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National day of remembrance planned in D.C. Feb. 19, 1997

Plans are being developed for a National Day of Remembrance ceremony to be held in Washington, D.C., Wednesday, Feb. 19, 1997. "It will be the 55th anniversary of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's signing of Executive Order 9066," said Susan Hayase, vice chair of the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund and chair of the National DOR Project. "It is appropriate that the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund reflect on this day in the nation's Capital."

"We want everyone to know that the Civil Liberties Fund Board has made this activity one of its major educational priorities. We would hope that a national ceremony will educate the public about the lessons learned from the incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II," added Dale Minami, board chair.

"People need to be reminded that the incarceration was not an act of military necessity, but was a result of racial prejudice, war hysteria and a failure of political leadership," noted Dale Shimasaki, executive director of the fund. The federal government, through the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians, had made this finding in 1982. Congress then adopted legislation apologizing to those who were incarcerated during World War II. This legislation was signed into law by President Ronald Reagan."

Such an event would also help to publicize and to promote local DOR events throughout the country. Currently, many Japanese American communities sponsor local Day of Remembrance events. Some cities have used themes to focus their commemorative events such as remembering the role of the Nisei Veterans. Other communities have used the events to draw on parallels to contemporary events such as the recent mistreatment of Arab Americans. Past keynote speakers have included Congressmen Robert Matsui, Jesse Jackson, and Norman Mineta.

Candle-lighting ceremonies and the screening of documentaries such as "From Hawaii to the Holocaust, A Shared Moment in History" have also been sponsored by communities. Communities which have sponsored local Day of Remembrance activities include New York, Philadelphia, Seabrook, Denver, Chicago, Washington, D.C., Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Francisco, San Jose, Seattle, Portland, and the Gilroy/Monterey/Salinas/San Benito/Watsonville area. The first Day of Remembrance event was sponsored by community leaders in the Seattle area on Nov. 25, 1978, during Thanksgiving weekend. It was originally conceived as an event to help publicize the redress campaign. It included a car caravan lead by National Guard buses to the Puyallup, Wash., Fairgrounds, the former Assembly Center during World War II. Participants wore replicas of the family name tags which were issued to those who were incarcerated. Activities included speakers Mako, Pat Morita and elected officials, a camp art exhibit, a potluck, and flag-raising ceremony.

Recently, the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund held a meeting to seek input from a cross section of Japanese American communities throughout the country which sponsor local DOR activities. Individuals who attended the meeting included Yuri Kochiyama of New York, Frank Abe of Seattle, Marlene Tonai of Oakland, Sox Kitashima of San Francisco, Bob Sakaniwa, JACL Washington, D.C., representative, Richard Katsuda of Los Angeles, Burt Takeuchi of San Jose, Cynthia Sakoda Acott of Chicago, Gary Jio of San Jose, Julie Hatta of San Francisco, and Herb Yamanishi of San Francisco.

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Study: Most Asians Americans in Bay Area voted for Clinton, against Proposition 209

Asian Americans united in their opposition against Proposition 209 and voted heavily Democratic and overwhelmingly for President Clinton, according to a recent study.

Preliminary results of the exit poll study of more than 500 Asian Americans were released Nov. 7 by the Asian Law Caucus and the National Asian Pacific American Legal Consortium. The poll focused on the growing Asian immigrant communities in San Francisco and Oakland. Conducting the study were Prof. Larry Hajime Shinagawa, chair of American Multi-cultural Studies at Sonoma State University, assisted by Prof. Timothy Fong of Holy Names College.

According to Angeleo Ancheta, executive director of the Asian Law Caucus, "The new statistics are very telling about

MORE REACTION TO PROP 209—JACL, California Social Workers condemn passage—page 4.

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Summary results of poll

Asian Americans Opposed Proposition 209

● 84.1 percent of Asian Americans poll voted "no" on Proposition 209, while 15.9 percent voted "yes."

● In San Francisco, 83.3 percent of Asian Americans voted "no" on Proposition 209, while 16.7 percent voted "yes."

Asian Americans Voted Democratic

● 74.5 percent of Asian Americans polled voted Democratic, while 9.5 percent voted Republican, with 13.2 percent declining to state or stating another party.

● In San Francisco, 64.3 percent voted Democratic, 15.2 percent voted Republican, and 20.5 percent declined to state or stated another party; in Oakland, 77.3 percent voted Democratic, 9.5 percent voted Republican, and 13.2 percent declined to state or voted for another party.

Asian Americans Voted for President Clinton

● 82.8 percent of Asian Americans polled voted for President Clinton, 8.6 percent for presidential candidate Dole, and 14.8 percent declined to state or voted for someone else.

● In San Francisco, 76.8 percent voted for Clinton, 13.4 percent voted for Dole, and 9.8 percent declined to state or voted for another candidate; Oakland was higher in its support for Clinton. 84.5 percent voted for Clinton, 7.2 percent voted for Dole, and 8.2 percent declined to state or voted for another candidate.

JACL National Board meeting, Nov. 8-11, 1996

New board steadies eye on JACL's fiscal integrity

By HARRY K. HONDA
Interim editor

SAN FRANCISCO—Every major point from Administration to Youth Council in the JACL framework was covered at the National JACL Board and Staff meeting chaired by National President Helen Kawagoe at National Headquarters over the Nov. 8-10 weekend.

Before the eight-page agenda was adopted, Kawagoe stood up and unbuttoned her jacket to show the bullet-proof vest she was wearing—part of the "uniform" for the city officials in Carson on the move. As city clerk she was re-elected for the fourth time, her term ending in 1999. Not only that, she smilingly wielded an oversized gavel to call the meeting to order Saturday morning.

Prominent throughout the discussions "the bottom line," incidentally the title to Helen Kawagoe's column hereafter in the *Pacific Citizen*, was fiscal integrity: Is it budgeted? Do we have the money? Does it jeopardize JACL's nonprofit tax-exempt 501(c)(3) status, since the IRS's foray to insure that nonprofits are indeed nonprofits and not otherwise? Questions of this sort were freely raised, often before recognition from the chair.

On that score, National Director Herb Yamanishi reminded that JACL is not a civil rights organization as advertised now on JACL's web page on Internet (www.jacl.org) but is chartered as an educational organization as noted in JACL's Articles of Incorporation in the State of California.



HELEN KAWAGOE



HERBERT YAMANISHI

that can be shared with chapters. Titled the "National JACL Board Handbook," the eventual heft may soon require more than a single hand to manipulate.

In the vivacious knockout style that was Helen Kawagoe's at the convention, she continued to beam in her opening remarks to the board:

"We can't live in the past. Let's move

forward and JACL can go forward. I hear that from the younger members. I see their enthusiasm for JACL. Let's make JACL so that the young people want to take over. They have the energy to drive to carry on ...

"We (members and officers) can volunteer our hand at the regional offices. We've got to have the will in JACL so we can have the PC every week again ... JACL can offer our services.

"Let's update JACL this biennium by pushing for coalitions. We must start planning for the 1998 convention (in Philadelphia) now.

"And we must encourage young people to run for public office as well as urge their appointments to government offices. As for the monument in Washington, D.C. devoted to the patriotism of Japanese Americans in World War II, we will never get another chance. I feel good on this...

"And you can always write to me."

JACL agenda: A to Z

While this rundown of Kawagoe's first quarterly board meeting in A to Z fashion is a PC's quick reference tool, a full reading is available from the National Board Members Handbook. In every case, the full title of the paper is included. Proceedings will be contained in the Minutes at Headquarters. Prioritizing the 37 fields, as designated below by Herb Yamanishi, in terms of budget and funds is also contemplated.

(1) Administration

● On Sunday afternoon (Nov. 10) after the Board meeting had adjourned, Yamanishi presided at a staff meeting to discuss personnel policies, strategy, work plans and procedures to implement the current JACL program for action.

● Personnel Policies, as revised, was adopted. Matter of leaves, major and minor violations, staff retreat, and requests/conversations between board members and staff were clarified. Matter of a salary range for the PC editor/general manager was raised for consideration. The problems of

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JACL calendar

ATTENTION: All calendar items—JACL and Community—will be contained on this one page as far as possible. TIME-VALUE is the chief consideration.

Eastern

NEW YORK

Sat. Dec. 14—Holiday bazaar, noon-6 p.m., Japanese American United Church, 7th Ave btwn 24th and 25th Sts.; info: Chapter, 800/513-8813.

PHILADELPHIA

1998: July 1-5—35th biennial Nat'l JACL Convention, Sheraton Society Hill, Philadelphia.

WASHINGTON D.C.

Sat. Nov. 23—Annual meeting, 2-4 p.m., Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church, Bethesda, Md.; info: JACL Office, 202/223-1240.

Sun. Dec. 15—Mochitsuki, 1-5 p.m., BHPC, Bethesda, Md.

Midwest

CLEVELAND

Sat. Dec. 7—Christmas party, 1-4 p.m., Euclid Square Mall; info: Joyce Theus 216/582-5443.

DAYTON

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

TWIN CITIES

Sun. Dec. 15—Holiday party, 1-4 p.m., Como Lakeside Pavilion. Info: Chris Noonan, 612/486-9150.

1997: April 5—Chapter's 50th Anniversary celebration. Info: Lynn Yamanaka, 403 Totem Rd, St. Paul, MN 55119, 612/735-6124. NOTE—Docutech (rather than photocopy) old photos for exhibit.

Community calendar

Eastern

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Through Jan. 5, 1997—Kristine Yuki Aono's exhibit: "Relics from Camp," National Museum for Women in the Arts, 1250 New York Ave NW, 202/783-7351.

Midwest

CHICAGO

1997: Jan. 26-March 6—Smithsonian's "A More Perfect Union" travel exhibit, Harold Washington Library, info: Ross Hirano, 312/467-0623. NOTE—Teacher workshops with curriculum guides, Feb. 1 and Feb. 8; several student workshop-tours of exhibit scattered through Feb. 14-28; Feb. 20—panel: Role of Japanese Americans in WWII; other panels dates TBA.

New Mexico

ALBUQUERQUE

Thu.-Fri. Nov. 21-22—San Jose Taiko Group, UNM Residency; call: Bobby Yotsuue, 505/766-9215. NOTE—Sat. Nov. 23 Concert, 8 p.m., Popejoy Hall, UNM, 505/277-3824.

Nevada

LAS VEGAS

Through June 1997—"Beyond Gurn San: a History of the Chinese in Nevada," 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Nevada State Museum, 700 Twin Lakes Dr., Las Vegas.

LAS VEGAS-GILA RIVER

1997: June 6-8—Fun reunion, 6 p.m. Friday reception; Sat. golf tournament and banquet; info: Ben Tonooka, Chico Masai, 2161 W. 182nd St. #101, Torrance, CA 90505.

LAUGHLIN-POSTON III

1997: April 7-9—Poston Camp 3 Reunion VIII. NOTE—To be on mailing list, write Poston 3 Reunion VIII, 26807 S. Rolling Vista Dr., Lomita, CA 90717.

Northern Cal

SACRAMENTO

Sat. Jan. 4—CSU Sacramento-Smithsonian Institution Exhibit, University Library, 6000 J St., RSVP 916/278-6144. NOTE—Speakers: Lawson Inada, Pat Suzuki, George Takel.

SAN FRANCISCO

Thu. Nov. 21—Japan Society member tour: "Craft Traditions of Okinawa," 5:30 p.m., Craft and Folk Art Museum, Bldg. A, Fort Mason Center; info: 415/986-4383. NOTE—Curator Karin Nelson to lecture.

Ending Dec. 1—Revival of "Yellow Fever" by R.A. Shiomi, Asian American Theater Co., Noh Space in Mission District, tickets: 415/440-5545.

WISCONSIN

Fri.-Sun. Nov. 22-24—Holiday Folk Fair, MECCA, Milwaukee. Info: Sherri: 414/423-1408.

Sun. Dec. 8—Annual Christmas party, 12:30 potluck lunch, Mitchell Park Pavilion. RSVP by Dec. 1, Margaret Igowsky 414/643-5999, Barb Suyama 251-2279.

Sun. Jan. 19—Inaugural dinner (details TBA).

Mountain-Plains

NEW MEXICO

Sat. Nov. 23—General meeting, potluck, 5-9 p.m., Loma Linda Community Center, Yale and Gibson, Albuquerque; info: Darrell Yonemoto 505/888-4167. NOTE—Installation Jan. 11 or Jan. 12.

Sat. Dec. 14—Children's Christmas party, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Loma Linda Community Center; info: Belinda Mori 255-6066.

Pacific Northwest

DISTRICT COUNCIL

1997: July 18-19—BI-District PNW/IDC Conference at Seattle.

ALASKA

1997: May-June—Smithsonian Institution travel exhibit, "A More Perfect Union," Anchorage (Details TBA)

NCal-WN-Pacific

FREMONT

Thu. Dec. 12—Installation-Appreciation dinner, 6:30 p.m., Sangha Hall, So. Alameda County Buddhist Church; info: Diane Mikuni 510/791-8628.

RENO

Sun. Nov. 17—Mochitsuki/potluck, 12n, Knights of Pythias Hall; info: Cindy Lu 702/827-6385.

Sun. Dec. 15—Christmas potluck/Santa's visit, 12n, Knights of Pythias Hall; info: Joanna Allen 702/345-0620.

1997: Jan. 12—Installation potluck, 12n, Knights of Pythias Hall; info: Cindy Lu.

WEST VALLEY

Sat. Nov. 16—Election potluck/New member night, 5:30 p.m., JACL Clubhouse, 1544 Teresita Dr., San Jose, 408/253-0458.

Sat. Dec. 7—Mochitsuki (the old fashioned way), 5 a.m.-1 p.m., JACL Clubhouse.

Central California

TRI-DISTRICT/CCDC

1997: June 6-8—Tri-District PSW/CC/NCWNP Conference in Las Vegas.

Pacific Southwest

DISTRICT COUNCIL

SUN. NOV. 17—4th Quarterly session, 9 a.m., Venice Japanese Community Center, Venice-Culver JACL hosts; info: Al Murauchi, 213/626-4471.

GREATER L.A. SINGLES

Sat. Dec. 7—15th annual Installation dinner-dance, 6 p.m., Proud Bird Restaurant, 11022 Aviation Blvd., Los Angeles; info: Mary Yasui 310/328-826-6705; Janet Okubo 310/835-7568, Bebe Reschke 310/826-6705.

LAS VEGAS

Mon. Nov. 25—General meeting, 7 p.m., Nevada Power, Sahara near Jones; info: JACL Hot-line 702/382-4443.

Sat. Dec. 21—Mochitsuki, time pending, Las Vegas Academy; info: JACL: 702/382-4443.

p.m., JANM, info: 213/625-0414.

Wed. Dec. 4—USC/Japan America Society seminar: Multimedia in New Information Economy, 3-5:30 p.m., USC, info: 213/627-6217.

Thu. Dec. 5—Full-day Session: Stresses in Japanese Society, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., UCLA Faculty Center, RSVP by Nov. 25: Kate Temes, New Mexico US-Japan Center 505/277-1493.

Thu. Dec. 5—Asia American Symphony season kickoff dinner, 6:30 p.m., Rolling Hills Country Club, 27000 Palos Verdes Drive East; ticket info: 310/366-7261.

Thu.-Sun. Dec. 5-8—"A Jivebomber's Christmas," JANM, RSVP 212/625-0414. NOTE—Written/directed by Saachiko, Dom Magwill.

Arizona

PHOENIX

Sat. Nov. 23—Teahouse dedication, 11:30 a.m., Japanese Friendship Garden, Margaret T. Hance Park; info: Phoenix Parks 602/262-6412. NOTE—Sister City delegation from Himeji to attend.

Coming in 1998: Smithsonian's "A More Perfect Union" travel exhibit, Jan. 5-Feb. 19. Local committee information, info: Amy Williams, Phoenix Public Library, 1221 N. Central Ave., Phoenix 85004, 602/262-7939.

NOTE—Interactive videodisc program featuring first-hand accounts from five internees scheduled for exhibit; artifacts, craft material, documents pertaining to camps, resettlement, wartime military service for exhibit welcome.

CORRECTIONS

• All qualifying Recruiters' names will be placed into a Recruiter's prize drawing (not the top 10) for each 100 points accumulated. But names of the top 10 will be listed. Proper titles for Mas Hironaka is "1000 Club/Life" chair and Dr. Frank Sakamoto, "Membership Programs" chair. (Karen-Liane Shiba's Membership column, Nov. 1-14, pg. 4)

• C.Nozumaki Ikuta, a minister of the United Church of Christ, her position was cited for identification purposes only (pg. 9).

• One more time, Wimpy. His column appears in the TOZAI TIMES. It appears regularly on the inside back page. (Oct. 18-31, pg. 9).

• In the Nov. 1-14, 1996 issue of Pacific Citizen, an incorrect number in the JACL dues schedule was published in the report from Helen Kawagoe and Denny Yasuhara on page three. The current Regular/Individual (\$36) category will be \$43 in 1997—not \$36 as noted.

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JACL views



What's happenin' in PSW

By AL MURATSUCHI

Prop. 209 post-mortem:
Lessons for the future

▼ To all of you who defended affirmative action and voted against Prop. 209, let there be no doubt. You made a difference.

Your vote helped to bring Prop. 209's support down from 80% one year ago to the relatively narrow margin of 54 to 46% on election day.

Asian Americans voted firmly against Prop. 209, 61 to 39%, according to the *Los Angeles Times* exit poll. Despite reservations about affirmative action among many Asians, a solid majority recognized that Prop. 209 was too radical and clearly not the solution.

The solid Asian vote against 209 sent a clear message that we will not stand for affirmative action opponents who try to pit us against pro-affirmative action blacks and Latinos. Blacks voted 74 to 26% against 209, while Latinos were 76 to 24% against 209. Your vote also made a statement against politicians—Republicans and Democrats—who pit racial groups against each other to advance their political careers and their party's power. Republicans exploited Prop. 209

as a wedge issue to divide Democrats along racial lines, rally Republican constituents and funnel \$3 million in state and national GOP money. According to *Los Angeles Times* columnist Peter King, Governor Pete Wilson organized a conference call several months ago with House Speaker Newt Gingrich and 20 California CEOs to raise money for Prop. 209. In this conference call, Wilson argued that contributions to the ballot measure would directly benefit GOP candidates, and that Prop. 209 was the tactical sequel to Prop. 187, the anti-immigrant initiative.

To remain nonpartisan, let me emphasize that while the Republican Party poured in \$3 million to support Prop. 209, the Democratic Party failed to counter the GOP's racially divisive strategy with any significant funds to oppose 209. To the extent that the Democratic Party didn't put their money where their mouths were, they largely conceded to the GOP's wedge strategy.

Unfortunately, in these times of widespread economic and social uncertainty, we haven't seen the end of politicians exploiting wedge

issues. First, Prop. 187. Then, Prop. 209. What next?

We need to learn our lessons from the Prop. 209 setback and ready ourselves for civil rights battles to come.

In particular, we need to continue to promote the noble principles underlying affirmative action: equal opportunity and racial and gender diversity. As Governor Wilson and others begin dismantling state and local affirmative action programs, we need to speak up and let our voices be heard.

Let's not forget that while affirmative action is now illegal in California's public sector, it remains intact in the private sector as well as in the rest of the country. At the same time, we need to speak out against measures similar to Prop. 209 now pending in states across the country and in Congress.

Finally, we need to remember that civil rights were not won in one election, and they will not be lost in one. Let's continue to fight the good fight. ■

Al Muratsuchi is JACL Pacific Southwest regional director.

Let's keep communicating

By STACY Y. IGE

America is not what you think!

How can we as Americans boast of living in the Land of Opportunity, the Land of the Free, when we don't. I am not free.

Society tells me that if I obtain a certificate from a school of higher education that I will be able to do or be anything I want. This is not true. If it were true, the glass ceiling would not exist. Members of my family hold management positions, but they will never be offered vice presidential positions. Those positions are offered only to a select few.

What must we as Asian Americans do to aspire to those heights? Do I have to have a 4.0 grade point average, dye my hair blond, take medication to lose the pigmentation of my skin, have surgery on my eyes, get a tuck here and there and give up everything that makes me who I am, just so that I can have one of the top positions in a company that wants me to look a certain way?

If America were truly the Land of the Free, the Land of Opportunity, I could maintain my physical appearance, I could be a Japanese American woman in today's society. But since it's not, I can't. I am not willing to give up me to become what society wants. I don't want my family to be ashamed of someone who has no pride in herself or her heritage.

So, me and my minority brothers and sisters will struggle, clawing our way up until we reach the top or are killed off before we can even begin our climb.

Our death, if not stopped, will be a slow one. First, society will take away our culture, then it will take away our pride in our ancestors, then soon we will become just like them. Our skin may get lighter with the blending of blood, but soon we will be no more, and their goals will have been accomplished. We will no longer be the Japanese American community, but a group of people of the same race. They are waiting for our end.

My question to you is.....Do we allow ourselves to forget who we are? Do we allow our minds to be

manipulated so that we cannot stand together as a community of People? Will we let them divide us? Will we let them brainwash us so that we forget our culture, so that we can live the American dream.....make lots of money and attain power?

And once we have that money and power, will we use it for the good of our people, or will we lose the person we once were just so that we can ascend?

I ask that, though there is a mixing of blood between our cultures, we do not see it as losing someone, but a chance to gain a better understanding of another culture, be it Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, Hawaiian, Okinawan, Samoan, Cambodian, Tongan, Laotian, Guamanian, Filipino, Malaysian, Japanese and any other enriching Asian and Pacific Islander culture.

'And once we have that money and power, will we use it for the good of our people, or will we lose the person we once were just so that we can ascend?'

Everyone needs to have something to call their own; by turning away from people who have multicultural backgrounds we are turning away ourselves. Yes, we are turning our backs on us, our people. We have all suffered some kind of prejudice, bigotry, or racism from this great land. Some may not even know that they have been discriminated against, does that make it right? Is not knowing okay? Do we turn away from people who look up to the Japanese American community, what we have been able to accomplish, because they are not Japanese American?

I ask that though there are those who have different sexual preferences that you understand the hardships that they have to endure every hour of every day of every year. Their lives are twice as difficult as

yours; they not only have to deal with racial discrimination, but they also must deal with a prejudice and hate that is manipulated by fear and ignorance. We must realize that the way the gay and lesbian men and women of the Asian American community are being discriminated against and singled out is the way the Japanese Americans were in the 1940s. We are better than that, we have the ability to share great compassion, we have the historical experience of internment to understand the destructible power of discrimination, we have the ability to love one another. Yet when it comes to the gay and lesbian community, too little of our community chooses not to love, share, and embrace this community with the compassion it desperately needs. Most gay and lesbian men and women are angry because they feel alone. Their own families don't want them. How would you feel if your family were to turn away from you because of the person you loved?

While I ask all these things of you, I ask them of myself as well. If we understand where everyone is coming from, that will help to build a base with which we can build our own mountain of power. With this mountain we can empower our community to break down the glass ceiling, the barriers of English only as a Federal language, the discrimination between legal and illegal immigrants, the mountains that prevent marriage for same sex couples, but only after we can understand one another. This Asian Pacific Islander community is struggling.

In order to become stronger we all need to address the issues of the Asian Pacific Islander community. We need that strength, and we need each other; whether the community is big or small, we are all equal.

We need to fight together because this is our country too! ■

Central California youth representative Stacy Ige is a student at California State University, Fresno.



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Organization news

Reactions to Proposition 209

From JACL

The Japanese American Citizens League condemned the passage of Proposition 209, also known as the California Civil Rights Initiative, a ballot initiative designed to abolish all state and local affirmative action programs in public education, public employment, and government contracting.

"The passage of Proposition 209 is a major setback in California and in our nation's battle to promote equal opportunity," said Herbert Yamanishi, JACL national director. "But the war against discrimination continues unabated. We must fight the attacks against affirmative action and equal opportunity being waged in other states across the country and at the Congressional level. Let us acknowledge this setback, learn our lessons, and continue to fight the good fight." ■

From NASW

Proposition 209, the so-called California Civil Rights Initiative, was passed by California voters, but affirmative action in this country is still alive and well. Proponents of equity and justice will fight on to ensure that the years of work toward greater inclusiveness and access will continue. The struggle for strengthened—not weakened—forms of affirmative action will be carried forward into the federal arena. Activists will fight to undo the damage done at the California state level by working for changes through legislative, executive and judicial actions.

"The passage of Proposition 209 marks a sad day for California and its efforts to assure equal opportunities," commented Kathy Kubota, president of the California Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers. Explaining how such a measure could pass, she said that

"Affirmative action has been grossly maligned by the supporters of this measure. It has been distorted in a way that has resulted in serious damage to our efforts to ensure access for those who have suffered from racism and sexism in a disproportionate way."

According to Joe Nunn, chair of the California NASW Chapter's Affirmative Action/Minority Affairs Committee, "The passage of Proposition 209 is but another bump in the long road of struggle for social justice and equity in California and America. Although its passage is a serious setback for women and people of color, we should not be so discouraged that we cease moving forward on our long range objectives. We should continue to question how we are going to ensure equality and justice for all. We should hold fast to the notion that these wrongs must still be corrected over time and through various means."

The California Chapter of NASW, which encompasses 11,644 members, will be the forefront of this struggle to preserve and to strengthen affirmative action type of policies and programs. This state chapter will be joined and reinforced by its powerful national organization, which includes 155,000 social workers through the U.S. and beyond.

NASW will not be stifled by the vote of this one state. Rather, it will be motivated to strengthen its ties to other groups and individuals who share the common goal of achieving greater access, equity and justice for populations who have been historically oppressed, underserved, and under-represented. It will vigorously "strive to end discrimination, oppression, poverty, and other forms of social injustice," as specified in the 1996 NASW Code of Ethics. This California vote is simply a springboard from which all social workers, regardless of their vote on Proposition 209, will launch magnified efforts to implement its core values, including social justice.

"The California NASW Chapter Affirmative Action/Minority Affairs Committee steadfastly remains committed to the principles and ideals behind affirmative action type of policies and programs," asserts Rita Takahashi, current committee chair. "The passage of Proposition 209 compels us to work harder and smarter on this agenda. We will be there—in greater numbers, in more organized fashion, and in stronger force. We will, as the NASW Code

of Ethics says, 'pursue social change, particularly with and on behalf of vulnerable and oppressed individuals and groups of people . . . (and) strive to ensure equality of opportunity, access to needed information, services, resources and meaningful participation in decision-making for all people.'"

In the spirit of President Bill Clinton's position of "mend, don't end affirmative action," Janlee Wong, executive director of Califor-

nia NASW Chapter, says, "California voters have decided that they don't like the current system of trying to promote an equal society. I think many of the voters want equality and it's now up to all of us to work even harder to promote it. I urge social workers, and the general public, to get involved, volunteer and help promote equality for all Californians and particularly for those who are now disadvantaged due to our current system." ■

Reaction to state election

From OCA

The Organization of Chinese Americans, Inc. praises Washington state for the election of Gary Locke as the first Asian American governor on the U.S. mainland. The overwhelming election of Locke by a margin of 59 percent to 41 percent demonstrates that the constituents of Washington state voted for a governor with substance, experience and qualifications in public service.

OCA National President Michael C. Lin, Ph.D. commented, "Gary Locke's elevation to a state's highest office is the pinnacle for the Asian Pacific American community's political empowerment in this election cycle. The tremendous excitement that Gary Locke's campaign generated within the Asian American community stemmed from the grassroots campaigning in Washington state to Asian Americans throughout the country focused Tuesday night on Washington's election return. Gary Locke brings to the governor's mansion knowledge and sensitivity about the Asian American community and the state of Washington's entire population. The citizens of Washington state are most fortunate to have an energetic and experienced leaders."

OCA Executive Director Daphne Kwok said, "The election of Mr.

Locke has moved Washington state another rung up on the Asian American political ladder. Over the years, Washington has had an enviable record in the number of Asian Americans elected to various levels of office producing many role models for Asian Americans. The Asian American community has taken a tremendous beating in this election cycle from the passage of Propo-

sition 209 in California to the Welfare Reform law passed by Congress. We have continually had to defend the rights of immigrants, legal permanent residents and U.S. citizens. We have had to prove that Asian Americans are and want to be U.S. citizens and there is no more fitting symbol than to have another Asian American leader of one of the 50 United States." ■

Chapter news

Venice-Culver JACL hosts PSW quarterly

LOS ANGELES—Two provocative issues on tap for the next PSWDC quarterly session this Sunday, Nov. 17, at Venice Japanese Community Center, are the redress for Japanese Latin Americans and the open dialogue on "Will JACL still be around in 25 years?"

Of the open dialogue, PSW Regional Director Al Muratsuchi said: "We need to have some frank talk about JACL membership demographics, youth and Hapa recruitment strategies and the possibility of creating a staff position dedicated to Young Adult Programming."

Of the Japanese Latin Americans, Gary Mayeda, national vice president for planning and development,

noted they have launched Campaign for Justice, a class action suit in federal court to seek an apology and compensation from the U.S. government for "forcibly abducting and deporting over 2,200 persons of Japanese ancestry, mostly from Peru, to the U.S. during World War II." ■

Publishers of dictionaries redefine 'Jew'

NEW YORK—The Anti-Defamation League received assurances that two major dictionary publishers would clarify the use of offensive terms to define the word "Jew."

Oxford University Press, which publishes *Oxford Spanish Dictionary*, and Ediciones Larousse, publisher of *El Pequeño Larousse Ilustrado*, respectively, used the derogatory words miserly, tight-fisted and usurer to define "Jew." Susie Dent for Oxford University Press, in a letter to ADL, said: "We have advice from a number of sources regarding the definition of *judío* (Jew) and accept that the usage in the sense of *tacaño* (miserly) is offensive (*peyorativo*) and should be labeled as such. We will endeavor to make this change at the first opportunity."

Abraham Foxman, ADL national director, said he was pleased that the publishers have shown sensitivity to this issue, and the ADL is satisfied they have taken steps to clarify the disparaging stereotypes in their definition of the word "Jew." ■

Asian immigrants raising D.C. area population

A recent *Washington Post* in-depth article, "Minority Population Is Booming" in the Washington, D.C., area reports a new U.S. Census estimate attributes growth to foreign immigration.

The population for the metropolitan area grew a moderate 5% from 1990 to about 4.8 million in 1994. Asians and Hispanics each make up 6% (nearly 300,000) of the area population, but their growth rate since 1990 has been double-digit at 24%. In the region, Montgomery County, Md., has the most Hispanics: 73,035; Fairfax County, Va., the largest Asian population: 88,320; and Prince George's County, Md., has the largest black population: 413,086.

Asian immigrants mentioned are chiefly from China, Vietnam, India, and the Philippines. ■

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working relationships between board members and staff were aired, that staff requires lead time to fulfill requests and that the role of a committee chair is clearly stated when committee assignments are made.

- The work by Emilie Kutsuma, MPDC governor, as personnel committee chair was acknowledged.
- Tomiko Ismail was hired at the end of October as data entry/file clerk. Amy Yamashiro with membership program will leave at the end of December. (See: *National Director's Report*, Nov. 9, 1996).

(2) Affirmative action

Al Muratsuchi's report, that JACL has made a difference in the battle as evidenced by Los Angeles Times exit polls, has been prepared for his column in this issue on page 3. (Call: PSW JACL, 213/626-4471.)

Bob Sakaniwa's written Washington, D.C. Report commented on activities at the federal level before the California election and of his work with the Leadership Conference of Civil Rights, Washington, D.C. (Call: Washington, D.C. JACL Office, 202/223-1240.)

(3) Annual giving

As the 1996 program winds down (see the 1996 report in this week's P.C.), the 1996 campaign raised \$66,412 and for 1997, the goal has been realistically tabbed at \$70,000 though Grayce Uyehara's report at the San Jose convention in August cited \$100,000. The year-end gift is a tax-deductible contribution—"no matter how small or large."

(4) Biennial convention

- A 14-page convention bid packet, prepared by Richard Ono of Florin JACL, national v.p. for general operations, for the 1998 National Convention, pending Philadelphia JACL review, has been adopted by the Board. According to Claire Omura, San Jose JACL convention board, the final figures may show earnings between \$40,000 and \$60,000—thanks to the successful raffle.

Bids for the year 2000 Convention are being accepted through Jan. 1, 1997, as based upon this packet. The stipulations by National have been simplified to encourage chapters to bid. National JACL continues to assume all Convention losses. A convention handbook is included. (Call HQ: *Convention Bid Packet*, Aug. 28, 1996.)

- Detailed evaluation of the San Jose convention is contained in the National Director's Report. Watch for it in a future PC issue.

(5) Chapter/District Relations

PSW Gov. David Kawamoto submitted a proposal from the Calif. Association of Human Relations Organizations (CAHRO), 70 W. Hedding St., San Jose, CA 95110, a nonprofit tax-exempt group founded in 1973 for resolving inter-ethnic and inter-group conflicts. Motion to join was unanimously passed. (See #10: Hate crimes)

(6) Child Well-being

JACL Convention, 34 Res. 14, introduced by Berkeley and Marin County chapters, opposed cuts in programs which promote the health, education and safety of all children. JACL's position is to uphold government guarantees. Manner of implementation is pending.

(7) Combined federal campaign

No report was submitted.

(8) Computer development & maintenance

The JACL website in Internet: (www.jacl.org). Volunteer Daniel Sato, now in Hokkaido, is designing the website, to include a Membership form, current roster of officers and offices; and each chapter will eventually be linked. Volunteer Al Oga plans to design a National JACL web page and individual web pages for all JACL chapters. Gary Mayeda, v.p. planning and development, related potential benefits, such as health insurance benefits, and solicited

ideas from chapters and members. (Check out: www.jacl.org.)

(9) Education/Curriculum guide

Response to the negative reporting (see "Flap," Nov. 1-14 P.C.) is being followed up with a proposal for CLPEF funding. (*National Director's Report*, Nov. 1996.)

(10) Hate crimes/anti-Asian violence

- A summer intern to help develop "Walk with Pride" document (JACL's anti-Asian violence handbook) was found wanting (not user-friendly enough) and subsequent meetings were held with Helen Zia, San Jose, to update and revise. Additional funding would be required to insure wider distribution. (See: *National Director's Report*, Nov. 1996.)

- Karen Yoshitomi, PNW regional director is staff "point" person on hate crimes. Possible joint publication with National APA Legal Consortium (Karen Narasaki, Washington, D.C.) has been underway, which would include the Consortium's annual audit of anti-Asian hate violence.

(11) Health care

- Wohlers health insurance plans are under re-evaluation for affordable, accessible health care for all people, the Board was informed. One proposal has been submitted. In response to some rumblings by non-California JACLers that their programs may soon be discontinued, Yamanishi explained that with health care systems being state-regulated, any prospect for a straight national JACL plan requires study by professionals, preferably knowledgeable JACLers. Helen Kawagoe will select an ad hoc committee.

- In an update to the Board, Floyd Shimomura, in reviewing the licensing agreement that JACL has with Wohlers, said Wohlers can only use the JACL name in the specific areas agreed upon and that the contract time was revised from five years to three years.

(12) Immigration reform

No report was submitted.

(13) Information & referral

No report was filed.

(14) Investments

Mention was made of members of the committee: Arnold Miyamoto, chair; John Enomoto, Grayce Uyehara, Roy Nishikawa, Hid Hasegawa, Tom Hara and Ted Tsukahara. The vote ratifying the revision of Bylaws Article XV (Segregated Accounts) is to be announced (as well as the other amendment relating to Non-Profit Organization Memberships.)

(15) J.A. Memorial Foundation

JACL Convention 34 Res. 5.1 urges chapters to network with the Washington-based JAMF to support construction of the J.A. Patriotism Memorial. (Write: JAMF, 2828 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Suite 305, WDC 20007, 202/965-0691.)

(16) Japanese Latin Americans

- During the Saturday lunch break, a special video of news clips (English and Spanish) was screened. It graphically showed the plight of Japanese Latin Americans to call attention to their class-action federal suit and "Campaign for Justice: Redress Now for Japanese Latin American Internees." Copies of the tape will be available. The *Los Angeles Times* editorial, Aug. 27, 1996, said "decency demands an apology" for more 2,000 persons of Japanese ancestry from 13 Latin American countries, most of them from Peru. (Info: Campaign for Justice, P.O. Box 214, Gardena, CA 90248.)

- Board approved \$1,000 donation, \$500 of it from private donations.

(17) Legacy grants/LEC

As part of JACL's application for CLPEF funding, LEC's project, "From Imprisonment during WWII to the Civil Liberties Act of 1988," with the JACL-Legislative Education Committee designated as the lead organization for this project. Karyl Matsumoto, past interim national JACL director, is preparing a tentative budget for the project before the Board gives its final endorsement. The

LEC campaign began with a small group of Nisei raising \$1 million and working for more than 10 years to get the Civil Liberties Act passed on Aug. 10, 1988. (See: *National JACL Board resolution*, undated.)

(18) Legislative/Public affairs

On behalf of the Sacramento JACL, Toko Fujii and Lori Fujimoto, v.p. public affairs, presented a \$1,000 check to assure the JACL Washington Office attains greater visibility and that other chapters join this campaign. It was in her conversation with Rep. Bob Matsui that the plight of the Washington JACL Office was addressed. "There needs to be more staffing in the D.C. Office," Fujimoto was told. Fujii said JACL's Washington presence assures national programs being accomplished and attracting new members. [Sakaniwa has been without an office secretary since he accepted the position in April.—Ed.]

(19) Masaoka fellowship

No report was submitted.

(20) Membership

- The Board advocates switching back to renewals based on the calendar—all memberships expiring on Dec. 31 rather than entry-date. (The entry-date system was initiated because JACL-member P.C. subscriptions are for a full-year. This was not explained nor its implications with Post Office regulations to Board members during the discussion.) Shiba reported positive feedback for returning to the "annual membership renewal date system" from the district governors and chapters, noting it is easier for them to concentrate work in three months rather than stringing it through the year. Work on quarterly reports would be minimal and remaining months devoted to reporting new members only. (Karen-Liane Shiba, *Membership Report*, Nov. 1996.) On the committee to review moving the renewal date: Yamanishi, Membership administrator, Terence Yamada, two governors, David Hayashi, Gary Mayeda (computer consultant).

- A proposal to reinstate travel programs as a benefit and issuance of Requests for Proposals was referred to Kawagoe, Yamanishi, Karen Liane Shiba (v.p. for membership services) and legal counsel for study.

- See "Outreach" below.

- See "Health care" above. A San Francisco JACL committee has been studying the impact of JACL insurance program with National membership, according to Greg Marutani.

- Acknowledgment of overall error rate at Headquarters of membership function, renewal dates, addresses, misspelled names, chapter enrollment, etc., was made to the board. Updating through August was nearly complete but with Convention and short staff, the program fell behind. The process of catching up resumes. (*National Director's Report*, Nov. 9, 1996.)

(21) National board/National council

The "fundamental" board responsibilities are: Maintaining the financial integrity, Setting programmatic policies, Representing the JACL before the public, Approving contracts, Hiring and evaluating top administrative staff.

As analyzed by the National Director, the board approves the annual budget, monitors the cash flow and financial affairs, sets policy and actions to ensure fiscal integrity, compliance with requirements of the funder, authorizes and reviews annual audits, maintains JACL's funding base by assisting in fund-raising activities, approving and setting fund raising goals and matching fund raising goals with organizational needs.

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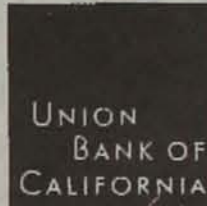
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JACL Donor/Honor Roll

Shooting for
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By Grayce K. Uyehara

In August 1994 the JACL Legacy Fund Campaign Committee made it quite clear in its report to the National Council meeting in Salt Lake City that the JACL must move forward with a strong development program if the budget needs are to be met. Development ideas used by most nonprofit organizations were to be considered for implementation. Some will require a development director and staff training.

To help address the deficit situation presented in 1994, I suggested the immediate initiation of the JACL Annual Giving Program as a yearly fund-raising effort. All of us receive mail from various well-established nonprofit organizations which ask for contributions from \$20 to \$100. With little cost involved, but focusing the appeal on those who support the mission of the JACL, the first Annual Giving mailing went to the membership in November of 1994.

The initial goal was to receive contributions from 10% of our membership. Since the membership was aware from our straightforward presentation of our financial situation, the first campaign brought in close to \$100,000 while we had projected a response of about \$70,000. The first year we had one contribution of \$10,000 and several \$500 and \$1,000 checks. But overall, the contributions were as expected, \$20 to \$100. The number of donors for a two-year period was 3,419, the total amount was \$170,653.50 and expenses were \$5,187.32, or 3%.

If JACL can reach a 10% level of contributions from our membership, it will be possible to sustain \$100,000 into the budget from this annual fund-raising. It means giving up one dinner out for a couple.

Here is the complete list of Annual Giving donors for 1994-96:

13 major donors

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Breakdown of donors & amounts

Month	No. of Donors		Month	Amount	
	95-96	94-95		95-96	94-95
November	322	685	November	\$13,625.00	\$ 31,248.50
December	962	933	December	\$40,264.50	\$ 53,645.00
January	200	189	January	\$13,050.00	\$ 12,115.50
February	34	30	February	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,390.00
March	16	15	March	\$ 1,025.00	\$ 645.00
April	9	10	April	\$ 300.00	\$ 570.00
May	3	5	May	\$ 150.00	\$ 310.00
June	5	1	June	\$ 265.00	\$ 50.00
	1551	1868		\$ 70,679.50	\$ 99,974.00

1995-96 PROGRAM EXPENSES: Date, Vendor/Description, Amount

11/15/95	Metro Printing, Inc.	\$ 1,770.00
11/15/95	DirectMail	\$ 3,342.23
12/28/95	Postage Refund	\$ (145.37)

Total Expenses \$ 4,966.86

1994-95 PROGRAM EXPENSES:

Oct-94	Postage & Telephone	\$ 34.19
Nov-94	Postage & Telephone	\$ 24.45
Dec-94	Postage & Telephone	\$ 32.35
12/8/94	Pyramid Printing	\$ 3,224.62
2/14/95	Postage by Phone	\$ 156.00
4/14/95	Mail Boxes, Etc.	\$ 70.00
4/20/95	Carton-Hodgson, Inc.	\$ 152.16
5/31/95	Carton-Hodgson, Inc.	\$ 128.35
9/28/95	Carton-Hodgson, Inc.	\$ 1,365.20

Total Expenses \$ 5,187.32

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Agenda

Agenda is a roundup of news from various Asian Pacific American organizations.

Berkeley, Calif., JA group celebrates 25th event

BERKELEY, Calif.—The Japanese American Services of the East Bay (JASEB) celebrated its silver anniversary with a gala banquet program, Oct. 26, at the Oakland Airport Hilton Hotel. UC Berkeley Professor Michael Omi was keynote speaker.

JASEB dates from 1971 as the East Bay Japanese for Action, assisting Issei in need of senior services. Today, addressing the changing needs of the Nikkei community, JASEB offers bicultural and bilingual services, such as senior center nutrition, home-delivered meals, lectures, craft and hobby workshops, exercise, recreational activities and a quarterly bilingual newsletter.

The JASEB House in Hayward and its 2126 Channing Way House in Berkeley are community homes for the elderly who are cared for by their families. The Eden Issei Terrace in Hayward is an apartment complex for independent living.

A variety of fundraisers throughout the year, including the Oct. 26 banquet, support JASEB activities.

Info: JASEB, 2126 Channing Way, Berkeley, CA 94704, 510/848-3560-, 848-3631 fax. ■

National law group kicks off programs, services

WASHINGTON—The National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA) designated Oct. 4-11 as National Community Law Week to kick off the fall program for its chapters and members to conduct community law programs, voter registration, citizenship and immigration clinics, and student mentoring programs in the major cities. NAPABA president Paul W. Lee of Boston said it was intended to highlight community services of local chapters and APA lawyers in general.

NAPABA members are also providing pro bono legal services to Asian Pacific Americans having limited resources, through 30 chapters and affiliates in Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Philadelphia, New York and Washington, and throughout California, Washington State, Georgia and Massachusetts.



JANM campaigners

San Francisco Bay Area volunteers for the Japanese American National Museum, having set a \$150,000 goal, topped \$183,000 with more expected by year's end, according to campaign chair Min Shinoda. Gathered at the victory dinner are (from left): Seated—Tak Eshima, Bill Hirose, JANM Board chair Yosh Uchida of San Jose, campaign chair Min Shinoda of San Leandro, Alice Oshima,

and Museum Board vice chair Manabi Hirasaki. Standing—JANM Campaign Manager Florence Ochi, Kiyo Eshima, Sumi Hirasaki, Mimi Iwatsu, Jordan Hiratzka, Tomi Gyoetoku, Tad Masaoka, Emi Nakahiro, Takiko Shinoda, Yo Hironaka, Hatsu Aizawa, May Hirose, Sachi Masaoka, Masaru Hiratzka, Dr. Bill Sakamoto and Michi Sakamoto.

There are more than 10,000 Asian Pacific American lawyers nationwide.

Info: NAPABA, 901-15th St NW #410, Washington, DC 20005, 202/414-6180, 789-1720 fax, www.napaba.org. ■

Golf Caper XII another success in Houston

HOUSTON—While scores were not indicated, Mas Yamasaki, tournament chair, reported the recent Houston JACL Caper XII golf tournament "was a huge success" with 24 golfers participating in the six-day event.

The golfers represented chapters in St. Louis, Chicago, Hoosier (Indianapolis), Wisconsin, Cincinnati, Detroit, Twin Cities, Albuquerque, Las Vegas and the host chapter. One golfer hailed from California (chapter unmentioned).

The tournament mourned the loss of George Sakaguchi, one of the original members of the foursomes that began the Houston Caper eleven years ago.

Collaterally, the chapter party at the Jamaica Beach home of Sut and Neva Oishi found 17 members enjoying a day of fishing, crabbing (catching and eating crab, not *monku*) and brisket dining.

—Chapter report from Lily Yamasaki

Wisconsin JACL dues subsidy policy continues

MILWAUKEE—In wake of the \$7 national dues increase for 1997, the Wisconsin JACL announced, with exception of the 1000 Club and Century Club category, it will continue to subsidize a part of the increase of membership fees.

According to the chapter news-

"Densho: the Japanese American Legacy Project—Untold Stories of the Internment."

The project, endorsed by national JACL council in San Jose, will be accessible for research through on-line multimedia technology, as described by retired Microsoft executive Scott Oki, co-founder of JACCWS, at the National Council session.

The digitized archive of historic

sional Asian Pacific American Caucus Institute (CAPACI) announced applications are available for its 1997 summer internship program (at least ten with stipends of \$2,500) and the Anheuser-Busch/Frank Horton Fellowship (one with a \$15,000 stipend), being launched this year in honor of the former Rochester, N.Y., Republican congressman.

Horton played a leading role in establishing May as Asian Pacific American American Month, and sponsor Anheuser-Busch has funded a variety of programs that help the APA community.

Both programs are open to enrolled college and graduate students, U.S. citizen or permanent legal resident, with interest in public policy issues and APA community affairs placement in congressional offices, agencies and nonprofit public policy organizations in Washington.

The 1997 internship program will be held from June 17 to Aug. 8. Applications are due by Feb. 7. The fellowship program asks the fellow to conduct research and write a substantial paper on a policy issue or issues during the program period from February to November, 1997. This application due by Dec. 2, 1996.

For applications and details: CAPACI, 202/289-0355 or capaci@idsonline.com. ■

National Asian groups holds seminar on aging

WASHINGTON—The National Asian Pacific Center on Aging (NAPCA) held a two-day training



Photo: TOM MASAMORI

Mile-Hi 'Get a Member' event

Nisei and Sansei members of the Mile-Hi Chapter, JACL, gathered for an Oct. 16 meeting to initiate its "Every Member Get a Member Drive." The event, hosted by Dr. Frank and Toshiko Sakamoto, featured discussions about organizational directions. Seated (from left) bottom row: Alvin Murashige, Ria Nakasono, Sami Nakazono, chapter president, Tom Migaki, and Shelly Migaki. In next row, seated

on sofa (from left): Michi Terasaki, Rose Fujisaki, Ruth Yamauchi and Ruth Hidaka. Seated behind sofa: Chiyo Horiuchi, Frank Sakamoto, Min Mochizuki, Sumi Takeno and George Masunaga. Standing (from left): Tak Terasaki, Art Moriya, May and Herb Okamoto, Geanne Moroye (partially hidden), Sus Hidaka, Lil Masamori, Toshiko Sakamoto and Dr. Charles Fujisaki.



Bone marrow event

The Los Angeles-based A3M (Asians for Miracle Marrow Matches), celebrating its fifth anniversary recently, recognized Dr. Takeo Susuki (left) of West Los Angeles with an A3M plaque and a commendation—being held by Yuko Yamaguchi, A3M Japanese Task Force recruiting specialist—from Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan. Susuki never found a bone marrow match for his late son Nick long before A3M was formed, but that didn't stop him from volunteering his time to help others find a match. A3M operates under the Little Tokyo Service Center for the National Marrow Donor Program. Information: 213/473-1660.

letter, with a \$10 subsidy, the new \$33 dues for regular members, effective Jan. 1, ranks as the lowest membership rates. That the convention adopted the increase with little debate was recalled by chapter president delegate David Suyama. "Amidst all the turmoil and strife, people weren't willing to give up and destroy a national cornerstone of an Asian America legacy," he commented. ■

Seattle Densho group begins project

SEATTLE—The Japanese American Chamber of Commerce of Washington State (JACCWS/Nikkei Shoko Kaigisho) is about to appoint a project director for

photos and memorabilia will be available at networked repositories in designated museums and institutions of higher education.

Personal testimonies of those who were affected by Executive Order 9066 will be videotaped for *Densho* in the coming months according to Penny Fukui, JACCWS executive director, who has met with JACL national director Herb Yamanishi and National Board members. The objective is to collect the "irreplaceable memories of a rapidly aging population and preserve them for future generations of Americans," Fukui commented. ■

Congressional group announces internships

WASHINGTON—The Congress-

conference (Sept. 25-27) in Washington for senior service project directors from eight states. Highlight was the congressional reception in the Senate Hart Building, where some 200 seniors and legislative and community leaders in the field of aging were present.

Guest of honor at the first night's reception was Bernice Flemming, wife of the late Dr. Arthur Flemming, U.S. Commissioner on Aging (one of his many national appointments) and a founding NAPCA member some seven years ago.

Clayton S. Fong, NAPCA executive director, said the training seminar included visiting congressional offices. ■

Opinions



From the frying pan

By BILL HOSOKAWA

The legend of T. John Fujii

The departure from this vail of tears of my friend T. John Fujii must not be allowed to pass unnoticed. He was one of a kind; they broke the mold when he was born.

He was a newspaperman for most of his life. He was a good one in the slap-dash tradition of an era when newsmen wore fedoras on the backs of their heads, kept a bottle of booze in the bottom desk drawer, and punched out stories with a cigarette drooping from the corner of the mouth. He was not a star reporter, but a journeyman and that title is a compliment.

Johnnie practiced his trade with the Nisei press in Los Angeles and San Francisco, in New York and Singapore, but for most of his life in Tokyo. In other places, like Rangoon and Saigon, his work was on the fringes of the press.

Wherever he went, Johnnie brought a breeziness and love of fun and booze. There is no way to calculate the amount of alcohol he consumed in his lifetime but certainly it was many times what one might consider a reasonable share. His body survived such abuse for 82 years until it ended last August of a worn-out liver. What was endear-

ing about Johnnie was that he enjoyed his excesses and then enjoyed recounting those escapades even though he was nursing a high grade hangover.

Johnnie didn't act like a typical Nisei and technically, he wasn't one. He had been born in Japan and was brought to the U.S. by his family hardly out of infancy. His father was a Methodist minister. Johnnie grew up with Nisei friends. And like many a preacher's son he spent much of his youth violating the "thou shalt nots."

Most of his early years were spent in Alameda and the Sacramento Valley. He attended several colleges and managed to get kicked out of them. He was in the New York bureau of the *Asahi Shimbun* when I invited him to join me on a small daily called the *Singapore Herald*. Larry Tajiri was his successor in New York.

Aware that the laws of the time denied him American citizenship, Johnnie was reconciled to making his future as a Japanese. After the war he worked in Tokyo for the Associated Press, International News Service, Fairchild News Service, Kyodo and as a correspondent for several British news-papers.

One oft-told story has to do with the Christmas Eve Johnnie pulled the plug on the Associated Press. All the Americans in the Tokyo bureau had gone off to the Press Club to celebrate, leaving Johnnie in charge. He fumed a while about missing the fun, and what he considered discrimination, until he became angry enough to yank out all of AP's electronic connections to the rest of the world. AP, whose job was to keep up with the world's news, was out of touch with Tokyo for hours. Next day Johnnie was happily looking for a new job.

On Nov. 5 a memorial was held at the Tokyo Press club for Johnnie, two former AP bureau chiefs Tom Dygard and Henry Hartzenbusch, and Jack Reynolds, an ex-NBC correspondent.

Perhaps because Johnnie liked to consider himself a Nisei, he never learned to read or write Japanese. That he succeeded as a foreigner in his native land adds to the legend of T. John Fujii. ■

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

Very truly yours

By HARRY K. HONDA

'Miss Elbee'



Helen Kawagoe was then PSW district governor at the quarterly session in May, 1973, when Lillian Baker came to urge PSWDC to have the Manzanar state historical plaque wording, America's "concentration camps," changed to "relocation centers," though she was in favor of the plaque. It was a sales pitch that no one present could buy. Present at that meeting were out-of-towners Henry Tanaka, national president from Cleveland, and National Director David Ushio from San Francisco, not to hear her, of course, but a moment they haven't forgotten. Nor have other PSWers who were there.

Lillian Baker died Oct. 21 at her Gardena home. She was 75. Her first husband had been a WWII army veteran who was a prisoner of war in the Philippines. After the war she remarried and moved to Gardena. Her column in the *Gardena Valley News* was by-lined "Miss Elbee." But after the brouhaha over her criticism of the wording in the Manzanar plaque, she signed off as Mrs. R. (Roscoe) A. Baker or Lillian Baker.

Our file on her is fat. In the sense of fair play, the Nisei Fourth Estate often reprinted verbatim her bitter denunciation on the front page, accompanying a Nisei comment in response, which explains why our file folder was bulging. A June 1972 reprint of Miss Elbee's column saying that "Evacuation was justified" took up more space than the editorial response.

One of Miss Elbee's unchanging lines was: "Manzanar was by true definition far from a 'concentration camp' but rather a place of internment for alien Japanese ... We were at war with their country; they were considered our enemies, too."—June 22, 1972, *Gardena Valley News*. Calmly, Kats Kunitugu, then *Kashu Mainichi* English section editor, responded: "The United States was at war with Germany and Italy as well as with Japan, yet German Americans and Italian Americans, not to mention their alien parents, were never interned. If that wasn't racism, I don't know what is." In his column, "Horse's Mouth," several days later, George Yoshinaga felt: "If it was possible to spread Miss Elbee's column on my front lawn, I'd probably have the greenest grass on the block."

This was all over twin exhibits from the California Historical Society at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion of the Los Angeles Music Center. "Months of Waiting" displayed the paintings and drawings by those in camp. "Executive Order" was a photographic collection of Evacuation and the grim life inside camp. Miss Elbee resented the "EO 9066" exhibit.

The California Historical Society braved hostility and opposition in mounting the exhibits together. Incidentally, Mrs. Miyuki Hirano (nee Mochida) of San Francisco whose picture as a little girl of 6 adorns the cover of the EO 9066 catalogue, attended the preview reception. If we mentioned all the luminaries who were there, the yen to see the twin exhibit return would be total. Miss Elbee's passing has evoked some exciting moments of our history. ■



East wind

By BILL MARUTANI

'Other MISers'

AMONG RECRUITS attending the Military Intelligence Service Language School (MISLS) at Ft. Snelling, Minn., were contingencies of non-Nikkei men, i.e. *hakujin* (white). Apparently these fellows were housed and schooled separately from the Nikkei recruits or trainees. No non-Nikkei were in either of the two companies, "C" or "A," in which I served, nor do I recall any non-Nikkei being in any of my classes at Snelling. It very well could be these non-Nikkei's capabilities and knowledge of Nihongo were so far superior to mine—a definite possibility—that they moved in a different academic orbit. Word was that many of these fellows came from academic settings such as Harvard, Yale, Michigan, etc. and were endowed with super I.Q.'s. One was a bookish-looking fellow by name of Leon Hurvitz who reputedly knew 7,000 *kanji*'s (Chinese characters) which, if true, is quite an accomplishment. To function at the everyday level of the ordinary Japanese, one needed to command only 2,000 *kanji*'s.

"Only?"

STATISTICS CITED provide the following rough count: There were some 6,000 Nikkei plus another 600 non-Nikkei, the latter comprised largely of *hakujins* with a sprinkling of Chinese, Filipinos and Kore-

ans. These figures are cited in a paper prepared by Allen H. Meyer, Esq., a lawyer in Chicago, a graduate of the MISLS at Ft. Snelling, and a member of the local Chicago Nisei Post. I had posed some questions to Allen and he kindly provided me with copies of various papers he had prepared or accumulated.

A FEW YEARS ago in Washington, D.C., an MIS reunion was held at which time a number of *hakujin* MIS vets not only attended but also served on panels. I was intrigued when one of the *hakujin* panelist mentioned that while *hakujin* graduates were given commissions, Nikkei graduates were given non-com ranks such as T-5 (two chevrons of a corporal with the letter "T" just below the chevrons). This disparity—not of the *hakujin* fellows' making—was the first time I heard the subject being discussed publicly, and by a *hakujin* no less. I thought such open airing was healthy.

BY THE WAY, those MISers who knew of Leon Hurvitz—dubbed "The Kanji King"—may relish a reported incident shared by Chicago barrister Meyer. Sadly, Leon passed away a few years ago, but not before he left his mark. Leon headed the language program at the University of British Columbia, wrote 23 books plus many monographs in Chinese, Japanese and Sanskrit.

MISer David Kornhauser wrote to Allen Meyer of an incident illustrative of Leon Hurvitz's capacity:

I once sat in a room in Tokyo where Hurvitz spoke for a couple of hours, all in Nihongo, to an august audience of Japanese scholars who may have suspected, judging by their incredulous expressions, that there was something bogus about it. But when he strode to the blackboard and hastily scrawled sentences in perfect cursory *kanji*, illustrating his main themes, I was afraid some of them would pass out. It was a memorable moment in a great year ...

(I'll bet.)

WHEN SPEAKING of MISers, we overlook the fact that there was a contingent of Nisei women as well who studied and served in their separate unit. In past columns in this space I've referred to the MIS WACs, wondering if anyone has or is in the midst of preparing an anthology of

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



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An interpretation of Hawaiian sovereignty

▼ The uninitiated might wonder what exactly is meant by the term, Hawaiian Sovereignty. Common sense decrees that any genuine resident of Hawaii is Hawaiian, just as a resident of California is a Californian and one of Texas a Texan. The State of Hawaii has the same autonomy as the other states. Does Hawaiian Sovereignty then mean that the residents of Hawaii choose to secede from America and found a separate nation?

A common-sense analysis of the term might indicate that is what is implied.

Common sense, however, fails to prevail in Hawaii. Hawaii is a state founded in fraud for the perpetuation of which the local authorities and their instruments of propaganda have created a thieves' cant of which the term Hawaiian Sovereignty is a product.

This thieves' cant began with the discovery of the archipelago by Capt. James Cook in 1778. At the time of his discovery, the Islands were un-united. Each had its own ruler, some islands more than one ruler.

The residents had only legends to remind them that land existed elsewhere. Accordingly the archipelago presumably had no name. Cook named it the Sandwich Islands in honor of his patron, the Earl of Sandwich. This name was to last for a long time. He identified the residents as Indians, a current synonym for Aborigines.

Having achieved sole rule of his island, Hawaii, the largest of the group, chief Kamehameha set out to conquer all.

By 1810 he had succeeded. Presumably because the residents had been subjugated by the Island of Hawaii, all gradually came to be called Hawaiian. They interbred freely with the newcomers, so that today a resident who can trace his ancestry solely to the Aborigines is an exception. Members of this diluted strain came to be called part-Hawaiian.

The descendants of immigrants, who constitute the vast majority of residents, even if they have lived in Hawaii for generations, are ac-

cordingly no-part Hawaiian.

Dedicated though they are to the perpetuation of the swindle, the organs of propaganda seem to have begun to recognize the imprudence of vigorously drawing attention to the disfranchised. Accordingly, the propaganda mill has adopted the term native Hawaiian, to identify the part-Hawaiian minority and slightly mollify the no-part Hawaiian majority.

The part-Hawaiians should recognize that the quest for sovereignty dramatizes the despicable state to which the average resident has been consigned and might provoke him to move against the privileged status now enjoyed by the part-Hawaiian.

Allan Beekman

Honolulu

A resident of Hawaii for 62 years, Beekman is author of the following books: Hawaii Tales, The Niihau Incident: the true story of the Japanese pilot who, after the Pearl Harbor attack, crash-landed on the Hawaiian Island of Niihau and terrorized the residents, and Crisis: the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor and Southeast Asia.

We must never forget,' says reader

▼ With JACL National Council passage of the Emergency Resolution pertaining to the Japanese American WWII Veterans Monument in Little Tokyo (page 4, Sept. 6-19), "we must never forget" the story of those who fought to prove their loyalty to America while 120,000 of their families, friends and community were, without due process, confined to concentration camps during World War II.

Over the years, the late Sen. Spark Matsunaga (100th Battalion/MIS) repeatedly urged veterans to tell this story over and over again: "It cannot be told often enough. The American public needs to be continually educated on what happened during World War II."

The 100th/442nd Veterans Association, teaming with MIS-So. Cal, decided to follow his advice

by building a monument depicting this story—our way—long after we are gone. Thousands of names on the vertical wall of the monument will represent the soldiers who answered the call, serving with the 100th, 442nd, MIS, 522nd Field Artillery, 232nd Combat Engineers, and other units. And tailgunner Ben Kuroki in the Air Force comes to mind. The roll includes the officers who served with the 100/442nd who had the option to leave but chose to remain. The KIAs will have a star before their names.

Because of the WWII sacrifices of the Nisei soldier, many significant events followed: repeal of the alien land law, citizenship for our Issei, statehood for Hawaii, election of a Nisei governor, senators and congressmen. Thanks to efforts of JACL and NCRR, the government followed with an apology and redress and President Bush on the 50th anniversary of Pearl Harbor publicly made an official apology.

If nothing is done, the story will fade completely as time marches on. Worst yet, our grandkids will not even know what happened to us during WWII. That is why the building of the monument is so important. It is the right thing to do!

Sus Satow

VFW Post 8985, Sacramento, Calif.

[For information, 100th/442nd/MIS WWII Memorial Foundation, P.O. Box 2590, Gardena, CA 90247, 310/327-4193.]

Disagrees with Hosokawa on cigarettes in Japan

▼ In responding to Bill Hosokawa's column on "Japan and U.S. on cigarettes" (page 8, Oct. 18-31), his final paragraph is exasperating. He should have called on Japan and their people to mount a campaign to reject drugs, alcohol and tobacco for the sake of their children and exhort the adults to set better examples.

Nikkeis will never grasp the principles of Democracy until they

start thinking and understanding for themselves to speak out and make wise choices.

Kay Shiroma

Stockton, Calif.

Pacific Citizen's 'Whereabouts' works

▼ Thank you for publishing the notice (Whereabouts, Aug. 16-Sept. 5) about contacting some Nisei friends from the old days at Tachikawa (AFB), Japan. Tony Takahashi wrote me and also advised me about two of the other three. I appreciate your help very much.

Franklin Freehauf

Warren, N.J.

Response to his request was immediate all around, which helped to "make our day." Freehauf's letter was dated Sept. 10 — Ed.

A layman's look at Justice Murphy's dissent

▼ Associate Justice Frank Murphy's dissent in the Korematsu case (page 6, Aug. 16-Sept. 3) should be recalled in the context of history, chronology and with a willingness to suspend disbelief. Obviously, he was unable to persuade his peers except for Justices Owen J. Roberts (1930-45) and Robert H. Jackson (1941-54).

Consider if Justices William O. Douglas (1939-75), acknowledged as the most liberal in the Court, or Wiley B. Rutledge Jr. (1939-49) with certain reservations in *Hirabayashi*, and Felix Frankfurter (1939-62), who once remarked: "As one who belongs to the most vilified and persecuted minority (i.e. Jews) is not likely to be insensitive to the freedoms guaranteed by our Constitution," were persuaded by the three dissenting justices—and the real world, the outcome might have been 5-4 or even 6-3 in favor of *Korematsu*.

By the time of the Korematsu vote Dec. 18, 1944, the "Lost Battalion" episode had taken place in late October, 1944, the war's di-

late October, 1944, the war's direction and victory were clearly in view. Incarceration of Japanese Americans was entering the third year.

When I read the decision in January 1945, during my journey with the 442nd, Chet Tanaka, law graduate of Washington U., St. Louis, and future historian of the 442nd RCT, guided me through the legal thicket of the opinion and my incredulous mind.

Korematsu was applied upon the constitutional legality of evacuation to the assembly centers. Hence it was anticipated and hoped that *Ex parte Mitsuye Endo* would deal with the constitutionality of incarceration. Instead, we got a debate on regional jurisdictions of her appeal of writ of habeas corpus (filed July 1942) and decided on Dec. 18, 1944, neatly packaged with *Korematsu*. The court ruled that since Ms. Endo was a loyal citizen she was illegally detained by the War Relocation Administration and should be released!

... The constitutionality of incarceration was never adjudicated and ethnic disloyalty was embedded into constitutional law. Thus the finale of these war cases was a musical comedy of legal manners and dance. The high drama of Evacuation ended in a farce and whimper. I can only celebrate Murphy's dissent in the abstract.

Eji Suyama

Fort Meade, S.D.

What's wrong with this photo, asks reader

▼ The mug shot of a Franklin D. Murphy (page 6, Aug. 16-Sept. 5) "ain't" Associate Justice Frank Murphy. Before he went to the top court, he was a governor of Michigan, where the Jordans were then living. He also served a stint in FDR's cabinet. His photos were in the papers frequently. It's my recollection he had the nation's bushiest eyebrows, save only for those adorning the brow of the UMW's John L. Lewis.

Phil Jordan

Sacramento, Calif.

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Personally speaking

▼ **OAKLAND, Calif.** — Mayor Elihu Harris declared Aug. 30, 1996, as **Motomi Tony Yokomizu Day** in recognition of Yokomizu's various civic accomplishments. The proclamation was accompanied by one from the Buddhist Church of Oakland.

Yokomizu's work with the Oakland-Fukuoka Sister City Society, the city's Park and Recreation Department, JASEB for senior citizen housing, the Institute of Buddhist Studies, JACL, the Buddhist Churches of America and the Fukuoka Kenjinkai were cited. He was also instrumental in having the Oakland JACL chapter merge with Berkeley JACL. ■

▼ Taking over the reigns of Los Angeles Pierce College in Woodland Hills this year, **Dr. E. Bing Inocencio** may be the first Filipino college president in the United States. During his 30-year career in business, government and education, he was the highest ranking Asian American at City University of New York, as associate provost for academic administration at Brooklyn Technical College. Nearly half of the 13,000 students at Pierce College are minority—Asian, Latino and black Americans.

▼ A veteran police reserve officer, **Randi Tahara**, is the new deputy for Los Angeles County Supervisor Yvonne Braithwaite Burke, 2nd District. Tahara has taken on responsibility for public safety, quality of life issues and constituent concerns, monitoring the sheriffs, fire, coroner and probation departments for the district, which covers the South Bay area including Gardena and Carson.

▼ **HEALTH-RETIREMENT FORUM**—Addressing the recent Florin JACL Senior Healthcare Forum about the Blue Shield's Medigap Plan for "baby boomers" approaching their senior years and for "seniors" in retirement were **Joanne Iritani**, chapter president; Karen Jeter of California Blue Shield; **Dr. Toshi Hayashi** of State Department of Health Services; **Bill Kashiwagi**, aging and retirement committee chair; and Bob Lalande of Secure Horizon and California Partnership Long-Term Care.

▼ **SACRAMENTO** — Gov. Pete Wilson on Oct. 25 appointed **Suzanna Coe Tashiro** as director of the Governor's Office of Community Relations, a liaison between the governor and the various communities in California. She previously directed the Governor's Orange County Office, advising him on issues of concern in the county and representing him in the region.

Tashiro, of Newport Beach, is a 1988 graduate of CSU Long Beach,

JA Memorial Foundation adds three

WASHINGTON—The National Japanese American Memorial Foundation has added three new board members. The new additions are: Mae Takahashi, Clovis, Calif.; James T. (Turk) Suzuki, Shelton, Wash.; and Sharon Ann Saito, Spokane, Wash. The announcement was made by William H. (Mo) Marumoto, Chairman of the Board of Directors.

"We are pleased that Mae Takahashi, Jim 'Turk' Suzuki, and Sharon Saito have agreed to serve on the board of trustees of the NJAMF," said Marumoto. "They bring to the board representation from different geographical locations." The Memorial Foundation is a non-profit organization which has been entrusted with the authority to build a memorial in Washington, D.C., honoring the patriotism of Japanese Americans during World War II. The board members are individuals who have displayed both leadership and commitment to the Japanese American community.

Takahashi, a pharmacist, currently serves as corporate president of Valley Medical Pharmacy, Inc., dba Manor Drugs. She has been associated with Manor Drugs since 1960. She is also the founder and president of Professional Pharmacy Alliance, Inc. and a consultant pharmacist to the California State Compensation Insurance Fund. Takahashi has served as co-chair for the Cen-

tral California Fundraising Committee for the Japanese American National Museum from 1992-93. She is also active with the Clovis Chapter of the JACL, serves as chairwoman of the Board of the *Pacific Citizen* editorial and is on the board of the Clovis Buddhist Church.

Suzuki retired as President/CEO of Shoreline Construction Co., Woodinville, Wash., in February 1994. He served in this position from 1978-1992. Earlier, he served as vice president/secretary, secretary, and construction engineer/estimator for the firm. Suzuki is a decorated veteran of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, having served in Italy and Southern France. He is an active supporter of the Memorial Foundation. Earlier, he was active with the Go For Broke National Veterans Association and was recently elected national president of the organization. He currently resides in Shelton, Wash., with his wife Yuriko (Kawaguchi). He is the father of one daughter and three sons.

Sharon Ann Saito, Esq., serves as trial attorney and Dependency Unit supervisor at Spokane (Wash.) County Public Defender's Office, a position she has held from 1983. Her areas of practice include criminal misdemeanor defense, civil commitment proceedings and Juvenile Court practice with emphasis on civil child abuse cases and family conflict cases. Originally

from Hawaii, Saito has further educational background and experience in Hawaiian studies. She has worked at the State of Hawaii Judiciary Department on a national endowment for the Humanities project titled Development of the Courts during the Hawaiian Monarchy, focusing on socio-historical studies. In addition she has experience in marine science having served as a marine systems researcher for the State of Hawaii, Department of Planning and Agriculture. She has been actively involved with the Spokane JACL chapter and is a multicultural/diversity trainer.

The Memorial Foundation will soon be embarking on a capital campaign fund drive to raise the \$7 million necessary to build the memorial, create an educational endowment fund, and operate the foundation until the completion of the memorial. The deadline for raising the funds and beginning construction of the Memorial is October 24, 1999.

Contributions to the Memorial Fund can be made to the National Japanese American Memorial Foundation, 2828 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Suite 305, Washington, DC 20007. Phone: (202) 965-0691, Fax: (202) 965-0695. E-mail: NJAMF1999@aol.com. The Foundation is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a nonprofit Section 501(c)(3) organization.

founded the Asian American Political Education Foundation in San Francisco, and was a special assistant to the chief of staff for Admiral James Watkins, secretary of energy during the Bush administration.

The appointment does not require Senate confirmation. ■

▼ **WASHINGTON**—Teri Okita, who has been anchoring the CBS affiliate in Honolulu, KGMB, will be a weekend co-anchor on local TV-9 on the 6 and 11 p.m. Saturday-Sunday news slots, it was announced Oct. 21.

President of the Hawaii chapter of Asian American Journalists Association, Okita began her TV career at Missoula, Mont. She had spent several years as a youngster in Washington when her father, a military officer, was assigned here.—*Lily Okura, DC News Notes.* ■

▼ **DAVIS, Calif.**—The American Association of Avian Pathologists elected **Richard Yama-moto**, Ph.D., professor emeritus, UC

Davis School of Veterinary Medicine, and **Bryan Mayeda**, DVM, retired head of the State Dept. of Food & Agriculture's Regional Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory at Petaluma, as life members. The honors came in conjunction with the 133rd annual meeting of the American Veterinary Medical Association last July at Louisville, Ky.

Yamamoto, 69, born in Wapato, Wash., was interned with his family at Minidoka, served in the U.S. Navy after WWII, graduated from the University of Washington ('52), and earned his M.A. ('55) and Ph.D. ('57) in veterinary microbiology at UC, Davis. He retired in 1991 from UC, Davis, with a total tenure of 40 years, including service at UC, San Francisco, and UC Berkeley's, Schools of Public Health.

Yamamoto has authored over 100 scientific articles in journals and chapters in textbooks, addressed seminars around the world and has been awarded a number of international honors. Mayeda, 74, born in Loomis,

grew up on his parents' fruit orchard and his uncle's layer chicken farm. His uncle, Kanematsu Igarashi, had owned a White Leghorn egg production and breeding farm since World War I. After WWII internment at Tule Lake, Mayeda worked at a Michigan poultry farm, eventually graduating from Michigan State University with his doctorate in veterinary medicine ('49).

Mayeda retired in 1985 after 36 years with the Calif. Dept. of Food and Agriculture. He also lectured ('64-'81), addressed and presented papers at annual conventions, and since has engaged in private practice. ■

▼ **DENVER** — Under an autumn sun in Sakura Square, 300 people on Saturday, Oct. 5, attended the unveiling of a memorial statue honoring the late **Rev. Yoshitaka Tamai**, who was regarded as a "living Buddha" for having served the Tri-State area of Colorado, Wyoming and Nebraska for 53 years.

As speakers during the dedica-

tion eloquently recalled incident after incident revealing the character of the Buddhist priest, they remembered his early years with the Issei settling in Colorado during the Depression years, of his sacrifices and assisting those regardless of ethnic or racial background.

Representatives from Gov. Roy Romer's office, city and county of Denver, Mayor Wellington Webb's office, Buddhist Churches of America and ministers from around the country who served with Rev. Tamai and from the community participated in the ceremony.

The community-wide project was under sponsorship of the Tri-State Buddhist Temple. Benediction was offered by the Rev. Dr. Nobuko Miyake-Stoner of the Simpson United Methodist Church, who was befriended by Rev. Tamai while she was a seminary student in Denver.

Mayor Webb declared Oct. 5, 1996, as "Reverend Yoshitaka Tamai Day." ■

▼ **ROTTERDAM**—Hawaii-born **Col. Kirk D. Miyake**, USA, took command of Military Traffic Management Command (MTMC) Europe in a change of command ceremony Sept. 3 at its headquarters in the Netherlands, Capelle aan den IJssel, by the Rotterdam port, a command originally established in 1945 at Bremerhaven, Germany, and in Holland since 1970.

One of 14 manned sites in eleven different countries in Europe and Asia, MTMC Europe transports almost 3 million measurement tons of cargo per year, serves as principal advisor in joint traffic management matters with the U.S. European command, and coordinates and executes waterport operations throughout the geographical area of Northern and Central Europe, the Mediterranean, parts of Africa, the Azores and the Middle East.

Miyake, a graduate of Idaho State University and its ROTC program, holds graduate degrees in human resources management from Pepperdine University, in national security and strategic studies from the Naval War College, and has served in various assignments in the Transportation Corps, with the 3rd Infantry Division at company, battalion and brigade levels and with the 32nd Army Air Defense Command.

Col. Miyake's decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal/OLC (with oak leaf cluster), Meritorious Service Medal/OLC, Army Commendation Medal/3OLC, Joint Service Achievement Medal and the Antarctic Service Medal.

Col. Miyake and his wife Carol have three sons: Erik, student at San Jose State; Jon, student at University of Oregon; and Nathan, student at the American School of The Hague. ■

Gatherings

Mt. Olympus features 3-day ocean cruise in '97

SALT LAKE CITY — After the traditional first-quarter events, the Mt. Olympus JACL has scheduled its first-ever JACL Carnival Cruise as a second quarter workshop, April 4-7, from Los Angeles Harbor to Ensenada and back. Also slated (date to be announced) will be a workshop on fishing, with Shake Ushio calling upon talented fly and bait fishermen and women in the chapter to share their secrets. Joe Valentine of the Division of Wildlife Resources will speak on Utah's fish hatcheries.

The third quarter workshop will feature a bus tour to Seattle where the bi-district PNW-Intermountain conference will be held over the July 19 weekend, the same weekend for the Seattle Buddhist Temple's Obon celebration. The bus will stop at Pocatello, Boise

and Ontario en route before spending Thursday overnight at Pendleton, with arrival in Seattle the next day. Also included will be a day trip to Vancouver and Victoria, B.C., before returning on Tuesday, July 22.

The 18-hour one-way trip by bus will be an opportunity for JACLers from the Intermountain chapters to become very good friends with each other, said IDC Governor Yas Tokita, who is organizing the tour as well as the chapter cruise to Baja California. ■

Chitose group in rare reunion with Army vets

LAS VEGAS — The U.S. air base in Chitose on the northern island of Hokkaido had operated for 20 years when it was closed in 1970. A quarter century later in 1995, a group of 22 veterans of the 8612nd Army Security Agency Field Station at Chitose returned for their

first reunion with the people of Chitose, greeted by about 50 members of the Japan-U.S. friendship society and local press.

Roy Gettz, 67, of Melbourne, Fla., of the ASA-Chitose Reunion Group, recalled the open-arms greetings at a time when anti-American sentiment was increasing in Japan over the then-upcoming trial of three Marines accused of raping a schoolgirl in Okinawa. The three were convicted last March.

Terry Holtz, 50, of Las Vegas, who was stationed at Nagasaki and Chitose in the '60s, recalled how American GIs won the hearts of the community for helping at the orphanage and volunteering to teach English in Chitose schools.

Gettz and Holtz, who also served in Vietnam, said they generally do not offer their views when fellow American veterans bad-mouth the Japanese. "You can't tell some-

one to like people who shot at you or held you prisoner. When I hear them say things, I just let it go," Holtz explained.

Last September, a party of 24 Japanese from Chitose, as a return gesture were hosted and reunited with 260 intelligence unit veterans in Las Vegas. — *Las Vegas Sun.* ■

Chicago Chapter holds intergenerational talk

The Chicago Chapter, JACL, presents its second in its series of multigenerational workshops, "Breaking the Silence: Communication Across Generations" Sunday, Nov. 17 at Japanese Americans Service Committee, 4427 North Clark St.

The workshop focuses on an analysis of impact of the camp experience on Japanese American identities throughout the gen-

erations. "History and Memory: For Akiko and Takashige," a 30-minute autobiographic documentary by Chicago-born Sansei Rea Tajiri, is also scheduled at the event.

Twin Cities hosts annual holiday party for children

The Twin Cities Chapter, JACL, will host its eighth annual special holiday party for children Sunday, Dec. 15, from 2-4 p.m., at the Como Lakeside Pavilion, 1360 N. Lexington Parkway, St. Paul, Minn.

The Minnesota Zoomobile will present an education program as well as live animals. Event is free. Families are encouraged to bring presents to be donated to a local nonprofit organization. Information: Chris Murakami Noon, 612/486-9150. ■

Obituaries

All the towns are in California except as noted.

Adler, Hiroye Niwa, 50, Sylmar, Oct. 13; Los Angeles-born, survived by son Akio Niwa, 1 gc., parents Tadashi/Sachiko Namba, sisters Grace Jackson, Jeanie Namba.

Amano, Henry, 76, Englewood, Colo., Oct. 7; Denver-born 442nd (Co. K), Korean War vet, survived by brother Thomas.

Doi, Joan Toyoko, 60, Anaheim, Oct. 7; survived by husband Ken, son Steven, daughter Vicky Feeco, 1 gc., brothers Jimmy Nakamura, Paul, Roy, Tom, Tooru, Minoru, Masaru, Noboru, sister Hatsumi Osajima.

Fukuda, Rose C., 83, Anaheim, Oct. 5; survived by sons Gerald (Visalia), William (Yorba Linda), daughters Janet Morita (Orange), Mary Helen, Lou Ann Kersten (Texas), gc., 5 ggc., brother Richard Shimada (Placentia), sister Helen Eiki (Garden Grove).

Fukumoto, Shigeyuki, 66, Huntington Beach, Oct. 23; Kagoshima-born, survived by wife Chiyo, sons Ellis, Gary.

Fukuyama, Yoriko, 63, Torrance, Oct. 16; survived by husband Komaki, daughter Gail.

Higashi, Jimmie, MD, San Francisco, Oct. 19; survived by wife Mabel, daughter Nicole, son Gene, brother Harry, sister Mary Tokiwa.

Hiraishi, Thomas Mitsuo, 81, Los Angeles, Oct. 24; Los Angeles-born, survived by wife Toshiko, sons John, Tom, daughter Carolyn Okuno, 7 gc., sisters Fumi Yoshizaki, Miyeko Iwataki.

Hirasaki, Shinobu 'Nob', 59, San Jose, Oct. 15; Gilroy-born Army paratrooper with 82nd, 101st Div., owner Ceram-Lab, survived by wife Joanne, son Michael, daughter Cary Sakamoto, brothers Manabi (Camarillo), Hisashi, sisters Mineko Sakai, Fumiko Maruko (Clovis), Michiko Sakamoto (Kensington), Aiko Nakamura (San Francisco).

Hiroshige, Satoru, 85, Monterey Park, Oct. 4; Hilo-born, survived by wife Shizuno, daughter Carol, 3 gc., 2 ggc.

Imai, Lucy Kimura, 82, Tooele, Utah, July 20; San Francisco-born, survived by sons Toshio (East Lansing, Mich.), Mark, Ren (Calif.), Daughters Carole (Calif.), Sachi (Va.), 8 gc., brother Tom Iwahashi (Calif.).

Kadonaga, Mae, 71, Oakland, Oct. 10; Seattle-born, Berkeley JACler, survived by husband Roland, daughter Cynthia Mochizuki (San Carlos), 1 gc., brother John Kitagawa (Renton, Wash.), sister Rose Niede-McGonigle (Enumclaw, Wash.).

Kimoto, Ai Yoshito, 74, Oakland, Oct. 22; survived by wife Masako, daughters

Hills, Oct. 18; Osaka-born, survived by wife Emiko, son Brian, brother Ron.

Kusunoki, Henry I., 78, Culver City, Oct. 19; Sacramento-born, survived by sons Steve, Robert, daughter Barbara Jean Yamasaki, 2 gc.

Matsuda, Frank M., 76, Los Angeles, Sept. 30; Penryn-born, survived by wife Misao, sons Manabu, Hiroshi, daughters Akemi Umamoto, Megumi Furuya, 4 gc., brothers Masao, Mimori (Japan), sisters Fujie Idemoto (Watsonville), Yukiko Nakanishi, Sumie Miyamoto (Japan), Chikaye Hiromoto (Japan).

Miyagi, George M., 81, Los Angeles, Oct. 23; Okinawa-born, survived by son Michael, daughter Janice Wong, 2 gc., brother Isao, sisters Hideo Funakoshi, Suzuka Tomiyama (both Japan).

Miyata, Roy M., 78, Los Angeles, Sept. 29; survived by wife Tomi, son Robert, daughter Julie (Japan), brothers Frank, Fred (Santa Monica), Thomas (San Leandro), sisters Mary Cottrell (Long Beach), Marcella Miyamoto (Gardena).

Morikawa, Alice, 70, Culver City, Oct. 3; Long Beach-born, survived by husband Minoru, son Glenn, daughters, Kinuyo, Sachiko, brothers Kango Nakazawa, Koichi, sisters Mary Nakazawa, Chiyoko Nakazawa, Kiyoe Kobayashi.

Muranaka, Shigeru, 77, Harbor City, Oct. 15; Brawley-born, survived by wife Masako, son Marc, daughters Margaret Steinman, Karen Schultz, brothers Hiroshi, Tadashi, Akira, sister Chiye Wada.

Nagafuji, Yukiko, 72, Oakland, Oct. 2; Sacramento-born, survived by husband George, daughters Janet, Lynn Javier (Irvine), son Kenneth, brothers Ken Nasu, Tak, sisters Toshiko Akiyama, Midori Fujii, predeceased by sister Akiko Tateishi.

Nakagawa, Kiyoshi G., 78, El Cerrito, Sept. 24; Washington state-born, survived by wife Emiko, son Jim, daughters Reiko, Yumiko, brothers Dick, Bill, Sam, sister Aiko Fukagawa.

Nakamura, Harry, 65, San Jose, Sept. 16; Salinas-born, survived by son David, stepdaughters Barbara Ruffini, Pamela Fennelly, stepsons Randy Kaneyuki, Glenn (Sacramento), 5 gc., brothers Charles, Donald, sisters Marion Masada (Fresno), May Morgan, predeceased by wife Dolores.

Nakano, Harry I., 84, Sacramento, Oct. 16; Sacramento-born, survived by wife Yukino, daughter Beverly Fong, son Wayne, gc.

Nakasui, Tohoru, 66, Gardena, Sept. 11; Los Angeles-born, survived by wife Rose, daughter Lauren.

Nakayama, Sakae, 69, South San Gabriel, Oct. 15; Maui-born Korean War vet., survived by wife Masako, daughter Yuri, sisters Sumi Yoshioka (Japan), Susie

mento, Sept. 25; lifetime farmer, survived by wife Aiko, sons Harry, daughters Arlene, Miwako Jones, Diana Tanizawa.

Nishioka, Norton O., 66, Fresno, Oct. 10; survived by wife Joyce, daughter Hatsumi, mother Tsuya, brothers Toru and Akira.

Nitta, Grace H., 81, Sacramento, Oct. 4; Riner, Wyo.-born, survived by husband Henry of 62 years, sons Henry, Fred (Oahu), Ray (Kauai), Glenn, daughters Julie Toyama, Sharon Foster (Kauai), Aileen, Gayle Endow, 4 gc., mother Riyo Orite, brothers George Orite, Ray, Sam, sisters Betty Nagano, Mary Orite (Oakland).

Nozaka, Tsuruko, 87, Los Angeles, Oct. 10; Tottori-born, survived by son Ichiro Adachi, 3 gc.

Oda, Kazuo, 71, Upland, Oct. 11; Upland-born 100 Inf. vet, Chaffey Union School District employee of 30 years, survived by brothers Setsuo, (Monterey Park), Gene (Fremont), Sadao (Honolulu), sisters Hatsuko Honda, Haruya (San Francisco), Masayo Hayashi (Walnut Creek), Itsumi Uemura (Concord), Shigeo Rose (San Francisco).

Oka, Toru, 68, Los Angeles, Oct. 6; Wakayama-born, survived by wife Takako, sons Ken (Guadalupe), William, 4 gc.

Okada, James Mikio, 72, Laguna Niguel, Oct. 25; Los Angeles born, survived by wife Setsuko, sons Ron, Karl, daughter Catherine Mahoney, brothers Peter, John, Paul.

Okada, Sam Isamu, 79, Chino, Oct. 21; Berkeley-born, survived by daughter Diana Tolle (Claremont), 2 gc., sister Shizuko (Tokyo), predeceased by wife June ('90), son Gary ('94).

Okada, Roy Masaaki, 73, Gardena, Oct. 21, survived by wife Irene, sons Steven, Paul, daughter Karen Kirk, 3 gc.

Sakai, Takeo Ted, 79, Gardena, Oct. 19; Fresno-born, survived by wife Shizuye, daughters Kayoko Inose, Mieko Swanberg (Tracy), son Richard (San Francisco), 5 gc., brother Masayoshi.

Sakaue, Tayeko, Venice, service Oct. 17.; Rosemead-born, survived by husband Hank, daughter Sharon Ishida, 1 gc., brother George Fujimoto, sister Toshiko Kawanami (Texas).

Shigemoto, Tetsuo, 74, San Mateo, Oct. 4; Peru-born, survived by wife Tomie, son Kiyoshi, daughter Emiko Yoshimura, gc.

Shimasaki, Jitsuko, 80, Fresno, Oct. 20; Ripon-born, survived by son Glenn, daughters Carol Hara, Susan, 5 gc., 1 ggc., sisters Toshiko Matsuda, Chieko Matsumoto, Satoko Terada (Japan), Hiroko Hariye (Japan), Shigeo Sugimoto (Japan), brother Seiji Hamamoto (Japan).

Shintani, Mutsuo, 74, Los Angeles,

Tadao, sisters Luiko Hamaguchi, Nane Kohigashi.

Sugioka, Paul Yoshio, 73, Los Angeles, Oct. 8; Hawaii-born, survived by sons Gregory, Leslie, daughter Linda O'Clary, 7 gc., 2 ggc., 5 brothers, 5 sisters.

Takashiba, Yori, 96, Elk Grove, Sept. 12; survived by daughters Mitsue Yamada, Kuni Takashiba (Japan), 9 gc.

Tamura, Tommy T., 81, Culver City, Oct. 7; San Juan Bautista-born, survived by wife Faith, daughter Peggy Ishida, 2 gc., sister Margaret Keimi.

Teranishi, Sonny M., 74, Reedley, Oct. 8; Fresno-born, survived by wife Michiko, son Jeffrey, daughter Leah Kawahara, 1 gc., sisters Masaye Yukawa, Asako Nakamura.

Tokuno, Nobutsugu, 81, Torrance, Oct. 15; Seattle-born, survived by son Dr. Kenneth, daughters Harumi Fox (Vacaville), Dr. Linda Shirakawa, Mayumi, 2 gc., sisters Toshiko Shiozaki (San Francisco), Tokuko (Japan).

Uematsu, Kazuji, 74, Santa Monica, Sept. 29; Los Angeles-born, survived by wife Sumiko, son Scott, daughter Iris Gee, 3 gc., sister Lily Uyeda (Stockton).

Uemoto, Asano, 88, Los Angeles, Oct. 20; Hiroshima-born, survived by sons

Kazuo, Saburo Shimazu, daughters Kayoko Matsuhisa (Victorville), Toyomi Morishita, 13 gc., 16 ggc.

White, Joan Takako, 70, Laguna Hills, Oct. 5; Yamaguchi-born *Kashu Mainichi* journalist, survived by sons Alan, Michael, daughters Yvonne Strong, Shanna Hensling, 4 gc., predeceased by husband Ralph E.

Yamada, Shizuko, 94, Clovis, Oct. 21; Hawaii-born, survived by daughters Anna Yamamoto, Grace Hama, 7 gc., 5 ggc.; 3 brothers and 5 sisters.

Yamamoto, Tsuruo, 91, Hacienda Heights, Oct. 8; survived by son Satoru, daughter Miyoko Hashimoto, 2 gc., 3 ggc.

Yamashiro, Akemi, 70, Anaheim, Oct. 4; Utah-born 442nd vet, survived by wife Ruth, sons Danny, Glenn, Ted, 6 gc., brother Akira (N.C.), sister Yoshiko West (Wash.).

Yokomizo, Susumu, 75, Northridge, Oct. 5; Montebello-born MIS vet, survived by wife Kiyoko, son Mark (Westlake Village), daughter Ayako, brothers Akio, Hideo, sister Fusae Kurihara.

Yoshioka, Jiro, 54, San Francisco, Oct. 18; San Francisco-born, survived by mother Natsuko, brother Masato.

UCLA publishes political roster

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DEATH NOTICE

YOSHINORI NAGAI

EL MONTE, Calif. — Yoshinori Nagai, 71, passed away on Oct. 30. He is survived by sons, Wayne and Bob; daughter, Gail; wife, Sumi; brother, Mas and three gc.

DEATH NOTICE

HISA OKANE

HAYWARD, Calif. — Hisa Okane, 90, Tochigi-ken born passed away on June 17. She is survived by daughters, Masie Yamauchi (Cleveland, Ohio) and Kay Gnoske (Alamogordo, NM).

DEATH NOTICE

HARUO K. IWASAKI

SOUTH PASADENA, Calif. — Haruo K. Iwasaki, 94, Tottori-Ken born Issei, passed away on Oct. 29 at Huntington Memorial Hospital. She is survived by daughter, Ellen (Robert) Gloyn of Utah; son-in-law, Leon Mayer; grandchildren, Sarah (Rahn) Miralles, Jason, Elizabeth and Meredith Gloyn, the latter four of Utah, Mark, Karen of San Diego, Eric and Jennifer Mayer; sisters, Lillie and Tomi Kawatsu, and Taka (Michy) Nomura and many nephews and nieces.

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projects of substantial activity and/or risk, and receive committee recommendations, etc. (Yamanishi: *Orientation*, Nov. 1996)

(22) N.I.S.E.I.

A \$250,000 grant proposal to CLPEF by JACL's National Initiative to Secure the Education of Internment (NISEI) seeks to broadly distribute 10,000 copies of the "JACL Curriculum and Resource Guide," which has been constantly updated since the project was launched with Greg Marutani, San Francisco JACL, as chair a decade ago. Approximately 1,500 copies of the guide has been distributed. NISEI is a coalition of interested educators and institutions. A full run of the 10,000 is pending. (Call HQ: NISEI, Nov. 7, 1996.)

(23) Outreach

Outreach plans to develop membership, especially among youth, was drawn up by Jordan Greene before he left Headquarters and presented to the Youth Council. (See: *National Director's Report*, Nov. 9, 1996.)

(24) Pacific Citizen

The quarterly report to the Board from the Editor emeritus stressed that Board members should heed the call from readers/constituents for JACL news through their "By the Board" columns. Helen Kawagoe's column is being christened "The Bottom Line. Status on personnel, Holiday Issue and factors of use to the feasibility study committee were included. (Call PC: *Quarterly Report* #1, Nov. 5, 1996.)

(25) P.C. Move feasibility study

Floyd Shimomura of Sacramento, whose resignation was accepted as counsel to the National Board because of his current role to defend the governor's position on Prop. 209, did agree to chair this ad hoc committee.

Report is due in February. (Refer: *San Jose Convention*, 34 Res. 4, to examine the implementation of relocating the Pacific Citizen to JACL National Headquarters after termination of the present lease and if feasible cost and operation-wise.)

(26) Planned giving

Benefits of planned giving and charitable remainder trust program were cited with brochures by Robin Morishita, CFP, CLU, ChFC, senior financial advisor and principal with American Express (AMEX) Financial Advisors, Inc., IDS Life Insurance Co., Torrance, Calif. He presented an info-session at the EDC-MDC-MPDC tri-district conference last year at Albuquerque, that dealt with understanding estate planning & living trusts, how to avoid probate, save taxes and more.

The AMEX offer compensating JACL \$3 for each attendee at their info session is to be disbursed by National to the host chapters or district councils. (Call HQ for scheduling the info-session.)

(27) Redress

No report was submitted.

(28) Scholarship program

A 10-page summary of the 1996 program compiled by staffer Deirdre Howard was commended. Mile-Hi JACLers served as freshman scholar judges; Cleveland JACL the national committee. A total of 36 awards totaling \$71,450 was made; 236 applications were received; 50 were rejected for any or all of the following: not a JACL member, incomplete or being late. In 1995, there were 37 awards totaling \$65,950.

New: two \$2,500 awards from Blue Shield JACL Trust. Guidelines for chapters and judging are being revised. Several revisions are also being made for the 1997 applications. (Call HQ: 1996 Scholarship Program Summary, Nov. 1996)

(29) Sexual harassment training

Margaret Grover, San Francisco attorney in this phase of law, presented a special workshop on Friday afternoon, Nov. 8 at which about 30 were present.

Available is a leaflet describing JACL's policy to sensitive all persons involved with JACL, staff, volunteer, etc.; definition of, examples of, sanctions under Title VII of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Act, responsibilities of the National board and staff, and responsibilities of victims in filing a complaint. (JACL Sexual Harassment Policy, April 5, 1996)

(30) Sexual orientation rights

No report was submitted.

(31) Staff/regional allocation study

• District governors caucus chair Terence Yamada noted many governors, where no regional office exists, perform the role of a regional director. (Mountain Plains, Intermountain, Eastern—though it has worked with the Washington JACL Office are without a regional staff.) Under the revised accounting system being installed, regional allocation operations are to be clarified. On-going study concerning finances continues with Yamada as chair of the District Allocations Study Committee. Karyl Matsumoto was also appointed to this panel.

• Secretary-treasurer David Hayashi recommended that all costs not directly associated with District needs be tracked closely as possible by regional directors for reimbursement by National.

(32) Support fund/sweepstakes

No report was submitted.

(33) U.S.-Japan relations

• JACL is promoting the Chiune Sugihara exhibitions and promotion of a book of his work in Europe as a vehicle for better understanding between U.S. and Japan. Staff has also been working with Ed Mitoma, South Bay JACL and chair of the U.S.-Japan Relations Committee, utilizing a website for improved communication. (See: *National Director's Report*, Nov. 1996)

• Mitoma gave an overview and said he is meeting Monday (Nov. 11) with Yamanishi on fund-raising for USJR.

(34) Voter registration

JACL Convention 34 Res. 12, introduced by Florin JACL, focuses on voter registration, getting out the voters and promoting election information.

(35) Washington DC Leadership Conference

• The 1997 conference is scheduled March 8-12; deadline of two applicants per district council to National is Jan. 17 and payment (\$800 tuition) is due Feb. 17 to "National JACL." Tuition does not cover travel to and from Washington, ground transportation during the program, additional lodging, phone calls and meals not scheduled during training. Attendance at all sessions and events is mandatory. Candidates should have demonstrated leadership in a JACL unit, personal initiative and motivation with a genuine desire to continue actively in JACL and the Asian Pacific American community.

• Co-sponsorship with OCA (Organization of Chinese Americans) will continue because advantage outweighs a separate format.

(36) Welfare reform

Not addressed this time but a concern in JACL's Program for Action.

(37) Youth council/programs

• A 6-page summary of National Youth/Student Council activities since the San Jose convention was submitted. Plans for their 1997 conference at UC Irvine, June 20-22, with workshops relevant to Asian-Pacific Islander youth as well as upcoming leaders in the JACL and API community were discussed. Pre-registration fee until March is \$50, covering two nights hotel, meals and conference material. A \$15,860 budget for the conference was unanimously approved. The youth also plan to begin fund-raising in December. District governors were expected to send at least two persons. At least 200 are expected.

• With several district youth representative (DYC) positions

Books

▼ Retold: Oregon Nikkei Story

A tribute to the Issei and Nisei of Oregon, Sansei Deena Nakata's warm memories of family and community flow through twenty chapters as majestically as the wide Columbia River (as we see it, flying over Portland at 30,000 feet en route to the Evergreen State). Her research, interviews, anecdotes and photographs add much to this community story. For the Portland JACL Book Committee and its chair, Harold Onishi, it's a "dream come true."

This 175-page hard cover book, *The Gift: the Oregon Nikkei Story Retold*, (Nov. 1995) was a gift (price unlisted) to the PC Library from Portland JACL Book Committee, c/o Onishi, 1429 SE 110 Ave., Portland, OR 97216. Oregon natives since relocated may write to him, as the tail-end chapters will bring them "home"—Chapter 17 on the homecoming and resettlement years (1945-1969), Chapter 18 on the '70s and '80s and the Redress campaign; and Chapter 19: the '90s and New Hope.

This is another book acknowledging the support of JACL and JACLers, the Legacy Fund, PNWDC and Portland chapter. ■

▼ Mrs. Egami's 'Nikki'

The shock of Hatsuye Egami's first months at Tulare Assembly Center—the complete lack of privacy in the women's latrines—is quietly told and recorded in the introduction to *The Evacuation Diary of Hatsuye Egami* (as translated by James Sakoda). She told her three daughters, "I think that life here is going to be largely primitive and naked. But don't you think that this is interesting too? All of you have been able to enjoy civilized life fully now. [They lived in Pasadena before Evacuation.] Life cannot be interesting if only in one color I think that from this bare life, we can weave something creative and interesting."

Such was this Issei woman's outlook, of "the acts of kindness, generosity and goodness" (to quote the editor, Claire Gorfinkel) that glitters throughout. Aware that the Japanese were denied citizenship, she called it "a deplorable fact, but before we continue lamenting this denial, we must ask Have we made a special effort to Americanize ourselves? I feel we have not expended the energy to Americanize ourselves."

The diary came to light in a

drawer on the Japanese internment and relocation as the Quakers (American Friends Service Committee) were about to mark in 1993 their 50th year in the Pacific Southwest. Published by Intentional Productions, P.O. Box 94814, Pasadena, CA 91109; \$12.95, 103-pp, soft. ■

▼ 'Women in the Trees'

It was a pleasant surprise to discover Hisaye Yamamoto's 1951 contribution, "The Brown House," and Mitsuye Yamada's 1988 poem, "The Club," in *Women in the Trees: U.S. Women's Short Stories about Battering and Resistance, 1939-1994*, edited by Susan Koppelman, Beacon Press, 25 Beacon St., Boston, MA 02108, \$16, 301pp, soft. Hisaye's story and character, Mrs. Hattori of the Issei period, tells of the abuse in the family, comparatively *otonashi*—gentle—and when the Nisei were still young.

Other stories of male violence, brutal and ugly, are found during the periods of war—Civil War, WWI, WWII and the Korean conflict. The anthology begins with a tale published in 1839 and ends thirty stories later in 1994. In the afterword, Susan notes women are abused even if he never hits you. ■

—HARRY K. HONDA

Niihau Incident: Nisei aids Japanese in WWII

HONOLULU—Irene Umeno Harada, 91, of Kapaa, Kauai, died Oct. 1. She was a key figure in the one incident involving a Nisei helping the enemy during the attack on Pearl Harbor.

She and her husband, Yoshio, lived and worked in the late '30s on the isolated island, Niihau, when Japanese naval pilot Shigenori Nishikaichi crash-landed his damaged Zero fighter there and was knocked unconscious on landing by Hawaiian native Howard Kaleohano, who then relieved him of his papers. While expecting to be rescued by a submarine that did not appear, Nishikaichi persuaded or duped Yoshio Harada (a Nisei) to join him on a rampage to regain the papers, burning down the house of Kaleohano.

The other Nikkei on Niihau, Ishimatsu Shintani, an enemy alien Issei, served as translator with the villagers and the flier at the initial encounter, then went

into hiding fearing the worst.

When word that an armed Japanese aviator was loose and terrorizing the island reached the neighboring island of Kauai a week later (four Hawaiian ranch hands had rowed 16 hours to reach Kauai with the startling news), 1st Lt. Jack Mizuha, then stationed at John Burns Airfield, volunteered to lead a rescue party.

Pfc. Ken Kobayashi, who volunteered to be the translator, was on the rescue detail of 13 enlisted men, the four ranch hands, Aylmer Robinson, son of the family which owned Niihau, and two other civilians. Aboard a lighthouse tender, the expedition landed on the 14th, marched inland to reach Puuwai, the ranch village, to learn that Nishikaichi was killed when Benehakaka Kanahale, an unarmed Hawaiian, though wounded three times by bullets from the flier's gun, had smashed his head and brains out against a stone

wall. Harada shot himself in the stomach after the aviator's death.

Such was the "Battle of Niihau," as recounted in Allen Beekman's *Hawaii's War Years, 1941-45*.

Mrs. Harada, her young daughter, and Shintani were taken into protective custody. Harada was to be interned at Camp Honouliuli Ishitani on the mainland.

It was not generally known that Lt. Mizuha, who was later a captain with the 100th Battalion in Italy, was the leader of the rescue party—"a master stroke for the public image of the Nikkei," according to author Allen Beekman in *Niihau Incident: the true story of the Japanese fighter pilot who, after the Pearl Harbor attack, crash-landed on the Hawaiian Island of Niihau and terrorized the residents*.

Postwar magistrate Mizuha became an associate justice of the Hawaii supreme court in 1961. ■

PC announces Holiday Issue, January schedules

The *Pacific Citizen* staff and part-time employees have already begun work on the 1996 Holiday Issue.

The heaviest workload will be handled from Dec. 2-17, weekends included. For that reason and to accommodate printer and mailer schedules, PC staff will follow this timetable:

- PC offices closed Thursday, Nov. 28 (Thanksgiving) and Friday, Nov. 29.
- Dec. 2-17—All staff and part-timers scheduled.
- Because of the consecutive days of work, PC

offices will be closed Dec. 24-27 and Dec. 31 through Jan. 3.

The 1996 Holiday Issue should be sent to the post office for mailing by Friday, Dec. 20.

The New Year holiday, printer and mailer schedules will also require *Pacific Citizen* to alter its normal publication schedule for January. Instead of publishing on the first and third Fridays, January PC issues will be dated Friday, Jan. 10 and Friday, Jan. 24. Editorial and advertising deadlines are one week prior to each date, or Friday, Jan. 3, and Friday, Jan. 17, respectively.

open—NCWNPC, IDC, MPDC and MDC, Yamanishi urged Hiromi Ueha to call local chapters about filling vacancies. ■

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Staff in attendance included Executive Director Dale Shimasaki, Deputy Executive Director Martha Watanabe, and intern Dina Shek.

The Civil Liberties Public Education Fund staff is working on a detailed plan for a 1997 National Day of Remembrance event. Details of the plan will be announced in the near future. If there are communities which plan to sponsor Day of Remembrance activities for 1997 and would like to have their activities publicized through the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund, please

contact the East Coast Office of The Civil Liberties Public Education Fund at (202) 653-2811 or via fax at (202) 653-2815. Address: Civil Liberties Public Education Fund, 1730 K Street, NW, suite 410, Washington, D.C., 20006.

STUDY

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trends in the Asian American electorate. Asian Americans, especially the newly naturalized immigrant populations, are becoming aware of their right to vote and are exercising it decisively."

Prof. Shinagawa, the principal investigator, said, "The study refutes much of the charges of voter apathy among Asian Pacific Americans, and shows that Asian Pacific Americans vote decisively on issues that affect them personally. The study confirms a long held belief that bilingual access to

the vote remains a continuing need in the growing Asian Pacific American community."

The study also found that among Chinese Americans, more than 50 percent chose to use the Chinese exit poll survey rather than the English version, indicating a widespread and continuing need for bilingual assistance and materials. (Bilingual ballots in Chinese are required in San Francisco and Alameda County under the federal Voting Rights Act.)

Final results of this study will be released in the near future, detailing added information about pan-Asian voting patterns, the effects of naturalization, and information about voting on specific candidates and propositions not listed here.

Information: Prof. Larry Shinagawa, 707/795-9278, or Lora Jo Foo or Angelo Ancheta, Asian Law Caucus, 415/391-1655.