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Florin, JACL, marks 60th anniversary

By FRANK IRITANI
Special to the *Pacific Citizen*

The 60th Anniversary of the Florin Chapter, JACL, was celebrated Nov. 3-5, 1995, with \$75,000 raised for the California State University at Sacramento Archives Endowment Fund. Co-chairs, actor George Takei and Congressman Robert Matsui, led the tribute to the area's Issei pioneers, to those who endured the forced internment during World War II, and the Nisei who died in battle.

Takei and Matsui issued challenges to the JACL and the Nikkei community to rededicate themselves anew to the JACL mission and creed of upholding the civil and human rights of all people.

In celebrating its 60th anniversary, chapter leaders chronicled the history and achievements of the first Japanese immigrants who came to the Florin area around 1890.

The Florin Chapter was formally organized by the Nisei in 1935.

The late Yoshio Kiino, who was the first Nisei born in Florin, was the chapter's first president. The late Walter Tsukamoto, a Florin native, was nationally active JACLer and one of the national pre-war JACL presidents.

Here are highlights of the chapter's history:

- One of the chapter's most noteworthy achievements was its role in desegregating Florin Grammar School in 1939 and, subsequently, two other segregated county schools and bringing the community in line with democratic and constitutional principles.

- Though the parents and relatives were confined in 10 isolated relocation centers during World War II, 45 young Nikkei Florin soldiers



Actor George Takei (left), whose mother is a Florin, Calif., native, attended the event. He poses here with Paul Takehata, chapter president from 1967-68 and 1978-79.



"Florin Before 1942" display was a part of the 1995 Time of Remembrance exhibit.

fought a "two front war—against the enemy and prejudice," and paid the supreme sacrifice.

- Florin played a major role in the resettlement of the returning internees after the 10 concentration camps were closed in 1945.

- Alfred Tsukamoto, 83, current Florin resident, was the chapter's third president in 1937 and also the first postwar president in 1947. William Kashiwagi was president for nine terms.

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From the national director

JACL finances shows some improvement

By HERBERT YAMANISHI

The first two weeks at JACL have been hectic and invigorating. Much has been done to stabilize the organization and much still needs to be done. Having met by conference call with JACL staff last week, I am reporting much of what I discussed with them.

Finances: Unofficial tallies at this point indicate the organization is beginning to bounce back from its financial woes. The year-end projections appear to be better than what was anticipated. Recent additional cost cutting, higher than expected advertising revenues from the *Pacific Citizen*, and better than projected contributions from the year-end Annual Giving program have helped the situation. Final figures are not in yet but we remain optimistic that the year will end up with a positive balance. The improved fiscal picture does not mean, however, that we change the tight fiscal restraints. To maintain the commitment to regional assistance, the *Pacific Citizen* and the Washington, D.C., office, as well as the traditional programs of the JACL, continued fiscal restraint will have to be exercised.

Membership: One other glim-

mer of improvement seems to be some stabilization of the membership. I have been hearing, and I think our numbers will bear it out later, that members are "rethinking and willing to come back" into the organization. To ensure that we retain our members, we are



YAMANISHI

giving the membership process the highest priority. We have received complaints and are taking steps to rectify our procedures. This means we are reevaluating our computer database system to make sure it runs as efficiently as possible and that it serves the needs of the membership. We changed our procedures for billing to provide more time for members to respond to a dues notice and we are developing procedures internally for more staff redundancy so that almost anyone should be able to handle the most routine calls.

Infrastructure: The greatest challenge now is the rebuilding of the infrastructure of the JACL while maintaining a tight rein on the budget. By infrastructure, I mean that which most people may never know about but which keeps the organization's basic operations and functions running smoothly. Two years ago at this time, the central JACL office had 12 people working. Today we have only five. For a service organization, a 58 percent reduction in the central office means that the central office does not operate as seamlessly as it should. We are

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Seattle's Kip Tokuda named to Washington state committee

Washington State Rep. Kip Tokuda (D-South Seattle) was recently named ranking minority member of the House Children and Family Services Committee.

In his position on the House of Representatives committee, Tokuda will help formulate laws on public programs designed to assist people in need. Among the issues are foster care, mental health services, the welfare system and at-risk children.

The Seattle resident was previously executive director of the Washington Council for Prevention of Child Abuses and Neglect. A member of the Seattle Chapter, JACL, he also temporarily served as the organization's Pacific Northwest regional director.

Tokuda can be reached in Olym-



TOKUDA

pia, Wash. at 360/786-7838 or at 800/562-6000.

MORE APPOINTMENTS: Francey Lim Youngberg named director of Congressional APA Caucus—page 6.

Asian American groups meet to discuss Houston police issues

The Houston Chapter, JACL, along with other Asian American community groups, will meet with local police officials Feb. 1 to discuss issues of concern and to promote communication and cooperation.

Discussions will focus on the Houston Police Department's newly formed Asian Task Force; an explanation of the police policy of taking photos of Asians who are not charged with an offense and are not under arrest; the department's Asian culture presentations to non-Asian audiences; the role and function of the department's community liaisons; an explanation of lawful search procedures; the department's procedures for complaints and the Internal Affairs complaint process; and an understanding of the police chief's responsiveness to the Asian community.

Participating in the program is Daniel H. Watanabe, member of the Houston Chapter. Current chapter President Betty Waki is also one of the event organizers. Information: 713/498-1949.

Reflections

Disaster of Challenger spacecraft recalled—after 10 years

By HARRY K. HONDA
Editor emeritus

When the U.S. space shuttle Endeavour sat on the launch pad at Cape Canaveral for 23 minutes Thursday morning last week (Jan. 11), delayed by a communications problem between the shuttle and Johnson Space Center at Houston, the tragic loss of Lt. Col. Ellison Onizuka, the Challenger and crew of seven astronauts didn't seem to have happened 10 years ago.

What appeared to be a perfect blastoff that cold Tuesday morning Jan. 28, 1986, at 8:39 a.m. PST, had riveted thousands of

Japanese Americans to their TV sets. The Onizuka family was there that morning. The first Asian American astronaut, 39, was making history. The cameras had thoroughly covered the



ONIZUKA

preliminaries, though it was his second space flight. He had been a crew member aboard the first manned military space flight in 1985.

That horrible explosion of an orange and white ball and Y-shape trails of smoke that followed within the first seconds of the liftoff is still etched in memory.

At the P.C., Tuesday is "press date" with a 2 p.m. deadline to have the boards prepared for the printers 12 miles away from Little Tokyo. The fast-breaking news resulted in a hectic last-minute remake of the Jan. 31 front page with a statement from then national JACL president Frank Sato.

The following week, the P.C. carried more messages and details, Pete Hironaka's cartoon appropriately inscribing the names of the seven astronauts as "additions to the cause of duty, honor, country," and Ellison's "Message to Youth" from the National JACL's 1984 scholarship yearbook.

The P.C. didn't report the cause of the 1986 disaster. However, the wire stories last week recalled that the temperature then was 2° C, =36° F, the coldest ever for a shuttle launch. Investigators found the cold had stiffened the O-rings, allowing hot gas

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JACL calendar

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DISTRICT COUNCIL

Sat. Jan. 20—Meeting in the morning, Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church, Bethesda, Md. HOST—Washington DC Chapter.

WASHINGTON D.C.

Sat. Jan. 20—50th anniversary celebration, 6 p.m. reception, 7 p.m. dinner, Fort Myer Officer's Club, Arlington, Va.; info: Lily Okura, 301/530-0945.

Midwest

CHICAGO

Sat. Jan. 20—51st annual JACL inaugural dinner, 6 p.m. cocktail, 7 p.m. dinner, The Inn at University Village, 625 S. Ashland Ave.; info: JACL Office, 312/728-7171. NOTE—Paul Igasaki, vice-chair, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, speaker.

Sun., Feb. 18—Chicago Chapter and the Japanese American Service Committee honor WWII veterans at the annual Day of Remembrance, Heiwa Terrace, 920 W. Lawrence, 2 p.m. The film, "From Hawaii to the Holocaust: A Shared Moment in History" is scheduled to be screened. Information: Midwest JACL office, 312/728-7231.

IMPORTANT

All JACL and Community calendar items must include the following information: what, where, when (date, time), phone number(s) and contact person.

CLEVELAND

Thu. Feb. 22-April 4—Smithsonian's "A More Perfect Union," Heights Public Library, info: Judith Soppel 216/932-3600, Hank Tanaka 216/229-2491, or Yoshiko Ikuta 216/694-4774. NOTE—Grand opening program, Sun. Feb. 25; training workshops on Jan. 8, 23, Feb. 1 for elementary and secondary teachers of American history, social studies by registration at Heights P.L., 2345 Lee Rd, Cleveland Hts, OH 44118, 932-3600. Films (Honor Bound, Days of Waiting, Family Gathering) on Wed. March 27, 7-9:30 p.m., at Cleveland Museum of Art.

DAYTON

Ending Feb. 14—Smithsonian's "A More Perfect Union," Dayton Public Library, 3rd and St. Clair Sts. NOTE—A series of afternoon programs 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

Fri. Feb. 9—Opening reception, Detroit JACL's 50th anniversary photo and artifact exhibit, Detroit Historical Museum, 5:30 p.m. Info: 313/833-1805. Guest: Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer. Sat. Feb. 17—50th Anniversary dinner-dance, Novi Hilton, info: Valerie Yoshimura 313/482-3778. Keynote speaker, George Takei.

ST. LOUIS

Sat. March 2—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.

WISCONSIN

Sun. Jan. 21—Installation dinner (non-football weekend), 3 p.m. cocktails, 3:45 program, 4:45 dinner, Meyer's Family Restaurant, 60th and Forest Ave., Greenfield; info: Renee Murakami, 414/228-6683; RSVP by Jan. 12, Sheri Fujihira 423-1408, Linda Pfaller 774-5687. NOTE—On tap: resolution to adopt a chapter dissolution clause in constitution.

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Community calendar

East Coast

NEW YORK

Fri. April 19—Yamada-ryu Koto Ensemble concert/Lynn Wakabayashi, 8 p.m., The New School/Tischman Auditorium, 66 W. 12th St. Info: World Music Institute, 212/545-7536.

WASHINGTON

Sat. April 20—Yamada-ryu Koto Ensemble concert/Lynn Wakabayashi, 7:30 p.m., Eugene-Agnes E. Meyer Auditorium, Freer Gallery of Art. Info: 202/357-4880.

Midwest

CHICAGO

Sat. March 16—JASC spring event, Kanojo Fashion Show; info: Sunnan Kubose, 312/275-7212.

Sun. April 28—Yamada-ryu Koto Ensemble concert/Lynn Wakabayashi, 2 p.m., Fullerton Auditorium, Art Institute, 111 S. Michigan Ave. Info: 202/357-4880. NOTE—In conjunction with special exhibit of Japanese byobu (screen) from Idemitsu Collection; Ensemble will also perform at the Arts Center student body workshop on Friday, April 26, 10:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at Chicago Public School's only arts magnet school, Marie Curie Metropolitan High School, 4959 S. Archer Ave.

DAYTON
Jan. 4-Feb. 15—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.

Gulf Coast

NEW ORLEANS

Tue. April 23—Yamada-ryu Koto Ensemble concert/Lynn Wakabayashi, 7:30 p.m., New Orleans Museum of Art, City Park, New Orleans. Info: 504/488-2631.

SEATTLE

Fri.-Sun., April 26-28—21st annual Cherry Blossom and Japanese Cultural Festival, Seattle Center; info: Northwest Nikkei, 206/624-4169, 625-1424 (fax). Sat. June 22—50th anniversary Nisei Veterans Committee celebration, Sea-Tac Red Lion Inn. Info: Harry Kataoka, reunion chair, 1212 S. King St., Seattle WA 98144.

TACOMA

Fri.-Sun., Sept. 6-8—Tacoma & Vicinity Nisei Reunion, info: Tacoma—Joe Kosai 206/474-1650, Tadayo Fujimoto 206/564-9485; Chicago—Kaz Horita 312/260-3550; Minneapolis—Gilbert Miyazaki 612/420-8724; Los Angeles—Ryo Muneata 213/732-4834; San Francisco—Fusaye Yoshida 415/591-9505.

Arizona

PHOENIX

Sat.-Sun., Feb. 24-25—11th annual Festival of Japan, Heritage Square, 6th and Monroe; info: Arizona JACL, 602/931-1985.

Northern Cal

BERKELEY

Sat. March 2—Japanese Women Alumnae of UC Berkeley program, 10:30 a.m. registration, 12:15 luncheon, Holiday Inn Emeryville; RSVP by 2-10-96, 415/548-6362. NOTE—Beckie Masaki, co-founder, executive director of Asian Women's Shelter, San Francisco, will discuss her experiences of the 1994 Asian Women's Human Rights Tribunal in Tokyo and 1995 World Conference on Women in Beijing.

SAN JOSE

Sat. Jan. 27—Japanese American Research Center oral history workshop with Darle Iki, JANM life history coordinator, Yu-Ai Kai Community Service Center, info: 408/294-2505

Southern Cal

LOS ANGELES

Through Feb. 11—East West Players' See CALENDAR/page 12

NCWNP schedules Feb. 4 meeting

The Northern California-Western Nevada-Pacific (NCWNP) District Council of JACL will hold a meeting Sunday, Feb. 4, at the Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California.

The event will be hosted by the Golden Gate Chapter, JACL. The program will feature "California's Civil Rights Beyond 1995: Challenges and Issues for JACL" with panelists Pablo Wong, deputy director, Community Relations, Office of Gov. Pete Wilson; Herbert Yamanishi, JACL national director; and Don Tamaki, Sansei attorney and community civil rights leader.

The center is located at 1840 Sutter St., San Francisco, Calif., 94115.

Information: Paul Osaki, 415/567-5505, or Yoshi Nakashima, 415/567-1532. Reservations must be made by Jan. 31.

For the record

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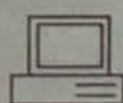
● **Photographs** on page 7, Jan. 5-18, 1996, issue were transposed by the printer. Our apologies to author David Mas Masumoto and smokejumper Stanley Kubota.

● **Holiday Issue ad:** In the San Jose Chapter page, Koshi Shioya's name should have been omitted and replaced by Kathy Takeda's name on the board of directors. The two couples name below the San Jose Chapter ad belonged to the West Valley Chapter.

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From the president

By DENNY YASUHARA

Why JACL will more than survive

Today, JACL is recovering from its most recent crisis, I say most recent, because throughout our organizational history, we have had to deal with crises of one sort or another. Yet, following each of these periods of turmoil, JACL has risen to new heights in its advocacy for Japanese Americans and others. We will not only survive this period of financial and spiritual uncertainty, but learn from our mistakes and bring new vigor, spirit and responsibility into the 21st century... Why do I believe this? ... Because the vast majority of our membership recognize that the battle for equitable treatment is far from over and have maintained their support and faith in an organization that has done much for its constituency in years past. They have not permitted the disagreements and public negativism to sour their vision of all the good that JACL has achieved over the years and believe that the organization will continue to fulfill its duty to its members.

What has sustained JACL today and will do so in the future through good times and bad, is the loyalty of our grassroots members and chapters. This has always been the strength of JACL. Nothing has been more dramatically demonstrated in the past year and 3 months... Leaders come and go, National Board members come and go and so do staff. The one constant throughout all of the unrest and uncertainty has been the core of our membership. They are not weather vanes that change with each shifting wind, but have steadfastly given us of their time, money and support.

How many chapters are falling apart, because of the current crisis? Over \$150,000 was given in Annual Giving monies since November, 1994. This has enabled JACL to begin on its road to recovery.

Expenses were reduced from \$1,504,917 in 1993 and \$1,453,609 in 1994 to \$1,142,790 (projected)

as of Dec. 31, 1995, roughly \$310,000.

Our revenues in 1995 are being projected at \$1,243,136 only \$27,000 down from original projections, but \$230,000 down from 1994.

Given these overall figures, JACL in 1995 still operated within current or existing income.

This was achieved despite: (Please remember these are round numbers for just the "big ticket" items.)

(1) Paying one-time legal and personnel costs as a result of reorganization. (About \$35,000 paid to date.)

(2) Declining revenues from membership (\$100,000), donations/fund raising (\$80,000) and PC revenues (\$40,000, although final totals for the Holiday Issue will reduce this. This revenue loss is advertising revenue loss due to fewer issues of the PC from previous years.)

Major factors that offset the negative budgetary impact of these costs and losses were:

(1) Reduced salary and benefit costs from staff reorganization including the PC. (\$217,000)

(2) 1995 Annual Giving Campaign, (\$65,000) This includes \$15,000 from the 1994 campaign donated earlier this year.

(3) Less monies for National Board and committee meetings, (\$25,000)

(4) Increase in *Pacific Citizen* revenues over 1995 projections (\$40,000)

Please remember these are round figures for major items and some are incomplete, but this does give you some idea of where we stand and how we got where we are. We will report final and more accurate figures to you at a later date, when they become available.

One other point that should be mentioned is that the cost for operations will increase and cannot remain at the levels of 1995. This is reflected in the 1996 budget sent to the chapters. While some

of these costs are one-time costs, the reduction in expenses in 1995 occurred also, because of the positions such as the PSW regional director, headquarters receptionist, and the Washington representative's position were not filled and moving temporary staff to a permanent status will add costs that we did not pay in 1995. Even with these added costs the 1996 budget sent to the chapters is still \$100,000 under that of the previous year and this is a "bare-bone" budget.

Finally, our reserves are still depleted and are about 1/10 of what they should be for an organization and revenues the size of JACL, currently, \$30,000 with some monies set aside for completion of staff reorganization. We must restore our reserves to previous levels. More than \$300,000 of reserve monies were expended in 1993 and 1994. This must be gradually restored, but this cannot be done under existing conditions for obvious reasons. Otherwise, it would be like trying to run our households with no savings or extra cash for unanticipated expenses and living from day to day. We tend to forget that JACL is a business operation, because we are a non-profit service and civil rights organization does not exempt us from prudent business practices. We cannot operate long under these conditions.

There will be a need for a dues increase phased in over three to five years or a stable alternate source of income, if JACL is to operate at an acceptable or effective level of service. I will recommend to the JACL budget committee to consider this in their deliberation from now until our next board meeting.

Finally, we need to mention that this transitional process required that a much greater work

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Yasuhara is JACL national president and a member of the Spokane Chapter.

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Agenda



DONATIONS—The West Los Angeles Chapter, JACL, presents donations to local nonprofit organizations, among the local police department. From left, West Los Angeles bike patrol officer Romero, Dr. Yoshi Setoguchi, Howard Henkes, Police and Community Together Organization; Stephanie Yamaki-Mitsuuchi, Western Region

Asian Pacific Agency; Eiko Iwata, fashion show co-chair; Chieko Inouye, president, West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary; Bill Sakurai, West Los Angeles Buddhist Church president; Jean Ushijima, fashion show co-chair; and West Los Angeles bike patrol officer Wilkens. The donations came a fashion show luncheon held in 1995.

West Los Angeles donates to local organizations

The West Los Angeles Chapter, JACL, recently presented donations to four local nonprofit organizations.

The donations were made possible through a fashion show luncheon held in the summer of 1995. West Los Angeles Auxiliary President Chieko Inouye and fashion show co-chairs Eiko Iwata and Jean Ushijima formally presented checks to:

- The West Los Angeles United Methodist Church, for its Kitchen Remodeling Fund. The check was accepted by Yosh Setoguchi, M.D., chairman of the Administrative Board.

- Western Region Asian Pacific Agency (WRAPP) for its unique programs assisting Asian Pacific clients in counseling, therapy, community education, literacy, family and delinquency situations, etc., through multilingual staff. Stephanie Yamaki-Mitsuuchi accepted the check on behalf of WRAPP.

- West Los Angeles Buddhist Church, for its various youth programs. President of the WLA Buddhist Church, Bill Sakurai, accepted the check.

- Police and Community Together Organization (PACT) for the West Los Angeles

Police Department's Bike Patrol Program in West Los Angeles. PACT Treasurer Howard Henkes, Bike Patrol Officer Wilkens and Bike Patrol Officer Romero were present to accept the donation.

Japan Chapter names new officers for biennium

A new slate of officers has been named for the Japan Chapter, JACL. Heading the

group for the next biennium are:

James Minamoto, president; Jane Kaihatsu, vice president; Shawn Layden, secretary; and Janice Terakawa, treasurer.

Board members are: Kervin Go, Tom Hida, Jack Ishio, Jonathan Kaji, Sen Nishiyama, Bob Ohta, Gary Okamoto, Tsuyoshi Oyabu, Wayne Parton, Ted Shigeno and James Takeuchi.

Minamoto is a Sansei attorney with Anderson Mori Law Offices. Born and raised in New York City, he received his undergraduate degree at Cornell University and his law degree from Pennsylvania Law School in 1984. He practiced corporate and commercial litigation for eight years in New York City before coming to Japan. He was active in the Asian American Bar Association of New York. It is his goal to stimulate the education of and involvement by members on issues of concern to Japanese Americans.

Kaihatsu is an active and longstanding JACL member both in the United States and Japan. She served as president, program, chair, and newsletter editor of the Chicago Chapter. She was also a San Francisco Chapter board member. The new vice president was a Japan Chapter board member prior to her going to Kyoto for a year to study Japanese. She is a Sansei born in Chicago and raised in Park Ridge, Ill.

Kaihatsu was an associate producer and co-writer of the film "Unfinished Business: The Japanese American Internment Cases," with Steven Okazaki, as well as a production manager for Okazaki's film, "Living on Tokyo Time," and other independent film projects. Before coming to Japan she was involved in a career of commercial filmmaking, directing and coordinating television commercials, news, documentary and industrial/education film and video projects.

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YOU NEED JACL

Layden was born in Tokyo in 1961 of an Irish American father and a Nisei mother, raised in Southern California and studied at the University of Notre Dame. He came to Japan to further his education at Sophia University in Tokyo, returned home, then returned to Japan to pursue a fellowship at the Ministry of Education. In 1987, he came back to Tokyo to work as assistant to Akio Morita of the Sony Corporation. He was involved in supporting Morita's activities as Japan fundraising chair for the Japanese American National Museum.

Terakawa, who resumes her position as treasurer, was born in New York, and is currently working as program coordinator for the Council of Local Authorities for International Relations, an organization responsible for the management of the Japan Exchange Teaching Program. Terakawa previously served as a board member of the Hawaii Chapter. She has been in Japan for more than a decade and intends to become a permanent resident.

The installation dinner for the new officers and board members is scheduled for Jan. 24, with featured guest speaker Teresa Watanabe, a *Los Angeles Times* correspondent.

Livingston/Merced installs new officers

The chapter is scheduled to install its new officers at a banquet Jan. 29. Serving as president for a two-year term is Gordon Morimoto. Other officers are Robert Taniguchi, vice president; Leslie Kim Loeser, secretary; Steve Teranishi, treasurer; Chris Masuda, membership-activity chair; Sherry Kaji, scholarship chair; and Grace Kimoto, 1000 Club. The chapter's delegate will again be Steve Teranishi.

In other news, the chapter donated resource books on Japanese American history to the Merced Public Library branches.

These books document the experiences of Japanese American veterans during World War II. Especially noteworthy is the little-known contribution of the Military Intelligence Service, which was provided invaluable and crucial frontline information by Nisei soldiers. The book, *Honor by Fire*, by Lyn Crost, also documents the freeing of the Jews by the Nisei 522nd Field Artillery Battalion from the Dachau concentration camp.

Also included is the documented history of the beginnings of the Livingston Japanese American community in a well researched book called *The Yamato Colony* by Kesa Noda.

In addition, the Merced College and High School District libraries received a National JACL Teachers Resource Book and a copy of a patriotic biography of a Japanese American educator from Florin, Calif., Mary Tsukamoto. Her story begins as a child in a segregated elementary school and ends with a school in a Sacramento school district which is named in her honor. Her book is called *We, the People*.

Sacramento to hold 'Remembrance'

By TOKO FUJII

The Sacramento Chapter, JACL, will observe Day of Remembrance, on Saturday, Feb. 17, 1996 at the Secretary of State's Auditorium in Sacramento. The keynote speaker will be Hiroki Sugihara, son of the late international humanitarian Chiune Sugihara.

At the risk of his and his family's welfare, the elder Sugihara defied the Japanese government during World War II by signing visas for more than 6,000 Jewish refugees from Poland. This act of courage allowed them to escape the fate of more than 6,000,000

Jews who were put to death by the Nazi government. Hiroki Sugihara will introduce *Visas for Life*, the recently translated historical account of his family's courageous act of compassion. A book signing reception will follow his keynote address. Limited tickets and book reservations are available through the Sacramento office at 916/447-0231. Ticket donation is \$10.

In another chapter event, four chapter and community leaders and one organization of the Sacramento area were honored at a Nov. 16 dinner.

Honored were: Tom Fujimoto, a longtime community leader who has been involved with the Kumamoto Kenjin Kai, Sacramento, JACL and the MIS of Northern California; Sam Kaneko, whose service to the Asian Community Nursing Home, the Sacramento Betsuin and the JACL is well known; Kazuo Ninomiya, who has been involved with the Matsuyama-Sacramento Sister City movement and who has been a past commander of Nisei Post 8985 and active in the JACL as well; the Hon. Illa Collin, a member of the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, who has been a strong supporter of the Nikkei of the area for more than a decade; and the Asian Community Center/Asian Community Nursing Home, which has for the past 10 years served the Asian elderly who require nursing care.

Chapter officials were also installed by Northern California-Western Nevada-Pacific Regional Director Patty Wada. The new slate of officers is: Dick Fukushima, president; Lori Fujimoto, vice president; Randy Imai and Erin Komatsubara, secretary; Ralph Sugimoto, treasurer; Royce Makishima and Michael Iwahiro, scholarship; Michael Sawamura, civil rights; Gary Kikumoto, athletics. On the board are Deanna Bican, Miko Furukawa, Richard Sawamura, Toko Fujii, Gene Itogawa, Tom Fujimoto and Alan Kobayashi.

Cleveland holds Asian marrow drive

By SCOTT FURUKAWA

On Nov. 25, 1995, an Asian marrow drive was held in conjunction with the Cleveland Red Cross and the Cleveland Chapter, JACL. This was the first Asian drive conducted in the Cleveland area. The local focus was to find a donor for Tim Nakashige, who is in need of a bone marrow transplant.

Sixty people registered with the National Marrow Donor Program (NMDP). Twenty-nine of those registered were Japanese Americans and their spouses. There was one Yonsei who registered. Donors were required to be between the ages of 18-55 years and in good health. A federal grant underwrites the \$45 individual registry cost for minorities, and the national registry matches funds to pay for registering Caucasians.

Marrow transplants require matching certain tissue traits of the donor and the patient. These traits are inherited in the same way as hair, eye, or skin color and because of this a family member is the best possible match for the patient. But chances are only 1 in 4 for a perfect match. Marrow transplants can be successful in treating leukemia 60-70 percent of the time. Every day, 20,000 Americans are searching for a donor and they must rely on someone of similar ancestry.

There are more than 1.8 million volunteers registered in the national registry, but only 20% are minorities and only 4% are of Asian/Pacific Islander ancestry. A national campaign to help diversify the registry was started in 1994. "Asian/Pacific Islander Donors Save Lives" is the title of the NMDP campaign, which held drives in Northern California, Southern California, New York, Seattle, and Hawaii.

The Cleveland Chapter was rec-

ognized for their efforts in bringing this drive to the Northeast Ohio area. Kathy Vaughn, vice president of the Cleveland Chapter and MDC vice governor brought forth the idea for a drive. Many members of the Cleveland Chapter board and the Japanese-American community volunteered their time in planning and assisting the drive.

Hopefully, this drive will help begin an effort to register more Asians in the Northeast Ohio area. At this time, another drive is planned in the spring and would involve the Chinese-American community to expand the campaign to include all Asians. Information: The National Marrow Donor Program, 3433 Broadway St. NE, Suite 400, Minneapolis, MN, 55413, or call 1-800-MARROW.

Las Vegas notes '95 achievements

By BETTY ATKINS

The Las Vegas Chapter, JACL, and its members achieved a great deal in 1995. Here are highlights:

■ Dr. Edgar J. Wakayama, an Army reservist, was honored at a formal military ceremony at Treasure Island, Calif., on June 3, 1995. A Military Medical Merit Medalion was conferred in conjunction with an induction of Wakayama into the order. The citation reads: "Colonel Wakayama upheld the professional standards for excellence in Army medicine. His professional attitudes and contributions epitomize the highest standards of Army tradition. He demonstrated the superb integrity, courage and moral character; displayed outstanding degree of professional competence and selflessness; and contributed to the betterment of Army medicine."

■ On 26 May 1995, Nevada Gov. Bob Miller honored chapter member George Goto, our past president, at the state capitol in Carson City. Goto received the first annual APCE Award (Asian Pacific Champions of Excellence), presented to 14 outstanding southern Nevada citizens whose contributions and achievements have made positive role models for the Asian/Pacific community of southern Nevada. Goto is one of the founders of the Japanese American Club which subsequently became known as the Las Vegas Chapter of JACL.

■ Dr. Y. Caryl Suzuki and committee members spent countless hours on the Smithsonian Institution's Traveling Exhibition, "Strength and Diversity: Japanese American Women since 1885 to 1990." Grand opening was held at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Marjorie Barricks Museum, on July 28, 1995. Special guests were Fumiko Hayashida and her daughter Natalie; Carol Miura, an artist and art instructor at Rancho Santiago College in Santa Ana, Calif., who presented slides of her paintings; Hiro, an artist from Washington, D.C. painted the Kimono and barbed wires; and Dr. Rita Takahashi, San Francisco State University, lectured on Japanese American women. The other feature attractions included the performance of the chapter's Kaminari Taiko led by the instructor, Doug Muraoka and Ondo dancers, led by Sally Hanagami. The Smithsonian exhibition was housed until Oct. 1, 1995.

■ The first annual APACE Conference (Asian Pacific American Committee for Education) was held at Clark High School on Nov. 3-4, 1995, to discuss issues regarding educating teachers on multi-cultural difference in the Asian Pacific culture.

Learning the different foods, dances and clothing, the conference attracted more than 150 high school teachers from southern Nevada. During the meeting, a portion of the local traveling suitcase exhibit, similar to the Smithsonian's Strength and Diversity, was shown. Schools may request the exhibit for use in teaching about the Japanese Americans in the state since 1885.



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Personally speaking

Lim Youngberg named director of Congressional APA Caucus

Francey Lim Youngberg, an attorney/advisor for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, was named Dec. 21 as the first executive director of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus Institute.

Youngberg, who was employed in the International Unit, Division of Trading and Markets, at the commission, assumed her office Jan. 2. The institute is a non-partisan, nonprofit, educational corporation that was founded in March 1995 to enhance the participation of Asian Pacific Americans in public policy on a national level.

Commenting on the appointment, Chairman of the Board M.E. Chang, Rear Adm., USN (Ret.), a Raytheon Vice President, said, "We are so pleased that a leader of Ms. Youngberg's caliber will be guiding the Institute. She has a record of service to the Asian Pacific American community and the ability to work with both Republicans and Democrats in a cooperative manner. These qualities are just what we need to establish the Institute as a resource for members of Congress, the APA community and the general public."

Congresswoman Patsy T. Mink, Chair of the Congressional Asian Pacific Caucus and a member of the Institute Board of Directors, stated that "Ms. Youngberg has a



FRANCEY LIM YOUNGBERG

difficult but exciting task ahead of her. The board is confident that she will be able to fulfill the great hopes we have for the Institute."

Youngberg was president of the Asian Pacific American Bar Association of the District of Columbia (APABA) from 1992 to 1993 and has served as APABA's coordinator of community outreach since 1993. In those capacities, she has promoted the interests of the APA community with respect to such issues as anti-Asian violence, public safety, crime victim assistance and access for Chinese detainees to interpreters and legal representation.

Youngberg is also the founding president of the Asian Pacific American Educational Fund, the charitable arm of APABA, which provides APA law students from the nine D.C.-area law schools with fellowships, mentors and networking opportunities.

The new executive director is a 1988 graduate of Harvard Law School. She earned a bachelor of arts degree, *magna cum laude*, at Wellesley College in 1985. Before joining the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, she was in private practice with Hogan & Hartson in Washington, D.C., and with Morgan Lewis & Bockius in Philadelphia.

In its January 1996 issue, *The Washingtonian Magazine* named Youngberg one of the 15 Washingtonians of the Year. In 1995 she also received a Trailblazer Award from the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association and was recognized as among the Women Stars of the Bar by the Women's Bar Association of Washington, D.C. She has been honored by the Washington, D.C., Metro Police Department, the Association of Philippine American Women/Filipino American Women's Network and the Korean Association of Greater Washington, for community and public service.

Tashima named to appellate court

A. Wallace Tashima was confirmed Jan. 2 by the U.S. Senate to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. He is the first American of Japanese ancestry to serve at the federal appellate level. A UCLA graduate from Harvard Law School in 1961, Tashima worked in private practice with a Los Angeles firm, then served as deputy attorney general with the State of California and for the past 15 years as a judge on the U.S. district court for the Central District of California. Two other Asian Americans have preceded him at the appellate level: Herbert Y.C. Choy of Hawaii, the first Korean American attorney in the U.S., in 1941 and Theodore



A WALLACE TASHIMA

Tang of Arizona, a Chinese American jurist.

for Museum Service, the highest recognition for an American museum, in October.

Tragic death

Kazuko Ito, 20, of Claremont McKenna College, was a woman of the future, an international communicator who spoke fluent English, Spanish, French and Japanese. Her classmates were shocked to read she was aboard the American Airlines flight 965 from Miami to Colombia which crashed into the mountains Dec. 20. She was going home to Calif. for the holidays. An honor student majoring in economics and international relations and active on campus, she was a second-year international exchange scholar.

Golf course planner

A world-class 36-hole golf complex at Newcastle, Wash., with a 360-degree view that includes Puget Sound, the Olympic Range and the Cascades, has been designed for golf aficionado Scott Oki, a former Microsoft executive who owns a professional soccer team and a country club north of Woodinville, Wash. Land clearing was underway in October at the 350-acre site two miles east of Interstate 405, adjacent to the Cougar Mountains Regional Wildlife Park between Bellevue and Renton, Wash. One 18-hole course (Coal Creek) will be private and the other (China Creek) public, accompanied by a driving range and putting course. Oki said unlike the public course, no homes will be built around the Coal Creek course, no tennis courts or swimming pools, "just golf."

Community service



CAROL YOSHINO

Carol Yoshino of the Chicago Chapter, JACL, will be honored with the Japanese American Community Service award by the Asian Lunar New Year Coalition at its Feb. 10 banquet.

Born and raised in Chicago, Yoshino has been an active member of the JACL for more than 20 years. She has been one of the individuals instrumental in creating a group health insurance plan available to the Japanese American community.

Yoshino is also past president of the JACL Credit Union.

The Asian Lunar New Year Coalition banquet is said to be the largest gathering of Asian Americans in the state of Illinois. Information: May Nakano, 312/561-8944; or Dwight Sora, 708/366-2249.

Heads art museum

Mark Masuoka, the third full-time director of the Nevada Institute for Contemporary Art, 3455 E. Flamingo, Las Vegas, heads a \$250,000-a-year organization founded 10 years ago. A hands-on type, Masuoka spent much of the day with equipment, getting the recent Manual Neri sculpture in place, when a *Las Vegas Sun* reporter came by. Masuoka previously operated a commercial gallery across Circle Park in Las Vegas.

Asian leads SAG

Sumi Haru, who has been on the Screen Actors Guild (SAG) board of directors for 21 years, was elected a vice president of the AFL-CIO last October. She is the first Asian American to hold a post on the labor federation's executive board. She was also the top vote getter (4,290) in the national SAG election for a two-year seat as one of its 12 general membership vice presidents.

In education

Art Kono, who oversees Seattle's bilingual program, thinks the mid-November proposal to centralize students who have limited or no ability to speak English, with their teachers, in one "international" school has logistical and well as legal barriers. Kono commented there is no school in Seattle large enough to accommodate them. Some of the larger groups include 1,520 Vietnamese, 1,040 Spanish-speaking, 598 Cambodians and 466 Cantonese-speaking students, plus Burmese, Icelandic, Hungarian, Punjabi and Eskimo. Kono supports an international school where foreign-language instruction is also available for American-born students. He was pointed to a federal prohibition on segregating students by national origin. The proposal came when Seattle Public School Superintendent John Stanford was visiting a bilingual class. Seattle school board member Alan Sugiyama, who likes the concept, worries that most bilingual programs are in North Seattle, although most bilingual students live in South Seattle.

Retired Chicago high school principal Sam Ozaki continues educating students about diversity and multicultural issues through the annual workshops he conducts at Lake Shore Middle School, Mequon, Wis. He has been telling students about his World War II experiences, first at Manzanar, and then as an infantryman with the 442nd.

Traci Endow chosen as 4th Mike Masaoka intern in D.C.

Traci Mayumi Endo, 23, of Sunnyvale, Calif., has been named the fourth Mike M. Masaoka Fellowship Fund congressional intern for the 1995-1996 term. The awardee, an assistant account executive with Rogers & Associates, a Los Angeles public relations agency, was named by Dr. Tom Tamaki, chairman of the Fund.

"Traci will serve her internship in the office of Rep. Patsy Mink (D-Hawaii) beginning in late February 1996," said Tamaki. "She was selected from a group of outstanding candidates."

Endo, currently a Los Angeles resident, will serve an internship of approximately three-and-one-half months in the nation's capital. She will receive a stipend of \$6,000 from the fund. The Fellowship Fund honors the late Mike M. Masaoka for a lifetime of outstanding public service promoting justice, civil rights and human dignity.

The major goal of the Masaoka Fellowship Fund is to encourage public service, granting awards to educate or train recipients for leadership in public

service.

Endo is a 1993 UCLA graduate, receiving her bachelor's degree in Communication Studies with a specialization in Asian American Studies. A *cum laude* graduate, she made the dean's honor list in 1989 and 1990. In addition, she graduated with College of Honors and was a member of Golden Key National Honor Society (1989-1993).

She has been active with many Asian American organizations, including the Asian American Studies Department, UCLA; Asian Pacific Coalition, UCLA; JACL; Japanese American National Museum; Nikkei Student Union, UCLA; and Young Buddhists Association, Mt. View, Calif.

Individuals who are interested in applying for the next Mike M. Masaoka Congressional Intern Program for the 1996-1997 term, should contact the National JACL headquarters, 1765 Sutter Street, San Francisco, CA, 94115, or call: 415/921-5225, or fax: 415/ 931-4671.



TRACI ENDOW

Kunsho awardees

A number of prominent JACL members were decorated by the Japanese government Nov. 3 for their achievements in U.S.-Japan relations. They include the decoration listed in parentheses:



JOSEPH ALLMAN

Joseph Roy Allman, 73, an Arizona JACL life member and chapter president 1993-94, a career Army veteran, graduate of Army Language School, Monterey, Calif., in 1949-50 in Japanese and again in 1954-55 in Korean, retired in 1964 from military intelligence service. Allman was active with the America Japan Week celebrations in Phoenix, was honored in 1994 as an outstanding citizen of the Arizona Asian American Association, and chaired or assisted a number of Nikkei events including the Gila River camp reunion. (Order of Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays, 5th Class)

Fred Y. Hirasuna, 86, twice Fresno JACL president, twice Central California district governor and contributing editor of the chapter newsletter for 30 years, a lead advocate of the Japanese American redress movement in the '80s, recognized among the leaders in the California strawberry industry with 27 years on the state marketing advisory board on strawberries, a grower-

shipper of fruits and vegetables since 1948. (Order of Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays, 5th Class)

Henry T. Tanaka, 72, of Cleveland, Ohio, former National JACL president. See Jan. 5-18 P.C. (Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette, 4th Class)

A top achiever

In its Jan. 1 editorial picking the best achievers of Puget Sound, *The Seattle Times* congratulated Wing Luke Museum director Ron Chew, who transformed the once-quiet museum with relatively few Asian visitors into a true community museum with such attractions this past year as "Twenty Years After the Fall of Saigon: The Vietnamese American story" in April, and the recent "Visas for Life," an unusual collaboration between Japanese American and Jewish communities about the Sugiharas, who saved Holocaust victims in 1940. Chew received the National Award

Perspectives

California event provides forum for women's issues

By CATHERINE ISEDA

Nearly 7,000 women from all parts of California gathered in the Long Beach Convention Center on Nov. 14 for the 4th Annual Governor Pete Wilson's Conference for Women.

This was my first experience with this kind of conference, and it was an overwhelming experience to see so many thousands of women all in one place. I was amazed and amused to watch the different types of women in all variations of size, shape, style and background.

The morning began promptly with registration and opening greetings by author Iris Dart (*Beaches*) news co-anchor Rosie Allen, and Gayle (Mrs. Pete) Wilson. The presentations from these three attractive, intelligent and sparkling personalities were a very refreshing beginning to the exciting day ahead.

A grand entrance with standing applause honored Gov. Wilson as he was led to his seat. During his presentation he expressed his concern for equality for women and related an example of the support given to one another by women on his staff.

There were 37 seminars covering a wide range of interests. Here are some of the topics:

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- Using Passion to Make Dreams Come True
- Celebrity Connections & the Media
- Technology as a Tool for Growth
- Winning on Appeal—A Perspective From Top Women Lawyers
- Power Behind the Throne—The Role of the Political Spouse.

Marcia Clark, now-famous prosecutor for the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, gave a heartfelt presentation on how abusive relationships at work and home can hinder the growth of our potential and present harmful emotional distress to our self-esteem. She said we must learn to identify our enemies, stay away from them, and not fall prey to becoming a victim to their evil manipulations.



Photos: JEM LEW

Catherine Iseda, right, poses with Gayle Wilson, wife of California Gov. Pete Wilson and one of the speakers at the annual conference for women held in Long Beach, Calif., Nov. 14. The event provided a variety of seminars focused on issues facing women today presented by a number of well known experts in their respective fields.



Marcia Clark, who gained attention during the year-long trial of O.J. Simpson, was the featured speaker at Gov. Pete Wilson's 4th annual conference for women. Clark spoke on abusive relationships.

John Gray, author of *Men Are From Mars, Women Are From Venus*, continues to inform us women that men differ from us in their way of thinking and that we must be aware of this. Men get "angry," whereas women get "hysterical," he said.

The speakers were all very impressive,

and of a caliber well catered to the varied levels of the attendees.

During the luncheon, author Judith Krantz (*Scorpions*) awarded "Call to Action Opportunity Scholarships" of \$5,000 to five recipients.

From my perspective, the purpose of this

conference was to unite professional women, to help spread the message to inform, inspire, encourage, humor and educate each other. I feel that this mentoring works both ways. Teaching what we learn strengthens our knowledge, because verbalizing is sharing inherited treasure; it reinforces our thought. The truly successful, I personally feel, are not only well dressed, well groomed, well mannered and well informed, but also have a kind and generous-spirited personality which is very charismatic, a true quality of a person.

It took considerable organizational skill to keep this number of women maintained in good spirits while moving from seminar to seminar, room to room. It was like observing a gracious version of the Nordstrom Half-Year Sale.

A bird's-eye view of the main room showed several rows of booths and vendors where purchases from jewelry to health spas were available, also several booths of food and drink.

Throughout the day, networking played a major role among the attendees. Like creating a tapestry, networking is weaving a collaboration of threads that makes the cloth stronger and inspires a design worth waiting for.

How to get your goals by getting it together

Marci Wieder, author of *Making Your Dreams Come True*, stressed how passion creates energy, like putting the plug into the outlet. You need to know in what areas your passions lie to become effective. The possible areas are (1) Learning/Teaching, (2) Service Oriented, (3) Creative Problem Solving, (4) Adventure/Risk Taking.

What are the steps for getting started?

- Be clear about your dream—take the time to internalize it.

- Remove obstacles—easier said than done.

- Design a strategy, be creative—where there's a will, there is a way.

- Magic! Share the dream with other people, even strangers; you never know who will help produce that incredible result. Someone out there is just waiting for you.

When to start? Do it now, while you still remember, said Wieder. Have nothing to

wear? Even if your closet is overflowing, you never will . . . just forget you have nothing to wear, put something on and GO!

The difference between a dream, a goal and fantasy? *Adream* is a fond hope or desire, no need to know how you will get it, just know you will. A *goal* is when you set a definite date, tell someone and begin the journey, no matter how hard, till you reach your destination. Often the journey itself is the most memorable. A *fantasy* is an exten-

sion of an exaggerated dream, a way-off, nearly impossible hope or wish with no plans, for example, winning millions in the lottery or marrying the perfect prince.

The bottom line to staying organized? Wieder suggested making a list of things to do on your calendar, not on a "To Do" page that may be overlooked. Have clocks everywhere, then get in the habit of always keeping track of the time. Minimize distractions, increase concentration, she said.

FLORIN

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and Carol Hisatomi was the first woman president, in 1991.

- Upon passage of the landmark 1952 Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act, the chapter promoted and assisted Issei to become naturalized citizens, heretofore denied to them. (The Chinese were granted naturalization privileges in 1943.)

- The Florin Chapter launched the Japanese American oral history project in 1987 in collaboration with California State University, Sacramento, Library Archives. Under the leadership of Marion Kanemoto, 45 completed oral histories are in the CSUS Archives. A complete set also rests in the UC Davis Library.

- \$20,000 was raised by chapter for Redress. The chapter cooperated fully with national JACL over many years to seek redress for the internment.

- Mary Tsukamoto, Florin Chapter charter member, teacher, speaker, human rights activist, published the book, *We, the People: A Story of Internment in America*, with Elizabeth Pinkerton in 1988.

- In 1983, the chapter began its annual Time of Remembrance programs. In observance of Executive Order 9066 each February, these events feature notable, speakers, teachers workshops, children's sessions, videos, photo and document exhibits with Sacramento Nisei VFW Post members participating. The TOR committee is currently chaired by Christine Umeda.

- The Annual Women's Day Forum was initiated in 1991 featuring contemporary health and family issues and currently chaired by Hisatomi, president 1991 and Eileen Namba Otsuji, 1993 president.

- Florin was one of the main sponsors of the "Project LEAN: Low Fat Eating for America Now" program under the leadership of Otsuji. September 1993 was proclaimed "Celebrating Healthy Family Foods Traditions Month" by resolutions from Gov-

ernor Wilson, Sacramento County Board of Supervisors and Sacramento City Council.

- Led by Andy Noguchi, (president 1987 and 1992) Florin JACL worked with other community groups in apprehending and convicting fire-bomber Richard Campos, April 20, 1995, thus sending out the clear message that hate crime and racism will not be tolerated.

The 1996 officers for the Florin Chapter are: President Joanne Iritani, Vice President Irene Uno, Treasurer Sam Kashiwagi and Secretary Judy Fukuman.

CHALLENGER

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to seep out and cause the explosion. This past week, it was 6.6° C. (44 degrees F.) at launch time, warm enough under rules established after the 1986 Challenger disaster, NASA used heaters to protect the O-rings of the booster rockets.

Also noteworthy of the 1996 space flight was news of the successful retrieval of Japan's scientific satellite by Japan astronaut Koichi Wakata, 32, and U.S. mission specialist Leroy Chiao, 35, the Milwaukee-born chemical engineer of Chinese immigrant parents, in a Monday, Jan. 15, evaluating tools and procedures to assemble a space station. Chiao holds master and doctoral degrees from UC Santa Barbara.

Wakata is the third Japanese astronaut with NASA—after Mamoru Mori, 47, and Japan's first woman astronaut, Chiaki Mukai, 43, who were payload specialists—to fly in space. A candidate for space station assembly and operation, Wakata, a native of Omiya, Saitama-ken, was a Japan Airlines engineer until 1992.

The first Japanese in space was Toyohiro Akiyama, the TV reporter who spent a week on the Russian space station Mir in 1990.

The Endeavour is scheduled to return to Cape Canaveral Jan. 20 at 2:54 a.m. EST after circling the Earth 141 times.

Opinions



From the frying pan

BY BILL HOSOKAWA

Dealing with stereotyping

Near the end of a long, wearisome flight recently, I fell into an exhausted sleep. The next thing I knew someone was tapping me on the shoulder. It was the stewardess, a middle-aged motherly sort which, because of seniority rules, one sees frequently on overseas routes these days.

"Would you like some coffee or orange juice before we land," she asked.

Still befuddled by sleep, I looked at her blankly. She spoke to me again, this time slowly, enunciating each word with exaggerated clarity:

"Would... you... like... some... coffee... or... orange... juice... before... we... land?"

Then it hit me. She thought I was Japanese. There were several Japanese on the plane and she thought I was one of them. She thought I didn't understand English and she was trying to be kind, trying to help me comprehend what she was saying.

"Yes," I replied. "Yes, I'd like some coffee." Thinking about it later, I wondered if

I should have said, "Hell yes, Sis, gimme a cup of Java, no cream." That way, there would be no doubt about my nationality.

On another occasion not long ago I went to a luncheon hosted by a Japanese group at a downtown hotel frequently used by Japanese. There was an attractive little blond girl waiting to escort guests into the room. As I approached she smiled prettily and bowed graciously in welcome.

That took me aback. You don't expect that from an American girl in an American hotel. I responded with a slight bow, the way a Japanese businessman would do, and smiled at her the way a Japanese businessman would not do.

Later I wondered if I acted correctly. Should I have said, "Look, Miss, this is America and I'm an American and you're an American and I don't think there's anything in your hotel employees' manual that says you have to act Japanese just because a guest looks like he might be Japanese."

Or was I right in what I did, which was to let her assume that just because someone

looks like a Japanese, he certainly must be Japanese and should be treated like a Japanese.

That, of course, perpetuates the stereotype that one has to be white or black to be American, and all people with Asian faces are Asians. That is the kind of thinking that persists even though people like Judge Lance Ito, to cite a recent high-profile example, demonstrated for all the country that Americans come in a variety of sizes, shapes, colors and ethnic backgrounds. And they don't have to be bowed to.

Would it have been more proper to stop to chat with her and, in a courteous and kindly manner, let her find out without hurting her feelings that not everyone is what he or she might appear to be?

I don't know the answer. What do you think?

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East wind

BY BILL MARUTANI

And a happy one to you

FOR MANY NIKKEI families, the coming-passing of *o-shogatsu* (New Year's) involves festive foods traditionally enjoyed during the celebration of that Season. In our household of empty-nesters, about a week or so before the close of the old year, Vicki begins stocking up on the foodstuffs necessary for a complete fare. When she hauls out that electric mochi-maker, things are coming down to the wire. Residing along the mid-Atlantic coast, as we do, means that essential ingredients are hard to come by; while the Korean-owned grocery stores strive to carry a fairly varied stock of *nihon-shoku* (Japanese) foods—indeed, the one that we regularly patronize asks us for suggestions as to what to stock—there are limitations. And so it is that as we approach the *shogatsu* season, we trek up to Edgewater, N.J., (near the George Washington bridge) where Yaohan has one of its supermarkets stocked with delights galore.

I MUST SAY that for foodstocks catering as they do to the Japanese *kaisha* (company) folks, prices tend to be somewhat stiff. While passing by a table with *matsutake* (pine mushrooms), Japanese women

express pleasant surprise at the \$50 per-pound price: *Ma, hora, yasui desu ne* (Look, see how cheap these are!). Compared to prices in Tokyo, I'm sure they're bargains. *Kazu-no-ko* (herring roe), the same thing: \$60 and upwards a pound. Speaking of *kazu-no-ko*, as a *kozo* (urchin) that (smelly) stuff was urged upon me by my mother, pointing out that one cannot judge a food at least without tasting it. In my adult years, her admonishments took hold and I learned to like the stuff, along with several other early rejects such as *ika-sashimi* (raw squid), *tak-o* (octopus), *kaki*, (raw oysters) and raw clams. So well was the indoctrination that I even (willingly) ate *namako* (sea cucumber) a slippery slimy creature as one would ever hope to see as gustatory fare, or any fare for that matter. Steeped in a sauce of *daikon-oroshi* (grated white radish), *shoyu*, *miso* (bean sauce) and vinegar, it isn't all that bad tasting; the cartilages make a crunching noise in the chewing, adding an auditory dimension to the eating. It has been many years since I've eaten *namako*. Many decades ago, Joe

Oyama (now retired in California) operated a grocery store in New York city, and he had some stashed away in a freezer. I've never seen *namako* on a restaurant menu.

But then, neither do I search the menu for same.

THERE'S SYMBOLISM involved in all this New Year's chow. A few that come to mind: *ebi* (shrimp) with the head intact its torso bent, represented long life; *kuro-mame* (black beans) represented a *mame* (healthy) life; the neatly-tiled *kombu* (sea tangle) invoked happiness (*yoro-kombu*). Then there's *ozoni*, which the *jiten* (dictionary) describes as "rice cake boiled with vegetables (vegetable soup)." An unappetizing and bland description, I must say. The ones I've been used to include *ebi*, *kamaboko* (fish cake), *take-no-ko* (bamboo shoots), *shii-take* (mushrooms)—*matsutake* if one is fortunate enough—*kombu*

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

Letters

More frequent Pacific Citizen can help the Nikkei cause

We in the Chicago area certainly enjoy reading the *Pacific Citizen*. One of the articles, entitled "Common Sense," was the highlight of a discussion regarding having a Japanese American creed for the Sansei. We all stated that we hope that the National Board would appoint a committee to look into this matter.

It is a shame that our national organization could put out a paper, the *PC*, only twice a month. I wish more JACLers would consider contributing to the "Save the PC Project" and, when you do this, our cartoonist, Pete Hironaka, will send you a lithograph poster entitled, "Issei." It measures 21" x 28". Then the *PC* could come out at least once a week to keep us informed about the current events of all JACLers across the United States.

Case in point: Japanese Americans had a chance to put Min Yasui's statue in the Hall of Fame of great American citizens in the corridors of the U.S. Capitol. The contest was, unfortunately, held for only three days and by the time many Colorado JACLers had time to alert other JACLers, it became too late and unfortunately our *PC* was not published in time to get the maximum votes in for Min Yasui.

The hunt for Colorado Hall of Fame Committee came up with eight candidates, one of whom was, of course, Min Yasui, the civil rights leader who fought for redress for the Japanese Americans interned during World War II. Other candidates included Glen Miller, the musician, William Bent, the trader, Big Ed Johnson, former Democratic governor of Colorado—just to name a few.

So you see that due to our inability to get the news out to other JACLers, we were not able to fully participate in getting an important Nisei into the Hall of Fame.

I hope all of you could help by contributing toward getting the *PC* out more frequently.

Dr. Frank Sakamoto
Englewood, Colo.

Points out Asian American leadership in N.J. schools

I have just read your article in the *Pacific Citizen* about the Eastern District Council meeting conducted on Nov. 4, 1995. It is unfortunate to read about an alleged racial comment made by a school superintendent in New Jersey in a newspaper with a nationwide distribution. However, rather than believe that such incidents could be representative of the educational scene in this state, I would like to inform you that two Asian American educators are school superintendents in Union County of New Jersey. Dr. Carol Choy is the superintendent of schools for the Scotch Plains-Fanwood School District and I am the superintendent of Schools for the Hillside Public Schools. I am not aware of many Asian

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Voices

By ROY NISHIKAWA

Keep the faith

During the last five-and-a-half decades the world, America and the Nikkei community have changed—tremendously.

The resulting turmoil and unrest can be understood if one considers the almost irreconcilable conflict of interests due to differences in perception, age, background and—yes—race and ethnicity.

Confusion, disenchantment, misinformation and resentment are apparent in our society.

And JACL is part of that society—in its second winter of discontent.

Under today's conditions it is easy to be negative.

It's much harder—but necessary—to be positive

In the JACL I sense that there is a growing recognition that apathy, avoidance of accountability, lack of oversight and inadequate communication should no longer be tolerated.

I also sense that JACL members are, by and large, tired of discord and want unification.

But this does not mean that we cannot have diversification.

Nor does it mean that we cannot hold to our principles and values.

And certainly this does not mean that board and staff are immune from criticism when appropriate.

In fact, if more members could overcome our cultural leanings toward "not rocking the boat" and not speaking out because we want to avoid confrontation, JACL could become a stronger, more open, more re-

sponsive and more responsible organization.

I also believe that mainstream JACLer's want to go back to our basic reason for existence as defined by our founding forefathers: *The promotion and protection of the Japanese American community.*

At the same time I know that JACL must engage in advocacy for civil and human rights to the fullest extent possible—constrained only by recognizing that our resources are limited. This is reality.

Moreover, any minority group whether African American, Jewish American, Latin American, Native American, Asian American, or whatever, must put self-preservation and future viability on its priority list. This, too, is reality.

And each group must realize that while it can collaborate with others, it cannot be all things to all people. Another reality in this imperfect world.

The dissidents, dropouts and doomsayers are wrong. They lost faith. Their loyalty was limited. They overlooked JACL's history, its infrastructure, its traditions, its accomplishments and its influence.

They put their own agendas ahead of the "good of the organization" and contributed—perhaps inadvertently—to polarization, distrust and loss of confidence.

Believers in JACL must close the divisiveness and must rebuild trust and confidence as first steps toward strengthening finances, membership and internal and external public relations. Not an easy sell in today's changed world.

Although red flags were flying in 1990, the initial defining moment for JACL's current problems was probably the 1993 fall meeting of the National Board when a clique of board and staff members with scant regard for freedom of the press sought to control and censor what was published in the *Pacific Citizen*. The result was the firing of the PC Board chairman. Then—unbelievably—the Board compounded its error by attempting to cover up its own proceedings!! (*Pacific Citizen*, Oct. 1, 1993) Result: Firestorm #1.

The second defining moment (December, 1994) was the new National Board's decision to downsize staff in order to reduce the deficit created by the previous board and staff: Firestorm #2.

The third defining moment was the hasty and ill-conceived press release demanding the resignation of current President Denny Yasuhara (March 18, 1995).

The allegations regarding Yasuhara were tenuous and mean-spirited.

All of this is recent history. I recommend that readers review "Recent History of JACL 101" in the *Pacific Citizen* (1992-1995). The dissidents would prefer that you read stories which they fed to the vernacular press.

President Yasuhara and his new board have been extremely busy in trying to repair damages and restore stability. These tasks have been costly in terms of time, energy and unreimbursed expenses—running in some cases, into four or five figures. This needs to be redressed in the future. Volunteers should not have to pay this

heavily because of their deep commitment.

Fortunately, most of the new board are not sitting on their hands in silence and denial.

They have replaced some staff, they are trying to balance the budget, replenish the Reserve Fund; they have taken steps to develop oversight and controls in order to spot and prevent future management problems. And they are trying to fill committees with new appointments.

These are Herculean tasks because of their extensiveness and because of limited resources.

Despite these efforts there are a few people who are looking for scapegoats. They continue to grumble and to whine.

President Yasuhara is a lightning rod for criticism. He goes with the territory. His responses have been measured, steadfast, patient and dignified. I believe that his travels have energized his supporters who are clearly in the majority.

No, we haven't reached closure on all of our problems. Closure, I believe, will require a full exposition of how and why we got so messed up. Unfortunately, those who could help explain things are now gone, or not inclined to be cooperative, or have retreated into silence.

Not a few people have told me that they were thinking of "dropping out." In every

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Nishikawa is a past JACL national president; past Pacific Citizen Board chair; a permanent member of the JACL Endowment Fund Committee and president of the Wilshire Chapter, JACL.



Voices

By KARYL MATSUMOTO

Accountability and the JACL Reserve Fund

As some of you may or may not be aware, in addition to stabilizing the operations of the JACL, my directives as interim national director were to identify and implement procedures for sound financial management. In my commitment to open up the operations of the JACL to membership, I thought it judicious to attempt to resolve the questions raised relative to the Reserve Fund. I bring this matter to your attention from a most critical standpoint in that there is an inherent lack in the specified policy and procedures and prerequisite checks and balances required for the administration of this fund.

Withdrawals were made from the JACL Reserve Fund and the JACL Investment Fund (the Funds) without the unanimous approval of the Reserve Fund Board (Board). This occurred because the JACL's established procedures to ensure that withdrawals were reviewed and approved by the Board were not followed. As a result, for the two-year period ended Dec. 31, 1994, the JACL's reserve for contingencies was reduced by \$309,000.

Background

National JACL Constitution and By-laws, Article XIV. Budget and Finance, Section 2. National JACL Reserve Fund states as follows:

(a) A National JACL reserve fund shall be established to be used for special contingencies.

(b) Surplus monies, or portions thereof, in

the JACL national treasury at the conclusion of the fiscal year shall be placed in the reserve fund.

(c) The reserve fund shall be administered by a Board of Directors consisting of the President, Secretary/Treasurer and the National Director (Finance Committee).

(d) Withdrawals from this reserve fund shall be made only upon the unanimous approval of the Members of the Board Directors of the fund, and an accounting of all monies deposited therein or withdrawals therefrom shall be included in the annual financial report of the National JACL.

The JACL has established two investment funds as reserves for contingencies. These funds are reported as investments in the general operating fund of the JACL. Withdrawals from the funds are done either by wire transfer or by a negotiable instrument. Transfers between the funds are handled by the investment house.

Withdrawals from The Fund

On Jan. 1, 1993, the Funds' balance was \$350,823, which was comprised of \$157,712 in the JACL Reserve Fund and \$193,111 in the JACL Investment Fund. During the two-year period ended Dec. 31, 1994, \$150,000 was deposited into the Funds, \$100,000 was withdrawn and transferred to the Legacy Endowment Fund and \$359,000 was withdrawn and transferred into the JACL checking account. In many cases, the withdrawals required the conversion of investment securities in order to generate the cash required.

nities. As educators in a "gateway state," we are obligated to provide an equitable and comprehensive educational program for all of its citizens.

*Hiroko Azuma
Miyakawa*

Superintendent of Schools
Hillsdale, N.J.

Commends JACL leaders for action in apparent hate crime

The withdrawals reduced the contingency reserves by \$309,000. As of Dec. 31, 1994, the Funds had a balance of \$66,762, which also included increases in the Funds' market value of \$18,849 and other charges of \$6,090.

Use of Funds

In an attempt to ascertain how these funds were used, files and board minutes were perused for documentation outlining the purpose for these transactions as stipulated in the bylaws. During this two-year period, 12 undocumented transactions were made; seven from the Investment Fund ranging in value from \$25,000 to \$150,000 and five from the Reserve Fund ranging in value from \$15,000 to \$50,000. To date, no records have been located. For the past six months we have been diligently working on re-establishing financial stability and instituting sound business practices; but the concern arises as to what assurances as to the integrity of the JACL's operations does membership have if even the most simple procedures are not followed. I submit this is a very serious problem and one that must be addressed and rectified immediately by the National Board. Reserve funds are to be used for special contingencies such as the ADA work and not to meet payroll and general operating costs.

At year's end (1995) the entire Reserve Fund will total approximately \$31,000. For the record, with the approval of the Finance Committee and the National Board, \$40,000 was removed from the fund in

The recent hate crime that seriously injured a Chinese American in Novato was the most vicious attack to date in Marin County, Calif. The Marin Chapter, JACL, was involved from the onset and helped monitor the crime and facilitated community meetings.

I would like to commend the interim National Director Karyl Matsumoto, Regional Director Patty Wada, and district civil rights committee chair Ted Yamagishi for their support during this difficult time. Their help came in many forms: resource material, hate crime information and guide-

October, 1995, and placed in a special account as partial payment for the former employees' severance settlement. Written documentation to and from the Finance Committee and the National Board is available at national headquarters concerning this transaction.

In order to prudently manage the business affairs of the organization and to maintain accountability, the Board must have the opportunity to revisit revenue and expenses to make the determination as to whether costs need to be curtailed and/or additional funding obtained. **The reserve fund was not established to balance the operating account!**

Recommendations

We recommend that the JACL:

1. Establish procedures and controls to ensure that all withdrawals from the Funds are reviewed and approved by the Finance Committee prior to any transfers.

2. Notify all third-party fund custodians (investment houses) that any withdrawals from the Funds require written approval by all Finance Committee members.

3. Establish policies and procedures to ensure that the use of Reserve Funds are clearly documented by the Finance Committee and included in the annual JACL Financial Report.

Matsumoto served as JACL interim national Director from April of 1994 to Dec. 31, 1994. She is a member of the San Mateo Chapter, JACL.

lines, and their participation at our community meeting.

While JACL is still in the mending stages, it was refreshing for me to see the commitment of these individuals to our mission of ensuring that civil and human rights of all people are not violated.

Dennis Sato
President
Marin Chapter, JACL

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American educators who have assumed chief school administrator roles. The likelihood of two in one county must be very rare.

While the Boards of Education in New Jersey are aware of the diverse student population that must be served, they have been very cognizant of the caliber of leadership needed to meet the challenges of the next century. Dr. Choye and I will be gauged by the quality of education that our schools can deliver to the students and the commu-

Scholarships

San Mateo, JACL, 1996 scholarships

The San Mateo Chapter, JACL, announces its annual scholarship program for 1996 which will award up to \$1,500 to a deserving high school senior from the San Mateo County area who is planning to attend a trade school, business school, college, university, or any institution of higher learning this fall.

The chapter may choose to distribute awards in smaller amounts to more than one recipient, according to Catherine T. Motoyama, chapter scholarship chair and a professor of speech and communication at the College of San Mateo.

The San Mateo Chapter scholarship is open to JACL members and their families. Applications for JACL and youth memberships are available at the San Mateo Chapter office, 415 So. Claremont St., San Mateo, CA, 94401-3323;

phone: 415/343-2793.

Scholarship applications are available from San Mateo County high schools and community colleges, the San Mateo Buddhist Temple, Sturge Presbyterian Church and the San Mateo Community Center, 415 So. Claremont St., San Mateo.

Entering freshman applications and supporting materials must be postmarked no later than March 1, 1996, and sent to the San Mateo Chapter office.

After selection of the local award recipients, the top applicant or applicants will be submitted to JACL headquarters in San Francisco for further judging in the National Scholarship Program.

In its 50th year, the National Scholarship Program will award more than 40 scholarships totalling more than \$40,000.

213/740-1111.

In the past two years, the APASG has awarded more than \$30,000 annually in scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,000. The application deadline for the 1996-97 awards is March 22, 1996.

Applications for the scholarship or APASG membership may be obtained from: Asian Pacific American Support Group, c/o Asian Pacific American Student Services (APASS), USC, Student Union 410, University Park, Los Angeles, CA, 90089-4851; or call APASS at 213/740-4999. Direct inquiries to Jeff Murakami, APASS director.

NSRCF scholarship now available

Nabuko Mizuno, a Japanese American woman who overcame poverty and racial discrimination to complete a doctorate in biochemistry and develop a career in scientific research, has established a scholarship at the University of California at San Diego to support students in need of financial help.

The Shimotori Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship Fund is named for her late father, Shinichiro Shimotori. Using her redress money and an inheritance from her brother, Mizuno made a gift of \$60,000 to UCSD, establishing a fund which provides full tuition fees each year to a California resident who exhibits academic excellence and financial need.

USC group offers '96-97 scholarships

The Asian Pacific American Support Group (APASG) at the University of Southern California is offering scholarships for the 1996-97 academic year to qualified USC undergraduate and graduate students. Awards are based on academic and personal

merit and financial need.

To be eligible, applicants must plan to be enrolled full-time in a USC degree program for the 1996-97 academic year; must have at least a 3.0 grade point average on a 4-point scale in their academic coursework; and must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States. All applicants must also apply for financial aid through the USC Office of Financial Aid,

deficits or capital expenditures such as the required A.D.A. (American Disability Act) improvements to national headquarters. I also take exception to Ms. Liggett's statement that the use of the reserve funds were not done without the knowledge or authority of the National Board. The board did approve the A.D.A. expenditures on the building and to my knowledge, was aware that funds to cover both the A.D.A. improvements and the 1993 operating/budget deficit would come from the reserve fund.

Finally, Ms. Liggett implies in the article that there was a \$187,000 budget deficit in 1994, yet the audited financial statements by the CPA firm Grant Thornton shows an operating (unrestricted funds) profit of \$21,705, not a loss or deficit for the year.

I feel that it is important for me to clarify the statements made in the article so that the membership gets a balanced viewpoint.

Alan S. Nishi

National Board member and past National secretary-treasurer
NISHIKAWA

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case I have urged them to hang in there.

Sure we get tired. Sure, we get frustrated. Sure, there are personality problems. And sure, we feel burnout and some of us have health problems.

But the bottom line still is: **Keep the Faith. Hang in there.**

The viability of JACL is a legacy which must be passed on to future generations. The need for JACL continues.

The San Jose convention this summer will be a challenge not only for our leaders but for all members as well.

The greatest mistake of the 1994 convention in Salt Lake City was the failure to organize and prepare well for the business sessions—a National Board and staff responsibility.

In contrast, the amenities provided by the host committees were superb.

The current National Board

must start to provide information, background and define priorities now in order to avoid the confusing and chaotic conditions which prevailed in Salt Lake City in 1994.

These are personal observations born out of six decades of active and not so active participation in the JACL. I am aware that my perceptions have been influenced by my background and by the teachings of my mentors such as Dr. Tom Yatabe, Saburo Kido, Joe and Mike Masaoka, George Inagaki and Mas Satow. These influences were considerable and could contribute to imbalance and bias on my part.

Because I want to learn more about the current and future status of JACL, I welcome feedback not only from our leaders but from the grassroots:

Roy Nishikawa
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MARUTANI

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bows, and that mochi is first toasted bubbly before being dunked into that steaming broth.

IF YOU CHOOSE to look up *o-zoni* in the *jiten*, look under "Z" and not "O." It's "*zoni*," the "o" being added as a polite honorific. Speaking of honorifics, I'm reminded of a story that Mas Satow, the erstwhile JACL national director, relates about Charlie Kamayatsu, a *Pacific Citizen* staff member. Mas and Charlie were in group touring Nippon, and Charlie had carefully polished his *Nihongo*, being ever so polite, including adding the honorific "o" to make favorable impression upon the Japanese. And so it was that while the tour was passing through exotic Nara, Charlie wished to buy the *mei-butzu* (well-known goods) of *nara-zuke*. Entering a *tsukemono* (pickled vegetable) shop, Charlie reportedly politely inquired of the lady "*O-nara-zuke gozai-masuka?*"

Mas relished that story so much that tears would roll down his laughing countenance.

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The small cities and towns, unless otherwise noted, are all in California.

Akiyama, Tokio G., Culver City, Nov. 2; Gardena-born WWII veteran of 3rd Armored Div., survived by sons David, Steven, Glenn, Russell, daughter Roxanne Baker, brother Yoshio, sisters Mitsuko Yamagishi, Shirley Monahan, predeceased by wife Nagako.

Araumi, Shin, 96, Chula Vista, Sept. 14; Wakayama-born, survived by son Kazuo Matsushita, daughter Shizuka Azuma, gc. and ggc.

Asai, Dix Takuo, 75, Sacramento,

Sept. 24; Walnut Grove-born, survived by wife Harue, son Gene, daughter Yvonne Mizutani, 4 gc.

Asano, Koichi, 75, Torrance, Nov. 19; Oxnard-born 442nd Co. C veteran, survived by wife Setsuko, daughters Sandy Mar (Newark, Calif.), Kellie Bonthron, 3 gc., brothers Hiroshi, Shuji, sisters Yuki Uyeno, Seiko Nakayama (San Leandro).

Asato, Amy T., 92, Los Angeles, Oct. 6; survived by daughter Alyce Stevens, sons Minoru, Osamu, Carl and Shigeru, 12 gc., 7 ggc.

Fugami, Roy S., Seattle, Sept. 20; WWII MIS veteran, survived by wife Irene, daughters Kathy Matsuzaki, Sandy Vanersnick, son Jerry, brothers George, Paul, Mark.

Fukumori, Nancy, 66, Albany, Calif., Oct. 25, survived by husband Taro, son Wes, 2 gc., sisters Jane Hamatani, Minnie Yoshinaga, brother Dan Otsuka.

Fujii Midori, 96, Sacramento, Sept. 25; Fukuoka-born, survived by son Toko,

daughter Chizuye Ito, gc. & ggc.

Fujii, Naomi S., 74, Chino, Sept. 30; La Puente-born, survived by husband Tom, daughters Joyce DePew (Fairfield), Margie Schnepf (Las Vegas), Jean Mumbleau (Ontario), 2 gc., brother Harry Arita, sisters Mary Dan, Ruth Sakatani, Esther Nishiyori.

Fujikawa, Meiko, 81, Gardena, Nov. 11; Nampa, Idaho-born, survived by son Byron, brother Max Iki, sister Beth Amano.

Fujikawa, Sekino, 99, Los Angeles, Oct. 31; Wakayama-born, survived by son George, daughters Masako Fujimoto, Haruko Ohsuga, Teruko Motoyama, Kimiko Kikuchi, 12 gc., 12 ggc., 3 ggc.

Fukuhara, Steve, 51, Gardena, Nov. 5; Nisei, survived by brother Yukio.

Fukumoto, Katsumi J., 79, Los Angeles, Oct. 3; Lomita-born, survived by wife Tomiko, son Kazuo (Carmel), daughter Judy Okita (Washington), 3 gc., sisters Noe (Newport), Toshi Yoshida, Chimi Ohara, Hina Kawabata (Jpn).

Furukawa, Sachiko, 77, Monterey Park, Nov. 15; Seattle-born, survived by husband Yoshikazu, sons Norman, Tamotsu, 5 gc., sister Mitsuko Kawaguchi.

Furuya, Sot, 71, Richmond, Sept. 24; Alameda-born, survived by brothers Yasumasa, Yasumitsu (San Francisco), sisters Mitzie Tarver (San Francisco), Terry.

Hamasaki, Fumi, 96, Mountain View, Nov. 1; Kagoshima-born, survived by son Milton, daughters Kazuko Adachi, Mameko Honbo, 10 gc., ggc.

Hanamoto, Chiyoko, 58, Rosemead, Oct. 5; Okinawa-born, survived by husband Sam, son Terry, daughters Tamiko Morral, Corine Grunwald, Sandie Grunwald, 6 gc., 1 ggc.

Harada, Clark K., 79, Los Angeles, Oct. 1; Riverside-born WWII veteran, survived by brother Dr. Harold, sister Sumi.

Higa, Isei F., 91, Azusa, Oct. 16; Okinawa-born, survived by wife Kaneko, sons Bob, Roy, Dennis, daughters Maebelle Hirakami, Lily, Jean Nakama, Nancy Ikehara, 13 gc., 1 ggc.

Hino, Hatsumi, 99, Gardena, Oct. 27; Hiroshima-born, survived by sons Hiromi, Noboru, daughters Emiko Tsuji, Harumi Inouye, 11 gc., 14 ggc., daughter-in-law Alice Hino.

Hirata, Chiyo, 95, Gardena, Nov. 13; Hiroshima-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by sons Kiyoshi, Shigeru, Tsutomu, daughters Yoshiko Seto, Bernice Nagaoka, Nobuko Hirata, 14 gc., 15 ggc.

Hirata, Masao, 92, Los Angeles, Oct. 31; Kumamoto-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by wife Yoshiko, sons Tak, Yoshio, Hideo, Ken, daughters Shizuko Nakasone, Atsuko Craig, Sumiko.

Hiroshima, Sumiye, 78, Torrance, Oct. 19; Sacramento-born, survived by husband Toi, Nancy Nishi, Susan, 10 gc., 4 ggc.

Hisaki, George M., 86, Stockton, Oct. 6; Los Angeles-born, survived by wife Margie, daughters Jean Terashita,

Judy, son Melvin, 4 gc.

Hoshizaki, Nami, 96, Los Angeles, Oct. 25; Kariagawa-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by sons Takashi, Hiroshi, daughters Yoko Matsura, Toshiko Sugiyama, Kazuko Immish, Kiyoko Penso, 12 gc., 7 ggc.

Ichikawa, Akira, 79, Los Altos, Sept. 22; Oakland-born, survived by wife Chizu, sons Gerald, Donald, Michael, 5 gc., 5 brothers Tom, Lester, James, Ben, Dick, 2 sisters Rose Fukuba, May.

Inouye, Fumi, 89, Gardena, Nov. 15; Kagoshima-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by son Kazunori, 4 gc.

Ishida, Takushi, 70, Pasadena, Sept. 1; Reedley-born 442 vet, survived by wife Aiko, son Steve, daughter Chris LeGagnoux, 4 gc.

Isomura, Shigeo, 73, Anaheim, Oct. 14; Hilo-born Korean War veteran, survived by wife Katherine, son Kenny Itagaki, daughter Sharleen Inouye, Jaimee Itagaki, 2 gc., brothers & sisters in Hawaii.

Ito, Ben Takeshi, 81, Sacramento, Sept. 21; Sacramento-born, survived by wife Ruth, sons Dan, Calvin, daughters Jean Kanenaga, Valerie, gc., brother Kazuo.

Ito, Tom T., 84, Pasadena, Nov. 8; Riverside-born insurance man, Pasadena JACL pres. '54-'55, '60, survived by wife Suzie S., sons Roger, Philip, daughter Patty Nagano, 4 gc., brothers James O. (Laguna Hills), Bill, sisters Tomiye Nagai, Dorothy Shundo (Laguna Hills).

Iwana, Natsuko, 80, Los Angeles, Oct. 1; Reno-born, survived by husband Jiro, brothers and sisters in Jpn.

Iwasaki, Harry M., 72, Long Beach,

Sept. 14; Terminal Island-born, survived by wife Chiyeko, sisters Mitsuko Yamasaki, Michiko Harada.

Iwasaki, Helen T., 76, Marina del Rey, Oct. 25; Guadalupe-born, survived by husband Joe, son Ronald, sisters Margie Fujita, Ruth Minami, Joyce Imai.

Iwasaki, Yukino, 77, Palo Alto, Oct. 20; Fresno-born, survived by daughters

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DEATH NOTICE

FRANK J. KATADA

Frank J. Katada, 77, Maryknoll-L.A. alumnus, died on Nov. 13, 1995 in Chula Vista, Calif. He is survived by wife, Emi; sister, Emiko Doell, nieces and nephews. Funeral Mass was held Nov. 16 in Chula Vista.

DEATH NOTICE

YAYE NITTA

Yaye Nitta, 98, Fukuoka-born passed away on Dec. 27 in New Boston, Mich. He is survived by sons, Stanley (Keyes, Calif.), Clarence (Warren, Mich.); daughters, Anna Shimokochi (Royal Oak, Mich.), Edna Moore (New Boston, Mich.); 20 gc; 20 ggc; 2 gggc.

DEATH NOTICE

KAY K. KAMIMOTO

Kay K. Kamimoto, 78, passed away on Dec. 22 in San Juan Bautista, Calif. He is survived by wife, Yoshiko; son, David of Santa Cruz, Norman of San Francisco, Howard of Palo Alto; daughter-in-law, Barbara of San Francisco; sister, Teruko Takeda of Fresno, Toyoko Masui of Lodi, Mary Yamamoto of San Jose and numerous nieces and nephews.

DEATH NOTICE

ISAAC KIYOSHI ENDOW

Isaac Kiyoshi Endow passed away on Dec. 19 at his home in Sunnyvale, Calif. at age 71. He was born in Portland, Or. He is survived by daughter, Elise Dresser (Mt. View, Calif.); sons, Jonathan (Saxtonville, Mass.) and Eric (Tracy, Calif.); sister, Masako Niimi (Sapporo, Japan); brother, Noboru (Santa Clara, Calif.) and Richard (Portland, Or.).

DEATH NOTICE

HISAKO MIHO KAJIOKA

Hisako Miho Kajiooka passed away on Dec. 11, 1995 in Chevy Chase, MD. She was the loving mother of June (Chevy Chase, MD) and Donald (Williamstown, NJ); beloved wife of the late Albert Juzo; sister of Sumie Kitagawa, Shuichi Miho, Masao Miho, Toki Morioka and the late Chizu Hasebe. Service held at the Japanese Christian Church, Philadelphia, Pa.; interment in Turlock, Calif. in March.

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OBITS

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Yvonne, Bette, sister Kazuyo Osaki.
Jike, M. Jimmie, 84, Los Angeles, Nov. 13; Parlier-born Kibel, postwar Seinan community leader, Order of Rising Sun, Silver Rays awardee, survived by son Richard, daughter Sherry Liu, 5 gc, sister Kumiko Okida (Cupertino).

Kado, David S, 66, Arleta, Oct. 25; Los Angeles-born, survived by wife Mildred, sons Ronald, Marki, Randy, daughter Cynthia, 4 gc., sisters Helen Hata, Yaeko Yamamoto.

Kame, Mitsuko, 82, Los Angeles, Oct. 18; Japan-born, survived by sons Robert, Dr. Rodger, Don, Ralph, daughter Michiko Furuta, 6 gc.

Kanesaki, Seiso, 76, Oakland, Oct. 24; survived by wife Ida, daughters Jean, Gayle, son Donald, 3 gc., sisters Yoshiko Yomogida, Shizue Inouye.

Kaneta, Sakeshi, 65, South San Gabriel, Sept. 24; Hiroshima-born naturalized U.S. citizen; survived by wife Motoko, sons Joseph (Arizona), Paul, daughters Marie, Hiroko Seelert, Yukie Mazur, 5 gc.

Kasuyama, Frank H, 77, Los Angeles, Sept. 16; L.A.-born, survived by wife Shizue, son Dwight, daughters Lynn Yamakawa, Miyeko Williams, 2 gc., brothers Casey, Henry, Akira, Mas, sister Grace Takeda.

Katada, Frank J, 77, Chula Vista, Nov. 13; Maryknoll School '32 alumnus, survived by wife Emi, sister Emiko Doell.

Katayama, Dorothy, 64, Arcadia, Sept. 16; Calif.-born Saneil, survived by husband Joe, daughter Cathy, son David, brother, Frank Naito, sister Sally Yamamoto.

Kawaguchi, Kiyoshi, 75, Huntington Beach, Sept. 20; Shelton, Wash.-

born, survived by wife Mizuye, son Ken, 2 gc., sisters Mieko Tsuchiya, Katsuko Shimamoto.

Kawasaki, Hiroyuki E 90, Monterey Park, Oct. 7; Shimane-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by son Victor, daughter Doris Ono, 5 gc, brother Corky, sisters Frances Makino, Margie Kimura, Miye Narkis, Sally Matsuura.

DIRECTOR

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receiving complaints about lost memberships and billing people when they paid their dues, questions about scholarships, queries about when materials for the National convention will be mailed out, etc. I only ask for your patience as I hire and train permanent people to take over the responsibilities of handling memberships and scholarships and other duties of the organization.

Hiring permanent staff for the positions (membership and administrative assistant and clerk receptionist) that we do have available will help undergird the basic structure of the organization. To ensure that we have a productive, accountable, and fair work environment, the Personnel Committee is rewriting all personnel policies, job descriptions, and administrative procedures. With a dramatically changed work environment, personnel policies and procedures need to be established. Such procedures are the framework by which we all operate in a

fair, just and civil manner.

The other major change that has to be accomplished is a more complete automating of the office to make the few staff positions we have operate as efficiently as possible and to make communications easier. This means upgrading computers in the central office and at all regional offices. At the headquarters, we need to also network the computers so that staff can operate more as a team than individuals. On the communications end, JACL just went on-line. This has already simplified some communications and hopefully reduced some long-distance telephone costs as well. Now, we need to get all regional offices on-line and figure out how we can help all chapters to get on-line. We are currently investigating the group purchasing of Internet access services which may be one part of the solution.

Other equipment systems in the office are also being examined to determine how we can use them more efficiently, including copying, printing and faxing. All of this has up-front costs but in the longer term it can pay off. All we need now is some financial and in-kind assistance. If anyone has a source, let me know.

PRESIDENT

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load was placed on the new staff and those remaining. Moreover, they had to function under trying financial constraints and in an atmosphere of anxiety and stress, not easy in the best of times, much worse under conditions that existed. I am enormously proud of them and the volunteers who undertook much of the "grunt" work that every organization has. Bill Yoshino's role in the initial stages of the transition needs to be noted, because it was particularly stressful and not a pleasant task for him, because of his close relationship with former staff members. His loyalty and help at such a critical time was deeply appreciated. He gave National Headquarters senior staff presence when it was needed.

One person has stood out throughout this transitional year and that was the interim National Director, Karyl Matsumoto. She brought a refreshing spirit and "can-do" attitude... enthusiastic, decisive, and committed to excellence with a candor and sincerity that was apparent to all those

who came in contact with her. One will never realize the long hours and spiritual hardship that she has had to endure and what has been accomplished in her short time with JACL.

Nevertheless, we couldn't have even come this far had it not been for Grayce Uyehara and her indomitable spirit in her Annual Giving Campaign. Ten years from now few will remember that JACL's Ad Hoc Budget Analysis Committee Chaired by Mae Takahashi made us all aware of the real extent of our financial and procedural problems and it is now this awareness that will make us all more responsible in our care of JACL. The pain and anguish of this period will be a forgotten memory except for those who were most directly affected, the former staff and my wife and I.

Change is always stressful, but it need not be fruitless. Therein lies our responsibility. The fortunes of JACL do not lie in the hands of others. It lies with us. The Board and I have tried to do the best we can under not the best of circumstances and now we ask for your help. I and the Board have requested assistance from the district governors and we ask our members to give them the assistance they need, particularly in membership and convention support.

There is no greater time, no greater need for all of us, the members, the National Board, headquarters staff (regional staff included) and the *Pacific Citizen* staff to take this opportunity of change to renew our commitment to each other, to JACL and to the new National Director, Herb Yamanishi, who will need our support to be successful.

CALENDAR

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30th anniversary opener: Wakako Yamauchi's *And the Soul Shall Dance*, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sunday; East West Players, 4424 Santa Monica Blvd; box office: 213/660-0366.

Wed. Jan. 24—Japan American Society public affair, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Arco Plaza Conference Room, 505 S. Flower St. Level C; RSVP: 213/627-6217x17. NOTE—"Past and Future of U.S.-Japan Security Treaty," Dr. Chalmers Johnson, speaker.

Tue. Jan. 30—Mark Taper Forum's Asian Theater Workshop / JANM Play Reading: "Our Hearts Are Touched by Fire," by Edward Sakamoto, 7-9 p.m., JANM; RSVP 213/625-0414.

Thu. Feb. 1—Marco, shakuhachi artist, performance, 7-8 p.m., JANM, 213/625-0414. NOTE—Swiss-born member of famed Ondekoza taiko group for 15 years and now embarked on a solo career.

Sun. Feb. 4—Shin-Hanga: Modern woodblock prints from Japan, 11:30-12:30 p.m. walk-through with Hollis Goodall-Cristante, curator; L.A. County Museum of Art, 5905 Wilshire Blvd., RSVP 213/627-6217x15.

Sun. Feb. 4—MIS-So. Cal. Shinnen-enkai, 2 p.m., Holiday Inn Bay View Plaza, 530 W. Pico @ Lincoln, Santa Monica; info: George Kanegai 310/820-5250, Cathy Tanaka 213/626-0441.

Thu. Feb. 8—LMU/Japan America Society public affair, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Hilton Center for Business, Loyola Marymount University, info: John P. Daly, 310/338-4538. NOTE—"Red Flag over Hong Kong," government speakers from Hong Kong; James Flanagan, L.A. Times.

Thu. Feb. 8—Japanese Butoh/Dance "Chickens in the Sky," 8 p.m., CSULB Carpenter Performing Arts Center, 6200 Atherton St., Long Beach; box office: 310/985-7000.

Thu. Feb. 8—JANM / Wrestling Tigers: Asian American Writers Speak series, 7-8 p.m., JANM, 213/625-0414. NOTE—Emily Porcincula Lawsin and Mark Jue.

Hawaii

HONOLULU

Through May, 1996—JANM exhibit, "The Kona Coffee Story," Bishop Museum, 808/847-3511.

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Sat. Jan. 20—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.

MONTEREY-SALINAS VALLEY

Sat. Jan 19—Joint installation dinner, 6 p.m., Laguna Seca Country Club, Monterey Peninsula JACL hosts. Info: Kazuko Matsuyama.

Pacific Southwest

ARIZONA

Sun., April 21—JACL Scholarship Awards luncheon, 1 p.m., Crown Sterling Suites, 2630 Camelback Rd., Phoenix; info: Mrs. Kathy Inoshita, scholarship committee sec., 5332 W. Golden Lane, Glendale, AZ 85302, 602/937-5434. NOTE—Applications due March 1, 1996.

GREATER L.A. SINGLES

Sat., Feb. 17—GLA Singles, Carson and South Bay Chapters sponsor bingo casino night, VFW Hall, Gardena, corner of 162nd and Gramercy, 7 p.m. Fun, games, food and drinks included. Tickets: \$10. Information: Miyako, 310/839-1194.

VENTURA COUNTY

Sun. Feb. 4—Installation luncheon, 1 p.m., Lobster Trap, Oxnard; info: Harry Kajihara 805/983-2612.

FYI

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The Okura Mental Health Leadership Foundation is offering the opportunity for an Asian Pacific American in the mental health or human services field to work in the White House.

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Application are to be submitted to the Okura Foundation no later than Jan. 5.

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