako; they were childless.

Nitta, Kiyoshi, 76, Acampo, Calif., Aug. 18; Stockton, Calif.-born, survived by wife Shizuno, daughter Susan, sons Thomas, Kenneth, Gordon, gc., brother Kenji, sisters Takeko Okuhara, Miko Yoshimura.

Noguchi, Ura, 96, Colorado Springs, Colo., services Aug. 11; survived by daughter Helen Hayashida, grandson Glenn.

Nomura, Tokio, 78, Kingsburg, Calif., Aug. 26; Kingsburg-born, survived by wife Mutsuko, sons Larry, Glen, daughter Ruthie Kusamura, 4 gc., 1 gc., sister Etsuko Ikemoto, brother Al.

Okubo, Alfred, 75, Mountain View, Calif., Aug. 15; Cupertino, Calif.-born, survived by son Ronald, daughters Shirley Matsumoto, Donna, 4 gc., brothers Mitsuo, Tadashi, Ken, sisters Helen Iseki, Mary Tada.

Okumura, Mitsue, 80, San Jose, Calif., Aug. 15; survived by daughters Akemi Iwamiya, Miyoko Yamanaga, Emiko Koide, sons Gene, Jerry, brothers Akira and Masato Yasuda.

Ono, Shizue, 88, Torrance, Calif., Aug. 8; Kagoshima, Japan-born U.S. naturalized citizen, survived by son Shio, daughters Keiko Yamane, Manko Iwo, 5 gc., 2 gc.

Ota, Doris Sumiye, 73, San Francisco, Sept. 13; survived by brothers Ted (Santa Rosa, Calif.), Ben and George (both Gardena, Calif.), sisters Alice Inouye (Gardena), Louise Itami (Michigan).

Saito, Robert Tamiharu, 63, Berkeley, Calif., Aug. 12; survived by wife Takeko, daughter Cynthia, son Glenn, brothers Takehiro, Toshiyuki.

Sakada, Shizuko, 75, Chicago, Aug. 28; wife of the late Dr. Randolph Sakada, National JACL president 1950-52, survived by brothers Walter Bando, Edward, Mark, predeceased by sister Alma G. Kato.

Shigaki, Kathy K., 74, San Pedro, Aug. 28; Washington State-born, survived by husband of 49 years Fred, daughter Diana, son Roger, sisters Amy Nishimura (Boise, Idaho), Rhea Fujimoto (Las Vegas), Maria Arima (Bremerton, Wash.), Myrtle Nishiguchi (Las Vegas), brothers Joe Yamanishi (Pomona, Calif.), Herb (Lansing, Mich.).

Smith, Page, 77, Santa Cruz, Calif., Aug. 26 of kidney cancer; founding provost, Crowell College on the UC, Santa Cruz, campus, author of controversial 1995 book, *Democracy on Trial: Japanese American Evacuation and Relocation in WWII*.

Suzuki, Elizabeth "Betty," Westminster, Colo., Sept. 4 of injuries sustained in auto accident in the mountains west of Denver, returning home from the JACL Singles Convention in Los Angeles; survived by sons Steven (Littleton, Colo.), Ron (Los Angeles), predeceased by husband Henry.

Tachino, Tadami, 77, Warrenton, Va., Sept. 3; retired U.S. Treasury Department economist, post-WWII Army veteran, survived by wife Yuriko, predeceased by daughter Tina.

Takeda, Mildred, 78, Alameda, Calif., Aug. 31; Kauai, Hawaii-born, survived by husband Taro, sons Douglas, Gary, daughters Dianne Matsuoka, Janet Kwan, 6 gc.

Tanouye, Kiyoko, 93, Fresno, Calif., Sept. 10; Kumamoto, Japan-born, survived by sons George, James, daughter Natsuko Masada, 5 gc.

Teragawa, Bill H., 86, Los Angeles, Aug. 8; Kauai, Hawaii-born 442nd veteran, survived by wife Natsuko, sons William, Jonathan E., daughter Dr. Carolyn Keiko Wainwright, 3 gc.

Terasawa, Toshikazu, 72, Los Angeles, Sept. 6; Wilmington, Calif.-born L.A. Little Tokyo community and civic leader, 1949 USC graduate in architecture, L.A. city building and safety commissioner for 18 years, L.A. harbor commissioner, on the board of directors with International Institute, United Way, Mayor's Council for International Visitors and Sisters Cities, Japanese American Cultural and Community Center, L.A./Nagoya Sister Cities Affiliation, awarded Japanese Order of Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette in 1994; survived by wife Suzie, sisters Yukie Gotanda, Hiroe Kaya, Isoe, Fukiko Kamoto, Sumiko.

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Liggett said "I was instructed to file the petition for depositions of the individuals involved in the two alleged incidents against JACL President Yasuhara. These individuals have failed and refused to voluntarily participate in an independent investigation conducted by special counsel hired by the JACL. They were invited to give their statements from January, 1995, through April, 1995. Their continued refusal to cooperate or to come forward has continued the cloud that they created over JACL as well as President Yasuhara."

Liggett said that the petition to which Kaji referred to in his resolution was "filed in a good faith effort to advise the court of all the possibilities that might cause key witnesses to avoid the jurisdiction of the court. Witness unavailability is a common concern when other efforts to obtain sworn statements have been frustrated. I am prohibited by the attorney/client privilege from responding further."

Finally, Liggett said she was disappointed in the National Board's action. "They failed to display the courage of keeping their focus on the real problems faced by JACL, to identify and implement programs that affect all of the Japanese American community."