



Pacific Citizen

National Publication of the Japanese American Citizens League

The value of
affirmative
action—p. 9

(\$1.50 Postpaid U.S.) Newsstand: 25¢

#2802/Vol 122, No. 12 ISSN: 0030-8579

2 Coral Circle, Suite 204, Monterey Park, CA 91755

(213) 725-0083

June 21-July 4, 1996

Film is focus of Northern California forum on race violence

The Color of Fear, a ground-breaking film about the state of race relations in the U.S., will form the centerpiece for a forum on race-hate violence to be held June 29 from 1-4 p.m. at the Enmanji Memorial Hall, 1200 Gravenstein Highway, Sebastopol, Calif. This is the second hate violence event sponsored by the Sonoma County Chapter, JACL. The first, held five years ago, led to the formation of the county's Human Rights Commission.

Said Carol Kawase, chair of the event: "The recent attack on a Chinese American man [in a neighboring county], prompted our chapter to activate our own Human and Civil Rights Committee. And we were lucky enough to get this powerful film to help

structure this forum."

Together with Kawase and committee members Lucy Kishaba, Frank Kobayashi, Mei Nakano and Bruce Shimizu, three community activists will share their experiences and serve as resource persons.

Randy Imai, who, as president of the Sacramento JACL at the time of the firebombing of the local JACL and NAACP offices and a Jewish synagogue, will re-



NAKANO

count his extraordinary experience in bringing the community together to deal with the racism that fueled the incidents.

Similarly, Dennis Sato, president of the Marin County JACL and chair of that county's Human Rights Commission, became the driving force behind forming a community coalition to grapple with the ugly issue of race hate after an admitted bigot stabbed a Chinese man in Novato, where Sato makes his home. Based on his experiences, he promises to suggest possible steps organizations can take to help alleviate hate violence.

Cynthia Hayashi, an educator who serves on the Sonoma County Commission on Hu-

man Rights and heads its Education Committee, will introduce the film and serve as a facilitator for one of the several small discussion groups, along with Imai and Sato and some members of the committee.

"Apart from educating ourselves in how to deal with race-hate incidents, the underlying purpose of the forum is to foster an atmosphere in our society in which uniqueness and differences are respected and appreciated," said Mei Nakano, committee chair. "The film clearly shows how that can be developed. And to paraphrase the film's director, Lee Mun Wah, that climate of understanding is needed if we are ever to have a truly multicultural society based on equality and trust."

Pacific Citizen moves offices

Pacific Citizen will be relocated to another facility a few hundred yards away from the offices it currently occupies in Monterey Park. The move was completely paid for by the management of the business park to accommodate another tenant. The move was scheduled for June 25.

The new address:

Pacific Citizen
7 Cupania Circle
Monterey Park, CA
91755

All phone, fax and e-mail numbers remain the same

Manzanar bill creating land for site passes subcommittee



A GOOD CAUSE—Congressmen Robert T. Matsui, left, and Jerry Lewis, center, receive support from Nikkei leaders on Manzanar bill. With the sponsors of the bill are Sue Kunitomi Embrey, second from left, Rose Ochi and Rear Admiral Melvin Chigioji (ret.)

Measure now moves on to full House Resources Committee

A bill that will authorize land transfers to create a National Historic Site on the former Manzanar Internment Camp passed a key Congressional subcommittee June 13.

The bill was CO-sponsored by Congressmen Robert T. Matsui (D-Calif.) and Jerry Lewis (R-Calif.), both of whom testified on behalf of the project before the subcommittee last month.

It was emphasized that the land transfers would not involve costs to the federal government.

The bill now moves on to the full House Resources Committee before proceeding to the House floor and then onto the Senate for a vote.

"This was an important step in the process toward making the Manzanar Historic Site become a reality," Matsui said. "The support we received today indicates the Congress is well on the way to recognizing the importance of this site to future educational efforts regarding this tragic period in American history."

The Manzanar center was established as a National Historic Site in 1992 but no provisions were included for development of the site.

"This environmentally and culturally sensitive legislation will preserve history for future generations while restoring and protecting some of California's most remarkable natural resources," Lewis said.

L.A. city audit policy oks Nikkei WWII Memorial Foundation

Beginning in July, 1995, the Los Angeles Department of Social Services, which issues fund-raising permits, implemented a policy of conducting an audit of all non-profit agencies seeking to raise funds in the city of Los Angeles.

The 100/442/MIS World War II Memorial Foundation, whose financial records for the past six years were audited by the city earlier this year, received a letter stating they "found no discrepancies in the conduct audit" after a thorough review of

the records and financial statement. The May 28 letter was addressed to retired Col. Young O. Kim, foundation president.

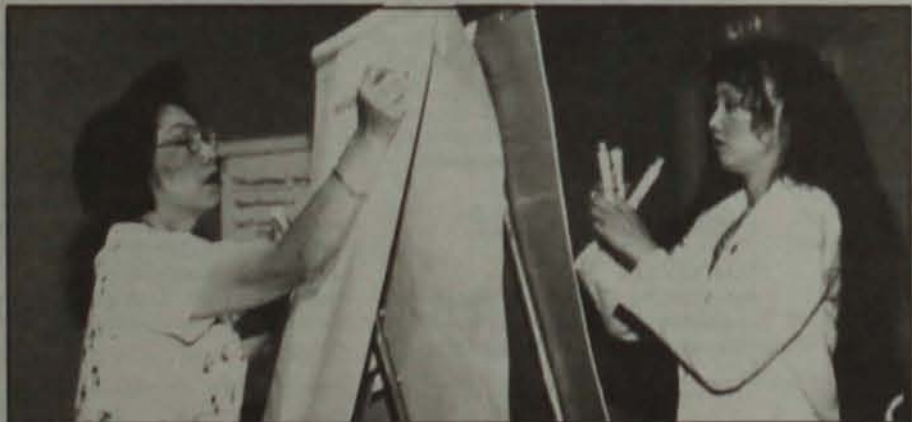
Kim described the audit as painstakingly slow, careful and thorough for the six-year period.

Although outside auditors had been used each year, the Social Service Department ignored those reports and conducted a completely independent audit.

In addition to checking accounting records and the confirming documentation, the senior auditor reviewed foundation minutes to see if the board of directors had formally authorized expenditures and then formally approved payment of the expenditures.

With unanimous approval from the L.A. Cultural Affairs Commission, the Foundation will kick off its multi-pronged fund raising activities with a Sunday luncheon Sept. 1 at the Bonaventure Hotel in downtown Los Angeles. Retired Maj. Gen. James H. Mukoyama Jr. of Chicago, a decorated Army combat soldier serving on the Foundation board of governors, will be the keynote speaker.

Tickets are \$75. Information: Foundation Office, 310/327-4193.



Setting up shop

Phyllis Murakawa, left, and Karen-Liane Shiba help out at workshop sessions of the Pacific Southwest District leadership conference, "Eye to the Future," held May 31-June 2 in Los Angeles. Stories, pages 4-6.

Legacy Fund grants now available

Applications for 1996 Legacy Fund Grants are available through the JACL Pacific Northwest Regional Office (Karen Yoshitomi, regional director, or Nobu Sugai at 206/623-5088). Applications must be sent to the Legacy Fund Grants Committee, in care of the JACL Pacific Northwest Regional Office, 671 South Jackson St., Suite 206, Seattle, WA 98104, and postmarked by Friday, Aug. 30.

96 JACL National Convention



34th BIENNIAL JACL NATIONAL CONVENTION

AUGUST 6 - 11, 1996 FAIRMONT HOTEL, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

For more information, please call (408) 295-1250 or FAX (408) 295-1291

6 weeks until the convention

Non-member Readers

Get all the news and features from across the country
SUBSCRIBE TO THE PACIFIC CITIZEN

Please send the Pacific Citizen for:

1 yr/\$30 2 yrs/\$55 3 yrs/\$80

Allow 6 weeks for address changes and new subscriptions to begin.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

All subscriptions payable in advance. Additional US \$22 for postage per year for overseas subscribers. Checks payable to: Pacific Citizen, 2 Coral Circle, #204, Monterey Park, CA 91755

JACL MEMBERS

Change of Address

If you have moved, please send information to:
National JACL, 1765 Sutter St.,
San Francisco, CA 94115

Allow 6 weeks for address changes.

Note: To avoid interruptions of your PC subscription, please
notify your postmaster of your change of address
(USPS Form 3575) to include periodicals.



Pacific Citizen

2 Coral Circle, Suite 204, Monterey Park, CA 91755

Tel: (213) 725-0083 • Fax: (213) 725-0064 • E-Mail: paccit@aol.com

PACIFIC CITIZEN (ISSN: 0030-8579) is published semi-monthly except once in December by the Japanese American Citizens League, 2 Coral Circle, #204, Monterey Park, CA 91755. Annual subscription rates: JACL members: \$12 of the national dues provide one year on a one-per-household basis. Non-members: 1 year — \$30, 2 years — \$55, 3 years — \$80, payable in advance. Additional postage per year—Foreign: US \$22; First class: U.S., Canada, Mexico: US \$30, Airmail Japan/Europe: US \$60. (Subject to change without notice).

National headquarters: 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA 94115. (415) 921-5225

Editorial, news and opinions expressed by columnists other than the National President or National Director do not necessarily reflect JACL policy.

Second-class Postage Paid at Monterey Park, CA, and at additional mailing offices.

POSTMASTER: SEND ADDRESS CHANGES TO: Pacific Citizen, 2 Coral Circle, Suite 204, Monterey Park, CA 91755.

News/ad deadline: Friday before date of issue

Editor/General Manager: Richard Suenaga

Editor Emeritus: Harry K. Honda

Business Manager/Advertising: Kerry Ting

Pacific Citizen Advisor: Bill Hosokawa

JACL President: Denny Yasuhara

National Director: Herbert Yamanishi

PACIFIC CITIZEN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chair: Mae Takahashi

Patricia Ikeda Carper, MDC

Gary Mayeda, NYSC

Mollie Fujioka, NCWNPDC

Dr. Frank Sakamoto, MPDC

Sam Shimoguchi, PSWDC

Jane Arima Schumann, PNWDC

Clyde Nishimura, EDC

Silvana Watanabe, IDC

E-Mail PC at: paccit@aol.com

JACL LEGACY FUND

The Gift
of the
Generations



● Yes, I want to help build the future for Japanese Americans. Please accept this contribution to the "Gift of the Generations."

☐ \$20,000 and over ☐ \$5,000 - \$9,999 ☐ \$500
☐ \$10,000 - \$19,999 ☐ \$1,000 - \$4,999 ☐ \$200
☐ Other \$ _____

● My contribution to the Legacy Fund: \$ _____

● I would like my gift recorded in memory of:
(HONOREE) _____

● I am unable to contribute at this time, but would like to pledge:
\$ _____ in 19 _____

Your Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone _____

JACL District/Chapter _____

Please make your tax deductible contribution payable to:

JACL Legacy Fund
P.O. Box 7144, San Francisco, CA 94120-7144
Phone: (415) 921-5225

JACL calendar

National JACL

AT SAN JOSE

Tue.-Sun., Aug. 6-11—34th biennial National Convention, Fairmont Hotel, 170 S. Market St., San Jose, Calif.; info/brochure: San Jose JACL Office, 408/295-1250. NOTE—Workshops all day Sat., Aug. 10; Nihonmachi walking tour with Dr. Tokio Ishikawa; booster tours to Yosemite, San Francisco Bay, Monterey-Carmel; Whing-Ding/Homecoming. [JACL Convention block of rooms at Fairmont Hotel are all booked. Check with JACL Office for alternate accommodations.]

Eastern

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Tue., July 2—Frank S. Baba Invitational Golf outing, 9 a.m. tee, Montgomery Country Club, Laytonsville, Md. Registration \$85 (for greens, cart rental, lunch plus) info: Hank Wakabayashi 301/881-7390. NOTE—Mr. Baba, legendary Mr. Golf in the WDC area, suffered a stroke last year, recuperated in Southern California and returned in March. This may be the last opportunity to enjoy a round of golf with him, as he and his wife Fumi are planning to relocate to California.

Midwest

CHICAGO

Fri., July 26—4th annual JACL golf tournament, 9 a.m. tee-off, Pinecrest Golf Club, Huntley; Roy Iwata, 847/825-3029, Tom Teraji, co-chair; Entry checks payable to Chicago JACL, 5415 N. Clark St., Chicago IL 60640. NOTE—\$60 fee includes cart; 50 golfers on first-come

basis.

CLEVELAND

Chapter Board meets 2nd Mondays, Buddhist Temple.
Sun., June 23—Scholarship luncheon, 1:30 p.m., Shinano's; info: Hazel Asamoto, 216/921-2976. Note—Co-sponsors: Cleveland Japanese American Foundation.
Sun., Aug. 4—Chapter community picnic; place to be announced. Info: 216/921-2976.

Sat., Nov. 2—Annual JACL Holiday Fair, 3-8 p.m.; Central Euclid Middle School. Info: 216/921-2976.

DAYTON

Sun., July 7—Community picnic, Wilson Park pavilion, 2-6 p.m., West Carrollton. Info: Don Hayashi, 513/890-2729 (h).
Sun., July 28—Pre-convention session, 2 p.m., location to be announced. Info: Ron Katsuyama, pres., 513/294-8815.
Sun., Sept. 8—General meeting, Convention report, 2-6 p.m., United Methodist Bldg., 601 W. Riverview Ave., Dayton; info: Ron Katsuyama, 513/294-8815.

Sun., Oct. 20—General/Election meeting, 2-6 p.m., United Methodist Bldg., 601 W. Riverview Ave., Dayton; info: Ron Katsuyama, 513/294-8815.

Sun., Dec. 15—Christmas party, 2 p.m., United Methodist Bldg., 601 W. Riverview Ave., Dayton; info: Ron Katsuyama, 513/294-8815.

ST. LOUIS

Sat.-Mon., Aug. 31-Sept. 2—A/N Japan Festival.

TWIN CITIES

Chapter Board once a month, preceded by potluck dinner; 7-9 p.m., open to visitors; info: Joanne Kumagai, chapter president, 612/537-8076.

Community calendar

Midwest

CHICAGO

Coming in 1997: Smithsonian's "A More Perfect Union" traveling exhibit, Jan. 25-March 3. Local committee in formation; info: Chicago Japanese American Historical Society, Yoji Ozaki, pres., 4954 N. Monticello, Chicago 60625, 312/267-6312. NOTE—Artifacts, craft material, documents pertaining to camps, resettlement, wartime military service needed for exhibit.

CLEVELAND

Sun., June 23—Scholarship luncheon, 1:30 p.m., Shinano's; RSVP Sets Nakashige, 216/842-0443; Mae Kanno, 216/481-1850.

Sat., July 13—Japan Society of Cleveland's Tanabata Festival, Asia Plaza; info: Hazel, 216/921-2976.

Sat.-Sat., July 20-27—U.S. Goh Congress, John Carroll University; details: Duane Burns, 216/729-5251 or Harold Lloyd, 216/382-0752, haroldlloyd@delphi.com.

Sun., July 21—Obon Festival, 10:30 a.m., Buddhist Temple, 1573 E. 214th St., Euclid; info: Hazel, 216/921-2976. NOTE—Also the Fall Food Bazaar, Oct. 19-20.

Sun., Aug. 4—Japanese American community picnic, 10:30 a.m., Furnace Run in Summit County Metro Park; info: Hazel 216/921-2976.

Sat., Aug. 24—Children's program, 11 a.m., Asia Plaza; info: Joyce Theus, 216/582-5443. NOTE—Co-sponsored by Cleveland JACL and Japan Society of Cleveland.

Pacific Northwest

PORTLAND

Sat., June 29—Annual Seattle NVC and Portland ONV golf tournament, 11 a.m. tee-off, Glendover Golf Course, Portland; Seattle info: Joe Yada 206/722-0776.

SEATTLE/KING COUNTY

Sat., June 22—50th anniversary Nisei Veterans Committee celebration, 6:30

social hour, 7-9:30 dinner, 9:30 - dance; Sea-Tac Red Lion Inn; info: Harry Kataoka, reunion chair, 1212 S. King St., Seattle WA 98144.

Sat., July 13—MIS-Northwest Assn. 15th anniversary luncheon, noon, Bellevue Red Lion Hotel; info: Roy Inui, 206/868-7935.

TACOMA/PIERCE COUNTY

Fri.-Sun., Sept. 6-8—Tacoma & Vicinity Nisei Reunion, info: Tacoma—Joe Kosai, 206/474-1650, Tadaye Fujimoto, 206/564-9485; Chicago—Kaz Horita, 708/668-9337; Minneapolis—Gilbert Miyazaki, 612/420-8724; Los Angeles—Ryo Muneata 213/732-4834; San Francisco—Fusaye Yoshida, 415/591-9505.

Nevada

LAS VEGAS

Thru June 1997—"Beyond Gum San: a History of the Chinese in Nevada," 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily, Nevada State Museum, 700 Twin Lakes Dr., Lorenzi Park.

Sat., Aug. 10—Obon Festival, noon-5 p.m., Cimarron-Memorial High School, 2301 N. Tenaya Way, Las Vegas; info: Fred Fukumoto, 702/362-3742.

RENO

Sat., July 27—2nd Sierra Folklife Festival, Wingfield Park; info: Asian-Pacific American Northern Nevada and Reno JACL, Cindy Lu, 702/827-6385.

RENO-POSTON I

Mon.-Wed., Oct. 7-9—Poston I High School graduates - former students reunion, Eldorado Hotel / Casino. Info: So. Cal.—Aki Amato, 310/364-8685 or 541-4648; Nor. Cal.—Yosh Ouchida 408/251-3397, Mich Fujishin (e-mail) mich3@aol.com. NOTE—Monday mixer, Tuesday dinner, Wednesday breakfast; slot and golf tournaments.

Northern Calif.

MARYSVILLE

Fri.-Sun., Aug. 23-25—Fifth Marysville Area Nikkei Reunion; info: Frank Nakamura, 15 E 15th St., Marysville, CA

Mountain Plains

HOUSTON

Sun., June 23—Fun in the Sun, 2 p.m. till dark, Sut Olshi Beach House; details: 461-8074.

NEW MEXICO

Sat., June 22—20th anniversary banquet gala, 6:30 p.m., Marriott Hotel, Albuquerque; info: Darrell Yonemoto, 505/888-4167. NOTE—All past presidents being contacted.

Intermountain

MT OLYMPUS

Thu., July 18—Board meeting, 7 p.m., Dr. Dan Oniki res.; info: 801/277-9855.

SALT LAKE CITY

Sat., Aug. 24—"J.A.s in Utah Centennial" program includes Asian history/Kanojo fashion show, banquet, Salt Lake Hilton; info: 801/359-2902.

NCal-WN-Pacific

DISTRICT COUNCIL

Tue., June 25—Welcome reception for Herb Yamanishi, National JACL Director, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Japanese Cultural & Community Center, 1840 Sunset St., info: Patty Wada, 415/921-5225. Note—Co-sponsors, Golden Gate and San Francisco chapters.

Sun., June 29—Summer DC session, San Francisco.

DIABLO KELEY

Sun., June 23—Tri-chapter family picnic, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Pleasant Hill Park; info: Tamiko Nimura 510/526-1539. NOTE—With Contra Costa, Diablo Valley.

95901. NOTE—format: Friday mixer, golf, fishing, Colusa tour, Reno trip, Saturday banquet.

PALO ALTO

Mon.-Fri., June 17-28—Medaka no Gakko cultural summer school K-6, 9 a.m.-12:30, Palo Alto Buddhist Temple, 2751 Louis Rd.; info: 415/494-1733.

SACRAMENTO/TULE LAKE

Thu.-Sun., July 4-7—Tule Lake Pilgrimage, buses scheduled to depart Thu. from San Francisco; San Jose, Oakland and Sacramento, welcome dinner in Klamath Falls at Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT), camp tour Fri.-Sat., Memorial service Sun. with dinner on the road; info: 916/339-1541; Seattle: Stan, 206/725-1676; Oregon: Lois, 503/343-7795; Los Angeles: Thomas, 213/764-9418. NOTE—Co-sponsors: Tule Lake Committee, NCRR, Sansei Legacy Project; Registration—Tule Lake Committee, Box 170141, San Francisco, CA 94117, 415/863-8141. \$225 fee includes bus, OIT dorms double occupancy and two meals; special rates for seniors, youth, low income.

SAN FRANCISCO

Through Aug. 11—"Mingei: Two centuries of Japanese folk art," 10 a.m.-4:45 Wed.-Sun., Asian Art Museum, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco; visitors' info: 415/379-8801. NOTE—A landmark exhibit of folk craft from Edo and Meiji periods; also open Tue. thru July 28.

Sun., July 7—Nisei Widowed Group meeting, 2-4 p.m.; info: Elsie Uyeda Chung 415/221-0268, Margaret Iwai-Fy 510/724-6247.

Sat., July 13—NJAHS 15th anniversary tribute, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Radisson Miyako Hotel, San Francisco; RSVP by July 8, 415/431-5007. NOTE—1 p.m. panel discussion: Nikkei in Baseball, with Kerry Nakagawa, film producer-curator of Fresno exhibit, "Diamonds in the Rough."

Small kid time



Gwen Muranaka

Criteria for redress public education fund proposed

WASHINGTON—Criteria for proposals to be funded by the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund were announced by the General Services Administration. Written comments are to be submitted on or before July 10 to the CLPEF Board, attn. Calvin R. Snowden, 7th and D Streets SW, Room 7120, Washington, DC 20407, 202/708-5702, fax 202/708-4769.

The Notice of Temporary Grant Regulations, published in the *Federal Register* June 10, stressed that the proposed 14 criteria are not listed are not in priority order. Grant proposals to be evaluated will utilize the following general rules:

(1) Projects must be consistent with the stated intent and purposes of Civil Liberties Act of 1988 and the mission of the CLPEF Board. (see PC May 3-16, p. 1.)

(2) Applicants must have and demonstrate the capability to administer and complete proposed project within specified timelines and comply with CLPEF board

policies and other applicable federal requirements.

(3) Applicants must have experience, knowledge and qualifications to conduct quality educational and/or research activities related to the exclusion and detention of Japanese Americans.

(4) Projects should be designed to maximize the long-term educational, research and community development impact of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988.

(5) Projects should build upon, contribute to and expend (sic) the existing body of educational and research materials on the exclusion and detention of Japanese Americans during World War II.

(6) Projects should include the variety of experiences of the exclusion and detention of Japanese Americans during World War II.

(7) Projects should link the Japanese American exclusion and detention experience with the experiences of other populations so that the causes, circumstances, lessons, and contemporary applications of

Workshops set for August, September

Nikkei community and JACL leaders were reminded this past week by the Office of Redress Administration (ORA) that just two years remain until the "sunset date" in August 1998 to complete the redress filing process. Workshops in August and September are being planned throughout the country to assist claimants, assuming a significant interest warrants their specific scheduling, according to ORA administrator DeDe Greene.

Community organizations have until July 1 to estimate the number of people in need of assistance through a workshop, such as those with current claims pending with ORA or who need help with documentation necessary to complete their file.

A schedule of workshops is expected in July.

this and similar events will be illuminated and understood.

(8) Applicants are encouraged to involve former detainees, those excluded from the military areas, and their descendants in the development and execution of projects.

(9) Applicants are encouraged to develop a national strategy and plan for raising the level of aware-

ness and understanding among the American public regarding the exclusion and detention of Japanese Americans during World War II so that the causes and circumstances of this and similar events may be illuminated and understood.

(10) Applicants are encouraged to develop a strategy and plan for reaching a broad, multicultural

population through project activities.

(11) Applicants are encouraged to develop local and regional consortia of organizations and individuals engaged in similar educational, research and community development efforts.

(12) Applicants are encouraged to coordinate and collaborate with organizations and individuals engaged in similar educational, research and community development endeavors to maximize the effect of grants with respect to: (a) Impact on geographic regions; and/or (b) impact on institutions, public policy, or culture; and/or (c) impact on academic field or discipline.

(13) Applicants are encouraged to utilize creative and/or innovative methods and approaches in the development and implementation of their projects.

(14) Applicants are encouraged to seek matching funds, in-kind contributions or other sources of support to enhance their proposal.

More Nisei GIs may be in line for Medal of Honor

Legislation that was created to recognize recently deceased Lt. Col. Richard Sakakida, who carried out heroic acts that would have merited the Medal of Honor and other high awards in most circumstances, has also opened opportunities for the Army to review all Distinguished Service Cross awards given to Asian Americans and native Pacific Islanders who served in World War II, to upgrade these awards to the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Sen. Daniel Akaka (D-Hawaii) introduced a bill to amend the

Department of Defense Authorization Act for 1996, which was enacted into law Feb. 10.

Akaka said, "The internment of Japanese Americans during World War II is a clear indication of the bias that existed at the time. This hostile climate may have impacted the decision to award the military's highest honor to native American Pacific Islanders and Asians, particularly Japanese Americans." Military intelligence veterans who were active between Jan. 1, 1940, and Dec. 31, 1990, will also be afforded the opportunity to seek

awards or decorations for which they may have been overlooked due to the secrecy of their missions.

Some 52 Nisei in the 100th/442nd were awarded the DSC, including 1st Lt. (now Senator) Daniel K. Inouye of Hawaii, Capt. Young Oak Kim of Los Angeles, Staff Sgt. Kazuo Masuda of Santa Ana, Calif., T/Sgt. Shinyei "Rocky" Matayoshi of Kauai, Hawaii, Staff Sgt. Kazuo Otani of Visalia, Calif., Pfc. Harry Madokoro of Watsonville, Calif., Pfc. William K. Nakamura of Seattle, Chester

Tanaka's pictorial history, *Go for Broke*, lists 51 by name, rank and unit as of time of action.

Matayoshi now of Chicago, only wore the Silver Star with oak leaf cluster, having explained to the *Pacific Citizen* that his discharge paper does not show a DSC having been awarded, nor has he the

desire to pursue the matter. However, this was corrected several weeks ago when he was awarded the DSC after 50 years.

T/3 Hoichi Kubo (MIS), who climbed into an enemy cave on Saipan to rescue civilians, was

See MEDAL/page 10

ALOHA PLUMBING

Lic. #440840
—SINCE 1922—
777 Junipero Serra Dr.
San Gabriel, CA 91776
(213) 283-0018

Los Angeles Japanese Casualty Insurance Assn. COMPLETE INSURANCE PROTECTION

Alhara Insurance Agency, Inc.
250 E. 1st St., Los Angeles 90012
Suite 700 (213) 626-9625

Funakoshi Insurance Agency, Inc.
200 S. San Pedro, Los Angeles 90012
Suite 300 (213) 626-5275

Ito Insurance Agency, Inc.
Howe Bldg. 180 S. Lake Ave., #205
Pasadena, 91101
(818) 795-7059, (213) 681-4411 L.A.

Kagawa Insurance Agency Inc.
360 E. 2nd St., Los Angeles 90012
Suite 302 (213) 628-1800

The J. Morey Company, Inc.
One Centerpointe Drive, Ste 260
La Palma, CA 90623
(714) 562-5910 (408) 280-5551

Ogino-Aizumi Ins. Agency
1818 W. Beverly Bl, Ste 210, Montebello 90640
(818) 571-6911, (213) 728-7488 L.A.

Ota Insurance Agency
35 N. Lake Ave., Pasadena 91101
Suite 250 (818) 795-6205

T. Roy Iwami & Associates
Quality Ins. Services, Inc.
241 E. Pomona Blvd.
Monterey Park 91754 (213) 727-7755

Sato Insurance Agency
340 E. 2nd St., #300, Los Angeles 90012
(213) 680-4190

Tsunelshi Ins. Agency, Inc.
250 E. 1st St., Los Angeles 90012
Suite 1005 (213) 628-1365

Charles M. Kamiya & Sons, Inc.
dba Kenneth M. Kamiya
Insurance
373 Van Ness Ave., Suite 200
Torrance, CA 90501 (310) 781-2066

Frank M. Iwasaki Insurance
121 N. Woodburn Drive, Los Angeles 90049
(213) 879-2184



DELIGHTFUL
seafood treats
DELICIOUS and
so easy to prepare

MRS. FRIDAYS
Gourmet Breaded Shrimps and Fish Fillets
Fishking Processors, 1327 E. 15th St., Los Angeles, (213) 746-1307

TELESERVICES

Convenient and safe banking service by
Push-Button Telephone from your home
or office 24 hours a day, everyday.

- Transfer money between Union Bank accounts.
- Pay Union Bank loans or credit cards.
- Pay various credit card (department stores, gasoline, Master card, Visa card issued by others)
- Utility payments.
- Verify deposits or checks paid.
- Stop payments.
- Information about Union Bank's various services.
- You can designate payment or money transfer dates, up to 90 days in advance. So, you don't have to worry during when you are traveling

Call the nearest Union Bank branch or Teleservices at

1-(800)532-7976

for more information.



Union Bank

Member FDIC

- You must register for payment or money transfer.
- Payment cannot be made unless you have sufficient funds in your account.

The JACL-Blue Shield Health Plans



Blue Shield
Health Plans
available
exclusively
to JACL
members

- Choose either of two health plans: HMO or PPO
- A wide range of benefits such as:
 - Professional services and hospitalization benefits
 - Dental coverage
 - Vision care benefits
- Extensive HMO and PPO physician networks
- Worldwide emergency coverage

Join the JACL-Blue Shield health plan backed by over 30 years of Blue Shield experience. JACL members 18 and over may apply.

For More Information, Please Call Today:

1-800-400-6633

THE SHIELD HEALTH PLANS
Blue Shield of California
An Independent Member of the Blue Shield Association

Yes! I want to know more about the JACL-Blue Shield of California Group Health Plan for: () HMO () PPO

I understand that JACL membership is required to obtain this coverage.

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone() _____ () Work () Home

Send To:

JACL-Blue Shield of California Group Health Trust
1255 Post Street, Suite 805, San Francisco, California 94109

PSW conference

Learning about LEADERSHIP

More than 100 JACL members and guests attended the May 31-June 2 conference sponsored by the Pacific Southwest District Council. Attendees listened to experts who talked about the social and political landscape of Southern California and beyond. They participated in lively workshop sessions where they learned a variety of skills that will help them as individuals and in organizational work . . .

Speakers



ANGELA OH

By RICHARD SUENAGA
Editor/General Manager

Talking about times that are difficult, imposing and perhaps even oppressive, Angela Oh, lawyer, civil rights leader and well-known Los Angeles community activist, opened up the PSW conference with sum-

Make your voices heard, says community leader

moned but guarded optimism about the state of the world.

The speaker pointed to—one hand—the growing number of Asian Americans in this country and their potential yet unfulfilled political clout—but on the other—the looming and widespread incidents of anti-Asian American sentiment and restrictive immigration issues. Rhetorically, Oh asked, "Is it better or worse? My life, if nothing else, is part of a larger whole. I hope to give you small energy, some optimism. Don't give into the pessimism."

Oh got rid of her own pessimism fast: "The California Civil Rights Initiative is not about civil rights, not about leveling the playing field, or equal opportunity," she said.

The controversial issue has created confusion within the Asian Pacific community. "It's not just a California issue," Oh said, "but a movement on the national level. We must vote no on the CCRI."

More pessimism: Asian Pacific American males are 7 to 10% fewer in positions of management than their white counterparts.

But all is not lost. Oh said that Asian Pacific Americans "must educate themselves, be on the same page, work together."

"Step forward, make your voice heard," she emphasized. "Because of our numbers, we can be the swing vote or make a difference. We can influence major social issues."

Make multiculturalism work, says speaker

Staff report

In a city beset with violence and cultural clashes, the only chance we have is collaboration, said Joe R. Hicks, executive director of the Multi-Cultural Collaborative.

The speaker, who's learned about what works and doesn't work in the civil rights cauldron of Los Angeles, said that "it's all about collaboration and coalitions, about bringing yourselves together." In a time of ethnic conflict, tension and violence, cooperation is the only way out.

Los Angeles, Hicks said, has more cultural diversity than most cities—and at the same time, more confrontations than any other. "I've lived in L.A. all my life," he said. "I have a love-hate relationship. L.A. can be a model for social justice and racial cooperation. That's the goal;



JOE R. HICKS

we have the best opportunities to do it here."

The problem, Hicks said, is that the city and its residents have not handled that growing diversity very well. After two of the worst civil disturbances in the history of the country, the

first in 1965 and the second in 1994, "grave concerns, economic despair, cynicism, xenophobia and ethno-centricism are rampant," he said.

The speaker pointed out that discrimination could be used as a wedge issue. In the case of Asian Pacific Americans, the model minority myth could be used to alienate other minorities.

"Do not engage in divisive politics," Hicks warned. A recent study, he added, confirms that Los Angeles is heading toward tribalism and ethnic warring, a city deeply divided.

The only chance is a healthy approach to racial tension. All minorities must be included in discussions, Hicks said. "American politics is growing mean and intolerant. The answer is a mutual commitment of sharing, of spreading the wealth, power and responsibilities."

In media, Asian Americans still face problems

Tritia Toyota, one of the most well-known Asian American newscasters in Southern California, talked about the future of the medium and how Asian Americans were doing in the up-and-down business of news.

The speaker has had a good view—as a former anchor for KNBC and now with CBS and also as a co-founder of the Asian American Journalists Association, based in San Francisco.

"AAJA was created because of the problems we were all facing [as Asian American journalists]. It grew out of an affinity, friendships, the need to talk to others facing the same kind of issues," Toyota said.



TRITIA TOYOTA

These problems, she added, have not gone away.

"In job advancement, we've gotten our collective foot in the door. The supervisors know, if given equal opportunity we can be in management. But there are very few of us. The glass ceiling exists."

Toyota said that job retention is another concern of the AAJA. "One-third of AAJA journalists say they're going to leave journalism because of lack of advancement," she said. "Many complain of racial stereotyping by management."

In terms of TV coverage, the newscasters said that Asian Americans and AAJA must redouble its efforts to push for

See MEDIA/page 11

Teamwork pays off for successful conference

Close to 20 PSW District veterans programmed the 1996 Leadership conference, "Eyes to the Future," held May 31-June 2, in Los Angeles. More than 120 people attended the conference, according to PSW officials.

"The JACL leadership conference was a tremendous success," conference co-chair Karen-Liane Shiba proclaimed. "We attracted a pan-Asian cross-section of conference participants, provided workshops to teach effective leadership skills and inspired participants to address issues such as affirmative action."

Chris Leong, president of Southern California Chinese Lawyers Association, was pleased by JACL's "well-designed and truly multicultural event" and the wide range of Asian American organizations at the conference, which emphasized teamwork. "Asian Americans need (teamwork) in order to address common concerns, such as affirmative action," he said. "Each Asian community does not have enough votes to be effective, but with teamwork, we can make a difference."

Stephen Liu, president of the Asian Professional Exchange,

a nonprofit group of some 600 young Asian American professionals in Los Angeles County, added, "The camaraderie that I developed with individual JACLers will allow me and JACL to work together on future projects."

The weekend conference was funded in part from proceeds of the PSW District event held December, 1994. Conference consultant Phyllis Murakawa hailed the event as a "fabulous success." Certificates of achievement were presented to some 75 participants.

On the committee were: Karen-Liane Shiba, National JACL vice president for 1000 Club and membership services, PSW District secretary; David Kawamoto, PSW District governor and event co-chair; Linda Hara, program chair, and Susan Iguchi, Midori Watanabe Kamei, Carol Kawamoto, George Ogawa, Ron Osajima, Christine Sato, Hiromi Ueha, B.J. Watanabe, May Yamamoto; Gary Mayeda, Wayne Nagata, publicity; Miki Himeno, registration; Al Muratsuchi, PSW District regional director, and Carol Saito, PSW District administrative assistant.

Media workshop

Journalists show how to use media effectively

By HARRY K. HONDA
Editor emeritus

At the "Lights . . . Camera . . . ACTION!" workshop, top Southern California Nikkei media pros explained what makes the front page of a newspaper or a spot on radio-TV news, and why. It was a rare inside look of day-to-day operations in the newsroom.

Nancy Yoshihara, English section editor at the *Rafu Shimpo*, described the operations of the vernacular newspaper in its 93rd year of publication. She recommended the ethnic community press as perhaps the immediate and surest avenue for well-written news releases. The *Rafu* is now embarking on going Internet.

An up-to-date listing of Nikkei newspapers from the Japanese American National Library, P.O. Box 590598, San Francisco, CA 94159, was also distributed.

Representing the mainstream media, Karen Wada, a 17-year veteran at the *Los Angeles Times* and now an assistant managing editor, recognized their "challenge to get down to the community and to reach the ethnic and wider readership." The challenge facing major newspapers must also answer: "What would interest the readers the most?"

Her *Times* colleague, Nancy Yoshihara, editorial page assistant editor, co-founder of Asian American Journalists Association and now its Los Angeles chapter president, related a totally differ-

ent side of a newspaper—the role of the editorial and "op-ed" pages. She continually scouts the ethnic papers for opinion pieces that deal with current issues.

Meanwhile, she said, they get 100 op-ed pieces a day. The *Times* may not cover an event, "but we are aware, so let us know," she



MAKING A POINT—Nancy Yoshihara of the Los Angeles Times shows how editorial page is put together.

advised.

On an important JACL issue, she advised an appointment be made with the editorial board (meaning her), preceded by a letter or news release, to express the organization's position.

Clara Young, public affairs director and talk show host for the past four years at Korean Broadcasting station KBLA, recently debuted her program on the more powerful radio station, KFI. Young ran a talk-show exercise with call-ins (the circle of participants in her session) who were responding to "What do you feel when I say—Japanese American?" If an answer was too straight or unemotional, the caller was immediately but politely cut. To elicit an answer from a reticent caller, she asked: "What's the problem?"

As an opener, Gordon Tokumatsu, KNBC-TV news reporter

who remembers his TV work in Sacramento, noted a high school student will have seen 18,000 hours on TV by the time he/she graduates, and 12,000 hours spent on books, acknowledging the responsibility his media faces. Unlike the print media, TV is driven by the "story angle," which means news, drama, conflict and interest. "It's like what we learned in English literature," he remembered.

An important key to community groups seeking TV coverage is the "picture," whether it was worthwhile to dispatch a crew to the event, Tokumatsu pointed out.

"Then coverage does not always guarantee it will air as it can be overtaken by breaking news stories," he cautioned.

TV sports reporter Robert Fukuzaki, now weekend sports anchor at KABC-TV, Channel 7, described his rise from Hawaiian TV. "It was like making it from the minors to the major league, which is either New York or Los Angeles," he said. As one leadership conference participant later assessed, that was an important point of reference to remember—that the Asian Americans in front of and back of the TV cameras are operating in the major league in Los Angeles.

Workshop: political connections

Learning from example

Get involved in politics say veterans and experts

By HARRY K. HONDA
Editor emeritus

The experiences of Torrance City Councilman George Nakano and California Assemblyman Nao Takasugi, both longtime JACL leaders in their home areas, were the focal points of discussion in the session titled "How to Become Politically Active."

Leading the workshop theme were consultants Trisha Murakawa and Ron Wong, of Lang, Murakawa & Wong, a corporate representative, Audrey Noda, who reviewed the roles that individuals and organizations can play in the game of politics.

Nakano, the first Torrance Chapter, JACL, president in 1983-84, related how he became politically involved when he appeared before City Hall officials for Gardena Valley Japanese Cultural Institute, which was building its senior housing project, since part of its land was in Torrance. The city gave its unanimous approval.

"So, I was practically drafted to serve in South Bay area because of JACL," he remembered.

As a city councilman, Nakano happily recalled his role to get the Torrance City Council among early municipalities on record in support of the redress bill. The action was interpreted in some circles to counter the stance of then South Bay area congressman, Rep. Daniel F. Lungren, vice-chair of the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians, who had voted for the apology and restitution of positions lost, but not its monetary aspects.

Nakano also pinpointed the value of identifying problems, organizing groups to move on issues, and being accessible. He closed by wanting to see more Asian Americans involved in the community.

Now the lone Asian American in the State Capitol, Assemblyman Takasugi of Oxnard opened by saying he is looking forward to November when two more Asian Americans might win. "We could then form an Asian American legislative caucus," he said.

Takasugi was a businessman who knew community betterment called for involvement. He started as JACL chapter president in 1948 while running the family market and raising his family of five children in the meantime, before serving the city politically (nonpartisan) 25 years later.

Takasugi's civic enterprise began as city planning commissioner in 1974-76, six years on the city council and 10 more years as mayor that included chairing the eminent U.S. Conference of Mayors. He and his wife Judy felt like newlyweds hunting for an apartment in Sacramento after being elected in November 1991 to the State Legislature, he once remarked.

Speaking before potential leaders, Takasugi (R-37th Dist.) encouraged the young people to

spend a few years in political life.

Audrey Noda, longtime aide to former State Sen. Art Torres, now California Democratic party chairman, stressed the important obli-

Congressional X District and painted fairly complex cameos of the two candidates.

To gain a working feel for a successful campaign, the group



DISCUSSION—Talking about political involvement are, from left, Audrey Noda, George Nakano and Nao Takasugi.



CHARTING—Trisha Murakawa of Lang, Murakawa and Wong talks about financing in developing a political base.

gation that organizations have in the community and in politics. "Organizations keep the politicians informed of important issues as well as spelling out local commitment," she added.

Now an intergovernmental relations manager with Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Noda acknowledged the helpful tenor the Latino community groups had exhibited, which was bolstered by actions from coalition groups. "These (coalition-networking) are very important steps

was divided in half, with each side attempting to elect its candidate. Mark Greenblatt of Venice-Culver spoke for "Marsha J., Democrat, 48-year-old educational consultant." John Kinoshita, a recent graduate from Washington University, St. Louis, added a campaign slogan. APAN JACL leader Gary Mayeda rendered a spirited spiel for "Bert A., Republican, 36-year-old proprietor of an industrial waste management company."

The make-believe district was

"Organizations keep the politicians informed of important issues as well as spelling out local commitment."

—Audrey Noda

in a state campaign," she quickly added. Not to be ignored are the need to raise funds and lobbying and being aware of the important organizations on a given issue.

When a questioner asked why there was no "political machine" in the Asian American Pacific Islander community, Noda said she felt the issues had to be identified first before that happens. And the power generated by the number of voters, and people in the area, knocking on doors, are other determining factors.

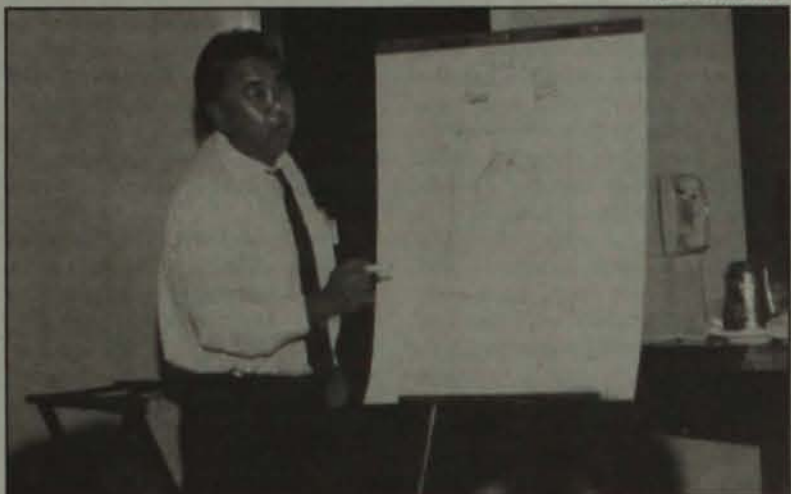
Winding up this session were facilitators Murakawa and Wong with a campaign management workshop, intended to show the different facets of strategizing a campaign. A fact sheet outlined the political facts, described the

diverse: 20% Asian, 30% white, 40% Latino, 10% black. The 225,000 registered voters were 50% Democrat, 42% Republican and 8% other; the total 525,000 population was 30% over age 60, 35% between 35-59; 20% between 18-34, and 15% under 18. Religious preferences (35% Catholic, 35% Protestant, 5% Jewish, 20% other), union memberships (50%), average family income (\$38,000) and previous election turnout (20% overall) were also considered.

Issues of concern during the time allowed to work out the campaign were crime (unspecified), gangs, increasing property taxes, parks and libraries being closed, shortage in city/county revenue, underground water contamination and bilingual services.

Speech workshop

Photo: JEM LEW



IN ACTION—Warren Furutani illustrates a point about speech-making.

Speaking out: Say something important—and say it loud

By RICHARD SUENAGA
Editor/General Manager

With waving arms, pointing fingers, stalking feet and booming delivery, Warren Furutani asayed the fine art of speaking.

He should know. He's been doing it with style for years as the former chair of the Los Angeles Board of Education and now as executive director for the Asian Pacific Fund.

Talking to the group of PSW conference attendees as if he were in his own living room, Furutani quickly lined up his pointers:

- Have something to say. "If you don't, sit down and shut up and let those who do get up and say it."

- Say it loud. "The key is communication—not to convince," he said. "You're lucky if people agree with you. That's gravy. Your responsibility is to communicate."

- Get experience. "Take every chance you get to speak."

- Eliminate all barriers: That means, in particular, coming out from behind podiums. Come out from behind it and mingle with your audience, he said. "The worst thing is a talking head, there's no animation or gestures, just a face. Get out, use your body, arms and legs."

- Find a common ground. "Use everything you can to connect," Furutani said. "Make eye contact, connect, eliminate barriers. A speaker has to go to the audience."

- Know microphones. Good speakers know where they are and how close to them you must be for effectiveness. Furutani says he scouts the room in advance to check them out.

- Preparation: "The amount of preparation is equal to the amount of confidence."

- Have a work-in-progress speech. Develop a basic speech in your area of expertise, he said. Continue to add to it with new information and material.

- Some tips: Prioritize your information. A good speech consists of preparation and content and analysis (e.g., statistics, comparisons), organization, presentation and feedback or constructive criticism. "A good speech must have

substance," he said. "It's not good enough just to be eloquent, articulate and funny."

In organizing a speech, Furutani pointed to the elements of a good talk with a beginning, middle and end. "Each has a definite purpose. But the beginning is most important. Get their attention. Get obstacles out of the way. Be loud."

The ending is also important. "Leave them with an emotional appeal," he said. "Leave them with a tear in their eye. Appeal to them, connect with them."

Keynote speaker Angela Oh, whose speaking experience ranges from intimate courtrooms to addressing throngs of people in outdoor settings, sat in on the session and was asked for her own tips.

"There are many opportunities in different types of venues," she said. "You don't always have to speak by yourself. You can be on a panel. That's a good way to start. Be part of a forum."

Another key is maintaining a resources file, which includes clippings from newspapers and reports from such organizations as Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics, she said.

"Ask yourself what kind of group or audience you're speaking to," Oh said. "Are there any events or incidents that are happening here? What's the age group? Is there a gender focus?"

Another aspect: "Don't be dirty or nasty or too negative," she said. "You'll lose your voice."

Oh said she doesn't "scope out an audience as much as Furutani does, and added that she's willing to speak to a hostile audience. "They're growing day by day. I've been able to get through to them on occasion."

In the question-and-answer session, Oh made a couple of more good points:

- "Watch for annoying habits like flipping your hair or saying, 'uh' all the time."

- "If you're on television, realize that there's not a lot of time to make a point. You also never know what the questions are," she warned. Talk show formats, however, are often worthwhile because a person can get a block of time to engage an audience, she said.

NEXT ISSUE:

—"Personal Growth through Leadership"

—"Conflict, Change and Collaboration"

—"Fund-raising, Friendraising and How to Get Support"

Reflections

A Denali grand slam!

Nikkei rounded up for event in open spaces of Alaska

By HARRY K. HONDA
Editor emeritus

ANCHORAGE—For the 14 "outside" JACLers and MISers who ventured for the first time to Alaska, the Memorial Day weekend culminated with a "Denali Grand Slam." Translation: Sighting, all in one day, Mt. McKinley, caribou, moose and grizzly, plus the fox. Not many visitors are so fortunate to clearly see all these on a single trip. Diehards determined to see the mountain may return four or five times before their mission is accomplished.

For the mostly Southern California Nisei group—one couple hailed from San Jose—the six-hour mini-tour of Denali National Park began at 7 a.m. Tuesday, May 28, from the park's visitor center. It had rained slightly the previous night—most welcome, as it's been dry this year in Alaska—but the sky was quickly clearing at 4 a.m. sunrise, brightening hopes of seeing Mt. Kinley, or *Denali*, the Great One, as the natives call the tallest mountain peak in North America.

The chance of clearly sighting Mt. Kinley, some 85 miles distant from park headquarters, at any time is said to be 15%.

The first sighting came at 11 a.m. while approaching the Toklat turnaround point of a 40-mile trek. The peak was all white, of course, against a blue haze, with a gray cloudy puff at the 2 o'clock position and the view was that distant, Denali looming over the dirt road running between two hills in the foreground. Our wildlife checklist included bald eagles, ptarmigan, Dall's sheep and lambs, Arctic ground squirrels, and numerous birds whose names were not noted.

The 253-mile eight-hour run from Anchorage to Denali on the Alaska Railroad had offered a diner and a dome car, rural landscape, the woods, mountain ranges, wetlands with numerous beaver dams alongside the tracks, rivers and frozen lakes. On this run were ethnic Chinese tourists from Malaysia and Kuala Lumpur, listening to MISer Mits Usui tell

442nd VETS MEET—Mark Hiratsuka (Co. D, 100th), left, a Japanese-Eskimo Alaskan, sings the 442nd Infantry "Fight Song," with Hawaii-born Don Seki (Co. L, 442nd), now of Long Beach, Calif., at the Japanese American Gathering hosted by Alaska JACLers near Anchorage.

about Japanese American contributions and the Nisei war record—the kind of information he shares with visitors at the Japanese American National Museum where he is a volunteer docent.

It was a first for Mark Hiratsuka (Co. D), the Japanese-Eskimo 442nd veteran, now a retired fisherman, singing the 442nd Fight Song together with another 442nd veteran, Don Seki (Co. L) of Long Beach, Calif. Before Hiratsuka plucked his guitar, the question first asked was: "What company were you with?"—the ice-breaker among Nisei veterans. Don rendered three verses, Mark hummed one. His son, Mark Jr., a

school principal in Valdez, Alaska, proudly introduced his dad by recounting a bit of the history of Japanese in Alaska. They were part of the impromptu program at the Japanese American Gathering, which was thoughtfully prepared by Alaska JACLer Sylvia Kobayashi and her MIS vet husband, Hisao "Koby," a prewar Imperial Valleyite, on Saturday night at Alyeska Resort Prince Hotel.

The final night in Anchorage featured a Chinese dinner at the Golden Pond; thanks to tour agent Charlene Sheau Ling Russey for alerting the chef and to the gustatorial spirit of fellow adventurers for insisting on a taste of native Alaskan delights. On the menu were deep fried hooligan, Alaska King crab and steamed black ling cod covered with chopped green onions and a touch of ginger. Tastiest part of the hooligan was its crisp skin—like chicken only less cholesterol—and the sweet white flesh. King crab never tastes this way in Los Angeles, one connoisseur confided. We Californians found familiar Chinese vegetables missing from their vegetable dish—it's too costly to have them shipped in by air, of course. And hothouse cultivation could be just as expensive. Bean sprouts are local, as was the tofu.

Hooligan, an oily smelt, is the corruption of its proper name, *eulachon*, as Alaska writer Mike Doogan explains in *How to Speak Alaskan*. Schools of hooligan flow into the inlets with the tide. Not just fishermen with lines, nets and pails crowd the sandy banks to catch this tasty fish, but the beluga whales, golden eagles and seabirds

are there, too. The hooligan season ends June 15.

The Memorial Day weekend also kicked off the Alaskan salmon season with its unique one-catch only limit over three days in the favorite southern rivers on Kenai Peninsula. The rule says once you catch a king, you're done for remainder of the day; no catch-and-release. Fish and Game explains that the fewer fish intercepted, the more swim upstream to spawn.

Two-day cruises to view the wildlife and glaciers on Kenai also satisfied any yen to be on the waters. The best introduction to Alaska was the two hours spent at the Anchorage Museum. Its "Alaska Gallery" of dioramas, artifacts, art, photos and history lives on in the \$6 guidebook purchased at the museum shop.

It was cold at sea, being buffeted by blasts off the glacier ice. In the city the outside temperature ranged between 40 and 65. Curiously, on our third day in town, Fallbrook, Calif., made news in the *Anchorage Daily News* in a big way with a splashy picture in color of a downtown street white with hail after a freak storm.

Next time, we'd like to see the Northern Lights.

Remembering a Japanese bombsite in Oregon

Japanese Americans who have hailed the recent 50th anniversary year ending World War II (1945) are capable of recollecting the major chronicles of that war, but how many can recall an incident of a Japanese bombing in Oregon on Sept. 9, 1942?

This remote event might not rate so much as a footnote in the history of the world's greatest conflict. So, how can we be expected to remember?

A Japanese seaplane, piloted by Lt. Nobuo Fujita on a psychological warfare mission, was launched from a submarine to drop incendiary bombs in the Siskiyou National Forest. A fire was ignited but did not spread, due to dampness of the forest and fog that night. So Fujita dropped another bomb close by outside Port

Orford three weeks later, where the fire's smoke was spotted by a lookout and snuffed out by fire fighters.

I can remotely remember the incident.

Only by chance, it was brought to my attention when the Rev. Richard Nishioka of the Japanese Presbyterian Church handed me a newspaper clipping dated Sept. 12, 1992, headlined, "Japanese pilot who bombed Oregon makes peace gesture." Curiously inquiring, I learned his family had visited the site last summer "to see for themselves." He provided information on how to reach the site.

The Nishiokas traveled on Oregon coast highway US 101 to Brookings, then 5 miles east on Chetco River Road to U.S. For-

By HIRO NISHIMURA

estry Service Road 1025, then 13.5 miles to the Wheeler Creek Research Natural Area parking lot. They hiked eastward 1/8 mile to the trail head ... arriving at the Japanese bomb site which is mentioned in one line in *Prejudice, War and the Constitution* by tenBroek, Barnhart and Matson.

The story of the Oregon bombing, relegated into obscurity by the war in Europe and in the Pacific, would have remained unknown and forgotten had it not been for the Nishioka family uncovering the memorial at the bombing site. It drew national attention when the former pilot returned to Oregon in 1962, but this time his mission was peaceful.

While attending the Brookings Azalea Festival, he surrendered his 400-year-old samurai sword—the one he carried on his 1942 raid—to the mayor (Tom Davis), proclaiming that the gesture was the "the finest possible way of closing the story to pledge peace and friendship." A photo of Fujita and his sword appears with the Associated Press story.

Continuing, Fujita said, "Although the attack had failed to ignite a massive forest fire with the two 170-lb. incendiary bombs, it was (intended) to strike panic into the heart of America and to serve as a counter-strike to Col. Jimmy Doolittle's April 18, 1942, bombing raid on Tokyo," so reported AP writer Jeff Barbard on August 10, 1995.

Since the war, Fujita has made

four trips to Brookings—the last being Sept. 9, 1992, to plant a young redwood tree. Then 84 years old, Fujita said: "It is precisely 50 long years after the war ended across the Pacific Ocean. I offer my deepest prayers now for the repose of all those who had died in the war. I pray too for this commemorative tree of friendship to live through the hundred years to come and grow into the tallest reflection of our mutual pledge for friendship and peace." There is a half-page picture of Fujita and a U.S. Forest Service ranger at the planting.

This beautiful story could have well ended here and remained with the people of Brookings and the lone visitor from Japan had not time and fate intervened to transform the ugly past into a symbolic memorial waiting to catch Nishioka's eye. He says, "The glass-encased Oregon History marker, the Japanese Attack on Oregon, Sept. 9, 1942, had piqued our interest and now our curiosity has been satisfied. It's charming to observe the fondness with which Fujita and the Brookings people look upon each other."

So, some 33 years after Fujita's first postwar visit and a half year since the 50th anniversary year when WWII ended, we are beneficiaries of this charming story. And not too soon, as the Nisei, with their years of aches and pain to say the least, are much in need of heartwarming and endearing good news. Apropos for me, the story is reassuring as it stirred a recollection of a Buddhist saying, "Out of the mud grows the lotus," inspiring to all a hope of a happier future and a better world.

A WWII MIS veteran, Nishimura of Seattle is author of *Trials and Triumphs of the Nikkei* (1993).



PEACE TREE—In September of 1992, the 50th anniversary of the bombing, 84-year-old Nobuo Fujita planted a redwood seedling as a symbol of friendship and peace. Alice Nishioka poses behind the baby redwood tree.



MISSION ACCOMPLISHED—Richard Nishioka of Seattle poses in front of marker noting the bombing of Oregon area by a Japanese submarine.



TELLING THE STORY—Historical plaque notes the Sept. 9, 1942, attempted attack on the coast near Brookings, Ore. That attempt failed, as did another effort up the coast near Cape Blanco. The pilot who made the attempts, Nobuo Fujita, returned to the site 50 years later with tokens of friendship and the mission of closing the incident of war once and for all.

Book reviews

Children

• Ken Mochizuki, Dom Lee, illus. *Heroes* (March 1995), Lee & Low Books, 95 Madison Ave., #606, New York, NY 10016; 32 pp, \$14.95 hardcover.

• Ken Mochizuki, Dom Lee, illus. *Baseball Saved Us* (March 1995), Lee & Low Books, 95 Madison Ave., #606, New York, NY 10016; 30 pp, \$5.95 softcover. (Hardcover March 1993; a Parents' Choice Award).

For recent JACLers, author Ken Mochizuki is remembered as the behind-the-scenes fellow who wrote and produced the delegates' daily paper on the Macintosh during the 1988 National JACL Convention at Seattle (the U. of W. campus). It was the year that President Reagan signed the Civil Liberties Act and some of us were fortunate to be selected to witness that historic occasion.

Heroes, in hardcover, explores the heroics of the 442nd on a different scale. Donnie, a young Japanese American lad, is mocked by his friends playing war that he should play the enemy—because he looked like "them." Donnie re-

fuses, saying his family had fought in the U.S. Army, but his friends want proof. With full-page illustrations by Dom Lee to help the young reader get the complete picture, Donnie convinces his friends.

It's a story that needs to be told and retold—from the primary school level—and the 442nd story being scored in this fashion is brilliant.

The same publishers released *Baseball Saved Us* in paperback in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the closing of the internment camps where the author's parents spent the war years.

• Janet Mitsui Brown. *Thanksgiving at Obaachan's* (1994), Polychrome Publishing, 4509 N. Francisco Ave., Chicago, IL 60625; 36pp, hard cover \$12.95 postpaid.

As anyone who remembers or is spoiled by *Obaachan* (grandmother) knows, they are very special, and a new picture book for children, *Thanksgiving at Obaachan's*, shows that. Our community-at-large may know the *obaachan* in the story, but not many may know the artist-writer

Janet Mitsui Brown. She graduated in Pictorial Arts from UCLA, studied at Otis Parsons Art Institute in Los Angeles. After college, she lived in Oakland where she helped develop the Asian Law Caucus, returned to L.A. to work with East West Players as its administrator (writing their publicity, too). A Southern Californian, she remains active in the arts, and in the Asian American community, creatively and in fund raising.

Janet has a winning key with "*obaachan*" in the title; and who knows, there may be another happy event on her drawing board and a storyline in the computer. *Obaachans* are special all the time.

• Lauren Lee. *Stella On the Edge of Popularity*, (1994), Polychrome Publishing, 4509 N. Francisco Ave., Chicago, IL 60625; 184 pp, hard cover \$10.95 postpaid.

Grandmother expects Stella to act Korean; her parents run a dry-cleaning store in Chicago and she's in the seventh grade, "on the edge of popularity."

But we're interested in the author, a Chicago-born Korean

American. Her husband John was born in Seoul. Lauren grew up in Pittsburgh, where her father was in engineering, began her college work at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, graduated in English education from the University of Chicago, taught at Lincoln Hall Middle School in suburban Chicago. After her first child, she began to write seriously and tutor students at home. She can cook Korean food but doesn't yet speak the language. Maybe that's next, the publishers expect.

Polychrome Publishing presents Asian American stories from the Asian American community. Portions of the book sales are donated to projects and organizations promoting cultural diversity, appreciation and understanding. That's good to remember.

Entertainment

• Rusty E. Frank. *Tap! 1900-1955, The greatest tap dance stars and their stories* (revised), Da Capo Press, 233 Spring St., New York NY 10013 (1994), 336 pp, index, softcover \$19.95.

Special thanks are extended by

the author to Dorothy (Takahashi) Toy and Paul (Jew) Wing—dubbed the "Chinese Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers" during their heydays on stage and in the nightclubs between the 1930s and 1950s—for their in-depth sharing of memories for the revised edition.

Tap! 1900-1955 does justice to these on-stage Asian American pioneers of the entertainment world. It was minimal in the first edition published in 1990. (We distinguish: earlier Asian Americans pioneers were in silent films.)

Toy and Wing/should not be new to longtime *Pacific Citizen* readers who have followed them through "Vagaries," the column about people and places penned by the late Larry Tajiri in the PC. How she and her older sister Helen survived the war years as the "Toy Sisters" in Chicago while their parents were interned at Topaz is recalled. Her brother Pete (unnamed in the book) had gone to Japan before the war and worked for International News Service. But read Dorothy's memories.

—HARRY K. HONDA

Books in brief

Presented here are new titles with brief comments on each.

Japanese in Hawaii

• Jiro Nakano. *Kanda Home: Biography of Shigefusa and Sue Kanda* (Jan. 1996), University of Hawaii Press, 2840 Kolowalu St., Honolulu, HI 96822; 109 pp, \$14, paper.

Founder of the first Japanese language school in Hawaii on the Big Island at Kohala in 1893, Doshisha graduate Rev. Shigefusa Kanda, after his marriage in 1911 moved to Wailuku, Maui, and founded a boarding school for Nisei girls of poverty-stricken parents. As time passed, its reputation established, and he saw construction of a three-story Kanda Home to accommodate as many as 75 students for high school students in the '40s. The home gradually deteriorated and was demolished in 1955. The Kanda Home alumnae had an emotional reunion in 1993, the basis for another Nakano book on Japanese immigrants to Hawaii.

Korean Americans

• Easurk Emsen Charr, ed. and intro. by Wayne Patterson. *The Golden Mountain: the Autobiography of a Korean Immigrant 1895-1960* (March 1996), University of Illinois Press, 1325 So. Oak St., Champaign, IL 61820; 317 pp, index, \$14.95, softcover. With foreword by Roger Daniels to this reprint of the 1961 print.

Korea-born Charr had served in World War I, was discharged, denied citizenship based upon military service in 1922 but, thanks to the American Legion, was finally granted citizenship in 1936. His two chapters (#21 and 22) relate details of the Oriental veterans citizenship bill that Tokutaro Slocum had lobbied for himself and other Oriental WWI veterans. Truly, here are details that have been missing in the specialized histories of Japanese in America and their struggle for American citizenship.

Film

• Ronald Gottesman, Harry M. Geduld, James Goodwin, eds. *Perspectives on Akira Kurosawa* (1994), G.K. Hall & Co., (Imprint of Macmillan Publishing Co.), 866 Third Ave., New York, NY 10022; 285 pp, index, \$50 hardcover.

There are nine scenes from

Kurosawa's memorable films, *Rashomon* (1950), *Ikiru* (1952), *Record of a Living Being* (1955), *Throne of Blood* (1957), *The Lower Depths* (1957), *High and Low* (1963), *Red Beard* (1965), *Ran* (1985) and *Seven Samurai* (1954) in the centerfold, which will put the reader in the mood before delving into the body of a comprehensive collection of articles, some translated from Japanese, by other filmmakers, and critics, rounded out with a filmography of Kurosawa's 30 films from 1943-1993, and a list of video and rental sources for Kurosawa works.

Literature

• Yukiko Tanaka, ed., translation by Yukiko Tanaka, Elizabeth Hanson, Hiroko Morita Malatesta. *To Live and to Write: Selections by Japanese Women Writers 1913-38* (1987), Seal Press, 1313 Western Ave. #410, Seattle, WA 98121; 225 pp, \$8.95, paper.

A belated acknowledgment. Goal of the translation series by Seal Press not only illuminates the culture of another country, but captures what it was to live in a particular period of history. *To Live and to Write* depicts Japan when it was experiencing social and political liberalism for the first time in its modern history as viewed by nine outstanding women writers: Tamura Toshiko, Miyamoto Yuriko, Hirabayashi Taiko, Hayashi Fumiko, Nakamoto Takako, Nogami Yaeko, Sata Ineko, Uno Chiyo, Okamoto Kanoko. P.S.: Tanaka and Malatesta both earned their doctorates at UCLA. Hanson has degrees in both journalism and Japanese studies.

Fiction / Novels

• Katherine Stone. *Pearl Moon* (May 1996), Ballantine Books, 201 E. 50th St., New York, NY 10022; 523 pp, \$5.99 paper.

Pearl Moon happens to be the name of a fishing sampan berthed in Hong Kong's Aberdeen Harbour, a story of two white men and two Chinese women in the turbulent Crown Colony about to be returned to China, and perhaps beckon those who have visited Hong Kong sometime ago to recognize the changes which have been underway.

• Ishmael Reed. *Japanese Spring* (1993), Atheneum (Macmillan Publishing Co.), 866

Third Ave., New York, NY 10022; 225 pp, \$20 hardcover.

Reed calls this "a work of fiction" and the "actual events or persons, living or dead," entirely coincidental—but there are many resemblances based on events of the early '90s which have seen their days and now the bloom for the book is wilting (as of '96)—there's a Dr. Yamato who promises to teach the black junior professor at an overwhelmingly white college in Oakland "Japanese by spring." There's fun, however, unwinding the twists and turns filling the chapters—58 of them.

A JACL book list

The following is a list of book titles in alphabetical order by authors who have acknowledged JACL support—financial as well as material, in the gathering of photographs and other resources. Support was either from National, a JACL chapter or individual members.

This list is not intended to be viewed as inclusive of all JACL-supported books.

—HARRY K. HONDA

Bosworth, Allan. *America's Concentration Camps*, W.W. Norton & Co., New York, 1967. "Dedicated to the past and present members of the Japanese American Citizens League. Through precept and example and their wholehearted devotion to an ideal, they could teach other Americans a great deal about Americanism."

Chuman, Frank F. *The Bamboo People: the Law and Japanese Americans*, JACL/JARP, Chicago, 1976 cloth, 1978 softcover. ["A part of the Japanese American Research Project, which was funded by the JACL."]

Conrat, Maisie & Richard. *Executive Order 9066: the Internment of 110,000 Japanese Americans*, California Historical Society, San Francisco, 1972. [Not so much JACL but JACLers had pushed the project "on through bureaucratic quagmires" to completion of this poignant selection of photographs.]

Daniels, Roger. *Concentration Camps: North America Japanese in the United States and Canada*

during World War II, Kreiger Publishing Co., Malabar, Fla., 1981. ["The late Joe Grant Masaoka, for many years the administrator of the Japanese American Research Project at UCLA, helped me in more ways than I can count."]

Hatamiya, Leslie T. *Righting a Wrong: Japanese Americans and the Passage of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988*, Stanford University Press, 1993. ["Many people made this book possible — Grayce Uyehara, Grant Ujifusa, Carole Hayashino, John Tateishi and Carol Stroebe (Congressman Mineta's chief legislative aide)..."]

Hosokawa, Bill. *Nisei, the Quiet Americans: the Story of a People*, Morrow, New York, 1969 cloth, 1973 soft; with a new afterword, University Press of Colorado, 1993. [The first of several books published by JACL's Japanese American Research Project, which believed "it was a story that deserved to be preserved."]

Hosokawa, Bill. *Thirty-five Years in the Frying Pan*, McGraw-Hill Book, New York, 1978. [A potpourri of his PC columns; Bill is updating the collection with selections from the past 15 years.]

Levine, Gene N. and Colbert Rhodes. *The Japanese American Community: a Three-Generation Study*, Preager Publishers, New York, 1981. ["I thank, first, the JACL as an organization ... for having had the vision to instigate the project and the patience, at times tried, to see it out."]

Masaoka, Mike with Bill Hosokawa. *They Call Me Moses Masaoka: an American Saga*, Wil-

liam Morrow & Co., New York, 1987. ["My worst mistake was believing in the absolute integrity of the Constitution." (From his Postscript in commenting on the most difficult decision he made in wake of EO 9066.)

Matsumoto, Valerie J. *Farming the Home Place: a Japanese American Community in California 1919-1982*, Cornell University Press, Ithaca/London, 1993. ["The Henry and Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Scholarship from the Japanese American Citizens League made much of this research possible ... and three generations of the Cortez community."]

Myers, Dillon S. *Uprooted Americans: the Japanese Americans and the War Relocation Authority during World War II*, University of Arizona Press, Tucson, 1971. [Mike Masaoka, then Washington JACL representative, wrote the foreword. The role of JACL, the *Pacific Citizen*, and other Washington liaison during the war are acknowledged.]

Noda, Kesa. *Yamato Colony: 1906-1960, Livingston, California*, Livingston-Merced JACL Chapter, 1981. [Among the early local Issei histories to be published in English, it began as a Nisei dream about their Issei parents to be written by a Sansel with bilingual ability and a granddaughter of one of the Issei pioneers.]

Takezawa, Yasuko I. *Breaking the Silence: Redress and Japanese American Ethnicity*, Cornell University Press, Ithaca/London, 1995. ["Cherry Kinoshita (of Seattle) was indispensable in gath-

See BOOKS/page 10



From the frying pan

By BILL HOSOKAWA

Are we speaking out more?

Not long ago we went out to satisfy a hankering for barbecued ribs, the kind where a whole slab of what's called baby backs is grilled and served with a coating of spicy red sauce. There isn't a whole lot of meat on the ribs, but what there is is chewy and dripping with flavor.

Well, as sometimes happens, the ribs placed in front of us were not as good as they should have been. They were dry, as though they had been cooked the previous day and simply warmed up prior to serving.

On the other hand, they weren't terribly bad, either. So, grumbling just a little, we started in on them. But the deeper we got into the ribs, the more evident it became that they were not up to standard. We should have stopped eating and complained to the waiter. But the waiter had disappeared and before we knew it, we had finished the ribs.

Eventually the waiter came with the check. "And how was your dinner?" he asked. That's what they always ask.

Should I have just said the meal was okay and let it go at that?

Or, notwithstanding the bare bones on the plate, should I have told him honestly that the ribs were dry and disappointing?

Well, that's what I did. I told him the ribs were dry and I had been disappointed.

The waiter could have pointed out the bare bones and asked truculently why I hadn't complained before I ate the whole thing. But he didn't. Perhaps wondering about the tip, he said he was sorry and added that if I had brought the problem to his attention earlier, he would have been happy to replace the order. He also asked whether I wanted him to ask the manager to cancel the bill.

That was a clever tactic that put me on the defensive. I said no, I'd eaten the meal so I would pay for it.

I am no longer young. In our society age gives a person the prerogative to be outspoken regardless of whether he is listened to. Decades ago, when I was half my present

age, would I have had the gumption in a similar circumstance to complain to the waiter? Or, being the reluctant Asian, would I simply have kept my mouth shut?

To be honest, I think I would not have complained. I have changed with age and the influence of our outspoken times and now I rather enjoy speaking what's left of my mind.

And what about today's young Japanese Americans? Certainly they are more outspoken than their parents and grandparents were, but do they still retain some of that traditional reluctance to speak out that an eminent sociologist once described as the *enryo syndrome*?

I don't know. Maybe, if I promise not to complain, you'd like to think about it and explain it to me.

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



East wind

By BILL MARUTANI

Legal technicalities

RECENTLY, Judge Harold Baer of a U.S. District Court in New York rendered a decision which ignited a hue 'n cry from prosecutors, public, press, police and politicians. This last category included President Clinton, who had appointed Judge Baer to the federal bench. As I understand it, the judge had ruled that the act of simply fleeing upon the approach of the constabulary could not provide the necessary "probable cause" to arrest. It seems the Judge's ruling was founded upon the observation that particularly within some segments of our society, the approach of law enforcement folks is not necessarily viewed as a harbinger of social tranquility.

Following all the publicity, Judge Baer reversed his decision, presumably having received additional evidence.

THE ROLE of the judiciary must be one that faithfully follows the law; it must not succumb to public pressure. The system must be one founded upon "rule of law," not "rule of men." Otherwise stability and certainty are replaced by unpredictable whims, emotions and biases of a judge. A shameful example of abandonment of the law and in its place substituting perverse rationalization is the case of *Hirabayashi v. United States*, 320 U.S. 81 (1943), decided 53 years ago this month. There the United States Supreme Court upheld imposition of criminal penalties on citizen Hirabayashi, who had declined to be bound by curfew

restrictions imposed only on "all persons of Japanese ancestry, both alien and non-alien ...," 320 U.S. at 88. In so holding, the court of last resort, composed of nine jurists with life-time positions insulating them from political pressure, gutted the U.S. Constitution and its amendments. The opinion of the Court was authored by Chief Justice Stone to which there were three concurring opinions—by Douglas*, Murphy and Rutledge. There were no dissents.

Not one. WHEN A JUDGE renders a ruling that follows the law but which ruling is unpopular with the public, the judge can be and often is castigated as being "soft on crime." I've been a target a few times and it isn't pleasant. Rape cases, particularly the so-called "black-on-white," can and do generate heated emotional backfire. In one case in following established legal principles and therefrom dismissing rape charges, I was sick to my stomach—the inadmissible evidence compellingly pointed to defendant's complicity.

That evening I could not enjoy my dinner.

IN ANOTHER CASE, this time a gang rape of black-on-white, again following the law, I was compelled to dismiss charges as to three of the defendants. By their glares as they marched out of the courtroom, the police officers made no secret how they felt about the court ruling. The district attorney

had the three re-arrested to be tried with the others. Obviously, some other judge did not see it the way I did.

ONE DAY, one of the defense lawyers in that case stopped me on the street to inform me that the three that I had discharged were found "not guilty" by the jury, although the others (four) were found guilty. Again, several years later while I was on the election campaign trail, a political party worker came up to me and stated, "Judge, you don't remember me, but I'm the mother of one of those three boys you discharged that day in your courtroom."

That helped to assuage some of the bitterness inherent in the job of judging.

*Although somewhere I once read that Justice Douglas had written a dissenting opinion and that purportedly he was prevailed upon by his brethren on the Court to withdraw the dissent, I'm not aware of any authoritative or reliable source by which to confirm this. Douglas' concurring opinion gives no hint of any "painted over" dissent. Indeed, his concurring opinion opens with the declaration: "While I concur in the result and agree substantially with the opinion of the Court" Thus, Douglas endorses the penal sanctions imposed upon citizen Hirabayashi; further, he "substantially" agrees with the opinion authored by Chief Justice Stone. Stone's ten-page opinion is a startling amalgamation of heresy and time-worn shibboleths that border on being old-wives tales.

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

Letters

Nishikawa corrects stand on JACL investment committee

This is to correct your article on investment guidelines (*Pacific Citizen*, June 7-20, 1996).

I have not been critical of the interim Investment Committee led by John Enomoto and Marshal Sumida. Instead, I have given them support and encouragement. This is a new committee investigating all of our various trusts. The reforms they are suggesting have long been overdue.

I have been critical of the Endowment Fund because I felt that decisions were made without consulting the full committee—especially during the last decade.

Fortunately, legal counsel Tom Hara is now in the process of synthesis and hopefully will be able to present a coherent plan to the National Council.

Regardless of what happens to the Endowment Fund—consolidation with other trusts or remaining a separate entity, I will support any solid plan providing reasonable income and growth and protecting and preserving the principal.

The bottom line for me has always been and will continue to be accountability, responsibility, and the viability of JACL.

Roy Nishikawa
Los Angeles

Reader urges Nikkei to revisit San Francisco Japanese YMCA

Prior to 1932 the San Francisco Japanese YMCA was situated in an elegant Victorian mansion on Sutter Street between Gough and Franklin. The current owner of the mansion has consented to a free and nostalgic tour of the building, including the oak paneled meeting rooms, the grand staircase, and the huge attic which was used as a gymnasium. All former Nisei Y members, especially those in their late 70s and 80s and 90s may contact Roy Ashizawa, 2500-35th Ave., San Francisco, CA 94116, or call 415/564-9934, to schedule a weekday get-together for a tour. The entire building is now wheelchair accessible, all the way up to the gym.

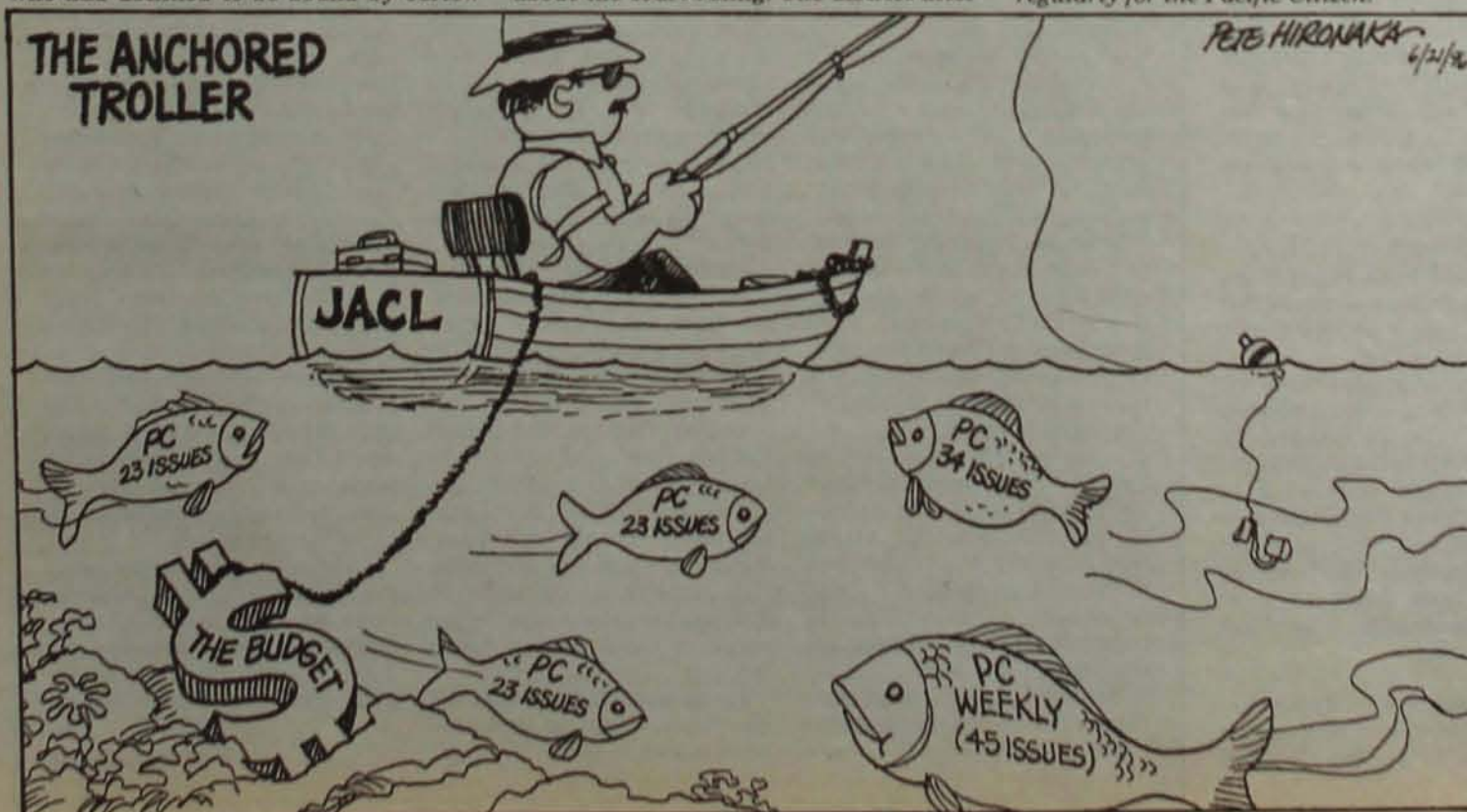
It is disgusting that owing to the World War II forced evacuation to U.S. concentration camps the San Francisco Japanese American community lost possession of the Buchanan Street YMCA, the Sutter Street YWCA and the huge Japanese Salvation Army facility at Geary and Laguna sts.

Roy Y. Ashizawa
San Francisco Chapter, JACL
Correction

Referring to district allocations in his column on the budget (*Pacific Citizen*, June 7-20, p. 9) JACL President Denny Yasuhara said that one of his figures was incorrect. The sentence read: The major savings of these two changes have gone into district allocations, which were raised from a raise of \$6,120 or \$12,400 over two years to \$27,540 per year for a total of \$55,080, a four-fold increase.

The correct figure is \$12,240, not \$12,400.

THE ANCHORED TROLLER



Pacific Citizen Policies

Editorials, columns and cartoons

The opinions, views and statements in the editorials, columns and cartoons appearing in *Pacific Citizen* are those of the authors and as such do not necessarily represent the Japanese American Citizens League. *Pacific Citizen* editorials, columns, and cartoons of staff will be clearly labeled as such.

Pacific Citizen welcomes for consideration editorials and columns from members of the Japanese American Citizens League, the Japanese American community at large, and beyond. They should be no longer than approximately 750 words. Send them to: Editorial Opinion, *Pacific Citizen*, 2 Coral Circle, Suite 204, Monterey Park, CA, 91755.

Letters

Pacific Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. Letters must be brief, are subject to editing and those unpublished can be neither acknowledged nor returned. Please sign your letter but make sure we are able to read your name. Include mailing address and daytime telephone number. Because of limited space we may condense letters that are accepted for publication. We do not publish form letters, copies or letters written to other publications. Fax letters to 213/725-0064 or mail to Letters to the Editor, *Pacific Citizen*, 2 Coral Circle, Suite 204, Monterey Park, CA, 91755.



D.C. notes

By ROBERT SAKANIWA

The injustice of exclusion: Teaching the lessons of internment

As everyone is probably aware by now, the proposed regulations governing the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund Board and their activities have been issued in 61 FR 29382 of the Federal Register on June 10, 1996. The deadline to submit written comments is July 10, 1996, so by the time you are reading this article you will have about two weeks to send in letters to: the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund Board c/o U.S. General Services Administration, Attn: (Calvin R. Snowden, 7th and D St., S.W., Room 7120, Washington, D.C. 20407. (See page 3).

Many people in the community feel that the board's creation has been a long time in coming. There have been legitimate concerns expressed about the funds available for the board to carry out its duties. Before we get into the debate on how the board should be administered and how it should spend its money, let us take a step back to review how the board came into existence.

The legislation establishing the board is the Civil Liberties Act of 1988. Of course, this is the very same piece of legislation that acknowledged, apologized and made restitution for the injustices piled upon the shoulders of U.S. citizens and permanent resident aliens of Japanese ancestry. The Act, in Title 1, establishes one fund, the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund and the Fund is given a dual purpose.

The initial purpose of the Fund was and is to be the source of payments for eligible

redress claimants. The Fund's other purpose is to be the source from which the board can make payments pursuant to its mission as stated in the Act.

One way to picture what has been set up by the Act is to imagine the U.S. Treasury as the "banker" and the Fund as the "account." The Act further states that the "joint account holders" are the U.S. Attorney General (who has delegated his/her authority to draw on the account to the Office of Redress Administration) and the Board.

Originally, the Fund was authorized to have \$1.25 billion in it (in 1992 an amendment to the Act was passed adding \$400 million to the Fund when it was discovered that there was an underestimation made as to the number of eligible claimants because people were living longer than expected). In a 1990 appropriations bill, Sen. Inouye was able to get language in the bill making the redress payments an entitlement.

When the Act was being debated, there was the expectation that \$50 million would be left over from the redress payments to be available for the board's use. Also discussed was that the priority of payments would be to eligible individuals. The Act itself does not specifically address these issues.

While the picture I have described sounds fairly simple and straightforward, we must keep in mind that nothing done in Washington, D.C. is ever simple or straightforward.

One thing that is often overlooked is that the Act is in authorizing language. When authorizing language says there is to be X number of dollars in an account, the money is not actually in that account; it must be put into the account through a legislative procedure called the appropriations process.

The \$1.65 billion authorized by the Act, as amended, is a cap on the amount that can go into the Fund.

Fortunately for eligible redress claimants, as I mentioned above, the payments were re-characterized as an entitlement. Entitlements do not have to go through the yearly appropriations process, instead they are automatically funded, as needed, up to the authorization level. The board however, must still go through the highly political appropriations process to get funding to carry out its duties under the Act.

Today's political environment also makes life in D.C. anything but straightforward, especially when seeking funding for "social" programs. The appropriations and budget processes have become the battlegrounds for conservative budget cutters on the one hand and progressive social activists on the other.

The current situation with the Act is that somewhere in the neighborhood of 79,950 payments have been made to redress recipients. Because recent court cases have expanded the pool of potential claimants, no one is exactly sure how many

more people will still come forward. There is the potential that as the pool of claimants is expanded, current authorization levels may be exceeded. If the current authorization level is exceeded, we will be in the difficult situation of having to ask Congress for more money to pay claimants.

The board has had \$5 million appropriated to it. They are hoping that the current authorization level will not be exceeded, giving them the opportunity to seek further funding before the Act expires in August 1998. The educational component of the act is crucial because its impact will last long after the sunset of the Act in August 1998. The board's mission, as defined in the Act, is to educate the public about the internment and the related events that took place more than 50 years ago. The board is also directed to publish and distribute the hearings, findings, and recommendations of the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians.

The funding that the board currently has seems anemic compared to the giant task of fulfilling its mission, but this is the political reality of the situation. The legacy of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988 will depend on the community's ability and desire to come together and work with the board in its effort to tell the story and teach the lessons of the internment period.

Sakaniwa is JACL Washington, D.C. director



Voices

By RON OSAJIMA

Affirmative action: Necessary and good for business

In an emotional outburst, the Asian American engineer charged "You're turning us into professional coolies!" Reluctantly, the white manager agreed, "I guess that's right."

This exchange, though having taken place a few years ago, captures succinctly the issue of institutional racism and sexism in corporate America. It happened when it became apparent that Asian Americans were hired for their technical competence but were denied promotions because of vague "communication problems."

Today, the situation has not changed much. Although barriers to entering large corporations are somewhat more open, Asian and Pacific Islander (API) Americans and other minorities and women continue to find it difficult to rise in the managerial ranks.

As affirmative action comes under increasing attack, opponents are painting a misleading picture of the status of women and minorities and the effectiveness of affirmative action.

A look at the facts, however, makes it clear that affirmative action is effective,

good business and desperately needed.

An API American CPA who left a major accounting firm to start his own business told me he did so because his boss said he would never be given a major account. Since he was highly rated, he could not understand this. His boss' answer was that their major accounts "wanted to deal with white males!"

This situation is reflected in the higher turnover rates for women and minorities than for white males. For example, Corning Glass company reported that the turnover rate for African Americans was two-and-a-half times that of white males.

A study of large corporations showed that the major reasons women quit were a lack of career growth opportunity or dissatisfaction with rates of progress.

Much has been written about the "glass ceiling" that prevents women and minorities from entering America's boardrooms. The Federal Glass Ceiling Commission reports that 95 to 97 percent of executive positions are held by white males despite the fact that they constitute less than half (47 percent) of the working population.

There is, however, considerable evidence that women and minorities are underrepresented at all levels of management. For example, women make up 23 percent of lawyers but only 11 percent of the partners; 40 percent of college professors but only 11 percent of those with tenure; 48 percent of journalists but only 6 percent of those in the top jobs; and 72 percent of grade school teachers but only 29 percent of principals.

An analysis of National Science Foundation surveys shows that API Americans promoted to middle or upper levels of management are more likely to receive lower economic returns compared to Whites occupying similar positions.

Overall, Glass Ceiling Commission research finds that despite higher levels of formal education than other groups, API Americans receive a lower yield in terms of income or promotions.

For instance, after promoting an API American, a white male friend of mine said "I'm surprised that it has taken so long for him to be promoted. He's been highly rated for years and is clearly qualified for the

move up."

Minority women—subjected to the "double whammy" of racism and sexism—do less well than minority males and white women. For example, at a prestigious research institution, there was one white male manager for every three white male professionals; one API male manager for every seven API male professionals; one white female manager for every seven white female professionals; and one API female manager for every fifteen API female professionals.

Statistics in public sector jobs also show that API Americans are underrepresented in management. For example, the 1993 Equal Employment Opportunities Commission report on government employees reveals that API Americans constitute 4.2 percent of all professionals but only 1.4 percent of officials/administrators.

The picture for API businesses is equally dismal. For example, a Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority study showed that in architectural/engineering,

See VOICES/page 10



By the board

By DAVID KAWAMOTO

On being responsive to our membership

I agree with President Denny Yasuhara's comment that the *Pacific Citizen* is important to JACL and its members. However, a majority of the budget survey responses received from JACL's member chapters chose the budget that increased dues but did not increase the frequency of the *Pacific Citizen* from its present biweekly schedule. As elected officials, we need to be responsive to the wishes of our constituency. The comments from the survey also indicated a desire to increase the funding to the Districts to allow District offices to return to full operational capabilities and allow the Districts without regional staff to

have ample travel funds with which the volunteer staff can service the far-reaching chapters. The same comments President Yasuhara makes about the *Pacific Citizen* being unable to fulfill the organization's demands with budgetary constraints holds true for our regional staff. These individuals have made an extraordinary commitment to our organization but are unable to maintain adequate program support and community visibility with the limited funding.

Rather than the original \$7 across the board increase, the governors' proposed budget called for a graduated dues increase

depending on the membership category. In this way, we will lower the aggregate increase to families and members with children. The increase for the Student/Youth eliminated the need for National JACL to subsidize this group's *Pacific Citizen* subscription (budgeted at \$12). Additionally, the increase to the Student/Youth was placed directly in the Youth Programs budget. The governors felt that the future of JACL lies with its young members and an increase in funding to their programs was needed.

In regard to the decrease in travel funding to the *Pacific Citizen*, the governors

were looking at the programmatic alternatives within our organization. If our programs are well conceived and coordinated, they can allow for *Pacific Citizen* coverage within their individual budgets. I join President Yasuhara in eliciting the members' comments to the proposed budget. And likewise, I urge the membership to support the final proposal of the Budget Committee.

David Kawamoto is governor of the Pacific Southwest District and a member of the San Diego Chapter of JACL.

Firm donates \$10,000 to sponsor convention's Sayonara banquet

The Sayonara Banquet of the 1996 JACL National Convention in San Jose, Aug. 6-11, will be sponsored by Applied Materials, Inc.

The firm donated \$10,000 to the host San Jose Chapter for the event, according to Tom Hayes, director of Global Corporate Affairs for the company.

"We are very pleased with this donation," said Carl Fujita, chair of the fund-raising committee for the convention. "Applied Materials has a long history of commitment to nonprofit community ser-

vice organizations. And Tom as its representative has been a longtime community leader and volunteer and knows the importance of community organizations like the Japanese American Citizens League." Hayes is author of *You Can Make a Difference in Silicon Valley*, in which he stresses the importance of volunteering in the community.

Fujita also announced that a total of \$104,000 has been raised for the convention.

Information: 408/295-1250.

VOICES

(Continued from page 9)

API American enterprises were the least utilized of all minority and women's business enterprises.

So what does all of this mean? It means that employment opportunity is not equal. Asian Americans and other minorities and women continue to be impacted by institutional racism and sexism. It means that when you enter the work force, you will have to work harder and be smarter to overcome the inherent bias in the "system." And it means that initiatives like affirmative action are necessary to begin to make level the unequal playing field.

Opponents of affirmative action question its effectiveness. The facts show that affirmative action has been effective. A report prepared by Rutgers University law professor Blumrosen for the Office of Federal Contract Compliance shows that ongoing affirmative action programs have produced significant improvements for women and minorities since the 1960s.

The Blumrosen report estimates that more than 5 million people of color and 6 million women are in higher occupational categories today than they would be if people were still distributed through the labor force the way they were in the 1960s.

Teresa Watanabe, who is the first API American to head a *Los Angeles Times* foreign office (she is chief of their Tokyo bureau), puts it this way, "I never would have gotten this far if the newspaper companies I worked for had

not had a strong commitment to affirmative action. From my very first job at the *L.A. Herald Examiner*, to my five years at the *San Jose Mercury* and now at the *L.A. Times*, I know affirmative action helped me. And I think they would agree it's benefited the company by offering our readers a different voice of a woman and minority."

Anyone who is familiar with Watanabe's work would agree that she is more than qualified for her job. But the point is that it takes affirmative action to overcome the resistance to recognizing and rewarding the abilities and achievements of women and minorities.

I recall quite vividly a performance and salary review meeting during which we conducted what we called an affirmative action audit where I work. In this process, we looked at the people at the top of the list and discovered an API American who got a big raise but was not adjudged ready for promotion even though his experience was comparable to that of others who were so adjudged. When his director could not explain this apparent anomaly, we put the API American on the promotion list and he was promoted within the next six months.

This is yet another example of the effectiveness of affirmative action in countering the inherent biases in the system.

There is also evidence that affirmative action is good for business and for America's competitive position in international markets. Pro-business groups such as the Business Roundtable and the National Association of Manufacturers have repeatedly endorsed

In memoriam:

Hugh B. Mitchell

Hugh B. Mitchell, who served on the nine-member Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians during 1980-83, died in Seattle on June 10 at the age of 89. He was a U.S. senator and representative from Washington state during the 1940s.

Funeral services were held June 19 at a Native American cultural center. The Seattle Chapter recognized Mitchell at one of its events for his dedication and support of Japanese American causes.

affirmative action as being good for business.

And a Covenant Investment Management study rating the performance of the S&P 500 companies on taking affirmative actions showed a high correlation between these programs and profitability.

When rating affirmative action programs, the top 100 companies rated had an average ROI (Return on Investment) of 18.3 percent, while the 100 companies rating the lowest had an ROI of 7.9 percent.

In the Federal Glass Ceiling Commission Report, Louis Gerstner, IBM's chief executive officer, stated, "I believe work-force diversity to be of real importance to IBM's success. As the marketplace becomes increasingly diverse, IBM's competitiveness will be enhanced through a work force which reflects the growing diversity of the external labor force, and the growing diversity of our customers."

The proponents of the so-called California Civil Rights Initiative would have you believe that there is no need for affirmative action. Nothing could be further from the truth. We need to continue to take affirmative actions to realize the dream of a society offering equal opportunity for all. We can make a difference by advocating for affirmative action and by making our vote count at the ballot box this November.

Ron Osajima is vice governor of the Pacific Southwest District and a member of the SELANOCO Chapter of JACL.

the Medal of Honor, Sgt. Hershey Miyamura of Gallup, N.M., being the only living awardee for heroic actions during the Korean Conflict. Other CMH awardees: WWII—Pfc. Sadao Munemori (100th) of Los Angeles; Vietnam—Sgt. 1st Class Rodney J.T. Yano (11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Air) of Kealahou, Hawaii; and Cpl. Terry T. Kawamura (173rd Airborne Brigade) of Wahiawa, Oahu.

A 1988 study by George Kihara (MIS) of the CMH and DSC decorations in the Pacific War found "no significant difference" between the European Theater and the Pacific Theater, with one CMH to 8.63 DSC for Europe and one CMH to 8.2 DSC for Pacific.

Kihara's biggest surprise was that two-thirds (40 out of 60) of the CMH awards in the Pacific were for smothering the blast of an explosive device; one Marine survived to tell about it. There were only seven such awards in the European Theater which, of course, includes PFC Sadao Munemori.

Kihara's 1988 study was based mostly on unit military histories, presumably reliable, and added he "makes no guarantees as to their accuracy."

(Editor's Note—The Pacific Citizen is in the process of reviewing some actions of Nisei DSC winners of WWII for possible publication at a later date.)

[This volume was funded by the (JACL) Issei History Project, established in 1960, which developed into the Japanese American Research Project at UCLA.]

Yoshiwara, Florence, coordinator, Japanese American Curriculum Project of the San Mateo City School District. *Japanese Americans: the Untold Story*, Holt, Rinehart and Winston, New York, 1971. [The project involved 11 Nisei educators pointing to existing omissions and gross distortions in the schools. While JACL enthusiastically supported the project by providing material, criticism and suggestions, it did not earn the blessings of the state curriculum committee.]

fornia Press, Berkeley, 1993. ["Most important source for this book consists of oral histories of nearly 50 Japanese Americans, Nisei and Issei.... Daisy Satoda put me in contact with many people. Carole Hayashino of San Francisco JACL searched diligently for names and addresses of former Topazeans...."]

Weglyn, Michi. *Years of Infamy: the Untold Story of America's Concentration Camps*, William Morrow & Co., New York, 1976. ["My gratitude also to Mike Masaoka, current national director David Ushio and others in (JACL) who have encouraged (its) publication."]

Wilson, Robert A./Bill Hosokawa. *East to America, a History of the Japanese in the United States*, Wm. Morrow and Co., New York, 1980.

MEDAL

(Continued from page 3)

awarded the first DSC given to a Nisei in the Pacific theater.

The White House plans to bestow the Medal of Honor on seven soldiers from the all-black 92nd Infantry Division in Italy. Only one is said to be still living, Vernon J. Baker, 76, of St. Maries, Idaho, who had been awarded the DSC.

The Medal of Honor was established by Congress during the Civil War for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity "at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty."

To date, four Japanese Americans have been decorated with

BOOKS

(Continued from page 7)

ering information on redress."]

Tamura, Linda. *The Hood River Issei: an Oral History of Japanese Settlers in Oregon's Hood River Valley*, University of Illinois Press, Urbana and Chicago, 1993. ["Special appreciation to the Mid-Columbia JACL."]

Tateishi, John. *And Justice for All: an Oral History of the Japanese American Detention Camps*, Random House, New York, 1984. ["This edition was prepared especially for the Japanese American Citizens League."]

Taylor, Sandra C. *Jewel of the Desert: Japanese American Internment at Topaz*, University of Cali-

ED SATO
Plumbing & Heating
Remodel and Repairs, Water Heaters
Furnaces, Garbage Disposals
Serving Los Angeles, Gardena
(213) 321-6610, 293-7000, 733-0557

Commercial & Industrial
Air Conditioning and Refrigeration
Contractor
Glen T. Umamoto
Lic. No. 441272 C38-20
SAM REIBOW CO., 1506 W. Vernon
Los Angeles - 295-5204 - Since 1939

12.9%
APR
NO ANNUAL FEE
25 DAY GRACE PERIOD*



Join the National JACL Credit Union and become eligible for our VISA card. Call, fax or mail the information below for membership information. 30 day JACL membership required for new members.

Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____



PO BOX 1721 / SLC, UTAH 84110 / 801 355-8040 / 800 544-8828 / Fax 801 521-2101

AUTO LOANS

100% FINANCING, UP TO \$50,000*

90% FINANCING ON USED CARS*

NEW CARS	NEW CARS	USED CARS
85% Financing	100% Financing	
7.9% apr 60 mos	8.9% apr 60 mos	8.25% apr
7.5% apr 48 mos	8.5% apr 48 mos	3 or 4 yrs
6.9% apr 36 mos	7.9% apr 36 mos	90% OF BLUE BOOK
UP TO \$50,000	UP TO \$50,000	

Signature Loans 12.9% apr Share Sec. 6.5% apr Other Sec. 12.5% apr

* DAC DOES NOT INCLUDE: TAXES, LICENSE, EXTENDED WARRANTIES. 30 DAY JACL MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED FOR NEW MEMBER LOANS.

Join the National JACL Credit Union. Call us or fill out the information below. We will send membership information.

Name _____
Address/City/State/Zip _____



PO BOX 1721 / SLC, UTAH 84110 / 801 355-8040 / 800 544-8828

Obituaries

"Obituaries" appear on a space-available basis at no cost. "Death Notices," which appear in a timely manner at request of the family or funeral director, are published at the rate of \$15 per column inch. Text is reworded as needed.

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

Amano, Toshiko, Chicago, service May 29; predeceased by husband Kenji, survived by sons Richard, Paul, daughters Janie, Teresa O'Brien.

Bitow, Nobufusa, 77, Spokane, Wash., May 18; Portland, Ore.-born Seattleite, 442nd veteran, predeceased by wife Motoko Ishijima, survived by sister Ikuko Chan, sister-in-law Jean Bitow.

Chiya, Hideki, Chicago, service May 25; survived by wife Urai, son Makoto, parents Minoru Hijiwara and Kiyoko Smith.

Endo, Hisako, 62, Gardena, April 28; Hiroshima-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by husband Robert, son Frederick, daughter Christina Yamada, 2 gc., mother Oyuka Kusuda (Japan), brothers and sisters in Japan.

Fujise, Saburo, 89, Salem, Ore., Feb. 19; Oxnard-born Chicago resident, predeceased by wife Frances, survived by daughter Barbara Ujiye, son Jo, 9 gc., 3 ggc.

Fukuzawa, George F., 80, Gardena, May 9; Alameda-born, survived by wife Miye, sons Robert (Las Vegas), Todd (Huntington Beach), Paul (Rodeo), daughters Lynn White, Judy Castille (both Las Vegas), Susan Taniguchi (San Francisco), 8 gc., brother Ben.

Hasegawa, Flora Y., 76, Los Angeles, May 2; Healdsburg-born, survived by brother Harry, sisters Emma, Lorraine Nagai, Florence Kojaku, Marjorie (Illinois).

Hirata, Haruye, 84, Los Angeles, May 15; Los Angeles-born, survived by sons Takeo, Yoshio, Hideo, daughters Shizuko Nakasone, Atsuko Craig, Sumi Doi, 10 gc., 5 ggc.

Inagaki, Yukie, 81, Culver City, June 7; Los Angeles-born wife of the late George J. Inagaki, national JACL president, survived by daughter Patti Ueda, son Christopher, 2 gc., 3 ggc., sister-in-law Akiko Yagi.

Inatomi, Charles T., 63, West Los Angeles, May 12; Gardena-born WLA JACL president '83, survived by wife Lillian, daughters Roblay Yamaguchi, Allison Inatomi-Brush, Sheryl, 1 gc, brothers Harold (Virginia), Richard, James, Robert, Harry, sisters Jean Hamachi, Nancy Shimotsu, Sadie Hifumi.

Iwamasa, Kikuno, 92, Gardena, May 9; Hawaii-born, survived by son Utaka, daughters Hatsue Nakamura, Shizuyo Yokota, 11 gc.

Kato, Rev. Nancy T., 56, Anaheim, May 7; Saga-born minister of West Adams Christian Church, Los Angeles; survived by husband Jack Yuichi, brothers and sisters in Japan.

Kawamura, Yoshiko, 76, Los Angeles, May 15; Los Angeles-born, survived by husband Masao, son James, daughters Emiko Tagami, Susan Yano, Shirley, 4 gc., 1 ggc., mother Mine Hori, brother Norio.

Kayashima, Tani Oda, 92, Claremont, May 17; Kagoshima-born and 48-year resident of Chino, survived by son Judge Ben (Pomona), daughters Aiko Kawasaki (Honolulu), Sally Otsuji (Chicago), Christine Romero, 21 gc., 23 ggc., predeceased by son Mitsugi and daughter Shizuyo Hasegawa.

Kihara, Doris Mitsuye, 73, Hacienda Heights, May 17; Los Angeles-born, survived by husband Dr. Hayato, daughters Betty Kathleen Button, Elaine Lois Kihara-Sweet (Santa Cruz), 1 gc., mother Kathleen Yonegaki.

Kitatake, Aki, 55, Larkspur, April 29; Tokyo-born president of North Coast Fibers Co., survived by wife Constance (Barry), daughter Chelsea, mother and brother in Japan.

Kurakane, Kiyoko, 71, Gardena, May 8; Los Angeles-born, survived by brother Shoichi, sisters Maruko Nason, Jeanne Kato.

Kuranishi, Tom T., Chicago, service May 18; survived by wife Ine, sons Van, Mark, 3 gc.

Kusumoto, Jiro, Chicago, service May 10; survived by wife Shizuko, children Ken, Lindsay, Karin Erdman, brothers Takeo, Saburo, sisters Shizuko Kono, Kiyo Ogawa, Aiko Nakai, Toyoko Kase.

Menda, Dorothy Emiko, Chicago, service June 2; survived by husband Masao, son Ken, daughter Stacy Brege, 2 gc., brother Richard Shinoki.

Miura, Ume, 101, Los Angeles, May 16; Wakayama-born, survived by son Kazuo, daughter Mae C. Moriwaki, 6 gc., 8 ggc.

Miyamoto, Walter T., 76, Gardena, May 14 in San Francisco; Selma-born proprietor of Tropical Bowl Nursery, survived by daughters Nancy, Susan, Alice.

Miyoshi, Joe K., 75, San Francisco, May 10; San Francisco-born, survived by wife Sachiko, daughter Karen Nishihama, son Richard, 1 gc., sister Tomoko Tayenaka, brother Kazuyei.

Mukai, Chiyoko, Chicago, service June 4; predeceased by husband Kiyochi, sons Tom, Jack, daughter Arlene, survived by daughter Alice, son George, 9 gc., 10 ggc.

Murakami, Yukio Bob, 65, Los Angeles, May 7; Los Angeles-born Korean Conflict veteran, survived by brother Joe, sister Yae Nakajima, Tae West.

Murata, Frank, 74, Citrus Heights, April 19; Castroville-born, survived by wife Mary, son Herb, daughters Linda Peirano, Pat Adams, 5 gc., sister Yoneko Murase, brothers Ross, Tom, predeceased by brothers Harry, George and sister Fumiko Higaki.

Nakahama, Noboru, 91, Gardena, May 7; Hawaii-born, survived by wife Tamayo, son Tetsuo, sisters Yukie Iida.

Nakano, Shizue, 81, Los Angeles, April 13; Oakland-born, survived by son Nick, daughters May Nagafuchi (Sacramento), Doris Joku, 10 gc., 8 ggc.

Nakashima, Yaeko, 79, Los Angeles, service April 26; Los Angeles-born, survived by daughters Marsha, Aileen Ferguson, son Melvin, sisters Yoshiko Kishi, Tomeko Kakita, Fumiko Shimashita (Chicago), brother Takeo Nakagawa, predeceased by husband Yutaka.

Nakasone, Jerry K., 80, Wilmington, April 24; Hawaii-born, survived by wife Grace, stepchildren Vernon Matsushita (Torrance), Shirley Nakaki (La Cañada), 4 gc., brothers Robert, Ken (both Honolulu).

Nao, Rev. Dr. Kosaku, 87, Los Angeles, May 14; Fukuoka-born Lutheran minister, survived by daughters Naomi Westlock (Illinois), Grace, Ruth Towns (San Bernardino), Becky Koblit (Germany), 7 gc, 3 ggc.

Nishimoto, Morimitsu, 82, Mission Hills, April 13; Los Angeles-born, survived by wife Fumiko, daughters Ruby Watanabe (Arroyo Grande), Margaret Iwanaga (Santa Barbara), Helen Shenkman (Arlington, Texas), 7 gc., 2 ggc.

Nishimura, Haruo, 91, Partier, April 26; Hiroshima-born, survived by sons Tom, Joe, daughters Mitsuko Phillips, Kazuo, 4 gc., 1 ggc.

Ohashi, Komatsu, Torrance, Feb. 25; longtime Ketchikan, Alaska, resident, survived by wife Barbara, children Bob (Seattle), Hope, Neil, Paul (Ketchikan), Ed (Reseda), 5 gc., 7 ggc.

Ohashi, Masaaki, Seattle, April 15; survived by sisters Fumiko Sparks, Miyeko Yoda.

Okamoto, Toyoko, 56, Los Angeles, April 11; Tokyo-born, survived by brother Kenichi.

Okuda, Tatsuko, 69, Bellflower, May 5; Holtville-born, survived by husband Ted, daughters Lorraine Kikuta, Julie Kikuta Lindley, 4 gc., sisters Reiko Okuma, Setsu Himaka, Shizue Suwa, 3 brothers Hito, Yosh and Kaye Suwa.

Ono, Tsutomu, 95, Chicago, April 12.

Onouye, Dal T., 62, Los Angeles, April 23; Maui-born, survived by wife Julie, sons Owen, Eric, daughter Sandi Synder, 5 gc., brothers Isao (Hawaii), Tsuto, sisters Jane Koizumi, Beatrice Taoka (both Hawaii).

Onouye, Dal T., 62, Los Angeles, April 23; Maui-born, survived by wife Julie, sons Owen, Eric, daughter Sandi Synder, 5 gc., brothers Isao (Hawaii), Tsuto, sisters Jane Koizumi, Beatrice Taoka (both Hawaii).

Onouye, Dal T., 62, Los Angeles, April 23; Maui-born, survived by wife Julie, sons Owen, Eric, daughter Sandi Synder, 5 gc., brothers Isao (Hawaii), Tsuto, sisters Jane Koizumi, Beatrice Taoka (both Hawaii).

Onouye, Dal T., 62, Los Angeles, April 23; Maui-born, survived by wife Julie, sons Owen, Eric, daughter Sandi Synder, 5 gc., brothers Isao (Hawaii), Tsuto, sisters Jane Koizumi, Beatrice Taoka (both Hawaii).

Onouye, Dal T., 62, Los Angeles, April 23; Maui-born, survived by wife Julie, sons Owen, Eric, daughter Sandi Synder, 5 gc., brothers Isao (Hawaii), Tsuto, sisters Jane Koizumi, Beatrice Taoka (both Hawaii).

Onouye, Dal T., 62, Los Angeles, April 23; Maui-born, survived by wife Julie, sons Owen, Eric, daughter Sandi Synder, 5 gc., brothers Isao (Hawaii), Tsuto, sisters Jane Koizumi, Beatrice Taoka (both Hawaii).

Shimizu, Kazuo, 74, Los Angeles, May 5; San Gabriel-born, survived by wife Takemi, son Dr. Glendon, daughters Janet, Carol, Jean O'Malley, 2 gc., brother Yoshio, sisters Masako, Toshiko Okawa.

Shiroishi, Rev. Gerald G., 81, Los Angeles, May 14; Garden Grove-born reverend-emeritus of Gedatsu Church, South San Gabriel, survived by wife Helen Konoye, son Ken, daughter Kathy Groux, 2 gc.

Smith, Brendan D., 11, Southern Pines, N.C., May 8 after year-long struggle against a rare type of leukemia; survived by parents Dr. Dean and Lori Kita, brother Alex, grandparents Carl and Norma Smith (East Stroudsburg, Pa.), Roy and Yuri Kita, Seven Lakes, N.C. Memorials to Brendan Smith Medical Fund, c/o Branch Banking and Trust, attn. Annette, PO Box 1029, Pinehurst, NC 28374. Plight of the young man was made known throughout the world when photographs of Brendan and a call for bone marrow transplant donors appeared, including in the *Pacific Citizen*.

Sugiyama, Kimi, 94, Long Beach, April 30; Yokohama-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by sons Eugene, Dr. Richard, Dr. Raymond, 8 gc., 5 ggc., brother Shigeru Kawai, sister Mineko Takagaki.

Takeda, Rev. Shiro, 76, Gardena, May 4; Salt Lake City-born Konk Church priest, survived by wife Sadako, sons Masanori, Yoshinori, daughters Kimiye Seki, Makiye Arakawa, Tomiye Akagi, 7 gc., brother Bunichi Matsushita (Japan), sister Minoko Kamo.

Takeuchi, Yuko, 37, Gardena, May 4; Japan-born, survived by husband Shiro, daughter Aiko, son Masato, mother and sister in Japan.

Takiguchi, Robert, Chicago, service June 3; survived by wife Sue, sons Robert, Mark, daughters Carole Larson, Anna, 3 ggc, 4 ggc.

Tanaka, Wilbert Toshio, 77, Elk Grove, May 6; survived by daughters

Sharon Arase, Louise Tranishi, Susan Takeda, gc., brother George, sisters Myrna Hitori, Myrtle Yoshikawa, Teri Mizusaka.

Tawa, Will Kei, 77, Rancho Palos Verdes, April 25 in Nogales, Ariz.; Los Angeles-born WWII vet, produce shipper in Utah, Los Angeles and Arizona, survived by wife Mitsuye, daughters Michiko Otello (Burbank), Keiko (St. George, Utah), Susan Izu (San Diego), Kathy Izu (Irvine), 4gc.

Tsuneyoshi, Masumi T., 89, Los Angeles, May 2; Okayama-born, survived by sons Kyoshi Tomono, Kunio, gc. and ggc.

Uchima, Kurt T., Chicago, service June 9; survived by wife Ruth, daughter Karen, son Keith, 3 gc, brothers Masao, Hiroshi, Yoshito, sisters Fumi Okuma, Sachiko Miyashiro, Miyo Loui.

Umeki, Isoko, 76, Berkeley, March 2; Oakland-born wife of the late Kaoru Kay Umeki, sister of the late Toshi Minamoto, survived by sons Bryan, Spencer, daughter Donna, 2gc., brother Howard, sisters Yuki and Lou.

Wachter, Kaoru Sue, 69, Las Vegas, April 23; South Korea-born, survived by stepson Mark (Foster City).

Watanabe, Ryan M., 17, Tustin, April 9 in auto accident; survived by parents Michael and Elaine, brother Eric, sister Mariko, grandparents Fusako Kumamoto, Thomas and Sylvia Takata.

Woods, Kazuko, 69, Las Vegas, June 3; Japan-born resident of 33 years, survived by husband Allen, daughter Joy Sloan (Milltown, Calif.)

Yagi, Steve Kaoru, 77, West Los Angeles, May 4; Florin-born WWII MIS veteran, West L.A. JACL president '55, '62, survived by wife Akiko, son Ronald, daughters Linda Shimizu, Annie Kakehashi, 5 gc., sister Yukie Inagaki (see above).

Yamada, Yasuye, 95, Culver City, May 17; Wakayama-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by daughter Akimi Mayeda, 4 gc., 7 ggc.

Yamamoto, Terry Y., 71, Los Ange-

les, April 20; Los Angeles-born, survived by husband Chikao, mother Emi Minobe, sons Alan, Gary, 3 gc., brothers George and Shig Higa.

Yamamoto, Tsunee, 69, Torrance, April 12; Hawaii-born, survived by wife Sachiko, sons Gary, Kenny, 1 gc., brothers and sisters in Hawaii, Yoshimi, Michie Yamada, Sumie Wada.

Yamasaki, Mae K., 84, Los Angeles, March 11; Florin-born, survived by husband Haruo, sons Ronald, Bert, daughters Setsuko Sahara, 9 gc., 4 ggc., brother Hatsumi Morimoto, sisters Yoshie Naito, Edna Shirakawabe, Grace Ouye.

Yamasaki, Ruby Toshiko, 78, Ogden, March 16; Utah-born, survived by husband Sootie, sons Dennis (Conn.), Sheldon (Logan, Utah), daughters Joanne Adair (Denver), Merlyne Miya (Kaysville), Geniel Summers, six sisters, one brother.

Yamasaki, Yuji, 96, Long Beach, May 13; Wakayama-born, survived by wife Koharu, sons Jitsuo (Japan), Moto, Takashi, daughters Kazuyo Hata, Keiko Nakamichi (Japan), 10 gc., 8 ggc.

Yamashita, Tetsuo, 66, Monterey Park, March 26; Terminal Island-born, survived by wife Margaret, son David, daughters Jill Oda (Hawaii), Jane, 1 gc., brother Kanski.

Yasuda, Barney H., 74, Seattle, April 11.

Yatabe, James Hajime, San Francisco, April 13; survived by wife Miyo, son Philip, daughter Linda Tamura, 4 gc., sister Frances Ishida.

Yokomi, Kazumi George, 81, Fresno, April 8; Bowles-born, survived by wife Ann, daughters Janet Tanaka, Nancy Seto, son Raymond, 6 gc., 1 ggc.

DEATH NOTICE

SETSUOKO TSURU
SEATTLE, Wash. - Setsuko Tsuru, 88, Nara-born, passed away on March 1. Setsuko is survived by daughters: Janet Kaku (San Jose, Calif.) and Linda Matsudaira (Bellevue, Wash.); sisters: Miyo Jenner (Seattle, Wash.) and Ellen Nilsson (Seattle, Wash.) and 4 gc.

Japanese Phototypesetting

TOYO PRINTING CO.

309 So. San Pedro St.
Los Angeles 90013
(213) 626-8153

TOYO Myatake STUDIO

SAN GABRIEL VILLAGE

235 W. Fairview Ave.
San Gabriel, CA 91776
Phone: (800) 552-8454
Fax: (818) 289-9569

Monuments & Markers for All Cemeteries

櫛山石碑社
KUSHIYAMA SEKIHI-SHA
EVERGREEN MONUMENT CO.
4548 Floral Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90022
(213) 261-7279

FUKUI MORTUARY
Four Generations of Experience

707 East Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Ph. 213 • 626-0441
Fax 213 • 617-2781

Gerald Fukui
Director
Nobuo Ozumi
Counselor

Serving the Community for Over 30 Years

KUBOTA NIKKEI MORTUARY

911 VENICE BLVD.
LOS ANGELES, CA 90015
(213) 749-1449

R. Hayamizu, President
H. Suzuki, V.P./Gen. Mgr.
M. Motoyama, Asst. Mgr.

SOUP TO SUSHI
(a special collection of favorite recipes)

New Deluxe 3-Ring Binder Cookbook With Over 600 Recipes

\$18 (plus \$3 handling)

Wesley United Methodist Women
566 N. 5th St.
San Jose, CA 95112

National Business and Professional Directory

Pacific Citizen Get a head start in business

Your business card in each issue for 12 issues is \$15 per line, three-line minimum. Larger type (12 pt.) counts as two lines. Logo same as line rate as required. PC has made no determination that the businesses listed in this directory are licensed by proper government authority.

<p>Greater Los Angeles</p> <p>ASAHI TRAVEL BUSINESS & LEISURE TRAVEL FOR GROUPS, FAMILIES & INDIVIDUALS. PACKAGE TOURS, CRUISES, RAILPANS, YORITORE & LIMOUSINE SERVICE 1543 W. Olympic Blvd, #317, L.A. 90015 (213) 487-4294 • FAX (213) 487-1073</p> <p>FLOWER VIEW GARDENS Flowers, Fruit, Wine & Candy Citywide Delivery Worldwide Service 1801 N. Western Ave., Los Angeles 90027 (213) 466-7373 / Art & Jim Ito</p> <p>Dr. Darlyne Fujimoto, Optometrist & Associates A Professional Corporation 11420 E. South St, Cerritos, CA 90703 (310) 860-1339</p> <p>DAVID W. EGAWA, Attorney Criminal & Civil Law 30 N. Raymond Ave, Suite #409 Pasadena, CA 91103 Ph: (818) 792-8417</p> <p>TAMA TRAVEL INTERNATIONAL Martha Igarashi Tamashiro 626 Wilshire Blvd., Ste 310 Los Angeles 90017; (213) 622-4333</p> <p>Santa Clara County, Calif.</p> <p>RON SAKAGUCHI Golden Bay Realty Real Estate & Loan Consultant (800) 347-5484 Fax (415) 349-5869 EMAIL: sakaguchi@prodigy.com 1475 S. Bascom Ave., Ste. 104 Campbell, CA 95008</p>	<p>San Mateo County, Calif.</p> <p>AILEEN A. FURUKAWA, CPA Tax Accounting for Individuals, Estates & Trusts and Businesses 2020 Pioneer Court, Suite 3 San Mateo, CA 94403. Tel: (415) 358-9320.</p> <p>San Leandro, Calif.</p> <p>YUKAKO AKERA, O.D. Doctor of Optometry Medi-Care Provider, Fluent Japanese 1390 E. 14th St., San Leandro, CA 94577 (510) 483-2020</p> <p>UWAJIMAYA ...Always in good taste.</p> <p>For the Best of Everything Asian Fresh Produce, Meat, Seafood and Groceries A vast selection of Gift Ware</p> <p>Seattle • 624-6248 Bellevue • 747-9012</p>
--	--

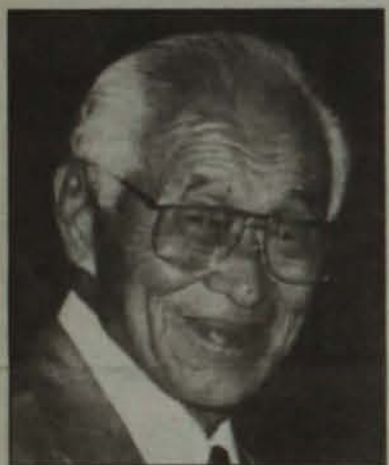
Personally speaking

Honors from Japan

Among the U.S. Nikkei and Americans being decorated by the Japanese government on April 29 for their contributions to community, for promoting Japanese culture and efforts to better U.S.-Japan relations were four Southern Californians: **James Nobuo Yamazaki, M.D., 79**, Los Angeles, Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon (3rd Class); **Clarence Iwao Nishizu, 85**, Fullerton: Professor Emeritus in classical Japanese language, **Helen Craig McCullough, 77**, Order of the Precious Crown Wisteria, and **Kuwako Takahashi, 79**, Order of the Precious Crown, Ripple.

Yamazaki, a pediatrician, a WWII army surgeon, was physician-in-charge of the U.S. Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission to study the long-term effects of the atomic bombs on Japan, examining over 70,000 babies in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, practiced in Los Angeles, taught at UCLA medical school, retired in 1988 and authored, *Children of the Atomic Bomb*, last year.

Nishizu, who grew up in Orange County where the family had a farm, a Heart Mountain internee, is a JACL pioneer, judo



CLARENCE NISHIZU

club founder and postwar with his brothers resumed farming in Orange County and operated Olympic Produce Co., Los Angeles. Because of health, he retired from farming in 1958, was an Orange County Grand Jury foreman, and eventually turned to real estate development and property management. His own oral history with Cal State Fullerton turned out to be a publication of local history of Japanese in Orange County.

A Hiroshima-born Buddhist priest since 1946, Rinban Mohri is associated with the Buddhist Churches of America. He served at Los Angeles, Pasadena, Tacoma, established the temples at Vista in 1978 and San Fernando Valley in 1981 as rinban at Los Angeles Betsuin. He also taught Japanese and was an adviser to the Pasadena Mishima Sister City Association.

Shimane-born Nichiren Buddhist priest and calligrapher, Ikuta of Gardena founded the North American Shodo Kenkyukai in 1965 for calligraphers, which sports 37 chapters in the United States and four in Japan. He teaches calligraphy at the Los Angeles Kyodo School system and art at Cal State Long Beach. During America's Bicentennial, he chaired an international shodo (Japanese calligraphy) conference. He came to the U.S. in 1952 to head the Seattle Nichiren Buddhist Temple.

Hollywood-born and a 1939 UC Berkeley graduate, Dr. McCullough enrolled at the U.S. Navy Japanese Language School in Boulder in 1943, graduating #2 in the class and assigned as a translator for the chief of naval operations in Washington, D.C. Postwar, she worked at ATIS, Tokyo; eventually earning her



NORTH GARDENA'S TROOP 719—Seven members of North Gardena United Methodist Church Boy Scout Troop 719 honored as Eagle Scouts are (from left): kneeling—Kevin Arima, Gregory Nakano, Chad Shimazaki; standing—Kenji Morita, Glen Sasahara, T.J. Yee, Bradley Toy.

Eagle Scouts win badges with community work

Among the requirements to earn the coveted Eagle Scout badge are the "Eagle" community development projects. These were described by seven new Eagle Scouts from North Gardena United Methodist Church Troop 719, who were recently honored at Ken Nakaoka Memorial Center.

Kevin, son of **Tom and Ruby Arima**, clocked 217 hours to complete maintenance and painting of the Japanese Cultural Institute social hall, supported by 33 scouts and parents. He is a freshman at El Camino College.

Kenji, son of **Shigeo and Laureen Morita**, put in 386 hours to complete a trail restoration project at Mt. Baden-Powell in the Angeles National Forest with 37 scouts and adults. They constructed two walls to prevent erosion and to provide support for the trail. Kenji is a senior at CSU-Northridge/Granada Hills Magnet High School.

Gregory, son of **Tosh and Keiko Nakano**, organized and supervised 43 scouts and parents who worked for 336 hours building a new trail at the Henninger Flats area in the San Gabriel Mountains. He is a senior at Bishop Montgomery High School.

Glen, son of **Sueji and Nancy Sasahara**, spent 266 hours with more than 50 scouts

and adults trimming trees, bushes, weeding, building a dam in the lower pond and draining ditches at the F.E. Hopkins Wilderness Park, Redondo Beach. He is a senior at North Torrance High School.

Chad, son of **Dr. Tak and Sharon Shimazaki**, spent 158 hours, restoring a hiking trail at Henninger Flats which had been destroyed by fire and rain. The project involved supervising 30 scouts and parents. He is a junior at North Torrance High School.

Bradley, son of **Raymond and Youko Toy**, clocked 277 hours clearing away debris and planting wild native plants at Madrona Marsh Nature Area with 65 scouts and parents. He is a North Torrance High School senior.

Travis, son of **Frank and Pat Yee**, spent 299 hours to complete sanding and staining the wood deck at the Rolling Hills Estates Nature Center, as well as painting and maintenance, with support of 38 scouts and parents. He is a senior at Palos Verdes Peninsula High.

Troop 719 leadership includes **Tim Moore**, scoutmaster, and **Shigeo Morita, Joe Saldana, Tak Shimazaki, Steve Nakama, Bob Harada, Terry Tupaz, Terry Weber** and **Larry Murakami**, assistant scoutmasters.

Her accomplishments in ikebana includes *riji*, the highest teaching rank.

MIS Hall of Famers

On June 28, Maj. Kan Tagami (ret), Hawaii, and Harry M. Akune, Gardena, will be inducted into the Military Intelligence Corps Hall of Fame, Fort Huachuca, Ariz. Akune was nominated by Gen. George M. Jones, WWII commanding officer of the 503rd Parachute Regiment, of which Harry was the lone Nisei MIS specialist and without benefit of any parachute training, made the jump with the regiment in capture of the island fortress on Corregidor in February, 1945. "Because of his skills in Japanese intelligence would be needed early, he was among the first to jump," his colleague **Jack Herzig** recalled. The paratroopers landed on the Corregidor parade ground and on the small golf course. Approximately 5,000 Japanese defenders were forced into tunnels and caves after heavy naval and air bombardment. A pitched battle ensued when the enemy came out from the tunnels in an attempt to destroy the outnumbered paratroopers. From the few Japanese prisoners captured (there were

only 22), Akune found timely and valuable intelligence. The extraordinary actions of the 503rd merited the Presidential Unit Citation.

Tagami was the only member of the U.S. Occupation forces to have a private audience with the Emperor... A February, 1941, draftee who trained at Fort Ord, he was recruited for the first class of MIS students at the Presidio of San Francisco, taught at Camp Savage and volunteered for combat patrol duty in the Pacific as the war intensified.

As aide-de-camp to Gen. MacArthur after the war, "his personal advice did much to allow a smooth, peaceful and successful transition of Japan to a democratic society," the *MI Professional Journal* commented. "During this assignment, Gen. MacArthur directed Maj. Tagami to visit the Emperor of Japan to discuss a personal problem facing the Emperor. This was unprecedented under Japanese protocol."

Honors and awards

Founding and long active member **Ruth Tanbara** of the Saint Paul-Nagasaki Sister City Committee received the Walter "Chip" Fricke Award "for her 40 years of leadership, dedication, love and contributions towards our two cities' relationship" at the 40th annual meeting held Dec. 7, 1995. Only surviving member of the committee which was launched on Dec. 7, 1945 (when there were still many hard feelings), she, her late husband Earl, its founder the late Louis W. Hill Jr., then mayor Joseph E. Dillon were participants in the first of the U.S.-Japan town affiliations (later called Sister Cities) to be established... Ruth

served six terms as president, a JACL pioneer and helped Nisei families restart their lives after relocation and Nisei MIS veterans who chose to settle in the Twin Cities. Last October, her friends held an 88th birthday party in her honor and contributed \$500 to the Twin Cities Chapter, JACL, **Earl Tanbara Memorial Scholarship Fund**.

Olympic gold medalist **Kristi Yamaguchi, 25**, of Fremont continues to reap honors and awards, the latest being the United Way Award for Volunteerism on May 8 at Sheraton Palace Hotel, San Francisco. United Way also helped organize Kristi's "Skates in the Park" charity held in Golden Gate Park on May 26. She was among Olympian medalists who carried the Olympic Torch May 3 from Justin Herman Plaza on its journey northward across Golden Gate Bridge.

Fountaingrove remembered

A piece of Issei history in Sonoma County accompanied the second anniversary of the Paradise Ridge Winery celebration May 19 with rare photos of the old Fountaingrove Winery north of Santa Rosa and "Baron" **Kanaye Nagasawa**, cellmaster and the right-hand man to Rev. Thomas Lake Harris, founder of an American religious utopian sect and Fountaingrove. Nagasawa, the son of a Kagoshima samurai, had studied in Britain in the late 1860s, emigrated to New York in 1867, came west with Rev. Harris in 1875. In tribute to the "Grape King," as Nagasawa was called by the Issei, the Byck family of Paradise Ridge Winery has dedicated a section of the vineyard to produce a Nagasawa Vineyard Chardonnay.

UPCOMING 1996 ESCORTED TANAKA TOURS

PRINCESS ALASKA GLACIER CRUISE (7 days, Discount for early booking)	AUG 17
NIKKI CANADA/ NEW ENGLAND CRUISE (10 days, JCOONC Fundraiser)	SEP 8
TENNESSEE/ BRANSON/ KENTUCKY (Shoji Tabuchi Show, 9 days)	SEP 14
EUROPEAN ESCAPE (Italy/ Switzerland/ France/ England, 12 days)	SEP 18
DISCOVER SHIKOKU (10 days)	SEP 23
EAST COAST & FALL FOLIAGE (A Penn. Dutch, 11 days)	SEP 29
BEST OF HOKKAIDO (Sounkyo & Noboribetsu Onsen, 12 days)	OCT 1
JAPAN AUTUMN ADVENTURE TOUR (11 days)	OCT 14
JOURNEY TO KYUSHU (10 days)	NOV 4
SAN ANTONIO CHRISTMAS GETAWAY (5 days)	DEC 5
1997 Feb: TAUCK STEAMBOAT IN (Mississippi) + Cajun Country 8 days.	
1997 Mar 22: GEORGIA & SOUTH CAROLINA (Inc shows) 8 days.	

(Book Early!)

CALL OR WRITE TODAY FOR OUR FREE BROCHURES
Tanaka Travel Service is a full service agency and can assist you in issuing individual air tickets, cruise bookings, & other travel plans at NO ADDITIONAL CHARGE.



TRAVEL SERVICE

441 O'Farrell St., San Francisco, CA 94102
(415) 474-3900 or (800) 826-2521



KOKUSAI-PACIFICA 1996 TOURS

JUL 12	Tauk's National Parks - 9 Days - Salt Lake, Jackson Hole, Grand Tetons, Yellowstone & Mr. Rushmore - \$1795
AUG 18	CANADIAN ROCKIES - 9 Days - Edmonton, Jasper, Banff Springs, Lake Louise Hotel & Calgary - \$1850
SEP 20	MEMPHIS, BRANSON & NASHVILLE "Show Tour" - \$1795
OCT 03	NEW ENGLAND - FALL FOLIAGE TOUR - 9 Days - \$1895
OCT 14	HOKKAIDO & TOHOKU - 11 Days - \$3795 - \$3295
OCT 21	URANIHON "Otherside of Japan" 11 Days - \$3695 - \$3195
NOV 01	FALL JAPAN CLASSIC - 11 Days - \$3595 - \$3095
NOV 16	SOUTH AMERICA - DELUXE - 13 Days - \$3395
DEC 04	CHRISTMAS IN BRANSON - 5 Days - \$1075
DEC 10	NEW / COUNTRY CHRISTMAS IN NASHVILLE - 5 Days Christmas at the Opryland Hotel, Grand Ole Opry, Line Dancing, Showboat Breakfast Cruise - \$1295
MAR 03	1997 AFRICAN ADVENTURE Kenya Safari - 15 Days - \$4295

"Early bird savings available - call for 1996 Brochure."

ALL TOURS INCLUDE - flights, transfers, portage, hotels, sightseeing, tips & taxes, touring by private motorcoach and MOST MEALS.

KOKUSAI INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL, INC.

4911 Warner Ave., Suite 221, Huntington Beach, CA 92649
714/840-0455 and 310/493-2122