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## Arizona's Camp Hirabayashi Dedication Set for Nov. 7

By MARTHA NAKAGAWA  
Assistant Editor

The U.S. Forest Service will hold a dedication ceremony on Nov. 7 to name a recreational campground in Arizona, which sits on the site of a former federal prison, in honor of Dr. Gordon Hirabayashi, the former prisoner's most famous inmate.

During World War II, Hirabayashi and several Nikkei resistors of conscience from Amache, Topaz and Poston War Relocation Authority camps were imprisoned at the Catalina Federal Honor Camp in the Coronado National Forest, near Tucson, Ariz. The November event will officially mark the conversion of the area into a recreational campground and to be named the Gordon Hirabayashi Recreational Site, according to Mary Farrell, an archaeologist with the Coronado National Forest.

Little remains of the former prison camp that had been constructed in 1939 and housed more than 200 prisoners at a time. During the 1970s, the buildings had been razed and the property used as a staging area for road construction. A 1951 Catalina Highway construction report by the U.S. Bureau of Roads concluded that most prisoners at the Catalina federal prison were conscientious objectors or draft resistors.

The report, however, failed to include the Nikkei resistors.

The connection between the Nikkei, the federal prison camp and construction of the Catalina Highway was made by Farrell and her husband, Jeff Burton, also an archaeologist who works for the National Parks Service and has been doing extensive research at the Manzanar National Historic Park in California.

Burton was out in the fields at press time, but Farrell explained how her husband made the connection. She said they had read about how Hirabayashi had hitchhiked from Spokane, Wash., to Tucson to serve his 90-day sentence at an Arizona federal prison.

At the "Transforming Barbed Wire" event held two years ago in Arizona, Burton had urged Farrell to ask Hirabayashi, a guest speaker at the event, where he had been incarcerated in Arizona.

"Gordon told me he couldn't remember but he did remember being surrounded by trees," said

Farrell.

Farrell and Burton immediately knew Hirabayashi had been at the federal prison camp in the Santa Catalina Mountains, the only area near Tucson with thriving trees.

Since the early 1900s, the Santa Catalina Mountains became a favorite summer escape for Tucsonans. "To allow better access for local residents, the construction of the Catalina Highway was begun in 1933, using labor supplied by non-violent prisoners. In 1939, a permanent federal honor camp was built in the area to provide a steady stream of labor for the highway project. Burton's and Farrell's discovery of the Nikkei connection prompted them to suggest that the proposed campground be named in honor of Hirabayashi."

Farrell said the proposal received "a little negative feedback" but we received more positive feedback, adding that much of the opposition was due to "misunderstanding of history."

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Farrell.

The Forest Service's decision to name the campground after Hirabayashi was made in hopes that visitors will be curious enough to read the interpretive signs which will give a historical background on the constitutional stand taken by Hirabayashi and close to 50 Nikkei resistors of conscience who had been incarcerated there, said Farrell. The history of the non-Nikkei prisoners and their part in building the Catalina Highway will also be included.

"I know there is still controversy with the draft resistors but it would be nice to recognize them and the contributions they made," said Farrell. "It's heart-breaking to hear them explain how they came in leg irons and with the windows boarded up."

Supporting the project has been the Arizona JACL chapter, whose chapter co-president, Joe Allman, has written several letters of support to Arizona legislators.

"I think this is a good thing," said Allman. "It (the camp name) might make the people curious and make them learn more about what happened. It will keep alive the World War II issues."

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"I think there would have been

more resistance if it had been named after the resistors," said Allman. "To name it after Gordon Hirabayashi, a curfew violator, will go over much better."

The Arizona JACL chapter will also be making a \$400 donation and is assisting the Forest Service in coming up with a program.

The project also received support from the Manzanar Committee and the Heart Mountain, Wyoming Foundation.

By November, the Forest Service hopes to have restrooms installed, funded by the \$5-per-vehicle user fee. But other amenities such as picnic tables will not be ready and only a draft of the interpretive signs will be available, said Farrell.

Gordon Hirabayashi

It is believed that Hirabayashi, 81, was the first Nikkei to arrive at the Catalina Federal Honor Camp.

"I appreciate the spirit behind it," said Hirabayashi, who also gave credit to his fellow inmates like the Nikkei resistors and American Indian conscientious objectors. "If we can use the camp to revive the history and the people's contributions, that's appreciated."

At the outset of WWII, Hirabayashi had been a senior at the University of Washington

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## DOJ Funds Community Groups to Prevent Job Bias Against Immigrant Workers

Thirteen nonprofit organizations in eight states will receive nearly \$750,000 to conduct public education programs for workers and employers about immigration-related employment discrimination, the Justice Department (DOJ) announced Aug. 30.

The grants are awarded annually by the Office of Special Counsel for Immigration Related Unfair Employment Practices (OSC), under the DOJ, Civil Rights Division.

This year's grants will go towards organizations serving both employers and workers in California, Florida, Illinois, Massachusetts, Nebraska, New York, North Carolina and Texas.

"Grants to community-based and professional organizations enable us to better educate work-

ers and employers about their rights and responsibilities," said John Trasvina, OSC special counsel. "Immigrant civil rights issues are no longer limited to border states. These grants will respond to the needs of emerging immigrant communities."

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Trasvina said the grant program, since its inception in 1990, has awarded more than \$14.3 million to various community organizations. This year, OSC chose 12 organizations out of a

national pool of 66 grant applications.

Trasvina said the grant program targets grass-roots organizations that are connected to the local communities that they serve. In particular, they would like to outreach to new and small

companies to ensure that employers are aware of the various laws protecting workers, especially immigrant workers.

"Our grantees are known and respected in their communities, provide excellent information and assistance to victims of discrimination and are a

strong link between the community and OSC's services," said Trasvina.

Immigration related employment discrimination may occur when employers ask some, but not all, employees for verification of work eligibility or treat workers differently because of appearance, language or accent.

The grants, ranging from \$38,000 to \$90,000, will enable grantees to do some of the following: conduct seminars for workers, employers and immigration service providers; distribute anti-discrimination materials in various languages; and publicize information in local electronic and print media.

This year's grant recipients are as follows:

- Asian Pacific American Legal Center of Southern California in partnership with the Asian Law Caucus of San Francisco;
- Catholic Charities of Dallas, serving northern Texas; Little Rock, Ark.; Albuquerque, NM; and Oklahoma City, Okla.;

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## Proposed Marker for Former DOJ Santa Fe Camp Stirs Bitter Memories

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

SANTA FE, N.M.—They shared more tears than solutions, told stories filled with more sorrow than anger. If they broke new ground, it was a renewed realization that the victims of World War II were not confined to any one color or nationality.

"There will never be a complete account of the sadness that both sides suffered," said Carlos Felix Pacheco, 77, who volunteered for the war to try to bring back the New Mexican boys suffering and dying in Japanese prison camps.

"As Americans, we'll carry the pain as heroes," Pacheco said. "But it's time to bury the hatchet. There's got to be peace sometime."

Pacheco was one of about 40 people who attended a meeting designed to bring together supporters and opponents of a proposal to build a historic marker for a Japanese American internment camp that stood in what is now the Casa Solana neighborhood.

Participants broke into five groups led by facilitators from the Institute of Intercultural Community Leadership at Santa Fe Community College. Discussion leaders asked participants in the hour-long meeting to tell how their life experiences shaped their opinions on the issue.

The memorial proposal has stirred up resentment, expressed by several victims of the infamous Bataan Death March that U.S. soldiers endured — or died from — after surrendering to the Japanese in the Philippines just months after the U.S. entered the war.

"They're not showing very much respect, the city of Santa Fe, to these guys who took the brunt of it," said one man. "The Japanese (American) men imprisoned in Santa Fe 'lived a great life' at the camp, 'and I don't

think they should be glorified."

The man said his opinion had nothing to do with racial animosity or hate. "It's just the principle of the darn deal, that it shouldn't be put up here, in Santa Fe, New Mexico," he said.

Others commented on the relatively easy life in the internment camps — compared with the harsh conditions and torture that U.S. soldiers endured as prisoners of the Japanese.

Yet others responded that Japanese immigrants and Japanese Americans were torn from their U.S. homes and families — and shipped away to detention camps — simply for being of Japanese ancestry at a time when Japan bombed Pearl Harbor.

"They weren't tortured. That's the thing," one woman said of the internees. "They were given three square meals a day."

"They lost land," responded another woman, who was a nurse during the war. "They lost money. They lost everything they had. It was an American disgrace."

Millie Ando, 63, fought back tears as she spoke. "I think that the wrong impression has gone out that these old men were prisoners of war from Japan, and they were not. They were all our fathers," she said.

"My personal concern," added Ben Wakashige, a 51-year-old Sansei, "is that it doesn't happen for another group of Americans, or another group of people in the United States."

"History," Wakashige warned, "has a way of repeating itself."

City officials intend to hold two more meetings on the proposal before a vote by the City Council on Sept. 29. They must decide whether to dedicate a portion of Frank Ortiz Park for the historical marker, which would be funded by private donations. ■

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### National

NATIONAL BOARD  
Fri.-Sun., Oct. 8-10—National Board Meeting, JACL Headquarters, San Francisco.

### Eastern

WASHINGTON  
Fri., Oct. 22—National Japanese American Memorial groundbreaking.  
Info: NJAMF, 202/861-8845; fax 202/861-8848; e-mail: NJAMF@erols.com; www.njamf.org.

### Midwest

DISTRICT COUNCIL  
Fri.-Sun., Sept. 24-26—District Council Meeting: Quality Inn, Plymouth, Michigan; Friday Night Mixer, 7-10 p.m.

### Mountain Plains

NEW MEXICO  
Sun., Sept. 26—Akimatsuri Potluck; setup 10 a.m., festivities 12 noon-5 p.m.; Courtyard of the Japanese Kitchen, 6521 Americas Pkwy. N.E., dances, kendo, judo, karate, taiko, bonsai, ikebana, silent auction, raffle, arts & crafts, more. Info: Taty, 296-2392, Patty Fitzwater, 292-6319.

### Intermountain

UTAH CHAPTERS  
Sat., Sept. 25—Utah JACL Scholarship Golf Tournament; Murray Parkway Golf Course; \$45 entry includes cart and lunch. Entry deadline, Sept. 15. Info., entry forms: Floyd Mori, 801/572-2287, e-mail: 4thlorrest@msn.com.

### Pacific Northwest

LAKE WASHINGTON  
Wed., Sept. 15—Lake Washington chapter-sponsored concert; see Community Calendar.

### SEATTLE

Sat., Sept. 18—Fund-raising Fashion Show—see Community Calendar.

### NC-WN-Pacific

DISTRICT COUNCIL  
Sat., Oct. 2—District Council Meeting: Alan Tenyu's residence.  
Sun., Nov. 7—District Council Meeting: Sacramento; special programs: Hate Crimes Workshop and introduction of Gov. Davis' Asian American appointees.

### FLORIN

Sat., Sept. 11—Florin JACL 9th Annual Women's Day Forum; "Beyond the Picture Brides," 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.; CSU Sacramento, 6000 J St. Japanese American Archival Collection Library, 20th & Broadway Room. Info: 916/422-2273, 916/422-6397, 916/422-8252.

### MONTEREY

Sun., Sept. 12—Fall BBQ, 1 p.m. at the Watsonville JACL Hall. Info: Aiko Matsuyama, 394-2933.

### RENO

Sun., Sept. 19—Fish Fry, noon. Knights of Pythias, 980 Nevada St. SAN FRANCISCO  
Sat., Sept. 18—Workday at the National AIDS Memorial Grove, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., east end of Golden Gate Park, sponsored by San Francisco chapter JACL. Info: John Handa, 415/282-2803.

### SAN MATEO

Sat., Oct. 2—San Mateo JACL and OCA benefit dance; see Community Calendar.  
Sun., Oct. 10—San Mateo JACL Golf Tournament, 1st tee-off 9:45 a.m., Skywest Golf Course, 1401 Golf Course, Hayward. Entry due by Sept. 25. To benefit Scholarship Fund; sponsor.

## COMMUNITY Calendar

### East Coast

#### ATLANTA

Through Nov. 5—Exhibit Openings, "America's Concentration Camps: Remembering the Japanese American Experience" and "Witness: Our Brothers' Keepers"; The William Brennan Jewish Heritage Museum, 1440 Spring St. NW, both exhibits developed by the Japanese American National Museum. Info., hours: 404/873-1661.

#### WASHINGTON, D.C.

Thurs., Sept. 16—National Asian Pacific American Legal Consortium's American Courage Award reception honoring George Takes, 6-8 p.m.; National Press Club, 248 14th St. RSVP: 202/296-2300, e-mail: rchoudhry@napal.org.

### The Midwest

#### INDIANAPOLIS

Fri.-Sun., Sept. 17-19—Indianapolis Golf Caper; housing at Hampton Inn. Info: Chuck Matsumoto, 317/888-8505.

#### TWIN CITIES

Sun., Sept. 26—JACL Golf Tournament, 1st tee times at noon: Francis A. Gross Golf Course, Minneapolis. Info: Ben Ezaki, 612/472-1985.

### Intermountain

#### OGDEN, UTAH

Sat., Oct. 23—Box Elder County Japanese American Reunion; 9 a.m. registration; Marriott Hotel, 247 24th St.; breakfast buffet, raffles, door prizes, silent auction, Sarsen/Yonsei poster contest, photo exhibits, taiko, entertainment, karaoke. Info: Bonnie Shires, 435/257-2139 or Frank Nishiguchi, 435/458-3737.

### Pacific Northwest

#### BELLEVUE, WASH.

Wed., Sept. 15—Eastside Nihon Matsuri concert, "Conversation with the Moon," with shakuhachi master/composer John Kaizan Neptune and guitarist Takao Naoi; Theater at Meydenbauer Center. Info: 425/861-9109; www.ENMA.org.

#### PORTLAND

Sun., Sept. 26—Fujinami-kai Fall performance, 1-3 p.m.; World Trade Center Auditorium. Info: Barbara Uyesugi, 503/282-2094.

#### SEATTLE

Sat., Sept. 18—Anne Namba Fashion Show and Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.; Asian Resource Center, 1025 S. King St.; unique creations using old kimono fabric. Tickets: 206/623-

5088.

Through April 2000—Exhibit, "A Different Battle: Stories of Asian Pacific American Veterans"; Wing Luke Asian Museum, 407 Seventh Ave. S. Info: 206/623-5124.

### Northern California

#### BERKELEY

Sat., Sept. 12—18th Asian American Jazz Festival, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Trustees' Auditorium, Asian Art Museum; performing Duke Ellington's Far East Suite. Tickets: 877/243-3774 toll free.

#### SACRAMENTO

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Sun., Sept. 19—Jan Ken Po Gakko Asian Arts and Crafts Fair fund-raiser, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; Elks Lodge, 6446 Riverside Blvd. Info: Calvin Hara, 916/421-3490.

#### SAN MATEO

Sat., Oct. 2—"Shall We Dance Again?" 8 p.m.; Beresford Recreation Center, 2720 Alameda De Las Pulgas; dance lessons, refreshments, raffle, dance contest. RSVP by Sept. 25: Lori, 650/324-7087 or Steve, 650/574-2641 or Wade, 650/341-6036.

### South California

#### LOS ANGELES

Sat., Sept. 11—Slide Show and Discussion on early 20th century Issa Wanga (Japanese comic book) by author Frederik L. Schodt, 1 p.m.; Japanese American National Museum, 369 E. First St., Little Tokyo. RSVP: 213/625-0414.

Sat., Sept. 11—Annual Law Day program, 1-3 p.m.; Ken Nakakola Community Center, 1700 W. 162nd St., Gardena; sponsored by Gardena Pioneer Project, Japanese American Bar Association, Gardena Senior Citizens' Bureau, Asian Pacific American Legal Center. Translation provided. Info: Karen Chomori Ueyelawa, 321/894-3235.

Sun., Sept. 12—Aki Matsuri; 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; Venice Japanese Community Center, 12448 Braddock Dr., West L.A.; designer clothing, jewelry, hand-made stationery, cookbooks, food, books for adults & children. Info: Jean Ushijima, 310/290-6914.

Sun., Sept. 12—Little Tokyo Walking Tour, 2 p.m.; Japanese American National Museum, 369 E. First St., Little Tokyo. RSVP: 213/625-0414.

Thurs., Sept. 16—East West Players New Voices Writers' Gallery play

sors and donors needed. Info: Vince Asai, 650/349-3590.

### Central California

#### FRESNO

Sun., Sept. 19 (date correction)—Shinzen Run, Fresno, to benefit Woodward Park's Shinzen Gardens and the Central Calif. Niskken Foundation. Sponsors wanted; call Bobbi Hanada, 559/434-1662; registration forms: Patricia Tsai Tom, 559/486-6815.

### Pacific Southwest

#### DISTRICT COUNCIL

Sat., Sept. 18—PSW District Awards Dinner; Torrance; public is welcome—see Community Calendar. Tickets: \$85; RSVP: 213/624-4471.

#### LAS VEGAS

Fri., Sept. 17—Fund-raising for PBS Channel 10, 8 p.m. Volunteers needed; call Lillian, 702/344-0508.

#### WEST LOS ANGELES

Sun., Sept. 12—Aki Matsuri; see Community Calendar. Info: Jean Ushijima, 310/390-69W14. ■

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Sat., Sept. 18—PSW District Awards Dinner; 6 p.m.; silent auction, 7 p.m. dinner; Norman Y. Mineta, speaker. Channel 7's David Ono, M.C.

Torrance Marriott Hotel, 3635 Fashion Way, Torrance. Tickets: \$85; RSVP: 213/626-4471.

Sun., Sept. 19—14th Annual Tenyaku Bingo, MC Marilynoll Karate Club; 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Marilynoll Catholic Center, 222 S. Hewitt St.; Bingo 1-6 p.m.; children's activities, raffle. Info: James Uyeda, 213/489-6873.

Sept. 30-Oct. 10—UCLA Film & Television Archive retrospective, "Studio Ghibli: The magic of Miyazaki, Takahata and Kondo"; James Bridges Theater, UCLA, info: schedules: 310/206-FILM, <WWW.cinema.ucla.edu>.

Sat., Oct. 2—Aki Matsuri, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center, 1203 W. Puente Ave., West Covina; "Moon Bounce," children's games, food, martial arts demos, taiko, raffle, door prizes, etc. Info: 626/960-2566.

### Arizona - Nevada

#### PLACER

Sat.-Sun., Sept. 25-26—Placer Buddhist Church annual food bazaar; 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Info: Laura Inuma, Howakal president, 775/324-1116.

#### RENO

Thurs.-Sat., Sept. 23-25—Great Basin Book Festival; Mas Muroto author of "Epiphany for a Peach" and "Haven Son: Planting Roots in American Soil" to speak at Harrah's on Sept. 24. Info: Nevada Humanities Committee, 775/784-6587. ■

### Correction

In the article about the Watsonville chapter/Dr. Francis Choy Scholarship (July 30-Aug. 5, page 5), the late Dr. Choy was identified as an American of Chinese ancestry. Dr. Choy was of Korean ancestry.

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## Former Marine Returns Flag, Photo Album of Japanese Soldier

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

MILWAUKEE—A former Marine who recovered a photo album and a flag from a Japanese soldier he killed in World War II says it is his duty to return the items to the man's only surviving relative.

On Sept. 1, Yoshiharu Kagawa, a Japanese consul in Chicago acting privately on behalf of the soldier's sister, visited Robert D. Schaefer, picked up the materials and sent them back to Japan.

Schaefer, of Milwaukee, described himself as a skinny, scared 20-year-old when he landed July 21, 1944, on Guam. The Pacific island was scarred by shell fire and was littered with dead and wounded soldiers.

The capture of the island took the lives of about 7,000 U.S. servicemen and 17,500 Japanese defenders.

Schaefer was on patrol when someone shouted: "Schaefer, look out!" He turned around and saw a Japanese soldier running toward him, dressed in a tattered uniform and with a sword raised over his head. Schaefer shot him.

"It happened so fast," he said. "There was no time to think about it. A flash and it was over."

Schaefer took the dead man's sword, went into his pack looking for food. He found only a family photo album wrapped in a Japanese flag that was covered with writings.

The album showed a young woman with a baby in her arms, young men in uniforms and a smiling woman in a black bathing suit,

hands clasped in front of her knees.

The sword was stolen long before Schaefer got back to Milwaukee, but he kept the photo album in a closet.

Decades passed before he decided to return the soldier's album to his family. Schaefer wrote a letter to a Milwaukee TV station. Another station in Japan joined in the search.

After a few years, they gave up. Schaefer donated the flag and album to the Wisconsin Veterans Museum in Madison, figuring they would be able to keep it safe after his death. Earlier this summer, the museum called him.

The Japanese government, clued by the inscription on the flag, had found the fallen soldier's only surviving relative: a sister living in northern Japan, who asked that her name and the details of her life be kept private.

The soldier's name was Hiroshi Suzuki. When he was 16, he worked in a drugstore. Drafted at 20, he fought in Manchuria and volunteered to fight in the Pacific.

About a week before he killed Suzuki, Schaefer met another Japanese soldier on a trail. Both men stopped and looked at each other. Schaefer said he slowly raised his hand and waved the man on. They exchanged uneasy smiles and went their separate ways.

"I like to think he survived the war," Schaefer said, sitting in his living room. "I like to think he's a grandfather or a great-grandfather, like me. I like to think he tells his grandchildren about the crazy Yankee he met in the jungle." ■

## Poor and Minority Students Less Likely to Transfer to Four-Year Universities

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

Inadequate counseling services is being blamed for the low percentage of poor and minority students in California who transfer from community colleges to four-year universities.

Statewide, blacks are less than half as likely as whites to transfer from a community college to a University of California campus and less than one-fifth as likely as Asians, according to the state's Postsecondary Education Commission.

Last year, 293 black students transferred from community colleges to UC campuses, while about 7,300 whites and Asians made the move. Hispanics fare only slightly better than blacks.

The commission found that large numbers of disadvantaged students attend colleges that don't place a strong emphasis on UC transfers—including some campuses that have reduced or eliminated vital counseling services.

Some minority students said they were discouraged from applying to UC or were urged to follow vocational tracks despite saying they wanted to transfer.

"The effort is not proactive," said Mark Lewis, a black student who transferred to UC Berkeley and was recently accepted to graduate school at Harvard. "If a person happens to float into someone's office, they might get assistance. But no one is out there, especially for the young men, giving them some kind of focus."

Community college presidents and counselors insist there is no conscious effort to keep students from the UC system, saying they've taken steps to improve support for disadvantaged students.

But mandatory counseling for all entering students is often turned into an assembly line by ratios of 1,000 students or more to each counselor, said Charles Ratliff, deputy director of the commission.

In some cases, counselors emphasize Cal State transfers with the best of intentions, said Kevin Bray, past president of the California Community College Counselors Association. Knowing that the majority of their students are not destined for UC, counselors focus on courses of study they are most likely to complete, he said.

"It becomes a path of lesser resistance," said Bray.

One reason so few black and Hispanic community college students transfer to UC is that often they come from low-income families or were the first in their family to go to college.

Another factor may be that black and Hispanic students receive poor college preparation in high school, especially in math and English, which can strand them in remedial classes.

The complexity of UC admissions criteria is yet another factor in the lower number of transfers among blacks and Hispanics.

In contrast, those community colleges with higher proportions of middle class white and Asian or Asian American students boast higher rates of UC transfers.

Santa Monica College, for example, transferred 690 students to the UC system last year, most of them white or Asian American.

Meanwhile, Southwest, West Los Angeles, Trade-Tech and Compton, which together have more students than Santa Monica—the vast majority black or Hispanic—collectively transferred 45. ■

## Memorial Wall for Japanese Canadians Planned

A memorial wall honoring the 21,000 Japanese Canadians who were forced out of their West Coast homes in 1942 will be located at the "Nikkei Place," now under construction in Burnaby, B.C., it was announced June 10 by the National Nikkei Heritage Centre (NNHC).

"It has taken over 50 years for our community to rebuild," George Okawa, building chair of the NNHC, said. "Close to 21,000 people were uprooted ... and since many left B.C. (British Columbia) to establish new communities in other provinces, the effect has been long-term." The Heritage Centre will open in the summer of 2000.

The wall, jointly sponsored by the centre and the National Association of Japanese Canadians, is

very important to our national Heritage Centre project because it pays respect to the hardships and losses endured by the men, women and children who suffered," NNHC president Gordon Kadota said.

"It is fitting that this wall will be located on the West Coast because this is where the dispersal originated," NAJC president Keiko Miki of Winnipeg said.

"While the wall is a lesson in Canadian history, it is also a tangible acknowledgement of community rebuilding, and our thank you to Canada in expressing how proud we are of our country for its admission of error," NNHC society executive director Cathy Makihara added. ■

## Small Business Administration Signs Historic Agreement with Asian Minnesotan Community

ST. PAUL, Minn.—Congressman Bruce Vento, bankers and over a hundred community leaders witnessed a historic agreement both nationally and locally, when the U.S. Small Business Administration and the Policy Roundtable signed an agreement encouraging business development in the estimated 136,000 Asian Minnesotan community.

The event took place at Concordia University in Saint Paul at the Fine Arts Theater building on August 31.

"We are happy to partner with the Policy Roundtable to encourage SBA outreach to the Asian Pacific community in Minnesota," said Edward Daum, SBA district director.

"Asian business development is growing rapidly both in Minnesota and the nation."

"This memorandum of understanding is the first in the nation between an SBA district office and the Asian Pacific community," said Dr. Bruce Corrie, chair, the Policy Roundtable. "We are inviting Asian American organizations from around the country to join us to work towards the signing of a national memorandum of understanding early next year."

"In the new millennium, states which create a favorable environment for ethnic capital will be the ones experiencing the fastest gains. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, from 1987 to 1997,

the number of businesses owned by Asian Americans ... grew by 180 percent, business receipts increased by 463 percent and employment increased by 432 percent," Corrie added.

The Policy Roundtable is an alliance of Minnesotans focusing on policy issues impacting the estimated 136,000 Asian Pacific Minnesotans. The Roundtable recently organized the First Asian Minnesotan Business Summit on June 10 where Governor Jesse Ventura proclaimed, "I admire the entrepreneurial spirit of the Asian people."

For more information please contact Dr. Bruce Corrie at 651/641-8226 or corrie@esp.edu ■

By Pacific Citizen Staff and Associated Press

## Thai Students Turning to Prostitution

BANGKOK, Thailand—Female students are increasingly turning to prostitution to pay for tuition or for brand-name consumer goods, according to an investigation published in a student newspaper at Thammasat University.

The investigation revealed that girls from the most prestigious universities charged clients, many of whom are high-ranking Thai state officials, businessmen and politicians, up to 20,000 baht (\$625) for sex. Other girls, from high schools, vocational colleges or less prestigious universities charged as low as 1,500 baht (\$49).

Estimates of the number of Thai involved in prostitution, mostly young provincial women trying to escape poverty or emulate their richer urban peers, vary from between 20,000 to 80,000, out of a national population of 61 million.

Chommanee Phanpen, vice president of the Thammasat students' union, attributes the increase in prostitution to the boom of materialism in Thailand that came with economic progress.

## U.S. Territory Gets 'Observer Seat'

PAGO PAGO, American Samoa—Gov. Tupele Sina said the United Nations has granted

U.S. territory American Samoa, located 2,300 miles southwest of Hawaii, observer status.

The United Nations gave the territory the option of holding an "observer seat" or becoming an advisor to the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, said Sina.

The territory opted for "observer seat" because it would allow for more exposure, the governor said.

Due to financial constraints, Sina said American Samoa won't make a permanent appointment to the United Nations, but instead will send a representative when the General Assembly is in session.

Territorial Lt. Gov. Topiolo Tulafoa is to be in New York on Sept. 27-28 for American Samoa's first U.N. special session.

## Asia and Latin America Hope to Strengthen Ties

SINGAPORE—The era of globalization, is bringing together two continents that hope to better their overall ties by boosting trade exchange and overcoming cultural differences.

Senior officials from 27 Asian and Latin American countries recently held a two-day forum for the first time, after Singapore's prime minister Goh Chok Tong had suggested the gathering to Chilean president Eduardo Frei a year ago. Singapore's foreign minister, Shan-

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mingam Jayakumar, called the Asia-Latin American Economic Forum the "missing link" between two regions that should have established an alliance to promote free trade long ago.

"This shows that all participating countries welcome the need for formal dialogue and cooperation between our regions," added Goh, who noted the cultural and "psychological barriers" of an earlier economic era.

Participating Asian countries included Brunei, Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Thailand and Vietnam. Latin American countries sent delegates from Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela. Also present were delegates from Australia and New Zealand.

During the forum's first meeting, the delegates discussed mutual projects and prepared for the groups' foreign ministers' summit next year.

## Hello Kitty Causes Frenzy and Fighting

TAIPEI, Taiwan—Hello Kitty, a 25-year-old cartoon character doll has created a public frenzy in Taiwan where customers have been fighting as they wait in line for giveaways at McDonald's. The big

demand also has people lining up outside banks for credit cards displaying the kitten's picture and shopping on the black market for the doll.

Booming across Asia and the United States, McDonald's expects to capitalize on Hello Kitty's popularity by promoting it at Asian and Pacific outlets this year.

Hello Kitty brought its inventor Sanrio Co. of Japan more than \$1.1 billion in revenues for the fiscal year ending in March. Exports came to \$70 million, an 11.9 percent increase, with the biggest overseas sales from the 200 U.S. retail outlets that sell Hello Kitty merchandise.

While most businesses are thrilled with their sales, some Taiwanese are wary about a cultural invasion by a Japanese firm, questioning how Taiwan has deteriorated from a hot spot of toy-making 10 years ago to one engulfed by imported dolls.

## Beetle Mania!

TOKYO—A Japanese businessman recently dished out a record-breaking \$30,000 for an unusually large three-inch beetle.

The cost of a giant stag beetle usually starts at about \$450 in buy-er's Japan, where they are often called "king" beetles for their shiny black exoskeletons.

A 56-year-old company president of a Tokyo store specializing in in-

sects bought the bug for his collection, but is refusing to be identified or interviewed for fear of being targeted by thieves. Earlier this year, thieves knocked off a Tokyo beetle shop, making off with bugs worth \$67,000.

The giant stag beetle has become so popular that they're sold in pet shops, train stations and gift department stores. Earlier this year, one Tokyo company even began selling the bugs in vending machines.

## Koreans Denied Compensation

TOKYO—A Japanese court on Aug. 30 rejected a demand from 369 South Koreans for a government apology and \$9,000 in compensation for Japan's brutal colonial rule of the Korean Peninsula from 1910-1945.

The ruling by the Tokyo High Court upheld a 1994 lower court ruling, a court official said.

The plaintiffs included 12 lawyers, former forced laborers, army draftees and women forced to serve in frontline brothels. Kyodo News Agency reported.

The Koreans claimed that Japan's Parliament neglected to make laws to compensate women forced into sexual slavery by the Imperial Japanese army before and during World War II.

Kyodo quoted presiding Judge Nobuo Kawanishi as saying, "We can't acknowledge the existence of an unconstitutional customary law that allows an individual victim to seek damages directly from a state, from which it suffered damages." ■



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- Catholic Charities of Houston, serving southeastern Texas;
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- Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, which serves employers throughout Florida;
- Korean American Coalition of Los Angeles, which will focus on Southern California with selected outreach through its chapters in Chicago, New York, San Francisco, Seattle and Washington D.C.;
- Massachusetts Immigrant & Refugee Advocacy Coalition (MIRA), based in Boston, which will focus educational efforts throughout the state;
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## Box Elder County Nikkei to Hold Reunion on Oct. 23

The Japanese American community of Box Elder County in Utah will hold their second reunion on Oct. 23, at the Marriott Hotel, 247 "24th" St., Ogden, Utah.

The first reunion, held in 1990, drew more than 450 people, and organizers are anticipating a greater success this year. Invitation is open to anyone interested, and you need not be a Nikkei or have been a resident of Box Elder County to attend.

Coordinators of this gala event are Frank Nishiguchi of Riverside and Ann Nisogi of Ogden. Both of them, along with the help of 20 committee members from such diverse places as Tremonton and Salt Lake City, have spent hun-

dreds of hours in the planning of this event.

The breakfast brunch buffet is \$10 per adult and child; dinner is \$40 per adult and \$12 for children.

In addition to the buffet and banquet, there will be a raffle, a silent auction, a Sansei/Yonsei poster contest, a photo exhibit, a taiko performance and karaoke.

To make reservations at the Marriott Hotel, call the hotel at 800/228 2800. Cost is approximately \$69 per night if you identify yourself as part of the "Box Elder County Japanese Reunion."

For more information or to register, call Bonnie Shires at 435/257-2139 or Frank Nishiguchi at 435/458-3737.

## The Pill Faces Uphill Battle for Acceptance in Japan

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

TOKYO—From Sept. 2, Japanese women at last have the pill—the effective birth control that has been available to women elsewhere for four decades. But don't expect the Japanese to turn out in droves to get it. The same attitudes that held back the pill's government approval in this male-dominated nation remain major obstacles threatening to block its social acceptance — among both men and women.

"If a woman is on the pill, I'd like to ask her: 'Are you a prostitute or something?'" said Tomoko Yatabe, 29, who married his girlfriend when she got pregnant. "Sex should be natural, so it's better not to use contraception."

Despite gains in the workplace and society, women who take initiative — especially about their sexuality — are frowned upon in Japan, a culture that still expects them to be passive and docile.

That attitude was evident during the pill's nine-year struggle against opposition in the government and among conservatives who thought it would erode morals. The pill finally was approved in June.

Pressure for approval had increased after the impotence drug Viagra got the go-ahead from the government earlier this year — in just six months — sparking allegations of sexism from women's groups.

But the pill is unlikely to surge to sudden popularity. One factor is suspicion about its safety. After years of hearing the official line

that oral contraceptives pose health dangers, many women are hesitant to take them.

Another factor that could inhibit pill use: abortion. Safe abortions have been available in Japan for 50 years — without the moral and religious stigma and political opposition common in the United States.

"It's easier for a Japanese woman to come out and say she's had an abortion than to say she's on the pill," said gynecologist Tomoko Saotome, who had pushed for the pill's approval.

And traditional attitudes tend to dictate that women marry and have a family — not take well thought-out steps to make sure they don't get pregnant.

"I have problems accepting a woman who's on the pill. To be on the pill means she has no intention of having children," said 23-year-old university student Keisuke Yagihashi, who said he would forbid his girlfriend from using the pill.

Meanwhile, advertising prescription drugs is illegal in Japan, making it hard to get the word out. A few women's magazines have run articles, but they were introductory stories. Pharmaceutical companies, including U.S. manufacturers Wyeth-Lederle and a subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson, are planning to set up an information center.

Exceptions to the rampant rejection of the pill, however, can be found among the small number of women who have been on a higher-dose pill prescribed by doctors for menstrual disorders.

## Typhoon Anniversary Bash Lacks Wind

By STEVEN TANAMACHI  
Special to the Pacific Citizen

*Itadakimasu* and *gochisosama* are two words within my limited lexicon of familiar *nihongo* words. I don't know their literal meanings, but I do remember saying the former before I'd eat and the latter when I was done.

I said a big *itadakimasu* in anticipation of a feast on August 26 when I arrived at the 8th anniversary party for the restaurant Typhoon, an establishment at the Santa Monica Airport which has a pan-Asian food menu. The place looked like an upper class carnival. From what I knew about this ahead of time, there would be live entertainment, helicopter rides, dancing and other attractions—oh, and food, too.

I was distracted from the food, however, as I began to wonder about things at this "annual Asian night market." Where are the other Asian faces at the tables? What do helicopters have to do with eating curry? Why are these Japanese women (who I'm assuming aren't customers) walking around in kimonos, talking like the geishas I see in movies? These were not questions surfacing out of my own anger as much as they were from the surrealism of the night's setting.

I set these concerns aside for a while to get eats. Food is food to a hungry kid who just bums money from his parents — someone like myself — so I realized my validity as a food critic was wavering. The chicken *vermicelli* was pretty good, but I didn't like the *yukae-jang* Korean soup. So I had a lot of the *vermicelli*.

Despite the deficiency of talent in my taste buds, I can still recognize in my head when something is bothering me. The com-

mercialization of all the Asian cultures there bugged me. The kimono-clad women, Thai dancers and food from the Far East seemed to be objectified luxuries for the predominantly white clientele.

Even though I wasn't enjoying myself fully, there were parts of the night that I couldn't resist smiling for. There was the performance by the Taiko Center of Los Angeles. I got excited hearing people bang on drums. It looks therapeutic, and maybe I am vicariously relaxing while I watch the performers. What made the exhibition special that night was its familiarity. Growing up, I would see the taiko drums once

or twice a year, live or on PBS. Watching/hearing a performance gives me a sense of nostalgia, kind of like watching Mr. Miyagi in Karate Kid on different TV screens.

Origami is another one of those things that is still around, even though it may be used for junior high school note-passing more than anything else. Rumi Urugami sat at one of the tables, teaching all willing learners how to fold paper. She works at the restaurant once a week and volunteers at the Japanese American National Museum two days a week. I had never met her before, but she had the unfamiliar familiarity of an older-generation Nikkei whom I'd think I had seen before. I would ask myself "do I know someone who is related to her?" if I saw her walking

down the street. I only talked to her for five minutes, yet she gave me an origami creation (although I'm still not sure what it is).

These were among the many events randomly thrown together into one program, which seemed to lump all the distinct cultures into one genre. Though all the represented cultures are of the same continent, they are of different traditions. The program portrayed them as one entertainment show.

*Itadakimasu* is what you say before you know what you are going to get. Going into the anniversary party, I was ready to digest anything, but I realized that I could not review the meal



PHOTO: STEVE TANAMACHI  
A young partygoer holds a caramel horse made by Masa Hayashi the "Candyman," who was one of the night's entertainers.

without reviewing the entire event. It turned out that I didn't like it. Typhoon tried to feed me a bite of Asian culture, only it was tainted with a taste of exploitation.

*Gochisosama* was what I would say in appreciation of the part of dinner that stood out in my mind. It was in commemoration of what I enjoyed most. And what I remember most about Typhoon are the taiko and origami — things that the bash's irreverence couldn't corrupt.

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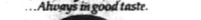
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## JACL PSWD to Hold Awards Dinner, Norman Mineta to Give Keynote

The JACL Pacific Southwest District's annual awards dinner on Sept. 18 will be held at the Torrance Marriott Hotel, 3635 Fashion Way Torrance, Calif.

The keynote speaker is former United States Congressman Norman Y. Mineta. His efforts to help the entire country, with special concerns for Asian American and Japanese American communities, are well known. Today, he serves as vice president, special business initiative for the Lockheed Martin Corp., as well as on many boards, including his role as deputy board chairman for the National Japanese American Memorial Foundation.

Dinner and David Ono is best known locally for his morning anchor position at KABC Channel 7. He joined the "Eyewitness News" team three years ago as a reporter and also hosts "Eye on L.A." An Emmy-award winning newscaster, he has a total of nine Emmy nominations and two Associated Press "Best" as a reporter in Texas and for a documentary in California. From covering the Oklahoma City bombing to baby Jessica's freeing from a Texas wall to our own Sacramento politics, Ono brings a wide range of experience to Los Angeles.

The honorees for the dinner are: George and Toy Kanegai;

Frances Kitagawa (posthumously); Judge Robert Takasugi; George Takei; Dr. James Yamazaki; and Mable Yoshitake (posthumously).

The dinner is being supported by a number of corporate sponsors, including: Northrop Grumman, American Airlines, California Bank & Trust, State Farm Insurance, Southern California Edison, Transamerica Life Companies and Blue Shield of California/JACL Health Benefits Trust.

Dinner proceeds will support the National Japanese American Memorial Foundation, honoring Japanese American patriotism during World War II and will also fund the JACL's efforts to develop young Asian American community leaders. Tickets are \$85 for the general public. For more information or to reserve tickets, contact the JACL PSW office at 213/626-4471.

Celebrating 70 years, the JACL is the nation's largest membership-based Asian American advocacy organization with more than 24,000 members in 112 chapters throughout the world.

The JACL's mission is to advocate for civil and human rights, and to promote and preserve the cultural heritage of Japanese Americans. ■

## Eldora Spiegelberg Receives 1999 George Sakaquchi Community Service Award

Eldora Spiegelberg of the Women's International League for Peace & Justice is the recipient of the 1999 George Sakaguchi Community Service Award for her many accomplishments towards peace in the Bi-State area. The award presentation took place at the Japanese Festival on Sept. 4, held at the Missouri Botanical Garden.

Spiegelberg received a plaque and a check for \$1,000 payable to the charity of her choice.

Dorothy Poor and Mary Jane Schutzius of the WILPJ nominated Spiegelberg for the award. Unfortunately, recent health complications kept Spiegelberg from receiving the award in person. Schutzius accepted in her absence.

Born in Bulgaria, Spiegelberg has lived in many parts of Europe, and the United States, and now calls University City home. She

has devoted her life to peace and justice issues locally and on state, national and international levels.

Most notably, Spiegelberg has directed a peace camp for children, facilitated prison visits to teach alternatives to violence, worked for better housing, education, and job opportunities for African Americans, and advocated remembrance of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. She has actively served on many boards, including the national board of WILPF, and has a proven record of successful coalition building and leadership.

The Sakaguchi Award is a joint effort between the St. Louis JAC and Anheuser-Busch Cos. Inc. The award recognizes those individuals who convey the spirit of the late George Sakaguchi, who spearheaded many volunteer efforts to make St. Louis a better place to live. ■

## Washington Fair To Honor Nuke Vets on Sept. 19

The Western Washington Fair, site of the former Puyallup Assembly Center which was also called "Camp Harmony," will honor Nikkei veterans on Sept. 19.

The show will also honor all veterans of World War II, Korean War and Vietnam War. A Hall of Famer will announce the distinguished record of the 100th Battalion, 442nd Regimental Combat Team and Military Intelligence Service, as more than 200 Nikkei veterans are expect-

ed to make their way onto stage, led by a color guard from the Seattle NVC, the Northwest MIS and Oregon Nisei Veterans. It was the wish of Lynda Pressey, the show's producer, to educate the public and to honor the Nikkei veterans as she recalled the pain of watching her friends, the Tomita family, being incarcerated at Puyallup Assembly Center in 1942. For info, call Joe Kamikawa, 425/255-3063 or Sam Mitsui, 425/226-3518. ■





## From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

### JACL's U.S.-Japan Relations Committee

Is any arm of the JACL more obscure than its U.S.-Japan Relations Committee (USJR)? I had forgotten that the committee even existed until Ed Mitoma of Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif., its chairman, reminded me some time ago that I was a member.

What does the committee do? Its mission statement reads: "The committee shall become actively involved in U.S.-Japan relations issues which have impact on the civil rights of the Americans of Japanese ancestry. The committee shall work to promote better U.S.-Japan relations which will, in turn, aid to maintaining the welfare of AJsAs."

That's a very broad statement with many implications. For example, what does "actively involved" mean? How and to what extent should the committee "work to promote better U.S.-Japan relations"? And perhaps most important, is anybody listening?

Every once in a while Mitoma sends me an envelope full of reprints of newspaper articles and essays relating to U.S.-Japan matters.

The last batch included material from *The Economist*, *Wall Street Journal*, a publication of the Japan Policy Research Institute called *JPRI Critique*, the *Los Angeles Times*, *Investor's Business Daily*, and the *Washington Post National*.

*Weekly Edition*. Most of it is interesting but often it is pretty heavy stuff about economics and trade and tariffs.

Ed must do a lot of reading just to monitor what is being published. Clipping and copying the articles and mailing them to members of his committee is not only expensive but time-consuming.

And understandably, he has questions about where his committee should be going.

Ed aired some of his concerns in his last mailing: "Every day we note news and op-ed pieces in the newspapers and magazine on world events that may affect U.S.-Japan relations," he wrote. "Noting these happenings is the easy part. Figuring out how these happenings affect Americans of Japanese Ancestry is the difficult part. In many cases, there may be no overt or major impact on AJsAs, but there are always some impacts."

"What should we do with our findings? Should we just disseminate our opinions and findings to our committee? Should we recommend a position for JACL?"

"Practically speaking, we do not have the organization to recommend positions to National JACL in a timely manner."

Mitoma goes on to say that JACL's former National Direc-

tor Herb Yamanishi does a great job of dealing with urgent problems in all areas, including U.S.-Japan relations, and suggests the committee can back him up with facts "and other details."

Mitoma is right in noting that the major problem is figuring out in what way certain events may affect Japanese Americans.

In many cases, we have no way of guessing until it's over. And most important, even if a damaging situation can be predicted, who is to devise the strategy and action to be taken to prevent it from happening?

These are matters for high-powered, well-financed think tanks in Washington and on prestigious campuses where experts spend their time thinking deep thoughts and writing confusing essays.

What is a JACL committee, which never meets or is in position to hold meaningful discussions, doing in the same league?

I don't know the answer. And I don't think Ed Mitoma does either. But he'd like to know. Maybe somebody can tell him. ■

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## Nikkei Futures 2000 to be Held in Portland, Oregon

In less than a year, the Nikkei Futures 2000 will be held in Portland, Ore. It is scheduled for Aug. 11-13, 2000 and sponsored by the Greater Portland Reunion Committee.

The first two reunions of pre-World War II Portlanders and others who lived in the area were held in 1990 and 1996. The 1990 reunion drew over 900 people and the 1996 reunion, 500.

Since the previous reunions were successful, the reunion committee hopes people will set aside Aug. 11-13 for Nikkei Futures 2000. The Sansei and Yonsei are especially encouraged to attend. A major focus has been to attract the younger generation, and thus, activities are being

planned around their interests. On the agenda will be a Friday night mixer, a Saturday night banquet, several tours to "choice" places in Portland, a golf tournament and a special "Futures" picnic at Oak Park on Aug. 13.

Nikkei Futures 2000 will be held at the Doubletree Lloyd Center Hotel, 503/281-6111. Accommodations can also be made at the Holiday Inn/Lloyd Center, 503/235-2100.

For more information, contact Kenzie Namba at 305 NE 132nd Court, Portland, OR 97230, 503/253-0848; or Kurtus Inouye at 31112 SW Willamette Way West, Wilsonville, OR 97070, 503/682-3238. ■



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## East Wind

By Bill Marutani

### The Orient(al) Express(ion)

SEVERAL DECADES AGO in this column, I used the term "Oriental" in referring to an ethnic group comprised of Chinese, Japanese and Koreans. The context in which the term was used was quite innocent: espousing affirmatively opening up the JACL (Japanese American Citizen League) to our ethnic cousins, Chinese and Korean Americans.

Rename the organization to "Oriental American Citizens League" (acronym "ORACLE") — which I believed, and still believe, may well be foretelling the future of this organization.

After all, these cousins were, and are, targets of many of the same racism confronting and endured by Nikkei Americans. (In Michigan, Vincent Chin was to be beaten to death by baseball bats wielded by a couple of disgruntled automobile workers. For their vicious acts, the judge came down with sentences of probation.)

A LETTER from a (California) reader arrived chastising me for using the term "oriental" which the reader — not without some justification — deemed to be a racist label, implying something sinister and threatening.

The criticism came from a person who I held, and continue to hold, in high esteem for his intelligence, integrity, and sen-

sitivity.

While the term "oriental" may have attained an aura of the mysterious, sly, etc., in reply, I indicated that the term refers to people who are indigenous to a geographic area and thus was aptly applicable.

Moreover, if the term harbored negative connotations for non-Orientals, that was their problem; that AJsAs (Americans of Japanese ancestry) should have the right to adopt whatever label they choose.

African Americans metamorphosed from "colored" (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People), to "Negro" on to "Black" and now to the current "African American."

Indeed, the NAACP has not jettisoned the "colored people" segment — which, standing alone, may well be deemed regressing but for the historical patina which now lends dignity and strength to the term "colored people" within the context of the "NAACP" name.

In the process of adopting these changes, I'm not aware that African Americans consulted (or needed to consult) outsiders, to first ascertain if the change was okay with them. Or whether it might upset non-African Americans. Remember when a faction came up with the term "Black Power"? Made a lot of people nervous.

But today, we're nonchalant

over the label, even a bit admiring: else where did those nice little old ladies in tennis shoes come up with their group label "Gray Power?"

ORIENTAL AMERICANS participate in self-destructive racism, oblivious to the fact they are doing so. I've referred to a specific practice in this column and, given the chance, undoubtedly will do so again. It's the practice of using the term "American" as a synonym exclusively for white Americans. Such as "Americans don't understand us."

In so bestowing such exclusivity to white folks, the Oriental American plays right into the hands of the racist who would deny such person the status of "American."

If you doubt that Oriental Americans so self-destruct, the next time you're with an Oriental American group, listen attentively; sooner or later someone will use the term "American" as meaning white people.

If you happen to be an Oriental, if you don't watch it, the appellation might even come from your lips. ■

*After leaving the bench, Bill Marutani resumed practicing law in Philadelphia. His column appears regularly in the P.C.*



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# Editorials

## Nisei Draft Resisters of Conscience

By SUS SATOW

Within the Japanese American community exists today a controversy regarding the extending of an apology to the Nisei draft resisters who were supposedly ostracized by the JACL for their actions during World War II. The argument being made is that the draft resisters at that time refused to be drafted from behind barbed wire until their citizenship rights were restored and they and their families released from the imprisonment of an internment camp. A front-page report about this controversy appeared in the June 25th issue of the *Wall Street Journal*. The August 6th issue of the *Sacramento Bee* carried a front-page article with regard to this topic. It is now a public matter.

During the war, my family was interned in Poston Relocation Center in Arizona. My impression on the draft resisters is very different. In Poston II, during the January, February turmoil of 1943, the agitators of the radical elements were very pro-Japan. At no time did I hear this action referred to as "resisters of conscience."

In January 1943, Saburo Kido, one of the ranking members of the national JACL, had just returned from a national JACL conference held in Salt Lake City, Utah. At the conference, the JACL adopted a resolution requesting that Japanese Americans be allowed to serve in the Armed Forces of the United States.

This infuriated the radical elements in Poston Camp II. Upon his return to Poston, the radicals called for a quad-block meeting to have Saburo Kido explain the JACL position. Kido did not get a chance. The meeting soon became rancorous with invectives of "baka yaro," "aho," "enui," etc. shouted about. Anyone who defended Kido was shouted down or

forcibly ejected from the meeting.

The agitators were the "No-No" boys who were willing to be sent to Tule Lake and eventually repatriated back to Japan. At no time did anyone argue on a constitutional basis.

Many frantically changed their mind when they learned that they would be sent to Tule Lake and repatriated to Japan.

For others, the idea of going to Japan at a critical and difficult time was not a good option. They opted to answer the 27th and 28th question as, "no" on country and "yes" on loyalty.

But when our draft status was changed from 4-C (enemy alien) to 1-A (eligible) and the draft call was re-instituted, they did not like that option either and joined the "Resisters of Conscience" movement.

At any rate, as a result of the JACL petition, the 442nd Central Postal Directory Team was activated and asked for JA volunteers. They came from the ten internment camps, from the rest of America, and from the territory of Hawaii. The numbers were enough to form an overseas regiment. Others opted to wait for the draft call.

JAs were also now accepted into the Military Intelligence for service in the Pacific Theatre. As a matter of fact, there was a dire need for Japanese linguists in the Pacific Theatre. More than 6,000 served in that capacity.

During World War II and the occupational period that followed, more than 30,000 JAs pledged their allegiance to America and served in the Armed Forces of the United States with honor and distinction.

As a result, many good things for the JAs followed. The so-called 300 "Draft Resisters of Conscience" are small in number by comparison.

They made a choice and we made ours. No apology has ever been made to Saburo Kido or to

the JACL. We need make no apology to anyone now. Let the issue die.

Another thought to consider is if we had all followed the draft resisters example, just think where we would be today. Forget about the status we hold today in our American society. On the contrary the sky is the limit. U.S. Army Chief of Staff General Eric Shinseki is direct proof of that. Redress and apology would have never occurred.

The late Michi Nishiura Weglyn's book "Year of Infamy: Untold Story of America's Concentration Camps," reveals there existed within the highest level of our government a notion to deport all Japanese to Japan after the end of the war. What an impetus our refusal to serve would have made to this deportation notion.

Our Sansei and Yonsei would not be JA. What a frightful thought.

In those days, with the war hysteria running rampant, anything was possible.

The national JACL played a key role in where we are today. Their policy of cooperation with the U.S. government rather than confrontation was the proper course. We could have been the target of "ethnic cleansing."

With the formation of the 442nd RCT, the young Nisei, with their blood shed on the battlefields of Italy and France, delivered the JAs to where we are today. NO APOLOGIES!

The true "Resisters of Conscience" may argue a point, but that was not the way for the Nisei to have followed. ■

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## Pacific Citizen, JACL and Membership

For most members, the *Pacific Citizen* is their only connection to JACL and, in many areas, to the Japanese American community.

Prior to the 1980's P.C. was under the direction of the national director and the national board. During the mid-70's when there were problems at the national level (loss of grants, lawsuits, etc.) most of the membership didn't know what was happening. Many felt this was because the news was controlled by the national director and national officers.

In 1980 as P.C. board chair, Dr. Clifford Uyeda pushed for editorial and financial independence of the P.C. After this was approved by the national board, P.C. was allocated a set amount for each subscription automatically.

However, due to increase in postal rates and inflation, P.C. needs to have appropriate increases.

In the mid-80's P.C. costs ran about \$11 per subscription. Unfortunately, without a strong voice on the national board represented by the P.C. board chair, getting an increase is difficult since the national board wants any dues increases for national.

So you can see why P.C. had to keep cutting back and I see they still only get \$12 when it should be closer to \$16 or \$18 per subscription.

The national board always said they were subsidizing the P.C. but in reality it was and is the other way around. Members

probably would be willing to pay \$18 a year for a weekly P.C. of 12 pages.

How many members would renew their membership if they didn't get the P.C., although P.C. isn't the primary reason they belong to JACL.

I think the P.C. today is an excellent paper, although I would like to see more news (human interest) about what's happening with other JAs across the country.

As an example: Stanford has a Sansei on their girls basketball team who's a high school All American. She's 6'2" and an outstanding volleyball player too. Also, the Dodgers have the only JA Major League pitcher. He's a big young man, age 22, from Hilo.

I'm sure there are a lot of other JAs in all professions of interest to all of us. There could be a section of the paper for those who don't want to read just about civil rights even though JACL is a civil rights organization.

In regards to the national board and the P.C., let's not make the mistakes of the 70's; it set the organization back 10 years. Provide P.C. enough allocation so they can have the staff and equipment to put out a good 12-page weekly or 16-page semi-monthly.

Even some people will complain about some articles in an independent P.C. but that's why you need a strong P.C. board chair to be the buffer.

P.C. could be the crown jewel of

JACL, an excellent national newspaper increasing circulation, bringing in new membership and revenue. Although there are local newspapers, P.C. is the only National JA publication so let's take advantage of that and build on it. We would all like to hear how our fellow JAs are doing. ■

Hank Sakai was P.C. board chairperson from 1982-84 and JACL national treasurer from 1981-82.

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## Obituaries

All the towns are in California except as noted.

**Arakaki, William, 73**, South San Gabriel, Aug. 26; Los Angeles-born; survived by brothers George and wife Haruko, James and wife Harumi; sister Akiko Maeda and husband Dr. Tom.

**Hasegawa, Noriaki, 78**, Dayton, Nev., Aug. 19; Oakland-born; survived by wife Grace; son Carey (Boulder, Colo.); daughters Noriyne Tanabe (Fremont), Julie Hasegawa-Carralero (San Diego), Denise (San Mateo); 4 gcs.; sisters Toshiko Yoshimura (Yuba City), Misao Sakaguchi (San Mateo).

**Hatanaka, Frank T., 72**, Gardena, Aug. 28; Honolulu, Hawaii-born; survived by wife Mieko; son Frank and wife Lory; daughter Carol Ono and husband Thomas; 5 gcs.; brothers Edwin and wife Terry, Walter and wife Beverly (both Hawaii), Fred and wife Cynthia (Las Vegas); sisters-in-law Seiko, Toyomi Shoji and husband Ed, Nobue Hirakawa and husband Sada, Mitsue Abbott (all four from Hawaii), Fusako Sakayue and husband Greg; brothers-in-law Seichi Tsutsu and wife Charlotte (Hawaii), Takashi Tsutsu and wife Beatrice.

**Hojo, Reiko, 68**, Garden Grove, Aug. 27; Japan-born; survived by husband Kelly; son Paul (Oceanside); daughter Lucy Denison (Colorado); brother Kenichi Kanzaki (Japan).

**Kajikawa, Norito, 94**, Woodside, Aug. 23; Hawaii-born; survived by son Clarence and wife Patsy; daughters Harriet Nakano and husband Jim, Dorothy Nozaka and husband Andrew; 4 gcs.

**Kitajima, Shirley Emiko, 82**, Oakland, Aug. 21; Montebello-born; survived by sons Harold, Richard, Henry; daughters Katherine Hagiwara, Irene Kawamoto; 10 gcs., 2 gcs.

**Kiruku, Yoshi, 77**, Los Angeles, Aug. 20; Okinawa-ken-born; survived by husband Albert Toshimi; sons Akira Yonahara (Palm Springs), Takashi Yonahara and wife Setsuko (Japan), daughters Hatsuho Oshiro, Masako Itokazu and husband Masanori (both Japan); 8 gcs., 8 gcs.; brothers Shigetoshi Yoshimoto and wife Keiko, Shigemori

Yoshimoto and wife Emiko, Shigeo Yoshimoto and wife Fumie, (all Japan); sisters Nobuko Bocalan and husband Leo, Masako Yoshimoto (both Japan); sister-in-law Masano Hori and husband Earle.

**Kono, Carolyn K., 68**, Culver City, Aug. 28; Los Angeles-born; survived by husband Susumu; sons Todd (Portland, Ore.), Brandon; 1 gcs.; mother Ruby Sakayue, brother Eugene Sakayue, sisters Judy Eugene, Joy Hamlin and husband David (Hemet); mother-in-law Mineko Kono.

**Masuda, Kiyoto, 83**, Rocklin, Aug. 24; survived by sons Ken, Edward Tatsuo, Eugene; daughters Yukie Tsujimoto, Emiko Fukushima; 7 gcs., brother Masuo Masuda; sister Machiye Nishimura.

**Moriyama, Chiyo, 77**, Richmond, Aug. 19; Fukuoka, Prefecture-born; survived by son Yutaka; daughter Chie Wai; 2 gcs.; brother-in-law Yoshiyumi Matsuo and wife Fumie.

**Nitta, Jeanne Kim, 63**, Van Nuys, Aug. 28; Hollywood-born; survived by mother Susie; sisters Sandy (Las Vegas), Susanne Tanji and husband Bobby.

**Onodera, Ko "Bill," 82**, Tacoma, June 20; Seattle-born, 442nd veteran; survived by brother Yuta George and wife Connie; sister Fumiko Tsuji and husband Frank; sister-in-law Sumi.

**Shimazu, June Teruko, 73**, Torrance, Aug. 22; survived by fiancé Ben Kitahara; sons Dr. Hal and wife Kathy Lu (Tustin), Dan and wife Pamela (Washington state); 2 gcs.; sister-in-law Alice Watanabe (San Diego).

**Yamauchi, Anna Fusako, 66**, Woodland, Sept. 1; Huntington Beach-born; survived by husband Dr. Hiroshi; sons Craig and wife Kim (Highland Park, Ill.), Ken and wife Ana; daughters Lisa O'Brien and husband Michael (Davis), Karen Eugénides and husband Jeffrey (New York); 6 gcs.; brothers Dr. Thomas Kikuchi, David Kikuchi; sisters Marian Oyama, Elizabeth Yamada.

**Yonemura, Mary S., 91**, Rainbow, Aug. 28; Los Angeles-born; survived by son Jiro; 4 gcs. ■

## Seattle's Famed Artist Paul Horiuchi, 93

Pacific Northwest's well-known Issei artist, Paul Chikamasa Horiuchi, 93, died Aug. 29 after a long illness. A struggling auto mechanic and sign painter in the 1950s when he found his way from pre-war railroad work in Rock Springs, Wyo., and auto body work in Spokane, he opened a body-and-fender shop in Seattle while continuing to paint and draw. He had won a national art prize as a teenager in Japan.

His son, Paul Jr., related that his father fell while trying to put up a sign in 1950 for his friend near his shop and was incapacitated for a year, allowing him to study art. During the following 40 years, his paintings and collages numbered over 3,000, many in public and private collections, and garnered local, regional and international awards. In 1962, he created the 70-foot-long Mural Amphitheater for the Seattle World's Fair. He was decorated by the Emperor of Japan with the Order of the Sacred Treasure, 4th Class, the Gov-

ernor's Art Award of Special Commendation, and was honored by the Carnegie Art International, Ford Foundation, Rome-New York Foundation and the American Federation of Arts. In 1966, he received the Wing Luke Museum's Lifetime Achievement Award.

"He was a role model; he always had a sense of what he wanted to do," his son added. "He was always supportive of everybody. And for someone born in (Yamanashi) Japan, you'd think he would be less open to change, but the artist in him made him realize change is what it's all about."

Others surviving are his wife of 64 years, Bernadette Suda, his sons Jon, Vincent, seven grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, a brother and two sisters in Japan. ■

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### KENJI NAKAMOTO

Kenji and his family had a farm in La Jolla, Calif. in the 1930s. Family went to Poston Relocation Center. After that the family's whereabouts are unknown. With any information, please contact Frank Kilmer, 89456 Sutton Lake Road, Florence, OR 97439.

## HIRABAYASHI

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where he became a Quaker and declared himself a conscientious objector. When the U.S. government imposed an 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. curfew on people of Japanese ancestry, Hirabayashi followed the curfew for about a week before he decided not to comply. He felt a curfew based on someone's ancestry was wrong.

When the government issued evacuation orders for people of Japanese ancestry, Hirabayashi decided to challenge it, and accompanied by his attorney, Arthur Barnett, turned himself in to the local FBI office with a four-page statement titled, "Why I Refuse to Register for Evacuation." The FBI gave Hirabayashi an opportunity to register for the exclusion order but he refused and was then charged with violating the order.

Hirabayashi spent four days at the King County Jail before appearing for his preliminary hearing on Oct. 20, 1942. The presiding judge told him he could be released on \$5,000 bail if he agreed to join the other Nikkei at the Puyallup Assembly Center. Based on his principles, Hirabayashi chose to remain in county jail until his trial date.

Meanwhile, officials, who had confiscated Hirabayashi's belongings, found his personal diary where he had kept a record of his curfew violations.

As a result, when Hirabayashi appeared at his Oct. 20, 1942, trial, he was charged with one count of violating the exclusion order and an additional charge of violating the curfew order. In what Hirabayashi described as a "kangaroo court," the presiding judge had Hirabayashi's parents take the witness stand to "prove" his Japanese ancestry and instructed the jury to convict him. The jury took all but 10 minutes to find Hirabayashi guilty on both counts, and the judge sentenced him to 30 days for each conviction, to be served concurrently.

Peter Irons, in his book "Justice at War: The Story of the Japanese American Internment Cases," described what follows as something resembling "a plot of a Keystone Kops film."

After serving two months of his 90-day sentence Hirabayashi was released on bail to await the outcome of his appeal, but he was soon picked up by FBI agents, who told him he would have to serve the rest of his sentence in the Spokane county jail. Not wanting to return to jail, Hirabayashi requested to be sent to a minimum security facility, but because officials had no funds to transport him from Washington to Arizona, Hirabayashi volunteered to make his way there himself.

Since Hirabayashi felt he should not have to pay his own way to prison, he hitchhiked all the way to Tucson, which took him roughly two weeks. Upon his arrival, he reported to the U.S. Marshall's Office, but the federal marshal told him they didn't have papers for a Gordon Hirabayashi and told him to return home. Hirabayashi refused, saying it took him a while to arrive in Tucson and suggested the marshal search again.

While officials searched for his papers, Hirabayashi took in a movie. When he returned to the office, the federal marshal had found his papers at the bottom of a file and had a car waiting to take him to the Catalina Federal Honor Camp, where he spent nearly four months.

After his release, Hirabayashi returned to Washington and worked for a Quaker service group in Spokane. The following year in 1944, he was again picked up by the FBI, this time for draft violation. Hirabayashi was then sent to the federal prison on McNeil Island where he became friends with the Heart Mountain resisters of conscience.

### Resisters of Conscience

The Catalina Federal Honor Camp also counted among its inmates Nikkei resisters of con-

science from the Amache, Topaz and Poston War Relocation Authority camps.

Noboru Taguma, 76, was among the first group of about 15 Amache resisters to arrive from Colorado at the federal prison camp in April 1944.

During the federal trial, Taguma and his group, who had pleaded "not guilty" to violating the Selective Service Act, had brought up the argument that Federal Judge Louis A. Goodman had dismissed all charges against 27 Tule Lake resisters. Taguma recalled a sympathetic presiding Federal Judge Syme telling them he would have dismissed the charge had everyone in camp resisted.

Immediately after the trial, Taguma and his group were handcuffed and escorted onto a bus to a train station where a train took them to Tucson. From Tucson, they were put into leg chains, handcuffed and hauled on an open truck. The truck ride took place in the dead of night, through twisting, mountainous terrain. Taguma remembered worrying that if the truck had toppled over the edge, there was no way they could save themselves, shackled the way they were.

Taguma believes his group arrived at the prison camp a little past midnight where they were met by the late Bill Nagasaki, a Poston resister.

"He came to greet us," said Taguma. "He was so happy to see other Japanese and so happy to see us that he was in tears."

Through Nagasaki, the Amache group learned Hirabayashi had been released the day before their arrival. "We missed Gordon Hirabayashi by one day," said Taguma.

Taguma's group was later joined by the second group of about 21 Amache resisters and four from Topaz.

The Nikkei were housed in Army-type barracks with other prisoners of color, including African Americans, Latinos and Native Americans. Another barracks mainly housed conscientious

objectors from the Jehovah's Witness sect, and a third barracks was for Caucasians.

Taguma recalled a group of Hopi and Navajo in their barracks. He noted that years after their release, both tribes had invited the Nikkei men to visit the reservations but none were able to make it since they were too busy rebuilding their lives.

A typical day, according to Taguma, consisted of waking up around 6 a.m., eating breakfast and working on the Catalina Highway construction for eight hours.

For about the first three months, Taguma helped in the road construction by removing granite debris that fell after each dynamiting session. Later, after the federal prison acquired about 10 acres of land, Taguma, who grew up on a farm in Sacramento, volunteered for farm duty where inmates grew onions, cabbages, carrots and turnips, some of which the federal government sold and others which appeared in the prisoners' meals, according to Taguma. Joe Norikane, 77, was among the second group of Amache resisters to arrive at the federal prison camp. He worked on the road construction smashing granite rocks with a sledgehammer. It was literally backbreaking work, and Norikane strained his back, forcing him to stay in bed for two days.

After Norikane's recuperation, he was transferred to work in the mess hall, and his duties included serving food to other prisoners. One prisoner in particular, a white Jehovah's Witness, made it a point to call Norikane a "Jap" while Norikane served. Wanting to put an end to the name calling, Norikane conferred with the other Nikkei resisters, who encouraged him to retort back with something like "Shut up, white trash." After that, the name calling stopped.

Taguma couldn't recall being harassed by other inmates but did remember a Caucasian guard who treated them poorly. The situation improved when a group of them met with the guard. As it turned out, the guard had been in the U.S. Army, serving in the Philippines. In turn, the guard learned that the resisters were Americans whose families had been forcibly

uprooted from the West Coast. Racial relations were further smoothed out after Nagasaki wrote an article in the prison newspaper explaining the resisters' stand, said Taguma.

Kenichiro "Ken" Yoshida was one of four resisters from Topaz who was sent to the federal prison. Three of them, including Yoshida and his younger brother Sakaye "Sack" Yoshida, had pleaded "no contest" and had been sentenced to two-year prison terms, while a fourth Topaz inmate, the late Joe Nakahira, pleaded "not guilty" and received a five years, said Yoshida.

Yoshida noted that their ride from Utah to Arizona was not tense since the law enforcement official escorting them, sympathized with the resisters.

"He told us 'I don't blame you for doing this in this condition.' That relaxed us," said Yoshida, who served six months in a Utah county jail and 18 months at the Arizona federal prison.

At the federal prison camp, Yoshida initially worked with the jackhammer, drilling holes in the granite rocks to be dynamited. When prison officials found out Yoshida could repair the jackhammers, he was given that responsibility. From there, he was transferred to the dynamite crew where he and his partner devised a system which only required them to work two days a week.

For recreation, Yoshida said the men played baseball or basketball. There was also a library and a wood shop, recalled Yoshida.

Norikane added that for the Christmas party, a group of them danced the "Dojo Sukui" (eel catching dance) for the rest of the prisoners.

Norikane, who has been advising Farrell on the interpretive sign text, was very supportive of Camp Hirabayashi. "I think it's real good that at least our history won't be buried," he said. "I don't regret what I did," said Yoshida, referring to his resister's stand. "People told me I was going to lose my citizenship, but I was born and raised here. How can I lose my citizenship if I was born here? ... No, I wasn't fined a bit. I was worried about nothing." ■

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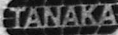
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