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### 'When You're Smiling' Promises to be Defining Movie for Sansei Generation

By MARTHA NAKAGAWA  
Assistant Editor

Past... Got a secret to tell you — Not all Sansei were model minorities. Many got into drugs and gangs. Some found themselves in and out of jail; others ended up dead, either by suicide or a drug overdose.

But even today, few outside the Nikkei community are aware of this collective community secret that is whispered from one person to another but rarely openly discussed.

A new documentary by Janice D. Tanaka titled, "When You're

Smiling," brings all of this to the fore. And just as "Rabbit in the Moon" by the Omori sisters became the documentary that shattered the silence of the Nisei camp dissidents, "Smiling" promises to be the defining movie for the Sansei generation.

Similar to "Rabbit," Tanaka intertwines the personal history of her family with interviews of Sansei who, like Tanaka and many other Sansei across the nation, came of age during the 1950s and 1960s. While the focus is on the Sansei from Southern

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"When You're Smiling" — Tanaka Family Photo c. 1963  
(l-r) Grace, Janice, Susan, and Tom Tanaka.

### Gov. Davis Appoints Yamaki Appointment Secretary

CAIRO, Egypt—Gov. Davis has announced the appointment of Michael R. Yamaki as appointment secretary for his administration. Yamaki is the first Asian American to serve a California governor in this capacity. He is also the highest ranking AA in Davis's personal staff.



Yamaki, 51, of Los Angeles, is an accomplished lawyer both academically and professionally. He practiced law before joining the Davis administration in January as a senior advisor to the governor. In that position, he advised the previous appointments secretary and judicial appointments secretary as well as conducting recruitment and outreach to insure that the governor's administration

is reflective of California's diverse population.

From 1996-1999, Yamaki served as president of the L.A. Fire Commission and is currently a member of the board of directors of DARE America. From 1991-1993 he served as a member of the L.A. Police Commission, providing policy oversight within the L.A. police department. Yamaki was included in the *Los Angeles Daily Journal's* 1999 list of the top 100 most influential lawyers in California. He also served as national legal counsel for the JACL, the oldest Japanese American civil rights organization in the United States.

Yamaki earned a bachelor of arts degree from the University of California, Los Angeles, and a juris doctorate from the West Los Angeles School of Law.

This position does not require state Senate confirmation. ■

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### Santa Fe City Council Approves JA Internment Camp Marker

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

SANTA FE, N.M.—The city will mark the site of an internment camp for Japanese Americans despite opposition from some embittered World War II veterans.

Mayor Larry Delgado broke a tie vote of the city council on Oct. 27 to authorize a bronze plaque on a boulder near the site of the camp.

"We're not dishonoring the veterans in any way," Delgado said before voting in favor of the marker. "We can't deny history."

Manuel Armijo, who survived the brutal Bataan death march and 3 1/2 years in a Japanese prison camp, complained later that it's like asking us to turn the other cheek. "Maybe it'll heal somebody — but I hope I'm dead," said Armijo, 88, for whom memories of the war a half-century ago are still fresh.

The marker, to be paid for with private donations, was recommended by a committee that said it was time to recognize an overlooked chapter in Santa Fe's history.

The marker will be placed in a city park on a hilltop overlooking a 28-acre site — now a residential neighborhood — where the camp was located from 1942-46.

Surrounded by barbed wire and marked by guard towers, the camp held mainly middle-aged and older Japanese-born men who were leaders in their communities and therefore considered a threat when WWII broke out. It held a total of 4,555 men — 2,100 at its

peak.

More than 120,000 U.S. residents of Japanese ancestry were removed from the West Coast during the war and locked up in internment camps. Most of them were U.S. citizens and most ended up at 10 major camps operated by the War Relocation Authority in California, Arizona, Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, Utah and Arkansas.

The federal government has formally apologized to JA internees and paid at least \$1.6 billion in reparations. At a groundbreaking last week for a memorial in Washington, D.C., President Clinton sent a message calling the internments a "sad chapter" in American history.

"People were placed in this internment camp because of their race," said Carol Robertson Lopez, one of four councilors who voted for the marker.

In the multicultural Santa Fe area, with its mix of Hispanics, American Indians and Anglos, breaking down racial barriers always has been crucial, Robertson Lopez said.

"I don't want my son to ever think that it's OK to generalize, to stereotype anyone on the basis of their race," she said.

But other councilors said they couldn't turn their backs on the veterans.

"I cannot dishonor the veterans that endured the suffering that they did in Bataan and the Philippines," Councilor Art Sanchez said.

About 1,800 National Guardsmen from New Mexico were sent to the Philippines in 1941. After the Japanese overran the islands and the U.S. forces surrendered on the Bataan peninsula in April

1942, the sick and starving captives were forced to march 65 miles in the hot sun. They were denied food and water, and were beaten — some killed — if they fell out of line. The cruelty continued at prison camps.

"You just kicked the Bataan veterans in the teeth in the twilight years of their life," said Armijo's son-in-law, Clarence Lithgow, who jumped to his feet in the audience after the mayor's tie-breaking vote.

"It's a reminder of what happened to me in the Philippines," said Arthur Smith, 80. He said while the internees in Santa Fe were treated well, "over there they were killing us, day by day."

Smith also suggested that the marker "won't last long" once it's up, if veterans find its wording offensive.

The marker will include a brief history of the camp and note that the internees — religious leaders, businessmen, farmers and others — were held without due process and that some had relatives serving with the U.S. forces.

The plaque will also refer visitors to the state history museum for more information from a newly created archive.

The council also voted unanimously to erect a monument to all Santa Fe veterans.

The recommendation was made during a series of "community dialogues" in August and September that brought together the opposing sides on the internment marker dispute.

A committee appointed by the mayor will come up with a plan for the monument. ■

### Resisters' Battle Just as Important, Time to Come Together, Says Sen. Inouye

By MARTHA NAKAGAWA  
Assistant Editor

No other event has so shaped and affected the Nikkei community in the 20th century than the mass evacuation and incarceration of more than 120,000 people of Japanese ancestry into U.S. concentration camps during World War II. And no other event has so torn the community apart.

As the Nikkei community stands at the brink of the 21st century, those who obeyed wartime government orders as an act of loyalty are still grappling to come to terms with the dissidents — the resisters of conscience, military resisters, "no nos," renuncians and others who defied and challenged the government to uphold the tenets professed in the U.S. Constitution.

Whatever the differences, however, it is time for the Nikkei community to come together, said Sen. Daniel Inouye, a highly decorated WWII veteran from Hawaii who lost an arm while fighting in the famed 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

Inouye took time out of a busy schedule last week to speak with the *Pacific Citizen* on a topic that has been widely discussed in this

paper this year: the resisters of conscience.

*Pacific Citizen*: Discussion on the resisters seems to elicit angry responses from a certain sector of the Nikkei community. How do you view the position these men took during WWII?

Inouye: In many ways, their [resisters] battle was just as important, if not more important than the battle I was involved in.

Those were difficult times, difficult decisions had to be made. Some of the men volunteered, some of the men decided to stay back home and fight the constitutional battle. Both of these battles required great courage, and I think the time has come to recognize the courage of both the soldier and the resister. When history is written, I think both will be remembered.

When I volunteered, 85 percent of those [Nikkei] eligible in Hawaii volunteered, which is an extraordinary number to have 85 percent of the eligible men of the Nikkei community volunteer. But it also shows that 15 percent

did not volunteer. Should I hold it against those 15 percent who did not volunteer? That's ridiculous.

But I also realize it might be a bit difficult for some who have lost their loved ones to bring into the fold those who resisted serving.

P.C.: What decision do you think you would have made if you and your loved ones had been incarcerated in U.S. concentration camps?

Inouye: Let me share an experience I had which many of my comrades had when we were training. The mainlanders and the Hawaiian contingent, somehow, in the early days could not get together. In many ways, we came from two different cultural backgrounds. As a result of certain misunderstandings, there were numerous fights in the regiment, and as a result, senior officers of the regiment considered breaking it up and converting the troops to some other purpose other than for combat.

Many attempts were made to bring the troops together — social hours, discussion groups, etc. — but nothing seemed to work until one day, I'm certain under

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### Eastern

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**  
Sat., Dec. 18 - Mochizuki; Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church, 6601 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda; info: Laura Nakatani, 703/519-9378.

### Midwest

**CINCINNATI**  
Sat., Dec. 4 - Joint Installation, 30th anniversary celebration with Dayton chapter; details at Dayton.

### CLEVELAND

Sat., Nov. 20 - General Meeting, everyone welcome; 2-4 p.m.; Cleveland Buddhist Temple, 1573 E. 214th St., Euclid; topic: "Hate Crimes Against Asians." Info: Gary Yano, 440/327-9969.

### DAYTON

Sat., Dec. 4 - 50th Anniversary Celebration, "Celebrating the Past, Anticipating the Future" joint installation with Cincinnati chapter; 6:30 p.m. reception, 7:30 banquet; Downtown Dayton Kettering Tower; George Tate, keynote speaker; Detroiters invited. Info: 937/294-8815.

### DETROIT

Sat., Dec. 4 - See Dayton chapter.

### WISCONSIN

Sun., Dec. 5 - JACL Christmas Party, 11 a.m.; Mitchell Park Pavilion.

### Intermountain

#### SALT LAKE

Sat., Nov. 13 - Tanoshimi No Yoru Fun Night; see Community Calendar.

### Mountain Plains

#### NEW MEXICO

Fri., Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve Party; Wyndham Airport Hotel; discount tickets available at Nov. 14 general meeting at Amerisuites Hotel; discount deadline Nov. 30. Info: Calvin Kobayashi, 256-1610.

### Pacific Northwest

#### SEATTLE

## COMMUNITY Calendar

### East Coast

#### NEW YORK CITY

Mon.-Sat., Nov. 8-13 - Exhibit, "Sachiko Torio: Hand-coiled Bizen Pottery"; The Nippon Gallery, 145 W. 57th St. Info: Asian Pacific Islander Coalition on HIV/AIDS (AICHA), 212/620-0487.

#### WASHINGTON, D.C.

Through Nov. 30 - Exhibit, "From Bento to Mixed Plate: Americans of Japanese Ancestry in Multicultural Hawaii"; Smithsonian Institution, Arts & Industry Bldg.; developed by the Japanese American National Museum. Info: 800/461-5266.

### Intermountain

#### SALT LAKE CITY

Sat., Nov. 13 - Tanoshimi No Yoru Fun Night, 5-9 p.m.; curry chicken dinner 6 p.m.; Bingo 7 p.m.; Westside Senior Citizen Center, 868 W. 900 S. Tickets, info: Terrell Nagata, JACL Credit Union, 355-8040.

### Pacific Northwest

#### PORTLAND

Through Jan. 15 - Exhibit, "Determined to Succeed - Oregon's Issei," Fridays & Saturdays, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.; Sundays, noon-3 p.m.; Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center, 117 NW 2nd Ave. Info: 503/224-1458.

#### SEATTLE

Through Jan. 2 - Exhibit, "Painted With Light: Pictorialism and the Seattle Camera Club"; Seattle Art Museum, 100 University St.; photos from the 1920s by mostly Japanese American photographers. Info, schedules: 206/654-3100.

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., Nov. 13 - Berkeley Nikkei Seniors Group Meeting; North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst Ave. Info: Terry Yamashita 510/237-2231, Tazuko White, 510/528-1524.

#### SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

Sat., Jan. 29, 2000 - Save the date! Seattle JACL installation dinner; speaker, Martha Choe; M.C. Lori Matsukawa; Doubtless Suites, Tukwila; tickets available in December.

### NC-WN-Pacific

#### DISTRICT COUNCIL

Sun., Nov. 7 - District Council Meeting, at the State Capital Bldg.; Sacramento; two special programs: Hate Crimes Workshop with members of the FBI and Sacramento Police Dept., and "Leadership Development: Working the State Appointment Process"; reception to introduce Gov. Davis' Asian American appointees, sponsored by the Speaker of the House. Info: Carl Kawase, 707/964-9325.

#### CONTRA COSTA

Sun., Dec. 5 - CJCACL Installation, Luncheon, 12:30-3 p.m.; Silver Dragon Restaurant, 835 Webster St., Oakland; John Tateishi, speaker.

#### FLORIDA

Thurs., Nov. 18 - 1999 Florin JACL Installation Dinner, 6 p.m.; Mayflower Chinese Cuisine, 3022 L St. RSVP by Nov. 12. Info: Sue Hida, 916/429-2579.

Fri., Nov. 12 - Deadline for California students to apply for April 13-14, 2000, Asian Pacific Youth Leadership Conference in Sacramento. Info: Sue Hida, 916/429-2579.

#### FREMONT

Thurs., Dec. 9 - Installation/Board Appreciation/65th Anniversary Dinner, 6 p.m.; Rose Garden Restaurant, 33348 Alvarado-Niles Rd., Union City. Info: Diane Endo, 925/648-0467.

#### RENO

Sun., Nov. 21 - Mochizuki Potluck, election of officers, voting to amend bylaws, 12 noon.

#### SAN FRANCISCO

Sat., Nov. 13 - Nisei Ski Club Pre-season Dance; see Community Calendar.

#### SONOMA COUNTY

Sat., Nov. 20 - Sushi Nite; see Community Calendar.

### Central California

#### DISTRICT COUNCIL

Sun., Nov. 7 - Nikkei Widowed Group monthly meeting, 1 p.m.; men and women are welcome. Info: Tetsu Ibara, 415/221-4568, Kay Yamamoto, 510/444-3911.

Sat., Nov. 13 - Nisei Ski Club Pre-season Dance, "Ski Into the Millennium," 7 p.m.-10 a.m.; Holiday Inn at Fisherman's Wharf; raffle, music by Greg Harris and Jerome Davis. Tickets, info: Gordon Koo, 408/292-8896, e-mail: <kooordon@pgbgroup.com>; Website: <http://www.pgbgroup.com/niseisclub>.

#### SANTA ROSA

Sat., Nov. 20 - Sushi Nite, 6 p.m.; Memorial Hall at Emmanji; preparation on Friday evening and Saturday morning; come and learn how. Order by November 16. Info: Jim Murakami, 824-8665.

### Southern California

#### LOS ANGELES

Sat., Nov. 6 - Panel Discussion, "A Few Friendly Voices," 1 p.m.; James Hirabayashi, Ph.D., moderator. Japanese American National Museum, 369 E. First St., Little Tokyo. RSVP: 213/625-0414.

Sat., Nov. 6 - Fall Frolic benefit dance, ESGV Japanese Community Center, 1203 W. Puente Ave., West Covina; two-step disco lessons at 7, dancing till 11 p.m. RSVP, info: Barbara, 626/810-1509.

Sun., Nov. 7 - Reading and book-signing, "Passage to Freedom: The Sugihara Story," with author Ken Mochizuki, 1 p.m.; Japanese American National Museum, 369 E. First St., Little Tokyo. RSVP: 213/625-0414.

Tues., Nov. 9 - California-Japan Forum and Luncheon, "Manufacturing in the New Global Economy," with Toyota Motor Corp. Hon. Chairman Dr. Shoichiro Toyoda, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; The Beverly Hilton Hotel, 9876 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills. Info: Japanese American Museum, 213/627-6217 ext. 18.

Fri. & Sat., Nov. 12 & 13, Sun., Nov. 14 - Performance, "Maps of City & Body" by Denise Uehara; Highways Performance Space, 1631 18th St., Santa Monica; commissioned by the Asian Theater Workshop Schedules, reservations: 310/315-1459.

Fri., Nov. 12-13 - National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NA-

Sat., Nov. 13 - 50th Anniversary Celebration, Installation Banquet, "Honoring Our Roots," 6 p.m.; Tomorrow's Congressmen Robert Matsui, keynote speaker; chapter and district histories in words and pictures; special chapter and district awards. RSVP, info: CCDC office, 559/486-6815.

### Pacific Southwest

#### GREATER L.A. SINGLES

Fri., Nov. 12 - Meeting/program, 6 p.m.; Gardena Valley YWCA, 1341 W. Gardena Blvd.; "Stop Worrying and Start Laughing" with speaker Yvonne Beck, certified L.A. area manager for the Smart Works seminars. Info: Louise Sakamoto, 310/327-3169.

Sat., Dec. 4 - Holiday Party Dinner Dance & Installation, 6 p.m.-no host cocktail, 6:30 p.m. dinner; Hacienda Hotel, 525 N. Sepulveda Blvd., El Segundo. D/L mode of High Resolution. RSVP, info: Joyce Okazaki, 562/430-5758 or Janet Okubo, 310/835-7568.

#### LAS VEGAS

Fri.-Sun., Dec. 10-12 - Las Vegas Crap Shoot Golf Caper. Info: Kaz Mayeda, 9708 Craighead Ln., Las Vegas, NV 89117, phone 702/256-0314.

#### RIVERSIDE

Sat., Nov. 13 - Coachella Valley Arts Matsuri; see Community Calendar. ■

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PABA) annual convention; Bonaventure Hotel. Info: 213/437-4040.

Mon., Nov. 15, 29, Dec. 14 - Visual Communications "Monday Nite VC," 7:30; Union Center for the Arts, 120 Judge John Aliso St., Little Tokyo. Free admission. Program Info: 213/680-4462 ext. 25, <http://viscom.apanet.org>.

#### ORANGE COUNTY

Sun., Nov. 21 - Program, "Japan and World War II: the Search for Justice," 12 noon-4 p.m.; Whittier Law School, 3333 Harbor Blvd., Costa Mesa; Teresa Watanabe, Los Angeles Times, moderator; free admission; presented by the Asian Pacific Islander Law Student Association and International Law Society of Whittier Law School. Info: Anna Lisa Blasson, 800/808-8188 ext. 412, <www.law.whittier.edu>.

#### RIVERSIDE

Sat., Nov. 13 - Coachella Valley Arts Matsuri, 9:45 a.m.-4 p.m.; Coachella Valley Museum and Cultural Center, 82-616 Miles Ave., Indio; area exhibit of photographs and memorabilia; talko, Ikebana, odori, calligraphy, koto, judo. Info: 760/342-6651.

#### SAN DIEGO

Nov. 12-21 - Play, "False Impressions," by playwright Lisa Asanuma, age 13. Old Globe Theatre, Balboa Park. Tickets, info: 619/239-8222.

#### SANTA BARBARA

Sat., Nov. 6 - Program, "Sports and the Media in the Japanese American Community," 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m.; the Forum, Santa Maria campus of Allan Hancock College. No charge. Pre-register: 922-6966 ext. 3209.

### Arizona - Nevada

#### TUCSON

Sat., Nov. 6 - Public Meeting, Manzanar National Historic Site Advisory Commission, 1 p.m.; National Park Service, Western Archeological and Conservation Center, 1415 N. Sixth Ave. ■

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## Clinton Meets With Chinese American World War II Veterans

WASHINGTON—President Clinton met with Chinese American veterans of World War II and family representatives on Oct. 25 in the Oval office of the White House. The Chinese Americans were in town for the premiere of the documentary film "We Served With Pride: The Chinese American Experience in WWII," by executive producer and military historian Montgomery Hom.

The president said in a statement that he is "honored to recognize the contributions of Chinese Americans during World War II. This untold story is one of great patriotism and heroism. ... It is intolerable that the patriotism of Asian Americans continues to be questioned, in the light of the recent allegations of espionage at one of our national laboratories. ... The remarkable men and women that I met today are examples of why our diversity is our greatest strength. Today, I honor these Chinese American Veterans of World War II, and their service and steadfast loyalty to this country."

Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA) National President George M. Ong commented, "President Clinton's meeting today with Chinese

American WWII veterans underscores the contributions and sacrifices made by Chinese Americans in the defense and building of America. Finally no longer silent, ignored or forgotten — America proudly proclaims, acknowledges, and remembers its men and women who have served."

I am honored that the president of the United States recognized the Chinese Americans who served in the Chinese American Composite Wing of the 5th Fighter Group in China during WWII," remarked John Chu, captain of the 5th Fighter Group.

"I feel that we Chinese Americans now do not have to be different but can now be part of the mainstream of America. The recognition that President Clinton and this film has provided us has been so important," commented Maggie Gee, U.S. Army Air Force, Women Army Air Force Service Pilots (WASP).

"President Clinton sent a powerful message today that Asian Pacific Americans are loyal Americans. With tremendous contributions that Chinese American veterans have made on behalf of all Americans, no one should ever question which country they were fighting for. I am proud to be able to add to the archives of American history with this film," stated Hom.

The veterans and their representatives who met with the president were John Chu, Dorothy Eng, Ernest K.H. Eng, Tom Eng, Jim Lay Fawn, Edward Fung, Margaret "Maggie" Gee, Kenneth Gong, Danny Kim, Gary Lee, Stanford Lee, Jessie M. Lee Yip, Nancy Lem, Stephanie Leon, John B. Wong, Nicholas Lum Hyland, and Roberta Yee. ■

## 100th/442nd/MIS Memorial Foundation Unveils Education Program Component

By Pacific Citizen Staff

Less than five months after the successful unveiling of its monument, the 100th/442nd/MIS Memorial Foundation launched an education program that will help to ensure the heroic stories of the Japanese American World War II veterans will never be forgotten.

More than 350 people gathered at the Japanese American National Museum on Oct. 26 to witness the launching of the three-tiered education program that includes an oral history program, teacher training workshops, and "When We Were Warriors," a film series by Lane Nishikawa.

Organizers agreed, the main objective of the education program is to ensure that the legacy of the JA vets is passed on to the younger generations.

The education program "is the first step in trying to get the younger generation involved," said Christine Sato, executive director of the foundation and herself a Yonsei. "We're trying to get a lot more Sansei and Yonsei involved and to tell them this is what happened, because we never learned about it in school."

A granddaughter of a 442nd vet, Sato added that for the first time the foundation was able to work closely with some of the sons and daughters of the WWII vets. For many of the vets, talking about their wartime experiences is still a difficult thing to do, but through the foundation the younger generation is able to learn of the heroics of their fathers, uncles, and grandfathers. And thanks to outreach efforts, hundreds of Sansei and Yonsei have now joined in the efforts of the foundation.

The Hanashi Oral History Program is one way the foundation

is passing on the legacy to the younger generations. By videotaping the stories of the JA WWII veterans, the Hanashi Oral History program's goal is to archive the interviews in order to educate future generations.



Colonel Kim

showing teachers how to accurately include lessons on the JA experience in the classrooms. The JACL and JANM are working together with the foundation to carry out the workshops.

"We're providing the teachers with not only the background knowledge but also we give them firsthand knowledge with our panelists who have lived through the experience," said Carol Kawamoto, JACL education committee member.

"The reaction has been really, really positive," added Kawamoto. "It's giving the teachers first-hand knowledge and accurate knowledge of what happened because I know, personally speaking, I did not read a lot of our history in the textbooks."

"When We Were Warriors" is a film trilogy created by actor and filmmaker Lane Nishikawa that tells the JA WWII story by focusing on internment, military service, and their effects on the individuals involved.

"What's great about the education program is that they're going to get the film into the high schools," said Nishikawa. "And

that is something I think is very important because when you look at the schools there's nothing in there about internment, military service of the Japanese men."

He added, "As far as the younger generations, I think the education program is really targeting them because they're going to be the next leaders ... way of preserving the legacy. It is not just about paying tribute, it's about never forgetting."

Ultimately the foundation would like to see the education program incorporated into the existing school system. "Our educational program is selectively designed to get the story into the school system," said Col. Young Oak Kim of the foundation. "Right now we're trying to get it into the school system. Eventually, if we're successful, we'll get it into the textbooks."

And the foundation has the support of Thomas Alvarado, secretary, California Department of Veterans Affairs. Alvarado is supporting the foundation's current request to have Gov. Gray Davis support a budget allocation of \$1.5 million to go towards the education program.

"I think it's important that kids recognize what it is these individuals went through and the heroic activities they performed and the legacy they left behind that most people don't know about today," said Alvarado. "I think the governor would be receptive to that."

With the launching of the education program, the implementation stage now follows.

"Things have just started," said Sato. "We have a long road ahead of us but I think we can accomplish the goal as long as we have the help from the younger generation." ■

## Filipino WWII Vets Continue Struggle

Only 74,000 of the 200,000 Filipino American veterans who fought in World War II are alive today. Many of these veterans are living in low-income housing and are suffering from failing health and sickness. For over 50 years, Filipino American veterans have been denied full recognition for their service and have not received their GI benefits.

On Nov. 11, Veteran's Day, the Justice for Filipino American Veterans (JFAV) committee is organizing a day of demonstration to support the Filipino American WWII veterans' fight for their rights.

The JFAV committee is a group composed of dedicated Filipino American WWII veterans, youth-student organizations and community leaders who are uniting to fight for the rights and recognition of Filipinos who fought valiantly in WWII. As part of their mission and goal, JFAV along with community sponsors are holding the day of demonstration.

The "Broken Promises, Forgotten Soldiers" Rally/March demonstration will kick off with a unity mass at St. Columbian Filipino Church at 9 a.m. Following the mass, a press conference/pro rally will take place at 10:30 a.m. at the People's CORE Building, where refreshments and entertainment will be provided. Concluding the demonstration, a people's march will start from the People's CORE Building to the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) Building from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, contact: Ingrid Gonzales at 310/265-2635 or 310/825-2727; e-mail: igringon@uci.edu.

The sponsors for this event include: People's CORE, United Filipino American Veterans (UFVA), Alyansa Ng Komunidad, Golden Agers of Los Angeles (GALA), Philippine Peasant Support Network (Pasanet), Filipino Christian Church (FCC), Philippine Action Group for the Environment (PAGE), Kababayan Alliance, Kabataan Makabayan (KMB), Bayan International (BAYAN), Foundation Collective, Gabriella L.A., UCLA Samahang Pilipino, CSU Long Beach, PAC, Concerned Asian Pacific Islander Students for Action (CAPISA). ■

By Pacific Citizen Staff and ASSOCIATED PRESS

## □ Road to Be Named After Mother Teresa

CALCUTTA, India—The city of Calcutta will name a road after Mother Teresa to honor the Roman Catholic nun who spent six decades of her life working among the poor of this eastern Indian metropolis, mayor Prasenjit Chatterjee said Oct. 25.

"This is our humble way to pay respect to this great soul who spent all her life for the benefit of the poor," he said. Already Chatterjee mentioned a hospital run by the Municipal Corporation of Calcutta has been named after her.

Mother Teresa came to India as a young nun and founded the Missionaries of Charity order in 1950. Her order spread from Calcutta to a network of about 4,000 monasteries and monasteries, running some 600 schools, clinics, hospitals, orphanages and other projects around the world.

## □ Dissident Complains of Police Harassment

HANOI, Vietnam—A prominent Vietnamese dissident suspected of anti-government activity has demanded that the ban on his travel be lifted and that police stop harassing him and his family in a prolonged interrogation.

Nguyen Thanh Giang, 63, an internationally known geophysicist, was arrested months ago, on March 4, for allegedly possessing anti-communist documents. He had written several articles on party corruption that were circulated on the Internet and published by Vietnamese living in exile.

Just prior to his arrest, arti-

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cles in the government-run press had warned of alleged threats by dissidents and "hostile forces" seeking to force change in the system.

Giang's arrest prompted international criticism from human rights groups, and he was released two months later without charges. A number of veterans within the party itself also publicly criticized political corruption, including Gen. Tran Xao, who was expelled from the party in January.

Giang said that on Oct. 11 police searched his house, confiscated a computer, a photocopier and some documents and he was later summoned for four interrogation sessions in an apparent attempt to find the author of a recent anti-government article. He denied writing it and accused police of trying to set him up. Although they found no evidence of wrongdoing, police refused to return the items.

Giang believes his son recently lost his job at the Petroleum Research Institute in retaliation for his alleged activities.

## □ Trade Minister Praises Asian Values Over American Influence

SINGAPORE—Rekindling a debate on what constitutes "Asian values," a Singapore official on Oct. 20 praised Asian traditions as opposed to American cultural influences.

"If you ask me, do I want my children to grow up to be like Americans, I say no," said George Yeo, Singapore's Minister for Trade and Industry, at a global

economic conference. "If you ask [other Asians], they would also say no."

Yeo said he did not want to denigrate American values.

"Most of us in Asia have deep admiration for American society ... for its innocence, optimism and lack of cynicism," he said. The American dream has become an Asian dream, and there's nothing wrong with that.

But a challenge in becoming an international metropolis in today's globalized economy is whether Singapore can still preserve its own identity. Yeo said, which would mean protecting a culture that scoffs at corruption and embraces hard work, strong families and close networking.

Often drawing criticism from the West for its tight control, former Singapore Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew has championed unique "Asian values" of strong leadership and limited democracy, which he said have fueled the region's boom over the past decades.

## □ AIDS Experts Urge Asia to Control Epidemic

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia—AIDS experts on Oct. 24 called for Asia to act urgently to control the epidemic, saying it threatens millions of lives and a reversal of the region's economic growth.

"We are still at the very beginning of the AIDS/HIV epidemic in the Asia-Pacific," Peter Piot, executive director of the UN AIDS Program, said at the 5th International Congress on AIDS in Asia

and the Pacific. "There's no room for complacency."

In estimated 7 million people are living with HIV or AIDS in the Asia-Pacific region. At the opening of the four-day conference, experts urged the region to learn a lesson from Africa, which has 21 million cases that account for two-thirds of the world's infections.

"What one hopes is that Asian countries won't wait until people start dying in massive numbers before responding with the vigor that is necessary, as has been the case in Africa," Piot said at the conference, which was attended by more than 3,000 scientists, doctors, activists and AIDS sufferers.

## □ Viagra Goes on Sale in South Korea

SEOUL, South Korea—The anti-impotence drug Viagra went on sale for the first time in South Korea on Oct. 18, and several activist groups vowed to launch a campaign against it.

Doctors will prescribe and publish the medical public response to the drug was lacking.

"Quite a few people said about it. But we have said more, probably because it is a prescription drug," said Kim Kwang-il, a pharmacist at Boryong drugstore in Seoul.

South Koreans can buy medicine freely at drugstores without a doctor's prescription. But after months of debate about possible negative effects, the government approved Viagra as a prescription drug.

Government officials estimate that about 2 million Koreans suffer from impotence in a nation of 47 million people. ■

## Japanese American Inducted into Ilwaco High School's Wall of Fame

Richard K. Murakami, class of 1932, was one of three new inductees into Ilwaco High School's Wall of Fame.

More than 400 people attended the Oct. 1 event, which took place at Ilwaco High School, located in southwest Washington. The other two inductees were Douglas R. Ostgaard, class of 1965, and C. Munro Cullum, class of 1977.

The purpose of the Wall of Fame is two-fold: it was set up to recognize outstanding alumni who have made substantial contributions in their chosen field, and to inspire attending students to realize that even graduates from a small high school can aspire to greatness.

Murakami graduated during the depth of the Great Depression but was able to attend the University of Washington for two years before being called home to manage his father's business.

At the outbreak of World War II, Murakami was forced to leave the Eagle Oyster Packing Co. and sell the family's cranberry farm and home for a mere \$10,000.

Following the issuance of Executive Order 9066, the Murakami family was sent to the Tule Lake Relocation Center where Murakami met and married Setsuko of Sacramento.

to. During the course of their 50-year marriage, the couple had four daughters: Cheryl, Adele, Irene and Diana.

Upon Murakami's return to the West Coast after the war, he found his oyster company stocks depleted and his equipment in disrepair. He also found it difficult to hire workers since anti-Japanese senti-



Richard Murakami

ment was still strong. However, local veterans, familiar with the exploits of the 442nd Central Postal Directory, came to Murakami's support and helped him get back on his feet.

When the Coast Oyster Co. offered to buy out the Eagle Oyster Co., Murakami sold out and accepted a job as a manager of the Nahcotta operation. He later became the Coast Oyster Co.'s general manager,

a position he held until his retirement in 1982.

Despite being a lone Japanese American in a largely Caucasian community, Murakami became active in many local organizations.

He served as chairman of the Ocean Park School Board; chairman of the Board of Trustees of Grays Harbor Community College; director of Harbor Community Bank; president of Willapa Harbor Oyster Growers Association; president and secretary-treasurer of the South Bend Kiwanis Club; president of the South Bend Chamber of Commerce; commissioner of the Pacific County Hospital; secretary of the Pacific County Republican Central Committee; treasurer of the Ocean Park Methodist Camp and the South Bend Methodist Church; master and treasurer of Masonic Lodge 48; member of the Scottish Rite and York Rite of Freemasonry; and president of the Willapa Harbor Shrine Club.

Murakami was also a member of the Pacific County Tourism Committee, the Job Training Partnership Act, and was given a District Award of Merit for his service on the Twin Harbors Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. ■

## JACCC Accepting Applications for Fresh Tracks Series

The JACCC is now accepting proposals from Asian Pacific American artists of all levels for consideration in the Fresh Tracks series in Spring 2000.

Each proposal will be reviewed and selections will be made by a panel of local artists, performers, and administrators.

The JACCC Fresh Tracks Series is designed to feature emerging and developing performing artists from the community.

Many new and aspiring artists have often been frustrated with the lack of both venue, audience and funding support. Fresh Tracks is designed to address these obstacles for new artists.

Artists that have performed in the Fresh Tracks series have included Karen Tei Yamashita, David Iwataki, Dan Kwong, Denise Uyehara, Erin O'Brien, Soji Kashiwagi, Paula Weston Solano, Dennis Dun, Jon Shirota and many others.

This year, Fresh Tracks will

open with one night of spoken word and poetry and continue with two nights of performance art, monologues and current works.

The performance dates for the Fresh Tracks 00 will be April 14-16, 2000, at the Union Center for the Arts, David Henry Hwang Theatre.

Artists will be paid an artist's fee. The JACCC will assume the responsibility for producing the show, presenting the work, marketing and promotion. The JACCC will be able to provide rehearsal space on a limited basis.

E-mail application and mail-in attachments to the JACCC by Dec. 1, to <yamami@jacc.org>.

Send completed applications and attachments to Fresh Tracks, c/o JACCC, 244 South San Pedro Street, Suite 505, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

For an application or for more information, contact Bryan Yamami at 213/628-2725 or by e-mail at yamami@jacc.org. ■

## JACL's 36th Nat'l Convention Slated for Monterey, Calif.

The next JACL national convention will be held in Monterey, Calif., from June 27 to July 2. Five JACL chapters — Monterey Peninsula, Salinas Valley, Watsonville, Gilroy and San Benito County — have been working hard for the past 10 months to put together an exciting program of special events and workshops.

The convention planning group recently selected a logo and the theme, *An Endless Wave of Leadership*, for the 2000 convention. The logo was created by graphic designer Jerry Takigawa. A convention highlight will be a welcome mixer at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. An education workshop, under the auspices of the JACL National Education Conference, is being planned to help teachers incorporate the Nikkei experi-

ence into the teaching curriculum. Booster activities include a lunch and tour of Monterey's Defense Language Institute to recognize the accomplishments of the Military Intelligence Service; a golf tournament; visits to Cannery Row, Steinbeck House, Point Lobos, vineyards and shopping sites noted for their architecture, history and uniqueness.

There will also be familiar events: workshops, a candidates' forum as a prelude to the biennial election of national officers, an oratorical contest, district caucus and the traditional Sayonara Banquet.

Officers and staff from national JACL headquarters have attended several planning ses-

sions. Among those who have lent their experience and advice are Helen Kawagoe, JACL president; Floyd Mori, vice president for general operations; Donna Okubo, director of fund development; and John Tateishi, national director.

Most of the planning has been done by a core committee of about 25 members from the five host chapters. Coordinating the committee are Larry Oda, convention committee general chair and president of the Monterey Peninsula chapter; Edith Ichiuji, convention committee co-chair; and Kaz Matsuyama, vice president of the Monterey Peninsula chapter.

If you have ideas or concerns relevant to the 2000 convention, contact: P.O. Box 1996, Monterey, CA 93942-1996.

Local officers and delegates can be contacted by writing to JACL national headquarters at 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA 94115. ■



## Placer County JACL Dedicates Del Oro Tribute Garden

The Placer County JACL recently dedicated the Del Oro Tribute Garden and a plaque in recognition of the contributions made by Americans of Japanese ancestry towards the enrichment of Del Oro High School in Loomis.

Kicked off by a Florin Kodomo

Hokyo Taiko performance, the formal unveiling was led by Placer County JACL co-presidents Bill Tsuji and Thaya Craig, along with Del Oro High School vice principal and guest speaker at the event, Monte White.

White, who called the occasion

a "high point in my career," spoke of the history of the school and of the integral part that Japanese Americans played in its development as a reputable institute for academics, athletics and the arts.

Del Oro High School opened in 1960 after local JA farmers had donated tractors and other equipment to help in its construction. That year, 47 of the 422 students were of Japanese descent. During the 1998 school year, 25 of the 1,470 students had Japanese surnames. Located in the center of campus, the garden was backed by several years of research and planning begun by school officials. Placer County JACL and fund drive chair Gordon Takemoto. Physical labor and financial support was provided by various volunteers, donors and community members. The school gymnasium was also recently named after the late Paul Yokota, who devoted his life to the betterment of Del Oro. His involvement with students and their activities led to an annual scholarship program which gives out \$5,000 to Del Oro graduates each year. ■



From left: Bill Tsuji, Placer County JACL co-president; Maureen Ward, president, Placer Union High School District board of trustees, including Collier and Del Oro; Bob Christensen, principal, Del Oro High School; Monte White, vice principal; Gordon Takemoto, chair, JACL fund drive; Jennie Nitta, JACL supporter; Thaya Craig, JACL co-president.

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## Very Truly Yours

By Harry Honda

## FDR's EO 9066 Stunk Like 'a Dead Cat'

A RECENT call to join the project to publish the history of JACL Redress and the JACL-LEC (Legislative Education Committee) campaign had me revisiting those years when Redress became a major effort in the 1980s. By the way, a college-level text by UCLA scholars appeared this past summer. Co-authored by Mitchell Maki, Harry H.L. Kitano and S. Megan Berthold, their 300-page book, "Achieving the Impossible Dream: How Japanese Americans Obtained Redress" (University of Illinois Press, 1999), is the latest in the field of at least 150 books, journal articles and public documents on the subject.

What I liked about this book is the consistent style: the statement made as an opening line of a paragraph, followed by details in a sentence or two or possibly paragraphs, nourished with bits of history and behind-the-scenes stories. A good example starts on page 134:

"Hirabayashi's Coram Nobis Case — The government pulled out all its trump cards for the Hirabayashi case [the last of the three wartime Japanese cases addressing the error in the trial and Supreme Court rulings]. This reflected the strong sentiment within the Department of Justice and the Reagan administration for assuming a hard line rather than a conciliatory stance toward the petitioner..."

Trial Judge Donald S.

Voorhees heard the case in June 1985. Senese attorney Rodney Kawakami, Seattle, represented Gordon, who this month will have a U.S. Forest Service recreational campground north of Tucson, Ariz., dedicated to him. See P.C. Sept. 10.

Victor Stone, the government attorney fighting the coram nobis cases, posited in the Hirabayashi case that there was no loss of civil rights, the government had ensured they would not prosecute others in the future for a similar offense, and the statute of limitations had run out. The book also reminded that, "No evidence was ever produced indicating that any Japanese Americans were involved in espionage activities." And that the late Ed Ennis (head of the Justice Department's alien enemy control unit after Pearl Harbor) volunteered testimony that Assistant Secretary of War McElroy "intentionally withheld from the Justice Department De Witt's original report on the exclusion.... It was impossible to determine why Japanese Americans were loyal and which were disloyal." (Ennis was JACL counsel in the evacuation claims and Issei naturalization campaigns.)

(Granting the writ of coram nobis for the exclusion charge, Judge Voorhees concluded "withholding of evidence in the original case seriously undermined the ability of Hirabayashi's attorneys to counteract the government's

claim of military necessity in excluding Japanese Americans..."

Now, checking the index for "Buchanan, Patrick," the Washington talk-show panelist running for president again, and not finding him there, a Pat Buchanan op-ed column, "Concentration Camps of FDR's New Deal" (*Washington Times*, March 2, 1983), in our archives sheds an unexpected thought regarding Redress. His column recounts much of what the Nisei generation knows of the past. Such as:

"(1) EO 9066 rounded up 120,000 JAs 'not one of whom had been charged with any crime, were rounded up and trucked off into barbed-wire enclosures in the western United States for the virtual duration of World War II.'"

"(2) Under FDR's 'personal order, these Americans were, most of them, in concentration camps until the 1944 election was safely behind the victorious Democratic Party.' (Only a politically-uptight Nisei would hold this view.)"

"(3) While Secretary of the Navy Knox insisted there was a 'very active fifth column, work going from the shores and from the sampans,' Attorney General Biddle, originally against Evacuation, weakened. Paraphrasing Buchanan here: 'What further need had we of proof....'

But it was not the Japanese (American) citizens in Hawaii, a third of the population who were interned, but Japanese Americans thousands of miles away in

California, where the leading Jap-baiter was a Republican attorney general by name of Earl Warren."

In summation, Buchanan proposed "the beginning of atonement to our fellow citizens locked up in the concentration camps of the New Deal might be to deliver ceremoniously to the Japanese Americans — as a site to memorialize this wretched chapter in the American presidency — the deed to Hyde Park."

No such idea ever crossed JACL's mind back then. But better than a deed to Hyde Park today from the prospect of millions learning about JAs — a bit of valuable federal ground in Washington, D.C., was turned over this past week (Oct. 22) for a monument dedicated to the patriotism

and contribution of JAs during WWII.

About the foul-smelling feline headlined above, Buchanan found that characterization in a review by Murray Kempton of Robert Caro's book, "The Year of Lyndon Johnson: the Path to Power."

Concluded Kempton: "Caro ... in all affection and pity ... has thrown a dead cat into the garden of Franklin D. Roosevelt's centennial." Buchanan adds: "... a congressional commission has credited Dr. New Deal with having approved and presided over the only system of concentration camps for innocent men, women and children ever established on American soil."

Our comment: What hernels the archives can produce. ■

## Dr. Chin Establishes First Endowment for Asian American Women's Studies

In recognition of the extraordinary influence her mother, Rose Eng Chin, and grandmother, Helen Wong Eng, have had on her life, Dr. Lisa Chin established an endowment in their names to support Asian American Women's Studies at UCLA.

Each year, in perpetuity, the faculty of the AA Studies Center will award academic prizes for the best undergraduate paper, master's thesis and doctoral dissertation focusing on the experiences of AA women written by UCLA students. The endowment also will provide grants for research and conference travel for UCLA graduate students who are doing research in AA Women's Studies. It will be the first endowment of its kind in all of American higher education in support of AA Women's Studies.

"I wanted to establish this endowment," said Chin, "because it is through my parents' determination and struggle that I was able to go to college. They were second-generation Chinese Americans who had grown up poor in New York Chinatown, and they wanted us to have the best education possible and the greatest chance to succeed in the world."

"My mother encouraged me to go to graduate school. My mother,

especially, had many struggles to overcome to become the strong, dependable, determined woman she is. She, in turn, is where she is because of my grandmother's sacrifices (raised in China as an orphan by her sister-in-law, and never educated beyond 4th grade, though she did become an independent and successful businesswoman later on.) I am grateful to my mother because she taught me, by example, that a determined woman is a powerful force that is not easily denied. If more students can study these remarkable and determined women who are a part of our daily lives, then we can learn and grow in more and better ways."

Chin, a third-generation Chinese American New Yorker, did her undergraduate studies at Wellesley College in Massachusetts where she majored in political science and art. In 1997, she received her Ph.D. From UCLA in social sciences and comparative education and wrote a path-breaking dissertation titled, "Mothering, Othering: Communicating Success Across Three Generations of Chinese American Women." Chin works for Amazon.com in Seattle, and volunteers with AA and other community groups in the city. ■

## Troubled in Paradise

By Brian Niya

## Saboteurs No More



Back in April, I wrote about an issue which had arisen over the introductory video at the U.S.S. Arizona Memorial. As you may recall, the Honolulu chapter had gotten involved when a woman named Yoshie Tanabe approached us about one of the images in the video.

It is a section of the video which makes the point that General Walter Short seemed to be more concerned about the threat of "5th Column" activity on the part of local Japanese Americans than with the threat of actual attack by the Japanese military.

The point is made with the following narration: "General Short believed however, that the great danger was not air attack but saboteurs, hidden amid Hawaii's large Japanese population."

This narration is augmented by, first, a quick series of shots of Nisei young adults, presumably around Honolulu, going about their daily lives.

Then comes a scene of an older, presumably Issei fellow, with cane knife in hand, peeling from his work to look up from a bluff over at what is presumably an American war ship passing by. The combination of this image with the narration about Short's fears of the JA threat leave the indelible impression that (a) his fears were well founded and (b) such spying and sabotage by JAs actually did take place.

This is the only reference to JAs in the video.

Given that this video is viewed by tens of thousands of visitors to the memorial every year, it's not surprising that objections were raised. In fact it is surprising that no one publicly objected to the video before now.

After a special viewing by members of the Honolulu chapter and other concerned citizens in March, there was a consensus that efforts had to be undertaken to have the video changed. Honolulu chapter president Clayton Ikei wrote a letter to the National Park Service, the agency in charge of the Arizona Memorial, requesting that a copy of the video be provided to the chapter. At the behest of the chapter, letters from Senator Daniel Akaka and Representative Patsy Mink followed expressing concern with the video.

Unfortunately, this first round of inquiry did not yield results. Copies of the video were not forthcoming and NPS officials indicated that the video would not be altered, citing cost considerations.

More discussion followed. Eventually, the chapter acquired a copy of the tape and copies were sent to the national JACL office. All who viewed it reached more or less the same conclusion as to the need for it to be changed.

In addition to the other efforts, a September 22 letter from JACL national director John Tateishi may have done the trick. That letter urged that the video be edited "to eliminate the suggestion of Japanese American culpability in the attack at Pearl Harbor."

Shortly thereafter, the JACL received word that Kathleen Billings, the National Park Service official in charge of the Arizona Memorial, agreed that the offending segment would be cut. The visual image of the cane cutter would be removed, as well as the clause "... hidden amid Hawaii's large Japanese population" in the narration noted above. The change should be made within six months. In the interim, a

slide will be inserted before the video explaining that fears of JA saboteurs as noted in the video proved to be unfounded and that JAs "remained loyal."

Though there are still some problematic aspects to the video — one wishes, for instance, that there was some other mention of Japanese Americans in it — this concession by the Park Service removes the major objection JAs had with the video.

Though I've been critical of JACL in the past — and will no doubt continue to be in the future — the organization remains effective in dealing with these sorts of issues which the vast majority of JAs would agree with. It's national scope and influence with the Asian American congressional delegation makes it a force most would rather reach an agreement with than fight with. That can come in handy sometimes.

Credit too should go to Mrs. Yoshie Tanabe, who stepped forward and made the case that the video needed to be changed. Many others no doubt saw the video and objected to it, but didn't say anything. Mrs. Tanabe's actions spurred the eventual change.

Episodes like this make me wish we could be more effective on other types of issues, issues which are more controversial within the community. But if the recent discussion on draft resisters is any indication, it looks like we'll be too busy fighting each other for that to happen, at least for the time being. In the meantime, we in the hinterlands will keep plugging away in the hope that will change. ■

(Brian Niya is a member of the Honolulu JACL chapter.)

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# National News

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## Police Dept. to Monitor Racial Profiling

EDLICO CITY, Md.—In an attempt to reduce the number of traffic stops based on a motorist's race, Howard County's police officials announced Oct. 20 that the department will track officers' actions to weed out those who use racial profiling.

Police Chief Wayne Livesay said the county will require officers to record the race of people they stop under any circumstances to establish a data base on traffic stops.

Howard County joins departments in California, North Carolina, Connecticut and Massachusetts with the proposed anti-profiling program. While Maryland State Police are required by a court settlement to keep statistics on their traffic stops, few departments in the nation are willing to expose themselves to criticism, law enforcement experts say.

U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno asked police departments in April to corroborate their claims that they do not use profiling by compiling racial data. Police chiefs also met with community leaders in Washington in May to devise new standards for traffic stops.

Black community leaders applauded the county's plans, saying that racial profiling does occur in Howard County. "It has happened," said Rev. John L. Wright, pastor of First Baptist Church in Guilford. "But just like not all crime is reported to the police, all encounters with officers are not reported to police either."

## Hmong Community Holds Anti-Gang Forum

ST. PAUL—Gen. Yang Pao, who once recruited tens of thousands of Hmong soldiers to fight for the United States during the Vietnam War, is now battling gang violence within Minnesota's Hmong community.

In the wake of 20 reported gang-related shootings since late June, Pao attended a town hall meeting on Oct. 17 to urge

an audience of about 300 people to pay more attention to their children's activities, to encourage them to study harder and to make sure they regularly attend school. "The most important thing you can do is to follow the progress of your children," he said.

Pao attributed much of the rise in violence to the reluctance of parents to report their children who may be involved in gangs to police or community organizations.

About 40 Hmong gangs operate in Minnesota, according to authorities. St. Paul police have increased efforts to curtail the violence, and the Minnesota Gang Strike Force has been actively pursuing gang members in the Twin Cities.

Chen Yang Hsu spoke about his 19-year-old son who was shot last month while playing basketball in Maplewood. Charles Xiong of the Lao Family Community Center, which sponsored the anti-gang forum, told how his 16-year-old son was one of two teenagers shot and injured while waiting for a school bus also last month.

"It was important for me to tell what happened to my son, so that people in the Hmong community realize what's going on," said Xiong. "My son was standing at a bus stop trying to go to school. My son is not involved in a gang, but they keep following him. I have no idea why they shot him."

## Court Says Race Not Used in Choosing Jury Forepersons

SAN FRANCISCO—The 36-year absence of Hispanic and Chinese Americans as jurors on a San Francisco criminal grand jury did not result from discrimination, a state appeals court concluded Oct. 19.

Mendes Stanley Brown, convicted of murdering a man during a 1994 burglary, had argued that his conviction should be overturned because the lack of Hispanic and Chinese American representatives tainted the grand jury that indicted him.

The appeals court ruled 3-0 against Brown, who is serving a life sentence, saying there was no evidence that judges used race-based factors in choosing the forepersons. Rather, the court said, judges chose according to leadership and organizational ability.

But the court also said the large local population of Hispanics and Chinese Americans makes it "utterly improbable" that random choice would result in none being chosen to lead any of the 19-member panels.

County grand juries are panels selected by courts to consider criminal charges in a small number of cases, often the most serious. Most charges are filed directly by prosecutors. Counties also have civil grand juries that investigate government programs.

San Francisco grand juries are chosen randomly from voter and motor vehicle lists. The foreperson has the same vote as other members. He or she swears in witnesses, sums up indictments and performs other duties.

## Researchers to Study Tobacco Use Among API Teens

LOS ANGELES—Researchers at the University of Southern California were awarded a \$12.5 million grant to study ways to prevent tobacco use among Asian Pacific Islander and Hispanic teenagers, the university announced Oct. 18.

The money provided by the National Cancer Institute will be used to create a center dedicated to studying ways that culture, immigration and assimilation into U.S. society affects the smoking habits of teens. Researchers also will design and test prevention programs and examine the effects of second-hand smoke on young people.

They will work with students in secondary schools in California, Hawaii and the Central China city of Wuhan.

APIs and Hispanics are expected to make up about 60 percent of California's population by 2025, and will make up 75 percent of the students in public schools.

Investigators already have observed that Vietnamese, Cambodian, Laotian and South Asian immigrants tend to use less tobacco as they assimilate into U.S. society. Chinese and Mexican teens smoke more than in their native countries, researchers said in a news release.

I think that should be recognized.

P.C.: During the late 1970s and early 1980s when the Nikkei community prepared to pursue redress legislation, you played a pivotal role by suggesting the formation of a congressional commission, which, in hindsight, proved to be a crucial element in getting the Civil Liberties Act of 1988 passed. Had a significant number of camp internees resided in camp, could redress have been achieved?

Inouye: If the majority of the Japanese Americans had resisted, no question that redress would have been that much more difficult. The fact that the 442nd had done a good job and shed a lot of blood did make an impression upon members of congress. No question about that.

P.C.: How can the Nikkei community go beyond this animosity and come together?

Inouye: It is up to those in leadership positions to step forward and get the people together. ... I would hope that the Nikkei community would once again embrace each other as brothers and sisters. I believe that those men who stood for their beliefs did so on our behalf.

## Obituaries

All the towns are in California except as noted.

**Adachi, Isami, 85**, survived by brother Shozo Adachi and wife Takeko; sister Ayame Tuga; nieces and nephews.

**Akiyama, Shizuko, 92**, Los Angeles, Oct. 15; Okayama-ken-born; survived by daughters Yaeiko Yonesawa, Miyeko Ishida and husband Noboru, Sachiko Arai and husband Geoffrey; 4 gc, 4 ggc.

**Arakaki, Alvin Hiroshi, 55**, Montebello, Oct. 15; Utah-born; survived by wife May, daughter Akemi; mother Nancy; brother Clifford and wife Takako (Tenn.); sister Esther Taira.

**Eto, Masaji, 83**, San Luis Obispo, Oct. 11; Fukuoka-ken-born retired Los Osos farmer; survived by wife Margaret Etsuko; son Alan and wife Janis; daughters Lois Hatsuoka Hanaki and husband Kenneth, Marilyn Fleisher and husband Steven, Linda Moriguchi and husband Gene; 8 gc, 2 ggc.

**Fujii, Minoru, 67**, Garden Grove, Oct. 14; Hiroshima-born naturalized U.S. citizen; survived by wife Margaret Haruko; mother Kishie (Japan); sisters Atsuko Fujii, Hideko Fukushima and husband Noboru (both Japan); brothers-in-law Ben, Hiroshi Hata and wife Yukie; sisters-in-law Miyuki Nozaki and husband Sumikichi, Mitsue Oda and husband Jim Masami, Sachie Sato and husband Masanori.

**Goshiki, Mack Iwao, 79**, Sacramento, Oct. 1; survived by wife Gerry; daughter Patricia Steffen and husband Bill (Chicago Park); son Rick and wife Leapha (Elk Grove); Wendy Goshiki; 2 gc: brother Wataru and wife Lisa (Livermore); sister Mary Toki and husband Ty (San Francisco); Kikuyu Yamashita (Japan); brothers-in-law Bill Tsuji, Donald Yamabe, Mas Hatano and wife Vi, Billy Hatano and wife Grace; sister-in-law Susie Okamoto and husband Richard (Sacramento).

**Heyamoto, Chiyoiko, 90**, Fresno, Oct. 12; Clovis-born JACLer; survived by son Norman; sister Lillian Nakasari.

**Iwamoto, Shigeru G., 80**, Seattle, Aug. 23; Nisei veteran; survived by wife Kim and sons Richard S. and Gary D. (all Seattle).

**Kawakami, Toshio, 77**, Seattle, Sept. 5; Seattle-born Minidoka internee, WWII MIS veteran; survived by wife Maxine; daughter Wendy K. Ding and husband Timothy (Renton); son Wayne B. (Seattle); 3 gc; brother Jake; sister Yuki Sato.

**Keast, Teeko, 63**, Corte Madera, Oct. 9; survived by husband Charles; sons Duke, Paul and wife Rumi; daughter Ariane Keast; sisters Nobuko Yoshizawa, Hiroko Matsuda; 1 gc.

**Kishibe, Susumu, 78**, Los Angeles, Oct. 7; survived by sons Bruce and wife Mariko, Charles; 2 gc; brothers George and wife Toshie, Minoru and wife Molly; sisters Carol Tumanaha and husband Bill, Jean Matsuda and husband Don.

**Kitahayashi, George L., 76**, Los Angeles, Oct. 5; Los Angeles-born resident of Monroe, N.C.; survived by sister Takako Nishizawa and husband Fred; brothers Jimmie and wife Setsuko, Shiro and wife Mary.

**Leung, Peter, 59**, Sacramento, Aug. 26; Hong Kong native; lecturer in Asian American Studies at UC Davis; horticulturist, researcher, author of "One Day, One Dollar: The Chinese Farming Experience in the Sacramento Delta"; survived by wife Eileen Chong; sons Timothy (Berkeley), daughter Tarika (Davis); brother Paul (Bayside, N.Y.); Thomas (Hong Kong), Jackson (Davis); sisters Lily Chan (Sacramento), Ching Yee Chin (New York City).

**Ling, Dr. Amy, 63**, Madison,

Wis., Aug. 21; Beijing, China-born dedicated pioneer in Asian American studies with an international reputation; author of "Yellow Light: The Flowering of Asian American Arts," among numerous other books; survived by husband Gelesten Hinds Jr.; son Arthur Ling Hinds; daughter Catherine Ling Hinds.

**Masaki, Percy T., 89**, Sacramento, Aug. 12; Tule Lake internee, devoted JACLer and community volunteer; survived by wife Gladys; son Dr. Setsuo Masaki and wife Karen; 5 gc, 5 ggc.

**Miura, Ayako, 77**, Sapporo, Japan, Oct. 12; best-selling post-war novelist, winner of Asahi Shimbun novel competition; a museum was opened in her honor in her native Asahikawa; survived by husband Mitsuyo.

**Nakano, Dennis M., 58**, St. Louis, Oct. 8; survived by father Sam; sister Nikki Nakano Hara and husband John; predeceased by mother Mary.

**Shimizu, Hide Hyodo, 91**, Toronto, Aug. 22; Vancouver, Canada-born, one of the first Japanese Canadians to hold a teacher's certificate; member of the 1936 unsuccessful Ottawa Delegation to petition the Canadian government for the right to vote in British Columbia; was allowed to visit the WWII Canadian detention camps to train teachers; lobbied for Canadian Redress in 1988; was awarded the Order of Canada in 1982.

**Waki, Toshiko, 96**, Los Angeles, Oct. 9; Okayama-ken-born; survived by son Yasushi Waki; daughter Mary Nakata and husband Joe (Fresno); 5 gc, 4 ggc; brother Takeo Ishihara (Japan).

**Wing, Donald, 76**, San Francisco, Sept. 28; survived by sisters Darlene Wong, Bettie Cunningham; brother George Wing.

**Yamamoto, Matsuyo Omori, 90**, Japan, Aug. 10; Washington State University-educated pioneer in home economics extension work; developed a new system for homemaking education; member of Japan's Ministry of Education; member of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations supervising homemaking education in Asia, South Pacific and parts of Africa;

**Yamasaki, Sarah Hiromi, 56**, South San Gabriel, Oct. 8; Cila, Ariz.-born; survived by husband George; mother Kaneko Nakanishi; brother Robert Nakanishi.

**Yamazaki, Edith Yoshimi, 76**, Tracy, Oct. 8; survived by husband Stanley; sons Gaylen Naoya, Myron; Selya; daughter Mindy Miya; brothers Sam and wife Kiyoko Umemoto (Los Angeles), Hank Umemoto; brother-in-law Kezuo Yamazaki.

## INOUE

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some sort of leadership of the senior officers, the regiment received invitations from Rohwer and Jerome, the two internment camps in Arkansas.

You must keep in mind that all of us from Hawaii, almost without exception, had absolutely no idea about the existence of these camps. We just assumed these fellows from the mainland came from Washington, Oregon, California and places like that.

When the invitations were received by the regiment, each company was invited to send 10 men to spend a weekend in one of the two camps. By coincidence, the only ones who were selected were men from Hawaii. I was one of those selected by the company, by the commander in E Company. I was then a corporal.

We all, on that appointed day, got ourselves cleaned up, took our uniforms and got on the trucks to head off to Rohwer. I was in the Rohwer group.


What we saw just horrified us. We saw a camp like a military camp with barracks with high barbed wires and then realized the United States government

had set up these camps and placed Japanese Americans and their parents into these camps.

The thing that struck us was the realization that the men in the regiment, the men from the mainland, for the most part, had volunteered from behind barbed wire encampments such as this and that they had, notwithstanding the fact that this country had placed them without any cause into these camps, had stepped forward to volunteer. They had placed themselves in harm's way.

Many of us have asked ourselves the question: Would I have volunteered if I were in one of those camps? I must say honestly that I don't know what my response would be. I might have been one of those who would have resisted. I don't know. I might have volunteered. I was a young boy at the time. It's not a question that can be too readily answered at this time in history.


I would like to say that yes I would have volunteered, but I take my hat off to the mainlanders who stood up, notwithstanding this incarceration, and volunteered. I also take my hat off to those who stood up and spoke up against the government for doing this unconstitutional act. Both decisions took great courage, and



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## SMILING

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California, where Tanaka grew up, the issues that are brought up speak to a larger shared Sansei experience.

To understand the Sansei, Tanaka first examines her parents, the Nisei. Like others, Tanaka's parents were uprooted by the mass incarceration into concentration camps by the United States government during World War II. The impact of the camps and the Nisei legacy emerges as one Sansei after another discusses the enormous pressure placed upon them to do well academically, a marker of "having made it."

This Nisei expectation for their Sansei children to become "super achievers" may be traced back to camp where many Nisei were forced to become "super patriots" in an effort to assimilate into white society and prove, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that they were loyal Americans as any Caucasian.

All this took a toll on the Nikkei community. Tanaka's sister shared how she tried to live up to the model minority myth by getting straight-A's and ultimately marrying a Sansei dentist. By all accounts, Tanaka thought her sister was living the "perfect" Sansei life. But her sister, struggling with ethnic identity problems and alienation, ended up divorcing and remarrying a Caucasian doctor, thus becoming a part of the growing trend of Sansei to marry "out" of their race — another camp legacy.

Other Sansei, rather than become "super achievers" like Tanaka's sister, went the other direction. Several speakers shared about how joining Sansei gangs was their way of asserting ethnic pride by doing away with any pretense of wanting to fit into an unwelcoming white society. One speaker went so far as to refer to these gangs as his "role model." This occurred in the context of the civil rights movement where the Black Panthers and the Brown Berets were asserting ethnic identity and power. But just as the camp dissidents became pariahs of the Nisei community, so too did the Sansei delinquents, whose very history has been virtually unrecorded.

In the midst of all this raged the Vietnam War. One speaker was beaten up and spent two weeks in a hospital after being mistaken for a "gook." Others served in the U.S. military and experienced discrimination in the Army. All this added fuel to the idea that Japanese Americans were still viewed as foreigners.

At the same time, while the Sansei struggled with reclaiming their ethnic identity, Tanaka notes that many Nisei, like her parents, were dealing with their own personal problems. Forced to make critical life decisions before they were ready, Tanaka shares about her parents' crumbling marriage. Her father, who gave up a promising career as a boxer, turns to alcohol and passes away at a young age. He becomes among the 40 percent of Nisei men who never reached the age of 60, a statistic cited by Tanaka. Tanaka's mother, on the other hand, falls into deep depression and drowns herself in medication such as valium.

As a result, the Nisei dealt with the rising Sansei drug and gang problem much the same

way they dealt with the camp experience: through denial and silence. Tanaka points out that even Sansei obituaries were masked in half-truths to deny the existence of drug overdoses and suicides. Many of these obituaries simply stated that the deceased "died suddenly" or had a mysterious "heart problem."

No doubt Sansei living in Los Angeles will readily identify with the issues raised in the movie. Many will probably relate to the Sansei gangs; the prevalence of Reds, the drug of choice among

the Vietnam War, the Watts riot, Sansei drug and gang problems, Sansei suicides, academic pressures, rise in Sansei "out" marriages, the model minority myth, etc. — the movie sometimes seems to lose focus.

Another problem with the movie is listening to unidentified Nikkei, which the viewer is left to assume are all Sansei who have overcome their drug and/or gang problems and are now successful citizens in society. The viewer is even left to assume that one of the speakers is Tanaka's sister.

undergoing similar struggles.

Tanaka also touches upon but does not elaborate on the Sansei movement to overcome the drug and gang problems. Although she interviews Marilyn Quon from Asian Big Sisters, another speaker refers to Yellow Brotherhood, Asian Hardcore and AADAP (Asian American Drug Abuse Program). Unless the viewer is familiar with these Los Angeles-specific groups, they may not understand and appreciate just how many lives were turned around by these community people turned social workers, some of whom were former gang members.

To give the movie more balance, interviews with Nisei might also have been considered. As it stands, the viewer gets a Sansei perspective, and the Nisei parents are not allowed to defend or share their reasons for taking the course that they did.

On the other hand, what Tanaka attempts to do in a short amount of time certainly should be commended. To digest and understand the enormous amount of information thrown at the viewer, it is recommended that this movie be viewed more than once. The message will become clearer after multiple viewings. ■



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"When You're Smiling" — Sansei death certificate, barbiturate overdose, September, 1972.

L.A. Sansei; obituaries of youths that appeared in the local daily newspaper, the *Rafu Shimpo*; and the rise of self-help groups such as Yellow Brotherhood and Asian Big Sisters.

On the other hand, to those outside the Los Angeles Nikkei community and to the Yonsei, Gosei and even the Nisei generation, all this may be new territory which might need a little more elaboration. And because Tanaka attempts to pack in a lot of information — camp, resettlement,

While it is obvious who Tanaka's sister is, these guessing games detract from the message that the speakers are expressing.

If the viewer was given a context of who these unidentified speakers were, it might have been inspirational to see just how far these assumed Sansei have come in life, particularly since Tanaka was able to interview such people as June Okita Karamoto of the jazz/fusion band Hiroshima. By sharing their stories, these people have great potential to be role models for the younger generation who may be

"When You're Smiling," a production by Visual Communication (VC), will hold its world premiere on Saturday, Nov. 13, from 7:30 p.m. at the Union Center for the Arts in Los Angeles' Little Tokyo. Tanaka will be available to answer questions, and a reception will follow. The event is co-sponsored by VC and the Japanese American National Museum.

Tickets are \$20 general admission; \$15 for Friends of VC members. Proceeds will benefit VC programs and to help defray the final post-production costs of the movie. For tickets or more information, call 213/680-4462 ext. 58, or visit the Website at <http://vc.com.apanet.org>.

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